

Re: PC32 Community Service Award – All Candidates Debate

To whom it may concern,

Midway through September, The Haldimand Press reached out to the three organizations who had hosted all candidates meetings for the 2015 federal election to see when they would be hosting meetings for the 2019 election. We wanted to ensure we wouldn't miss any local meetings as we planned for our future election coverage, having already begun profiles on the candidates as they were confirmed.

To our surprise, only one intended to hold such an event again. This group being an agricultural organization, their questions would be weighted heavily on the ag community, potentially leaving our coverage lacking on candidate views for other topics. Now, Haldimand being part of the larger riding of Haldimand Norfolk, we knew there were other debates being hosted in Norfolk that we could attend to flush out our coverage. However, we knew that these debates would be skewed to Norfolk. Talks for health care would centre on their hospital and on their long-term care homes; talks for education would centre on their schools; talks for infrastructure would centre on their main roads; and so on. Norfolk being the bigger side of the riding, it can often override Haldimand. It didn't seem fair that Haldimand residents were once again being left with less, not receiving their fair share of exposure to the candidates to make an informed decision come election time.

While we can't do anything about the many organizations that cover both sides of the riding but only have an office in Norfolk (including both of our federal and provincial representatives), we could do something about the election coverage. So, we set out to host an all candidates debate with only a couple of weeks to organize something.

This is something we had never done before, or even anything similar. We chose a date that wouldn't conflict with any of the other debates and would give us time to include coverage of the debate in our paper. We contacted all of the candidates, sent out a press release to every organization that could share the news with their members (including competing news organizations), created ads for our own newspaper, and so on.

We partnered with our local Legion for this event; they provided the event space and coffee for attendees, and in exchange we provided advertising for their upcoming activities and made a small donation. Our own staff stepped up to help with the set up and take down.

Our all candidates meeting took place October 3. We provided the public with forms to submit their questions (which were also welcomed ahead of time), with note pages that overviewed the format and candidates running, and with refreshments. We had seven candidates (the other Haldimand all candidates meeting had six candidates attend), about four reporters (two newspapers, one radio, one podcast), and over 100 residents attend. Our questions, which we received dozens of, were decided based on which questions were most popular in the

submissions (as we had too many submissions to possibly get them all within the time limit), and we were able to ask eight questions on a wide variety of topics.

We were very uncertain heading into this venture how it would turn out. We decided to call it a success if even 40 to 50 people showed up. While we managed to double that expectation, what really exemplified the success of this event was the feedback we received. Numerous residents, including a reporter from our competing paper, came up after the debate to thank us for hosting the event. We even had residents from Norfolk attend, as they weren't able to make it to their own debates. In addition, numerous candidates and the host of a local podcast congratulated us for having the best federal candidate debate they have attended in this riding. They commented that it was well organized and that the decorum was generally very civil, while still keeping things interesting and lively.

Ultimately this was a service we performed because we felt the community needed it, but it went so well that we believe it will be known as just the start of Haldimand Press community meetings in the future.

Thank you for considering this in the OCNA Better Newspaper Competition.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn Clark
Co-Publisher/Editor
The Haldimand Press

Jillian Zynomirski
Co-Publisher/Editor
The Haldimand Press

P.S. If you would like to listen to our debate, there is an audio recording available for free at: podbean.com/ew/pb-ufnuc-c200a2

Jarvis Library reading winners



JARVIS—Jarvis Public Library proudly announces the winners of the 2019 TD Summer Reading Program. Front Row (l-r): Averi Gowan, 2nd prize \$50, Amadea Butcher, colouring contest winner (age 7-9). Back Row: Emily Craddock, 1st prize \$100, Silas Butcher, Teen Winner \$50. Absent winners: Lincoln Vanderwier, 3rd prize \$25, and Finnley Vanderwier, Mya Klynstra, and Zahara Hardt (physical prize winners). Jarvis Library would like to extend a huge thank you to the Friends of the Jarvis Library, TD Bank, and Dunnville Rotary Club for their generous donations, and to all the families who participated in the Summer Reading Program!
—Submitted photo.

FEDERAL ELECTION COVERAGE FROM THE HALDIMAND PRESS

Meet Haldimand's federal candidates

By Haldimand Press Staff

HALDIMAND—With the federal election underway, The Haldimand Press has set an all candidates meeting at the Hagersville Legion for Thursday, October 3, 2019. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting is set to begin at 7 p.m.

A second all candidates meeting, hosted by the Haldimand Federation of Agriculture, will be held at 7 p.m. on October 10, 2019 at the Haldimand Agricultural Centre in Kohler. Coffee and social at 6:30 p.m.

At The Press' meeting in Hagersville, residents will have an opportunity to hear from each of Haldimand-Norfolk's candidates running in the federal election, including a chance to meet with them before the debate.

Readers are encouraged to submit questions ahead of time; the most popular questions received will be collected and asked of all the candidates. Questions may be submitted by phone to 905-768-3111 or through email to

publishers@haldimandpress.com.

Those in attendance will have the opportunity to suggest questions on a paper ballot that night, which will be included as time allows. Each candidate will be given the chance to respond to the questions posed. Each candidate will also be given a few minutes to introduce themselves and to provide

closing remarks.

The candidates running in the Haldimand Norfolk riding are (alphabetically by last name):

Lily Eggink
CHRISTIAN HERITAGE

Diane Finley
CONSERVATIVE

Bob Forbes
PEOPLE'S PARTY OF CANADA

Kim Huffman
LIBERAL

Brooke Martin
GREEN

Ross Mogrige
LIBERTARIAN

Dan Preston
NONE OF THE ABOVE

Harold Stewart
VETERANS COALITION

All residents within the riding are invited to join us for the evening to learn more about their candidates. Those who are unable to attend can check The Haldimand Press for a summary of the discussion in the paper the following week.

All Candidates Evenings

Thursday, October 3
Hagersville Legion
6:30 p.m. doors open
7 p.m. Q&A

Thursday, October 10
Haldimand Agricultural Centre, Kohler
6:30 p.m. coffee & social
7 p.m. Q&A



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<p>2018 CHEV SILVERADO 1500 DBL CAB (4X4) 6 cyl, auto, air, cruise, tilt, pw, pdl, alum rims, 6psgr, Backup Camera, used vehicle, 40,552km, CERT.#39-1294 \$32,995 *218.54/biweekly</p>	<p>2019 CHEV COLORADO LT CREW CAB (4X4) 6 cyl, auto, air, cruise, tilt, pw, pdl, p-seat, 5psgr, alum rims, used vehicle, previous daily rental, 17,848km, CERT.#39-1283 \$33,595 *222.51/biweekly</p>
<p>2018 CHEV SILVERADO 1500 CUSTOM DBL CAB (4X4) 8 cyl, auto, air, cruise, tilt, pw, pdl, alum rims, 6psgr, Backup Camera, used vehicle, 44,653km, CERT.#39-1168 \$33,995 *225.16/biweekly</p>	<p>2015 RAM 1500 LARAMIE CREW CAB (4X4) 6 cyl, auto, air, cruise, tilt, pw, pdl, p-seat, leather int, sunroof, 5psgr, DIESEL, heated seat, Backup Camera, Navigation, 90,897km, CERT.#39-1291 \$34,595 *229.13/biweekly</p>
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OPINION



LETTER FROM THE EDITORS



THE PRESS TO HOST ALL CANDIDATES MEETING

By Co-Publishers Kaitlyn Clark and Jillian Zynomirski

The Haldimand Press is undertaking a new venture next week – an all candidates meeting.

In 2015 The Press attended three federal candidate debates throughout Haldimand, but this year only one of those has announced plans to host again. We believe it's important for residents to be informed when they go to cast their vote – which we hope everyone will do – and so we are stepping up to fill some of that gap.

Our debate will take place on Thursday, October 3, 2019 at the Hagersville Legion. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m., giving everyone a chance to meet with the candidates ahead of time. At 7 p.m. the debate will begin. The Press will start with pre-selected questions from residents, based on the most popular suggestions given to us ahead of time. All readers are encouraged to send your most pressing question to publishers@haldimandpress.com or call it in to 905-768-3111. Questions will also be gathered the night of and will be asked as time allows. Those unable to attend can find a summary of the discussion in the October 10 paper.

Following The Haldimand Press' debate, there will be a second all candidates meeting at the Kohler Agricultural Hall on Thursday, October 10. This meeting is being hosted by the Haldimand Federation of Agriculture and doors will also open at 6:30 p.m. (7 p.m. start). A summary of this debate will be included in the October 17 paper ahead of the election on October 21.

Voting is a quintessential right of those in democratic nations. We here are lucky to not have to fight for this right anymore, thanks to the hard work of those that came before us. We urge all of our readers to get informed on where candidates stand for issues that matter to them – whether by reading the articles in The Haldimand Press, attending the debates, doing their own research online, or asking the candidates directly. How you vote matters, so be sure to take full advantage of this opportunity to help our great country. Afterall, you only get the chance once every four years.

ELECTION FAQ

- Election Day: October 21
- Advance stations: October 11, 12, 13, 14
- Anyone is welcome to vote at any Elections Canada office before October 15 at 6 p.m.
- If you are away for these dates, you may register to vote by mail before October 15 at 6 p.m.
- Voter information cards should arrive in the mail/are available online after October 2.
- By law, anyone who is eligible to vote is allowed three consecutive hours to cast their vote on election day. If your hours of work do not allow this, then your employer must give you time off.
- For more information visit elections.ca.



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Letter to the Editors

ON MARILYN HAVELKA'S RETIREMENT AS CAO OF RUTHVEN PARK

To the Editors,

On Sunday, September 15, 2019 a reception was held at Ruthven Park National Historic Site in honour of Marilyn Havelka CAO on the occasion of her retirement.

Marilyn, during her 18 years as CAO of Ruthven Park, along with past and present staff, past and present Boards of Directors, and many past and present volunteers has

made Ruthven Park National Historic Site the number one tourist attraction in Haldimand County.

It was therefore rather disappointing that there was no representation present from Haldimand County Council.

Jim Walton,
Executive Director,
Lower Grand River Trust Inc.,
Ruthven Park National Historic Site

Correction notice

In the September 19, 2019 edition, Trevor Silverthorne was incorrectly identified as Trevor Hand in the article "Dunnville teen launches clothing line".

This week's little gem

A frantic father calls his family doctor: "Doc, you've got to come quick! My three-year-old son just swallowed all my golf tees!"

"Alright, stay calm," the doctor says. "I'll be over in 10 minutes."

"What should I do in the meantime?" asks the father.

The doctor answers, "I guess you could practice your putting."

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"Huntin', fishin', and lovin'" every day in Haldimand-Norfolk

By MPP
Toby Barrett



National Hunting, Trapping, and Fishing Heritage Day in Canada – September 21 this year – was set aside to pay tribute not only to our heritage, but also to honour conservation groups that ensure there are outdoor opportunities for future generations.

Huntin', fishin', and lovin' every day. That's the prayer that a country boy prays. Luke Bryan's 2015 hit song sums up life for a good portion of the population in Haldimand and Norfolk. Haldimand-Norfolk boasts countless hotspots for both hunting and fishing enthusiasts.

Ducks Unlimited held its first Canadian fundraising dinner in Tillsonburg in 1974. That chapter moved to Port Rowan for its second dinner where it has remained. Chapter members proudly display their chapter number as "1". This year's dinner was September 20, on Camo Day.

Since that first dinner, many major conservation organizations have launched their own banquet programs locally. In our riding, I think of Delta Waterfowl, the Ruffed Grouse Society, and Canadian Wild Turkey Federation. I would also proudly point out that our local organizations are some of the top fundraising chapters in the country for their respective organizations. Again, this is testament to the area's conservation ethic.

Speaking of wild turkey, Norfolk was at the forefront of bringing this bird back to Ontario. Area resident Dave Reid worked within the Ministry of Natural Resources on the initiative. Long Point cottagers Dr. Dave Ankney and Joel Hopkins provided the initial push to get the turkey reintroduction off the ground. Norfolk County was also one of the first locations for turkey releases and had one of the first hunts. Bringing wild turkey back was a partnership between several conservation organizations. Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, and the National Wild Turkey Federation, were instrumental.

Provincial, national, and international organizations are not the lone contributors to the environment. I think of all the

work done on the Grand River by the Dunnville Hunters and Anglers Association. Formed in 1937, this group has a hatchery on their property to raise walleye and supplement the population in Lake Erie. They also have trap, rifle, and pistol ranges, and host great perch dinners.

Travelling further up the Grand, the Caledonia Hunters and Anglers Association hosts its fishing derby for young people and a fall walleye derby.

Long Point and Area Fish and Game Club has also made its mark, organizing fish derbies, pheasant release, and providing novices with hunting and fishing adventures. We tip our hat to all the waterfowl hunting clubs. Where would the marshes of Long Point and Turkey Point be today if hunt clubs had not purchased the land years ago and saved it from development?

The work of conservation groups goes well beyond wildlife reintroductions. These groups have also done a lot for habitat restoration in the wetlands and forests. If you are an angler or hunter, thank you for the valuable work of proactive conservation, and the protection and enhancement of our hunting and fishing heritage.

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Dunnville Tim Hortons #1 in Canada for Smile Cookies sold

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In 2018, the Smile Cookie campaign raised almost \$7.8 million across Canada. It began in 1996 to raise funds for the Hamilton Children's Hospital. In 2019, a total of 550 charities were supported through the campaign, versus 500 in 2018.

The total for 2019 was not available as of press time.

"This is one of many initiatives that allow us to give back to the communities in which we live and work," said Mike Hancock, Chief Operating Officer, Tim Hortons. "Our guests, restaurant owners, and their team members feel incredibly proud knowing that the money raised during the campaign directly supports local causes."



DUNNVILLE—Kiera, Hailie, and Abby Myke enjoyed Smile Cookies while Dan-a-Claus (Dan Rykse) fought off the Cookie Monster. —Submitted photo.



DUNNVILLE—(l-r) Assistant Manager Ashley Brown-Fraser, General Manager Lisa Hribar, Dan Rykse (Santa), Store Owner Ryan DiTommaso, Nicholas Warbick (Cookie Monster), Volunteer Morgan Latinski, Assistant Manager Rebecca McKinnon. —Haldimand Press photo by Valerie Posthumus.

Jail & Bail kicks off fundraising campaign for United Way

By Kurt Lewis
The Haldimand Press

CAYUGA—Thursday, September 19, 2019 marked the third annual Jail and Bail held by United Way of Haldimand and Norfolk and organized by Executive Director Brittany Burley.

Outside of the Cayuga Foodland, volunteer "jailbirds" from various organizations were jailed for one hour – or until their bail was raised – with each one being locked up in a wacky costume for a wackier crime.

Funds raised provide support for different programs throughout the counties that benefit individuals, families, seniors, and youth.

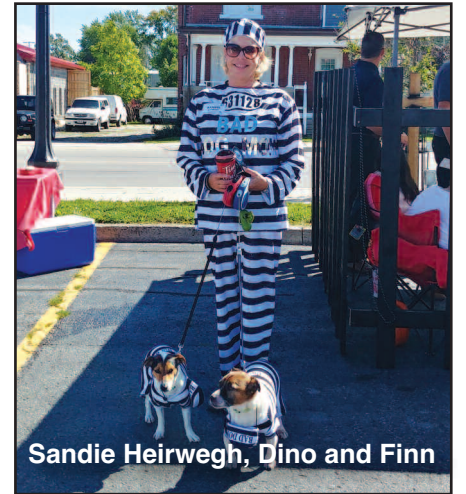
There was also a Jail and Bail held in Simcoe that same day.

Rather than citing a monetary goal for 2020,

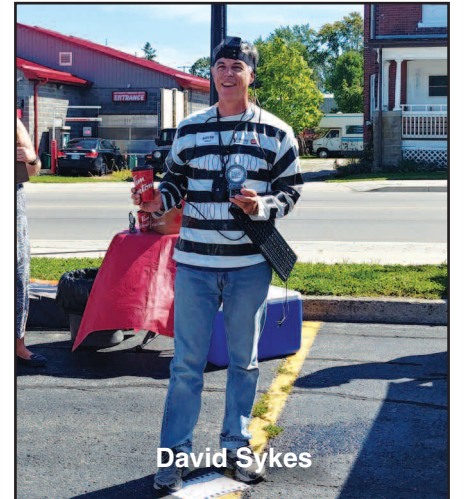
the United Way of Haldimand and Norfolk have an impact goal of what they plan to achieve in the community: to help 2,000 people towards improved mental health and wellness, 2,500 children to create brighter futures, 3,000 seniors to feel a sense of belonging in their communities, and finally, 8,000 residents to move out of poverty and into a place of possibility.

A group of young women led by Susan Roach from CAMHS also spoke about the seemingly invisible struggles of mental health and mental illness.

Prizes were ultimately awarded to Sandie Heirwegh of True Experience and her dogs Dino and Finn for their Creative Crime of chewing the furniture, and David Sykes for his Creative Costume showing computer hacking.



Sandie Heirwegh, Dino and Finn



David Sykes



CAYUGA—Brenda Schooley, Jessica Lakester, Mel Barker, and Riley Brady from CAMHS wearing their hats – a metaphor for the masks we often wear when struggling with mental illness. —Haldimand Press photos by Kurt Lewis.

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HALDIMAND-NORFOLK FEDERAL ELECTION ALL CANDIDATES MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2019 | DOORS OPEN 6:30PM, Q&A 7PM | HAGERSVILLE LEGION

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HALDIMAND-NORFOLK CANDIDATES

- DIANE FINLEY Conservative Party
- KIM HUFFMAN Liberal Party
- BROOKE MARTIN Green Party
- BOB FORBES People's Party
- LILY EGGINK Christian Heritage Party
- HAROLD STEWART Veterans Coalition Party
- DAN PRESTON Non of the Above
- ROSS MOGRIDGE Libertarian



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Salvation Army opens at new location in Dunnville



DUNNVILLE—The new location of the Dunnville Salvation Army Community and Family Services building held their grand opening ribbon cutting on Saturday, September 28, 2019. The building was busy as dignitaries, representatives of the Salvation Army, staff, and community members came out for a tour. Also in attendance was Sharon Smith, who works for the Child Nutrition Network and presented Salvation Army with a Partnership Recognition Award for their nine years of partnership with Haldimand Norfolk Reach. Lisa Gibb is the face visitors see when they arrive. She said, "It's a beautiful space, it feels like home. We just love it; we are so excited. We see more people coming in." Breanne Hunter, Manager, thanked the Salvation Army, her staff, and the many volunteers for all of the time and effort it took to get the facility up and running. Hunter said, "Thank you to our volunteers who help make every day possible for us with the amount of work they put into our new food bank system, our sorting area, we couldn't have done it without them."

—Haldimand Press photo by Valerie Posthumus.

Edinburgh Square hosting haunted Halloween children's programming

To The Haldimand Press

CALEDONIA—Halloween is starting early in Caledonia! On Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 9 to 11:30 a.m., Edinburgh Square Heritage & Cultural Centre will be hosting a 'Halloween Haunt' program for young goblins and ghosts (children 5 to 10 years).

There will be plenty of tricks and treats at Edinburgh Square; youngsters will discover the origins and traditions surrounding this holiday, hear creepy tales, enjoy sing-alongs, and have lots of laughs.

The Centre's 'Zombie Team' will be on-hand to lead some 'monstrous' and creative crafts, ooey-gooley experiments,

creepy games and, of course, an extra special scavenger hunt complete with a visit to the ghastly gallery and jail cell. This 'spooktacular' workshop is sure to get participants into the Halloween spirit!

The cost for this program is \$13 per person and is suitable for children between 5 and 10 years of age. Registration may be completed online at link.haldimandcounty.ca using program code 10380 or in-person at any County office.

For more information on this program or other Museum offerings, please contact Edinburgh Square Heritage and Cultural Centre at esquare.centre@haldimandcounty.on.ca or 905-765-3134. A comprehensive schedule of all Museum programs is available in the County's Community Guide.

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- ADRIENNE ROBERTS New Democratic Party
- BROOKE MARTIN Green Party
- BOB FORBES People's Party
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Hagersville United Church celebrates 150 years



Some of the congregation in front of the 150th sign

By Peggy Bartlett,
Minister of Hagersville United Church
To The Haldimand Press

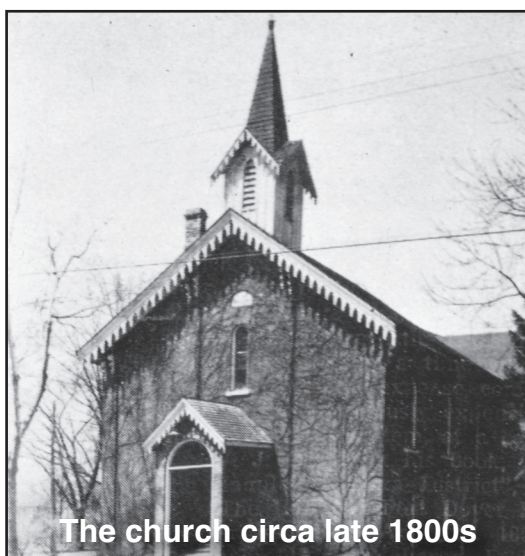
HAGERSVILLE—More than 150 years ago our forefathers, the pioneers of this great land, worked through difficulties and extreme hardships to build their communities. Being God-fearing people who were scattered over wide areas of untamed forest and wilderness, they centred their activities around community churches.

These churches were built by building "bees"; groups of men and women working free gratis for one common cause. One or two churches were built in the community at the same time, depending on the extremes of doctrines within that area.

Before Hagersville Methodist Church was built, the First Methodist Church meetings were held in a little log schoolhouse, which was situated about halfway between Hagersville and the now-extinct Ballsville.

It is interesting to know that when the contractors were digging the footings for the present Hewitt's Dairy, they found pieces of the old foundation that the old-timers say belonged to the First Methodist Church built in 1859. It was known to have been situated in the vicinity of Ballsville, which was one of the many small villages along the Plank Road, now known as Highway 6.

The old records reveal that the Hagersville Appointment in the early 1860s was connected with the following places: Hullsville (now called Garnet), Springvale, Osborne, Ballsville, Oneida Centre, and Decewsville, with Hullsville being the major charge.



The church circa late 1800s

The present place of worship, which is now called Hagersville United Church, was built in 1869 by the Wesley Methodist people. The minister at that time was Rev. Mr. C. Stringfellow. In 1873, the circuit became known as the Hagersville Circuit.

In 1925 the congregation became a part of the United Church of Canada and has, since 1925, been known as Hagersville United Church.

We are very proud to be part of the history of Hagersville.

Please come and join us on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 11 a.m. for our anniversary service.

This will be a time of hearing more history, seeing more photos, and remembering the life and work of Hagersville United within the last 150 years.

Hagersville seniors

HAGERSVILLE—On September 26, 12 ladies gathered for an afternoon of hoss and socializing at the Hagersville Legion. We began with birthdays for three of our friends. Dessert provided by Kathy and Connie; thank you both. High blue, Joan Snowden, Special blue, Grace de Vries, High pink, Sharon Sherk, Special pink, Monica Montague, Most Hosses, Blanche Phibbs, Door Prize, Peggy Anderson. Come join us Thursday, October 3 at 1:30 p.m. for a rollicking good time. We will have a special draw, and you may go home with some money.

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Thursday, October 3
WHGH Aux. Smorgasbord at Knox Presbyterian Church, Jarvis. 12 p.m. Tickets \$15: 905-768-5919.

Thursday, October 3
Dunnville and Area White Cane Club at Dunnville Legion, 305 Queen St. Second floor (accessible). 11:50 a.m. \$12 for lunch and speaker on library resources for visually impaired. Anyone blind or sight impaired and their partner or guide welcome. Meals reserved in advance: 905-774-1074 or bmelick@rogers.com.

Thursday, October 3
Start of Strengthen Your Mind six week course at Cayuga Library. Topics on aging, stress, humour, nutrition, and more. Thursdays until November 7, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Register: 289-674-0400.

Friday, October 4
Haldimand Curling Club hosts Learn to Curl at Cayuga Library. Registration 6:30 p.m., on ice 7-8:15 p.m. Entertainment and snacks following. \$10. Pre-register: haldimand.curling@gmail.com

Saturday, October 5
St. Patrick's Church Bids and Bites fundraiser. \$20. Doors open 5 p.m., appetizers 5:30 p.m., bidding 6:30 p.m. Tickets at Rectory Office, 107 Orkney St., Caledonia, Tuesday-Friday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 5
Presentation on storm chasing in Ontario. Learn about thunderstorms and tornados. Selkirk Library 2 p.m., Jarvis Library 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 5
Caledonia Regional Chamber of Commerce Oktoberfest at the Caledonia Lions Hall, 7:30 p.m. \$20 includes live music and sausage dinner with dessert. caledonia-ontario.com/oktoberfest

Saturday, October 5
Johnny Cash Tribute Featuring Paul Anthony. Kinsmen Community Centre, Cayuga. Show: 8 p.m. Tickets: \$20, on sale now. Call 905-774-8883 or 905-772-5961.

Saturday, October 5
Special yard sale and bake sale (indoor/outdoor) at St. John the Divine Anglican Church, 37 Ottawa St. N., Cayuga. 9 a.m. All proceeds to Bahamas hurricane relief. All donations welcome. Cheques accepted to PWRDF Bahamas Hurricane Relief. 905-772-5335.

Saturday, October 5
Fall clean-up day at Cottonwood Mansion, 9:30 a.m. We would appreciate any volunteers. Students can get volunteer hours.

Sunday, October 6
CIBC Run for the Cure 1 or 5 km walk/run for breast cancer. Registration 8 a.m., race starts 10 a.m. Simcoe Composite School, 40 Wilson Ave. cibcrunfortheure.com

Sunday, October 6
Sunday Brunch at Marburg Hall (1345 Lynn Valley Rd. E.) Port Dover. 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Adults \$10, kids under 12 \$5, preschool free. Accessible. Last of the year.

Sunday, October 6
Chapel Royal of the Mohawk holding Royal Commemoration Service in conjunction with annual Harvest Thanksgiving service. 2 p.m. 201 Mohawk St., Brantford. Info: 519-445-2953.

Monday, October 7
HN Diabetes Program in Dunnville on how to protect your kidneys. Free. 6:30 p.m. 400 Broad St. W. 905-774-7431 ext. 1232.

Tuesday, October 8, 15
Library Living program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. This month on airplane and airport history. Dunnville Branch Oct. 8, Cayuga Oct. 15. 1:30-3 p.m.

Wednesday, October 9
St. Paul's Anglican Church, Jarvis, annual Harvest Supper. 5-7 p.m. Roast beef and all the trimmings, including pie. Adults \$17, 6-12 \$8, under 6 free; family (two adults, two kids) \$45.

Friday, October 11
Euchre Night at Case United Church, 6180 White Church Rd. E., Mount Hope. 7:30 p.m. \$5 admission includes light dinner after.

Thursday, October 17
Financial literacy workshop at Dunnville Library, 10:30 a.m. Learn basics of taxes, insurance, estate planning. Free. 289-674-0400.

Friday, October 18
Garth Brooks/Neil Diamond dinner music event at Dunnville Optimist Hall, 101 Main St. E. Open 5 p.m. Showtime 6 p.m. Intermission dinner. Tickets \$55 single or \$50 each for 2+. Find them on Facebook or at Towne Cafe, 304 Broad St. E.

Friday, October 18
Southwenth Plowmen's Association annual plowing match at 2639 Woodburn Road. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch available.

October 18, 21, 22, 25
Pumpkin painting craft afternoon at the library, 1 p.m., \$2/person/session. Registration required: 289-674-0400. Cayuga Oct. 18, Jarvis Oct. 21, Selkirk Oct. 22, Hagersville Oct. 25.

Saturday, October 19
Kohler Craft Show at Haldimand Agricultural Centre, 1084 Kohler Rd. St. John Anglican Church providing soup, sandwiches, and desserts. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission \$2. New vendors welcome for \$20. Info: 905-776-5848.

Saturday, October 19
Cayuga United Church annual Beef Dinner & Auction. Live and silent auctions. Lots of food and homemade desserts. Advance tickets \$20 or \$150 for table of 8. Reserve seats: 905-701-1779.

Saturday, October 19
Canboro Fire Hall Fish Fry. Dinner 6 p.m. Adults \$25, 10 and under \$10. 7 Darling St. Takeout available. 905-929-8570.

Saturday, October 19
Sausage and Sauerkraut Supper at Selkirk Christian Chapel, 20 Erie St. Seatings at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Tickets: 289-683-2795 or 905-768-1388. Proceeds to missions.

Sunday, October 20
Brantford Symphony Orchestra Fall Music Crawl. Three performances at three locations. \$30 for all. Info: 519-759-8781 or brantfordsymphony.ca

Sunday, October 20
York United Church 175th anniversary. Service at 10:30 a.m. Lunch to follow. All welcome.

Sunday, October 20
Balmoral United Church 140th anniversary. Service 11 a.m. Lunch following. All welcome.

Tuesday, October 22
Start of six week Haldimand Speakers School, Tuesdays at Dunnville Library, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Increase communication, writing, and public speaking skills. Register: sinkoqc@lao.on.ca.

October 22, 24, 29
Health You series at the library on menopause. 6:30 p.m. Dunnville 22nd, Hagersville 24th, Caledonia 29th. Register: 289-674-0400.

Wednesday, October 23
Anniversary Supper at Knox Presbyterian Church, Main St., Jarvis. 5-7 p.m. Roast beef supper. \$17 adults, \$10 12 and under. Takeout available. All welcome.

Wednesday, October 23
Though Silent He Speaks heritage program at Grandview Lodge auditorium, 657 Lock St. W., Dunnville. Virtual walk through Dunnville cemeteries, recalling lives of select residents. Free.

Thursday, October 24
Neighbour Night at Caledonia Library for those new to the area or those interested in meeting other residents and learning more about Caledonia. This week on volunteering. 6-8 p.m. Free refreshments.

Thursday, October 24
Haldimand Horticultural Society annual dinner and awards night celebrating 35 years. Comedian Nara Farrell entertaining. St. Paul's Anglican Church, 27 Orkney St., Caledonia. 6 p.m.

Friday, October 25
Free community dinner. Hagersville Community Centre. 6:30 to 8 p.m. All are welcome. Put on by local churches.

Saturday, October 26
Sgt. Wilson's Airforce Show musical theatre production with tunes of 1940s and 50s. 2 p.m. at Dunnville Secondary School, sponsored by No. 6 RCAF Museum. \$20.

Saturday, October 26
St. Stephen's Parish Bazaar. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the parish hall, 25 Ottawa St. S., Cayuga. Penny table, crafts, baked goods, etc. Lunch available.

Saturday, October 26
Cheapside United Church Christmas Bazaar & Penny Sale, 484 Cheapside Rd. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Vendors, crafts, bake sale, white elephant table, etc. Luncheon available. Info: 289-237-0968.

Saturday, October 26
Canfield Marketplace at Canfield Hall. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 50 Talbot Rd., Canfield. 24 vendors, bake sale, lunch.

Saturday, November 2
Maranatha CRC Christmas Craft Sale. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Vendors, hot lunch, bake sale, raffle. Vendors wanted. Call 289-880-9582 or email rmhaney12@hotmail.com.

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Volunteers gather to keep Cottonwood spick and span



SELKIRK—Cottonwood Mansion Historic Site invited current volunteers and members of the public to the mansion grounds on Saturday, October 5, 2019 for a fall cleanup day. Richard Hoover, President and CEO of Cottonwood Mansion, is shown with Walter Plaenksken, Administrative Assistant at Cottonwood Mansion, taking a short break from the cleanup. Evan, shown inset, attended a Cottonwood cleanup for the first time.
—Haldimand Press photo by Kurt Lewis.



FEDERAL ELECTION COVERAGE

FROM THE HALDIMAND PRESS

Candidates meet for first of two Haldimand debates

By Mike Renzella
The Haldimand Press

HAGERSVILLE—Climate change, pharmacare, and affordable housing were among the many issues covered in an all candidates debate hosted by The Haldimand Press and held at the Hagersville Legion Thursday, October 3, 2019 in front of an audience of over 100 people.

On the issue of jobs and infrastructure, current Conservative MP Diane Finley mentioned how she is very pleased with the \$400 million of infrastructure upgrades that have been implemented during her time in office.

PPC candidate Bob Forbes spoke about lowering taxes for all businesses, while eliminating corporate subsidies to create income that can be spread around. "No more wasteful spending," said Forbes. "Put it where it's needed."

Liberal Candidate Kim Huffman mentioned the 4,500 acre industrial park located near Lake Erie.

"We have had no new development in 15 years," said Huffman. She would like to bring new jobs there in emerging fields, such as biomass and biofuel.

Green Party Candidate Brooke Martin said her party would "look at creating incentives for retrofitting homes, which would create a lot of jobs for the trades throughout Canada." Her party wants to create new green-focused

jobs, with a commitment across all levels of government to ensure municipal funds are properly allocated.

NDP Candidate Adrienne Roberts also spoke about creating 300,000 new jobs to transition from oil and gas to green energy initiatives.

VCP Candidate Harold Stewart spoke about creating a new national lottery, with proceeds benefitting multiple issues, including infrastructure needs.

CHP Candidate Lily Eggink spoke about how her party would make changes to the welfare system, with more strict guidelines for who is eligible, and training programs in place to assist people looking for work.

On the issue of pharmacare, Roberts said, "We've been waiting since the 1960s to have a universal health care plan that also includes pharmacare." She outlined the NDP plan to have pharmacare and dental care in place by 2020.

Huffman echoed the sentiment: "No Canadian should have to choose between putting food on the table or getting the medication they need."

Martin was on board with universal drug coverage, stating that her party would negotiate with pharmaceutical companies on a national level. Finley spoke about lowering taxes instead to free up income that could be used to cover medical expenses.

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Legion to hold seminar on effects of anti-malaria drug Mefloquine

By Mike Renzella
The Haldimand Press

DUNNVILLE—An educational seminar will be held on November 2, 2019 at the Dunnville Legion to discuss the effects of antimalarial drug mefloquine, which was administered by the Canadian military from 1992 to 2017.

"The seminar is being held to describe the drug, tell everybody what the drug is, what the effects are, the whole history of it all," explains Brent O'Connor, Veteran's Services Officer.

Mefloquine is "associated with a significant risk of chronic neuropsychiatric adverse effects", according to Dr. Remington Nevin, Executive Director of the Quinism Foundation, a non-profit group based out of Vermont who are studying the drug.

The seminar is being run in collaboration with Veterans House, an organization devoted to promoting health by providing veterans suffering from mental illness or operational stress injuries with access to related counselling and peer support programs.

"This was way beyond anything that had ever been experienced at any point in Canadian military history."

—Stephan Beardwood, Veterans House

"There were a lot of reports that were made in real time as things started going wrong in Somalia," states Stephan Beardwood, founding board member of Veterans House, on when the drug was first administered to Canadians. "I was one of those veterans; I was serving there. There were numerous incidents there, to the point where it really startled and alerted a lot of top brass. But none of that was passed on to parliament or government at the time, nor did it go to Health Canada."

Beardwood further elaborates on conditions in Somalia at the time: "There

were a couple of murders, attempted suicide, several psychotic breaks, and there were 24 incidences of unlawful firing of a weapon.... this was way beyond anything that had ever been experienced at any point in Canadian military history."

"Although many of the symptoms of mefloquine poisoning can mimic those of PTSD, typically these begin soon after use of the drug, rather than following a specific traumatic event. Because mefloquine is often started before deployment, many veterans can date the onset of their symptoms, such as insomnia, anxiety, and nightmares, to a date prior to any plausible traumatic exposure," explains Nevin. "Also, unlike the nightmares of PTSD, which relate to a specific traumatic event, mefloquine nightmares often have nothing to do with any identifiable event, and often feature imagery, such as monsters and demons, or disturbing themes such as harm coming to one's self or a loved one, that is reminiscent more of a horror movie than any real event."

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Review of the Hagersville all candidates debate

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On the issue of climate change, Martin spoke about encouraging people to lower their carbon emissions by collecting a carbon tax and redistributing it based on the amount of carbon products people purchase over a year. Roberts said the NDP would target companies with large emissions and tax them accordingly, as well as force them to be accountable for their environmental impact.

Finley said that instead of the carbon tax, her party would focus on helping companies “develop technologies that could have a global impact”, which would create jobs at home while helping countries like China and India to reduce their emissions as well.

Huffman responded, “I’m unclear as to why the Conservative government does not seem to understand what the rest of the world understands.” She noted that the Liberal party is committed to meeting the five-year targets laid out in the Paris Climate Accord, and to stay on target to reach the goal of zero net emissions by 2050.

Forbes, Stewart, and Eggink all renounced the carbon tax. “We will withdraw from the Paris Accord, and abandon unrealistic expectations,” said Forbes. He mentioned that the PPC will work to create cleaner air, water, and soil in Canada with an emphasis on First Nation communities. Stewart also stated that the VCP will look to repeal carbon taxes, but with a commitment to reduce carbon emissions up to 80% by 2050. On the issue of the supply management system in Canada,

the majority of candidates were in agreement that it is necessary to protect Canadian products and workers. Eggink stated, “Supply management is not perfect by any means, but it is essential to ensure Canadian producers of these products are able to consistently supply high quality products.”

Roberts said, “We want to commit to local agriculture, from farming to manufacturing.” Huffman added, “The supply management system works, and it will stay in effect.”

Forbes was the lone dissenter. He called supply management a “government enforced cartel that keeps the price of dairy, poultry, and eggs artificially high.” He said the system is inefficient and fundamentally unfair to consumers and farmers, and that the PPC plans to create a “free, open, and fair system that will save Canadians billions of dollars annually.”

On the issue of pension plans, Roberts spoke about the need for security in old age: “I’m seeing my own future unfold through their eyes.” She detailed the NDP plan to ensure pension plans are paid out before corporations are paid dividends, referencing the shutdown of Sears. Martin offered a similar stance, promising that the Green Party would protect pension plans from corporate bankruptcy and audit corporations to ensure their pension plans are properly funded.

Both Forbes and Stewart mentioned billions of dollars of CPP funding being used for foreign investments, and their plans to redistribute that money at home. “My dad passed trying to put food on the table because he couldn’t afford retirement,” said Stewart. The VCP is promising tax-free pension

plans, and an increased CPP and old age security.

Eggink called current pension funding inadequate to meet the needs of seniors, and Finley highlighted how rising taxes and inflation create a climate of instability for seniors living on fixed incomes. Huffman highlighted the Liberal plan to top up income for up to one million single seniors, while developing housing strategies for independence, and making it easier for workers to take time off to care for loved ones.

On the issue of affordable housing, all parties agreed on the severity of the issue. “It’s tough, it’s really tough,” said Finley. Eggink spoke about how unaffordable housing puts strains on families and can lead to broken homes.

Huffman called affordable housing “a fundamental right for all Canadians,” and she outlined the Liberal plan to work with developers to commit to a range of housing prices, calling the national strategy the first of its kind.

Martin brought up her party’s plan to provide funding for non-profit organizations to build housing for seniors and low-income families. Roberts, a teacher, spoke about how her students feel hopeless about home ownership and outlined the NDP plan to build 500,000 new affordable homes across the country, in both rural and urban areas, as well as doubling the tax credits for first time home buyers.

The Federal election takes place on October 21, 2019. Residents should have received their voter card for information on where to vote on election day or in advanced polls. For more information, visit elections.ca.

Group searching for veterans given mefloquin

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“It’s something that needs to go to the public,” states O’Connor. “Especially for the legions, if a person walks in that has been poisoned with this, we can try our best to help them with it.”

O’Connor became involved after a member of his legion, Scott Smith, committed suicide in Rwanda in 1994. Smith’s body was sent home and laid to rest with no headstone. O’Connor was contacted by Smith’s airborne comrades, who wanted to raise money for a headstone. Through this contact he found Beardwood on an online support group and learned of Beardwood’s exposure to mefloquine.

“Many of the drugs (veterans) are prescribed to treat PTSD are contra-indicated for mefloquine,” states Beardwood. “I was given one of those drugs, and I had a psychotic break because of it. I lost all my children, my family, my job. I was locked into a mental institution for several months.”

According to a report published by the Quinism Foundation, “certain psychiatric symptoms that occur with mefloquine use may become chronic and may confound psychiatric diagnosis.... Clinicians caring for veterans with persistent psychiatric symptoms should therefore screen for prior symptomatic mefloquine exposure and consider the possible aftereffects.”

Beardwood describes an incident he believes to be the result of mefloquine exposure: “When I was first diagnosed with PTSD, I had what I thought were flashbacks to a time and place. I was walking a trench line in November in Canada in

a wooded area, and the next minute I was in the desert.... A flashback is the reliving of an event. I didn’t actually relive an event. I had never walked that path in Somalia.... That’s a hallucination.”

Beardwood adds that knowing the difference between a flashback from PTSD and a hallucination from a drug interaction would have very different treatments. Currently, a countrywide tort action lawsuit is being developed by the law firm HSH Lawyers with approximately 200 complaints filed, another 500 set to be filed by mid-October, and another 1,500 that are being worked on. However, the lawsuit will not be featured during the seminar.

“The problem is, we have no idea how many people have died by suicide following deployment who have taken mefloquine. We don’t know how many were diagnosed with PTSD who took medications that were contra-indicated. We have no idea where people are, where their heads are at, how many are suffering quietly because they don’t know that this is mefloquine, not PTSD,” states Beardwood.

In a statement to the Haldimand Press, the Department of National Defense said, “We take the health and well-being of Canadian Armed Forces members very seriously.

“In 2017, Health Canada, the Department of National Defence, and the CAF announced the release of independent findings from the Health Canada report on mefloquine and the Surgeon General’s review on the operational use of mefloquine. No evidence was found in the CAF report that would

suggest potential long-term adverse effects of mefloquine on human health. Based on this review, the Surgeon General recommended that the CAF prescribe mefloquine as a second-line option for CAF personnel travelling to areas where anti-malarial medications are recommended.

“The Canadian Forces Health Services Group will continue to monitor the scientific evidence related to mefloquine, and any future relevant scientific research will be thoroughly reviewed and incorporated in our policy when appropriate.”

The Ministry of Health provided The Press with a report from the Surgeon General on the operational use of mefloquine. Contained in the report is the following quote from General Jonathan Vance, Chief of the Defence Staff: “The health and well-being of our people is directly linked to the operational effectiveness of the Canadian Armed Forces. Because of this, I have a duty to ensure everyone under my command has access to the best options for medical care currently available. I am confident the Surgeon General’s recommendations, which are supported by third-party evidence, are consistent with ensuring the overall health of our women and men.”

According to Beardwood and O’Connor, the upcoming seminar is not about creating conflict.

“We want to reach out to veterans that might be in our area to try and get them in,” says O’Connor. “We want to try and get them help. That’s why the legion is there, and why Stephan has his non-profit organization. We want to get them help.”

LIFE

**Early submission deadline:
Friday, October 11 at 10 a.m.**

DEATH

WILLIS, Ruth Irene (Smelser)

Peacefully at the West Haldimand Hospital, Hagersville on Saturday, October 5, 2019 in her 70th year. Loving mother of Sharlene and George Gordon, and Kimberly and J.J. Hoekert. Dear Grandma to Wyatt, Luke, Alison, Jorja, and Jolene. Daughter of the late Lawson and Clara (Everets) Smelser. Dear sister of Ralph, Carl, Margaret and Harvey, Arnold, Jim and Ruth, Roy and Linda, and Armin (deceased) and Margaret. Aunt to many nieces and nephews. Ruth was active in the Community Seniors Support Programs. The family honoured her life with visitation at the Hyde & Mott Chapel, R.H.B. Anderson Funeral Homes Ltd., 60 Main Street South, Hagersville on Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. where funeral service was held on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 11 a.m. Interment Redeemer Lutheran Cemetery, Fisherville. As an expression of sympathy donations may be made to the charity of your choice. www.rhbanderson.com.

GIFFORD, Robert George

Peacefully at Brantford General Hospital, surrounded by his family on Wednesday, October 2, 2019. Bob Gifford of Jarvis, in his 87th year is survived by his wife of almost 62 years, Wynona (nee Stone) Gifford. Dear father of Brenda and David Hutchins of Kingston, James and Theresa Gifford of Brantford, and Kimberly and Len McKay of Boston. Loving grandfather of James (Jeremy), Nicole, Kelsey, and Emily Gifford; Andrew, Miranda, and Dylan Hutchins; and great-grandchildren Kherington, Kaylan, Keighan, and Weston. Also survived by brother Doug of Ingersol, brother-in-law Fred Stone of Jarvis, and sisters-in-law Leona Friesen of Jericho, and Beverly Stone of Port Dover. Predeceased by his parents Myrtle and Ernest Gifford, Kenneth Gifford, and sisters-in-law Marion Gifford and Gail Gifford. Friends were invited to call at COOPER FUNERAL HOME, 19 Talbot St. W., Jarvis on Friday, October 4, 2019 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. & 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Funeral Service for Bob was held at Cooper Funeral Home on Saturday at 1 p.m. Interment, St. Pauls Anglican Church Cemetery. Donations to Heart & Stroke Foundation or St. Paul's Anglican Church Building Fund would be appreciated by the family. Friends are invited to sign The Book of Memories at www.cooperfuneralhome.ca.



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BROHMAN, Trevor October 13, 2015

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No longer in our lives to share
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—Jill, Nolan, and Halle

BROHMAN, Trevor October 13, 2015

**There are no tomorrows
for us to share
but yesterday’s memories
will always be there.**

—Larry, Margaret, Karen, Chuck,
Sarah, and Matthew.

BACHER, Bill

In loving memory of a wonderful husband, dad, papa, grandpa, and great-grandpa who passed away one year ago October 6, 2018.

**God saw you getting tired,
and a cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around you,
and whispered, “Come to me.”
A golden heart stopped beating,
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**Always in our thoughts,
forever in our hearts.**

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OPINION

For those who want to work in the skilled trades

By MPP
Toby Barrett



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Haldimand-Norfolk's federal candidates debate health care

Third and final debate for area's riding a lively battle for votes

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Harold Stewart, left, Brooke Martin, Kim Huffman, Adrienne Roberts, Diane Finley and Bob Forbes after the debate held Oct. 3. - Tara Lindemann/Torstar

The rules for the packed house were simple: Let each candidate speak their turn without interruption and applaud afterward.

The third and final debate of the Haldimand-Norfolk federal contenders was held on Oct. 3 at the Hagersville legion, and it proved to be a lively — if not a bit of a bickerfest between the Conservatives and Liberal reps in particular — exchange. There was some heckling from the crowd and indignant huffs, as well as applause.

In the end, some of the debate proved informative, with a measure of redundant rhetoric.

It was the last opportunity for candidates to duke it out in a public forum in an effort to win votes.

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The candidates were asked five questions. The one that garnered the most reaction from the crowd concerned how each of the candidates would handle health care, should they be elected. Here is a summation of each their responses based on the order in which they were asked.

Lily Eggink, Christian Heritage Party of Canada: "Canada's medical information needs to be unbiased and held to account. Uncovered medications should be made available to Canadian citizens and not just anyone coming into the country."

Eggink also said she would end medical assistance in dying and abortion.

Incumbent MP Diane Finley, Conservative Party of Canada: "No one should have to choose food or heat over medicine. Too many are too close to insolvency."

She also mentioned her party's intention to increase access to the disability tax credit.

Bob Forbes, People's Party of Canada: "Good pharmacare is less likely to occur, especially in times of high uncertainty, and we do need to collaborate as there is no easy answer here. This is a complex problem that requires a complex fix."

Kim Huffman, Liberal Party of Canada: "Six out of 10 homes I polled have no benefit plan in Waterford. Liberals will invest in the middle class. In today's economy, too many are forced to forgo either food or heat to pay for their medication. That is not acceptable."

Brooke Martin, Green Party of Canada: "I support a national drug plan. More than one-third of the population has insufficient insurance. It is more cost effective to pay for medications that will prevent costly hospital visits that clog emergency rooms and increase wait times."

Adrienne Roberts, New Democratic Party: "Canada has been waiting since the '60s for a drug plan promise to be fulfilled. We *are* Tommy Douglas, and the NDP supports a universal health care plan by late 2020 and dental care down the road."

Harold Stewart, Veteran's Coalition Party of Canada: "The Veteran's Coalition Party of Canada will take the \$32 billion that goes to other countries and give \$52,000 to each senior (here he did the math): yes. We will support our veterans and seniors, who deserve it most."

Candidates were also asked by host mediator, The Haldimand Press, about jobs, climate change, agriculture and seniors.

The federal election is Oct. 21. For more information, including how to find your polling station, visit elections.ca.



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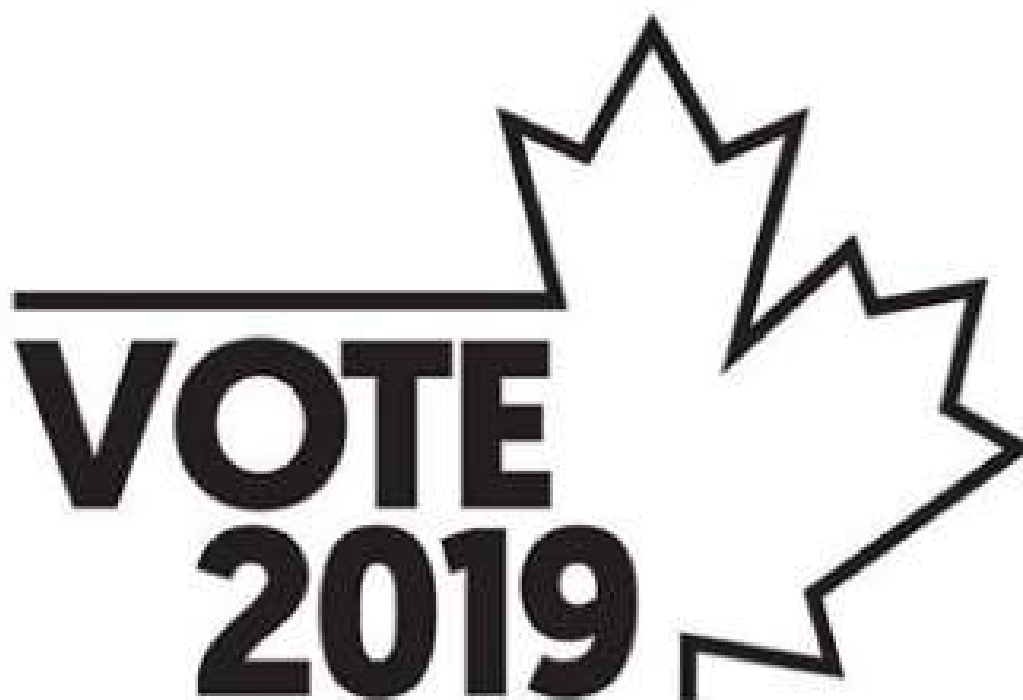


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Let us know below, send us a private message, or email publishers@haldimandpress.com with what you want to see the candidates answer at The Haldimand Press' all candidates meetings this Thursday night.

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Despite some technical difficulties it was a great night with a great turnout and some great discussion.

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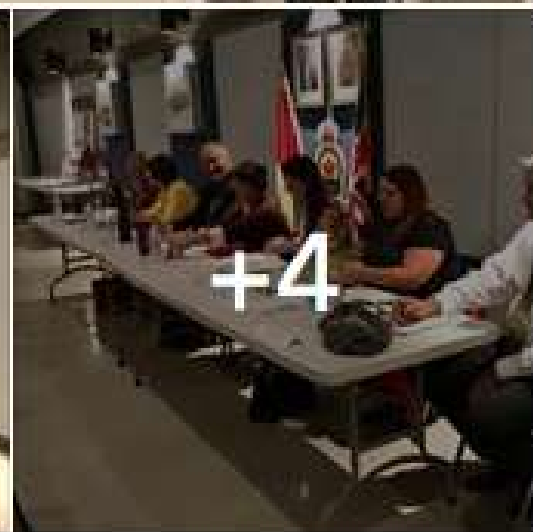
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Candidate Information

Evening format

- Doors open 6:30 p.m. for meet and greet
- 7 p.m. Haldimand Press welcome/review of format
- Candidates' introductions (1.5 minutes each)
- Pre-submitted questions for candidates
 - Answers (1.5 minutes each)
 - Rebuttals from candidates who choose to rebut (30 seconds each)
- Candidates' closing remarks (3 minutes each)
- Haldimand Press closing

Code of Conduct

- Candidates will be seated alphabetically in order of last name, and the order of responses will start from the left for the first question; each question after the starting point will move one over.
- Tables will be provided for candidates to put out pamphlets and other information for the meet and greet portion starting at 6:30 p.m.
- A reasonable decorum will be expected by the guests and candidates to ensure a fair and equitable discussion. The moderator will ensure and maintain a productive and respectful environment. If anyone acts out of line and fails to maintain a reasonable decorum, they will be asked to leave the event immediately. We take the security and respect of candidates and guests very seriously.
- We ask the candidates to respect each other by not speaking over one another and speaking to each other in a civilized manner. Each candidate can request one rebuttal slot per question.
- The timekeeper will raise their hand when a candidate has 20 seconds remaining. The timekeeper will stand when the candidate's time is up, at which point they are to pass the microphone along immediately.

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Readers are encouraged to submit questions ahead of time; the most popular questions received will be collected and asked of all the candidates. Questions may be submitted through email to publishers@haldimandpress.com or by phone to 905-768-3111.

Those in attendance will have the opportunity to suggest questions on a paper ballot that night, which will be included as time allows. Each candidate will be given the chance to respond to the questions posed. Each candidate will also be given a few minutes to introduce themselves and to provide closing remarks.

The candidates running in the Haldimand Norfolk riding are (alphabetically by last name):

- Lily Eggink, Christian Heritage
- Diane Finley, Conservative
- Bob Forbes, People's Party of Canada
- Kim Huffman, Liberal
- Brooke Martin, Green
- Ross Mogridge, Libertarian
- Dan Preston, None of the Above
- Harold Stewart, Veterans Coalition

All residents within the riding are invited to join us for the evening to learn more about their candidates. Those who are unable to attend can check The Haldimand Press for a summary of the discussion in the October 10 paper.

All Candidates Evening

Thursday, October 3, 2019

Hagersville Legion

6:30 p.m. doors open

7 p.m. debate starts

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All Candidates – Questions from residents submitted before the debate (about another dozen questions were submitted at the debate on paper slips)

1. SENIORS HOUSING

Context: I am concerned that there is no housing available for seniors in Hagersville. We have lived in the Hagersville area all our lives. Finding a place to rent is almost impossible and there are waiting lists at all of the over-55 complexes. Wellings in Waterford has affordable units that have all been spoken for; they said they would be interested if invited into Haldimand. We have put our names in Cayuga at Brantwood Villa, which is the only place where the rent is geared to our income.

- a. What is going to be available for seniors specifically, and how are you going to help them with this urgent matter?

2. HOUSING AFFORDABILITY

Context: Housing is becoming increasingly unaffordable – especially for first-time home buyers, regardless of age. This not only affects buyers, but renters, as well. The Canadian Real Estate Association is advocating for initiatives that help first-time home buyers, such as increasing the First-Time Home Buyers' Tax Credit from \$750 to \$2,500 and reintroducing a 30-year amortization for insured mortgages for first-time home buyers.

- a. Do you and your party support these, or similar initiatives, to aid young and first-time home buyers in this market? How will your party effect change to allow Canadians to live in a home more affordably?

3. CHANGE STATUS QUO

- a. Stance on abortion
- b. Stance on same sex marriage
- c. Stance on "first past the post" system, such as in comparison to a mixed member proportional representation

4. MULTICULTURALISM

Context: Maxime Bernier has declared he will repeal the Canadian Multiculturalism Act passed in 1988. This Act expanded on Section 27 of the Charter of Rights and Freedom, which states that the Charter itself "shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the preservation and enhancement of the multicultural heritage of Canadians.". Stop Racism campaigns and Black History Month arose from multiculturalism initiatives.

- a. To PPC candidate Bob Forbes, how does Mr. Bernier propose to eliminate the Multiculturalism Act while complying with the Charter of Rights and Freedoms?
- b. To everyone, what is your stance on the Multiculturalism Act and multiculturalism in general within Canada?

5. SUPPLY MANAGEMENT

Context: Supply management provides stability for Canadian farm producers in poultry, eggs and milk. The Canadian Dairy Commission administers the dairy industry, independent of government, and it does not provide taxpayer dollars to dairy farmers. By contrast, the American government doles out over \$20 billion dollars annually in direct and indirect subsidies to the U.S dairy sector, representing 73% of the farmers' marketplace revenue. U.S. dairy farmers operate at a loss, but processors benefit from low farm-gate prices. U.S. consumers enjoy artificially low prices, but only because their tax dollars keep the industry afloat. Farmers in some states (Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, and California) have been actively studying the Canadian model of supply management for their industry. Meanwhile, in Canada, Bernier has committed to phasing out supply management.

- a. Do you, and does your party, believe supply management should be maintained? And, if your party is concerned with an industry's price and supply control, why do you not focus on the petroleum industry?

6. CARBON PRICING

Context: In January of this year, 45 internationally recognized economists, including 27 Nobel Laureates, signed a special statement on climate change and carbon pricing. Over 3000 economists from around the globe since have added their signatures. The statement calls for immediate national action on climate change and states that a carbon tax offers the most cost-effective lever to reduce carbon emissions at the needed scale and speed. It goes on to say the carbon tax should increase until emission reduction goals are met, and that this will encourage technological innovation and development.

- a. To PC candidate Diane Finley, how does Andrew Scheer justify saying the carbon tax is proven to have failed in BC, who has had the tax since 2008, when their population has increased 15% and GDP 24%, but emissions per person decreased 20% and greenhouse gas emissions per unit of GDP decreased 19%? Further, a conservative talking point is that eliminating the tax will save taxpayers \$564 per year, but calculations show the tax will result in \$627 being rebated directly to taxpayers?
- b. To all candidates, what is your stance on climate change and the carbon tax, or any other so called green initiatives?

7. CANADIAN MILITARY VETERANS

Remembrance Day has been observed since 1919. Disabled veterans were awarded a life-long pension the same year. Beginning in 2004 successive Liberal and Conservative governments slashed support and services for veterans to help balance their budgets. Many of our best and bravest women and men sign up to serve our country, then return physically and mentally shattered. They survived the war but cannot survive the peace. Consider that:

- More veterans of the war in Afghanistan have died by suicide than were killed in combat.
- Homeless veterans are over-represented among the homeless population.
- Families of veterans are "collateral damage", too often with lethal consequences.

- a. What is your party willing to do, and why should veterans and their families trust you to follow through this time?

8. MILITARY

CONTEXT: Canada currently spends 1.2% of GDP on the military. President Trump has asked NATO countries to keep their promises of increasing military spending to 2% of GDP.

- a. Do you believe Canada should meet the 2% figure, and if so how do you plan to balance the budget with such a significant increase?

9. REFUGEES

CONEXT: Canada currently leads the world in the United Nations Refugee program with 28,000 refugees resettled in the year 2018.

- a. Would you increase/decrease or leave as is and why?

10. CHINA

Canada-China trade relations are hurting the agricultural community.

- a. In what ways do you see your party negotiating with China?

11. OPIOID CRISIS

- a. How will you and your party address the opioid problem that is growing across Haldimand Norfolk, and Canada as a whole?

12. HEALTHCARE

- a. Do you support a national pharmacare system?

Re: Thanks for the all-candidate meeting, and submission for consideration

From: Bob Gaunt <rngaunt@hotmail.com>

Sent: October 7, 2019 3:42 PM

To: Kaitlyn Clark <kaitlyn@haldimandpress.com>

Subject: Thanks for the all-candidate meeting, and submission for consideration

Hello Kaitlyn;

About the all-candidates meeting: there was no biting, brawling, torn clothing, or name calling between the candidates but, other than that, it was a good time.

Once again, the editors and the entire THP team deserve congratulations and appreciation for providing an important point of contact between candidates and voters.

I think the excellent turnout works in favour of future similar events if you decide to do a repeat in the future, and I hope you do. Politician attendees and their handlers cannot help but have been impressed by the turnout.

I was impressed by how well you and Jillian retained control throughout the evening. It is not easy to get a politician to shut up. You did it with humour but just the right amount of firmness. You must be a great boss. Any teachers in either of your families?

I sat in back to better observe the dynamics of the group, and I was not disappointed. I thought everyone was respectful, but there were only two occasions when I thought the audience might become more vocal. One was when a candidate stated there was no scientific consensus for climate change. You must have heard the undercurrent, more incredulity than outrage.

I steeled myself for the usual lies, and wasn't disappointed, but I was impressed by the decorum among candidates. Misstatements by a candidate sometimes were corrected by another, but without acrimony, even when the same misstatement was repeated later by the same candidate. I greatly dislike bluster and the patter of tiny feats.

I was not offended when the CHP candidate read from her script the misrepresentation that increased carbon dioxide in the atmosphere is a good thing. I wasn't offended because she clearly doesn't know better. She just relies on what she was told – which she was raised to do her entire life. I'm sure I could change her mind by redirecting her mindset from climate change being an article of faith to an artifact of science. She clearly had her own cheering section and, from the timbre of the clapping, most were male.

I thought the Green candidate's (Brooke Martin?) message was well received throughout the entire room, especially in a staunch Tory blue riding. All in all, a good evening. (I didn't even mention the Veterans Coalition Party candidate, which party I never heard of before last week, but Mr. Stewart seems like a good soul, and a wonderful addition to the cast of characters.)

From: Bob Forbes <electbobforbes@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2019 9:57 AM

To: Jillian Zynomirski <jillian@haldimandpress.com>

Subject: Re: All Candidates Debate

Good morning Jillian:

Please accept my thanks for taking the initiative to both organize and implement this important opportunity for the residents to hear from Candidates. I welcome the opportunity to participate in this event and look forward to joining you, your team and Hagersville residents at this session. Might you kindly advise the format / timing allocation for remarks. (Contested? Not contested?)

Most Sincerely,

Bob Forbes

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Candidate - Haldimand Norfolk Electoral District Association

Fw: All Candidates Meeting – Candidate Information

From: Sue Nadwodny <susan.nadwodny@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2019 4:57 AM
To: Jillian Zynomirski <jillian@haldimandpress.com>
Subject: Re: All Candidates Meeting – Candidate Information

Thank you Jillian for the information and hosting this debate.

Cheers

Sue

From: Sue Nadwodny <susan.nadwodny@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 2:13 PM
To: Jillian Zynomirski <jillian@haldimandpress.com>
Subject: Re: Liberal Kick Off

At this point it appears nothing is being planned. If the Press would be interested in hosting something that would be wonderful.

Sue

On Tue, Sep 17, 2019 at 2:09 PM Jillian Zynomirski <jillian@haldimandpress.com> wrote:

Do you think something will be scheduled for Haldimand?

We are thinking if there is nothing planned that The Press will host one.

Are you able to keep us in the loop?

Jillian Zynomirski
Co-Publisher/Owner
The **Haldimand** Press