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Less than Half the Picture *By Richard Bercuson*

The Not-A-Fashion-Show Fashion Show



The last fashion show I attended - well, okay, the only one - was in a previous epoch and featured a certain daughter. At the time, as her little heart desired, we'd plunked her into a too expensive talent and modeling agency in anticipation of future untold riches. Not much came of it, aside from pricey head photos and a brief modeling gig on a makeshift runway. I have the photographic evidence and yes, I did include it in the wedding video.

Since and before, zero interest. What a yawner of an event to even consider attending.

Then came the Brooklin High Fashion Show, a free ticket to table 10, seat 3, thanks to a vaunted press affiliation, and a remarkably fun afternoon.

Honestly, I was prepared to be

bored. Even the lovingly appointed table settings, replete with red tinsel, couldn't yet sway me. Till the music started and out came a group of high schoolers in 1900-era garb. Two fellows book-ended the group on the wings by assuming early 20th century poses of finely attired gents.

It didn't matter the music from the early 20th century was American or British ("A long way to Tipperary"). The show marketed itself as an homage to 100 years of fashion. Groups of students dressed in



clothing from various decades gathered on stage, swaying to old time beats. A few hammed it up just enough to elicit laughs but never edged toward silliness. They seemed to be enjoying every second and when performers are having fun, so, too, does the audience.

Meanwhile, yours truly and my table mates were treated to tea and treats, all created by the school's culinary arts class (give them all 100, I say) and served by the most polite young ladies and guys. Classy, even.

As one decade rolled into another, replete with accompanying songs, students drifted from the stage to the floor to parade the outfits from bygone days. Once they hit the 1940s, I could see the backs of grandparently heads nodding and bobbing in recognition of the tunes and outfits. My own toes tapped and I felt a terrible urge to



get up and dance. Fortunately for all around, the delicacies on the tray distracted me.

It obviously took some doing to gather clothing from decades ago. At one point, the show's Emcee, social science department head Val Hadowanski, shared that a few outfits were provided by her own parents, sitting right there front and centre.

An impressively organized and enjoyable event with genuine fun twists. So, BHS, what do you do for an encore?

(Please note, too: this was my first ever review of a fashion show.)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Seniors Workshop: You and the Road
 Tuesday, May 1, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Whitby Seniors' Activity Centre. Learn about road safety, including rules of the road, strategies for parking and reversing, and seat belts. Register at whitby.ca/getactive

Ordinary Extraordinary
 Sunday, May 6, drop-in from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Station Gallery. Register at stationgallery.ca

How-to in 10 Festival
 Saturday, May 12, drop-in from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Whitby Public Library. This free, all-ages, award-winning event invites you to learn new life skills in 10 minutes or less. For a full list of experts and their skills, visit howtoin10.com

whitby.ca/calendar

Council Meetings

Operations Committee
 April 30 at 7 p.m.

Council
 May 7 at 7 p.m.

Planning and Development Committee
 May 14 at 7 p.m.

For more information, contact the Clerks Department at clerks@whitby.ca or 905.430.4315
whitby.ca/civicweb

Public Meetings

The Town frequently holds public meetings aimed at collecting resident feedback on initiatives and projects being considered or undertaken by the Town. For detailed information on upcoming public meetings, visit whitby.ca/notices

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Notices

Second Installment of 2018 Interim Tax Bill Due Residential, Farmland, Pipeline and Managed Forest Properties
 The second installment of the interim tax billing for 2018 was due April 24, 2018. Questions? Contact the Tax Division at 905.430.4304, tax@whitby.ca or whitby.ca/tax

Whitby Hydro Proposed Merger with Veridian
 The Town would like to advise residents that Whitby Hydro and Veridian are proceeding to seek shareholder approvals for the proposed merger of the two companies. The next meeting will take place on May 9 at 7 p.m. at Town Hall. The meeting agenda will be made available online at whitby.ca/civicweb
 Residents are invited to attend the meeting or submit comments to clerk@whitby.ca. For details visit learnmore.whitbyhydro.on.ca

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BHS students display what a school teacher dressed in and an early female hockey player's outfit.

Doors Open Whitby To Feature 12 Sites

For one day only, Saturday, May 5, the annual Doors Open Whitby event invites residents to have a unique, behind-the-scenes look at some of the community's most notable and historically significant buildings, landmarks and businesses.

This year, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., residents can enjoy free activities and tours at twelve local sites, including Town Hall, Trafalgar Castle School and 360insights. Those looking for a more active experience can participate in two historic walking tours of Downtown Whitby to learn more about the local people and places of the past.

At the Whitby Centennial Building, residents can enjoy a special performance by the Whitby Courthouse Theatre at 11 a.m., followed by a presentation on past fashion trends by The Costume People at 1 p.m. Additionally, local historian Lynn Philip Hodgson will lead a walking tour at Camp X at 10:30 a.m., followed by a special presentation on Camp X at 2 p.m. at Whitby Town Hall.

Along with the public, media are invited to take part in the following:

What: Doors Open Whitby 2018 – for the complete list of participating sites and activities being offered, visit whitby.ca/doorsopen.

When: Saturday, May 5, 2018, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Where: Various sites throughout Whitby. A free, interactive map of all participating sites can be found at whitby.ca/doorsopen. Program brochures are also available for pick-up at all Town facilities.

Residents are encouraged to walk, bike or use other forms of active transportation to get to the various sites. This year's event is proudly sponsored by Tim Hortons, Whitby Hydro and Trafalgar Castle School.

For more information, visit whitby.ca/doorsopen or doorsopenontario.on.ca. Residents can also share their favourite Doors Open Whitby experiences via social media using the hashtag **#DoorsOpenWhitby**.

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Our Brooklin Kids By Leanne Brown



When your child gets cut from the team

It's hockey tryout season. For many families, this is a stressful time. Kids are on edge; emotions are tense. As parents, our job is to manage expectations...both ours and theirs.

Being cut is not fun, but it is part of rep sports. I don't envy the coaches. How do you tell a kid who loves to play and tries their best that they didn't make the team? There are only so many spots so some deserving players are going to be disappointed.

If your kid gets "released," they will be hurting, especially if they've worked hard to get on a team or their friends have been selected. So how can you help?

Learning to cope

Give your child the chance to work through the disappointment rather than rushing to make them happy. This allows them to build coping skills. Listen carefully to what your child has to say and try to understand exactly what happened to them from their perspective. Remember, your child is reporting from a very emotional place.

Empathy is the main thing a child needs from you now, not a play-by-play of what they could have done better. I know this goes without saying, but don't get upset with them because they were cut. It's important to focus on the positive. Praise their effort and "soft" skills like working hard and listening to the coaches. Point out their strengths and encourage them to tell you what they think they did well. Let them know they will still be playing their sport in the future.

In the meantime, research the next level of play available to your child. Sure, it may be house league but he or she may even be happier at that level. Consider the merits of the lower level such as a more reasonable time commitment, less competitive pressure, and more time to play with friends or try a new activity or sport.

Set new goals

Resist the urge to promise, "You'll make it next year." You can't guarantee that. But you can promise to help your child set goals if your child shows an inner drive and desire to improve. What they need from you is your love, support

and help refocusing their efforts. When they are ready, look into other leagues and skill sessions or camps they might enjoy.

It's important to keep it in perspective. The best part of any sport experience is the friends. Being involved in sports can help kids develop social skills, learn the value of teamwork, and build character through wins and losses. These les-

sons can happen whether it's rep or recreation. In 10 or 15 years, these kids will all be playing together in a "fun" league, and all those rep levels won't matter one bit.

Mom and D: don't wait up for those online roster postings. The same information will be there in the morning. When everyone is well-rested and emotions have subsided, you are all better equipped to handle the news, be it good or bad.

And kids, if you get cut, remember there will always be a team that needs you! Go find it!

Song Spot Vocalists Sing Their Way To Awards



Jessica Docherty (left) and Song Spot owner Andrea Akers

The Song Spot, Brooklin's Music School, competed recently at the Oshawa/Whitby Kiwanis Music Festival, receiving six first place awards.

Two of the vocalists, Renee Bolshan, 13, and Jessica Docherty, 12, who'd earlier won first place prizes, were also selected by the adjudicator to participate in the Rosebowl

Singing Playoffs with other first place students. Renee was selected for classical voice and Jessica for musical theatre.

Jessica, who competed across all age groups including those up to age 18, won the finals competition, receiving the \$200 Cy and Rita Powell Musical Theatre Scholarship.

Community Calendar

Fri., April 27: 4:00 - 5:00 pm
(4th Friday of each month)

Teen Leadership Council at Brooklin Library

Whitby Library's Brooklin Branch seeks Teen Leadership Council members to share ideas & assist with special events and programs. Grade 9-12 students earn community service hours. Snacks provided. No registration required.

For information, email teenservices@whitbylibrary.ca.

Mon., April 30 - Fri., May 4: St. Bridget Catholic School's "Madagascar Jr"

Show at 6:30 pm

Tickets available at the door or from the school

Sun., May 6: 11 am - 1 pm: Bryson Blooms

At 10 Roebuck, in front of Bryson Insurance

A community celebration feature music, animals from Windreach Farm, popcorn, Rapunzel & Spiderman, colouring stations, and more

12 pm unveiling of newly adopted as part of Whitby's Adopt-a-Park program.

Visit Facebook and say you're *going*: [facebook.com/events/162771337649054/](https://www.facebook.com/events/162771337649054/)

Sun., May 6: 7 pm: Brooklin Pub Quiz Night

\$15 per person for a team of 4-8 but teams of 6 are best. Team gets a platter of wings and fries and a mug of beer. Winning team receives \$10 gift certificate per person for Brooklin Pub. All proceeds to Pulmonary Hypertension of Canada. Hints: 1. Purlicue 2. Constellation Hydra

Fri., May 11: 7 pm: Brooklin United Church Charity Auction

Gift baskets, tickets to attractions, golf passes, baking, maple syrup, quilts, and more. Viewing from 6 pm. Auction at 7 pm. Sales will be by live and silent auction.

Information: 905-655-4141

Sun., May 27: 10 am: Pet Valu Walk for Dog Guides

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Email: stephen.colcleugh@nexusisp.com

Sat., June 16: 10 am - 2 pm: Nova's Ark 8th Annual Friendship Walk

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Afterwards, music by Workin' Dawgs and BBQ by Starr Burger
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To register, visit novasark.ca or email: friendshipwalk.novasark@bell.net

French Family Storytime: Children and their caregivers can join Madame Sue for weekly French Family Storytime! A half hour of French stories and songs, with a dash of English!

Drop in at Central Library's Children's Program Room

Tuesdays: 7:25 pm: Brooklin Toastmasters Club

Practice public speaking at Brooklin Community Centre & Library. Contact John Johnstone at jajhj@sympatico.ca or phone 905-683-4439 or Patricia Romano at promano257@outlook.com or phone 905-626-7055.

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Municipal Election Key Dates

The next Whitby municipal election will take place on Monday, October 22, 2018. Residents, including those interested in working on the election, running for office, or simply staying informed on important election dates - are invited to visit whitby.ca/vote to learn more about how they can get involved.

Council Members to Whitby Town Council: the Mayor and four Regional Councillors elected by the broader population, and four local Councillors elected by residents from each of the four wards. Residents will also elect a Regional Chair and school trustees. A detailed chart on the positions to be elected to office can be found here.

This year, residents will elect nine

Regional Chair*	One to be elected by all electors in the Region of Durham
Mayor	One to be elected by all electors in the Town of Whitby
Regional Councillor	Four to be elected by all electors in the Town of Whitby
Local/Ward Councillor	Four to be elected, by electors in each of the four wards, in the Town of Whitby
Durham District School Board Trustee	Three to be elected by all English public school electors in the Town of Whitby
Durham Catholic District School Board Trustee	Two to be elected by all English catholic school electors in the Town of Whitby
Counseiller(ere), Conseil scolaire Viamonde**	One to be elected by all French public electors in the Region of Durham, the Counties of Haliburton, Northumberland and Peterborough, and the Cities of Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough and Quinte West
Counseiller(ere), Conseil scolaire catholique MonAvenir**	One to be elected by all French catholic electors in the Region of Durham, the Counties of Haliburton, Northumberland and Peterborough and the Cities of Kawartha Lakes, Peterborough and Quinte West

* Nominations will be received in Legislative Services, Corporate Services Department, Regional Municipality of Durham, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario.

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6. California Roll	14. Spicy Butterfish Roll
7. Mango Roll	15. Mango Avacado Roll
8. Salmon & Avacado Roll	16. Mango Crab Meat Roll

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Key dates related to the election include:

- **May 1** - the first day a candidate can file a nomination for the Office of Mayor, Regional Councillor, Ward Councillor or School Board Trustee; the first day third party advertisers can file a notice of registration; the campaign period begins once a nomination or notice of registration is filed
- **July 27** - the last day a candidate can file a nomination (9 a.m. to 2 p.m.)
- **September 1 to October 22** - residents can make updates to add,

remove or correct their name on the Voters' List

- **October 18 to 21** - advance voting period will run daily from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- **October 19** - the last day third party advertisers can file notice of registration (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)
- **October 22** - Election Day (10 a.m. to 8 p.m.)
- **December 1** - new term of Council begins

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The granular formulation of the larvicide VectoBac 200G and/or the granular formulation of the larvicide Bacillus sphaericus (VectoLex CG - Registration No. 28008 under the Pest Control Products Act, Canada) might also be placed in sewage lagoons in areas across the Regional Municipality of Durham.

All larvicides will be applied by Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change licensed applicators or trained technicians.

For more information on the locations and dates of treatment on:

Regional and Municipal property - contact the Durham Region Health Department at 1-888-777-9613 or visit durham.ca for additional information about West Nile virus

Ontario Ministry of Transportation property - contact Ontario Ministry of Transportation at 1-416-235-5462 (collect calls accepted) or email westnileinfo@ontario.ca for additional information.



Plant-Based Eating by Sheree Nicholson



Resolution: Bump up to Super Seeds

If you're following a partial or fully plant-based diet, one of the easier ways to bump up your proteins and other nutrients is to add some "super seeds" to meals. Seeds such as hemp, chia and flax are powerhouses when it comes to plant-based proteins and the essential fats. The great news is they are virtually tasteless, so if you're worried about your child not getting enough protein, add a few tablespoons of hemp seeds to a fruity smoothie and they'll never know they are in it.

All these super seeds contain quantities of omega-3 fatty acids, which are the essential fats the body can't make from scratch. Hemp seeds are a complete protein and chia seeds are very close to being a complete protein.

Ground flax seeds are often used in baking to replace eggs. By adding water to the flax seeds, you create a flax seed egg that binds ingredients together like eggs do. Chia seeds are often used to make vegan puddings and overnight oats due to their great binding powers. Chia seeds were also the foods of Inca warriors and are in homemade energy gels for ultra marathoners. Hemp seeds are great in granola, smoothies and oatmeal. One of my favourite things to eat are the hemp seed bars at Rawlicious in Whitby. I eat them post work-out as a recovery food.

I found this handy chart on vegkitchen.com that compares the omega and protein quantities in the three

seeds. You may think the protein is low, but remember, you're adding these to foods that already contain protein. For example, if you add 2 tbsps. of hemp seeds to a 1/2 cup of oatmeal, you have 13 grams of proteins

1 TBSP	FLAX	CHIA	HEMP
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Omega-3s	2300mg	2400mg	1000mg
Omega-6	600mg	800mg	2500mg
Protein	2 g	2.5 g	3.5 g
Fibre	3 g	5 g	0.3 g
Calories	55	60	57

Flax Seed Egg

1 Tbsp. Flaxseed Meal (ground or milled flaxseed)
3 Tbsp. Hot Water

Instructions

Add the tablespoon of ground flaxseed to a bowl.
Add 3 tablespoons of hot water from the kettle (just boiled).
Allow to sit for a minute or two.
Once it has a gelatinous consistency it functions like an egg in recipes, this generally takes about 1-2 minutes.
Use it in place of an egg in recipes, it's usually 1 for 1, so 1 flax egg replaces 1 regular (chicken) egg in recipes.
Pull out your favorite muffin recipe and replace the egg with a flax seed egg for a plant based muffin.

Sheree's hack: Keep little jars of these seeds on your countertop to add to cereals, smoothies, and salads.

Softball Players Needed

The Raiders softball team is looking for players for this season.

Games are twice a week: every Sunday afternoon/evening and either one of Wednesday or Fri-

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On May 10th, Louis will be volunteering at the annual Keller Williams Energy ("KWE") RED day. RED (Renew, Energize and Donate) day is an initiative dedicated to celebrating KWE's year-round commitment to improving our local communities. This year's RED day recipient is Sunrise Youth Group in Whitby.

"I like being able to give back to my com-

munity and love that each year we get to help a local group in need," he says.

Investing in the Future

Looking for investment opportunities? In addition to residential properties, Louis also specializes in helping investors and first-time landlords buy their first rental property. He will also help find the right tenant for your property.

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BHS Hosts 2nd annual Girls Night Out



Brooklin High teacher Samaah Jadoon set up yet another successful Girls Night Out event recently. With about 100 girls participating, the afternoon was designed, as she says, "to foster healthy relationships and boost self-esteem." Dinner was provided by the culinary arts class while the activities were organized by Ms. Jadoon's student parliament.

Grade 10 student Teresa Crouchman tests her Jenga skills at the event. She pulls out a block and if she puts it...where?...will the tower collapse?

At the end of the evening, Ms. Jadoon surprised those who attended with free tickets to the new Amy Schumer film I Feel Pretty.

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Spring Thaw has Begun

"Following a tough winter as homebuyers adjusted to the new mortgage qualification rules, spring thaw has begun for the Durham market." Stated Durham Region Association of REALTORS® (DRAR) President Dennis Roberts.

Durham Region leads the GTA with the most affordable single-family detached homes according to the March 2018 MLS® Home Price Index. "Homebuyers are recognizing the affordability of Durham Region." Stated Roberts. "Our region offers the best value in the GTA. Homebuyers will continue to look east."

Looking at the first three months in 2018, we are starting to see the market rebound. We have almost doubled the number of new listings since January. The number of sales in Durham Region is up from January and the average selling price has also risen to \$598,412 from \$578,645 in January. Length of time it takes to sell has shortened significantly as well, with days on market at 30 in January now down to only 18 in March. "So we have increased inventory that is now selling faster and on average at a slightly higher price." Stated Roberts.

"Homebuyers are recognizing the affordability of Durham and the quality of life it offers," said Roberts. "Durham has a strong local economy and the ongoing transportation expansion and infrastructure development makes our region accessible and desirable for homebuyers."

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