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■ Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy released Monarch butterflies at their annual Butterfly Festival at Bruce Peninsula National Park, Tobermory, Aug. 22 and 23. People helped with capturing, tagging and releasing Monarchs in order to track their migration to Mexico. PHOTO BY ANNA BARNETT.



▲ A rainscape educational garden display at the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) in late August, was designed by Sean James, sustainable gardening columnist for this magazine, and installed by Fern Ridge Landscaping & Eco-Consulting of Milton. The garden was visited throughout the entire duration of the CNE. PHOTO BY SEAN JAMES.



▲ With Town Crier Andrew Welch, a creative cake, plenty of dignitaries and supporters, Credit Valley Conservation co-hosted the opening of the Vicki Barron Lakeside Trail in Orangeville on Aug. 28. A 10-year project to develop a 7.5 km trail around Island Lake was completed with a Close the Gap campaign. The trail is fully accessible and open for walking and cycling.

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■ Miguel Festin, who calls himself an urban farmer and gardener, runs Greengreens Hamilton and was selling his own organic produce in the Durand neighbourhood of downtown Hamilton on Aug. 28. He delivers and transports his fruits and vegetables by bicycle.



◆ Owen Sound's annual 10-day Salmon Spectacular derby opened on Aug. 28. At the weigh station with a salmon of around 14 pounds, are from left, Shane Ruther, Tim Henrich, Wally Cunningham, volunteers with Sydenham Sportsmen's Association. Photo by Paulette Peirol, Owen Sound Tourism.



▲ Georgetown hosted the first Head for the Hills Craft Beer Festival on Sept. 19. Proceeds went to Food4Kids, a charity providing schoolchildren in Hamilton and Halton, with food for the weekend.

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 \blacktriangle On Sept. 20, a new headstone display pavilion was unveiled at the Old Durham Road Pioneer Cemetery by, from left, Donna Atkinson, Ontario Trillium Foundation, Brenda Miller of the Old Durham Road Pioneer Cemetery Committee, Helen Miller, a descendant of early Black settlers, The Honourable Jean Augustine, former Fairness Commissioner of Ontario, Ontario's Lieutenant Governor The Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell and Amber MacKinnon, daughter of the late Les MacKinnon who was instrumental in getting the site recognized in 1990. PHOTO BY KATE RUSSELL.



▲ On Sept. 23 in celebration of National Tree Day, members of Bruce and Grey Counties' Extraordinary Tree project presented nominations to the public at the Grey Roots Auditorium. A major exhibition in 2016 at Grey Roots Museum will highlight 12 selected trees. The Extraordinary Tree project is intended to heighten awareness of trees' value. PHOTO BY KRISTA MCKEE, GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION.