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## Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir:

For years we've regularly passed by the Ruthven, Union Water Plant. For years we have been curious about what precisely goes on in that plant in respect to the treatment of our domestic water supply. Now, thanks to a tremendous ElderCollege course offered by the very talented staff at the Union Water System plant we now have remarkable insights into how our water is treated, guarded, purified, cleansed and delivered throughout Kingsville, Leamington and adjoining municipalities.

In a comprehensive course, ElderCollege's participants were given access to every aspect of the water system. From the processes whereby millions of litres of water are drawn from Lake Erie to the delivery, testing, purification, cleansing and more intense testing, course participants had the opportunity to learn why the water that emerges from our taps is better than those waters flogged in plastic bottles as "bottled water". We are fortunate to have at the Union Water Plant a staff of highly trained and skilled professionals who, for all intents and purposes seem to have an obsession with assuring themselves and the public that our local potable water is beyond question pure.

Throughout the three 2+ hour sessions of the ElderCollege course there was not a single question that was not answered openly and without equivocation. There is a very proud staff manning our critical water processing plant and like any other produced of a top quality product, they were welcoming of course participants and all their questions. Pride in product and we, as consumers of that vital product should be able to rest confidently in the knowledge that our drinking water is produced in accordance with the best technology and highest scientific standards.

We are fortunate to have a team of professionals looking after our water supply and I'm sure I can speak for all those ElderCollege course participants who had the opportunity to visit discuss and question every aspect and operation of our water supply system to express our appreciation. P.S. As all ElderCollege courses are feedback evaluated by course participants, the course evaluations were unanimously positive and of the highest marks available. Thanks to all involved at the water works.

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