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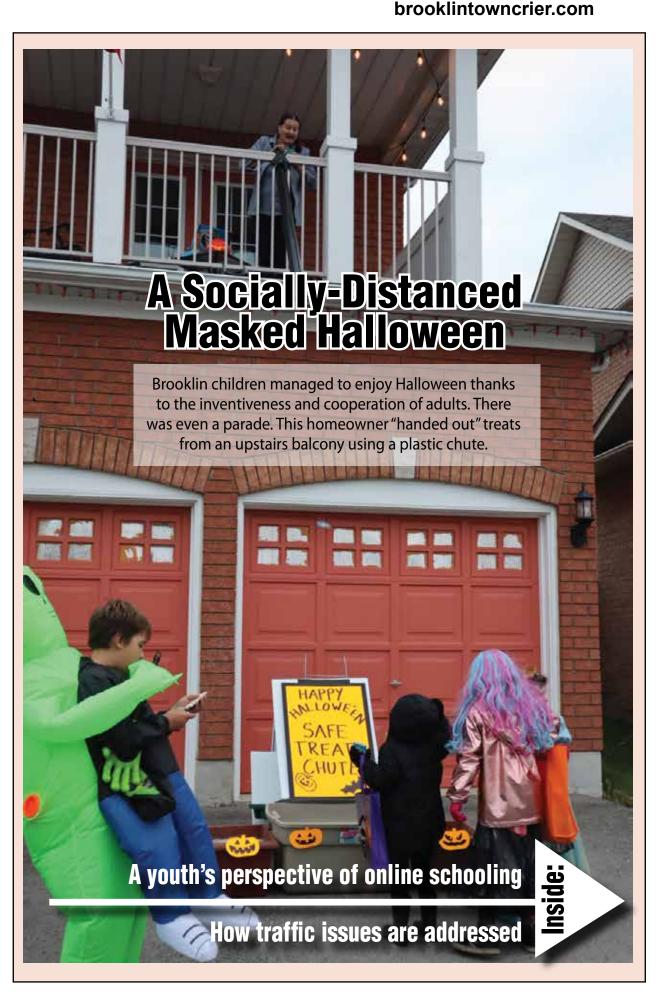
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# **Durham Activates More Red Light Cameras**

As part of Durham Vision Zero's goal to eliminate fatalities on our roadways, Durham Region has activated more red light cameras at select locations throughout Durham Region to help improve traffic safety.

When: Five more red light cameras were activated as October 30.

#### Where:

#### **New Locations**

- Highway 2 at Courtice Road, Clarington
- Stevenson Road North

- at King Street West, Oshawa •
- Simcoe Street North at Rossland Road W., Oshawa
- Ritson Road North
- at Bond Street East, Oshawa Liverpool Road at Bayly Street, Pickering Other Active Locations
- Westney Road North ٠
  - at Delaney Drive, Ajax Simcoe Street North
  - at Conlin Road, Oshawa
- Thickson Road at Dundas Street E., Whitby Coming Soon

### Salem Road

at Bayly Street East, Ajax

- Taunton Road East at Lake Ridge Road, Whitby **Taunton Road East** 
  - at Altona Road, Pickering

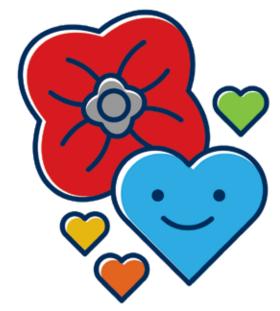
Why: Red light running has the potential to cause serious injury or death for both the offending driver and innocent victims. The Region's collision records database shows 534 collisions over a three-and-a-half-year Durham Vision Zero is a longperiod at signalized intersections where the cause was specifically attributed to a driver disobeying traffic control indications. Many of these collisions resulted at durham.ca/VisionZero.

significant injuries and in sometimes death.

The Region of Durham is one of many municipalities across Ontario using red light cameras to create safer roads. For more information on red light cameras in Durham Region, visit durham. ca/RedLightCameras.

term plan to ensure a safe transportation system that sees no lives lost or serious injuries on Durham's roadways. Learn more

# What You Need to Know This Week



#### Lest We Forget – Honouring Our Veterans

The Town of Whitby is proud to support its two local Legions: Brooklin Legion Branch 152 and Whitby Legion Branch 112. While Remembrance Services will not be open to the public this year due to COVID-19, there are a number of ways you can still pay tribute to our veterans and active service members, like:

- View the Royal Canadian Legion's broadcast live on their Facebook page or on CBC.
- Watch the livestream of the Canadian Armed Forces Remembrance Day Ceremony at Intrepid Park.
- Wear a poppy.
- Purchase a face mask or item from the Royal Canadian Legion's online store, poppystore.ca. Proceeds support the Legion and Canada's veterans.
- Take a walk in Downtown Whitby or Brooklin and learn more about our veterans and active service members through banners hung on each lamppost.

For more information on how to get involved, including how to livestream, visit whitby.ca/calendar

#### Apply for the Mayor's Community Development Fund

Local community and non-profit organizations that make Whitby a vibrant and caring community are invited to apply for the Town's 2020 Community Development Grant Programs.

Application deadlines for the Town's 2020 Lead Cause grants (each up to \$25,000) are as follows:

- Mayor's Fundraiser due by Friday, November 6
- Mayor's Golf Tournament due by Wednesday, March 31

Community grants of up to \$5,000 can be applied for throughout the year and are awarded monthly. Special projects for grants of up to \$25,000 will also be considered under the Performing Arts Community Development Fund. Submit an application online at whitby.ca/mcdf







### **On-Street Parking Restriction** Now in Effect

The Town is reminding residents of the annual November 1 to April 15 restriction on all on-street parking in Whitby between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. whitby.ca/parking

### Protect Others, Wear a Face Mask

Non-medical face masks or coverings are mandatory when inside commercial public spaces in Durham Region.

Remember: Wearing a non-medical face mask should not be a replacement for handwashing and should be worn when unable to practice safe physical distancing.

Carry trash to the nearest garbage bin and pick up after your pets.

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# **Local Author Publishes Helpful Books**

Brooklin's Janet Arnold is a registered Behaviour Consultant who has two books out to help parents and family support people deal with various issues. Arnold is the Chair of the York Region

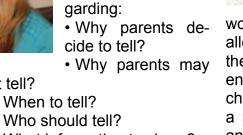


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Bullying Prevention Partnership. not tell?

How to Explain a Diagnosis to a Child: An Interactive Resource Guide for Parents and Professionals

This is a resource to guide parents and professionals through what can be an overly sensitive process. This step-by-step guide includes templates and worksheets that can be tailored to meet the individual needs of the child and their families to embrace who they are, regardless of a diagnosis. This may include Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), Learning Disabilities (LDs), Attention Deficit Hy-



peractive Disorder

Cerebral Palsy, etc.

This guide may help

answer those dif-

ficult questions re-

(ADHD),

Dyslexia,

- ٠ What information to share?
- How do I explain? ISBN: 978-0-9959758-0-4 Retail value: \$25.00 Available on Amazon, Chapters/ Indigo, Parent Books (Toronto),

Barnes and Noble

What do you see when you take a look at me?

This book is an introduction to the subject of perseverance and resilience. Children who develop resilience are better equipped to learn from failure and adapt to change. The simple yet powerful

## **A Youth's Perspective** Learning to adapt to online schooling By Mila Tanaskovic



times, we've all taken grave losses to our social lives. And we are left with the question,

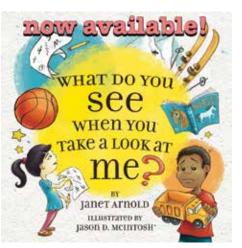
"Will it all be okay?".

As human beings we are constantly in the search for companionship, and we greatly need it to survive. As an elementary school student attending online classes it is difficult to grapple with the alien of it all.

With the lack of being able to see and interact with my peers, it becomes difficult to concentrate and learn. The days tend to go by in a murky haze and they seem to be quite uneventful. Everyone, especially children and teens who are currently at the peak of building their social lives have taken a great hit, and some days it can be hard to cope. And staring at a black and white screen all day doesn't really help.

During such unprec- There have been days where edented and unique I have not wanted to get out of bed. Where my whole world seemed to be collapsing before my feet and there was nothing that I could do about it. But after some time, I have found some methods that help keep me more . present in the world around me.

> I've noticed that just taking a brief pause away from the screen and going outside can be beneficial. I feel lucky to be able to make those breaks in all the wonderful parks we have around our Brooklin community. I would also recommend going on a walk with somebody rather than going alone (while respecting Covid quidelines, of course), as the social aspect can really help.

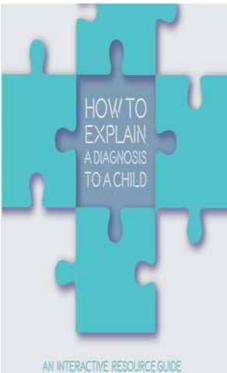


words and detailed illustrations allow the reader to connect with the characters' positive traits and enables children to emerge from challenging experiences with a positive sense of themselves and their futures. It helps promote personal strength and the mindset of believing in oneself. This book is appropriate for ages 4-10 years.

ISBN: 978-0-9959758-1-1 Retail value: \$15.00 Available on Amazon, Chapters/

Indigo, Masters Book Store (Halliburton, ON), Barnes and Noble

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FOR PARENTS AND PROFESSIONALS

# **DRT's On Demand Is In Demand**

launched a new service plan, including a new On Demand service model, a month ago to meet existing and projected customer demand, from early morning to late night, seven days a week.

Part of the Ridership Recovery Framework, with a goal of encouraging and increasing transit ridership, the first month of On Demand ridership numbers are in and are encouraging:

- 5,844 trips delivered
- 65% trips booked through the ٠ DRT On Demand app
- 30% of users provided feedback through the DRT On Demand app
- 90% rated their experience as positive

This new service model ensures residents have access to public transit no matter where they live, work, or are travelling to within the region.

Durham Region Transit (DRT) sible and reliable transit options across the region."

> "The results of the first month of the new On Demand service model highlights Durham Region Transit's continued support of the community by providing access to efficient and flexible service, seven days a week," said Mayor of Ajax and Chair of the Transit Executive Committee, Shaun Collier. "This innovation and commitment to customer service excellence helps drive the future of transit in Durham Region."

> "The enhanced transit network, including the On Demand service in low-ridership areas, positions us well to continue serving our customers with flexible and sustainable public transit options, even as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. We're thrilled with the feedback and results so far," said Bill Holmes, General Manager.

Dealing with the internet not wanting to cooperate and the server constantly throwing you out of classes, it can be frustrating. We get stir-crazy and antsy, and often the weight of it all seems to be too much to bear.

I've also learned to allot time in my day to have a break. Make a pause. To breathe. To call a friend.

So now when I ask myself "Will it all be okay?", I would say yes, because even though times are tough, there is nowhere we can go but up.

Mila Tanaskovic is a grade 8 student at Brooklin Village School. Her article has not been edited.

"It's encouraging to see people using this new and innovative service, and especially that residents of and visitors to Durham Region are providing positive feedback," said John Henry, Regional Chair and Chief Executive Officer. "Our priority is unwavering - to provide safe, accesDRT continues to gather feedback from customers, continuously evaluating and enhancing service to support ridership over the coming months. To learn more about On Demand service, visit the DRT: durham regiontransit.com



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# **Lest We Forget**

## **November 11**

## A day we remember and honour our heroes

Mayor Don Mitchell and Members of Council



Due to COVID-19, Remembrance Services will not be open to the public. For more information please call 905.430.4300 or visit **whitby.ca/calendar** 



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Though things are different this tinues. You will see veterans, boxes in many

The Brooklin Legion is to commemorate the day along ber of pop

Please show your support and thanking

The Brooklin Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion is a local long standing organize Funds raised through Legion initiatives have historically gone to a variety of charities children's sports and school programs to senior's medical services, the Legion has behind countless donations for the betterment of our community.



## **RYAN TURNBULL** Member of Parliament for Whitby

# Lest We Forget.

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the end of the Second World War. We honour the service and sacrifice of our veterans who keep our country strong and free.

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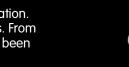




s year, the poppy campaign conphysically distancing, at poppy of our stores.

also selling lawn signs with t-shirts and a limited numopy masks.

rt by wearing your poppy ng a veteran.



This year, when you see a local Legion representative promoting the Annual Poppy Campaign, please give generously.





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# LEST WE FORGET

Remembrance day

## Maleeha Shahid, East Ward Councillor



### Our Brooklin Kids *By Leanne Brown*



## **Braces and Books**

At dentist recommended

that my daughter could benefit from orthodontics. I Immediately thought of the scary headgear my classmate had worn in grade eight. The contraption was the source of much teasing and tears. I knew it was uncomfortable and I often thanked my lucky stars I didn't have to wear one.

a regular dental Fortunately, braces have come cleaning last month, our a long way. They're smaller and can even be clear, making them virtually invisible. Still, despite the improvements, getting them can be a big deal for kids even though it's like a rite of passage for many. In fact, according to the Canadian Association of Orthodontists, four million people in Canada and the United States are in the care of an one.



Fears

Some kids dread them, fearing how they'll look. They may also worry that they'll hurt or that they may have to give up their favourite foods like gum and popcorn. But without treatment, orthodontic problems can lead to tooth decay, gum disease and digestive difficulties. A misaligned bite can impair speech, contribute to tooth loss, and result in other dental injuries.

My daughter is somewhat excited about getting braces. Several of her friends already have them so she knows what to expect. Our orthodontist let her know that if she does what she's supposed to and takes care of them, then she could complete her treatment by grade 8 graduation. Still, she's a bit nervous.

In anticipation of her getting braces, we're having one last binge on forbidden foods. I decided the application could wait until after Halloween so she could enjoy her fill of chewy candy before they go on. I also picked up a few books for her about braces and dealing with them.

Here are some good ones:

Smile, by Raina Telglemeier, is an autobiographical graphic novel

about the author's life from grade six to high school, including her challenges with braces.

How to Rock Braces and Glasses by Meg Haston is a novel about a popular girl in middle school who gets braces and glasses and deals with friendship challenges.

Surviving Braces: A guide of tips, recipes and more to help you get through orthodontic treatment, by Jennifer Webb and Tracy Gilbert, has great information to help you manage braces more comfortably.

The Braces Journal by Dan Price lets kids record their experience with braces in a cool illustrated book, from getting them on to when they finally come off.

Wearing braces is a part of growing up and so my daughter is taking it all in stride. Her one disappointment is that we won't be getting school pictures this year due to Covid. She was hoping to have them for the pictures.

How things have changed! In my childhood, those school photos would have been taken with my mouth firmly shut.

## North Ward Councillor - By Steve Lee **How Traffic Issues Are Addressed**



the speed bumps that we recently had installed on Robert Attersley Dr., many residents have asked about traffic calming

measures on other streets as well as what the process is to obtain them.

There are a few ways this can happen. The most typical is for councillors to work with Town staff to identify problem areas and what the best solutions could be. We obtain feedback from residents and review their concerns. I do thank those who have contacted me so far. They need to know I have forwarded these to the Whitby traffic staff.

Since I first announced available traffic data, site visit, etc.)

> Staff will look at any data they have, perhaps visit the site to see for themselves, and come up with initial thoughts.

> • Preliminary assessment and problem identification (i.e. data collection and analysis)

This step is very important. We must have data to back up the concerns and prove there is an issue. We need to look at everything, including how it may affect other residents and streets, what a solution is warranted, based the problem is, and how bad it is. We need hard facts for this. We are often asked about speeding issues. But when we look at the actual average speeds, we find it to be much lower than the complaints and sometimes not high enough to warrant a change to the road.

with immediately, many are more complex and/or take significant effort and time to resolve or address the concern. In addition, there are often inquiries that have more complex solutions that involve longer term infrastructure modifications and/or other agencies being involved. In some instances, there is no definitive problem found that can be addressed through engineering. Often issues relate to social behaviour, expectations, and perceptions.

#### Warranted solutions?

We also need to make sure that and resident's contact informaon the data collected. For in-

item in a future year's budget. Council needs to be careful that we have the correct information and are prioritizing locations and solutions to best serve all residents.

In addition to contacting and working with me on safety concerns, residents also have the option to fill out The Traffic Operational Review form that is available on the Town's website. This form includes the resident's information as well as details of the concern. The form also allows us to forward the concern tion to others as needed. For example, it may be that the concern is something that the Region of Durham or Durham Regional Police Service should be addressing.

In general, once we receive a request, traffic staff follow this process:

or council members concerns This is where we discuss with staff and traffic engineers to let them know what we have been hearing from residents or seeing • Depending on the solution ourselves.

· Staff then prioritize requests and concerns.

- Initial screening (i.e. review
- appropriate solution or multiple solutions that would be appropriate.
- and cost, this will be brought to council or added to an upcoming budget to be decided by council.

While some of the inquiries are straightforward and can be dealt where else, or look to include the

stance, stop signs and traffic signals are not intended to be speed control or traffic calming devices. Unwarranted installations have been proven to result in decreased safety as a result of a false sense of security and/ or shifting a problem to another location. As well, unwarranted • Initiate review of the residents • Staff work to Identify an traffic control is not supported by our bylaw services nor police services, and often end up causing additional issues.

> Solutions also often come with an added cost to the budget. An increase to the budget can mean an increase to your taxes. The only other way to not increase costs and taxes is to cut some-

https://www.whitby.ca/en/resources/Request forReview-FormJanuary2014.pdf

There are also some of the most Frequently Asked Questions that we often get from residents. https://www.whitby.ca/en/residents/roadsandtransportationfaqs.asp

As always, I am willing to hear your concerns and determine if we can address them. Email: lees@whitby.ca

## **Brooklin Heritage Society** The War Brides **By Jennifer Hudgins**

Nearly 48,000 young women who met and married Canadian servicemen during World War Two became known as the "War Brides."



few thousand were also from other areas of Europe. Canada's Department of National Defence established the Canadian Wives' Bureau, a joint effort between Canadian immigration officials, the military, and the Canadian Red Cross. Between 1942 and 1947, this department arranged ship and train travel for war brides and their thousands of children. The voyage and transition were difficult for many and the majority Most came from Britain but a of women who came stuck it out.

For some, however, living conditions were too They missed their families too much or, more tragically, husbands some changed their minds. So these women returned home.

Here's what happened to two local war brides.

William Hallett 1943 when he was stationed with his regiment, the 1st Battalion, Canadian Scottish,

but in December of 1945, William sailed home with his fellow servicemen. Bobbie and baby William arrived on the Queen Mary in Halifax, Nova Scotia, May 8, 1946. They travelled by train to Oshawa and made their family in Brooklin. home moving later to Whitby. The couple were married for 65 years. William Heron, harsh. who was born on May 29, 1923 died November on 6, 2012. Bobbie, who was born in October 1926, died on March 26, 2009. Both are buried at Groveside Cemetery.

Winston Wilson met Irma Maria Standaert at a dance in Knokke, Belgium, in 1943. Winston Brooklin farm boy wanted to get married but Irma's parents considered her too Heron met Olive young and asked him to wait a (Bobbie) Elwood in year. So he returned to Canada on a troop ship and waited until the year was up. On November 23, 1946, Winston went back to Belgium where he married in Irma. They took a ship to New Yorkshire, England. York in July 1947, boarded a They were married, train to Toronto and were met by



his father, Charles and brother, Vernon. They bought a home on Winchester Road in 1950, and raised two daughters. Winston died in 2005 at age 91 while his wife Irma died at age 89 in 2014. The couple is buried at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery on Taunton Rd. in Whitby.

Left image: Bobbie and son William. Above image: Robert Heron. Williams's brother. Bobbie and William Heron. Photos courtesy of William Heron.



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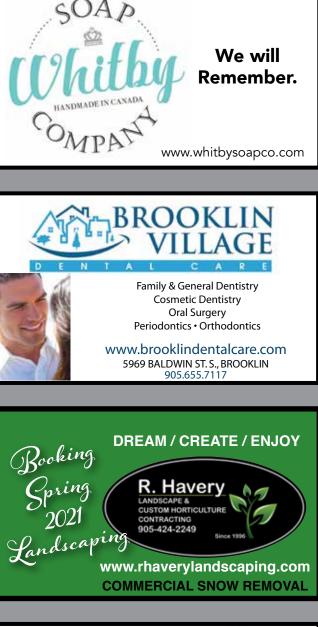
We believe meaningful, personalized service matters. We take the time to understand the needs of those we serve and are happy to offer advice and share our knowledge.

Though many are aiming to simply buy insurance, we realize that often leaves people uncer- At the end of the day, our goal is tain about what they're purchasing and if the product is protecting them the way they hope it part of our Bryson Family as well. will. As the weather changes, a litigious landscape continues to emerge. There is a mandated push to reduce the cost of insurance, thus making the right decisions more complicated, not less.

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We know people work hard and have busy lives. We strive to be as efficient as possible while ensuring that their insurance is protecting them and their family. We are driven by providing the peace of mind people deserve. It is common for us to hear from new clients how they never knew what they were paying for nor what options they had.

to treat our clients like we would our family. Clients of Bryson are Community is also important to us. One of the big reasons we wanted to have an office was to be part of this great and connected community. We also love having offices in communities where many of our team members live. We are very grateful for how Brooklin has welcomed us into the community over our initial five years and are excited to come.



For home insurance, the wording for coverage on issues like sewer backup, overland water damage and more has changed drastically. For car insurance, it to grow together for many years is essential that ensuring acci-

