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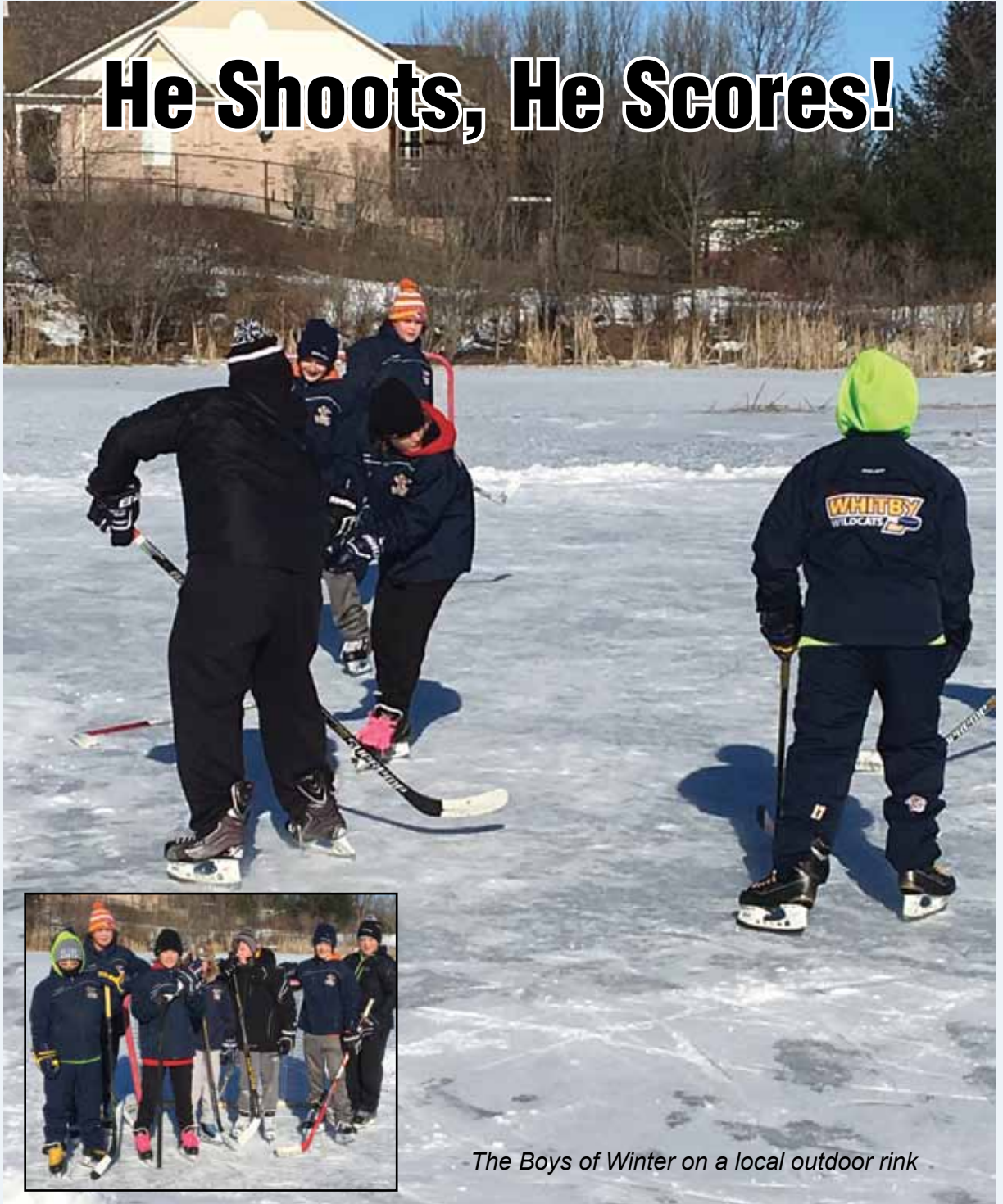
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*The Boys of Winter on a local outdoor rink*

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## Less than Half the Picture *By Richard Bercuson*

# Highway 412 - Cha-ching!



For \$2400, I could replace my wonky printer, buy new tires for the SUV, and still afford a weekend in, say, New York City, though we wouldn't be able to afford to eat.

Such is the approximate cost for a year of traveling highway 412 from the Baldwin or Thicksen exits to the 401, return. Count on a toonie per day more, another \$400-plus, if using Simcoe. This to travel one way to the 401, 14.631 km from Baldwin, 16.22 km from Thicksen, and a whopping 19.76 km from Simcoe (figures from 407 ETR).

Those considering the Thicksen entrance/exit ramps will save 47 cents each day if they use Baldwin instead. That's over \$200 in annual savings for contributing to turn Winchester Road into a vehicular conga line.

Then there's this: If the Whitby tax increase becomes 4.5%, which is council's target, a homeowner with a \$6,000 annual bill will pay \$270 more. While I had my difficulties with linear algebra in university, this mathematical comparison is pretty simple: \$2800 > \$270 - by an awful lot. (Editor's note: the word 'awful' should never be used unless something is indeed awful, or if the editor himself writes it.)

Last week, Premier Kathleen "Going with the Wind" Wynne informed Toronto Mayor John Tory that the province will not support tolls on the Don Valley Parkway nor Gardiner

Expressway. Just last summer, she said she would. Instead, the province will increase its share of the gas tax we pay from \$0.02 to \$0.04 and funnel the extra funds to municipalities over the next four years. By then, I suspect she'll be job hunting.

Here in Durham Region, where over 600,000 residents live on the fringe of the GTA with thousands commuting to the city, we still get to pay tolls, the money from which goes to the province. Toll collections from the two Toronto roads would have gone to Toronto. But it's not hard to see how provincial poobahs could have justified the 412 toll by stating that folks in Toronto would be fleeced, too. Paupered lambs to the same slaughter, I suppose.

Well, now they're not. They get to keep their free parking lots. For us, it's cha-ching every blessed day.

Don't like it much? Then write directly to Ontario Minister of Transportation Steven Del Luca. His constituency office address is: Unit 3, 5100 Rutherford Road, Woodbridge, ON, L4H 2J2. Email: [sdelduca.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org](mailto:sdelduca.mpp.co@liberal.ola.org)

Do you recall the scene near the end of the film *Miracle on 34th Street*? Bags of mail were dragged into the courtroom and letters poured onto the judge's desk, burying him.

Do that. Scrap the email. The stamp will cost you a loonie, or about 3.5 km on the 412.

## Free Candlelit Snowshoe Event

CLOCA's Candlelit Snowshoe at Enniskillen Conservation Area is Friday, February 17 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. The recommended minimum age is 5 years old.

Registration, while free, is required as snowshoes are limited for this self-guided event. In case of poor snow conditions, you can explore the trails without snowshoes. Parking is free.

Flashlights are discouraged. Participants can bring their own snowshoes and/or walking poles. No pets allowed.

For more information, please contact Cathy Grant, at (905) 579-0411, ext. 108 or email: [cgrant@cloca.com](mailto:cgrant@cloca.com). To see a map to the site or to register for the event visit [www.cloca.com](http://www.cloca.com).



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# Notes from the Women's March on Washington

(Editor's note: Local residents Marissa McTasney and Kristi Honey organized the Canadian caravan of buses that travelled to Washington for the Jan. 21 March. Kristi Honey provided the BTC with this exclusive insider's look at what happened)

## Jan. 16

- Marissa and I arrive -We worked around the clock - some days we didn't leave the hotel room and ate our first meal at 9:30 at night. A couple of times we got the shakes and had to go downstairs to look for food - There were endless details to finalize, re-finalize, new problems and issues to resolve, and people to inform. We went to the capital, and the African American History museum for a break for a few hours one day. We met with Shyra - a board member for the National Congress of Black Women. Mostly we worked in front of our laptops for 20+ hours a day.

## Jan. 19

- Marissa emails instructions to participants about baggage requirements, what to do if you want a window seat (see the bus captain) and that March kits and toques are sold out.

- We just hit 600 Canadians and now

at 8 buses from our contingent from Canada to DC (+3 more buses).

- Insane day - worked from 5 am straight thru - reconciling database to spreadsheet, moving people around buses to be with their friends and family - oh, the stories! So powerful. Bev is 70 - flying from Kelowna to Toronto to take our bus. She had a hip replacement 9 weeks ago, and she marched all day long - from 8 AM to late afternoon - not stopping. She fought for equality in the 60s and 70s and said she wouldn't miss the opportunity to be in DC.

- Busy with waivers, media, registrations and details

- Went to Bodega's for dinner with Ginney - woman in 50s who said she had to be here - her father's American and won 4 Bronze stars and not for Trump. So powerful but absolutely exhausting

- Complete strangers hugging us in the streets when they found out we're in town

## Jan. 20 (Inauguration Day)

- Up at 6 am and out the door. We

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## Who will be the next Whitby Idol?

The search is on for Whitby's next singing superstar! Whitby youth aged 12 to 18 are invited to showcase their vocal talents in the 13th annual Whitby Idol competition.

For the first time in Whitby Idol history, auditions were open to singing groups in addition to solo acts. Aspiring Idols applied online for auditions which will take place on Thursday, February 9, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at The Music Scene (1916 Dundas Street East).

The 15 audition finalists will perform live on stage at the Centennial Building Theatre during the Whitby Idol Finale on Thursday, March 2. Whitby Idol finalists will spend time in the studio, record-

ing their hits at **The Music Scene**. They'll continue to live the pop star dream throughout 2017 as they take the stage and perform their songs at a number of Town events.

Whitby Idol is presented by the Whitby Youth Council. The Whitby Council consists of youth and adults from local schools, agencies and organizations who work together to address the needs of Whitby youth. Whitby Youth Council create fun, engaging opportunities for youth to get involved in their community.

For further details on Whitby Youth initiatives and events, visit [whitby.ca/youth](http://whitby.ca/youth).

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Kristi Honey (left) and Marissa McTasney (right) flanking a supporter.

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had blue tickets to the inauguration so we headed there. So many people. I've never been in such a crowd. People screaming, protesting, fighting, chaining themselves together.- Riot police, army, secret service, FBI all here.

- Got to Capitol Hill and a Trump fan asked us where we're from. We said Canada and they were thrilled we came to show our support. I felt sick by it. We all did, so we left.
- The scene was very intense. A biker was beating up a protester. People burning flags. It was terrifying walking through it
- We made our way to the embassy. There, seeing our Canadian flag, I felt safe, home.
- We had tickets to private party at the embassy and were so happy to be home. We all relaxed immediately. Beavertails, poutine, Tim Hortons coffee. Canadian flags everywhere. We watched the remainder of the inauguration from the embassy and headed out shortly before the final parade.
- Streets had settled a little. We took the metro back to our hotel. A Trump fan tried to get into it with us on leaving the subway when he saw our WMW Canada scarves. He was calling behind us and we just walked away. "Don't women have enough rights?"

**Jan. 21 (The day of the March)**

- The next day the energy was totally different - in the same spot on the same street - people were singing and chanting, and we were hugged by many. Everywhere we went, we were hugged and thanked - usually with tears in people's eyes - they would scream, 'The Canadians are here!' It was inspirational and uplifting.

**Jan. 22**

- Sitting at the airport reflecting on

this whirlwind. It is amazing what can be accomplished when people come together passionate about a united cause. Everyone working around the clock to make this happen - tirelessly and unstoppable. I can't wait to hear the numbers. What will this incredible group do next - in Canada, the US and around the globe.

- I feel so honoured to have been a part of something that has inspired me so much, and hopefully others, too. A powerful experience I will keep with me forever.

We heard when we got back some people who drove separately were asked at the border if they were Trump supporters - Heard this from multiple people - They said they had no opinion.

So now we ask ourselves, what's next? We have a Call to Action memo on our website under media. We have a call this Thursday to refine/define our strategy and next steps to keep the movement going. How to prevent this from petering out, because we know it's a risk.

**Jan. 30**

- We're still very much in action mode and haven't really had time to reflect on it all. At Washington airport, I had a glass of wine and tried to relax but it's still so fresh. I look forward to reflecting on it but am concerned about how to keep the momentum going. We're on the brink here of something truly exciting.

*(Marissa is a member of the global team while Kristi now sits on the Canadian committee for HERS: Health - Economic Welfare and Empowerment - Representation - Security and Safety, which will be a framework for the global, U.S., and Canadian groups. For more information, visit [canadianwomenmarch.ca](http://canadianwomenmarch.ca))*

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## Our Brooklin Kids By Leanne Brown

# 9 scary apps teens are using



You know about Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, but they aren't the only apps your teen may be using. Some of these might be putting your child in danger.

### Snapchat

Snapchat allows you to post messages that only last for a few seconds once opened then supposedly go away. Teens use Snapchat for innocent picture-conversations with each other. But it's simple for anyone to grab a screenshot of the image before it's deleted and there's nothing to prevent someone from distributing them.

### Tinder

Tinder allows you to meet new romantic partners, which probably isn't something you want your teen doing. With your profile, you see photos of potential romantic matches nearby. If two people like each other, then they can chat through the app and "hook up." The only way to get on the app is to have a Facebook account with a birth date indicating the user is over 18 years old though it's easy to set any birth date. A child might meet adults on the app who could be predators, scammers, etc.

### Vine

You record and share six-second videos. It gets dangerous when you realize teens will do almost anything because of peer pressure. The best way to get attention is to do something crazy. Last year, teens across the world were setting themselves on fire and posting it on Vine! So Vine released the Vine Kids app. With Vine Kids, you can't record videos; instead it has videos that are for younger audiences. Nice idea, but teenagers still use the real Vine app.

### Whisper

This seems like a cyberbullying nightmare. Its purpose is to spread rumors and secrets. It lets users post pictures and text anonymously. The secrets are shared based on location so the users nearest to you are the ones likely to see your secret.

### 9Gag

It distributes pictures online that are supposed to be funny. All kinds of pictures are shared and they aren't moderated. They can come from any source and contain images you don't want kids seeing. Some 9Gag users have been known to "swat" people, in other words getting the police to raid someone's house - for a laugh.

### Yo

You install it, select a friend who also has the app installed and it sends them this message: "Yo." That's it. There are no other messages you can program and it doesn't do anything else. Teens use it because it's an untraceable way to let someone know it's time to do something - like a pre-arranged meeting with someone.

### Ask.fm

Ask.fm lets you ask or answer questions from other users. Many questions are quite personal and anything you put on it is public. That means your child could be sharing personal information with the wrong people.

### Omegle

It's slogan is "Talk to strangers!" Enough said. Video chat or instant message with random users. You can add interests so you get paired with people you want to talk to. There's also a "spy" mode where you can ask a question and watch two people discuss it. The home page has an "adult option" for video chat. There is a pop-up age warning, but you just have to click a button to bypass it. The other side of the link...let's just say you do not

want your kids going there.

### Wanelo

A social shopping site similar to Pinterest, Wanelo users and shops can post pics of products online. Everything there is available to buy. Because users can post anything they want, there are going to be some questionable items you might not want kids to see.



## A Brooklin Toddler's Random Thoughts

"My friend didn't yell at me today."

# Community Calendar

If you have a community not-for-profit event you would like included in the calendar, please email it to [editorofBTC@gmail.com](mailto:editorofBTC@gmail.com) with the subject line "calendar." Priority will be given to Brooklin events. Some editing may occur.

### Wed., Feb. 22, 7 pm

Brooklin Horticultural Society Membership & Think Spring Meeting: BHS starts off its year with its annual Membership meeting, welcoming our returning & new members alike. Gini Sage, a Durham Master Gardener with over 30 years of gardening experience will be our guest speaker. She will present "Starting from Seed," providing the knowledge and skills to be successful at starting seeds at home for planting in the spring. Come early & enjoy our social time before the meeting. At the Brooklin United Church, 19 Cassels Rd. E.

### Sat., March 18 - 9:00 am - Landmark Cinemas 24 Whitby

**The Optimist Club of Brooklin Proudly Presents: A Morning at the Movies with Beauty and the Beast** (Movie will start at 10:00 am) ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY - \$10.00 per child (3-13 years old) and \$10.00 per adult. Babies in arms are free

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### Mondays 6:30-7:00 pm:

French Family Storytime: Children of all ages and their caregivers are invited to join Madame Sue for our weekly French Family Storytime! Enjoy a half hour of stories and songs in French, with a dash of English too! Registration is not required. Just drop in!

LOCATION: Central Library - Children's Program Room

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**Tuesdays:** Brooklin Toastmasters, 7:15 pm for Meet & Greet, Meeting from 7:20 to 9:14 pm at the Brooklin Community Centre & Library, 8 Vipond Road, 2nd floor Boardroom. For more information, contact John at 905-683-4439 or [jajhj@sympatico.ca](mailto:jajhj@sympatico.ca) or Loran Weston-Smyth at [loranawestonsmyth.com](mailto:loranawestonsmyth.com) or 416-910-4109. Brooklin Toastmasters provides a supportive and positive environment where members have the opportunity to develop their communication and leadership skills.

**Basic Foot Care:** Community Care Durham provides basic foot care services by registered foot care nurses on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at St. Thomas' Anglican Church. Please call 905-668-6223 for

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**Thursday evenings:** Love to sing! The Brooklin United Church adult choir welcomes new voices to join us. Practices are Thursday evenings 7:30 - 9:00 pm. You do not need to read music to be part of the choir. Practice CD's are made available. For more information, please call the church office at 905-655-4141 or by email at [office@brooklinunited.ca](mailto:office@brooklinunited.ca)

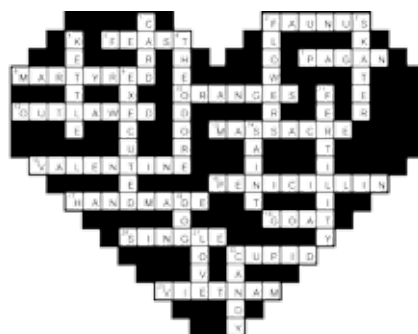
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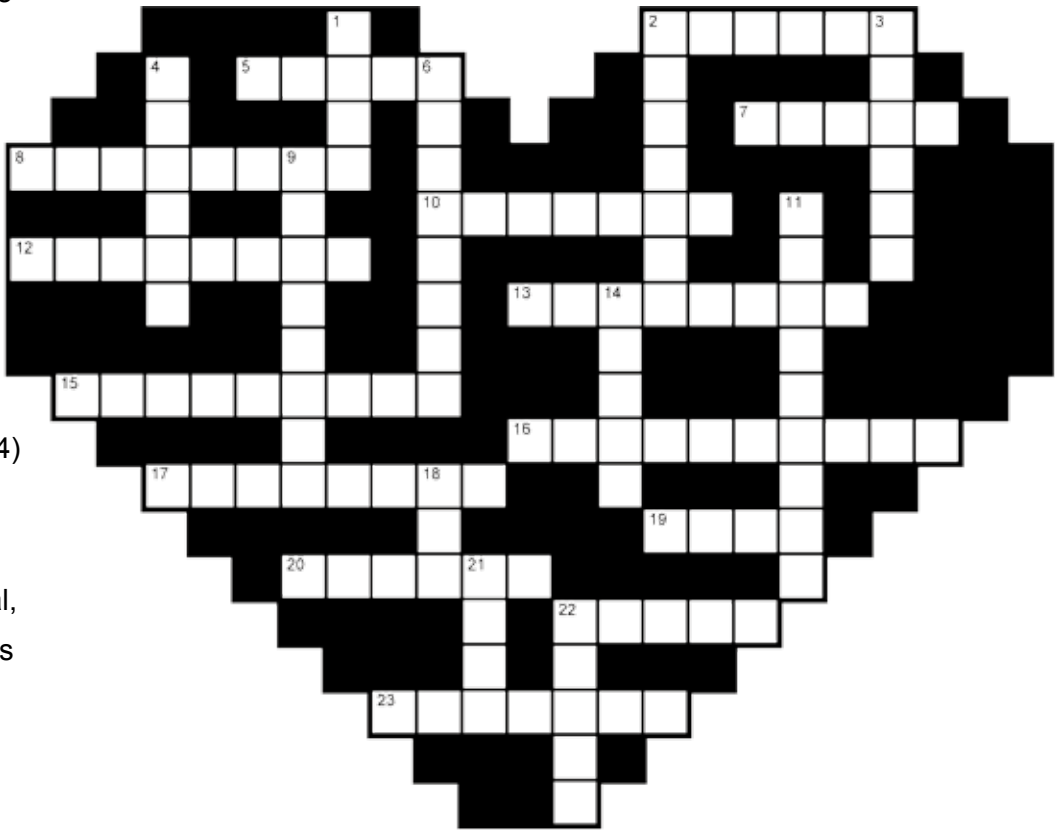
# Valentine's Day

Across

- 2 Roman God worshipped as a bestower of fruitfulness on fields and flocks (6)
- 5 It originated as a \_\_\_\_\_ day honoring early saints named Valentinus (5)
- 7 Valentines day originated as a \_\_\_\_\_ festival (5)
- 8 St. Valentine was \_\_\_\_\_ for marrying Christian couples (8)
- 10 Feb 14, 1886; First trainload of \_\_\_\_\_ leaves Los Angeles (7)
- 12 Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers so he \_\_\_\_\_ marriage for young men (8)
- 13 Feb 14th 1929, seven members of Bugs Moran gang are killed in the so-called St. Valentine s Day \_\_\_\_\_ (8)
- 15 A sweetheart chosen to receive a greeting (9)
- 16 Sir Alexander Fleming made an

- accidental discovery on this day in 1929. (10)
- 17 Children's craft project: \_\_\_\_\_ cards (4,4)
- 19 The priests would sacrifice a \_\_\_\_\_, for fertility, and a dog, for purification. (4)
- 20 Related to the unmarried state (6)
- 22 A cherubic naked boy with wings and a bow and arrow (5)
- 23 On this day1962; President John F. Kennedy authorizes U.S. military advisors in \_\_\_\_\_ to return fire if fired upon. (7)
- Down
- 1 A printed or written greeting (4)
- 2 FTD slogan; "Say it with \_\_\_\_\_" (7)
- 3 Favoured to win a Gold Medal, Olympic speed \_\_\_\_\_ Jansen falls during competition after sister dies (6)
- 4 American Revolution: 1779;

- Patriots defeat Loyalists at \_\_\_\_\_ Creek (6)
- 6 On this day in 1884, future President \_\_\_\_\_ Roosevelt s wife and mother die, only hours apart. (8)
- 9 For refusing to deny Christ, St. Valentine was \_\_\_\_\_ (8)
- 11 Pan (Greek god) in Greek mythology, a \_\_\_\_\_ deity (9)
- 14 Model of excellence or perfection of a kind; one having no equal (5)
- 18 The priests would sacrifice a goat, for fertility, and a \_\_\_\_\_, for purification. (3)
- 21 Have a great affection or liking for (4)
- 22 A rich sweet made of flavoured sugar (5)



## Civitan Club Begins Fundraising Campaign for Kinark

Durham Civitan Club is organizing a fundraising campaign for Kinark Child and Family Services. Kinark is a leading provider of services and support for children and youth with complex needs and their families. Services are provided in the areas of child and youth mental health, autism and forensic mental health/youth justice.



Now in its third year, the campaign donated \$110 in year one after selling pink t-shirts through social networking in only 48 hrs. Then last year, the club worked with Winchester Public School, Village of Brooklin Co-operative Playschool (VBCP) and Donald A. Wilson Secondary School and used social media to donate \$1200. The aim this year: to do even better!

Order forms will be going home to students attending Winchester Public School and (VBCP), while Brooklin Village has provided the order form on its website.

T-shirts are being sold for \$18 each. There is a same family discount to add additional t-shirts for only \$12. They're expected to be ready for pick up in Brooklin on February 18 so that the community can stand together on #pinkshirtday on February 22.

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## Plant-Based Eating *by Sheree Nicholson*

# Where's the beef?



Meat and men! There's a strong, and perhaps, primitive connection.

Historically, men were hunters then farmers, providing meat for the family or tribe. Over time, as hunting evolved from spears to the grocery aisle, putting meat on the table (or cave floor) was what men did. For some, it was also a source of pride. I remember as a child, my father proudly talking about being able to do just that, put meat on the table.

Men often resist the thought of eating plant-based foods as anything but a side dish. My partner Tom loves meat and I cook it for him as I'm not a fan of trying to change people. I've found the best way to introduce healthy plant-based alternatives is to have a meatless Monday or a meatless meal here and there. Cutting back on meat is much more realistic than giving up meat entirely.

If you're introducing plant-based meals to the man in your life, I suggest stir fries and chili. Avoid those fake soy hot dogs and burgers, which taste awful and just confirm to most people that giving up meat means tasteless meals.

I found the below recipe in the book "Eat & Run" by ultra-marathoner Scott Jurek. He writes that eating this chili convinced him he could give up meat. More and more endurance athletes are giving up animal products because they find getting rid of meat in their diet reduces the inflammation in their body, making their recovery time shorter.

A whole food, plant-based chili is easy to make and very hearty. This is one of the best chilis I've ever eaten. The bulgur wheat gives it a "meat-like" texture that can provide a satisfying chewy feel.

The recipe makes a lot and freezes well. I've served it to many of my friends and family - to rave reviews. I've also used it as a base for burri-

tos and served it over a bed of leafy greens.

### Minnesota Winter Chili

1 tbsp	coconut or olive oil
2	garlic cloves, minced
1 cup	finely chopped onion
8 to 10	medium mushrooms, chopped
½ cup	finely chopped green bell pepper
½ cup	finely chopped red bell pepper
½ cup	finely chopped carrots
1	jalapeño pepper, seeded and minced (optional)
1 cup	fresh or frozen corn kernels
1 tsp	ground cumin
½ tsp	ground coriander
2 tbs	chili powder
2 tsp	sea salt, or more to taste
½ tsp	black pepper
1	28-ounce can diced tomatoes
1	15-ounce can of tomato puree
1	15-ounce can kidney beans, drained
1	15-ounce can black beans drained
1	15-ounce can red beans drained
2 ½	cups water
½	cup dry bulgur wheat
	Hot sauce or cayenne pepper (optional)
¼ cup	minced fresh cilantro for garnish (optional)

Add oil to a large pot. Sauté the vegetables and spices in the oil over medium to medium-low heat for 10 minutes or until tender. Add a few tablespoons of water if the veggies begin sticking to the pot. Add the remaining ingredients except the cilantro and simmer over medium-low heat, covered for 30 minutes.

Stir and simmer for an additional 30 minutes until veggies are cooked through. Season with salt and additional spice if desired. Hot sauce or cayenne pepper can be added to taste. Serve, sprinkled with the cilantro, if desired.

# Mayor's Fund Donates Two \$25,000 Grants

The Mayor's Community Development Fund (MCDF) has given two \$25,000 grants, one to each of the Lakeridge Health Foundation and to the Grandview Children's Foundation to help children with special needs and their families access services sooner.

The grant to Lakeridge will support the purchase of a dialysis machine at the Lakeridge Health Whitby site. This modern equipment administers the most efficient kidney replacement therapy available today - allowing patients to experience a more comfortable treatment than previously available. In total, MCDF has contributed \$115,000 to the Whitby site's in-hospital dialysis since 2011. Lakeridge Health Foundation is one of two 2017 lead causes supported by the Mayor's Fundraiser Event.

Lakeridge Health Foundation secures donations and raises awareness for Lakeridge Health to fund capital projects, the acquisition of equipment, education and research.

Lakeridge Health's regional dialysis program provides 40,000 life-saving treatments each year. The Whitby site has been providing dialysis since 2000.

At the Grandview Children's Centre, as of last March, there were 2,571 children on a waitlist for services. Of these, at least 520 are Whitby residents. The \$25,000 grant will help the Centre deliver its services sooner.

The Centre is an independently operated not-for-profit organization. It is the only children's treatment centre in Durham Region providing specialized programs, outpatient clinical treatment and support to thousands of children and youth with special needs and their families.

The MCDF uses net proceeds from the Mayor's Golf Tournament and Fundraiser Event to support local causes, charities and organizations that benefit Whitby residents. Visit [whitby.ca/mcdf](http://whitby.ca/mcdf) for more information.



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The services will take place at:  
Hebron Christian Reformed Church - 2:00 pm - 4240 Anderson St., Whitby L1R 2W1  
St. John's Anglican Church - Port Whitby - 7:30 pm - 150 Victoria St E Whitby L1N 9L8

Before the internet, there was the World Day of Prayer, an international event that has been connecting people in a meaningful way for almost a century. It has its roots in an ecumenical day of prayer organized by women in Canada and the United States in 1920. This event became the international World Day

of Prayer in 1922, and Christians around the world began celebrating this event on the first Friday of March.

The secret to the depth and insight is the women who plan and write each World Day of Prayer service. What might Canadians learn from women of the Philippines, a country on the front lines of climate change, foreign mining and resources interests, a regional insurgency and social upheaval due to migration? How will we answer the question, "Am I being unfair to you?"

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Volunteer activities are also an important part of our personal and business life. I have re-

cently joined the "100 Men of Oshawa" and "100 Men of Whitby," the focus of both groups being to raise money for local charities. I have coached minor soccer, coached and managed minor hockey and held the position of Director of Public Practice for the Durham CGA chapter for four years. We try to support the Brooklin/Durham Region both on a personal and a business level whenever we can.

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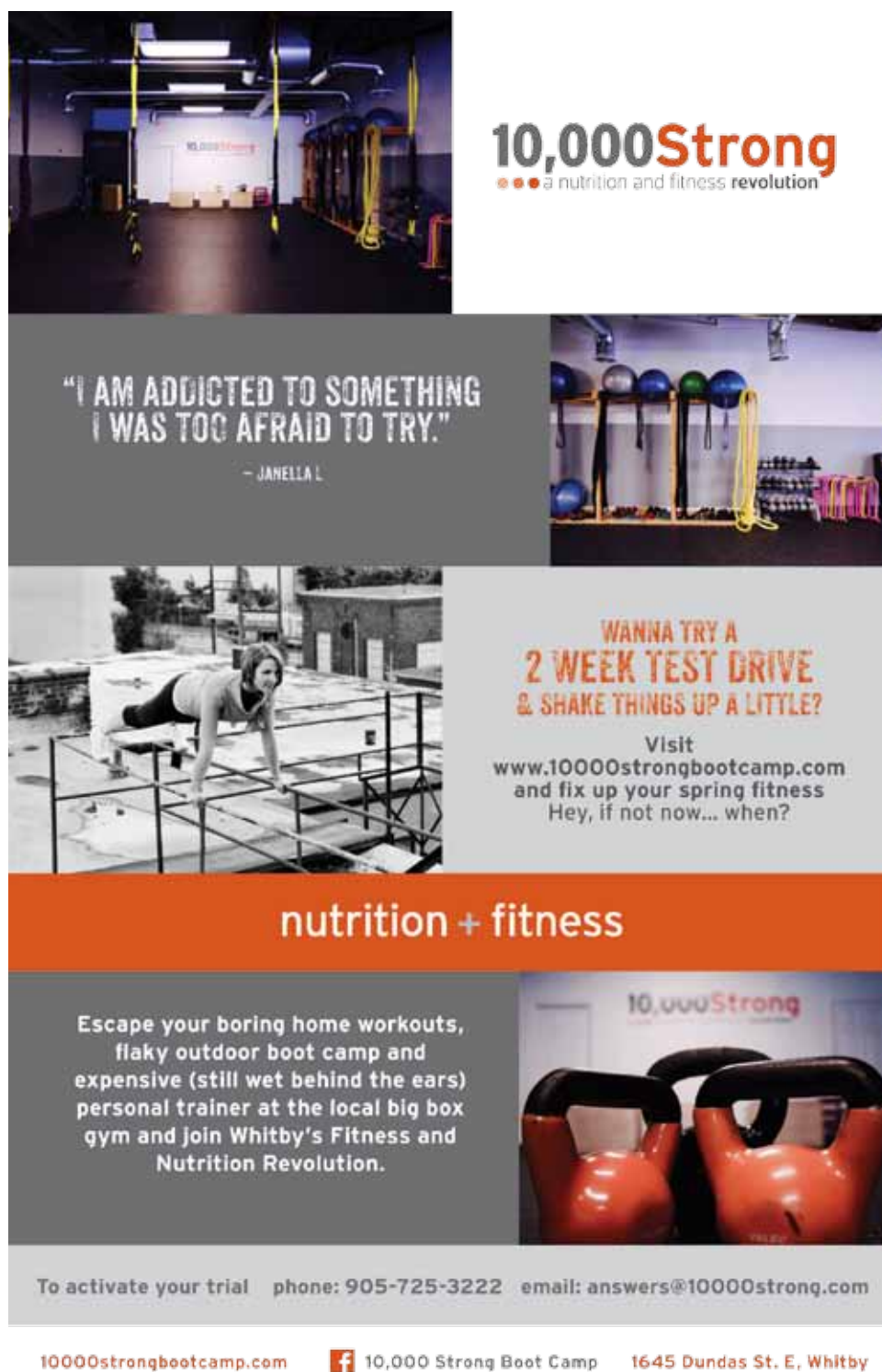
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## Mayor Mitchell Re-Elected Chair Of Central Lake Ontario Conservation

At the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority's (CLOCA) 60th Annual General Meeting (AGM) on January 17, 2017, Whitby Mayor Don Mitchell was re-elected as Chair and Councillor Bob Chapman of the City of Oshawa, was re-elected as Vice-Chair, both for a third term.



MPP Oshawa, Lorne Coe MPP Whitby-Oshawa and Councillor Derrick Gleed on behalf of Roger Anderson and the Region of Durham. Chris Darling, CL-OCA CAO provided some highlights and insights into CLOCA's milestones over the past 60 years.

In recognition of CLOCA's 60th AGM, the meeting was held at Durham Region Headquarters with guest speaker Dianne Saxe, the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario. Ms. Saxe provided some sobering facts facing our community as the impact of climate change becomes part of our everyday life. The audience participated in a brief question and answer session with the Commissioner, who commended the Region of Durham as a leader in addressing climate change issues with their Community Climate Adaptation Plan.

Mitchell spoke on behalf of the CLOCA Board of Directors and staff to highlight the outcomes of their collaborative efforts in 2016.

Chair Mayor Mitchell conducted the remainder of the meeting with the following opening address, "It is a pleasure to serve again as Chair and I look forward to 2017 as we work closely with our municipal partners, Durham Region and the community to protect and enhance the watersheds in which we live."

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