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Jason Miles — For The Banner

Crews attend a broken water main on Centennial Road in Orangeville Friday night (Dec. 20), which affected 25 properties. A second water main break the following day disrupted service to 50 homes in town.

Wet and wild weekend

By SHANNON LOUGH
For The Banner

Broken water mains, power outages and a gas leak were part of the damage wrought by the weekend ice storm.

The storm that began on Friday (Dec. 20) and ended Sunday (Dec. 22) left Orangeville and surrounding areas covered with thick layers of ice resulting in damages to trees and electrical wires.

The fire department was kept on their toes.

"We were busy," Fire Chief Andy MacIntosh laughed. "Not as busy as Brampton or Toronto, but we were busy."

There were three water main breaks. Mill Street between Broadway and Armstrong Street, First

Avenue, and Centennial Road each had broken water mains. The Mill Street break also ruptured a gas line at around 4 a.m. Saturday (Dec. 21).

The Orangeville Fire Department and Enbridge Inc. helped deal with the situation.

"The only reason we got called to Mill Street was because gas was leaking," MacIntosh said. "Mill Street was closed for the whole day."

"It was right about in the middle there," he continued, "right where all the restaurants are."

The damages to the water mains and gas leak have been amended, and power outages were only temporary. A third of the town lost power for about an hour Sunday morning around 10:30 a.m.

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Officially 150-years-old

By AMANDA JEROME
For The Banner

Orangeville's sesquicentennial Incorporation Party at Town Hall on Sunday (Dec. 22) was a multifaceted event literally "incorporating" history, art, and commemoration into a celebration of the town's creation.

A play, a video montage, awards ceremony, and a birthday message from Prime Minister Stephen Harper were on the bill, which drew a crowd despite the nasty weather.

Starting off with the play *Founders Keepers*, commissioned by the town and written by Jane Cameron, attendees learned of the birth of the town they now call home.

The play, performed by Jade Lavoie, Megan Saul, Malcolm Harris, Holly Bus, and Kaelan Dunbar, goes on to describe the settlers' way of life during Orangeville's early years, the arrival of the town's namesake, Orange Lawrence, and even the manner in which the streets were named.

Cameron said it took five weeks of research and writing to complete the play and she owes thanks to the Dufferin County Museum and Archives.

"I loved it," said Cameron of working on this piece for the town. "I was allowed to choose my dream cast. They are really remarkable young people."

Mayor Rob Adams then introduced a video celebrating the town's history and current, vibrant community.

He was inspired by Ottawa's commemoration of Canada's history.

"We wanted to do something special to commemorate the town that we have," he said before the video was played.

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A proud day for Orangeville

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Afterwards, a reception in the atrium was held while the Classic String Quartet of Toronto performed as guests mingled with members of council.

"Our forefathers who had the vision of what this community could be, of what this place could be down the road, would be proud," Adams said as he spoke about the past year full of events celebrating the town's 150th birthday.

"It's really shown me what an amazing community we have. It's full of bright and incredible people."

Dufferin Caledon MP David Tilson echoed Adams' sentiments saying the guests who showed up for the incorporation party were a loyal crowd.

"The statue of Orange Lawrence that stands out front looking over the town," he said, looking around at the reception, "he'd be proud."

Members of the community were awarded for their outstanding contributions to the town through their volunteer efforts by Adams during the reception.

Awards were given to: Greg Verner, Marian Pilatzke, Bruce Blears, Nicole Desaulniers, Dr. John Russell, Bill Bissell, Matteo and Sophia Zamaria, and Lynda Addy. Some recipients were so surprised by

the award that it brought tears to their eyes. One such recipient was Pilatzke, whose son drove from Owen Sound to bring her to the incorporation party under the guise of community involvement.

"I was very surprised," she said of receiving the award. "I had no idea."

Pilatzke has lived in Orangeville since 1983.

Her son was born and raised in town.

Giving back to the community through the Meals on Wheels program and the Amaranth Lions Club of Orangeville is important to her.

"It's crucial to be part of the community if you're going to live here," she said. "You've got to get involved."

Wrapping up the awards ceremony, Adams took a moment to say how proud he is to be Orangeville's mayor and how inspiring the town's history is, using the town hall and the founding community members as an example.

"They weren't building a building for what they had then," he said looking at the walls of the hall.

"But for what they dreamed they could be."

Then he asked Tilson to join him up front and lead everyone in attendance with a Happy Birthday sing-a-long, which he did, wholeheartedly.



Public Information Meeting. Proposed Changes to Fill By-law

You are invited to attend a Public Information Meeting to be held by the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Caledon to consider possible changes to be incorporated to the Fill By-law. Your attendance and comments at this meeting are welcome as it is your opportunity to learn more about the proposed changes and express any opinions that you may have.

DATE: Wednesday, February 5, 2014

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers, Town Hall
6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

SUBJECT PROPERTY

This proposed changes to the Fill By-law affects the entire Town of Caledon.

PROPOSAL

The proposed changes include creation of a panel of agricultural expertise to support determinations whether the imported fill will improve agricultural outcomes, a more rigorous application and monitoring process, an allowance for small fill applications outside of agricultural areas and clarity on commercial fill operations.

NOTIFICATION

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed Fill By-law, you must make a written request to the Town of Caledon, Regulatory Services, 6211 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J7 or at bylaw@caledon.ca.

If a person, company or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the by-law is passed, the person, company or public body is not entitled to any further notice regarding the proceedings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A copy of the presentation and a draft by-law will be available to the public prior to the meeting at the Regulatory and Inspection Services office located at 6211 Old Church Road in Caledon.

For further information, please contact Leo Butko, Regulatory Services Manager at [905.584.2272 x.4256](tel:905.584.2272) or via e-mail at leo.butko@caledon.ca.

Above, local young actors perform the play *Finders Keepers*. Colin Simmons performed his 150th Anniversary song and Mayor Rob Adams and Dufferin Caledon MP David Tilson sing Happy Birthday to the town at Orangeville's incorporation party held Sunday (Dec. 22).



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