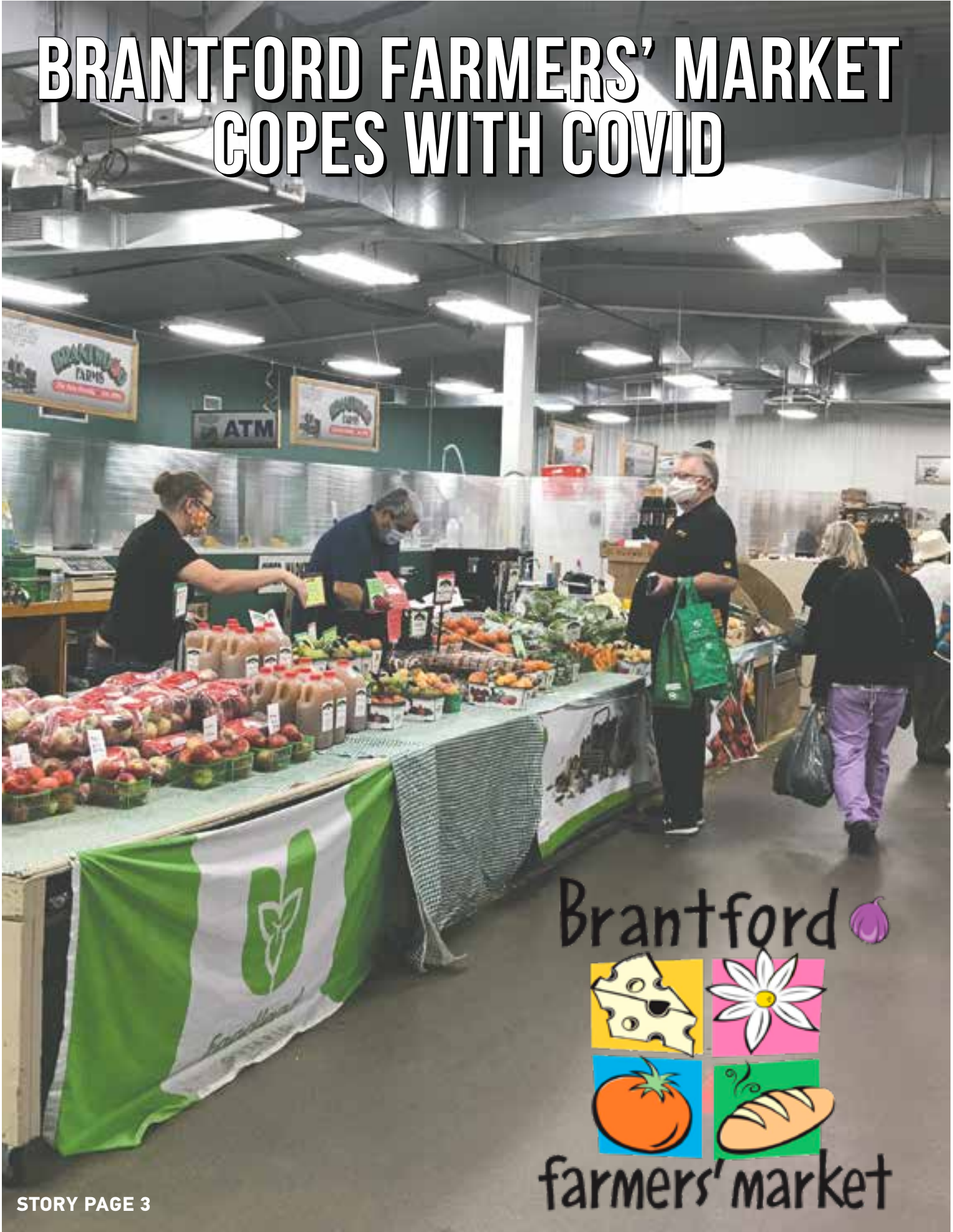


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"Exciting things happening"

However, he is optimistic. "We will be back to a full house for October indoors and we have some exciting things happening."



Some vendors are expanding to add more items in their product lines including cheese vendor Tipperary Bog, which will be offering more than just cheese. The market's longtime honey vendor D&L Nature's Best is going from a single stall to a double stall and expanding their product line to include more items, including vegetables. Meantime, Pies and Tarts from the Heart are moving to a larger corner stall. They're also taking over an adjacent stall, which will become Catering by Chris, catering to small parties, and offering take home prepared meals, charcuterie boards and more.



Covid-19 meant making changes to survive. Jacobson says some became creative by selling wholesale to businesses around Southern Ontario, while others started successful home delivery services. The market's cafeteria is also doing well, solely through its takeout business.

There are some new faces behind market counters as well. A new butcher, Townsend Butchers, will soon be taking over a market stall to replace the one that left.

And customers have adjusted by deciding on the best time for them to shop. "Our line-ups are almost non-existent and if we do have one, it disappears really quickly," said Jacobson. He says the longest line-ups tend to be first thing in the morning, lasting around 10 to 15 minutes, about 5 minutes throughout the rest of the day and in some cases, there are no line-ups at all.

Jacobson says customers, who would normally shop and socialize at the market tell him they, "can't wait to get back." But many, especially seniors, are playing it safe for now.

Some vendors however, are serving those people through home delivery and Jacobson says he expects many will continue, "because it's been such a good add on to their business."



Market hours have also seen an adjustment. On Fridays they're open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., rather than until 5 p.m. Jacobson says the two to five hours were slow anyway under normal circumstances. Saturday hours of 7 a.m. till 2p.m. remain unchanged.

With Christmas falling on a Friday this year, the market will be open on Wednesday December 23th and Thursday December 24th.

All in all, Jacobson is confident the Brantford Farmers' Market will be a bustling place again. He says more and more people are starting to come back and new customers are also visiting.

"I'm hoping Covid is under control by the spring and we'll be opening up the outside market and we will be running full steam, inside and out."

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The Brantford Farmers' Market has continued to operate through the pandemic, but not without some big adjustments. "We lost a few vendors to Covid-19 and we weren't allowed to open up outdoors," says market manager Bruce Jacobson.



Operating outdoor stalls presented a minefield of regulation hurdles, including having to fence off the area, which would mean losing parking, which had already been compromised to accommodate line-ups into the building. It also meant more security would have been needed, to ensure people were abiding by safety protocols. With no more than 50 people allowed in the building at a time and business down by about 50 per cent, Jacobson says hiring more security for the outside stalls wouldn't be viable.





COMMUNITY NEWS & MEDIA RELEASES

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Brantford City Council extends Mandatory Face Coverings By-law

Submitted Media Release

The City of Brantford remains committed to ensuring the health and safety of residents of our community by implementing preventative measures and public health best practices to reduce the risk of Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 community spread.

At their recent City Council meeting held virtually, Brantford City Council approved extending the City's current Mandatory Face Coverings By-law that originally went into effect on July 17, 2020, with the next review to be conducted in November 2020.

Under the by-law, wearing a face covering is required in enclosed public indoor spaces in the City of Brantford, including all City of Brantford facilities and public transit. Council also directed that the duration of the by-law be reviewed on a bi-monthly to assess.

Based on public health best practices as recommended by Health Canada, the Ministry of Health and the Brant County Health Unit Medical Officer of Health, a combination of frequent handwashing, physical distancing, staying home when feeling unwell, and wearing a non-medical mask or cloth face covering are all important public health measures that when implemented together are proven to help contain the spread of Novel Coronavirus COVID-19.

COVID-19 is a respiratory illness. The infection spreads from close contact (less than 6 ft) with someone with COVID-19 through their respiratory droplets or touching our face with virus contaminated hands. Respiratory droplets can include coughing, sneezing, talking or even normal breathing. When a person is singing, laughing or talking loudly, the droplets can travel even further than 2 metres/ 6 ft.

Furthermore, people who do not have symptoms (asymptomatic) or have yet to develop symptoms (pre-symptomatic) may unknowingly pass the infection to others. The highest risk for infection is with prolonged unprotected close contact (less than 6ft) with others.

Health Canada recommends the use of non-medical masks or cloth face coverings as an important preventative measure to reduce the risk of COVID-19 spread.

"I think we're looking at a challenging fall and winter, which means we need to use every tool in our arsenal until the COVID-19 pandemic is behind us", said Mayor Kevin Davis during Council's review of the by-law at the Council meeting. "I would hate to see us in a situation where we need to lock down again, so it's important we practice every preventative measure at our disposal to protect each other and keep each other safe."

"As demonstrated by the recent increase in case numbers across the province, COVID-19 remains a serious threat," said Brian Hutchings City of Brantford Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Commander. "While studies

continue to be updated regularly, evidence to date shows that continuing to practice wearing non-medical masks or cloth face coverings in indoor public spaces and public transit, provides further protection against spreading or contracting the virus – which is why the EOC strongly recommended that City Council extend the mandatory face covering by-law for the next two months, at which time another review will be conducted."

Mingle Masks/Mouth Shields

Mingle masks are NOT compliant with the City's Mandatory Face Coverings By-law due to the gaps around the mask where virus droplets can escape easily.

Face Shields

Use of a face shield as an alternative to a non-medical mask or cloth face covering is compliant with the City's Mandatory Face Coverings By-law, however, at this time public health officials recommend cloth face coverings as a more effective option to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 virus transmission.

Stay Vigilant

The City of Brantford stresses that all residents and businesses play a very significant role in keeping our community safe. Please continue to follow these important COVID-19 guidelines:

Wash your hands frequently, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, cover coughs or sneezes, clean and disinfect surfaces and stay home if you are sick.

Practice physical distancing (6 ft apart from others) in public at all times and wear a face covering (non-medical mask), to reduce the risk of transmission in enclosed indoor public spaces.

Additional updates regarding City programs and services, and the continuity of services are shared regularly on the City's Facebook and Twitter pages and at brantford.ca/coronavirus.

City Council will review the by-law again in November, 2020.

Local Update from Dr. Elizabeth Urbantke - September 22, 2020

Submitted Media Release

Below is a transcribed version of the statement made by Dr. Elizabeth Urbantke, Acting Medical Officer of Health of the Brant County Health Unit, on September 22, 2020.

First, I'd like to update the outbreaks in our jurisdiction. The outbreaks at John Noble Home Long-term Care facility and Le Ballon Rouge Daycare have been declared over. There were no additional cases other than those initially found at those facilities. Again, this is a testament to these facilities following proper protocols to ensure the initial cases did not spread to other members of our community.

One case of COVID-19 was discovered last week at Russell Reid Public Elementary School. We received these test results on September 17 and worked quickly with our partners at the Grand Erie District School Board to ensure the affected cohort was notified. As of now, we have received no further positives from any staff or student at Russell Reid Elementary.

As per Ministry guidelines, COVID-19 outbreaks are determined differently for various institutions. For example, in long-term care and retirement homes, as well as daycare centres, a COVID-19 outbreak is declared after a single, confirmed case is found in a resident, child or staff member. An outbreak in a school is defined as two or more lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases in students and/or staff in a school with an epidemiological link, within a 14-day period, where at least one case could have reasonably acquired their infection in the school.

The Brant County Health Unit will post daily information on our site regarding school outbreaks, should they occur. Information regarding singular cases in school communities will be communicated by the applicable school board and the Province.

We saw a slight uptick in cases locally this past week with nine new cases. This was somewhat expected with the increases we are seeing provincially. As we said last week, we don't live in a bubble in our area. Many of our residents work and play in the areas that we are seeing rises in. To help curb further rises, the Province announced over the weekend that there would be a reduction on the number of people permitted to attend unmonitored and private social gatherings across the entire province. Unmonitored and private social gatherings include functions, parties, dinners, gatherings, BBQs or wedding receptions held in private residences, backyards, parks and other recreational areas.

Effective as of September 19, the new limit on the number of people allowed to attend an unmonitored private social gathering across the province is:

- 10 people at an indoor event or gathering (previous limit of 50); or
- 25 people at an outdoor event or gathering (previous limit of 100).

Indoor and outdoor events and gatherings cannot be merged together. Gatherings of 35 (25 outdoors and 10 indoors) are not permitted.

It is disappointing to have to re-impose restrictions after all the work our community has done to keep case counts relatively low, but a provincial approach to address the increases we are seeing is the best strategy to ensure we can control this expected second wave, so that it does not exceed the first.

County of Brant to Host Official Plan Virtual Town Halls this October

Submitted Media Release

The County of Brant will host two (2) virtual Town Hall meetings this October. The virtual events will give residents a chance to participate in discussions regarding the County of Brant's New Official Plan: how and where to manage future growth and how to build healthy and complete communities.

"We need to hear your voice. Our New Official Plan process allows the County to update its land use policies," said Jennifer Boyer, Manager of Policy Planning for the County of Brant. "It's important that we hear from citizens and stakeholders. We want to know what you think should be protected, what areas should and should not grow and what a healthy and complete community means to you."

The sessions will also educate residents on the County of Brant's current land-use planning policies; what an official plan can and cannot do; and will answer questions residents often have surrounding growth management and housing options in communities.

"The first session will focus on the topic of Growth Management, Provincial requirements for Housing options and how land will be used today and in the future," said Boyer. "The second session will focus on the topic of Building Healthy and Complete Communities, with additional focus on protecting the environment, agriculture, transportation and infrastructure. We hope you can join us from the comfort of your home and be involved in these important conversations."

The Virtual Town Halls are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 7:00 pm – Growth Management

Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm – Building Healthy and Complete Communities

To participate in the live discussion portion of the sessions, viewers will need to register using zoom. Live stream will also be available for those who wish to only watch or submit their questions before or after the session. For information on the County of Brant's New Official Plan, Town Hall registration, Town Hall live stream and important updates, visit www.brant.ca/NewOfficialPlan.

To subscribe to a digital mailing list for events and updates regarding the New Official Plan, visit www.brant.ca/planningprojects.

For more information on the Official Plan, please contact Jennifer Boyer, Manager of Policy Planning, at

519.44BRANT (519.442.7268) or 1.855.44BRANT and Jennifer.boyer@brant.ca.

Virtual Meetings of Council Extended to January 1, 2021

Submitted Media Release

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March, the health and safety of our citizens and staff has guided the decisions of the City's Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and Brantford City Council. Now in Stage 3 of the Province's COVID-19 pandemic response reopening plan, the EOC continues to closely monitor provincial and public health guidelines and direction while implementing plans for City facilities, amenities and services to reopen or resume in the safest way possible.

Given the current space limitations to hold in person meetings of Council and citizen committees at the current City Hall safely, at their meeting held August 25th, 2020 Brantford City Council approved a resolution directing that all open session meetings of Council, including meetings of the City's Task Forces, Committees and Advisory Boards continue to be conducted virtually until January 1, 2021. Prior to December 2020, City Council will consider a staff report outlining the merits of a hybrid in-person and virtual meeting model.

We want to hear from you

The City of Brantford recognizes the importance of involving citizens in the development of policy, programs and services and are committed to ensuring there continues to be a range of opportunities for the community to become knowledgeable about local government and actively involved in civic life.

Ways to engage

Council Agendas will continue to be posted as they are available with proper notice being provided to the public. Members of the public can watch the Council meetings live online by clicking on either of the following links once the meeting has started:

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Delegations during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Members of the public wishing to speak at a meeting, either as a delegation or regarding Statutory Public Hearing items are required to register by 9 a.m. the day of the scheduled meeting. To register to participate electronically, members of the public must visit the calendar event associated with the meeting which can be found on the City Council Calendar and clicking on the unique registration link for the meeting. Upon registering for a meeting, members of the public will be emailed a link for the Zoom meeting. The public can also participate in the meeting via telephone, by registering in advance at 519-759-4150 ext. 5358. Please visit brantford.ca/VirtualCouncil for more information.

The public is also always welcome to provide their comments in writing or via email in advance of a meeting of Council. Comments can be submitted by emailing clerks@brantford.ca any time prior to the meeting or by mail to City Clerk, City of Brantford, 100 Wellington Square, P.O. Box 818, Brantford, ON N3T 5R7. Comments can also be placed in the drop box which is available at the front of City Hall. All comments received prior to the meeting will be provided to members of the related meeting body.

For more information about ways to get involved and share your feedback with the City, please visit the City's website at www.brantford.ca or contact us at 519-759-4150.

Brantford Named One of Canada's Best Locations to Invest for Business

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Date	Event name	Location	Start Time	Category
Oct. 1 - 31	Hardy Family Exhibit	Brant Museum and Archives		Education
Oct. 1 - 31	Quilt of Belonging	Woodland Cultural Centre		The Arts
Oct. 1 - 31	Heroes Walk and Roll (Lansdowne Children's Centre)			Community
Thurs. Oct. 1 - Dec. 10	Little String Orchestra - Registration	Hellenic Community Centre	06:00 PM	Education
Thurs. Oct. 1 - Dec. 17	Thursday Trivia Nights (County of Brant Public Library)	https://crowd.live/EH3CA	07:30 PM	Entertainment
Thurs. Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29	Karaoke with The Sandman	Marvelous Lounge	09:00 PM	Entertainment
Fri. Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30	DJ Music	Marvelous Lounge	010:00 PM	Entertainment
Oct. 3 - 10	Virtual Walk for Hope (Helping Ourselves through Peer Support & Employment)			Community
Sat. Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31	DJ Music	Marvelous Lounge	010:00 PM	Entertainment
Sun. Oct. 4, 11, 18 & 25	Karaoke with The Sandman	Marvelous Lounge	08:00 PM	Entertainment
Sun. Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27	Karaoke with The Sandman	Marvelous Lounge	09:00 PM	Entertainment
Thursday, October 1	Orange Shirt Day Virtual Events (Woodland Cultural Centre)		9:30 AM	Education
Thursday, October 1	From Spark to Story (adults, Thurs. Oct. 1 - Nov. 5)	Glenhyrst Art Gallery of Brant (Coach House)	06:30 PM	Education
Thursday, October 1	Classic Albums Live performs Tom Petty - Damn The Torpedoes	Sanderson Centre for the Performing Arts	08:00 PM	Entertainment
Friday, October 2	Orange Shirt Day Virtual Events (Woodland Cultural Centre)		06:30 PM	Education
Friday, October 2	Voodoo Kingz (reservations required)	Brantford Polish Hall	07:00 PM	Entertainment
Saturday, October 3	Outdoor Photography (adults, & Sun. Oct. 4)	Glenhyrst Art Gallery of Brant (Coach House & Gardens)	10:00 AM	Education
Saturday, October 3	Delicious Take Out Ham Dinner order https://www.ticketscene.ca/events/30418/LF1974	Paris Fairgrounds	04:30 PM	Community
Saturday, October 3	Orange Shirt Day Virtual Events (Woodlands Cultural Centre)		06:30 PM	Education
Sunday, October 4	Orange Shirt Day Virtual Events (Woodland Cultural Centre)		01:30 PM	Education
Sunday, October 4	Orange Shirt Day Virtual Events (Woodland Cultural Centre)		06:30 PM	Education
Tuesday, October 6	Free Virtual Grand Erie Job Fair & Skills Exploration Event (Workforce Planning Board of Grand Erie)		9:00 AM	Education
Tuesday, October 6	Beginners Acrylic Painting (adults, Oct. 6 - Nov. 10)	Glenhyrst Art Gallery of Brant (Coach House)	06:30 PM	Education
Tuesday, October 6	Your Voice, Your Story, Your Impact: Exploring Self-Advocacy (County of Brant Public Library)		07:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 7	Crafting with Kelly: Autumn Basket (County of Brant Public Library) - reg. online, P/U and do at home with video		12:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 7	Paris Horticultural Society Meeting with Claudette Sims (meeting starts at 7:30pm)	Paris Fairgrounds (Exhibition Hall)	07:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 7	Tanya Talaga	Sanderson Centre for the Performing Arts	07:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 7	Virtual Town Hall Meeting (Growth Management - County of Brant)		07:00 PM	Education
Friday, October 9	16th Annual Mayors' Luncheon (Chamber of Commerce Brantford-Brant)		11:00 AM	Education
Friday, October 9	Trick Bag (reservations required)	Brantford Polish Hall	07:00 PM	Entertainment
Tuesday, October 13	Brant Fly Tyers and Fly Fishers Group Meeting	Brant Rod and Gun Club	06:00 PM	Education
Tuesday, October 13	Your Voice, Your Story, Your Impact: Unpack and Find Your Message (County of Brant Public Library)		07:00 PM	Education
Saturday, October 17	Outdoor Photography (adults, & Sun. Oct. 18)	Glenhyrst Art Gallery of Brant (Coach House & Gardens)	10:00 AM	Education
Saturday, October 17	Lawren Harris Walk	Margaret Chandler House (W. Ross MacDonald School)	10:30 AM	Education
Saturday, October 17	John Ladds Band (food drive benefit show for Brantford Food Bank)	Dominion Telegraph Centre	07:00 PM	Entertainment
Tuesday, October 20	Brant Fly Tyers and Fly Fishers Group Meeting (weekly now)	Brant Rod & Gun Club	06:00 PM	Education
Tuesday, October 20	Your Voice, Your Story, Your Impact: Power Play (County of Brant Public Library)		07:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 21	Crafting with Kelly: Burlap Hoop (County of Brant Public Library) - reg. online, & complete at home with video		12:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 21	Virtual Town Hall Meeting (Building Healthy & Complete Communities - Cty. of Brant)		07:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 21	Plant-Based Proteins (County of Brant Public Library)	dietitian on zoom	07:30 PM	Education
Friday, October 23	Murder, Mystery and Mayhem Walk	Brant Museum & Archives	07:15 PM	Entertainment
Friday, October 23	The Boys & I	Buck's Tavern	010:00 PM	Entertainment
Tuesday, October 27	Virtual Book Club (County of Brant Public Library)		02:00 PM	Education
Tuesday, October 27	Brant Fly Tyers and Fly Fishers Group Meeting	Brant Rod & Gun Club	06:00 PM	Education
Tuesday, October 27	Your Voice, Your Story, Your Impact: Bringing Your Story to the Community (County of Brant Public Library)		07:00 PM	Education
Wednesday, October 28	Treasured Times Music and Film Discussion (County of Brant Public Library)		03:00 PM	Education
Thursday, October 29	Adobe inDesign: An Introduction (adults, & Fri. Oct. 30)	Glenhyrst Art Gallery of Brant	01:00 PM	Education
Friday, October 30	Hwy 24 and Halloween Party (reservations required)	Brantford Polish Hall	07:00 PM	Entertainment
Tuesday, November 3	Brant Fly Tyers and Fly Fishers Group Meeting	Brant Rod & Gun Club	06:00 PM	Education
Thursday, November 5	Shantero Productions presents The Comic Strippers (19+)	Sanderson Centre for the Performing Arts	07:30 PM	Entertainment
Saturday, November 7	Monument and Memorial Walk	Jubilee Terrace Park (in front of Brantford Armouries)	10:30 AM	Education

Magazine recognized Advantage Brantford among 20 local and regional groups across the nation representing "Canada's Best Location," based on corporate end-user facility investment and related job creation activity analyzed on a cumulative and per-capita basis.

The acknowledgement highlights recent local industrial projects including: 48 North, City View Green, Grissin Bon Limited, Hypoint Company Ltd., North West Rubber Mats and Skyline Properties. Most significantly, Vicano Developments completed a 530,000 square foot state-of-the-art refrigerated food warehousing facility, leased by Brimich Logistics.

The recognition of "Canada's Best Location," joins a long list of recent accolades recognizing how Brantford is an outstanding community for both families and businesses to put down roots. Maclean's magazine praised Brantford as being one of the best communities to live in 2019. Earlier this year, MoneySense Magazine praised Brantford as being one of the best places to buy real estate in Canada for the sixth consecutive year. Specifically, Brantford placed sixth out of 35 cities in 2020, third in 2019, first in 2018, third in 2017, third in 2016 and fourth in 2015.

Quick Facts

- In 2019, 11 new firms brought 333 new jobs to Brantford.
- Brantford saw \$25.45 million permit value in Industrial Building Permits in 2019.
- Over 100 acres of private industrial employment Greenfield lands are anticipated to come to market in the next 6 to 18 months.
- The City's boundary expansion in 2017 took in additional lands including 1,830 net acres of industrial employment lands scheduled for development over the next 15 years.
- The Province of Ontario anticipates Brantford's

population to increase by 60 per cent to 163,000 in 2041.

"The recognition of Brantford as one of Canada's best locations for investment reflects the hard work we have put into strengthening the region's economy. Much of Brantford's success can be credited to strong relationships with the local business community as well as a supportive City Council conducive to growth. While 2020 has brought significant challenges, we remain committed to supporting local businesses through the Mayor's Economic Recovery Task Force."

- Brantford Mayor Kevin Davis.

"We are thrilled to receive this honour that recognizes Brantford on the global stage. While celebrating our successes, we are also working hard to revive and sustain local businesses and employment during this historically challenging time and to ultimately build a more resilient and prosperous future for our community."

- Kevin Finney, Director, Economic Development & Tourism, City of Brantford.

City Provides Additional Funding to Support the Community's Most Vulnerable During COVID-19 Pandemic

Submitted Media Release

As the social assistance and homelessness service provider for both The City of Brantford and The County of Brant, the City is pleased to announce the continuation of ongoing partnerships with the Brantford Food Bank and the Salvation Army to support emergency food services throughout the rest of the year as part of the COVID-19 Response Plan.

The City recognizes that residents may experience additional financial pressures this fall. With an additional \$130,000 in funding from the Social Services Relief

Fund, local emergency food providers will continue their important efforts and expand home delivery options for individuals and families in need of emergency food due to the COVID-19 crisis. The Food Bank will lead the planning and coordination in the City of Brantford and the Salvation Army will lead the efforts in the County of Brant.

The funding comes from the \$1.28 million that was allocated to the region in April to protect those most vulnerable during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Federal government committed an additional \$309,962 through Reaching Home - Canada's Homelessness Strategy, while the Provincial government committed an additional \$970,300 in supports through the Social Services Relief Fund.

Since March, the City's Health and Human Services staff has been working with partners within the health sector and emergency shelter operators to implement a co-ordinated COVID-19 Response Plan. Funding was used to support community food programs throughout April, May and June with \$130,000 allocated to purchase over 279,538 pounds of food, which provided 141,206 meals to over 20,000 residents. Additionally, the funding was used to support over 20 community food providers with food and supplies needed to sustain their programs.

A primary objective of the Covid-19 Response Plan is to prevent and reduce the spread of COVID-19 among individuals experiencing homelessness, both within and outside the Emergency Shelter system. Shelters were provided with necessary items including additional staffing, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies and mechanisms to improve physical distancing. Due to continued efforts from staff, the plan has been successfully implemented and no outbreaks have been reported in the Emergency Shelter system in Brantford.

How to Access Services

Individuals in the City of Brantford who are looking for more information about food security services are encouraged to call the Brantford Food Bank at 519-751-HELP (4357), individuals in the County are encouraged to call the Salvation Army at 519-752-7814 or 519-442-3432.

"I am very proud of the City's efforts in supporting Brantford's most vulnerable citizens during this very challenging time. We are fully committed to continuing to work very closely with our community partners to enhance their ability to support individuals and families who need food assistance or those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless."

- Brantford Mayor Kevin Davis

"We are grateful for the additional funding support from the Federal and Provincial governments. Emergency food services are imperative to those in need in our communities and we are thrilled to see this important work continue through these unprecedented times. Thank you to the local partners who work endlessly to provide these services to County of Brant residents as well as the City for administering the programs."

- County of Brant Mayor David Bailey

"We are pleased to receive this renewed funding from the City of Brantford, to provide ongoing emergency food support to our community. This funding will continue to provide food and support to the Brantford Food Bank and to the network of Community Food Share organizations that provide food in our community. As COVID-19 support programs for individuals end and change, we are committed to working with our partners and the City of Brantford to ensure no one goes hungry by providing emergency support to anyone needing emergency food assistance."

- Heather Vanner, Executive Director, Brantford Food Bank



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While I am no medical expert, and do not advise taking tea as a cure for COVID-19, I do know my teas. From the plethora of herbal teas we have in stock, we carry teas like Rosehip, which has historically been used to cure scurvy², but now show up on fast fashion shelves for refreshing facial mist, can also be

enjoyed in liquid form to improve immune and heart health.³

Furthermore, as most people are aware of the effects of quarantining for extended periods of time, the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) states that tea can also have soothing and calming affects on a person's mental health⁴ and treatment of depression.⁵

So, whether you enjoy a cup of Earl Grey in a traditional gold leaf ridged, bone china cup and saucer that has been passed down from your great grandmother to you, or you enjoy a to-go cup of whatever you can find on your way to the office, we have a tea for you. We are hosting a socially distant tea tasting event that allows you to try new teas, such as coconut infused Thai Chai Black Tea or Raspberry Beret, a subtle raspberry flavour mixed with luxury black tea. See you there!

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OCTOBER IS A GREAT MONTH FOR BEING THANKFUL



A MESSAGE FROM THE PUBLISHER

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As Summer winds down and flows into Fall, we start to notice some changes happening around us. The air gets a little crisper, the leaves start to change into beautiful, autumn hues and we start coming together to give thanks.

October is a special month for us at BScene as it signifies the start to a new year. And this October will mark our 6th Anniversary! This year has certainly been a tough year for many people, businesses and organizations within our community and all across the globe. And we're no different. We've had to put our print circulation on pause, seen lower event numbers and lost revenues due to the pandemic.

While we are living in troubling times, it can be easy to lose sight of the good things that continue to happen around us. So let's take some time this month to look at the positive things and be thankful for all the good that is happening around us and in our lives. Even though this year hasn't been what we've expected, we still get to celebrate the fact that we've showcased our community for 6 years now! And we've been able to see, and share, many amazing things that happen in our community.

I'm especially thankful to the BScene Team for all their hard work in helping to showcase our community and provide a wonderful publication for our readers. I'm also thankful to everyone who

picks up our paper and continues to read along with our stories and content. And I'm thankful to businesses and organizations who support us through their promotions.

As we move into our 7th year, we will continue to be thankful for everyone's support, as well as being hopeful for the future. Having been in business for 6 years now, I have noticed that every person has the ability to make a difference around them. We've seen kids creating their own fundraisers, the joy on people's faces at local events, and the amazing feeling of an audience clapping together. I know that we have a strong and resilient community. And I am thankful that I live here and can experience these moments with you. So let's continue to be strong and make a difference together. Let's be thankful for what we have and that we can make a positive contribution to our community by keeping each other safe and healthy.

We hope that you'll enjoy reading along with us in our October edition. You can pick up your copy at many of our normal drop locations. And as always, you can join us online by heading over to www.bscene.ca or visiting our social media channels. We have all of our publications posted on our website and you can sign up to join our monthly, email newsletter to get your digital copy right to your inbox.

You can also make a difference by continuing to wear your masks, physically distance and washing your hands.

We hope you have a Thankful October and a Happy Halloween while staying safe!

Jason – Owner of BScene



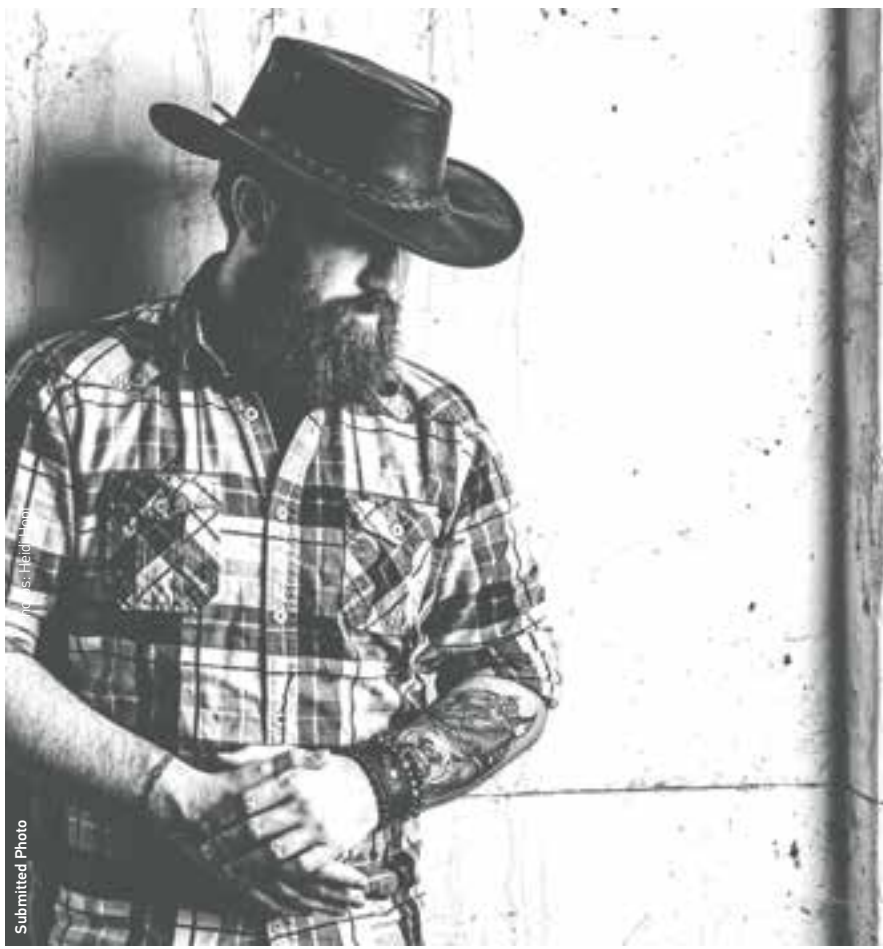
SOLUTION

to our Sudoku puzzle (Page 16)

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3	8	9	7	1	6	4	5	2
6	1	7	2	5	4	9	3	8
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5	9	6	1	7	2	3	8	4
8	7	3	4	6	5	2	9	1
2	4	1	8	3	9	5	6	7

BSCENE  MUSIC SCENE

Looking 'Behind the Music Scene'



Submitted Photo



HEIDI HOPF

 HeidiHopfJournalism

These last few months have seemed to somehow drag and fly by all at the same time. Although it may seem as though the music scene has gone into hibernation great things have been happening behind the scenes. Here are just a few.

Innersha

With the cool weather upon us, Innersha has ensured that we have a little feeling of summer into the fall months with their new single "Beautiful Day." The single was released on all streaming platforms at the end of August and is quickly gaining momentum. Innersha recorded the single at Jukasa Media Group, and give special thanks to the many people that contributed to the track. Kristen Bezemer commented on what the track means to her. "Beautiful Day was inspired by a perfect summer day in paradise. The skies are blue, the sun is shining and life is full of endless possibilities." With grey days ahead having a fresh track like this could come in handy!

Chris Strei



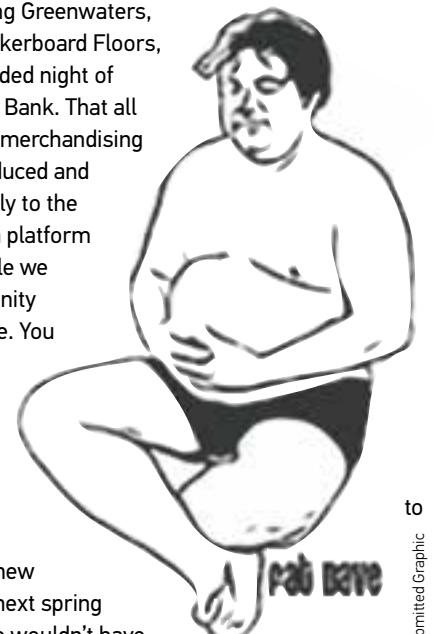
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Strei has definitely made the most of the musical hibernation by being signed with Winding Way Records. Even though Strei has had success with his album The Moonshine previously self-released through ChevyCat Music, being signed with Winding Way Records has opened a new world of possibilities for his music. Most exciting of which is the chance to expose his music to the world of television through synchronization opportunities. "It's very exciting to daydream about watching a movie and hearing my song playing in the background," said Strei. He also commented on his new "EP" project Annabelle that is

currently in the works. "I usually write with a mix of reflection and narration, with the intent of being relatable, but this EP is intensely personal with the purpose of telling a story." Although there isn't a release date set, Strei is full steam ahead producing and polishing material.

Dave Dodds Jr.

Dodds has become a musical fairy godfather of sorts through this pandemic. In the beginning, he jumped in to assist at McGonagalls Pub and brought us nightly live streams from local musicians, and was sure the musician's received pay for their efforts. He organized Feedstival at The Knights of Columbus featuring Greenwaters, Cody James Wood, Joey Vinegar, Monique Hunsley, Checkerboard Floors, and Fifth Temple. Feedstival not only gave us a much needed night of live music but also raised \$888.00 for the Brantford Food Bank. That all being done, this man is not finished yet! He has started a merchandising business that caters to musicians to get their merch produced and available to the public. Fifty percent of all profits go directly to the musicians. Dodds commented, "This site is meant to be a platform that allows creative people to continue to be creative while we work together." It's great to see a member of our community finding so many ways to support our beloved music scene. You can find merch from many local bands and businesses at fatdave.ca.



Submitted Graphic

It sure was a slower summer than most of us are used but rest assured progress was still being made. I have no doubt within the next few months we will see a surge of new music flying our way from all of our favourite artists. By next spring I'm sure many new events will have been planned that we wouldn't have had otherwise. So as we go into fall and things start to get a bit tighter socially and we start to really miss live music or miss going out on the town as often, try and take solace in all the things that are being created during this time that will be waiting for you come Spring! In the meantime, let's be sure to get on Bandcamp or musician's websites and purchase music and merchandise from our local artists. As well as streaming their albums on our preferred platform. Everyone from musicians to venue owners are taking a major hit this year and are watching their industry dwindle. So let's make sure we do what we can to keep the music alive within our community.



Photo: Jason Freeze

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HUMAN RESOURCES

HOW HEALTHY IS YOUR SAFETY PROGRAM?

Your workplace likely has a health and safety policy manual, and a health and safety representative or committee, and maybe even a human resource person to oversee health and safety issues. But do you have a Health and Safety Program?

A Health and Safety Program goes beyond simply adding a policy manual and identifying a health and safety representative. If established properly, the H&S program allows for regular workplace inspections (they are scheduled and conducted, actions are taken appropriately); the program provides mechanisms for communications between management and health and safety reps (requirements to discuss, review and update policies, discussion on inspection results and actions taken, creation of policies and procedures specific to the workplace); establishes procedures for investigation of incidents and accidents in the workplace; and the program also establishes and maintains training schedules for employees on safety issues such as workplace hazards, equipment training, and workplace violence and harassment.

The workers and management must actively engage and participate in health and safety initiatives in the workplace. Risks and impacts should be proactively identified and accounted for, including any impending legislation changes. Roles and responsibilities of persons in the workplace should be clearly defined. This would include: to whom do you report



KATHRYN KISSINGER

deficiencies that require repairs? Who is responsible to oversee and/or authorize the repairs being made?

In addition, your company should have "safe work procedures" both in policy form (such as "how to use" manuals for machines, office equipment, etc.) and in other forms, such as appropriate posters, warning stickers/labels, directional signage for fire escapes, and more.

Health and safety has taken a front seat in most workplaces these days, so it is important to ensure that steps forward are not forgotten when the "panic" is over.

If your business needs help on these or other Human Resources issues, please reach out to us for a free half-hour consultation!



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BUSINESS SERVICES

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Have you seen the countless reminders everywhere to shop local? There are websites, hashtags, and billboards dedicated to this subject, but why shop local?

The common and most straight forward answer is that the money spent at a local business stays in our community. Supporting local shops is helping support families, neighbours, friends, and the list goes on. This fact should be the only motivation required for us to put this into practice, however, the convenience of purchasing sites like Amazon can sometimes be tempting and appealing.

There are other factors to consider though before checking out your shopping cart. Local businesses care about our community, they donate resources such as time and goods, sponsor sports teams and volunteer at the hospital in their free time. Shop owners are passionate about their products and services they deliver, they have spent time researching and selecting their inventories with pride. They deliver expert services or sell quality products that they believe in and are sure to meet your needs. In many cases, they aim to source local vendors and suppliers helping the local circle grow bigger and stronger. This can lower the price of goods since shipping costs are minimal or nonexistent.



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YOUR MOBILE LIFE

FIVE THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN LOOKING FOR A NEW SMARTPHONE

If you are considering buying new phone. The following are 5 things to consider before you go shopping.

- Budget** - There are many great phones at various price points depending on how you use your phone. You have the option to buy your phone outright or finance your phone through your carrier. Remember there are no free phones - financing your phone may lock you in to a contract for a 2 year term.
- Camera** - Do you take a lot of pictures and video? Do you need to edit photos on your phone? Is the front camera as important to you as the back camera? Knowing what you expect from your phone's camera will help in making the decision as to what phone to buy.
- Battery** - Battery capacity and fast charging should be considered when purchasing your phone. The bigger the capacity the longer your phone will last on a single charge. If you are a heavy user of your phone this is important to consider. How fast your phone will charge is another issue to consider as many phones offer fast charging (less time plugged in to reach a full charge).
- Screen Size and Quality** - The person who uses their phone to watch and stream entertainment has different requirements from the person who is just



STEVE & LORRAINE GARNHAM

using their phone for calls and text.

- Headphone Jack** - Do you need a headphone jack to use your headphones? Many of the new phones do not have headphone jacks so if you are not ready to move to bluetooth this will narrow down your options.

As a little help to do some research on phones we have found the website www.gsmarena.com helpful.

If you have any questions about the features of different phones, feel free to contact us at CPR Cell Phone Repair Brantford.



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EDUCATION

PLANNING & TIME MANAGEMENT

Whether working on a big project or deciding what to wear tomorrow, planning helps students accomplish their goals, save time, and get organized, both at school and at home.

Time management is the act of planning and controlling your time so that you are making the most of it. Effective time management skills help students be more efficient at school and at home. The key to managing your time effectively is to establish priorities so that you can still do all the things that are important to you.

"Learning is more effective when it is an active rather than a passive process." Kurt Lewin

What can students do to help them plan and manage their time effectively? Ask yourself the following questions.

Planning 101:

1. What do I have to do?
2. What do I need to do it?
3. When can I get started?
4. When will I be finished?

When students regularly do these things, they do not have to worry about building time into their study schedule for cramming or catching up. Although it may take some adjustment, if you learn to follow these steps, you will find that you have more time than you think.

Planning in Practice:

- ✓ Think ahead
- ✓ Identify tasks
- ✓ Identify time limits
- ✓ Write down plans

Good time management allows you to better manage schoolwork and other activities, helps you get better grades, makes studying less stressful, increases the



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amount of free time that you have, and creates life-long organizational skills. When students know how to plan, they approach tasks and learning methodically, which reduces stress, increases focus, and makes big projects seem manageable.

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STRATEGY & INNOVATION

EVERY BUSINESS NEEDS TO ACT LIKE AN IDEA FACTORY

Can you create the solutions to survive Covid? It is forcing every manager to reconsider everything. One day people went to work; the next day we wondered who essential workers are. While innovation may seem like a luxury, its focus on solving problems and creating opportunities is the most practical skill to develop. We now see too many organizations stumbling to solve Covid challenges. Getting it right the second time is costly.

All organizations need to create solutions, like an idea factory. Ideas solve problems, improve quality, and enhance relationships. It's not consultants giving answers; its building skills and collaboration to create solutions whenever and wherever they are needed. Idea Factory sessions are opportunities to develop skills, processes and tools to create solutions. They can...

1. Solve a specific problem or challenge – from HR to marketing.
2. Improve the way teams collaborate and deal with change.
3. Create ideas to make your business more innovative.
4. Develop a future-focused executive team.

Idea Factory Tip

Many "good," business ideas already



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exist in the minds of staff, suppliers or customers but they remain buried. Too often managers don't ask for ideas. Worse, the culture may kill the ideas of the most enthusiastic staff. Ideas are the future currency of business. As cash flows must be managed, so too, idea flows must be managed.

Ed Bernacki returned to Brantford with international expertise in training, facilitating and advising on creativity, design and innovation, living in NZ and AU, and working in Asia. He wrote several books, taught innovation in university, and worked with many companies and Governments. For a free PDF of "I am an Idea Factory!" email info@PSIdeaFactory.com

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Whenever I listen to a children's orchestra, I learn. They feel everything, they enjoy everything, and they have amazing energy. – Gustav Dudamel

Playing viola in orchestras has been a part of my life for almost as long as I can remember. The opportunities presented from childhood through to university and the years beyond are the source of many wonderful memories. When I started my family, I pressed pause on my playing – until now.

My daughter started music lessons last year. She chose to play viola. Before long, it was suggested that she was ready to try playing in The Little String Orchestra. Thanks to the beautifully inclusive format of this organization, I was once again able to pick up my viola – this time, playing beside her.

In all honesty, I was only vaguely aware of the orchestra prior to our joining. I am now thrilled to help spread the word about this "Little" gem. Each week, young players (and a few more seasoned players) come together to create music. There is no competition. There is focus, growth, fun, and so much more.

This orchestra wears many hats!

As a mother I can tell you the orchestra offers my daughter an activity she looks forward to on Thursday evenings (where the music "reaches into [her] soul"). It provides a safe and inviting space to take chances, a clear example of the benefits of hard work, and learning beyond traditional education. It also offers me an opportunity to share a passion with my daughter, to see the cycle beginning again, and to feel an intense sense of pride.

As a musician, I see a rich musical education being provided. The pieces are accessible yet challenging for the members. Players need to be focused. They need to count, and listen, and watch, and learn and practice. The musical selections introduce them to a range of styles, tying them to both the rich history and the future of orchestral music.

As a music therapist, I am aware of the many cognitive, emotional, creative, and social benefits being offered through active music-making, and group musical experiences. Real-life skills are being developed within a fun and engaging atmosphere.

As a community member, I appreciate the orchestra reaching out to others. Through school concerts, some of our youngest community members are awakened to symphonic music and the thrill of live instrumental performances. Local music groups are provided an additional platform to share their talents and hard work through joint concerts. Our larger community is gaining increased access to the joy and beauty that comes from shared musical experiences, while simultaneously supporting our youth on

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Recently installed outside the Burford Branch of The County of Brant Public Library is a locally crafted and artfully inscribed wooden bench. The bench is in honour of Bill Johnston, owner and editor of The Burford Times, an independent newspaper that published locally for over thirty years. Bill passed away this past spring but left a strong legacy of community mindedness and a love for the printed word.

The bench has been generously donated by the Burford Optimist Club, of which Bill was a member for almost two decades.

The library was the ideal location for Bill's bench since the goal of The County of Brant Public Library is to be a "library without borders, libraries are for everyone and everyone is welcome," says CEO Kelly Bernstein. "When I heard the proposal to put the bench at the Burford Branch, I thought it sounded like a perfect fit, it's really an honour."

Optimist Dale Weatherbee agreed, explaining that this seemed like "the most fitting spot, Bill was all about literature and education, he was our spelling bee 'guy' for years!"

The Library is very often the "heartbeat of the community" explains Kelly, and both the Optimists' and Bill's legacy agree - Bill's heart was for his community!

During Bill's lifetime his aim was to bring accurate, down to earth news that upheld the community, supported local people and events and encouraged non-sensationalized press. He spent hours promoting education in various forms, reading and researching along with maintaining the values found in proper media coverage and good journalism.

"It's such a great idea, the bench and location really capture what Bill was all about," said Bill's wife Betty Johnston.

Not only does the bench recognize an upstanding local citizen, businessman and journalist, but it also provides an accessible place for visitors of the library to rest and relax.

"The spot for the bench is perfect" continues Kelly. "It's situated directly beside the building, offers good light, access to our free internet and looks great."

The bench is not simply a place to sit, it's a reminder of what Bill Johnston stood for; community and accessible education, and there couldn't be a better place to put it than The County of Brant Public Library.

This is my Downtown.

For Mihir Doshi, his love affair with burrito boxes, enchiladas, and corn tacos began over ten years ago when he came across Mexican cuisine in India. It did not take long before the numerous combinations of foods packed together in box or burrito became his daily meal.

Fast forward to 2019, a few years after Mihir moved to Canada, he decided to take over Burrito Brothers. Serving up a vast menu of Mexican delights, the Dalhousie Street restaurant has become one of the top places to eat in Brantford. Everything is made from scratch in-house, including sauces, salsa, and every single seasoning to guarantee the freshest flavours whether you are ordering a burrito, nachos, tacos, or any gourmet food.

"We are happy to serve the residents and visitors of Brantford and the surrounding area with fresh, Mexican food. I like being able to bring different flavours to the menu and I get to share this experience with the local community," said Mihir.

An avid supporter of downtown, Mihir knows first-hand how well businesses have been doing. He is hopeful the community continues to see the great things happening in downtown. He often enjoys shows at The Sanderson Centre, events in Harmony Square, and frequently takes in views of the Grand River, just a two-minute walk from the restaurant.

"I am eager to see all businesses doing great in downtown, especially because more people are choosing to stay local for work or to study."

Above all, he is thankful for the way the community rallied together in support of each other during the Covid-19 pandemic earlier this year. For example, the Downtown BIA ramped up social media marketing and other local promotions to encourage patronage of local business, and many local businesses took part by promoting each other.

"We helped out with other business to support the Food Bank, issued gift cards to support programs, and took part in other community programs. The community kept supporting us!"

Mihir attributes ongoing success of Burrito Brothers to his hardworking staff and continuous support and mentoring from his co-partner Mr. Vinod Soni.

He is hopeful that one day soon he will be able to expand Burrito Brothers to multiple locations in Brant County, so he can continue sharing his positive experience with everyone.



Mihir Doshi
Burrito Brothers

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Now more than ever, it's important to support the tourism treasures and small businesses in our own backyards. Here in Brantford, a number of tourism experiences, independent shops, restaurants and outdoor spaces have reopened and are ready to welcome guests with additional safety measures in place.



We invite you to rediscover Brantford this fall – to shop, dine and explore places that are close to home. Let's help support the tourism assets and small businesses in our community so they can weather the COVID-19 pandemic.

SHOP LOCAL

Looking for a new fall outfit or a unique gift for someone special? Consider shopping at Brantford-based clothing boutiques like Alt Boutique and Ludlow's Menswear, or at specialty shops like Serenity Country Candles, The Olive Oil Co. and Your Home, Your Story. Shopping at small businesses in Brantford helps support our local economy, our local business owners and their local employees.

DINE LOCAL

Brantford has no shortage of great food and drink options. The city is home to a number of quaint bakeries and cafes, beloved breweries, and a wide variety of casual and fine dining restaurants. Swing



by SWEET Bakery for gourmet baked goods and try their new fall menu items that feature sweet treats such as Pumpkin Pie Squares, Ginger Snaps, and Chai Tea Latte Cupcakes. To help fuel your mornings, Blue Dog Coffee Roasters offers hot drinks and freshly roasted coffee beans in the heart of Brantford's heritage district. Within the city limits, you'll also find two popular craft breweries – Mash Paddle Brewing Co. and Bell City Brewing Company. Stop by to sample a new brew and stock up on your favourites. You can also help support our local chefs by ordering takeout or stopping by your favourite casual restaurant or fine dining spot. Some popular restaurants in Brantford include ZaZa's Pizzeria, Blessings Eatery, Al Dente, Taal Fine Indian Cuisine, Fume Restobar and Nine North.

EXPLORE LOCAL

Thinking of planning a weekend getaway this fall? Why not stay close to home and rediscover places and experiences that are available nearby?

For the outdoor enthusiasts, Brantford boasts 70 kilometres of natural trails that you can run, cycle or hike, many of which take the scenic route along the Grand River. Area outfitters, Grand River Rafting and Grand Experiences, are also ready to help you explore

the Grand River by offering canoe, kayak, turbo tube and stand up paddleboard rentals during the fall. Each outfitter has also incorporated additional health protocols to make your day on the Grand a safe and memorable experience.

For those looking for traditional fall experiences, Brantwood Farms' Fall Festival is running every weekend through to the end of October. Limited timed tickets are available and can be purchased in advance online at brantwoodfarms.com. Admission to the Fall Festival includes access to all attractions including a physically distanced corn maze, straw castle, haunted barn, peddle cart track, tree forts and a hayride that includes a stop at the Magic Forest.



The Brant Historical Society will also be hosting a series of walking tours this fall that allows guests to discover historic places, events and monuments in Brantford. If you are a fan of the supernatural, don't miss their Murder, Mystery, and Mayhem Walk on October 23 and 24. Space is limited and tickets can be purchased in advance at brantmuseum.ca.

GET SOCIAL TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Beyond shopping, dining and exploring local, there are a few other ways that you can help show local love to Brantford businesses online. Get social and follow or like your favourite local businesses social media pages and help them grow their online audience. From there, you can also repost or share their content so that your followers can discover them too. Finally, snap and share a photo on social media of your favourite local business and tag them so others can easily find their contact information.

For more information about rediscovering Brantford this fall, visit discoverbrantford.ca and follow Tourism Brantford on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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The United Nations designated the first Monday of October of every year as **World Habitat Day**, to reflect on the state of our towns and cities, and on the basic right of all to adequate shelter. The day is also intended to remind the world that we all have the power and the responsibility to shape the future of our cities and towns. World Habitat Day was first celebrated in 1986 with the theme "Shelter is My Right".

At Habitat for Humanity Brant-Norfolk, we acknowledge that international days are occasions to educate on issues of concern, to mobilize political will and resources to address global problems, and to celebrate and reinforce achievements of humanity.

This month, we invite you to join us in celebration of the resilience of our communities, by giving a gift to lift-up a local family in need of a safe, decent and affordable home. We have the power and ability to recover and thrive, in the midst of some of the most remarkable times of our lives. The basic need for safe, decent shelter is essential to a healthy life. Today's calling is one that reaches deep into

the depths of our humanity, asking us to remain willing to do good and to be generous and kind, in difficult times. To harvest only what we need and to share in our abundance of wealth and well being with a generous spirit.

October reminds us of our blessings and abundance in a community of thanksgiving. A time to reflect on what we have. It reveals the meaning of home as we safely gather in small groups or bubbles of family and friends. Home resonates more deeply for many of us now. Perhaps more than ever before. Our homes must provide shelter and safety. Our homes help to protect us from the fallout of a pandemic that continues to threaten our previously known reality of day to day living. Our homes are the arms that cradle us, providing comfort during the storms of life. Safe, decent homes provide stability for living and hope for each new day.

You have the power to help a local, hard working family in need, stay hopeful in uncertain times. To encourage them to remain steadfast in their journey to affordable homeownership with Habitat for Humanity - and with you. You are the key to a harvest of good - and a stable and abundant life in a safe, decent and affordable home. We offer you a cornucopia of gratitude and thanks for your kindness and generosity. Let's plant, nurture, build, grow and harvest together. Let's celebrate our resilience. Please support a future Habitat homeowner family today, visit www.habitatbn.org

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Throughout the pandemic the Brantford Food Bank has continued to provide emergency food and food security to our community. With the onset of COVID-19, the program continued to adapt and change to meet the needs of people in our community who require food support.

The Food Bank is open to people needing the service Tuesday to Friday by appointment only. Anyone needing support can call 519-751-4357 ext. 225 to make an appointment. Once an appointment for intake is made, individuals are encouraged to come to the Food Bank at 1100 Clarence St. at their appointment time. Waiting areas are closed, and individuals are encouraged to wait outside if they come too early.

The Food Bank provides food and grocery items in a pre-packed box. These boxes will include non-perishable food items. Fresh fruits, vegetables, breads, dairy products, and proteins will be distributed if they are available. Other items such as baby products are available based on supply.

Throughout the COVID crisis, the Food Bank has also provided help and support to a variety of meal

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programs that have remained open to support individuals and families. The Brantford Food Bank - Community Food Share program has benefited from City of Brantford funding support in the spring and again this fall. This funding is used to purchase and distribute food and supplies to local food programs. Working together, these programs have ensured that food support is available in a variety of forms, including meals to go, and food distribution.

Food Bank volunteers have had to make adjustments as well. The organization has reduced and limited the number of volunteers working in the warehouse areas and all volunteers ensure they are following social distancing and hygiene protocols. Volunteers are the lifeblood of this organization. Many individuals have dedicated their time and support to the food bank. Volunteers provide an average of 200 hrs per week dedicated to helping with our intake process, to sort and pack food, and to distribute food to people in need.

As fall approaches, the Food Bank continues to encourage monetary donations for support. These donations help the Food Bank purchase food when needed and provides ongoing support for their operations.

If you are interested in volunteering or making a donation, please visit www.BrantfordFoodBank.ca to make a donation.

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What a challenging time we are living in. Even more challenging, if you are part of the fundraising, not for profit world. Like most other not for profits, our foundation has definitely struggled to raise funds for our programs this year. Under the current circumstances, we have cancelled our annual "Tapa's, Tastings and Tunes" fundraising event, which was originally scheduled for Thurs. Oct 22nd, 2020 at the Brantford Golf & Country Club.

It has been a challenging year for everyone in many ways. All of our summer camp programs which support our children, youth and families were cancelled due to the pandemic but we are hopeful for a fresh start for next year.



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In addition, the Foundation brings a summer day camp program (Mighty Kamptastic, in partnership with Parks/Rec.) to three Brantford neighbourhood centres - Stepping Stones, North Land Gardens and New Beginnings, allowing an additional 130+ local children to experience summer camp.

Post-Secondary Education Financial Support:

The Foundation assists youth with Crown Ward status and those with former Crown Ward status to further their post-secondary education.

Each year the Foundation assists with the cost of tuition, books and living allowance for many of our Wards or former Wards to continue their

education—through university, college, apprenticeship opportunities or other recognized programs of study that enhance opportunities for meaningful employment and prepare students for a bright and successful future.

T. Dixon Moor Award (1988)

This award honours a former Ward, over the age of 21, who has attained a significant level of personal improvement, including educational and vocational achievement. This award is both recognition of and inspiration to all Crown Wards.

Gordon Glaves Bursary (1993)

This bursary values the role of foster parents and encourages them to receive training to enhance their expertise and understanding.

Annual Arthur Binkley Award (1998)

This annual award is presented to a company or an individual who has demonstrated exemplary service and made a significant contribution in furthering the goals and objectives of Brant FACS and the Brant FACS Foundation.

Special Projects:

1. Adult Programming
2. Community Dinners
3. Monthly Birthday Parties
4. Canada's Wonderland Annual Trip
5. Mums Group
6. Inclusion Facilitator/Camp Buddy Volunteers

100% of the funds donated to the Foundation are applied directly to the programs that it supports.

If you are interested in more information or you would like to offer your support in the form of a donation, sponsorship, or a suggestion for a fundraising partnership opportunity, please reach out to: Leslie Barker, Fundraising Coordinator @ lesliebarker.brantfacs@gmail.com



The well-being and safety of children and youth is our primary focus. Together with our community, we strive to protect children and youth and strengthen families. Our agency provides child welfare Services in Brantford, Brant and New Credit. All Children, youth and families are valued.

The Brant Family and Children's Services Foundation was established to provide additional funds in support of the children who are in the care of Brant FACS. Funding is also used to support programs, services and activities that fall outside of the Brant FACS funding criteria, but that are known

to reduce the risks of child abuse and/or neglect, and improve outcomes for families, children and youth that work with Brant Family and Children's Services.

The foundation supports our families through our camp programs, post-secondary Education Financial support and through various special projects throughout the year.

Camp Programs:

Camp is fun, yes but also so much more. Each year, the Foundation helps to send over 500 of our community children to a local day or overnight summer camp. Summer camp is important because it offers a structured opportunity for children to grow. Within the camp setting, children develop a sense of independence as they try new adventures. Summer camps are known for providing a safe environment where children gain self-confidence as they develop and learn new skills. Camp is also a place where children develop a variety of social skills. There are profound positive effects: Children develop life long friendships, connect with nature, are physically active and participate in experiences that they would not have the opportunity to do. Camps are carefully matched to the child's individual interests and needs.





LANSDOWNE'S 2ND ANNUAL HEROES WALK & ROLL GOES VIRTUAL

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The Lansdowne Children's Centre Foundation proudly presents our 2nd Annual Heroes Walk and Roll event, taking place October 1st – October 30th. In keeping our staff, volunteers, clients and their families safe during the pandemic, we had to make the decision to move this event to a virtual platform. Last year, the launch of this signature event took place at Brant Park with over 200 participants and was a great success with Brantford

and Brant County coming together as one to support the children and youth with special needs in our community. We need your help more than ever, and we are asking that everyone take part by registering for this event and collecting pledges to continue our work in the programs and services we provide at the Centre.

The Lansdowne Children's Centre is a treatment centre for children and youth with physical, developmental and communication needs.

We provide specialized care and services to more than 3,000 children and families annually, from birth to 19 years old. Their special needs may arise from Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida, Down Syndrome, Brain Injury, Muscular Dystrophy, Autism and other developmental delays. We offer a wide range of quality services at the Centre, in home, in schools and other community settings that provide essential supports and play an important role in enabling our children and youth with special needs to develop their full potential. There is currently a wait list of over 2,200 children waiting for services, and we are working hard on our Capital Campaign to raise funds for a new space and building for our children and youth to reduce wait times and to expand what Lansdowne can offer.

The concept of the Heroes Walk and Roll remains the same; you can register as an individual or as a team and walk or roll as much or as little as you would like for the month of October while dressing up as what a superhero means to you. By running this event for the entire month, it gives everyone an opportunity to take part as they can walk and roll where they want and when they want, working around their own schedules. We have added some extra incentives to this event, such as our Photo Challenge, our Catch the Ace Raffle and a Costume Challenge in which participants will have a chance to win some great grand prizes donated by our local businesses. We will also be awarding some awesome prizes to our Top 3 Fundraisers, and donations can be made online or by our paper pledge form. Registering is easy, simply go to www.heroeswalkandroll.com. So, gather up your kids, neighbours, families, coworkers and pets and let's get walking and rolling! Even if you just want to enjoy a nice walk and don't dress up, we want to see you! Let's get as many people out in October as we can!

A special thank you to our 2020 Ambassador, Brooklyn Robillaird, who is already collecting pledges with her family and friends. Brooke has been



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attending the programs and services at Lansdowne for many years and has a fun and energetic spirit, which really shows when she is interacting with her friends at the Centre. Brooke recently had her birthday party in which she chose a superhero theme and had everyone dress up as their favourite superhero! She loves getting pictures with her friends and family, so we want to remind you to tag any of your wonderful pictures to our social media using the hashtags #lccvirtualheroes and #rideforthekids, and join Brooklyn in raising funds for Lansdowne. Thank you to the Robillaird family for your tremendous support and help in making this event a success! For Brooklyn's full bio, please visit our website to read her amazing story.

How can YOU help?

- Become a Sponsor to our event
- Register to the event and collect pledges either as a team, individual or business
- Help us share and spread the word on our social media
- Make a general donation to the Lansdowne Children's Centre Foundation

This event would not be possible, or a success, without the help from the members in our community. Please consider supporting our Heroes Walk and Roll this year in any way you can – every little bit helps! We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Platinum Sponsors – IG Wealth Management (Glenn Gaudet) and Paulmac's Pets, as well as our Gold Sponsor; Millards Chartered Accountants. We have many Silver and Bronze sponsors who have generously donated as well, and we thank everyone for their generosity and for taking part in this event during the pandemic. We are always looking for new sponsors to help us grow our event, so if you would like to donate or need more information, please contact our Senior Development Officer, Candace Kingyens at 519-753-3153 Ext. 245 or ckingyens@lansdownecc.com.




From our staff at Lansdowne Children's Centre and Foundation, we hope that everyone stays safe and healthy during this time, and we look forward to seeing you all out and about in October!

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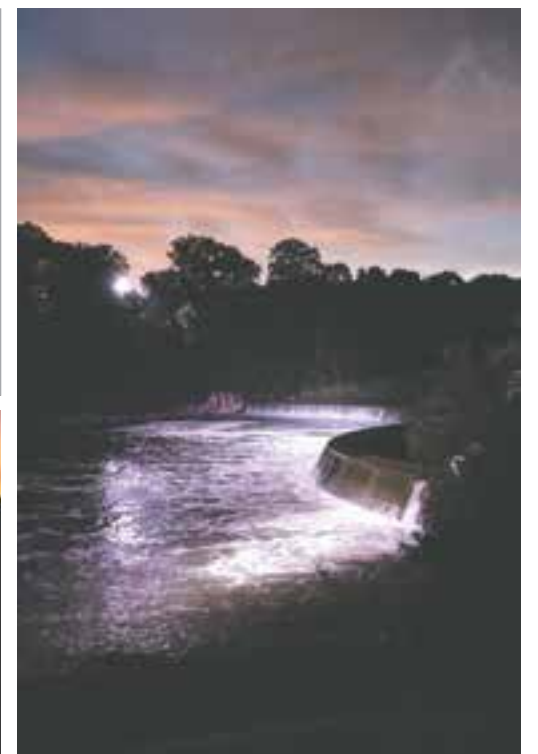
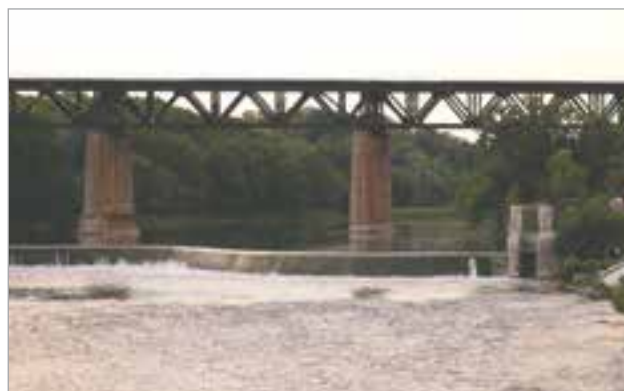
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With this column, I begin my sixth year writing for BScene. Thank you readers for your interest and kind support.

MOUNT PLEASANT - PART 2

Mount Pleasant was the first village established in Brant County. The community was founded in 1799 by the Henry Ellis and Amos Sturgis families who travelled from Pennsylvania. Joseph Brant had set aside a 5,000 acre tract to be a white settlement. This was to be a model settlement designed to attract white settlers to the Haudenosaunee territory.

The village's population in 1851 stood at 400. As much as we think of Mount Pleasant as a peaceful, tranquil and affluent village in the 1850s, it could still be a rough-and-tumble place with drinking, gambling, brawling, and raucous behaviour. By 1864, the population grew to 600. It's population dropped to about 500 in 1868 as residents left for the pioneering life in the new wheat basket of Canada, the Prairies.

As the village developed, three things propelled the community: education, church, and social events.

Education

Education played an integral part in the success of the children growing up in Mount Pleasant. During the latter 60 years of the 19th-century, boys could complete their education in Mount Pleasant. Girls had to leave the village for Grammar school. A Common School opened sometime between 1814 and 1820. Elizabeth MacLean opened the Dames' School for girls and very young children in 1830. The Nelles Academy opened as a non-denominational private Grammar school around 1840. The Academy provided a classical education for sons of affluent families and prepared them to be the future leaders of society. In 1848, an eight-sided building was completed for the Academy. It was located on the site of the present public school. The eight-sided building provided the maximum amount of light and fresh

air for students. In 1854, the Academy became publicly funded and combined the Common School and the Grammar School. The Common School was the public school, and the Grammar School was the high school for boys only. The Nelles Academy had an excellent reputation and many future leaders passed through the school. The Academy building was torn down in 1900 and replaced by a new public school in 1901. High school was then no longer available in Mount Pleasant.



A Hay Rake is used to move cut hay or straw into windrows for later collection. (Source: Pinterest/Creative Commons Licence)

In 1928 the Continuation School opened again providing high school education. The high school closed in 1946 after which only grades kindergarten through 8 were offered in the village. The public school was replaced in 1976.

Because of the quality of education available in Mount Pleasant, the village turned out students that met with success all across Canada and the United States. The city beckoned the youth of the village because of the opportunities they provided. America was a destination for many. By the end

of the century, the movement from the farms and villages to the towns and cities was in full swing. Businesses followed the people to the larger centres.

Churches

In the early years, the spiritual needs of the community were met by itinerant ministers. As the community prospered and grew, resident ministers replaced the itinerant ones. Bethesda Chapel, built in 1832-1833, also known as the Community Church, served the village

along. The Mormons were accused of luring away adherents of other faiths, promoting a new bible, and spreading American ideals. New congregations were established in Brantford and Colborne, just north of Simcoe. However, many of the Mormon converts left the area as the 1830s progressed.

By the early 1840s, Methodism became the predominant faith in the community. The Methodists took over the Community Church and the Presbyterians built their own church, a frame building, in 1843. A new Presbyterian Church was built in 1878 replacing the frame church. John Bryning continued to preach from the Community Church until he passed away in 1853, at age 83. He served the community for 25 years.

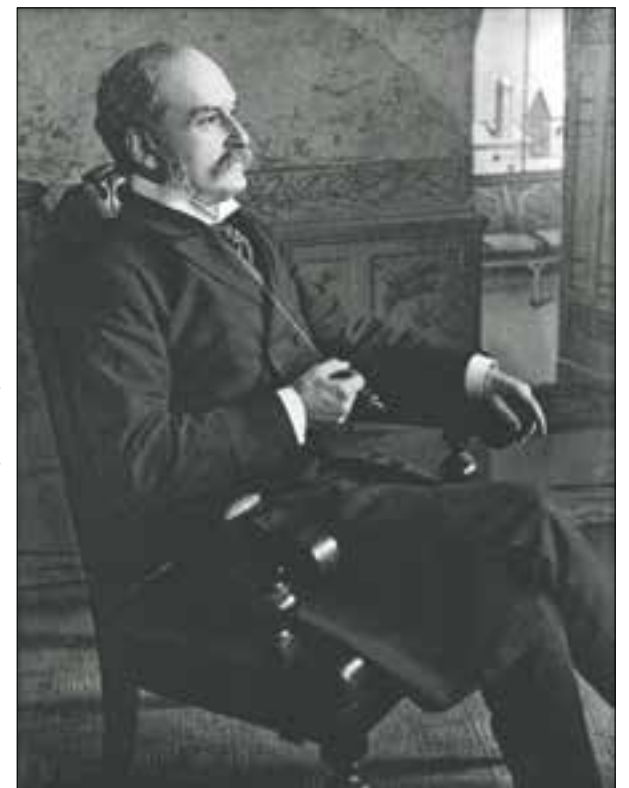
All Saints Anglican Church was erected in 1845. A new Methodist Church, designed by Brantford architect John Turner, replaced the old Bethesda Chapel in 1863.

Henry Racey

Henry Racey, the founder of the Brantford Conservative Expositor, the forerunner of today's Brantford Expositor, in 1852, was born in Mount Pleasant on 30-April-1822. He was the son of Squire James Racey.

Harris Family

The Harris family moved to Mount Pleasant from Ingersoll in 1839. John Harris did not like farm work, being a Baptist minister, he preferred to preach leaving his son Alanson responsible for the farm work. Their farm was on Pleasant Ridge Road. To help his son ease his labour burden, John produced a revolving hay rake, the first farm implement invented in Canada. Alanson began manufacturing the hay rake and other farm machinery from his farm in Mount Pleasant in the 1850s, under the company name A. Harris, Son & Co. In



Arthur Sturgis Hardy, born, raised, and educated in Mount Pleasant. Hardy was the fourth Premier of Ontario, 1896 - 1899. (Source: Ontario Archives)



Emily Stowe became the first female physician to practise in Canada. She practised homeopathic medicine. (Source: Ontario Archives)

Bryce on 11-May-1870. His practice flourished even attracting patients from Brantford. He was regarded as a specialist in many diseases of the day. Duncan and Elizabeth moved to Brantford in 1888. Duncan's son John followed his father in the family business as did Duncan's grandson Jack. They all practised from 138 Market Street in Brantford.

Emily and Augusta Stowe

Emily Howard Jennings Stow was born in Norwich on 1-May-1831. Her parents were Quakers and raised her to rely on her own abilities. She was taught that a woman could do anything a man could do. Emily first applied to attend Victoria College medical school in 1852 but was refused because she was a woman so Emily attended teacher's college in Toronto in 1853. She became a public

school principal at Central School in Brantford in 1854, at the age of 23, the first woman principal in Canada. She married John Stowe Jr. in 1856, moved to Mount Pleasant and gave up her job. Emily again applied to Victoria College in 1865 and was again refused entry. She was told by the Vice Principal of the school: *The doors of the University are not open to women and I trust they never will be.* Emily then enrolled in the New York Medical College for Women and received training in homeopathic medicine. Homeopathic medicine was popular and widely practised in the 19th-century. Emily graduated in 1867, becoming the first

1857, Alanson moved his business to Beamsville, where his in-laws resided. In 1871, he moved the business to Brantford. In 1892 the company merged with the Massey Manufacturing Co. to form Massey-Harris Limited. Alanson's grandson Morgan E. Harris acquired Brucefield (discussed in Part 1) in the 1930s and renovated the house.

Marquis Family

Widow Eliza Marquis (nee McDiarmid) moved to Mount Pleasant from New York with her children in 1852. Her son Duncan, then 11, graduated from Victoria College medical school in 1865. He returned to Mount Pleasant to set up his practice. Duncan married Elizabeth

female physician to practise in Canada. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario granted her a licence to practise medicine in 1880. Emily was uncompromising in her quest for equal rights for women clashing with Arthur Sturgis Hardy, the Mount Pleasant born and raised Premier of Ontario.

Ann Augusta Stowe-Gullen was born in Mount Pleasant on 27-July-1857. Augusta was the first woman admitted to the Toronto School of Medicine, Victoria College, in Cobourg, graduating in 1883, the first woman

Devlin Family

Irish immigrant John Devlin and his wife Sarah arrived in 1863. They first settled in Oakland. He was a Methodist lay preacher and farmer. John's son George purchased the General Store that was built by Russell Hardy in 1834, in 1879. The store remains in the family to this day. On 8-August-1990, Chris Devlin opened Devlin's Country Bistro. Chris is the fourth generation of his family to operate from this building. He was joined by his son Ryan, full time, in 2019.

Barber-Ellis



Devlin Store, 1909. The site is now the location of Devlin's Country Bistro operated by Chris and Ryan Devlin. (Source: The County of Brant Public Library from the Linda Guest Personal Collection.)

to graduate from a Canadian medical school. Her actions in the medical community led to the establishment of the Women's Medical College in 1883 in Toronto. Augusta was the first woman staff member of the Ontario Women's Medical College. She was also a founding member of the National Council of Women.

Arthur Sturgis Hardy

Arthur Sturgis Hardy was born in 1837. He was raised and educated in the village until he left for law school. He was called to the bar in 1865 and began practising law in Brantford. He was first elected to the Legislative Assembly of Ontario in 1873. As Commissioner of Crown Lands Hardy established Algonquin Provincial Park in 1893 and Rondeau Provincial Park in 1894. Hardy served as the fourth Premier of Ontario between 1896 and 1899. He clashed with Emily Stowe over women's rights, which he did not support. In 1899, Hardy moved an amendment against a suffrage bill, arguing that as *"the bill pointed to a complete extension of the franchise to all women, a privilege which might prove disastrous to society and the country [he would have] to refuse its assent."* He left office due to ill health and passed away in 1901, at the age of 65.

The Brant Museum & Archives, 57 Charlotte Street, is currently hosting an exhibit on the Hardy family.

J.F. Ellis, son of John Randall Ellis went onto pioneer the commercial production of paper from pulpwood which led to the formation of Barber-Ellis Paper Mill with factories in Toronto, Brantford, and Georgetown.



Nelles Academy, 1893. (Source: The County of Brant Public Library from the Linda Guest Personal Collection.)

TYPES OF SCHOOLS

Grammar schools were for the privileged classes. Common schools were for everyone else. Grammar schools received government support in 1807. Common schools did not receive government support until 1816. The 1871 School Act changed the naming conventions for schools. Common Schools became elementary schools, and Grammar Schools became high schools.

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