

LOVE



When I was a kid, my mom liked to make breakfast food for dinner every now and then.

I remember one night in particular when she had made breakfast after a long, hard day at work.

On that evening so long ago, my mom placed a plate of eggs, sausage and extremely burned biscuits in front of my dad. I remember waiting to see if anyone noticed! Yet all my dad did was reach for his biscuit, smile at my mom and ask me how my day was at school. I don't remember what I told him that night, but I do remember watching him smear butter and jelly on that biscuit and eat every bite!

When I got up from the table that evening, I remember hearing my mom apologize to my dad for burning the biscuits. And I'll never forget what he said: "Honey, I love burned biscuits."

Later that night, I went to kiss Daddy good night and I asked him if he really liked his biscuits burned. He wrapped me in his arms and said, "Your Momma put in a hard day at work today and she's real tired. And besides - a little burnt biscuit never hurt anyone!"

Life is full of imperfect things... and imperfect people.

I'm not the best at hardly anything, and I forget birthdays and anniversaries just like everyone else. But what I've learned over the years is that learning to accept each others faults - and choosing to celebrate each others differences - is one of the most important keys to creating a healthy, growing, and lasting relationship.

We could extend this to any relationship. In fact, understanding is the base of any relationship, be it a husband-wife or parent-child or friendship!

Being happy doesn't mean everything is perfect. It means you've decided to see beyond the imperfections. "Don't put the key to your happiness in someone else's pocket - keep it in your own."

So, please pass me a biscuit. And, yes, the burnt one will do just fine!

~Anonymous

Love is not about how much you say | *love you*
but how much you prove that it's true.

We hope you have a memorable Valentine's Day and Family Day weekend, spending special time with your loved ones. ~Margorie, Dave and The Grime Team





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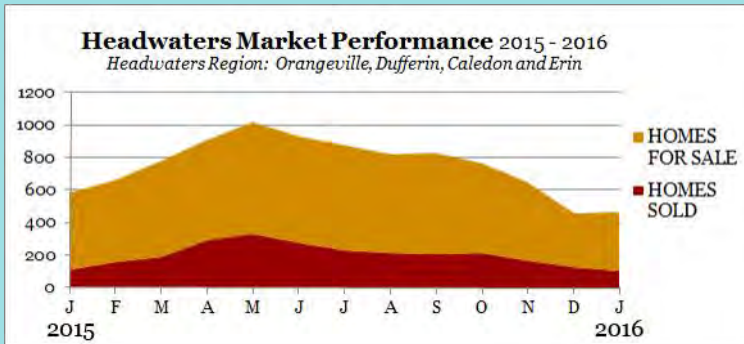


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Headwaters Real Estate Recap: January 2016

The first month of 2016 is now behind us, and despite the lack of inventory, **home sales** were still quite strong with 102 firm sales in the Headwaters region of Orangeville, Dufferin, Caledon and Erin. **Inventory of homes for sale** in the Headwaters was down from 470 in January 2015, to 366 this January.



Orangeville ended up with a meagre 36 homes for sale at the end of January...and 29 sales occurred that month! Clearly, **it's a good time to be a Seller**. Being a Buyer in this market can be quite frustrating, as the selection of suitable listings is low, and new well-priced listings are selling fast. With this low inventory, the laws of supply and demand **may push purchase prices** to rise much like last year. It looks like the spring market is here already!! Check out our blog at www.thegrimeteam.com for more graphs! ~Dave

Family Day Fun in Headwaters

[Monday, February 15, 2016]

Island Lake Conservation Area...10am to 3pm

Ice hockey shootout, cross country skiing, skating and more!

www.orangevilletourism.ca

Alder Street Rec Centre...9am to 3:30pm

Free skates:

9 to 9:50am and 10 to 10:50am (Red Rink)

9:30 to 10:20am; 10:30 to 11:20am; 1:30 to 2:20pm and 2:30 to 3:20pm (Green Rink)

Free swims:

12:15 to 1:15pm and 2:15 to 3:15pm



Old-fashioned carnival games from 10:30am to 1:30pm

Skating competition from 11:30am to 1:20pm

Have your photo taken on the Olympia from 11am to 1:20pm.

Guests from Star Wars will be at the Library too!

www.orangeville.ca

Family X-Country Skiing at Monora Park...9am to 4pm

Free day of x-country skiing*, 18 kms of freshly groomed ski trails, fire pit for BBQed hot dogs and hot apple cider, musical entertainment, homemade soup, hot chocolate and delicious cookies. *Equipment available if needed. www.inthehills.ca

Family Day at Teen Ranch...1 to 4pm

[on Highway 10 south of Orangeville]

Skating and snow tubing! (Outdoor skating and tubing

weather permitting.) You are welcome to bring your toboggans! Skating at the Ice Corral regardless of weather.

Hot chocolate and snacks available for purchase.

www.inthehills.ca

Caledon Community Complex...9 to 3pm

[6215 Old Church Rd, Caledon East]

Free activities include:

9:00 to 10:20am parent and child shinny

10:30 to 11:50am youth shinny

12:00 to 1:20pm adult skate

1:30 to 2:50pm public skate

www.caledon.ca



Erin Rotary Family Fun Day...11 to 4

FREE family skating from 11am to 1pm, and affordable indoor carnival games from 11am to 2pm. A FREE showing of a family movie on the big screen at 2pm. Concession stand with affordable lunch and snacks for everyone. www.inthehills.ca



FEBRUARY CHECKLIST: Make your home (and yourself) healthier while you nestle in these last few weeks of winter.

Buy flowers and light candles.

Boost spirits on snowy days by lighting candles and indulge in cut flowers or a new potted house plant to freshen the air.

Create space to get some exercise indoors.

a great way to stay healthy when you can't be outside. Even a cleared corner of a room can be enough space for rolling out a yoga mat or working out with weights.

Give your command centre a reboot.

The spot where you drop items as you walk in the door can be a clutter magnet. Make a fresh start by clearing and cleaning.

Sharpen knives. It cuts down on prep time and is safer too!

Give your kitchen a healthy makeover

by removing less healthy options from your pantry and fridge. Place fresh fruits and veggies front and centre and put healthy-food prep aids (juicer or blender) on the counter where you are more likely to use them.

Relax and appreciate what you have.

Take a cue from the natural world in winter and slow down this season. Get cozy at home and embrace simple pleasures like reading a book or making a pot of soup.

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