

# A Unique Waterfront Community





**Seaward** at the pickleball tourney. See page 12 for more action shots.



#### **Welcome New Neighbours!**

Omella and Nelson, 15 Park Lane Jason and Kendra, 227 Bayshore Drive





Stunning photo captured by **Sarah Chambers**. See page 24 for more pictures of flora and fauna in "Around The Village."

#### **Fairy Sightings**



Fairies were sighted at Bayshore Village! And bearing tasty treats too! Read all about it on page 34.

## **The Bayshore Banner**

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The Banner and the BVA members are very grateful to everyone who contributed articles and photos to this issue.



Moose on the Loose! Spotted by **Sharon Seaward** on Concession 7.

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#### **President's Report**



Dr. Seuss once said, "How did it get so late so soon? It's night before it's afternoon. December is here before it's June. My goodness how the time has flewn. How did it get so late so soon?" Yup ... and with that being said, summer is over at a blink of an eye. In addition, it's been a year now since I took on the President's role, and yet it feels like it was just

a few months ago. It's been an interesting ride so far. Little did I know there was a lot I had to learn about the behind-the-scenes and "big picture" of Bayshore Village.

In my initial address to the membership, I stated that we'd be operating status quo until we get the results of our community survey analyzed. We had a record number of people participating this year and I thank each and every one of you. Your input will assist the Board in determining our next initiatives and we look forward to developing our goals and objectives.

I also declared this to be the "Year of the Volunteer" and committed to showcasing the number of volunteers and the hours they contribute. I've been keeping track of hours worked and we are well over 3,600 and that doesn't include the time our Directors have contributed!! Again, thank you to all those who stepped up and gave up their time to keep our community the best in Simcoe County!

Spoiler alert ... letters to members not complying with bylaws will be sent out soon. We certainly don't want to run Bayshore like a police state, however, after allowing for some leeway during and after Covid, it's time to get a little more aggressive in getting things back in order. As I've mentioned before, it is vital that we all respect and abide by the rules we have collectively agreed upon.

I'd like to thank a couple of "retiring" veteran Board members, namely, Jeff Zammit and Steve Goulter. Both have served numerous terms on the Board and provided countless hours of dedication to the Village. That's a lot of knowledge and wisdom leaving the table, but thankfully they'll still be in the neighbourhood to call upon if we get stumped. In addition, Bill Pike and Debbie Rautins are completing their terms and I thank them as well for all their efforts.

In case you didn't know, our Board meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month (except December) and you are welcome to attend and bring your questions, suggestions, etc. or just to listen. In addition, if you feel you'd like to organize an event for Bayshore members, feel free to contact our Social Director to confirm a date and time, then go for it!!

Your community is what you make it. Bayshore may not be perfect, but it's the perfect place to live. Just sayin' ...

Gunther Gratzer President

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Thank you to the outgoing members of the Board for your past service to the Association. Thank you to the new members for volunteering to fulfil these roles. Thank you to the ongoing members who continue to be of service to the Association.

Thank you!





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#### **Social Director's Report**



This will be my final entry into the Banner as Social Director, and is a review of the past four years – my, how time flies.

It was a busy time for me, and I believe I met my goals of expanding and supporting new activities within Bayshore, such as introducing more children's events and sports nights, decorating the Hayloft and kiosk

for seasonal holidays, organizing COVID get-togethers like the corn roast and other outdoor events, and so much more.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the many, many volunteers within the community. Hundreds in fact throughout the past four years. Thank you! I am appreciative of the hard work and what the committee taught me during my first three years: how to set a table, decorate, clean up, go shopping, take care of the finances, etc. The list is long.

In my last year, the committee learned quickly and enthusiastically, and I thank them for all they did.

As it is in my nature, I will continue to volunteer where needed. I look forward to always meeting new people as that is the second best part of the job. The best part is seeing others enjoy themselves! I hope to be part of that group with more leisure time on my hands!

Debbie Rautins Social Director

A huge thank you, Debbie, from all of your friends at Bayshore. You have given so generously of your time, energy and enthusiasm throughout these past four years as Social Director. You brought your great ideas and initiatives to life — all for the enjoyment and betterment of the entire community.

Thank you so very much!

thank you

# Karaoke Night Rhonda Wallace, Dave Renaud and Jack Pignatell – Organizers

Another successful Karaoke Night was held at the Hayloft on September 14th. There were a lot of "talented" participants. There was even a Hazmat Specialist on hand who kept the microphone virus-free. Donations raised will be put towards purchasing cocktail tables for the Hayloft.









#### Director of Architecture's Report - What You Need to Know About Your Lanterns



Ambient street lighting in Bayshore Village is provided by the lanterns that we all have on our front yards. As such, it is very important that your lantern functions properly for the safety of those using our streets after dark. To provide adequate lighting, the lantern should have an 800 lumen LED bulb (or equivalent 60-watt incandescent

bulb). The preferred colour is soft white. The lantern is required to be illuminated from dusk to dawn. This can be through a light sensor or a timer. If a timer is used that does not automatically adjust for time changes and seasons, remember to adjust the timer as sunrise and sunset times change.

Please check to make sure your lantern is illuminated after dark. If it is not, here are some simple troubleshooting steps to get your lantern functioning properly:

- 1. If you have a switch that turns the lantern on and off, ensure that the switch is on.
- Verify that the lightbulb is functioning properly. You can do this by trying a new bulb in the lantern or taking the bulb from the lantern and testing it in a table lamp in your house.
- 3. If you have a timer that turns your light on and off, verify that it is properly set to be on from dusk to dawn.
- 4. If you have a sensor that turns the lights on and off based on ambient lighting, make sure that it is working. The sensor is most likely a small round cylinder with a clear window in front. This would be mounted on the bottom of the lantern or the top of the post just below the lantern. To test the sensor, cover the clear front with black tape and wait one minute to see if the light turns on. If the sensor is bad, the office has

- replacements available for a small cost (under \$20). Replacement of the sensor may need to be done by a properly trained and licensed electrician.
- If the above steps do not correct the problem, the issue will need to be investigated by an appropriately qualified individual capable of troubleshooting and repairing electrical installations.



Thank you for looking into this issue. If you need further assistance or clarification, feel free to contact the Bayshore Office or me directly.

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#### **Director of Common Lands Report**



A Final **Thank You** to all Those Who Made My Job Easier!

Yes, at long last, I am going to retire from my position as Director of Common Lands for the BVA.

Eight and a half years ago, I took over this position from John Aukema. He sold his house and left the Village. I blundered through that first summer, wondering what I had gotten myself into. Early the next summer, I went looking for help to understand what this

job entailed. I found the person I was looking for across the street from us, Doug Pollard, who had been the director in previous years and who had lived here for a few years before we arrived. It turns out that he was a great help; not only helping out with some of the tasks, but reminding me when something needed to be done. Doug was very personable and had a very relaxed attitude; nothing was ever a big deal or urgent with him and he would just give me friendly reminders once in a while in a neighbourly way. So my first big THANK YOU goes to Doug Pollard! Without his help, I would have been lost.

After that, things got a bit easier.

One big issue was the ash tree situation. Shirley Linton was my guide and catalyst on this topic. She kept bringing it up at board meetings, writing emails, and even doing presentations at the AGM, etc. She researched this topic and fed me all manner of articles from university studies, environmental papers, and any source she could find. However, we were dead in the water as we just could not afford the "injection" method that was popular at the time. When Eugene Storozinski arrived (shortly after Shirley left the Village, as I recall), I was well prepared to present the problem and ask for help. As we now know, Eugene was THE perfect candidate to help with this challenge (Emerald Ash Borer) and he was totally up to speed with potential solutions. He "hit the road running" so to speak and the rest is history. So my second big THANK YOU goes to Eugene. Without his expert guidance (on EVERYTHING that grew) and his input to the Arbour Plan, we would not be in the excellent position that we are in today with regard to EAB, tree replacement, education and awareness of our green infrastructure, water testing, golf course management, critter management, etc. I would say that it took me probably three or four years to get the hang of this job. I kept coming across individuals and groups of residents that were quietly doing a lot of the tasks around the Village. I still find that is happening. In fact, I am sure that there are residents out there right now that do things without any fanfare or recognition. This is the true spirit of Bayshore and is the one aspect that sets Bayshore apart from any other community. A big THANK YOU to all who do things around here and who do not even come forth to identify yourselves!

This past year, I have kept better records as to how many hours are spent by Common Land Volunteers doing spring clean up, harbour surround clean up, rebuilding walkways, grading/weeding pathways, planting bushes/shrubs, picking up fallen trees and limbs in ditches, and at the golf course, volleyball and bocce ball court maintenance, treating our ash trees, beach cleanup, garbage pickup, watering new plantings, flowerbed cleanup by planting and watering/weeding, golf course maintenance, beaver monitoring, installing protective fencing to protect vulnerable trees/bushes

from the beaver, installing fencing to prevent geese from entering the Village, fall cleanup/raking leaves, trips to the dump, loading debris into dumpsters, tree trimming, flag pole maintenance, Eco Park trimming, bridge/bench maintenance, etc., etc. My current estimates are around 1,500 hours. At \$30 per hour, that's about \$45,000 per year, or \$133 per household. The real value is much more than that, so you can see that our volunteers represent a sizeable saving for the Village. If you were to consider all the volunteers across all of the directorships, the amount of savings is probably around \$100,000 per year! (\$296 per household.)

I would therefore like to thank every volunteer who contributes some (or a lot!) of your time to the Village to assist in the abovementioned activities. My estimates indicate that there are more than 100 people who have volunteered in this last year for Common Lands activities. I have a lot of your names recorded, but as I said above, I cannot possibly name you all; the list would be too long, and I know I would miss a few.

So a big THANK YOU goes to this large group who worked on average 15 hours per year. Many of you worked way more hours than that. I am sure!

I would like to also THANK the office administration, Dee, Tara, and now Lee, who so capably helped me to do my job. Without your support, none of us could do what we do!

The most visible volunteer task in the Village is the work that goes into our flower beds. These are very well kept, colourful and add a nice touch to our community. All of this activity just "happens" so smoothly. I approve the purchase of flowers and other than that, these "committees" take care of the details, scheduling, etc. This is very much appreciated. It is obvious that the people involved have a real sense of responsibility and pride. I extend a sincere THANK YOU to all those who help with this important task.

Lastly, I would like to THANK the Board of Directors for all your support and team spirit. I have enjoyed working with all of you very much. Your professionalism, your advice and guidance over the years is much appreciated. In particular, I would like to THANK Rick Matthews for your encouragement and support. Your faith in the EAB task, mentorship in topics like the Arbour Plan, etc. were instrumental in what we have achieved in recent years. Your business approach to the board's operation, your financial accountability, and sense of fairness to everyone have gone a long way to ensure that the membership fully supports our team. Thank you very much for your strong leadership over the majority of my eight years on the Board.

Thanks again.

Steve Goulter Director of Common Lands



Thank YOU Steve!
Bayshore Village has been extremely lucky to have your wisdom and dedication to keep our community lands so beautiful!
Thank You Thank You!!





# Bridge News Velma Burley and Noel Cooper – Organizers

Monday morning bridge is looking forward to a revival once the autumn leaves start to float in the swimming pool. Summer was marked by relatively low attendance (two or sometimes only one table), and generally low scores. We're hoping for three or even four tables in the short period between when outdoor activities become less attractive and when the snowbirds flee to warmer weather elsewhere.

Accomplishments during the summer included Pat Beecham's 6,770 score on June 19 and 6,040 on June 26, as well as a successful six no trump bid with partner Anne Belanger on June 12. That was a fairly good month for Pat! Janet Sauve scored 5,610 on June 19, and Lloyd Lockhart rang up 5,110 after returning in early September from a few weeks' layoff.

The Wednesday Bridge group continued to play all summer with lower attendance. The highest score recorded this summer was Maria Saringer's 5,710!

Linda Lyons had the second highest score of 5,290. Pat

Beecham-Cooper rounded out the top three with 4,820 points. Well done ladies!

John Alden deserves an honourable mention for being the top scorer on three separate occasions. Since bridge players receive monetary prizes for the top two and sometimes top three placings, John pocketed the most change this summer.

We are looking forward to having more of our regular bridge players returning this fall after a busy summer of outdoor activities.

Please join us in the Hayloft Great Room on Monday mornings from 10:00 to 12:30 for Open Bridge and/or Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:30. Pat Beecham-Cooper offers bridge lessons for those new to the game or for those needing a refresher, on Fridays from 11:00 to 1:00.

Noel Cooper and Velma Burley

# Bocce Ball End of Season Potluck Dinner Donna Wilson – Organizer

We had a great season of bocce ball this year, playing 14 games on Mondays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at our bocce ball courts. The weather wasn't very cooperative at the beginning of the season; however, September was spectacular.

We had some new players join us this year and they were quick to pick up the game! We will put out an invitation to Bayshore residents to join in the spring for the 2024 season.

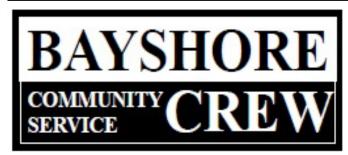
Our end of the season potluck dinner at the Hayloft was attended by 22 people and it was a great success! Thanks to everyone for their contributions to a great meal and an enjoyable evening.

Bayshore is just the greatest place to live!

Donna Wilson Photo by Johanne Lusch



**Bayshore Community Service Crew** 



The Bayshore Community Service Crew is certainly proud of the impact that they have had on our Village.

Their goal was to organize charity events that served the needs of the greater community by asking people to help us to help others.

The girls have now gone on to university and other activities, and, unfortunately for Bayshore, the group has disbanded. However, we wish them well with their future endeavours and can only say a heartfelt thank you for the efforts they made in Bayshore.

Sharon Seaward



#### **Furry Friends - Part I**

You will often see "other" residents of Bayshore around the Village. Here are some photos introducing the four-legged friends of Bayshore. More photos to come in our next issue – we couldn't fit them all in this time. Stay tuned!

Photos by Laurel Dewar, Janice Latorre and Colleen Sicard Cartoon submitted by Diane Stoner



Chester and Sarah Chambers



Mary and Jeff Nolan's Ace



Higgins and Lisa Chambers



Stella and Deborah and Robert Antenore



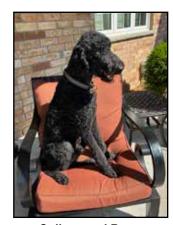
Bronson and Bev Joseph



Janice and Joe Latorre's Enzo FURRari



Finlay and Brian Finnegan



Colleen and Roger Sicard's Harley



Jax and Ted and Wendy Donnell



Koko and Lynda Bertrand

#### **Pickleball**

The 2023 PB season has ended – and what a season!! Our beautiful courts were busy and attendance was high throughout the year with over 10 new members eager to join the fastest-growing sport in North America. Our two pickleball teachers, Randy Hutchinson and John Alden, agreed that Cathy Robertson is the Most Improved Player. Congratulations Cathy! We also would like to thank Katie Switzer for her advanced lessons throughout the year. Many members benefitted from her expertise and we're so fortunate to have Katie on our team!

After 11 rounds of fierce competitive games, we had our top four male and female players. They are: Katie Switzer, Lauren Torchia, Dani Prinzen, Rhonda Wallace, Jeff Switzer, Joey Torchia, Gunther Gratzer, and Corrado Roccasalva. The round-robin games kept everyone on the edge of their seats as Joey and Lauren were undefeated to become this year's "Under 50" Bayshore Pickleball champions. Well done!! The runner-ups are Katie Switzer and Gunther Gratzer – good job!!

As this season comes to an end, so does my term as commish. Thank you for allowing me to represent Bayshore Village PB players. I now turn the reins over to the reigning champ, Joey Torchia, knowing the members have full trust and confidence in Joey's ability to ensure PB remains a big part of Bayshore Village.

Bill Merkley Photos by Sharon Seaward

























### Pickleball (cont'd)









#### **Oshawa Monument**

In Oshawa, on the grounds of the Oshawa City Hall, is the Day of Mourning Monument. It is dedicated to fallen workers and those who lost their lives on the job.

This monument was designed and sculpted by me while I was involved with OPSEU. The body of the monument was constructed by the students and teacher of the Stone Mason program at Durham College.

The annual National Day of Mourning is April 28th.









#### **Aquafit**

Bayshore's Aquafit classes ended with a gift presentation to our instructor extraordinaire, Deborah May. Deborah led the aquafit classes on Monday mornings, and Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Her varied exercises, uplifting music, and wonderful sense of humour kept us going. She only used her sergeant voice occasionally. She seemed to instinctively know when we needed it. The rest of the time was filled with laughter, heavy breathing, and water going everywhere.

Deborah taught Tuesday night classes with specific exercises for arthritic joints. After class Wednesday nights, we devoured delicious treats baked by Heather Horbay, outside the pool enclosure.

Deborah also designed (and her husband, Bill, built) a well-made wooden container on wheels for the pool noodles, and she bought some heavyduty noodles to increase the difficulty level.

Deborah, thankfully, has agreed to instruct again next year and now we all can't wait for next summer.

Wendy Lucas Photos by Glenn Lucas



Aquafit Instructor Extraordinaire, Deborah May (centre, seated) with some of her grateful "aquafitters" at the end of the 2023 Summer Season. Thank you and see you next year!



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# Happy Hour Backyard Mixers Wendy Lucas and Mary Nolan – Organizers

The Happy Hour Mixers ran successfully on their scheduled dates of Thursdays and Fridays from June to September. We usually had about forty to fifty Bayshore members attending with five to six hosts generously setting up chairs and tables in their backyards to hold all the appetizers everyone brought. The mixers started at 4:00 pm and usually lasted till after dinner, which no one needed after partaking in all the delicious party snacks. If you want to sign up for next summer and join in the fun, e-mail the organizers, Wendy Lucas at glenn.lucas@sympatico.ca and Mary Nolan at mary.nolan23@outlook.com.

Wendy Lucas Photos by Mary Andrews, Shelley Hao, Wendy Lucas, Mary Nolan, Starr Oswald, Debbie Rautins



June 23 at Debbie Rautins' and Keith Meadows' home



June 23 at Mary Nolan's



June 23 at Noel and Pat Cooper's



July 6 at Donna Wilson's and Wayne Perzel's



July 21 at Mary Andrews'



July 21 at Barb and Carlos Cordeiro's



August 10 at Wendy and Glen Lucas'



August 10 at Barb and Carlos Cordeiro's



August 25 at Brenda and Norm James'



September 7 at Janet and Paul Sauve's



September 22 at Starr and Roy Oswald's



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#### **Bayshore Anglers**

Before I start my column, I would first like to thank my "fisher guys," Brian Finnegan and Mike Mihailoff for their participation and riding in the Bayshore Anglers float on Canada Day. Their fun-based antics entertained so many on the parade route from start to finish

Also THANKS to those fantastic volunteers who helped once again to make the Canada Day Kids Fishing Derby an amazing success.

It's Musky season!!!!!

As we head into the fall months and the leaves turn to their autumn colours, the water of the lake starts to cool down. Thus begins the wake-up call to the water wolves to put on the feed bag for the long winter ahead. The anglers who pursue the Muskellunge, open the special tackle box with the extra big, flashy lures and pull out the rods and reels with the heavy braid and the equally heavy fluorocarbon leaders.

The "fish of a thousand casts" as they are commonly referred to, can hit at any time when you least expect them to.

Years prior to Covid, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forests (MNRF) along with Muskies Canada and the Orillia Fish and Game Conservation Club made an attempt to restock Lake Simcoe with the Muskellunge.

Barnstable Bay was stocked with close to one thousand musky yearlings. Members of the Orillia Fish and Game Conservation Club, Eugene Storozinski, Bayshore resident, and I took part in the release of these muskies.

The hope was that the Muskellunge would take a foothold in the lake and regain its natural place along with the other fish species of Lake Simcoe.

To my knowledge, there haven't been any of these fish caught in Barnstable Bay. I did catch a twenty-three inch musky a few weeks back but it was a Tiger Musky, not the same strain as the stocked variety, but a good sign that they are present.

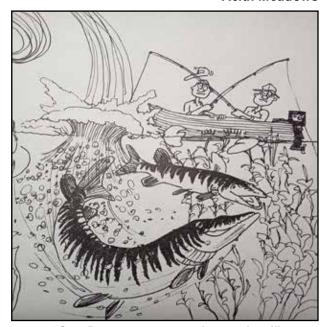
I still can't believe I'm writing the fall edition of the Bayshore Anglers already – where did that summer go??

Here is a pictorial review of the summer past.....

Keith Meadows







"Gee, Pop you sure gave them a show!"









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#### **Recipes**

#### DOUBLETREE COOKIES WITH WALNUTS AND CHOCOLATE CHIPS - Heather Horbay

Yes! These are the cookies everyone has been raving about!

1/2 cup rolled oats

2 1/4 cups flour

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp salt

Pinch of cinnamon

1 cup butter, softened

3/4 cup packed brown sugar

3/4 cup sugar

1 1/4 tsp vanilla

1/4 tsp lemon juice

2 large eggs

2 2/3 cups chocolate chips

1 3/4 cups chopped walnuts

- Preheat oven to 350°F.
- In a small bowl, combine oats, flour, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. Set aside.
- With a mixer, cream together butter and both sugars for two minutes. Add vanilla, lemon juice and eggs. Blend 30 seconds, then two minutes on medium.
- Add dry ingredients to wet. Mix with a spatula, being careful not to overmix.
- Add chocolate chips and walnuts, stir to combine.
- Place balls (the size of a golf ball) on a lined baking sheet.
- Bake for 12 to 14 minutes until slightly golden.

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#### **OATMEAL RAISIN COOKIES – Heather Horbay**

2 cups flour

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp baking powder

1 tsp salt

1 cup butter

1 cup sugar

1 cup brown sugar - packed

2 eggs

2 tsp vanilla

3 cups oats

1 1/2 cups raisins

- Preheat oven to 350°F.
- Mix everything together.
- Once combined, roll the dough into balls and place on a lined baking sheet.
- Bake for 11 to 13 minutes.



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#### **Chippewas of Rama First Nation Powwow 2023**

The Powwow was held on the last weekend of August and it was awesome to see all the dancers. The colours of their traditional clothes and the movements of their dance were so beautiful. It was an amazing experience.

Sharon Seaward



























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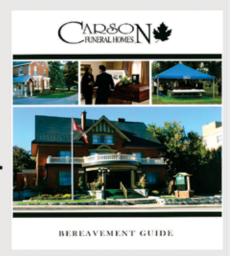


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#### Tummy Ticklers: A Whimsical Collection of Jokes, Puns and Other Curiosities

#### Starters:

Recently a guy in Paris nearly got away with stealing several paintings from the Louvre. However, after getting in and out past security, he was captured only two blocks away when his Econoline van ran out of gas. When asked how he could mastermind such a crime and then make such an obvious error, he replied:

"I had no Monet to buy Degas to make the Van Gogh."

#### Newsflash:

Luger is coming out with a new pistol in honour of the Canadian Senate. It's called "The Senator." It doesn't work and you can't fire it.

Did you know that women use about 30,000 words a day whereas men only use 15,000 ...



#### **Crime Scene:**

Thanks everyone for your phone calls and concern. First off, I'm OK, I was a bit shaken up though.

For those of you that aren't aware, I was robbed at a gas station earlier this morning. After my hands stopped trembling, I managed to call the police. They were quick to respond and calmed me down because my blood pressure went through the roof. My money is gone, however. The police asked me if I knew who did it and I told them, "Yes, it was pump number 2."

#### As usual, some puns, the lowest form of wit some say:

Kleptomaniacs always take things literally.

My friend recently got crushed by a pile of books. He's only got his shelf to blame.

Police were summoned to a daycare centre where a threeyear-old was resisting a rest.

Some clown opened the door for me this morning. That was a nice jester.

Awful summer for Humpty Dumpty but he had a great fall. You can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish.

#### So you think you know everything:

The day after tomorrow is called **overmorrow**.

Your tiny toe or finger is called *minimus*.

The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an *muselet*.

The 'na na na' and 'la la la', which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of a song, are called **vocables**.

When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like ?!), it is referred to as an *interrobang*.

The flesh between your nostrils is called columella nasi.

#### Pick of the Litter:



#### ---- OR ----

A pastor, a priest, and rabbi, walk into a bar. They get to talking and drinking, and they start arguing over who's the best at converting followers. One says "I bet I could even convert a BEAR!" and they all agree to try to convert a bear.

The next day, the priest says "I sprinkled a bear with holy water and it dropped to its knees in prayer!"

The minister says "I wrestled a bear to the water and baptized him! He became as docile as a lamb!"

The rabbi is covered in deep, bloody scratches and mumbles "In retrospect, circumcision may not have been the best way to start."

#### And finally:

My wife asked me, "Why don't you ever buy me flowers?" and I replied, "I didn't know you sold flowers!" And that's how the fight started!

I'm taking care of my procrastination issues. Just wait til the next edition and you'll see.

John Alden

#### Happy Hour August 18 with 4 On The Floor

The boys of "4 On The Floor" thank all of the 130+ rockers who came to support our Blast from the Past Happy Hour on August 18th. Lots of fun and laughs, and you kept the dance floor rockin'. You made us feel like rock stars!

Gunther Gratzer

Photos by Mary Andrews and Janice Latorre

#### GOT YOUR TICKETS FOR "ROCKTOBERFEST" OCTOBER 21ST YET?



The boys of the band: Jack Pignatell, Gunther Gratzer, Bill Pike, Reid Drysdale



The ladies behind the band: Jill Pignatell, Laurel Dewar, Nori Drysdale, Anne Pike



Jack Pignatell on bass



**Gunther Gratzer on drums** 



Bill Pike on keyboard



Reid Drysdale on guitar and vocals









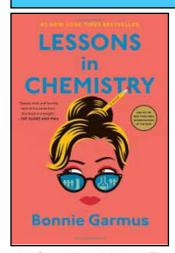








#### Bayshore Reads: Lessons in Chemistry



## Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Lessons in Chemistry was Barnes and Noble's book of the year for 2022, and is still on the New York Times best seller list after more than 60 weeks. It is being made into a TV series by Apple+ TV, starring Brie Larson.

The book is a first novel by Bonnie Garmus, a 66-yearold American writer, who dealt with rejection of her novel by 98 literary agents before

she found a publisher. The book is often funny, though it deals with some difficult subjects, and should have "trigger warnings" (as should this review) for people who have suffered from sexism, sexual violence, parental abuse, suicide, homophobia, or the sudden death of a loved one. The chemistry in the title refers not only to the subject you may have studied in high school or university, but also to what happens between people who experience mutual attraction.

Elizabeth Zott, the main character, has a graduate degree in chemistry, but loses her job at male-dominated Hastings Research Institute in 1950s California, because she has fallen in love with another member of the faculty and becomes pregnant. Her beloved, Calvin Evans, who was of unknown parentage and had been adopted as a baby, dies in a running accident, making Elizabeth an unemployed single mother.

Her young daughter, Madeline, is far too smart and independent for her own good, and gets in trouble with her kindergarten teacher by declaring that humans are animals. The other member of the household is Six-Thirty, an almost-human dog who is named after the time of day at which he was rescued. Those two characters provide many light-hearted moments in a book that deals with some very problematic issues.

Desperately looking for work, Elizabeth gets a job on an afternoon TV cooking show called "Supper at Six." She transforms it into an educational show by using chemical terms while presenting her recipes ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") and by weaving feminism into her show, in particular advising her female audience that their life should involve more than simply preparing Supper at Six and fulfilling their husbands' sexual desires later in the evening. When her bosses threaten to terminate the show unless she stops editorializing, they are dismayed to learn that it's the most popular show in syndication, and has lots of lucrative sponsors, so they are forced to let Elizabeth continue in her starring role.

The plot is rich and complicated, dealing with many contemporary issues, presented as happening 50+ years ago.

Elizabeth's field of study is called abiogenesis. I had to look it up, of course, and learned that it refers to the theory that the first living things on earth arose some 3.5 billion years ago from non-living, non-biological (a-bio) substances.

Elizabeth had lost her doctoral program at UCLA when her advisor sexually assaulted her, and she fended him off by stabbing him with a pencil. Some years after being fired from Hastings Research Institute, she learns that her boss there had published her research as if it was his own. Later, Elizabeth finds out that her lover, Calvin, had been victimized by a bishop who used money intended for Calvin to maintain the adoption home where he lived.

Eventually, through the intervention of her precocious daughter Madeline, Elizabeth returns to a position of prestige at the research institute from which she had been fired, and makes contact with Avery Parker, who turns out to be the biological mother of Calvin Evans, Madeline's father. Avery is a rich philanthropist, so the future of both Elizabeth and Madeline will be comfortable, at least financially.

I enjoyed reading this book, and am concerned about the issues it deals with, but I realize that women will read this book with much more personal investment for themselves, their daughters, and their granddaughters. I've attached an image of Chapter 1, page 1, so you can feel the light-hearted but serious spirit of the novel. I recommend *Lessons in Chemistry* to everyone.

Noel Cooper

#### November 1961

Back in 1961, when women wore shirtwaist dresses and joined garden clubs and drove legions of children around in seatbelt-less cars without giving it a second thought; back before anyone knew there'd even be a sixties movement, much less one that its participants would spend the next sixty years chronicling; back when the big wars were over and the secret wars had just begun and people were starting to think fresh and believe everything was possible, the thirty-year-old mother of Madeline Zott rose before dawn every morning and felt certain of just one thing; her life was over.

Despite that certainty, she made her way to the lab to pack her daughter's lunch.

Fuel for learning, Elizabeth Zott wrote on a small slip of paper before tucking it into her daughter's lunch box. Then she paused, her pencil in midair, as if reconsidering. Play sports at recess but do not automatically let the boys win, she wrote on another slip. Then she paused again, tapping her pencil against the table. It is not your imagination, she wrote on a third. Most people are awful. She placed the last two on top.

Most young children can't read, and if they can, it's mostly words like "dog" and "go." But Madeline had been reading since age three and, now, at age five, was already through most of Dickens.



#### **Newcomers Event and Club Fair September 17**

The Bayshore Newcomers Reception is an annual event to introduce our "newbies" to the Village. It gives them an opportunity to introduce themselves and meet some of our residents. In addition, there was a Club Fair to showcase the many activities available in our community. Pictured are just a few of the multitude of clubs and activities offered. This year's event was well attended and many stories were shared about how our new neighbours found Bayshore and what inspired them to move here. Please welcome the following new faces and give them the Bayshore wave when you see them:

Johanne and Manfred Lusch Katherine Marseu and Juhan Laur Rose Morra, Kristine Ewald and Mike Hoshasyan Sherri and Doug Richardson Carol and Maurice Wong Maria Parente
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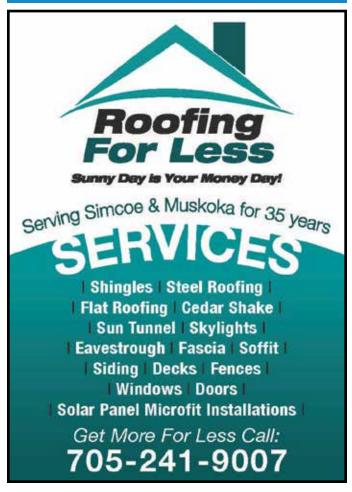
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#### **Art Gallery**

We sure have a lot of talented artists here! Thank you everyone who sent in photos of your artwork to be enjoyed by all. Not every piece submitted this time was able to fit on this page, but please keep sending in photos of your work. Everything submitted thus far has been kept and will be published in a future issue. 

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Coloured Pencil by Michelle Martinez



"Barnstable Bay Grasses" Acrylic by Lynda Bertrand



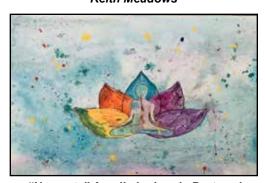
"Mmmmm" Prisma on Illustration Board by Keith Meadows



"Abstract Scene" Acrylic Pour by Judy Flinn



"The Veils of Time" Mixed Media Collage by Marilyn Goulter



"Namaste" Acrylic by Lynda Bertrand



Watercolour by Michelle Martinez



"Cooper's Lake" Acrylic by Victor Relvas



Acrylic by Paul Burley



"Chesapeake Bay Retreiver, Toby" Acrylic by Paul Burley



Acrylic by Susan Hazlett

Don't forget to attend the **Art and Craft Show** on October 14th at the Hayloft. See your emails and Facebook for all the details.

#### **Pickleball Humour**

How do you make a pickleball player angry? Call their shot out of bounds, when it was clearly in.

I'm not getting old. I'm getting better at pickleball.

We're more than just pickleball friends. We're like a really small gang.

The only thing better than pickleball, is winning at pickleball.

Some Grandpas take naps. Real Grandpas play pickleball, then take a nap.

Real men stay out of the kitchen.

Why did the pickleball player break up with his tennis playing girlfriend?

Love meant nothing to her.

A day without pickleball is like ... Just kidding, I have no idea.



A badminton player, a squash player and a pickleball player decided to stay at a country inn, but when they arrived, the innkeeper told them he only had two beds free, so one of them would have to sleep in the barn.

"That's okay," said the badminton player. "I'll sleep in the barn." So off he went.

A few moments later, there was a knock on the inn door. The innkeeper opened the door to see the badminton player, who explained that he was unable to sleep in the barn as there was a pig in there, and he could not sleep with a pig.

"That's okay," said the squash player. "I'll sleep in the barn." So off he went.

A few moments later, there was a knock on the inn door. The innkeeper opened the door to see the squash player, who explained that he was unable to sleep in the barn as there was a cow in there, and he could not sleep with a cow.

"That's okay," said the pickleball player. "I'll sleep in the barn." So off he went.

A few moments later, there was a knock on the inn door. The innkeeper opened the door to see a cow and pig standing there.



Janet Sauve



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#### **Cupcake Fairies**

The Seaward granddaughters, as the Cupcake Fairies, once again returned to Bayshore Village to distribute their homemade, gluten-free (GF) cupcakes!

With the eldest fairy, Olivia (11), being diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes at age 8 and then Celiac at age 9, she and her younger fairy sister, Isabella (6), appreciate the need to prepare their baked goods in a totally gluten-free environment. The risk of cross-contamination is real, and for our family it's a must to be extra careful when preparing meals and snacks. The realization for many who suffer with celiac is that the smallest amount of gluten can create the biggest health concerns.

So in our home when the grand kiddos come over for a visit, we pull out the bins that have our GF cookware, utensils, glassware, cutting boards, etc. so that we present no risk to Olivia. For some people, eating GF is a choice. For others, it's a necessity. Perhaps as she gets older, she may become a little tolerant of gluten, but for now it's a great big no-no.

Many people are aware of peanut allergies, but not everyone understands and/or is aware of the severe reaction to gluten that some people face. As a for-instance, although many restaurants offer GF food options, most restaurants cannot guarantee that the possibility of cross-contamination doesn't exist in their kitchen, therefore, dining out is almost non-existent for Olivia and her family.

As usual, the girls bake and ice all the cupcakes (and, of course, lick the spoon), then venture out to offer up their tasty treats to random residents to enjoy. Whether people were out walking their dog, cutting the lawn, going for a boat ride, gardening or perhaps playing sudoku at their dining room table, the girls found residents around the community by seeing them outside or randomly knocking on people's doors hoping that someone might answer.

When handed a cupcake, many Bayshore residents think they're expected to donate money but, as the girls explain, the Cupcake Fairies simply enjoy performing little "acts of kindness" while hoping to educate people about the need for gluten-free foods.

This summer the following residents were the lucky ones to receive a cupcake treat: Bev Joseph, Joe and Janice Latorre, Diane Stoner, Bill Merkley, Deborah May, Mary Ellen Simerson, Jim and Leslie Fielding, Ulla and Vic Taylor and Gunther Gratzer. We did try knocking on a few other doors, but some people just weren't home. In the end, the girls distributed 12 cupcakes and enjoyed the last two themselves!

Sharon Seaward

















#### **Kayaking**

What a summer for our kayak trips on our beautiful lake and rivers. Such enthusiasm from our frequent paddlers. Maria Saringer has joined us on several trips, and being an octogenarian has not stopped this wonderful lady from keeping up to other paddlers.

The Green & Black rivers were a wonderful excursion, beauty and a challenge too. Another month for keen trippers, hope to see you all on the water. Paddles Up,

Lynda Bertrand Photos by Janice Latorre







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#### **Ryder Cup September 9**

"Hole-y Mole-y" what a way to start off the 2023 Bayshore Ryder Cup with beautiful weather plus one of our golfer's first swings of the day landing right in the cup on the 5th green for a hole-in-one! Congratulations Sue Plumbohm – well done! This is undeniable proof that the greens are in the best shape ever, thanks to Rick Indewey and his crew! Sixty-eight golfers headed out to play their best for their respective teams. The competition was fierce between the Blue and Red teams throughout the scramble and the alternate shot format. A new twist for the Ryder was that "Legal Mulligans" were available for purchase and could be used strategically as per the rules set out. Thanks to Johanne Lusch and Doug McPherson for being our vendors.

The teams were neck and neck and, when the results were tabulated, the Blue Team edged out the Red Team by just one point – so close! The final tally underscores the fact that a lot of thought went into the pairing of the teams so that play was competitive.

Hotdogs on the BBQ were served up at lunch and devoured by the athletes. Kudos once again to Margaret and Murray Bisset for being our chefs. A hot dinner was served to each table which included shrimp, delicious homemade lasagna, caesar salad, followed by cheesecake for dessert.

Many decisions and details with respect to registration, the game itself, the social aspect, and menu are made to make the Ryder Cup successful.

Special thanks to Marc Bertrand, head of the golf committee and who was also MC, and who personally put in a lot of time and effort to make up the schedule of players/teams, rules and then started everyone off on their way to the correct tee to begin play. Marc also coordinated with Norm Seaward, Jim Fielding, Rick Indewey, Wayne Perzel, Steve Miller, and Joe Latorre to ensure proper signage, set up of canopies and tables (indoor and outdoor), and ensure that the BBQ itself is ready to perform.

Special thanks also to Leslie Fielding, for her coordination, preparation, and attention to detail to make both meals happen with the help of her awesome team: Donna Wilson, Sally McPherson, Merrill Miller, Maura Hughson, Irene Heinz and Janice Latorre. Complimentary wine at each table was graciously provided by Bayshore's Kate White, Century 21 Realty. Thank you for your continued support, Kate! All in all, it was a wonderful day full of fun. As you can tell, it doesn't just take a village to make awesome happen – it takes a *Bayshore Village*!

Janice Latorre Photos by Janice Latorre and Sharon Seaward

















#### Ryder Cup September 9 (cont'd)

























#### Thank You!

Thank you Mike and Lee Anne Weibe for your donation of an older but working stove for the upstairs Hayloft. Thanks also to Barb Cordeiro for making it shine like new and to Mike and Keith for getting the stoves transferred.

The old one required a service call and parts so this money was saved for the community!

Debbie Rautins

#### **Truth and Reconcilation**

Mary Andrews' garden display in honour of Truth and Reconciliation Day.



Candle in motion Invisible lines of beautiful thoughts Candlelight flickering Of hope and peace of mind You are not alone.

Ted Gryzick

#### Ramara Public Library News



Well folks, that might have been the fastest summer on record! We were so glad to see familiar and new faces at the Ramara Centre for adult and children's programming, summer reading

programs and our daily events. We bid farewell to our seasonal patrons and wish them a safe and cozy winter. See you next year! For our year round residents, we look forward to a beautiful fall. Stop in to see us if you have not yet signed up for your FREE library card!

We were thrilled to share at the beginning of the summer that the Ramara Library is now FINE FREE! While it is still expected to return materials on time, removing fines also removes barriers for users.

Jo and Rebecca have created an awesome and engaging fall line up with many programs you will not want to miss. Registration now takes place on the EventBrite website or by contacting us.

Registrations opened up on August 31st.

Children's events include PD Day programs on October 20th and November 17th for all ages (a great option for any grandparents who may be caring for their grandchildren), a weekly story time, a Family Games afternoon, more take home kits for long weekend fun, Pajamapalooza, and a youth program at the Udney Community Centre.

Adult programs include a Millennial Meet Up, online trivia nights, a virtual night featuring a true crime podcaster, literary games, in-person craft nights, an educational evening learning about wills, power of attorney and rights/responsibilities of seniors and those caring for them, BINGO in Brechin, Euchre nights in Udney, a hearing clinic, and learning about scams and how to avoid them from the O.P.P.

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Friends from Bayshore joined me to participate in this wonderful event. We picnicked, watched the polo matches, and cheered on our favourite teams.

Breast Cancer affects approximately one in every eight Canadian women, and one in every 35 pass away from this disease.

Cheers to these amazing women, making a difference!

Lynda Bertrand



#### **Hayloft Library - Thank You Volunteers!**

We are so lucky at Bayshore to have our little library at the Hayloft. Luckier still, we have our dedicated group of volunteers who takes care of it!

Organized by Heather Horbay, each of our volunteers take a "shift" to shelve and generally tidy up the books. The returned books and any newly donated books are taken from the return bin on the floor, and re-shelved according to the last name of the author.

A general clean-out is performed often and also when the shelves get too full. Any old or torn books are discarded, and any duplicates get donated to either a charity or another neighbourhood library.

The number of books found daily in the return bin is proof that residents use and value this amenity.

If you would like to volunteer, reach out to Heather Horbay. "Many hands make light work."





Left to right: Mary Nolan, Marion Kilner, Merrill Miller, Heather May-Horbay, Brenda James, Lynn McWilliam, Carol Spain, Laura Malarczuk, Susan Hazlett

Not pictured: Mary Ellen Simerson, Dorothy Hall, Anne Graham, Irene Heinz, Rhonda Wallace



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#### **FALL FUN:**

#### (weather permitting for outdoor activities)

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   Tuesdays and Fridays 3:00 - 5:00 pm.
   Sundays 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Contact Joey Torchia.
- Volleyball Thursdays at 6:00 pm at Harbour 99. Contact Terri Papa.
- Mixed Doubles Tennis Tuesday, Friday and Sunday mornings. Contact Tom Costigane.
- > Car Club Outings. Contact James Schulz.
- Wet Hogs set out Tuesdays at 6:00 pm from Harbour 33 weather permitting. All PWC riders welcome.
- Darts Tuesdays at 7:00 pm. Contact Jim Fielding or join BVA Tuesday Night Darts in TeamReach app group code TNDarts.
- Leslie Sansome Walkfit Workout Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 am upstairs at the Hayloft. Contact Rhonda Wallace.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS/SAVE THE DATE!**

- VON Healthy Aging seminars on the last Friday of every month for 12 months. Next dates are September 29, October 27 and November 24 from 11:00 - 12:00 pm (immediately following VON Smart Exercise class). Upstairs at the Hayloft. Open to all, no registration required.
- Bayshore Art & Craft Show October 14 from 10:00 to 4:00 pm. Contact Pat Beecham-Cooper.
- Art Classes begin October 4, Wednesdays 9:30 -11:30 am. Contact Jacquie Ivory.
- ROCKTOBERFEST October 21st with 4 On The Floor. Contact Gunther Gratzer.
- Halloween October 31. The Street of Treats this year will be from 187 Bayshore Drive to 152 Bayshore Drive. 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Contact Diane Stoner.
- Christmas Tree Lighting, November 26 at the Hayloft 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Contact Diane Stoner.
- Ladies Christmas Lunch, December 5. Contact Linda Bridges. Donations for draws accepted.
- Christmas Happy Hour, December 8 at 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the Hayloft. Contact Diane Stoner.
- New Year's Eve, December 31 at 7:30 pm to midnight at the Hayloft. Contact Diane Stoner.

#### YEAR-LONG CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES:

- Yoga Wednesdays 10:00 am in the Hayloft. Contact Lynda Bertrand.
- Italian Rummy Mondays at 2:00 pm. Contact Barb Thurgood.
- Euchre Wednesdays at 7:00 pm. Contact Janet Sauve jannylynn200@gmail.com or go on the TeamReach app group code BVAEUC.
- Ladies' Tea & Chat Tuesdays 2:00 4:00 pm. Contact Kristina Frise.
- VON Smart Exercise Fridays at 10:00 am. Call 705-326-7021.
- Daily Walking Group is open to all. Join our early morning outdoor walks around Bayshore.
- Mahjongg Thursdays at 1:30 pm in the Card Room. Contact Irene Heinz.
- Bridge Lessons Fridays at 11:00 am. Contact Pat Beecham-Cooper.
- Bridge Mondays at 10:00 am. Contact Noel Cooper.
- Bridge Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Contact Velma Burley.



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