

Helping You Buy Canadian



In mid-March, the head of Canada's steel association, on CBC's midday news program referred to "this post-truth world" and it hit me like a slap in the face. Surely not. We haven't come to this, have we? Then doubt crept in: perhaps we have. Yet whatever might be promoted by supporters of extremist views, you won't find this publication participating in "post truth." We may make mistakes, but we always aim for truth, accuracy and some educational value, along with the enjoyment that we hope reading our magazine produces.

No one can deny that

thanks to the administration in the United States, we're in challenging times. The silver lining is that many of us now are focussing our spending in Canada as much as possible. We're "buying Canadian," seeking out Canadian products instead of automatically choosing our usual items. We're planning to vacation in Canada, or at least not in the U.S. This is already benefitting our compatriots, as sales of Canadian goods, services and activities are increasing.

The advertisers in this magazine want to remind you of the joys to experience close to the Niagara Escarpment area of Canada. From Manitoulin Island in the north, to Niagara Falls in the south, there are fabulous places to stay, things to do, buy and enjoy, right here.

In this Issue

We celebrate the work of GLO Farm Sanctuary on Manitoulin Island, that provides a wonderful home for rescued farm animals. For various reasons, the horses, cattle, pigs, goats,

sheep and chickens have found permanent safety under the dedicated care of a few special people.

We also have a feature by Don Scallen on the mysterious bats found in Escarpment lands, and a conservation project conducted by Toronto Zoo. No, bats will not get entangled in your hair, and they won't try to suck your blood. What they do, however, is help control insects. Yet they don't need a "job" to have a right to existence, as part of the wonderful range of life on the planet.

If you like the sound of songbirds, you may enjoy seeing amazing photos of some of the many different and beautiful birds that enjoy our warm weather. Anne Fraser takes photographs that are the result of great patience and the desire to go beyond the usual walks most of us take.

Are you ever annoyed or frustrated when something you own needs to be thrown out after it gets broken or stops working? You might want to find out if there's a

Repair Café near you. Martha McGloin reports on the first year of operation of the Repair Café that operates monthly in Owen Sound's library. Here, volunteers with knowledge fix your possessions for free! There are other Repair Cafés near the Escarpment that could be worth looking into.

Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy returns to these pages with a column that brings us up to date with developments there. We can't avoid politics these days, and we show the winners of the recent provincial election, as well as map the new federal election ridings and the names of the elected candidates of the swift federal contest that was held on April 28. Results were unofficial at the time of printing.


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Gloria Hildebrandt

P.S. Wild animals need wild spaces.

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