



## ■ READERS & VIEWERS



The article on the Turtle Guardians was most interesting and educated me about a subject and an environmental goal I have little knowledge of. A worthy article in a worthy publication. Yet I had no idea where Kemble is. The article did a good job of locating it, but may I suggest that for articles relating to a lesser-known community (i.e., not on your last-page map) that you include an inset map locating it. You could just use part of your last-page map. There are definitely times when I cannot specifically locate the area being discussed in an article. And Nicholl Spence's article

was quite interesting, and I think she deserves a more informative author summary because the one used does not refer to her work for the magazine. Yes, people can read mastheads, but they also can choose not to. I suggest a second sentence: "Among her work is the design and layout for this magazine."

**Doug Yonson, Nepean**

I usually pick up a copy from Foodstuffs. However, I thought I should finally subscribe. Print is definitely not dead!

**David Orsini, Georgetown**

We have had a subscription to your wonderful magazine for several years now and thoroughly enjoy each issue. My husband and I lived in the Halton Region for 60 and 50 years prior to moving to Vancouver Island in 2001... Due to the present tensions facing Canada today, I would like to suggest a contest to

see which community along the Escarpment can raise, paint, fly or post the most number of Canadian flags and boost our patriotism at the same time. Let's show them what Canadian spirit looks like!! Are you up for it?

**Pamela Brown, Comox, B.C.**

*Editor's note:*

*If you have flags flying where you are, we'd love to see them! Email photos to [editor@NEViews.ca](mailto:editor@NEViews.ca)*

As a resident of the Saugeen Peninsula, I enjoy the free copies of your magazine delivered to Peacock's and at the Tobermory Information Centre at the Community Centre in my home town. Attached, a cheque for a one year subscription to a friend who was my neighbour in the St. Lawrence Neighbourhood. I moved from St. Lawrence seventeen years ago on April 1, 2008. I trust you and Mike

Davis will find yourselves at the Sources of Knowledge Forum in Fall 2025.

**Janet Pugsley, Tobermory**



Regarding the Spring 2025 issue (which was great) I especially liked the cartoon at the top of "Readers and Viewers". Truer words were never written. However, I noticed that on the opposite page was an advertisement for the real estate firm Century 21 advertising 132 acres of property in an area of fine homes and rural farmland to which you can build your estate home. Hmmm. Great magazine.....

**E. Fagen, Niagara**





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Thanks for making my life so much happier. I was so much happier to receive one of your magazines just before the recent mail strike that started on Nov. 15/24. I've also been enjoying your recent book (*The Gift of Land*).

Carol A. Wilcox, Hamilton

I continue to enjoy receiving and reading your enlightening and pure-Canadian magazine. Thank you. I'll share your lovely cards with friends.

E. Brook Wilson, Burlington

I recently read your spring edition that my wife picked up from somewhere in her travels. As soon as I read the title of the magazine it reminded me of a great disappointment arising out of a visit to the Beamer Conservation Area in the summer 2023. On line info about Beamer states that it has "Niagara's most breathtaking and panoramic views of the Niagara Escarpment". That summer a relative from England was visiting so I took him to the Beamer lookout to see the great views. However, the lookout was almost completely overgrown with tree branches and weeds resulting in NO views on the lake or escarpment. From the look of the overgrowth around the lookout, it appears that the area has not been tended to in a number of years. For anyone wanting to see the view from the lookout, it was a total waste of time.

I have not been back since so I do not know if the area has been recently tidied up.

I letting you know this as you probably have the connections with the individuals that can remedy this situation.

Murray Wright, Grimsby.

P.S.: it is a nice magazine.

### CORRECTIONS

I noticed that an ingredient and its quantity was omitted from the Lemon Poppy Seed Loaf recipe featured on page 2 of the spring 2025 issue. Could you please provide the information required, please? Namely, the amount of lemon juice? Thank you.

Roseanne Nelson, by email

I am in the middle of preparing the ingredients for the above loaf and find that the recipe is NOT complete. In the ingredients there is no mention of Lemon Juice, however, in the Direction No. 4 it states: ".....set pan on rack to cool. Meanwhile, bring remaining sugar and lemon juice to a boil, just until sugar dissolves..... My question is how much lemon juice is being used in the loaf itself and the "remaining lemon juice" for brushing the top. I would appreciate a quick response if you could send it. I don't want my zest to dry out (I even doubled the recipe) and don't know how long it will keep etc. etc. Hoping to hear from you soon.

Gesine Cherniak, by email

The amount of lemon juice is 3 tbsp (45mL). Unfortunately this was missed in the proofing stages, but grateful for your reader's keen eye and enthusiasm.

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*Editor's note: the following corrections are made to the feature "Halton Hills Turtle Guardians and Other Heroes," in Spring 2025. Don Scallen wrote the feature, but not the captions to the photos.*

The hatchlings on page 23 are Painted Turtles, not Snapping Turtles and on page 26 the caption reads "Painted Turtles like this one are not considered a species at risk." This is

true provincially. The Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario lists Painted Turtles as "Not at Risk" However, COSEWIC (the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada) lists Painted Turtles as "Special Concern". In fact all eight native species of turtles including Painted Turtles are considered "at risk" by the national body.

Don Scallen, Georgetown

### Niagara Peninsula

#### Conservation Authority replies:

While we understand that visitor experiences in natural spaces can vary, we'd like to gently note that the comment reflects a visit that occurred nearly two years ago and doesn't accurately represent the current state of Beamer Memorial Conservation Area. Beamer is one of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority's most iconic and treasured properties, offering panoramic views of the Niagara Escarpment and Lake Ontario. The main lookout features tiered viewing platforms designed to elevate visitors above sensitive escarpment flora, including centuries-old cedars, which are vital to the ecosystem and help prevent erosion.

The suggestion that views

are blocked due to overgrowth does not align with the current condition of the site, and in fact, the lookout remains one of our most popular and celebrated features. We also want to reassure the public that this area is regularly monitored and maintained to support public enjoyment while balancing ecological integrity.

That said, we are sympathetic to the visitor's perspective and always welcome feedback. We encourage guests to connect with us directly when visiting one of our conservation areas, either through our website, social media, or by phone, so we can address any questions or concerns in real time.

Looking ahead, we're excited to share that a comprehensive management plan for Beamer will soon

be underway. This process will involve community engagement and input, helping us enhance the site experience while protecting its unique natural features.

The NPCA manages 41 conservation areas across the watershed and regularly faces challenges such as vandalism and environmental pressures. Despite these, our staff remain committed to the stewardship of these spaces for current and future generations. We appreciate our community's passion for the environment and welcome ongoing conversations as we continue to protect and enhance these important natural assets.

Erika Navarro,  
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