



The love of a

Family

Once upon a time two brothers who lived on adjoining farms fell into conflict. It was the first serious rift in 40 years of farming side by side. They had been sharing machinery, trading a labour and goods as needed without a hitch. Then the long collaboration fell apart. It began with a small misunderstanding and it grew into a major difference which exploded into an exchange of bitter words followed by weeks of silence.

One morning there was a knock on elder brother's door. He opened it to find a man with a carpenter's toolbox. "I am looking for a few days of work," he said. "Perhaps you would have a few small jobs here and there. Could I help you?"

"Yes!" said the elder brother. "I do have a job for you. Look across the creek at that farm. That's my neighbour, in fact, it's my younger brother and we don't get along. Last week he dug a wider passage for water into his farm. But he ended up creating a very wide creek in between our farms and I am sure he did it just to annoy me. I want you to build me something so that we don't have to stand and see each other's face from across."

The carpenter said "I think I understand the situation. I will be able to do a job that will please you." The elder brother had to go to town for supplies, so he helped the carpenter get the materials ready and then he was off for the day. The carpenter worked hard all that day measuring, sawing, nailing.

At sunset when the elder brother returned, the carpenter had just finished his job. The elder brother's eyes opened wide and his jaw dropped. It was not what he had even thought of or imagined. It was a bridge stretching from one side of the creek to the other! A fine piece of work, beautiful handrails. And to his surprise, his younger brother across the creek was coming to meet him with a big smile and arms wide open to hug him.

"You are really kind and humble my brother! After all I had done and said to you, you still shown that blood relations can never be broken! I am truly sorry for my behaviour," the younger brother said as he hugged his elder brother. They turned to see the carpenter hoist his toolbox on his shoulder. "No, wait! Stay a few days. I have a lot of other projects for you," said the older brother.

"I'd love to stay on", the carpenter said, "but, I have many more bridges to build!"

Families are the compass that guides us. They are the inspiration to reach great heights, and our comfort when we occasionally falter.

~Brad Henry

Family is not an important thing. It's everything!

~Michael J Fox

**Love your family.
Spend time, be kind and
serve one another.
Make no room for
regrets. Tomorrow is not
promised and
today is short.**

**The love of a family is
one of life's greatest
blessings!**

**In family life, love is the oil
that eases friction, the
cement that binds closer
together, and the music
that brings harmony.**

~Friedrich Nietzsche

*There is only one happiness
in this life:*

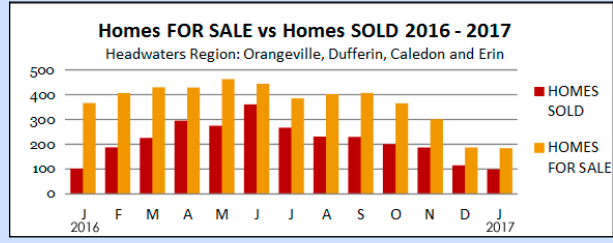
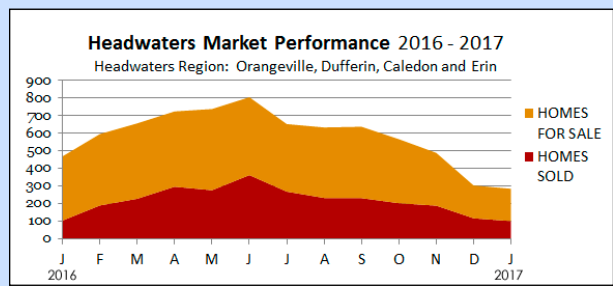
to love and be loved.

~George Sand


Headwaters Real Estate Recap: JANUARY 2017

The 2017 market is underway in the Headwaters region of Orangeville, Dufferin, Erin and Caledon! Sales were similar to January 2016 versus 2017 in the Headwaters region with 102 sales in 2016 and 99 sales in 2017. **HOWEVER**, the main difference again has been the lack of inventory. At the end of **January 2016**, 366 homes were available for sale versus a mere 184 at the end of **January this year**.

In Orangeville, sales were exactly the same in January 2016 & 2017 with 29 sales occurring. Again the **inventory is half of what it was last year** with only 19 available homes for Buyer's to consider. We hope the inventory improves, allowing buyers more selection, less multiple offer scenarios, and easing the rapidly increasing average sale price. ~ *Dave*



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Family Day Fun in Headwaters
 (Monday, February 20, 2017)

Island Lake Conservation Area...11am to 3pm
 Learn to ice fish, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, skating and more! www.orangevilletourism.ca

Alder Street Rec Centre...9am to 3:30pm
 Free skates: beginning at 9:00am, 9:30am, 10:00am & 10:30am, and also at 3:30pm
 Free swims: 12:15pm to 1:15pm & 2:15pm to 3:15pm 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 BBQ'd 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...1pm 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

3rd Annual Shelbrrr Fest...11am to 4pm
 [Fiddle Park - 515677 Dufferin County Road 11, Shelburne]
 Free activities include music, antique snowmobile show, snow tubing, snow mountain, games, and warming station.

Erin Rotary Family Fun Day...11am to 4pm
 FREE family skating from 11:00am to 2:00pm, and affordable indoor carnival games from 11:00am to 2:00pm. A FREE showing of a family movie on the big screen at 2:00pm. www.inthehills.ca

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Jennie & Walter Jungwirth



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 from all of us at The Grime Team