

# Appendix J-3

Notices

## Niagara Catholic earns perfect grade in EcoSchools certification

ST. CATHARINES STANDARD STAFF

Niagara Catholic schools are sitting at the top of the class when it comes to environmental excellence.

The board announced it obtained 100 per cent certification in Canada's EcoSchools program, with every Niagara Catholic District School Board site participating in the 2023-24 school year.

In a media release, it said it has been a leader in EcoSchools certification for more than a decade. It was the first board to have all its schools certified in 2010, and maintained 100 per cent participation and certification until the 2019-20 pandemic-impacted school year.

EcoSchools Canada is the largest bilingual, voluntary environmental certification program for kindergarten to Grade 12 schools in Canada, reaching about one million students annually.

Since 2005, its certification framework has provided independent reporting and recognition for schools and outdoor and environmental education centres.

EcoSchools said participation in the program allows students, teachers, administrators, custodians and parents to understand their environmental practices and address their environmental footprint.

Schools apply for certification through environmental actions, campaigns and projects and record them in the online EcoSchools Certification Application to earn points.

EcoSchools said the depth and extent of the completed environmental actions determine a school's final certification level.

This year, Niagara Catholic earned two records, with 21 elementary and secondary schools obtaining EcoSchools platinum certification — its highest level — and 33 schools earning gold certification.

One school received silver and another bronze certification.

"I am exceptionally proud of the commitment our students and staff have to our shared responsibility for environmental stewardship," education director



METROLAND FILE PHOTO

From left, Gianluca Stranges, Jerry Zhu and Dax Magnotta plant sunflower seeds at St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School in St. Catharines as part of an activity tied to Earth Day in April. Niagara Catholic District School Board says it has obtained 100 per cent certification in Canada's EcoSchools program for the 2023-24 school year.

Camillo Cipriano said in the release.

"I applaud everyone for achieving this outstanding certification, but I am even more pleased to see students today taking such great steps to make the earth a better place for their children and grandchildren."

Niagara Catholic said 1,253 students were part of an EcoTeam in 2023-24, with 851 eco-friendly actions completed. In total, 32,715 hours of learning took place outdoors during the school year.

It also said the board diverted an average of 2,195 kilograms of waste per school from landfills.

Board chair Danny Di Lorenzo also praised students, teachers and staff, congratulating them for their EcoSchools support.

"I am always impressed by the willingness of our students and staff to look beyond themselves and to work for the improvement of the lives of their friends and neighbours," Di Lorenzo said in the release.

"In the case of the excellent work being done in our schools to reduce waste and focus on stewardship and sustainability, this is also something that will affect their own children and grandchildren."



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# National Indigenous Peoples Day in NOTL was all about friendship and togetherness

Richard Wright  
 The Lake Report

The Niagara Regional Native Centre celebrated National Indigenous Peoples Day June 21 with an open-door approach where visitors were expected to simply enjoy a day of socializing and, if so inclined, to take part in various low-key activities.

“This year, we decided to keep it on a little more of the casual side, allowing people to come here and just be together,” said the centre’s unity team director Liz Sault.

“There are a lot of people who aren’t here normally here which is wonderful,” she added. “I feel like it is bringing community back together, which is really the intention of this.”

Centre staff and friends opened the day by attending a morning flag raising ceremony at St. Catharines City Hall.

They then moved to the friendship centre in Niagara-on-the-Lake for a well-attended afternoon that



Archery instructor Kirstyn Smith helps Rawera;wi Bowering-Burns with archery technique during National Indigenous Day celebrations in NOTL. RICHARD WRIGHT

featured a mix of youth and age and was highlighted by an opening ceremony of drumming and singing followed by a small traditional feast, mingling and “community facing” events.

Those events included arts and crafts and activities such as drop-in archery and lacrosse lessons.

“For me it is really about the little ones,” said Sault, just as a group of children ran past laughing and enjoying their day.

“It is about letting them know who they are in a positive way.”

At one small play station on an outdoor concrete platform at the back of the centre, that message of self-respect and identity was driven home with the simple addition of a small pool of water where children splashed and played..

“Water is life” and “Ni-ibii,” the Ojibway word for water, read a hand-made sign adorned with messages of

everything from how water sustains all things, to more serious messages of how clean water has become a luxury rather than a right in some Indigenous communities.

In the back field of the centre, healing and wellness co-ordinator Roger Jacklin spent the day overseeing the archery range.

Jacklin explained that archery isn’t just about a steady hand and good aim. He provided teachings about what he believes is a bigger meaning behind the bow.

“Today we are trying to get across respect,” he said. “To do archery you have to have respect for the bow, respect for the arrow, respect for the people around you and respect for yourself. We are trying to instill that everyone around you is important.”

The Niagara Regional Native Centre is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and holds regular programming from socials, mental health, nutrition, literacy and youth empowerment, just to name a few.

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# Boundary stones to be restored this fall

Julia Sacco  
Local Journalism Initiative  
The Lake Report

Six of Niagara-on-the-Lake's ordnance boundary stones, a collection of wartime geographical artifacts dating back to the 1800s, will be restored this fall.

During a heritage committee meeting on Oct. 2, committee members reviewed updates to the ordnance stones.

The six stones are set to undergo restoration this month with help from the Larocque Group of surveyors.

The stones were used in the 19th century to mark the boundaries of military property.

They are marked with an arrow pointing upward and the initials "BO," which stands for Board of Ordnance, the British Crown's custodian of military property from 1687 to 1855.

Along with Ted Rumble, a member of the Niagara Historical Society, municipal heritage staff will order fences and locates for the stones.

The six stones are located at Simcoe Park, the Charles



An ordnance boundary stone at the entrance of Simcoe Park. FILE

Inn, the corner of Queen and Dorchester streets, the corner of Queen and Nassau streets and the corner of Prideaux and Simcoe streets.

Along with fences, a plaque is to be put up at Simcoe Park, said heritage planner Sumra Zia.

The restoration of the stones themselves, set to begin sometime in October, will involve temporarily removing the stones to be cleaned, and then placing

them in a stabilized hole with a protective barrier around the stone.

"The process, while slow, is proceeding quite nicely," said heritage committee member David Snelgrove.

Council allocated \$7,500 this year to fix to restore the six stones after setting aside \$5,000 for one stone last year.

Coun. Gary Burroughs estimates the whole project will cost even more than that, he said during the

meeting.

Last year, Rumble and Larocque located ordnance stone one, marking 19 found stones — another 18 remain.

Richard Larocque, a land surveyor at Larocque Group, spoke with The Lake Report after uncovering stone one last year.

Five 200 years later, these stones are still important to understanding the past, he said.

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**Re: St. Catharines needs to review snow clearing, Letters, Feb. 24**

I cannot agree more regarding St. Catharines snow removal, or more accurately, the lack thereof.

The latest snow event ended late afternoon Sunday during the Family Day weekend. I, unfortunately, could not get out of my street Tuesday morning and in fact it didn't get plowed until after 8 p.m. Tuesday. So I missed a day of work.

I looked at the "Where's My Plow" map on the city website all day Monday and saw very little colour change. In fact on Wednesday in the late morning it still showed a large amount of red.

Every year I hear the same from the city, it is doing the best it can. I talk to other ratepayers and the No. 1 concern is how bad roads are in winter. Mayor Siscoe, talk to your peers in Welland and see how they do it.

Mike McGowan, St. Catharines

Water fears

**Re: Water regulators deny Trump's claim that US military 'turned on the water,' Jan. 28**

President Donald Trump doesn't only want our aluminum, steel, oil or gas. What he really wants is our water.

We must not forget he recently said water could easily be flowing to California by turning on some giant water tap that in his mind exists somewhere up north.

I fear he has this idea in the back of his mind and it could rear its head once he settles this tariff threat.

His remark regarding fresh water haunts me.

Canada has much more fresh water than the U.S. He will surely go after it

before he's through.

I would like to add our government should investigate bottled water companies to make sure they are Canadian. If American companies are removing our water for profit for sale in Canada or the U.S., they should be stopped.

James Hedden, Niagara Falls

King's silence

**Re: Where's our King amid Trump's '51st state' threats?, Feb. 16**

Why is King Charles silent when Canada is being threatened with annexation from the Commonwealth by the United States? After all, he's Canada's head of state.

The King seems to have a better relationship with Donald Trump, but King Charles' silence is deafening when it comes to Canada's sovereignty.

Peter Voss, Welland

Marineland's animals

**Re: Marineland's land severance OK'd but questions remain about fate of animals, Feb. 18**

The conditions at Marineland are alarming and require immediate action to prevent suffering and loss of life among the animals. People across Canada are calling for them to be transferred to sanctuaries.

The attention your article brings to the park and its remaining animals is crucial in urging authorities to take swift action. It is my hope that together we can advocate for a brighter future for these animals and ensure they receive the care and sanctuary they deserve.

Sara Crane, Toronto

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# Gretzky winery under fire after national criticism of #99

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sales," he said, referencing the backlash Gretzky faced after being named honorary captain of Team Canada.

Gretzky, who was born and raised in Brantford, Ont., is a dual citizen of Canada and the United States.

He, along with his wife, Janet, attended Trump's inauguration in January and was photographed at the U.S. president's election victory party at Trump's Mar-a-Lago resort.

In one photo with Larry Glick, executive vice-president of the Trump Organization, he can be seen wearing a white and gold "Make America Great Again" hat.

"It rubbed me the wrong way. I think it rubbed a lot of people the wrong way," McGuinness said, adding that Peller should rebrand to avoid financial losses.

Fellow resident Steve Long pointed to the former Trump International Hotel



Steve Long's sign calling for a boycott of Wayne Gretzky's winery stands in front of the establishment. SUPPLIED

and Tower in Toronto, which saw a sharp decline in reservations following Trump's first election win in 2016 before eventually rebranding to distance itself from Trump's name, now going by the St. Regis Toronto.

However, some like Peter Anthony commented offering a different perspective, raising how many tourists stop at the winery's "prime location" without being aware of the

name on the marquee. "Who cares what Gretzky does? His name sells," commented Blair Cowanetti.

Long has been spreading the hashtag #NotSoGreatOne to rally support against the winery's association with Gretzky and argued the issue is not just about hockey — it's about character.

"You have to have skill, you have to have character and if one of those falls off the rails, you're not

'the Great One' anymore," Long said.

By supporting controversial political figures, Long said Gretzky is undermining the positive image he built in Canada and contradicting the values many people in the community hold dear.

Gretzky should be replaced by someone who defends Canada rather than aligning with Trump, Maria Magisano commented.

But Gretzky publicly sharing his "American conservative views" is nothing new, commented Katie Wiens.

"I remember the winery's opening when he made pro-Trump comments," she said in her comment.

It's unreasonable to expect him to represent Canada in all aspects of his life, commented Archie Spagnolo, who pointed out how Trump has always been a business-focused figure who speaks without a filter.

She said Gretzky — like

other celebrities — won't change that.

McGuinness, who passes the winery daily, said he feels compelled to "avert his eyes" when seeing Gretzky's name, which reminds him of the hockey player's perceived support of Trump.

Others refuse to go there, like Denise Cotter — who commented that a difference of opinion is one thing, but supporting a leader who wants to end democracy in our country is unacceptable.

Unlike his now-closed Toronto restaurant, the winery is "the biggest and largest financial footprint that Wayne Gretzky has in Canada," Long said.

Long said changing the winery's name would send a strong message and remove one of the last significant ties to Gretzky's brand in Canada.

But some residents caution a rebrand could have negative effects on the town's economy and the winery's tourism appeal.

"If they (America) want to retort with a full-on 'Blame Canada' movement, the repercussions will far outweigh who's name is on a bottle of wine," Frank Liotta commented. "Wouldn't fare well for our very tourist-driven border town."

He also warned a rebrand could harm employment.

"Good, hard-working (and local) Canadians will lose their jobs," he commented.

Wiens said most visitors don't even visit because of his name, anyway. "It's just a more modern, inviting winery to bring family and friends and partners to, with a younger vibe compared to the more traditional wineries," she said.

Several attempts to reach CEO Paul Dubkowski or president Patrick O'Brien from Andrew Peller Ltd. through the Wayne Gretzky winery and other means were unsuccessful before press time.

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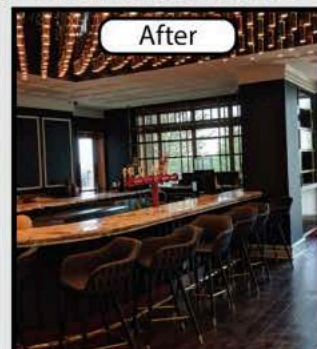
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# ‘That’s the kind of store we created’

Electronic Depot’s audiophile enablers tuned in to retirement after almost 40 years in business

RAY SPITERI  
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Whether it was a customer’s car or home audio needs, Electronic Depot in Niagara Falls has been there for almost four decades.

And the store hasn’t just offered a plethora of high-end products to scratch the itch of the most ardent of audiophiles. It has also provided a welcoming atmosphere to people wanting to just learn more about the industry.

Electronic Depot is owned by Graham Lundy and his wife Micki.

It opened 39 years ago at 6710 Lundy’s Lane and for the past five years has operated at a plaza at 3701 Portage Rd.

“People come in to see (Graham) and they want his advice, they want his knowledge,” said Micki.

“A woman was in here yesterday, she wanted a system, she didn’t even know where to begin. She probably spent an hour here, sitting on that couch. Everything is hooked up, so she was able to listen to a receiver, she was able to listen to speakers.

“If you go to a big-box store, they’re not going to do that.”

In addition to vinyl records, Electronic Depot sells a variety of higher-end turntables and sound/audio equipment from well-known brands.

“We have a sound room in here that’s ... tuned specifically to sit down and listen,” said Graham.

Added Micki, “You would go in there and pick the music you want, so you could sit for an hour there, have a coffee. I’ve got coffee on at all times. That’s the kind of store we created.”

But after four decades, the couple said it’s time to retire.

While the brick-and-mortar store will close June 30, the Lundys will



Micki and Graham Lundy have owned Electronic Depot in Niagara Falls for almost 40 years. Their brick-and-mortar store will close at the end of the month when they retire.

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continue to run Electronic Depot’s online store.

“It’s going to be bittersweet because this was our life for so many years,” said Micki, 70.

“We’re doing it on our own

terms,” added Graham, 67.

“I’ll miss the interaction among customers and the satisfaction of serving them, selling them a product, seeing the smile on their face, the surprise at how good some-

thing can sound.

“What I won’t miss is the commitment of (working) six days a week. What I won’t miss is working Boxing Day, (instead of being able to) spend time with the family.”

When Electronic Depot first opened — it was originally called Base Electronics — the store would install car radios.

“We had two or three installers (and) we had a garage bay,” Graham said.

When the car audio market started to dwindle, the store focused on two-channel home audio systems.

Graham decided to get into the vinyl business when it started to see a resurgence. He bought about 30 records and within a few days most of them sold.

“We’ve gone from a chain concept — deep discount, big-box operation — which is what I came from ... to becoming more of a specialized store,” he said. “We carry explicit lines, which we’ve worked at for quite a few years.”

Micki described Electronic Depot as having “morphed into more of a boutique high-end store.”

“We’ve adapted with the industry to be successful,” said Graham.

“Mike Weaver, who’s been with us for over 25 years — he’s on the road right now doing a setup. I took Mike right from Stamford Collegiate as a co-op student, and I hired him on the spot after his co-op. We have a wide variety of former employees that are all in this industry that have gone on to work for Best Buy and other places.

“We’re really proud, as a small mom and pop business, we injected \$36 million worth of sales through Niagara Peninsula.”

The store is holding a discounted items “everything must go” retirement sale.

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The mother of Nicholas Adamson, whose partial remains were discovered in Hamilton in December, fears she will never know what truly happened to her son.



Another motel on Lundy’s Lane will be converted to provide needed bachelor and one-bedroom rental units.



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## Answers to some frequently asked questions from fellow gardeners



### GROWING TOGETHER

Joanne Young  
Columnist

As I meet with fellow gardeners, there are certain questions that come up frequently. I thought that I would share some of the questions that I have been asked this past week, along with their answers.

#### When can I cut off the leaves of my bulbs that have finished flowering?

Once the bulb has finished flowering, make sure that you remove the seed head, including the flower stalk, only. It takes a lot of the bulb's en-

ergy to produce seeds — the energy that would have gone to the seed head is better spent elsewhere.

Let the leaves remain there until they have completely turned yellow and have gone dormant. While the leaves are still green, they are processing sunlight through photosynthesis and turning the sunlight into food for the bulb. This food is stored in the leaves for a time.

So, if you cut off the leaves while they are still green, you are robbing the bulb of much-needed food. Once the plant starts going dormant and the leaves start turning yellow, this signals that the food is now making its way back down into the bulb.

Once the food has moved down to the bulb, the flower buds and leaves are set in the bulb for the next season. If the leaves are cut off prematurely, it robs the bulb of the food that it needs, resulting in smaller or no flowers for the next year.

The more food that the bulb receives from the

leaves, the bigger the flowers will be. You can fertilize the bulbs with bonemeal once the bulbs have finished blooming.

#### When can I prune my early spring blooming shrubs?

Any early spring flowering plants (plants that bloom off old wood) should be pruned immediately after flowering and before leaves unfold, or as soon as possible after leaves unfold.

Plants that bloom in early spring set their flower buds in late summer or early fall, for the following spring. So, pruning these shrubs or trees in summer, fall or early spring will remove their flower buds for the next season.

Some examples of these plants are magnolia, forsythia, wisteria, serviceberry, lilac, quince, bridal wreath spirea, redbud, most viburnums and purpleleaf sandcherry.

Trees such as maples (including Japanese maples), flowering dogwoods, birch

and elm will bleed if pruned in late winter or early spring. A better time to prune these trees would be mid-summer.

Is it true that it takes ants to open up the flower buds of peonies?

Even though ants and peonies seem to go hand in hand, ants are not required to open up the flower buds. Peony buds secrete a sweet nectar as they are opening. This sweet nectar is what attracts the ants to the peonies. The flower buds will open just fine without the ants being there.

The ants do not harm the plant in any way. In fact, the peony may benefit from the presence of ants as they can ward off some pests that otherwise damage the flower buds.

#### How often should I be fertilizing my lawn?

You should wait at least six weeks after the last time you fertilized your lawn before applying more fertilizer.

The best times to fertilize your grass are early spring,

late spring, early fall and late fall. It is best not to apply fertilizer to your lawn in the heat of summer.

#### When do I start spraying my boxwoods to control box tree moth?

If you have boxwoods, you are probably already aware of the box tree moth. It is a relatively new insect in this area (the last five to six years) that has been causing damage or killing boxwoods at a fast pace.

Some of the signs that box tree moths are present are extensive defoliation, fine webbing on leaves and branches, and greenish frass (caterpillar poop) on plants. Severe infestations can kill the plant.

It is the caterpillars that cause the devastating damage. The caterpillars are yellowish-green with black stripes and spots. They can grow up to about one and a half inches long.

The best time to control this insect is when it is in the caterpillar stage. Regular inspection of your

boxwoods will help you determine the best time to control.

The box tree moth has three generations a year, so repeat spraying is necessary. BTK is an effective biological control for young caterpillars.

The best time to treat is during the early stages of infestation, typically in late spring (mid-May to mid-June) and early summer (mid-July to mid-August or early to mid-September), when caterpillars are actively feeding.

Spray the plant as soon as the caterpillars are seen, ensuring thorough coverage of all foliage. Reapply BTK every seven to 10 days during the feeding periods to maintain control and prevent re-infestation. Regular monitoring and timely applications are essential for effective management of the box tree moth.

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