

READERS & VIEWERS



The kayakleaning article looks great, a very nice spread!
Loved the whole Spring 2024 edition, including the old Welland Canal story. Readers might be interested in knowing that the most tires that I ever collected at once (3) was from the ponds near Henley Island in St.
Catharines—and there were many more seen but not collected!

Neal Bonnor, Dundas

Editor's note: We regret the error in Neal Bonnor's name on the cover of the Spring 2024 issue. Also, on page 23, the photo caption should read 150 items.

I was surprised today when my wife told me my picture

was in the latest issue of NEV. We've been subscribers for several years now, but I hadn't yet read the Spring 2024 issue. Sure enough, there I was presenting an 'Environmentalist of the Year' award to fellow Hamiltonian, Neal Bonnor. Although I've done more than my fair share of terrestrial garbage cleanup, Neal's efforts are exceptional and a real inspiration for us all. His contribution to cleaning our local watersheds - and bevond - were an excellent choice for a feature article in NEV. Well done!

Craig Cassar, Hamilton

So glad you shared the story of Neal Bonnor in your latest edition! A real eco hero. I live in Hamilton but have never heard of Neal or his work and it's so inspiring to hear of others who go the extra mile to care for nature. When my friend and I hike the Bruce Trail which runs thru

our city, we try to pick up trash. Sometimes it feels discouraging but Neal has brought fresh resolve. I hope others will be inspired too.

P. Grove, Hamilton



I want to thank you for the incredible job you do presenting any of the articles that I have written for NEV. The latest article about the Welland Canals turned out so beautiful even though I wasn't sure that I gave you enough to work with.

Art Weaver, St. Catharines

[Letter edited because of space.] I enjoyed reading Art Weaver's interesting and informative article about the Welland Canals in the Spring 2024 Issue of Niagara Escarpment News [Sic. This

should be Views.] However, some significant pieces of history were missing from his sections about the first two canals... The extension of the first canal to Lake Erie was not completed until 1833... When construction of the Second Canal began in 1841, I believe it also connected to the Welland River at Port Robinson. I grew up near Port Robinson and remember seeing two stone walls perpendicular to the River at Port Robinson which probably was the lock for the Second Canal.

David Morris, email



I really like how you put my article together. It is great being part of your publication. Bruce Mackenzie, Grimsby

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Love the Niagara Escarpment Views magazine! You do SUCH a great job... Since my wife and I moved from Toronto to Niagara-onthe-Lake three years ago, we've started reading every issue, every article. Thanks for the terrific read!

Steve Payne, Niagara-on-the-Lake

I live in Mulmur just off the edge of the escarpment, near Airport Road and Hwy 89. It's beautiful here, and I enjoy doing Bruce Trail hikes with my friends. What I like about your magazine are the focus pieces on other sections of the escarpment that I have never seen. The recent piece on the Welland canal system was really interesting. You are successful in making readers feel like part of a wonderful community through stories of people doing good things for the environment. As well, those geographic and/ or historical gems hidden away in our communities encourage exploration and appreciation of what we have and where we are.

Shirley Boxem, Mulmur

I live in Cobourg but got your wonderful magazine from a friend. I was so inspired by the Butterfly Garden that I want to create one of my own at the side of my house. I have a few coneflowers in my back garden and do enjoy seeing all the Monarchs. I have tried starting from seed with no success with many plants so just buy the

plant itself but most of my local garden centers sell the mature coneflower for around 12.00. I could easily fit 30 plants in my future Butterfly Garden so want just to purchase small plants to start off with. Just wondering if you would know a garden center that would ship me plants in early Spring and other plants to attract the butterflies but with a smaller price tag than what I have been paying for the large plants.

Teresa Glover, Cobourg

I live in Wexford on the southeast coast of Ireland and I have become aware of your lovely magazine which I'd love to order but you don't offer an overseas option? Is there any possibility of getting it to Ireland? I'd be SO grateful as

my uncle Garrett Lacey who was originally from my home town of Wexford in south east Ireland, worked at the Falconbridge Gazette and was mayor of Nickel Centre from 1979-1982. This magazine is very nostalgic for my family as he lived in Niagara Falls for many many years before his death on Feb 18 this year (RIP) and we visited him there several times. If there's any way you could help, I'd be truly grateful and thank you so very much.

Bernadette Lacey, Wexford, Ireland

Editor's note: We replied privately to Bernadette. A one-year international subscription to countries other than the United States, can be had for \$65 Canadian.

