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ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

APRIL / MAY 2021.

We are deep into Spring '21 and to date no end in sight to get back down to business. Vaccines are beginning to ramp up, so I hope you all are able to get your first dose done soon, if not done already. The lock down is a tough situation on everybody, but we are adapting and energized to get out there in the not to distant future.

All is quiet on Henley Island except for the crew working on the Canada Games 2022 facility along the shore by the boat house. Your Alumni Clubhouse is in desperate need of a spring cleaning and grounds cleanup, but this must wait until restrictions have been lifted. The Alumni Executive will meet by zoom in late May to determine our course through the summer months. Currently we have been able to cancel all event bookings through to October at this point. It is already confirmed that CSSRA will be deferred until 2022, an announcement on Henley is yet to be determined. A strategic soft opening of patios and restaurants again this summer, will enable us to open our Patio Bar up again. This will be essential for us to be able to come close on our operating commitments on the Island. So keep your fingers crossed.

Our partners at Delta Bingo & Gaming came through again in March, with a wonderful donation of \$845.55. The team at Delta continue to come up with innovative games to participate

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participate in. Beginning in April Delta will host a 50/50 draw eligible to all residents of Ontario. The minimum prize will be \$10,000. You can buy your tickets on line at www.DeltaBingo5050.com

Word came through last week on the recent passing of Keith Fleming. Keith was recognized as the Alumni of the Year in 1972 and served as our President from 1972-1973. Even after his transfer to Oshawa with GM, Keith continued to stay connected with the rowing community and was always on the scene at Henley time. Condolences from the entire membership to his wife Isabella and Keith's extended family.



Family In Memoriam

FLEMING, Lorne 'Keith' - It is with broken hearts that we announce the passing of Lorne Keith Fleming, husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Keith passed away at home on Wednesday morning April 28, 2021.

He is survived by his loving wife of over 67 years, Isabella (nee Hoggan), seven children Brian, Craig (Norma), Blair (Glory), Kevin (predeceased), Karen (Kevin), Kathryn and Darryl (Leona). He will be greatly missed by his grandchildren Crystal (Robert), Mathieu (Rachael), Kassandra, Keith (Yoshie), Jessica, Carl, Alana, Lola and Scott.

He will also be missed by step grandchildren Keith (Lorraine) and April.

He was a treasured great grandfather, always had jujubes and bananas on hand, to Benjamin, Abigail, Zachary, Sophia, Opie and Maverick.

Keith leaves behind his brother Gerry (Lenore) and brother in law, Frank, and many nieces and nephews.

Family meant everything to Keith and he cherished his time spent with all his family.

Keith has always been a hardworker and dedicated man. He retired from General Motors of Canada in 1986 after 36 years of service and continued to work for several years after for Wayne Safety Shoes and Hero Brothers Beef Jerky.

Keith was also a dedicated volunteer throughout his life. He was actively involved in Thorold 128 Air Cadet Squadron (commanding officer), St. Catharines Rowing Alumni, Canadian Henley Rowing Corporation, O.A.S.A. (past president), Oshawa City and District Fastball to name a few. In accordance to Keith's wishes, cremation has taken place.

The family would like to say a special thank you to Home and Community Care Support Services for all their help, especially Shannon and ParaMed Health Services, especially Tracy RPN and the many PSWs for making it possible to keep Keith at home.

For those who wish, memorial donations may be made to Lakeridge Health Foundation-Cancer Care Unit.

Condolences may be sent to kstick33@gmail.com.

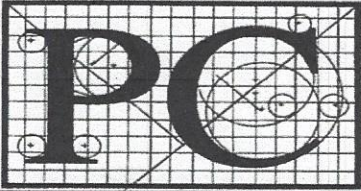
He may be gone but never forgotten, 'til we meet again.

A friendly reminder to up, and renew your membership dues, if you have not done so already. A cheque in the mail to the address on the header of this newsletter, or an e-transfer to scraa01@gmail.com Your security question will be: What is the home of the Alumni? Answer: henley island (all small case).

Keep our fingers crossed that we will be on the patio in June.

Be well and get your jab!!

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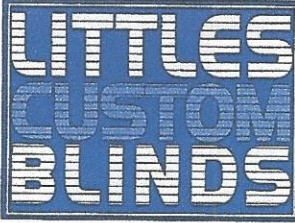
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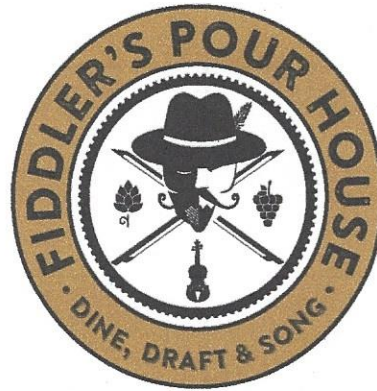
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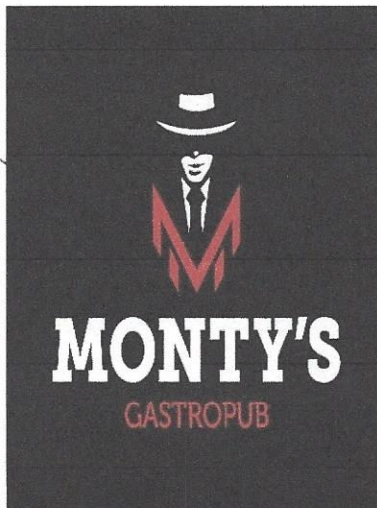
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