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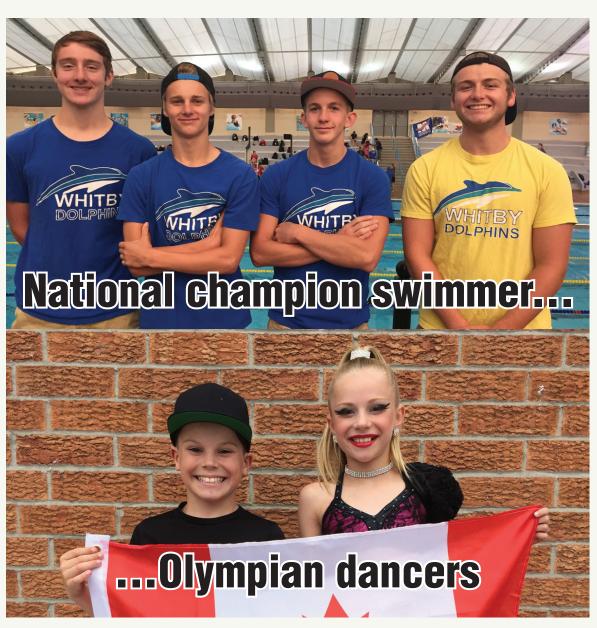


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(Top photo, left to right) Dolphins swimmers Judson Nickerson, Benoit Potvin, Ethan Placek, Harrison Potvin. Benoit, Ethan and Harrison are Brooklin residents. Ethan just won a national championship. See the story on page 3

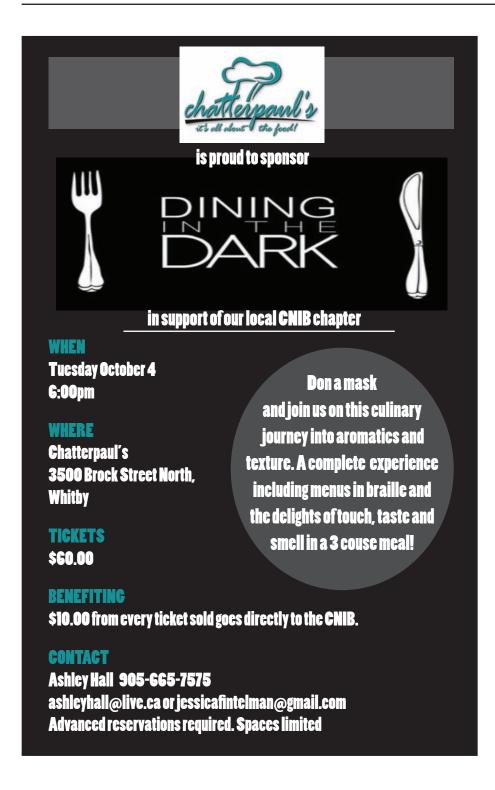
(Bottom photo) Brayden Tokarski (left) and Taylor Roth are all smiles knowing they're off to the Olympics of Dance. Photo by Stacee Roth. See page 3 for more.

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### Less than Half the Picture By Richard Bercuson



# Hair! Makeup!

Bulletin: You can now watch Whitby council meetings live online. See the story below for details. End of column.

Whoa. Not yet.

I did that a couple of weeks ago. It was Tuesday evening, Sept. 6. For those dying to know how and when this paper is cobbled together, it normally happens on Tuesday afternoons. Rhonda (perhaps you've heard of her) and I commiserate on what is to go where. She's at her hacienda; I'm at mine. Neither can see if the other is dipping into what my granddaughter calls Happy Juice. If there are typos, it was the Cabernet Sauvignon.

That was the evening KPMG presented its mammoth report on what Whitby should consider for improvements (page 5 of our Sept. 9 issue). I watched it. I was impressed.

Now you first need to keep in mind I'm more accustomed to being in hockey board or school staff meetings. In the former, where I was, people got emotional and nothing much was accomplished except to learn few did research, asked questions, worked collaboratively or examined nuanced approaches. As for school staff meetings, they should be re-titled "Principal's Dissertation on What's Going to Happen, say, Tomorrow."

So the Whitby council meeting was somewhat refreshing. You really ought to tune in. Everyone is seated and relatively quiet. They have an air of decorum. Or is that snoreless snoozing?

Questions are posed politely. Some answers were slippery but then that happens at home, too. "Richard, did you do the dishes?"

"I have done some dishes at some point in our marriage."

If you want excitement in government proceedings, then tune in to CPAC (http://www.cpac.ca/en/) during Question Period. Even the five families in "The Godfather" had more civilized gatherings.

But for a true yawnfest, you can watch the Ontario proceedings online at:

http://www.ontla.on.ca/web/go2. jsp?Page=/webcast/webcast\_ main&locale=en&menuItem=dandp\_ webcast

When not in session, the page plays Baroque music with backup vocals by Johann and the Bachs.

I suppose someone with no life could make a case for the importance of watching our provincial or federal elected officials do whatever they do. Live, no less - sort of. As for the new Whitby online approach, this strikes closer to home. I'll admit to a bias towards local content - newspapers, radio, council, etc. The decisions made by council directly affect us nearly every day. When those folks take a vote, we're going to see it.

Will I tune in again? You bet. For one thing, it'll reassure me that reasoned discourse does occur in government. For another, I like knowing what's going on and who's making it happen.

Besides, I'd love to see a councillor ask, on point of order, "Excuse me, Mr. Mayor. Who are you wearing today?"

# Watch Whitby Council Meetings Live Online

Residents can now watch Standing Committee and Council meetings live online. This newly added technology means anyone, anywhere with internet access will be able to watch Whitby Council in real time.

Earlier this year, Council approved a one-year pilot project to live stream the meetings with the goal of enhancing the transparency and access to Town Hall.

"Live streaming is a big step forward for Whitby Council," said Mayor Don Mitchell. "By making meetings more convenient for residents, we are better serving them and supporting civic engagement."

The live video feed on the Town's website (http://www.whitby.ca/en/townhall/live-stream.asp) will show Council meetings held in Council Chambers as they happen. When there is no meeting in progress, Council is not meeting in Council Chambers, or Council is in Closed Session, a graphic will appear with the text "Currently no live stream event is available".

Meeting schedules, agendas and staff reports will continue to be available on Civic Web (https://whitby.civicweb.net/Portal/). Anyone tuning into the live stream meetings can use the agendas to follow along and access reports for more information.

# **Ethan Placek Captures Gold at Swim Nationals**

Ethan Placek of Brooklin captured gold in three events at the Canadian Age Group Swimming championships in Calgary. He won the 50m and 200m Freestyle and 100m butterfly with record-breaking, swims. (50m Freestyle-24.50, 200m Freestyle-1:58.70,100m Butterfly 1:00.07).

He also took silver in the 100m freestyle and 200m medley events, breaking two more club records (100m Freestyle-53.83,200m Medley-2:16.20). Placek rounded out the week with a 5th place finish in the 400m freestyle, 10th in the 400m medley and 12th in 100m breaststroke.

The Whitby Dolphins swim club sent three other swimmers to the nationals: Judson Nickerson, Benoit Potvin and Harrison Potvin. Benoit, in his Nationals debut, and Harrison Potvin are from Brooklin. All told, the club's swimmers won three gold and two silver medals, 15 toptwelve finishes, 11 club records and 13 personal best times.

The four Dolphin swimmers also competed in the  $4 \times 100$ m freestyle and  $4 \times 200$ m freestyle relays, breaking a club record in the 4x200 finishing 15th in 16-18 age category with two under-age swimmers.

# Local Kids Going to Dance Olympics

By Sam Yacob



While the Rio Olympics have just wrapped up, two Brooklin youngsters are about to participate in their own international

competitions. Brayden Tokarski and Taylor Roth, who have trained together since the age of 5, are about to represent Team Canada Dance in Europe at what's known as the Olympics of Dance.

The competitions will be run by the International Dance Organization (IDO), which began in 1981 and now has 250,000 members in 90 nations.

Brayden is heading to the International Hip Hop Dance Championships in Graz, Austria, on October 17. In November, Taylor will compete at the Championship for Tap Dance in Riesa, Germany.

Brayden and Taylor are grade 6 students attending Winchester and Blair Ridge schools, respectively. While still in kindergarten, they chose to pursue dance as a way to follow in the footsteps of their older siblings and cousins.

Up until recently, the duo trained together. Brayden and Taylor have developed a fun relationship over the years that has led to both families frequently vacationing together. They've competed in many awardwinning group and duet routines. But now, with Brayden focusing on hip hop and Taylor on tap dance, they've staked out their own paths.

For Taylor, tap seems to come naturally. Her dad, Steve, talks about how she cannot keep her feet still. "In school," he says, "she taps her feet under her desk and many times her teachers have told her to stop."

Inspired by tap dancers Gaby Diaz and Emma Hellenkamp from the TV show So You Think You Can Dance, she has won dance awards across Ontario in jazz, hip-hop, contemporary and, of course, tap.

Brayden, the hip-hop dancer, has competed at the American Dance Awards and at competitions throughout the province. He trains at the Elite Dance Works in Markham with his choreographers, Jerome Bobb and Andrew Insanally.

As he prepares to head to Austria, his dad Kevin describes what the boy should get out of the experience. "To be confident in himself," he says. "To be able to stand in front of people and not to be shy." Brayden, whose inspiration has been hip hop dancers Fik-Shun and Twitch, is excited to be heading to Austria and representing Team Canada.

While this is their first time on the international stage, expect to hear about the young and talented duo for years to come.

#### Note:

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You can help fund Brayden's trip at www.gofundme.com/2pdfz4k
You can help fund Taylor's trip at www.gofundme.com/2phythzh

Representing Team Canada is no easy feat and the road to the international competition is paved with a lot of hard work. The dancers train five days a week for 3-5 hours each day in addition to competing with their studios at competitions.



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### **Our Brooklin Kids By Leanne Brown**



# Kid: \$%&!!#@?! Parent: Huh!?

Earlier this week, my daughter asked me the meaning of the "f" word.

"That's an interesting word," I said. "Where did you hear it?"

She'd heard other children using it on the playground. "What do you think it means?" I asked. She knew it was a "bad word" but didn't know why. She was curious about its meaning and had asked some friends, but none of them knew the meaning either.

Most parents agree swearing is an offensive habit they don't want their kids to develop. Buy why do children swear?

Often it's because they're exploring new language. They might be testing a new word, perhaps to understand its meaning. If they do know the meaning, it's usually to vent some feelings. It's a response to something painful, upsetting or

frustrating.

Older school-aged children swear because it gets a strong reaction from their parents. They might also swear to fit in socially, to stand out, or to get attention. They also may imitate the adults or people in their lives they look up to.

For us, we realized our reaction would influence whether she uses the word or not, so we decided to stay calm and first let her know she wasn't in trouble. After all, her questions about the word were due to childhood curiosity. Our daughter didn't fully understand the word's meaning; she does understand words can hurt or offend others. By explaining clearly why that word is not acceptable, she quickly understood what was expected.

Your child might have some idea of a swear word's meaning. They may have even looked it up on the internet. Before getting into it, ask your child what she thinks the word means. My daughter thinks the word in question is similar in definition to "oh darn!". If your child has some idea of the true meaning though, you're best to clarify or correct (in a generic way) what they may already know and emphasize why they should not use it.

You just stubbed your toe. You're in pain and let out a curse. Your child gasps disapprovingly as you hobble to a chair.

Even if kids don't hear it from you, they're going to come in contact with offensive language at some point. They'll hear it at school, on TV, or at the hockey arena.

If your child has heard you cursing, admit your error and then explain a better way you could have voiced it. If they hear someone else swearing, try to get them to think about how that word sounds. If, for instance, at the rink, someone uses a derogatory word to put someone down, counter it with something like, "That wasn't nice to say. That player is working really hard. They'll get it next time."

Since our little chat, we're praising our girl when she uses "bet-

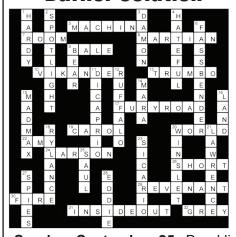
ter" words to describe her feelings. But sometimes life just "sucks". At home, we use "that sucks (lemons)"

For us, it means something that went sour. If you allow watered-down versions of swear words at your house, be clear about where and when they can be used. Tell your child she can say this at home, but not at school or with the coach. Then be sure to model those rules yourself.



## **Community Calendar**

### **Baffler Solution**



Sunday, September 25: Brooklin Pub Quiz Night, Sunday September 25th. Hints are: 1. Arctic tern 2. Panama Hat 7:00 pm, \$15.00 per person gets you a platter of wings, fries and a mug of beer for your team of 6. If you don't have a team of 6, no worries, we can add you

to a team, (teams of 4-8 are okay, too). Winning team receives a \$10.00 gift certificate per person to return another night to the pub. All proceeds go to Pulmonary Hypertension of Canada. Any questions contact Carolyn 905-449-1162

Wednesday, October 5: Jill Czuczman, with the help of Group 74, is looking at hosting a Coffee Break in support of the Alzheimer Society Durham Region and early onset dementia. Jill and her family are spearheading this event. It will take place at the Barnes Memorial Funeral Home from 1-3 pm. Group 74 also hosted a community auction at the Harvest Festival and will be doing a cheque presentation at the beginning of the afternoon. For information, contact Jill at czman@rogers.com

If you have a community not-for-profit event you would like included in the calendar, please email it to mulcahy42@rogers.com with the subject line "calendar." Priority will be given to Brooklin events. Some editing may occur.

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Friday, October 7: Ashburn artist Jay Dart will have a solo exhibition at the Robert McLaughlin Gallery until January. Exhibition link: http://rmg.on.ca/exhibitions/jay-dart-greetings-from-yawnder/ Jay's website: www.thedart.ca

Tuesdays: Brooklin Toastmasters, 7:15 p.m. for Meet & Greet, Meeting from 7:20 to 9:14 p.m. at the Brooklin Community Centre & Library (NEW LOCATION), 8 Vipond Road, 2nd floor Boardroom (NW corner). For more information, contact John at 905-683-4439 or jajhj@sympatico.ca or Loran Weston-Smyth at lorn@lornawestonsmyth.com or 416-910-4109. Brooklin Toastmasters provides a supportive and positive environment where members have the op-

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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 p.m. 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

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### Blooming in Brooklin By Ken Brown

# Lawns and...Spring?



September and I haven't begun many of the month's garden chores. The first week seemed like the middle of summer so I had to delay sowing

grass seed. It's a September task because it likes the cool moist days to aid germination. Except it's been neither cool nor moist.

When I do sow grass seed, I set up the sprinkler where it will cover as much of the newly seeded area as possible and then leave it there. I'll run it morning and night for about 15 minutes to keep the seeds moist since they need water to germinate. Adequate moisture means a nice thick lawn.

If you have an established lawn and I can't convince you to rip it out and plant vegetables, then autumn is the time of year to fertilize it. But it takes patience. A proper application of fertilizer, after the days have cooled, will have little effect on this fall's lawn. The grass plant roots find those nutrients and absorb them. They help a little with fall growth, but more importantly they store those nutrients in the crowns of grass plants so that they're ready for healthy growth when warmer spring days arrive. That occurs before the lawn is firm enough to walk on and you spread spring fertilizer. A

We're nearing the end of little effort this fall will reap rewards September and I haven't next spring. A patient gardener is begun many of the usually a successful gardener.

And now for my annual encouragement about spring flowering bulbs, one of my favourite aspects of gardening since it yields the greatest show for the least effort.

Do you admire those spring gardens with colourful displays of tulips and daffodils? Do you want wonderful spring harbingers like snowdrops and crocus?

Now's the time to ensure they're in your garden next spring. Wander into a garden centre and admire the array of bulbs. I like the feel of those smooth promises of spring in my hands. You can look at photos and buy the ones that appeal most. Or, you can get more serious and read the packages. Bulbs come in a variety of sizes and bloom times.

With a little careful planning you can plant enough bulbs to have a succession of blooms that will last for several weeks. Bulbs teach gardeners planning and patience. No instant gratification here.

Plant the early and late ones together in the same bed. As the early ones bloom and then fade, the late ones will grow up past them and take over the blooming role, extending the interest in that garden.

The other thing is to have some annual flowers ready to plant. Geraniums are one of the most popular flowering plants for containers. While I rarely buy any, my front porch is usually resplendent with them. They're easy to propagate. At this time of year I take cuttings from my front porch planters and root them. They then spend the winter in my basement under the

lights. That gives me some winter colour and feeds my gardener's soul caring for them all winter. Taking cuttings now while they are still tender and actively growing will give you more success than waiting until they have started to slow down and harden off in the cooler days of late autumn.

There are instructions available on my web site **www.gardening-enjoyed.com**. A little effort now provides gardening pleasure all winter and free plants next spring.

## **Record Results at Wolfpack Golf**

By Ryan Mitchell

With a record 150 golfers, sponsors and volunteers, the annual Wolfpack Golf Tournament raised \$36,113 for the Lakeridge Health Foundation and specifically the Durham Regional Cancer Centre

In eight years, this tournament has now raised \$146,614 and is in the top three for community contributors for Lakeridge Health.

A thank you to all of our golfers, sponsors, volunteers, as well as family and friends who joined us later that evening. The forecast for this year looked terrible but in

the end it turned out to probably be the best weather we've ever had.

Once again, a special thank you to Columbus Golf Course and Shoeless Joe's in Brooklin who offered a wonderful dinner and provided a great night's entertainment.

And the winning foursome? The group "Next Year's Champs" who took home the coveted "Wolfpack" championship with a score of -13!

For a recap of the day, please visit our website www.Wolfpack-GolfTourney.com.

# Beware! New Twist on CRA Scam

Those who hope to scam residents out of their cash under the guise of the CRA are beginning to change their tactics as more and more people educate themselves about the fraudulent activity.

The typical CRA scam involves someone calling your home phone number and claiming to be from Revenue Canada. They indicate your account is in arrears and if action isn't taken immediately, you will be arrested. You are directed to either send cash, or more commonly purchase iTunes gift cards and send them as a means of payment. These scammers seem very legitimate and sadly unsuspecting residents loose thousands of dollars as result.

The scammers are now starting to contact people via their cellphones, something that was seldom done in the past. They may reference account or personal information in order to sound more legitimate. In a new twist, they may change their story and indicate they are calling from your bank. The scammer indicates someone has accessed your account and they need your help to catch the culprit. They say they've deposited a certain amount of money into your account and all you have to do is wire a portion of it to a number provided. Of course no

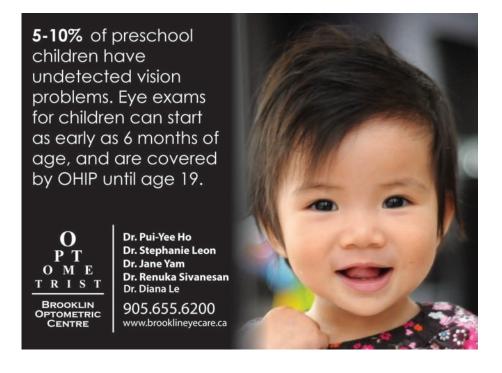
money is deposited, and the funds often end up in another country never to be seen again.

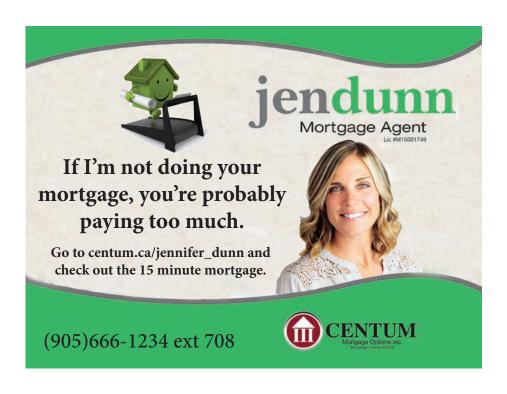
The scammers may even target the same person again encouraging them they are very close to catching the culprit and just need their help one more time. They are very aggressive and can be extremely convincing. It's important not to engage them, hang up the phone and report the incident.

Because the scam keeps changing and often crosses international borders it continues to be a huge issue for investigators. Det. Pat Waters of the DRPS Major Crime Fraud Unit says the best thing people can do is educate themselves. "We want residents to spread the word about these scams," he says. "Make sure you are telling friends and family members, especially seniors that these calls are fakes. The CRA or a bank will never call you requesting information or asking you to send money or gift cards."

You should report deceptive telemarketing to the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre..

Anyone wishing to report a fraud in Durham Region is asked to contact Durham Regional Police at 1-888-579-1520.





### Our Councillor's Report by Rhonda Mulcahy

North Ward Councillor, Town of Whitby • mulcahyr@whitby.ca

## As simple as 1-2-3?



we reviewed Bill 181, which regards municipal election reform and was introduced by the Provincial Liberals. It's just been passed.

It has the option for municipalities to use a ranked balloting system. We had much discussion at the Operations Meeting regarding this since one can imagine politicians are quite invested on how we will be This continues until a candidate has

Last week at Operations, chosen in the next election.

The basic premise behind ranked balloting is that you choose your candidates in order of preference. Then, should no single candidate obtain 50% or more of the vote, the candidate with the least first place votes would then be removed and the second place votes on their ballot are re-allocated to the remaining candidates.

more than 50% of the vote. The winning candidate may in fact be the candidate with the most first place votes, or could be the candidate with the majority of second place votes. The winning candidate could be the second or third place candidate after the first round of tallying.

The Operations Committee more or less concluded that the public should state if it wants to vote in this manner. After all, is it entirely fair that the people who play the game of politics also be able to make the rules? It was moved to suggest a Referendum Question be included on the 2018 ballot as to whether to use ranked ballots in the 2022 election.

As a result of our debate, I invited representatives of 123Whitby to a couple of coffee shop drop-in meetings I hosted last week. It's a group

of people who support ranked balloting. Again, more lively debate especially among some keen and perceptive seniors. I sense some people glazed over while listening.

When it comes to ranked balloting, I understand the how and why, but I think we have more to consider. There are many articles online about voter engagement and they play both in favour and against the ranked ballot.

This week at Council we voted down the Referendum Question on the ballot for 2018. So it's been tabled or now. But I'm curious to watch the outcome in other municipalities.

In the meantime, I welcome you to join me at Copper Branch on October 6 at 7:00 p.m. for my next community drop-in.

### **Hockey League Fundraiser Supports Charities**

The BMHL conducted its annual draft and golf day on June 18th, 2016. This year, the league decided to donate all proceeds to



two local charities that were important to two of our fallen players. The league lost Mike Thom in 2014 and Johnny Emm in 2015 and both men thought highly of the children's charities, Jumpstart and The Children's Wish Foundation.

With the commitment of players and golf sponsors, the league recently presented cheques of \$2118.36 to each charity.

Jumpstart announced that every \$100 raised on average is what is required to provide a child the opportunity to get into sports. Every dollar stays in the immediate community, which means 21 kids are now able to play some

type of local organized sport.

The cheque to the Children's Wish Foundation meant that Riley, a five year old cancer patient, will now have the opportunity to visit Walt Disney World and see his heroes. For him and his family, it will be the

tlidge from Jumpstart and BMHL President Jamie Neault.

trip of a lifetime. In the photo, from left to right: Mark Ogden, Tyler Mercer from The Children's Wish Foundation, Eric Car-

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### **Are you a Whitby Newbie? Take the Free Bus Tour**

The Ethno-cultural and Diversity Advisory Committee is hosting a free bus tour for newcomers to Whitby on Saturday, September 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The tour will start and end at the Whitby Central Library, 405 Dundas Street West.

Space is limited and interested participants must pre-register. Registration may be done http://www. eventkeeper.com/mars/xpages/w/ whitby/ek.cfm or by calling or visiting any Whitby library location.

A newcomer can be a new immigrant to Canada who is settling in Whitby, or any new Whitby resident. This tour is a fun, family-friendly event and an educational experience designed to introduce newcomers to their local government and their new community.

The tour will begin at the Whitby Central Library and will include Town's whitby.ca.

points of interest such as recreation centres, library branches, municipal and regional headquarters, historical sites, the Station Gallery, Port Whitby Marina, Kiwanis Heydenshore Park and much more.

Other highlights of the tour include: A guided tour of a recreation centre to highlight programs and services available at the Town's recreation facilities, including instructions on how to use the Recreation Guide;

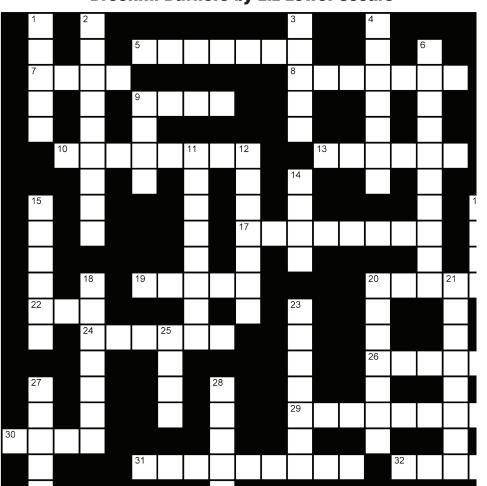
- A guided tour of Whitby Central Library highlighting the no-cost family resources, including multilingual collections and multimedia resources and an opportunity to get a library card on the spot;
- Refreshments at the beginning and end of the tour. More information on the newcomers' bus tour can be found on the

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## **Brooklin Bafflers** by Liz Lowe: Oscars



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- 7 Nominated for Best Picture (4)
- Mark Watney is abandoned by his crew in The \_ \_ (7)
- Nominated for Best Actor in a Supporting Role (4)
- **10** Actress in a Supporting Role nominee for The Danish Girl (8)
- 13 In this film, a Hollywood screenwriter struggles to survive after being blac listed in the late 1940s. (6)
- 17 The Oscar for Costume Design goes \_\_' (4,4)
- 19 Cate Blanchett portrays a sophisticated housewife in this film. (5)
- 20 Animated Feature Film Nominee 'Boy and the\_\_\_\_' (5)
- 22 Winner for Documentary (Feature) (3)
- **24** Winner for Actress in a Leading Role.(6)
- 26 In 'The Big \_', four outsiders to Wall Street predict the meltdowns of the housing market and big banks in 2008.(5)
- 29 This movie won oscars for Cinematography and Directing. (8)
- 30 Student demonstrations develop into a revolution in documentary "Winter on : Ukraine's Fight for Freedom' (4)
- 31 In this animated film, it's up to Joy, Sadness, Fear, Anger and Disgust -- to help Riley adjust. (9)
- 32 Music (Original Song) nominee 'Earned It' from Fifty shades of \_\_\_\_\_. (4)

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1 He was nominated for Actor in a

- Supporting Role in 'The Revenant' (5)
- Best Picture winner (9)
- He played the leading role in The Martian' (5)
- Eight' won an oscar for Music (Original Score) (7)
- Actor in a Leading role nominee, Michael \_ \_ (10)
- Short Film (Animated) Winner '
- 11 Actor in a Leading Role Winner (8)
- 12 Actor in a Supporting Role nominee for Spotlight (7)
- 14 She plays Therese Belivet, a department store clerk in the 1950s who falls in love with a refined older
- 15 Australia has become a wasteland. (6)
- 16 Vigilante groups fight to save their countries in 'Cartel \_\_\_
- **18** Oscar Winner for Actor in a Supporting Role (7)
- 20 She portrays Joanna Hoffman, marketing executive. (7)
- She plays Joy, a single mother who invents the Miracle Mop (8)
- 23 In this film, an FBI agent is recruited by a shadowy government official to join an interagency task force (7)
- 25 Foreign Language Film Winner 'Son of \_\_\_\_
- 'Bridge of \_\_\_\_\_' had 6 nominations, 1 win (5)
- 28 He had the leading role in 'The Danish Girl', \_\_\_\_\_ Redmayne (5)

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# Louis Bradica

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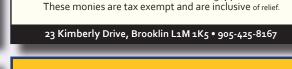








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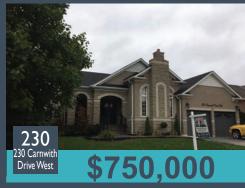


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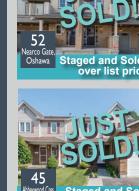


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