

WHAT DOES A FATHER DO?

I received a letter from a single mother who had raised a son who was about to become a dad. Since he had no recollection of his own father, her question to me was "What do I tell him a father does?"

When my dad died in my ninth year, I, too, was raised by my mother, giving rise to the same question, "What do fathers do?"

As far as I could observe, they brought around the car when it rained so everyone else could stay dry. They always took the family pictures, which is why they were never in them. They carved turkeys on Thanksgiving, kept the car gassed up, weren't afraid to go into the basement, mowed the lawn, and tightened the clothesline to keep it from sagging.

It wasn't until my husband and I had children that I was able to observe firsthand what a father contributed to a child's life. What did he do to deserve his children's respect? He rarely fed them, did anything about their sagging diapers, wiped their noses or fannies, played ball, or bonded with them under the hoods of their cars.

What did he do?

He threw them higher than his head until they were weak from laughter. He cast the deciding vote on the puppy debate. He listened more than he talked. He let them make mistakes. He allowed them to fall from their first two-wheeler without having a heart attack. He read a newspaper while they were trying to parallel park a car for the first time in preparation for their driving test.

If I had to tell someone's son what a father really does that is important, it would be that he shows up for the job in good times and bad times. He's a man who is constantly being observed by his children. They learn from him how to handle adversity, anger, disappointment and success.

He won't laugh at their dreams no matter how impossible they might seem. He will dig out at 1 a.m. when one of his children runs out of gas. He will make unpopular decisions and stand by them. When he is wrong and makes a mistake, he will admit it. He sets the tone for how family members treat one another, members of the opposite sex and people who are different than they are. By example, he can instil a desire to give something back to the community when its needs are greater than theirs.

But mostly, a good father involves himself in his kids' lives. A father has the potential to be a powerful force in the life of a child. Grab it! Maybe you'll get a greeting card for your efforts. Maybe not. But it's steady work.

me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it." ~Clarence Budington Kelland

"My father didn't tell

"A father is someone
you look up to no
matter how tall you
grow."
~Unknown

"A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way."

-Unknown

"My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person, he believed in me." ~Jim Valvano

– Erma Bombeck, Field Enterprises





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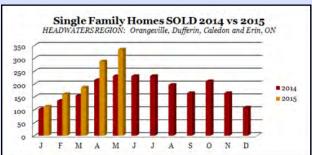
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Headwaters Real Estate Recap: MAY 2015

Summer is almost here and the school year is coming to an end. The 2015 spring market in the Headwaters Region of Orangeville, Dufferin County, Caledon and Erin has been a market like nobody has seen in this area! Multiple offer scenarios and aggressive Buyers have made it seem like we're living in a Toronto market. May was another record month for sales in Headwaters. 334 sales occurred in May–46 more than April. We haven't seen this many sales in one month in years...if ever! In Orangeville alone, 94 sales occurred in the month of April, and the number of homes for sale at the end of April was 78. Out of these 94 Sales, 32% sold for list price or higher! As a result inventory continues to be very low. In May of 2014, 177 listings were on the market in Orangeville; almost 100 more than we currently have. Sellers Market?... I think so! Not so good to be a Buyer. The Headwaters Area seems to be attracting a lot of people from the GTA who want a "small town" feel, slower pace of life...and no traffic nightmares! *-Dave*

Headwaters Area MAY 2015	Active Listings	Sold Per Month	Sold Per Year	Avg \$ Per Month	Med \$ Per Month	Avg \$ Per Year	Med \$ Per Year
Amaranth	34	9	27	\$545,389	\$509,000	\$556,791	\$525,000
Caledon	272	122	411	\$714,422	\$650,000	\$657,233	\$599,900
East Garafraxa	18	6	21	\$620,000	\$696,000	\$582,452	\$589,000
Grand Valley	28	7	19	\$334,286	\$335,000	\$300,895	\$300,000
Erin	92	30	86	\$561,317	\$476,500	\$586,870	\$571,500
Melanthon	33	5	17	\$536,500	\$522,000	\$363,988	\$317,500
Mono	56	18	53	\$768,142	\$697,500	\$737,885	\$688,000
Mulmur	39	20	41	\$454,912	\$487,500	\$466,573	\$485,000
Orangeville	78	94	330	\$392,257	\$367,000	\$383,555	\$358,450
Shelburne	33	23	76	\$310.935	\$299,000	\$308,771	\$311,000



For more statistics and graphs please be sure to visit our "Real Estate Recap" blog on our website at www.thegrimeteam.com.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS...

Mother's Day Tribute:

My mom is so special. She is special because she takes care of her 6 almost 7 kids. When we are hurt she makes us feel better. She makes us dinner every night and it is delicious. She always plays cards or a board game with me and my siblings. She also spends time with us one on one and helps me study. She is very caring and encouraging. And the best part is when she took us to Florida and we went to Disney world and sea world. And the bestest part is that she is our mom! ~ Sierra Spanninga, age 12

Father's Day Tribute:

5 reasons why Dad is awesome!

- 1. Dad lets us work with him.
- 3. He builds train tracks with us
- 2. He got us a 4 wheeler and lets
- 4. He got us a golf club set.
- us drive it.
- 5. He is the bestest dad ever!!!

~Griffin Kamphuis, age 5

You both did a fantastic job and we hope you enjoy your \$100 Galaxy Cinemas Gift Certificates! Thank you to everyone who took part in our little contest!

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The Grime Team helped these clients MOVE in April and May! **91 Montgomery Blvg** 11 Headwaters Lane 55 Rose St 5 Island Lake Rd

If you or someone you know is thinking of making a move please be sure to give us a call at 519-941-5151! We would love to help!

Headwaters Events

With the school year finishing and the beautiful warm summer weather everyone is looking for reasons to be out and about.

You won't want to miss these great events in our area!

> For more Headwaters Events throughout the year be sure to keep checking our blog



Enjoy some exceptional culinary fare and celebrate our part in the TO2015 Pan Am Games!

Local restaurants and producers will be offering signature food and drink items. Visit participating establishments to taste the signature items and vote for your favourite!

Visit www.thehillsofheadwaters.com and search "Taste Trail" for participants, updates, menu, voting and more contest details.



BBQ ribs, beer tent, live entertainment there's no better way to celebrate summer! Admission is free, donations to the Fendley Park splash pad accepted. Midway running all weekend for the kids.

For more information visit www.orangevilleribfest.com.

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Celebrate our Country at these locations throughout Headwaters!



Orangeville: Alder Street Rec Centre 12 - 4pm

Free Swims, Cake-Cutting, Inflatable Activities, Laser Tag, Children's Crafts, Face Painting. Fireworks over Island Lake 10pm

Centre Dufferin Rec Complex 3pm Shelburne: Free Family Swim, BBQ, Bouncy Castles,

Mini Tractor Pull, Pony Rides... Fireworks at Dusk

Albion Hills 4pm Caledon:

Music, Magic, Dog Shows, Live Band, Inflatables.

Fireworks at Dusk