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CHRISTMAS IN JUNE - The Optimist Club of Uxbridge spread some Christmas cheer over the weekend, donating the proceeds from their 2021 Fantasy of Lights to no fewer than five groups: Precious Minds, \$5,000; Uxbridge Youth Centre, \$10,000; Uxbridge Lions, \$20,000; 1st Uxbridge Scouts, \$10,000 and Uxbridge Secondary School, \$15,000. *Photos by John Cavers*

New playground could affect old trees

by Roger Varley

A virtual open house held last Wednesday to disclose planned improvements for Elgin Park was told there is a possibility the construction of a proposed fully accessible playground could result in the loss of two mature maple trees.

The proposed playground would be situated between the cinder-block washroom building and the baseball diamond, site of a current playground. Two large maple trees sit at the edge of the current playground.

During a presentation by playground design company Landscape Planning, attendees were

told: "We'll do our best to maintain the trees." They added that the trees would not come down as part of the playground's construction.

In answer to questions from the Cosmos, however, recreational director Amanda Ferraro admitted that the playground could affect the root system of the trees over time. She said the planners "are going to try their best to keep the trees. That's the best promise I can make." Asked directly if there is a possibility the trees could come down, she answered: "Yup."

Landscape Planning said "the long-term impact on the root system could have an effect on the vigor of the trees."

The proposed playground is being called a universal playground, in that it will be open to all ages and abilities. There are to be no steps or curbs to impede wheelchair access and the entire playground area would be carpeted with a combination of artificial turf and rubberized compounds. Other features would include a musical keyboard and a sand area, as well as sand tables. However, some participants in the open house questioned what they claimed was a scale-back on the number of special slides and swings they were looking for.

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Council & Committee Meetings

Meeting Schedule for June, 2022

Thursday June 16
TRAILS COMMITTEE, 9:00 a.m.

Monday, June 20
COMMITTEE MEETING, 10:00 a.m.
PUBLIC MEETING RE:
DEVELOPMENT CHARGES, 11:30 a.m.

Monday, June 27
COUNCIL MEETING, 10:00 a.m.

Monday, July 11
COUNCIL MEETING, 10:00 a.m.

Proclamations for the Month of June

2022 – Year of the Garden
Garden Day – June 18, 2022
Seniors Month
Pride Month
Bike Month
Indigenous History Month

Employment Opportunities

Complete details and qualifications required for these positions are available at <https://www.uxbridge.ca/careers/>

Current Opportunities

**Payroll Administrator and
Accounting Analyst**
Closes June 25, 2022
Uxpool - Lifeguards
Closing Date Extended

Summer Opportunities

**Uxbridge Public Library – Children's
Summer Program Summer Student**
Closes June 24, 2022
**Parks Department – Attendant, Unskilled,
Contract, Union**
Closes July 1, 2022

Board and Committee Appointment Opportunities

2022 Santa Claus Parade Committee
Closing Date Extended

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Road Closures

- Victoria Dr. from Brock St. W. to Mechanic St. will experience lane restrictions June 15 and June 16, 2022
- Elgin Park Dr. will experience lane restrictions from Toronto St. S. to Confederation Dr., May 16 to June 24, 2022
- York/Durham Regional Rd. 30 will be closed from Wagg Road to Aurora Road, May 16 - August 19, 2022
- Reach St. from Lake Ridge/Reg. Rd. 23 to 39m East of Medd Road in the Township of Scugog will have lane restrictions between May 16 and August 19
- York/Durham Line (Reg. Rd. 30) will be closed from north of Durham Reg. Rd. 39/Queensville Sideroad to south of Holborn Rd., East Gwillimbury for bridge repairs.

Bids & Tenders

All current bid opportunities are posted to Uxbridge.ca/bids and tenders

- U22-23 – 3.0 Cubic Yard Loader – Closes June 30, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

All bids must be received by the Township by the deadline stated, either electronically via the Township's website or in-person at the Township Office located at 51 Toronto St. South. Public tender bid results are posted at uxbridge.ca/bids and tenders.



From The Tax Office

2022 Final Property Tax Bills for residential, managed forest and farmland properties were mailed May 31, 2022. Payments for these bills are due on the following dates:

FIRST Tax Installment is due on June 28, 2022.

SECOND Tax Installment is due on September 27, 2022.

2022 Final Property Tax bills for Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Residential properties were mailed June 7th, 2022. Payments for these bills are due on the following dates:

FIRST Tax Installment is due on July 15, 2022.

SECOND Tax Installment is due on September 27, 2022.

Tax Payments Options:

- Township Municipal Office – during office hours (8:30 to 4:30), we accept cash, cheque, and direct debit. An after-hours Drop Box is located at the front of the Municipal Office in the parking lot. – DO NOT DEPOSIT CASH
- Credit cards and e-transfers are not accepted as payment for property taxes.
- By Mail - Payments must reach the Municipal Office by the due date. Post-dated cheques are accepted.
- Internet or Telephone Banking or at most Financial Institutions.

Penalty/Interest Charges:

For non-payment of a tax levy on or before the respective due dates of each installment, an interest penalty of 1.25% shall be imposed on the first day of each calendar month and thereafter in which the default continues. Failure to receive a Tax Bill does not excuse the taxpayer from responsibility for payment of taxes nor liability of any penalty or interest due to late payments.

The penalty interest charges cannot be waived or reduced by the Tax Department or Council for any reason.

PLEASE RETAIN YOUR 2022 FINAL TAX BILL FOR INCOME TAX PURPOSES. If a reprinted tax bill, receipt or Statement of Account is required for any year's taxes, a fee of \$15.00 will apply.

If you did not receive your 2022 Final Tax Bill, please contact the Tax Department at 905-852-9181 or tax@uxbridge.ca

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Uxbridge at a Glance continued

Municipal Storm Update

What are key resources for Residents?

- For urgent needs regarding housing, food or personal services, please contact Durham Social Services at 905-666-6239 ext. 1751 or email ess@durham.ca
- Durham Region Social Services office is open two days a week at 2 Campbell Dr., Uxbridge from 8:30-4:30pm. Drop-in appointments are welcome.
- Team Rubicon Canada is volunteer-based disaster response organization providing assistance in Uxbridge to residents at no cost. Teams will help with minor repairs and tree and debris clean-up. Residents can call 647-469-8659 or email request_assistance@teamrubicon.ca to speak to a team member. For more information on Team Rubicon Canada visit www.Team-Rubicon.ca
- Residents who have been displaced from their apartment must work with the landlord/property manager to arrange to remove their personal belongings.
- If you wish to have a building inspected for safety please call the Chief Building Official at 905-852-9181 ext 403 or email inspections@uxbridge.ca

Waste Disposal

- The Township is no longer removing large branches and tree trunks from the curb. Responsibility for disposal of tree debris has reverted back to the property owner. Please note that Durham Region Waste transfer facilities are no longer accepting yard waste at their facilities.
- The Region of Durham will accept bundled tree branches and bagged tree debris as part of their regular yard waste pick-up.
- The Arena is no longer accepting chipped wood drop-off.

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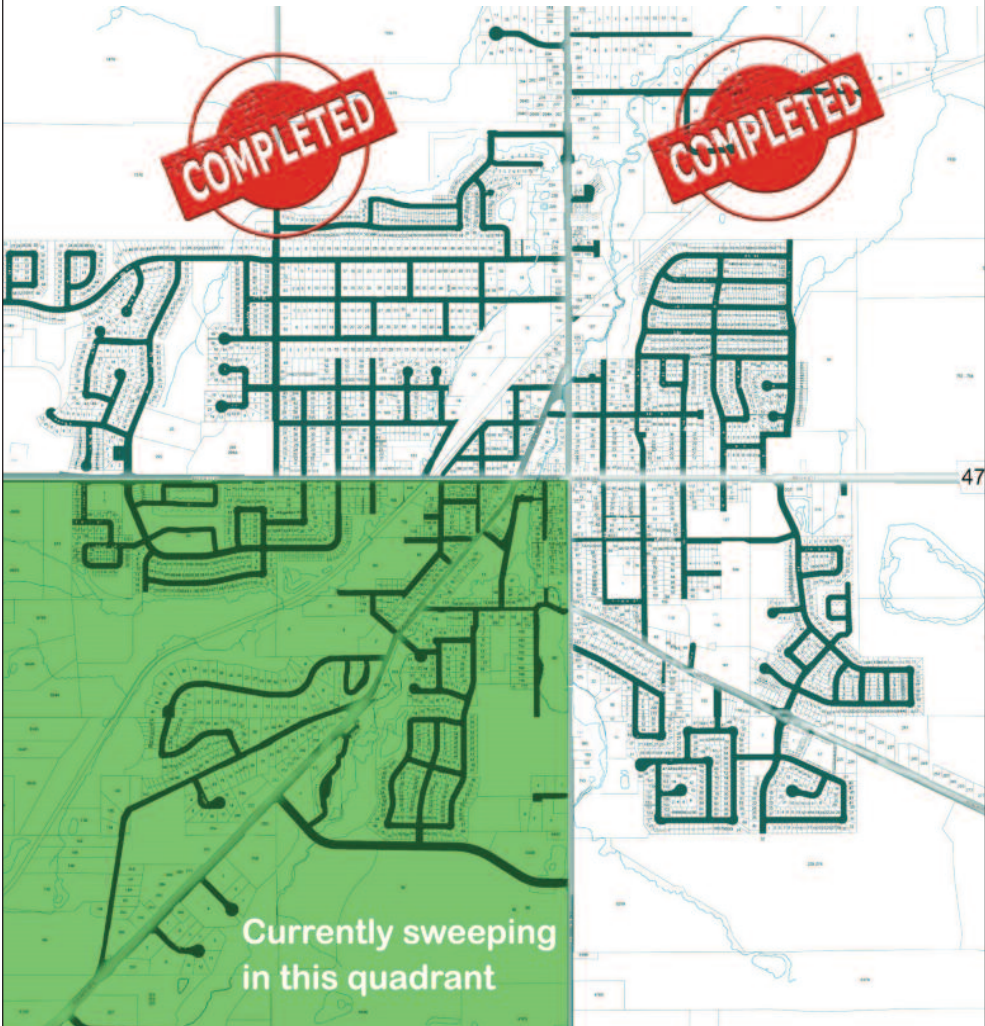
- The Fire ban has been lifted and residents can now apply for fire permits online at www.uxbridge.ca/en/living-here/open-air-burning-permits.aspx. Permits are required for all open air burns.

How Can You Help?

- Those wishing to make financial donations towards a Relief Fund can do so via the Rotary Club of Uxbridge Charitable Foundation or can contact uxbridgerotaryfoundation@gmail.com. Donations can also be made to the Uxbridge Loaves and Fishes Foodbank or the Uxbridge Salvation Army.

Street Sweeping Schedule

Please rake sand into gutter for removal.
Missed areas will be revisited once all zones are complete.



Tornado researchers want local stories



Investigating Public Experiences with Tornadoes (IPET) in Ontario is a research program comprised of a small group of social scientists from York University. We are committed to learning how people experience severe and extreme winds in order to enhance how weather and safety communication, and to assisting the Northern Tornadoes Project (NTP) as they work toward better detecting tornado occurrence throughout Canada, improving severe and extreme weather understanding, and reducing harm to people and property.

IPET is led by Dr. Jennifer Spinney, Assistant Professor in Disaster & Emergency Management at York U. IPET is financially supported by the Northern Tornadoes Project at Western University and has received ethics clearance through a York University Research Ethics Committee (Certificate #: 2022-194).

The IPET Ontario research team is currently investigating how people experienced the May 21 storm in Uxbridge, Ontario. Uxbridge was identified by NTP as one of the hardest hit communities and for this reason NTP requested that IPET reach out to Uxbridge residents to learn more about their experiences. Our research team was in the community last Friday, June 10th and are very grateful for the willingness of people who shared their perspectives with us so far.

Over the next two (2) weeks, we are hoping to speak with about 35 more Uxbridge residents (18+) who were home during the storm and experienced impacts

We are particularly interested in learning from residents:

- with differing needs and abilities (visually-impaired, hearing-impaired, mobility-impaired or neurodivergent); and
- people who are displaced as a result of the storm

Speaking with us means a 10-15 minute phone call or Zoom call with the students on our team, Jonathan or Aparna.

To give you an idea, we are asking questions such as:

- Did you know that severe winds/high winds were forecasted?
- When did you learn about the possibility of a bad storm?
- What did you expect might happen?
- Have you ever experienced a bad wind storm before?
- How did you respond during the situation?
- What kinds of impacts did you experience?
- Is there anything you think could be done to prepare better for the next storm, by you or others?

After speaking with us, our team will begin to compile perspectives. We will then produce a report for NTP based on the experiences shared by Uxbridge residents. This report will also be shared with project participants who wish to receive a copy.

We are hopeful that more residents will be willing to share their experiences with our team and work with us toward improving weather preparedness and communication for the safety of Uxbridge residents and others across the province.

If you would like to get involved, please reach out to us at ipetontario@gmail.com

If you would like to follow IPET and stay apprised of project updates, follow our research team on Twitter at [@ipetontario](https://twitter.com/ipetontario)

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Sandford Cemetery Decoration Day

Sunday, June 26, 2022

Service to be held at Sandford United Church
at 2:00 p.m.

Guest Pastor: Jim Hackner

Our two cents

What's in a name?

By the time you read this, we could well be into the first official heatwave of the summer. And from the sounds of it, it certainly won't be the last, or even one of a few - this summer is supposed to be peppered with them quite liberally.

On Tuesday morning, we heard on the radio that some consideration is being given to naming heatwaves, much like hurricanes and such are now. The reasoning - so that more people take proper heed of the seriousness of such heatwaves.

Hm. Let's have a little think on this for a second. Does naming something automatically give it weight? Seriousness? Gravity? Meaning? We may not know the name of the eccentrically dressed, obviously joy-filled woman who passes our office window every day around 11 a.m., but her presence affects us - it makes us smile and enjoy life through her eyes for a moment. We may not know the name of the homeless man whom we pass on the street on the way to our downtown amusements, but his presence affects us, provokes an emotion in us. A name is not needed to be noticed.

If we start naming heatwaves, should we name snowstorms too? Heaven knows they should be taken seriously - we may suppose even more seriously than heatwaves. "Snowstorm Sonny is bearing down on us, folks, better stay home and batten down those hatches!" We don't know about you, but that doesn't inspire us to stock up on candles and fresh water any faster than we would have otherwise.

If heatwaves and snowstorms and every other major weather event that comes along start getting names, it's going get crazy. We know there are many, many parents out there who have trouble keeping the names of their various children straight - "Peter! I mean Karen! I mean Piper! Oh, you know - you! With the face!" You know who you are. Start popping in Heat-wave Heather and Rainstorm Rocky and it'll be a world of confusion. Finally, there exists the possibility that, due to climate change and the frequency of extreme weather events, we'll blow through a baby name book in a year. Let's keep it simple, pay attention to the weather, and leave the name game to new parents.

When one of these disappears, A LOT disappears.

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Letters to the Editor

Crows are very intelligent birds and have a great memory.

While driving down Young Street, I noticed that many residents do not use the green bins, and I'm sure this is not the only street. The crows are having a field day pecking at the garbage bags and making a mess.

Don't get me wrong, I love birds, but I find that not using a green bin is very irresponsible. The Township have them available at a very low cost.

So do your part and keep our beautiful town clean.

*Christiana Carter
Uxbridge*

It's great to see the full page ads that occasionally grace the back of the *Cosmos* from the federal Dept. of Immigration, Refugees & Citizenship Canada extolling the inclusive community of Durham: "We all belong in Durham - Join us in building an inclusive community where everyone feels welcomed and that they belong."

I'm fully aware that while positive campaigns by levels of government make great strides in raising awareness of the need for promoting inclusivity and combatting racism in our communities, this campaign only really works when it's addressed in open, public forums and discussions. Unfortunately, confronting racism directly on the street can be unpredictable and can lead to violence.

When making my way along

Brock St. to do some shopping recently, I heard a commotion between what I initially thought was a disagreement between construction workers. As I got closer, I realized that one of the workers was having a conversation on their cellphone in Spanish. Another person had just gotten out of his truck and heard the construction worker's Spanish conversation and immediately became incensed. He shouted at the Spanish speaker to "shut-up and stop your gibberish!" When he had passed the Spanish speaker he shouted - "Show some respect!"

It took me a moment to process what exactly was going on as I stood there in shock with my mouth open, staring in disbelief at this blatant display of racism. The perpetrator glanced at me as he stepped onto the threshold he was entering, caught my vibe and tripped on the step as he hurried inside.

A younger self may have followed him inside to confront him, but being 40 years older and about 100 lbs. lighter, I decided it was perhaps not a wise decision but I still don't feel good about it.

My point is, besides the good intentions of government programs and advertising promoting inclusivity and combatting racism, racism, is, sadly still endemic in our society.

It takes direct community action and workplace education to combat this insidious and pernicious societal corrosion.

No amount of logic or reasoned argument will convince people who so resent the expression of other languages and cultures in a shared public space that they are unable to make any distinction between public and private space. A racist's operating ethos is based on a purely emotional sense of exclusive ownership and entitlement that denigrates the other and disallows them from any form of membership or shared community of values.

The problem, of course, stems from a profound lack of empathy and total ignorance of shared values and human experience. This is where the crucial need for education and discussion of these values come in - whether at the water cooler, classroom, bar or playing field, clearly we have a lot of work to do to combat the online racist echo chambers.

The event I witnessed is not unique. Someone needs to educate this person on the dynamics of "respect". You certainly don't earn it by being disrespectful to one of the largest native speaking cultures on the planet. If you feel so incensed about sharing space with foreign language speakers, it's long overdue that you move outside your bubble and realize you do not have a personal, exclusive right to control the cultural expression of others, but you do have the right to celebrate their diversity and richness.

*Kevin Harper
Uxbridge*



Am I Wrong?

column by Roger Varley

The privatization of policing?

On Monday, Uxbridge council passed a by-law which, in my opinion, does nothing to benefit the residents of the township but certainly does enhance the bottom line of a private security company.

The by-law appointed four employees of Synergy Protection Group as "Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for Enforcement of Private Property Parking." As such, these four security guards are now empowered to issue municipal parking tickets to errant motorists in a small condominium development at the south end of Cemetery Road. Without that power, the private security company would have no purpose other than to drive through the enclave once in a while. By being given the authority to issue tickets, it justifies their existence and, by extension, the contract the company has with the condominium board.

The argument given by council and township staff is that the township's regular by-law officers can't patrol the enclave 24 hours a day to check for illegal parking and it is not unusual for such arrangements to be made to cover private property. But it leads to a paradox: regular township by-law officers can enforce some municipal by-laws on such property, but not others. For example, they can go onto this condominium property to give tickets to cars contravening a municipal by-law by blocking the fire route, but they would need permission to enter the property to give out tickets to people contravening a municipal by-law by illegally parking in the visitors' spaces.

Clerk Debbie Leroux says all township employees must adhere to the township's employee code of conduct. Yet, although they now have municipal authorization, the four security guards are not considered employees of the township. So, if someone has a problem with one of these security guards, can one complain to the township?

Chief bylaw officer Kristina Bergeron says the four security guards will not be required to take an "oath of office," but they are required to sign a declaration stating that they understand the authority that has been given to them.

Now that this by-law has passed despite my protestations - (I had long talks with both Mayor Dave Barton and Councillor Bruce

Garrod about my concerns with the by-law) - council will have no option but to pass similar by-laws when security companies come a-knocking for the same authority at five other condominium developments which are currently under construction in the town. That means there could be at least six special little enclaves with their own little police forces offering residents nothing more than an occasional drive-through and the ability to write parking tickets, all while enhancing the security company's bottom line.

No other neighbourhoods receive this special treatment. If residents in Barton Farms or Coral Creek or Quaker Village have problems with illegal parking, they either have to wait for a by-law officer to come by or call in a complaint. But those residents would not be allowed to hire a security company to handle the job, even though our own by-law department, by its own admission, cannot provide 24-hour patrols.

So, what does the fact that these small enclaves have their own separate layer of enforcement say to the township's commitment to the idea of inclusiveness. As was stated in George Orwell's *Animal Farm*, "all animals are equal, but some are more equal than others."

I talked to a homeowner in the development Monday morning. He told me that, in the 18 months he has lived there, he has never yet seen the security company patrol the property, but he pays around \$150 for the "service."

We now have squads of security guards at Markham Stouffville Hospital and we even have security guards at the Uxbridge Hospital. When the vaccination clinics were held at the arena, private security guards were on hand. When attendance at the Uxbridge Bruins games was strictly limited, private security guards were at the entrance to check IDs and vaccination proofs. We see security guards at the Fall Fair and other events in Elgin Park. And on Monday morning, during a deputation about the upcoming Springtide Festival, Tania Joy told council security guards will be on hand.

It seems to me we're racing downhill to the privatization of policing.

Tell me, am I wrong?



The Barris Beat

column by Ted Barris

Only as strong as the weakest link

In our quest for some normalcy around the house, my wife and I are still trying to sort and reorganize stuff after the windstorm on May 21. As a consequence, our back porch (whose screened-in space we normally enjoy on summer evenings) has become a repository for salvage from the garage, tool shed and dishevelled yard. The other day, for example, I came across a bunch of short 2X4s with tool holders attached. They'd bounced loose when the garage was crushed. So, I began prying the holders from the wood.

"If I salvage the tool holders now, I won't have to track them down when we restore the garage at some point," I thought. "Who knows whether they'll even be available down the road?"

As I detached the hooks and holders from the wood, I worried maybe I was showing signs of becoming a hoarder. In truth, I could probably buy replacement hooks later, but again what if I eventually go to a hardware store and they just don't have them in stock when I want them? I began thinking about the implications of my reaction. It's pretty clear that a combination of the pandemic and the storm (not to mention the regular ebb and flow of supply and demand in inflationary times) has further damaged what business experts refer to as "the supply chain."

I guess the first indications of trouble go all the way back to March 2020 when North Americans raced to buy bottled water and toilet tissue. A lot of us wondered what that meant. Then, I read what economists had to say about such a response. Panic buying, they said, is fairly normal in times of crisis. But in the case of the COVID pandemic, in fact, people did *not* spend the way they normally did. Consumers suddenly had savings they hadn't spent, and businesses had inventory they hadn't sold, which wholesalers and retailers promptly dumped. Then, when authorities began to reopen the marketplace, there was all this buying power and no stock. And that drove up appetite and prices.

Thus, for example, car sales - if a buyer can actually find one either used or new - have risen to their highest level in 15 years. High demand and limited supply have created shortages and widespread supply-chain disruptions. In the U.S., for example, in February 2020 retailers had about 43 days of inventory on hand; two years into the pan-

demic they have just 33 days. Meanwhile, new-home sales are at their highest level in 14 years. As a result, contractors are reporting incredible shortages of vital building materials - drywall, roofing and framing lumber.

It's just a microcosm of the problem, but like many amateur gardeners in town, before the tornado I'd purchased some lumber - a handful of 2X6s and 4X4s - to build raised beds in our backyard; they cost nearly \$200. Apparently, in the housebuilding game, higher-priced materials have contractors delaying new construction, which reduces the supply, which increases the price. Presto. Inflation is now at a 31-year high of 6.8 per cent. And in turn, the Bank of Canada has raised interest rates to 1.5 per cent, and may again. Rising interest rates are supposed to encourage saving and curb borrowing. But if rates rise again, Manulife Bank of Canada says, as many as one in four homeowners would have to sell their home. Mortgage payments would be that prohibitive.

"Some Canadians made decisions to take their mortgages out based on what they could be approved for," Manulife said. "They didn't get the advice to say, 'I know I can get approved for a mortgage at this level, but can I actually afford it?'"

Did I fail to mention the alleged reduced supply and rising price of fuel? Whether Russian President Vladimir Putin is to blame for this delivery-system mess or not, his war in Ukraine at least psychologically has disrupted the supply certainly for European countries, and North American oil corporations have taken full advantage of the fear-mongering. If the thought of filling up your car or pickup for \$100 or \$200 keeps you awake at night, imagine the sleepless nights farmers with large implements endure. A friend from southwestern Saskatchewan told me this week that on average his farm neighbours consume about 900 litres of diesel fuel per farm implement per day. That's about \$1,800 per fill-up *every day*.

Talk about a dysfunctional supply chain for toilet paper and 2X6s. But wait a minute. If the practice of bartering returns, maybe I can exchange my vast collection of garage tool holders for a full tank of gas.

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Two Uxbridge teens pass away in accident on weekend

Two Uxbridge teens are deceased as a result of a collision involving an off-road motorcycle and car, which occurred on Highway 47, west of of Uxbridge.

According a Durham Regional Police Services (DRPS) on Saturday, June 11, just after 11:00 pm, officers from the North Division were called to a serious collision that occurred on Highway 47 near Parratt Road. The DRPS release asid that an off-road motorcycle was travelling east on Highway 47 when it struck a westbound silver Acura sedan

in a head-on collision. Both the rider and passenger were deceased at the collision scene. The driver and lone occupant in the Acura sedan was transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Members of the DRPS - Collision Investigation Unit, attended the scene to conduct an investigation. The area of the roadway was closed for several hours while evidence was collected.

Anyone with information about this incident or witnessed this collision is asked to call Detective Constable Bill

Scott of the Traffic Services Branch at 905-579-1520 (toll free 1-888-579-1520) ext. 5217. Anonymous information can be sent to Durham Regional Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 and tipsters may be eligible for a \$2,000 cash reward.

Two races for sure in municipal election

by Roger Varley

There will be races in at least two of Uxbridge's five wards in the upcoming municipal elections.

Ward 2, currently represented on council by Gary Ruona, will be contested by Gordon Shreeve and Pat Molloy. Molloy was the ward councillor before being elevated briefly to the position of mayor after the resignation of then-mayor Gerri Lynn O'Connor. Molloy was subsequently defeated by Dave Barton in the 2018 race for the mayoralty.



Todd Snooks, councillor for Ward 5, will face a challenger in October in the form of Christine McKenzie.

Others who have so far thrown their hats into the ring are Bruce Garrod, seeking to move up from Ward 3 councillor to regional councillor, Willie Popp, seeking re-election in Ward 4, Zed Pickering, seeking to take over what will be the Ward 3 vacancy, Barton for mayor, Pamela Beach in Ward 1 and Richard Damianopoulos as Durham Catholic District School Board trustee.

Other candidates a re expected to file their papers with the township in the coming weeks.

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Playground, from page 1

Landscape Planning replied that "nothing is cast in stone," adding that they tried to incorporate as much as they could of the original design concept, which was created by Adrian Giacca.

Other improvements planned for the park include winterizing the washroom, extending lighting along the pathways, adding additional electric power boxes and a "path of inclusion." The path of inclusion would consist of six flagpoles, set along the path at the top of the hill, just south of the Lions food booth, which would be used to fly special flags. There are also plans to install a new pathway linking Joseph Street to the hilltop pathway.

The washroom would be insulated so it could be used throughout the winter. As well, plans call for the building to be clad in new siding with a faux wood finish.

Lucien Joseph Seguin

January 25, 1928 ~ June 8, 2022


Passed peacefully, with his family at his side, on June 8, 2022. Predeceased by his wife of 66 years, Pauline (Carriere) in 2019. Born, January 25, 1928 in Glen Robertson, Ontario, Louie was the 11th of 15 children born to Jenny (Cholette) and Arthur Seguin.

Louie and Pauline Carriere were married in 1953 in Alexandria, Ontario. They began married life in Toronto, where Louie worked for Domtar until 1965, when he moved the family to Uxbridge. Louie built and ran Uxbridge Auto Wreckers for 30 years until retirement.

Louie is survived by his 4 children: Annette (Steve) Snoddon, Pierrette (Andrew) Kiedrowski, Richard and Carole (Steve) Gates. By his sister, Rita Bouchard of Cornwall (now in her 100th year). By 6 grandchildren: Andrew, Katie, Natalie, Madeline, Dylan and Samantha; and by 6 great-grandchildren: Clara, Isaac, Zander, Hazel, Elliott and Auston.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Low & Low Funeral Home, 23 Main Street South, Box 388, Uxbridge L9P 1M8 (905-852-3073). Visitation will be on Wednesday, June 15, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. The Funeral Service will be in the Chapel on Thursday, June 16, at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at the Uxbridge Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Louie's memory to the Uxbridge Loaves and Fishes Food Bank, 40B Toronto Street South, Uxbridge, L9P 1G9, would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences can be made at www.lowandlow.ca





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