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ETFO members begin province-wide strikes

by Trina Berlo

Creemore educators joined their New Lowell colleagues on the picket line once again this week during two strike days that impacted local schools.

Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO) members were on strike Wednesday during a rotating strike, and Thursday for a province-wide strike when all 83,000 members were on the picket lines.

Across the province, almost one million students were affected by the strikes. In Creemore, parents had to make alternative arrangements for childcare. Clearview Community Church was able to pull off a Strike Day Camp on Thursday and the same is planned for the next Thursday.

ETFO has announced its intention to hold another province-wide walkout on Tuesday, Feb. 11 and a one-day rotating walkout for Simcoe County schools on Thursday, Feb. 13. If parties return to the bargaining table, and a tentative agreement is reached, returning educators to the classroom, those schools would open.

ETFO president **Sam Hammond** said after three days of central bargaining talks, a deal had been within reach last Friday, until in the eleventh hour, the government abruptly tabled impossible options that ended talks.

"ETFO, school board associations and the government were close to an agreement on Friday that would have been good for students, educators and public education. It would have ensured stability in public elementary schools this week," said Hammond. "Then, late that day, the government's negotiators changed course and tabled impossible options they knew ETFO could not accept."

"I want to set the record straight," continued Hammond. "Unlike the Minister of Education, I was at the bargaining table last week so I know what was discussed. Despite what Minister [Stephen] Lecce is claiming, salary was not addressed during those negotiations, and government negotiators did not sign



Staff photo: Trina Berlo

Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School staff joined forces with New Lowell Central Public School this week for two days on the picket line.

a letter of commitment to maintain the Kindergarten model."

ETFO said the issues were around special education funding, which remained less than half the priority, and special education funding negotiated in 2017.

Hammond said in a press conference Tuesday that the union is defending its most vulnerable students.

"An agreement was also within reach on maintaining a long-standing regulation that ensures fair and transparent hiring processes for teachers. Government negotiators then introduced demands for major concessions around fair hiring," said Hammond.

Lecce said in a Jan. 31 statement, "Over the past few days, the government has further demonstrated our focus on keeping kids in class through a

voluntary agreement. As part of that commitment, and to further underscore my public statements, we have affirmed in writing that we will be maintaining Ontario's world-class kindergarten program."

"I have long said that compensation, pay, and benefits, remain a top priority for teachers' union leaders, and that remains true today... The government has continued to signal reasonableness on issues from special education supports to efforts to counter violence in schools. Yet, the teachers' union leadership push for compensation that comes with a substantial cost to the taxpayer," said Lecce.

"While the mediator has called off discussions for now, the government stands ready to meet at any time, to reach a deal that keeps students in class."

Kindergarten registration open

Kindergarten registration is open for Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) elementary schools.

Children turning four in 2020 are eligible to start school in September.

The registration process can be initiated on the registration page on the SCDSB website, and is then completed at the child's school. If unsure, parents and guardians can use the home school locator tool to find their local public elementary school.

For more information on registration and required documents, visit www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/planning_for_school/kindergarten or call the local school.

Call to artists

Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts' Robert G. Kemp Arts Award Committee is seeking proposals for a project that benefits the community.

The award winner will receive a \$5,000 cash prize.

The award was created in 1989 to encourage and recognize an individual or group residing in the South Georgian Bay area, which includes Collingwood, Creemore, Town of Blue Mountains, Stayner, Thornbury, Meaford and Wasaga Beach. It also includes the Townships of Clearview, Osprey, Sunnidale and St. Vincent Euphrasia.

The deadline for submission of applications is March 25 at 5 p.m.

Applications are available at the Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts, located at 65 Simcoe St., Studio 4, Collingwood, online at www.bmfa.ca or at various locations throughout the area.

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THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, Feb. 8

- **The Creemore Skating Club** will be having a **Valentine's Bake Sale** at the Creemore Arena in the lobby from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Stop by to find cookies, cupcakes, tarts, brownies and maybe a pie or two.

Sunday, Feb. 9

- **Free public skating at Creemore Arena** sponsored by the Stayner Lions Club from noon to 1:50 p.m.
- **Church Services** on page 5.

Sundays, Feb. 9 to 16

- **Public Bible presentations at the Creemore Legion.** Sundays, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., until Feb. 16. The gatherings are quiet and simple. They are about Jesus' life and his teachings. This is a free event and open to everyone. Lead by Gerald Lonsway and Gordon Eady. Email simple.lessons.of.life@gmail.com for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, Feb. 10

- **The Dunedin Women's Friendship Club** will meet at 7:30 p.m. for a Valentine's Day program.

Mondays, Feb. 10 to March 9

- **Writing workshop group with Emily Worts** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For adults of all ages and skill levels! Work on new or existing pieces of writing and explore new genres in a fun and supportive environment. At Water First, 178 Mill St., Unit D \$5 a class. Drop-in, no registration required. Email emilyworts@hotmail.com for more info.

Tuesdays, Feb. 11

- **AA Creemore Tuesday night group** at St. Luke's Anglican Church, Caroline St. W., at 8 p.m. Those with problems with alcohol only please.
- **Creemore adult skating.** Every Tuesday from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Creemore arena. Pay at the door. For more information contact Helen at 705-466-5195.

Tuesdays, Feb. 11 to March 10

- **Art drop-in for kids with Sara Sniderhan** for kids ages 6-9 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Explore a variety of materials and styles in these drop-in classes. Mill St. Studios, 148 Mill St. \$5 a class, materials provided. (Classes for kids 10+ and teens coming in March) Email sara.sniderhan@gmail.com for more info.

Wednesdays, Feb. 12

- **Toonie Wednesday walk** inside the Legion every Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Come walk with us and stay for a coffee or hot chocolate. All proceeds will go to the Legion renovation fund.

- **Wednesday TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** meets every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Stayner Evangelical Missionary Church, 202 Ontario St. Stayner. New members always welcome.

Wednesdays, Feb. 12 to 26

- **Drawing for seniors with Sara Sniderhan**, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Creemore Legion. Learn techniques for drawing people, animals, still life and landscape in a fun, welcoming environment. This is a drop-in class so no registration required. All skill levels welcome and materials provided. \$5 per class. A program of Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society and the Creemore Community Arts Program. Email sara.sniderhan@gmail.com or call 416-559-6189 for more info.

Thursdays, Feb. 13 to March 5

- **Music for kids and teens with Brad Holden** on at St. Luke's Church Hall. 6 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. for ages 9-12, exploration of instruments including ukulele, guitar, keys and percussion. 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. for ages 13+, learn new songs, techniques and make music as a group. Bring your own instrument or one will be provided. \$5 per class. A program of Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society. Email Brad brholden@gmail.com for more info. *Classes for kids ages 6-8 coming in March.

Friday, Feb. 14

- **Creemore Legion Ladies Auxiliary Valentine's Day Take-out Dinner.** Lasagna, Caesar salad and dessert. \$15. RSVP by Friday, Feb. 7 by calling 705-466-2330 or leave a message at the Legion at 705-466-2202. Pick up your dinners between 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Valentine's Day.

Saturday Feb. 15

- **Winter Farmers Market at the Creemore Legion** from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lots of vendors, breakfast available for purchase, a variety of bakers, food vendors and crafters to add to the shopping experience.

Sunday, Feb. 16

- **Town Hall Ward 5, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Station on the Green.** Councillor Thom Paterson invites you to participate in a Q & A on many of the important issues facing Clearview council in 2020. Email tpaterson@clearview.ca or call (705) 718-4685 for more info.
- **Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society Annual General Meeting.** Please join from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Creemore Legion. Cookies and tea will be served.

Sunday, Feb. 23

- **The Museum of Dufferin will host a panel discussion** with guest speakers, a Black History Month exhibit and a presentation on the influence of diversity in music.

Saturday, Feb. 29

- **Leap Year Dance Fundraiser.** A fun night out for the Craigeith Heritage Depot's "REEL History" film project from 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Featuring the band Bored of Education. Cash bar, food, live music. Tickets: \$75 - includes \$50 tax receipt, at the Blue Mountains Public Library. Proceeds will help develop the museum's next films slated for release in 2021. That's \$25 for a live show and \$50 to put Blue Mountains history on screen! Check out the museum's Virtual Reality films with your smart device at www.pathway360.ca and www.maryward360.ca.

Friday, March 27

- **Georgian Triangle Lifelong Learning Institute 6 Week University Level Lecture Series on Canadian Foreign Policy.** Pierre Trudeau, Brian Mulroney, Jean Chrétien, Paul Martin, Stephen Harper to Justin Trudeau. Lectured by Adam Chapnick, Professor of Defence Studies at RMC. Friday mornings 10 a.m. to noon. Coffee provided. www.gtlli.ca for tickets and details (\$50 for 6 weeks) All welcome - please contact for more info. Live-streamed at Station on the Green, Creemore. Limited walk-ins may be available on the morning of the lecture for \$10 cash.

Saturday March 28

- **The Born Ruffians at Avening Hall.** Tickets are \$40 in advance and \$45 at the door. Show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are available online at www.ticketscene.ca/events/27968/ and at the Creemore Echo. Contact Sara@creemore.com or 704-466-9906.



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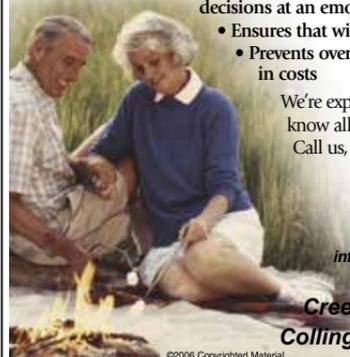
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Hamilton Bros employee takes his leave after 46 years

by Trina Berlo

Hamilton Brothers bid farewell to one of their longtime employees last Friday.

A retirement luncheon was held for **Don Prentice**, who is retiring after 46 years on the job.

Prentice, 76, did a number of jobs at Hamilton Brothers over the years, mostly in shipping and receiving, as fork lift operator, and also looking after snow and garbage removal.

He got the job at Hamilton Brothers in Glen Huron when he was 30, having just moved to Creemore from Toronto with his wife **Linda**, and two young children **Kevin** and **Tagon**. It was a homecoming for Prentice, who was born in Honeywood and has a lot of family in the Lavender area.

He remembers it was the Centennial year and he was doing some clean up at Hamilton Brothers.

“I’ve been there ever since,” said Prentice.

He said it was a good job and he liked the work.

Working mainly outdoors, he said it could be pretty nasty at times. He’d have to clear away all the snow before moving materials.

Prentice said the job hasn’t changed that much in more than four decades but the products have. When he started, the lumber that Hamilton Brothers stocked was all spruce and cedar, and there was no pressure treated wood. And, there was very little drywall sold, it was mostly wood panelling.



Kevin Prentice photos

From left: **John Hamilton, Fred Hamilton, Johnny Hamilton, Donald Prentice, Austin Hamilton, and Jamie Hamilton.**

“Now they have everything. There’s 20 to 30 times more,” said Prentice.

New buildings and additions have been added to accommodate the growing business. Prentice said when he first started, only the original building – the farm store – was there. He also remembers several fires over the years, including the mill and the shop.

With a move to Brentwood on the horizon, Prentice says he plans to take it easy in his retirement.

For a retirement gift his family gave him a PS4 video game system, an upgrade from his PS2, so Prentice will be spending his days shooting up zombies, watching television and going for walks.





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EDITORIAL

Expanding artistic horizons while staying cozy

We are in the dregs of winter. A season that as I get older I find I am less tolerant of the cold and short dark days.

The CEO loves winter. It keeps him busy with snow blowing, curling and snowmobiling, none of which I care to do. Give me a snuggly blanket, hot tea and a good book, and don't call me till late May when it might be safe to take off the long johns.

I try to get out and enjoy some extracurricular activities but the thought of going out in the dark and the cold just sends a shiver up my spine.

I have no strong desire to head somewhere hot and just sit on a beach; I prefer a trip that has lots of interesting things to do. I have been to Mexico and the Dominican but found it rather boring after the third day, not to mention the food all seems to taste the same.

I prefer instead to stay in the hood and try to get out to the classes that are available through the Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society in partnership with the Creemore Community Arts Project. I have gone to the creative writing class with Emily Worts and found that it got the steam back into my writing side of the brain. I am looking forward to going to the seniors drawing class with Sara Sniderhan. We are so lucky to have the talent available to us at such a reduced cost, I mean where else can you go for \$5? Whatever your feelings are about winter, don't worry, spring will be here before we know it, and at least I hope it is before Canada Day.

Cat Flack writes about all things rural. She is a member of the Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society's board of directors.



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Cat FLACK

LETTER

Worrisome that river hasn't frozen over

Editor:

This is the first year in my entire life that the Mad River in Websterville hasn't frozen over for at least part of the winter.

I used to ski across my field and up the river as far as I wanted to go on ice as safe as the road. I have skied to Creemore, too.

I suggest you send a message to your MP and MPP urging them to do something concrete to solve the global warming problem.

Helen Blackburn,
 Creemore.

THE WAY WE WERE



A coin from W.G. Carruthers general store in Avening, that could be exchanged for \$1 worth of merchandise. Provided by Myrtle Carruthers.

Have your say at town hall meeting

by Thom Paterson

As we start the second year of our four-year term, Clearview councillors are currently making decisions on a number of important issues in 2020. These include final budget funding, residential growth, affordable and mixed housing, local traffic management, public transportation, accessibility of Township facilities (community halls), infrastructure renewal (roads and bridges), climate change measures (single use plastics) and age friendly services to name just some.

As well, our staff is at work preparing a new Official Plan. This document will make changes that impact where residential, commercial and industrial development will take place in Clearview, including in Ward 5.

These decisions will affect day-to-day village life. It's essential you have an opportunity to learn what decisions are being made on your behalf so you can have a say. So I'm inviting you to join me in a town hall Q & A session to hear more regarding these and other matters.

Funding considerations for these issues are putting pressure on our residential taxes. It is becoming increasingly difficult to hold residential taxes, our main source of revenue, at a reasonable level. Traditional sources of provincial and federal funding are diminishing as the demands for services and infrastructure repairs are increasing. Bringing our community halls up to provincial accessibility standards throughout the township, as well as the reconstruction of infrastructure such as the Collingwood Street Bridge, will be major capital costs. Funding priorities will have to be set.

While Stayner is experiencing the majority of new housing builds, Creemore currently has new homes underway and at least three new proposed developments under planning review. While these developments promise to provide a mix of housing options, more truly affordable options are needed to attract young families and allow seniors to age in place. Your input is needed to help guide council in meeting these needs.

Traffic within our local settlement areas and on the roads that connect our communities is a major resident complaint. Some limited measures are being taken to calm traffic. More needs to be done. Have your say.

You can help Clearview's initiatives to protect our environment by supporting the voluntary ban on single-use plastics. All households will be receiving a flyer in your tax bill asking for your support. Share your ideas with others at the town hall.

To meet all these challenges, we are implementing changes to the way council conducts their meetings in 2020 to make better evidence-informed decisions and set multi-year strategic financial priorities.

To learn more about how these challenges and the changes being made to meet them, join me on Sunday, Feb. 16 at the Station on the Green from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The floor will be open to questions on all these issues and any others you may wish to raise. If you have a particular point you wish me to address, you can contact me by email at tpaterson@clearview.ca or call 1-705-718-4685.

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SS #16, the finest one-room school in Ontario

A number of years ago I was browsing in a Toronto library and came upon a book titled Department of Education Report 1926. In it I found a comment that the Glen Huron school (officially S.S. # 16 Nottawasaga) was the finest one-room school in Ontario: sturdily built, a pleasing design and equipped with the best of modern facilities.

This school, opened in 1920 was indeed all of those things. As you drive by it, now a private residence, you will see for yourself. The school had a basement, was heated with a furnace and had running water and flush toilets.

The matter of running water puzzled me. Hydro electricity wasn't available until 1939. How was it that there was enough pressure for the water to do its job? The answer was discovered. On a high hill behind the school, owned by Donald Brown, a pipe was run down the hill from a spring in a trench, of course, and the water pressure was constant.

In most one room schools a wood stove at the back of the school room provided heat. Often a lunch for the students was set to heat on the stove. At S. S. #16 there was no wood stove at the back of the classroom. In the 1940s teacher Josie Hamilton brought a small coal oil stove to heat the soup provided by the different families in turn.

Last month you read an account of the early schools for the Eighth Line and Glen Huron pupils at the corner of Sideroad 12/13. What follows is a continuation of the school history written in 1967:

"In 1919 a move was made to change the school site and after some deliberation and arbitration the present site was agreed on. The late John

LOCAL HISTORY



Helen
BLACKBURN

McLeod, who held the Crown Deed, granted the site for the sum of \$25. At an estimated cost of \$14,500 a fine, modern school was completed on November 1st, 1920. Mr. John Wilson of Collingwood was the architect in charge, while Mr. Joseph Akitt of Creemore was the contractor.

"With Angus Campbell as chairman the new school was formally opened and dedicated by Colonel J. A. Currie, M.P. and John Waugh, Chief Inspector of Public Schools. It was he who proclaimed it to be the best one-roomed school in Ontario.

"For 47 years the building was maintained in excellent repair. Teaching standards were high and from this one-room school have emerged boys and girls who have become successful in the business and professional world. In pride and gratitude we remember Fred Hamilton and Jack Allen who gave their lives in World War II.

"There were many social activities to which the boys and girls looked forward: the Christmas concerts held in the Orange Hall and in later years in the school, the parties, the annual school picnic in June, inter-school ball games and the school fair activities.

"The old order did change for S.S. #16 Nottawasaga. In September 1966, the northern portion of the section was transported the Duntroon Central School, leaving an enrollment of 14 pupils. By January 1967, the Nottawasaga School Area, of which we were a part, formally closed the school and provided accommodation in the Creemore schools."

After the school closed some men in the community got together and



SS # 16, September 1953. Back row: Shirley Curran, Jane Ferguson, Winston Ferguson, ? Hilton, Marilyn Joyce, Jacqueline Ashworth, teacher Betty Fraser. Middle row: Fred Hamilton, Frank Curran, Joan Ferguson, Patsy Giffen, Russel Ferguson, Islay McLeod, Bobby Giffen. Front row: Billy Arnold, Judy Arnold, Frances Giffen, Audrey Schields, Lavonne Lane, Bobby Ferguson.

decided the school house would make an ideal community centre. Together they purchased the building and property and called it the Glen Huron Country Club. Many successful dances were held there on Saturday nights. It was available for other community and family events such as we see today at Avening and Dunedin halls. One winter I attended photography classes in the basement. Unfortunately it didn't pay and rising debts left no choice but to sell. I have no dates or other information about the Glen Huron Country Club and would be happy if someone could share that.

My thanks go out to Betty McLeod of Creemore who was a teacher at the school in the 1950s. I was very

excited and thrilled when she showed me the original blueprints of the school, the Trustees' minute book and a treasury of school photographs. Elsa (Ferguson) Wilson of Collingwood provided the information about the water. She started school at S.S. #16 in 1938 and remembers everything. Thanks also, go to Fred Hamilton who gave me information about the Glen Huron Country Club. Fred attended elementary school there and, as most of you know, is a long term citizen of the village of Glen Huron.

Helen Blackburn is a retired teacher, avid gardener and a long-time contributor to the Creemore Echo. She writes about local history.



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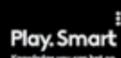
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Sunnidale Winterama brought the community together in the great outdoors last weekend. Clockwise from top left: playing games on the ice rink; **Agnes Van Ryn** and **Dave Wylie** made a splash at Winterama's "Jazzin' 20s" dance in New Lowell Saturday night in the swimsuits made by Van Ryn; **Jenny Bird** belts out the National Anthem at the opening ceremonies Saturday; **Nelson Beattie** plays the sax in the parade; the Legion's **Chuck Arrand** pauses to tie **Winterama Willie's** shoelace at the start of the parade; **Gerry Ivits** and **Heidi Sterenburg**, with daughter **Blythe**, sport their Winterama buttons.



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Mulmur resident pays it forward, With Gratitude

by Trina Berlo

In 1984 Catherine Carpenko wanted to buy her first property but she only had \$500 to her name.

“I shared my dream with an old farmer who offered to give me a mortgage if I put \$1,000 down as a deposit. I barely knew this person and asked, ‘How I could possibly thank you for your generosity?’ He replied, ‘Simply, I will lend you this money if you agree that for the rest of your life to do the same for someone else at every opportunity that presents itself. When you have more than you need, share it.’ And so I have.”

This is what Carpenko calls her gratitude story. It is the inspiration for a life of sharing and the root of her newest endeavor to connect people in need with people who have something to give. The new non-profit social enterprise is called With Gratitude and was dreamed up in that same Mulmur home that Jack Neil helped her buy.

“With Gratitude is the most recent manifestation in which I am focusing my energy. I have been doing it for many, many years in gratitude to Jack but With Gratitude is my final hurrah in making it more available to more people by having others also step forward and be generous with the knowledge, skills and expertise that

they have,” said Carpenko.

A registered psychotherapist and entrepreneur, Carpenko has set up the web based networking tool to connect people who are willing to donate professional services in the fields of health and fitness, finance, legal and accounting with those who cannot afford those services. It could be that someone is in need of help with their taxes, need legal documents, counseling, tutoring or nutritional advice. The goal is to have many professionals offering services in a range of fields so that the receivers have a lot of choice. The service will be offered across Canada, with people meeting in person, online or by phone.

When initially signing up, both givers and receivers will go through an intake process. No money exchanges hands.

Carpenko has funded the launch of With Gratitude, with the support of donors, and people will be able to contribute to the service ongoing.

“People can go to the food bank or the Salvation Army and they can get very practical things they need in their life but the things that are not affordable to those living in poverty or the working poor, you can go on a list for two years to get Legal Aid, you can go on a list with the Canadian National Mental Health



Catherine Carpenko is the founder of a new social enterprise, With Gratitude, that connects low income people with professional service providers.

Association and wait two years to have a therapist to talk to. Those very expensive professional skills are not easily accessible to the people who need it the most.”

The goal is to help those who generally don’t have an opportunity.

“People can help in small ways to make a huge difference in someone’s life. We don’t really appreciate that the small things we do – giving an hour of our time – can make a profound difference in another human

being’s life. I’ve seen it time and time again and I think that it’s such a gift as a giver. We get so much back by being generous with others. I often feel in some ways we get more back than the receiver.”

To sign up as a giver or a receiver, visit withgratitude.ca. For more information contact info@withgratitude.ca or 1-855-941-5522 ext. 2.

With Gratitude has office space in Orangeville, at 10 Zina St., Suite 1.

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potato, garlic, onion, cheese

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poached eggs, fried chicken, basque sauce, waffles

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golden fried pork cutlet, house mushroom sauce, lemon

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Museum of Dufferin (MoD) in partnership with Alethia O’Hara-Stephenson and members of the CDDHS Youth Advisory committee and G.E.T. Outreachworks kicked off Black History Month with the historic Pan African flag raising ceremony at MoD on Saturday, Feb. 1. On Sunday, Feb. 23, MoD will host a panel discussion with guest speakers, a Black History Month exhibit and a presentation on the influence of diversity in music.

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Creemore Curling Club standings

Daytime

Team	win-loss
Martens	7-1
Coulter	5-3
Loranger	5-3
Steed	4-5
Bell	4-5
McDougall	3-5
Lambert	2-7

From the Hack: On Monday, there was another exciting close match featuring Teams Martens and Coulter. It was tied after seven ends with Team Coulter having the hammer coming home. Ron had one sitting at the back of the button and Bill had to draw in and kiss it with his final stone. Unfortunately, Bill came up short by a few inches, allowing Ron to throw away his last rock, but counting one and a win for Team Coulter. On Sheet 2, Team Lambert impressed with excellent shot-making to down Team Steed and record their first win! Team Lambert picked up their second win by besting Team Coulter on Wednesday. Karen skipped Team Martens on Wednesday and secured a win against Team Steed. Thanks to Joan and Diane for treats this week! Good curling everyone!

Mixed

Team	win-loss
Fuller	4 -1-0
Madill	3-0-2
Baylis	3-1-1
Crevier	2-0-3
Bell	2-2-1
McArthur	2-2-1
Cass	0-5-0
Vorstermans	0-5-0

From the Hack: Fuller takes the lead with only two games remaining.

Ladies

Team	win-loss
Baylis	4-1
Walker	4-1
Crawford	2-3
Millsap	0-5

From the Hack: While both front ends struggled to find the right weight, vices Ann and Gail threw perfect rocks the whole game.

Team Walker took the win, but Judith made shots that surprised everyone... even her. Without their skip, Barb, Chantelle and Natalie were trailing after three ends. After some guidance from opposing skip Donna, they started their comeback by winning the next three ends. Unfortunately it was not enough for Team Millsap to get in the win column.

Quote of the week: (PC)"The hammer is overrated!"

Men

Team	win-loss
Rowbotham	4-1
Wilson	4-1
Cober	3-1
Crevier	3-1
Millsap	3-2
Lambert	1-3
Verstegen	1-3
Flack	1-4
Hewitt	0-4



FUN & Games

Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answers on page 11

Canadian Criss Cross

February 7, 2020

- ACROSS**
- Person under discussion
 - Go without food, as for religious reasons
 - Piece of school furniture
 - Jump on one foot
 - Different prefix
 - Different
 - Supplementary material at the back of a book
 - It's bigger than a town
 - Cry of a cat
 - Speak up
 - Close by
 - Is unable to
 - Have some features that are the same
 - Dome-shaped Buddhist shrine
 - Offense against God
 - Freeman and Bennett
 - Sleep for a bit
 - Dispute
 - Unfinished drawing
 - Give aid to
 - Be in a hurry
 - Breathing pore
 - Currency used since 2002
 - Leaning of the mind
 - Bursts open, as a pod
 - Light tan
 - Keffiyeh headband
 - New Zealand parrot
 - French word for head

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- Vegetables like potatoes
- Cunningly underhanded

- Martial arts weapons
- Moonfish
- Kind of measure
- Mountain in Thessaly
- Competes
- Before prefix
- First patriarch
- Paper for wrapping gifts
- Treats well
- At the present time
- Very big
- Scottish Highlanders dance
- "___ can you see,..." ("The Star-Spangled Banner" words)
- Put money on
- Frozen water
- The skill of drawing
- French word for they

DOWN

- Loud sound of a hard impact
- Cherish a desire with anticipation
- Rivals
- Admirer
- He starred in "The Marrying Kind"
- Almost fall
- Poisonous
- Properly clothed
- Samuel's teacher
- Retired jet
- Typewriter button
- Earthenware container
- Bahamas capital
- Very nearly

FRED'S FUNNIES

Whenever I try to eat healthy, a chocolate bar looks at me and snickers.

Library plans March Break programming "with teeth"

Looking for a "sharktacular" time over the March Break? Take the bait and mark your calendar to bring your children into the Clearview Public Library for a "finnastic" experience of arts, crafts and literary activities all based on the theme of Shark Week.

What does Spideyman have to do with sharks? He will be introducing our new line of WonderBooks as well as our PlayAway Launchpads including Let's Go Underwater in the Sunnidale Branch at 10 a.m. and in the Stayner Branch at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 14. Family photos with Spideyman are welcomed.

Our Children's Librarian is hosting formal workshops featuring art activities such as Beach Flip Flop Wreaths, Jaws Attack Photos, You are Jawsome Mugs and Shark Sundaes from Tuesday to Friday. Locations, times and

LIBRARY NEWS



Michele MCKENZIE

registration spots are posted on-line on our Event Keeper Page located in our library homepage. These spots are filling in fast.

This year's Big Free Family Concert will feature **Mary Lambert** and her Sing Into Spring interactive musical entertainment on Tuesday, March 17 at the Stayner Community Centre starting at 2 p.m. Tickets are complimentary but required and available at all three circulation desks.

We will be offering free mini concerts and musical activities with **Melissa McInnes** (our local opera singer and voice teacher) during Library Time in the Sunnidale Branch at 9:45 a.m. and the Early ON program at Station on the Green in Creemore at 11:15 a.m. on Wednesday, March 18. These programs are suitable for small children and their siblings. Please come out and make some noise with us! Spoiler Alert

– we will be singing Baby Shark.

We guarantee that there will not be any sharks on the ice at Moms + Tots Skate on Friday, March 20 at the Stayner Community Arena at 10:30 a.m. to noon but we will have plenty of "sharkopedia" facts and crafts at our Creative Crafty Story Hour from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

There are still spaces available in the St. John Home Alone (\$45) and Babysitter Courses (\$65) that will be held on Saturday, March 21 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Stayner Community Arena. Please call the Stayner Branch (705-428-3595) by Friday, March 13 to ensure your child's registration.

It is only a few short weeks to the First Day of Spring (Thursday, March 19) and to the start of March Break. Think of us at the Clearview Public Library if you want to exercise your brain, expand your horizons and fire up your imagination!

New branch provides possibilities for new programs

by **Mary Boyd and Connie Leishman**

Before the end of the winter, Clearview Township will take possession of the new Stayner Branch.

Library CEO **Jennifer La Chapelle** and her staff are ready to dig into the task of moving the current collection over to this exciting new building.

Imagine the following in the new beautiful 6800 square-foot open space replacing the old 2400 square feet of smaller rooms cobbled together:

- A building designed by **Luc Bouliane**, who won the Young Architect of the Year award from the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) in 2018 for his body of work including the design of this building;
- An internet café to connect to the wireless internet with your own devices in addition to use of the library's computers and programs to support your interests;
- A cinema licence and space to show movies;
- Saturday Family Drop-In with crafts and fun activities in space;
- Toddler-parent pre-school programs for ages 2 ½ to 5 in a children's area;
- Reading Buddy puppet/book kits to sign out;
- After School Club for Grades 2 through 6 and Homework Club for Grades 6 and up;

• Adult craft and book clubs.

And all of this with new accessible shelving and furniture, wonderful natural light to enhance the indoor lighting and convenient parking in a safe and well-lit lot.

The staff is excited at all of the possibilities for additional programs; already there are partnerships beginning with other groups, including the Canada Revenue Agency's Community Volunteer Income Tax program to help people with their income tax returns, and Georgian College volunteering to help students 19 or older working to get their GED or to improve their academics at college. We are lucky to have the additional space of the boardroom and community center hall to increase our programs.

We thank all who have responded to our mail out campaign and remind all that donations are still welcome. We would also like to publicly thank our numerous and varied donors to date. We have had only one hitch – one of our donors who was eligible for a tax receipt and thank you note provided an incorrect mailing address and his thank you note and charitable donation receipt was returned to us. So please provide us with a correct mailing address if you would like a tax receipt and personal thank you card.

When we put up our thermometer in the near future, we hope to be more than halfway to our target. At \$120,000 already donated, we are very close to that mark. Our group of volunteer fundraisers has worked tirelessly on this first phase of our campaign. Stay tuned for the details of Phase 2, which is intended to take us over the top.

So here we are at the end of two things: the construction of our new library facility, and the decade of work to keep things running in the current building as the town of Stayner and surrounding area outgrew it.

And here we are at the start of two things: the opening of our new library building, and the unfolding and development of an exciting new hub for all of Clearview. We thank all who have invested their time, talents, passion, and funds to make this a reality. We encourage all to visit and make use of all that this library will offer. The opening date will be announced shortly, as well as the grand opening.

If you have a dream for the original library building, contact the Township of Clearview to get details about the process for the sale of the building.

Mary Boyd and Connie Leishman are members of the Clearview Library board.

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 For more information about our farm, see our website at www.cutdriedflowerfarm.com. To apply, please send cover letter and resume to katie@cutdriedflowerfarm.com.

OBITUARY

BELLAMY, Sharron Mary
 It is with great sadness we announce the peaceful passing of Sharron Mary Bellamy, Friday, January 31, 2020. Sharron was born in Creemore, ON to Maurice and Mary Patton on December 7, 1946. Loving wife of 53 years to William (Bill) Bellamy. Devoted mother to Christina Sharron Payne (nee Bellamy) and husband Wallace Payne. Affectionate grandmother to Kennedy Bellamy Payne. She will be greatly missed by her loving and supportive family of five sisters, one brother, Betty (Bob Stephenson), Linda (Orley Dunstan), Roger Patton (Patricia), Kathy (John Connor), Judy Patton and Helen Patton Caulfield. Also greatly missed by Bill's sister Lois (John Plowright), brothers Ralph Bellamy (Pat), Paul Bellamy (Stephanie) and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. A memorial service will be held Friday February 7, 2020 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church located at 99 Peter St. N in Orillia, ON. Visitation will be held from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. with the memorial service at 2 p.m. and reception to follow.

OBITUARY



COMARTIN, Eva May (March 24, 1921 – January 27, 2020)
 Eva passed away peacefully on January 27th in her 99th year surrounded by people who cared at The Village of Riverside Glen, Guelph, Ontario. She was born in Creemore, Ontario on March 25, 1921 to the late Samuel Ross Walker and Myrtle May Gallagher. Predeceased by her husband Frank (1990) and siblings Mary (2016) and Edna (2000). Lovingly remembered by her nieces and nephews John (Jackie), Wendy, Grant, Lynne (Grant) and Mark (Donna), Sandra (Bob) and her dear friend Ruth Rodgers. Dearly missed by her great nieces and nephews. Most precious to Eva was the visits from her great, great nephews, Lennon, Bodhi and Reid. Eva will be remembered for her infectious smile, speaking her mind, great work ethic and her love of sports. A celebration of life was held at Riverside Glen on Sunday, February 2, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the MS Society, Canada. Internment has taken place at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Barrie Ontario.

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- Manage advertising & publicity including website, social & print media
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- Maintain weekly vendor sales & attendance data
- As a board member, report on market performance as needed
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Compensation

\$5000 (\$3000 for summer/ \$2000 for winter)

Preferred Qualifications

- Strong communicator, both written & verbal
- Demonstrated interpersonal skills
- Familiarity with public health requirements
- Leadership experience
- Experience with spreadsheets, electronic documents & Google forms

Further background on the position is available on Creemore Farmers' Market website (www.creemorefarmersmarket.ca) or phone Helen Martin (current market manager) at 705-818-1251.

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Qualifications:

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Responsibilities: Reporting to the Supervisor, By-Law, the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer participates in investigating inquiries regarding Township by-laws and regulations, enforcing Municipal parking by-laws, perform property standards enforcement and zoning enforcement concerns, perform animal control duties, as well as preparing detailed reports and recording keeping.

The preferred candidate will possess a thorough knowledge of applicable legislation, acts, statutes and regulations. As well, they must be able to exercise tact and diplomacy by working independently and as a part of an enforcement team

Experience and proven ability with enforcement, investigation and inspection practices and procedures as well as excellent analytical, problem-solving, interpersonal, conflict management and communication skills are a must.

Salary: The salary range offered for this position is \$54,399 to \$66,120 per year plus a competitive benefits package.

Note: The preferred candidate must be willing to provide consent for the Township to conduct a criminal background and vulnerable sector check prior to finalizing an employment offer.

Interested candidates are invited to forward their resume and covering letter quoting **job # 2020-007** to Human Resources **by February 21, 2020**, to: hr@clearview.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls please. The Township of Clearview is an equal opportunity employer.

Accommodation will be provided in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).

Please visit: www.clearview.ca

Summer Student Opportunities

2020 summer student job opportunities are available with Clearview Township. Details of all jobs and hiring criteria can be viewed at: www.clearview.ca under the News, Meetings and Opportunities section.

- Job #2020-001 Pool Instructors / Lifeguards (6 f/t positions, 1 p/t position)
- Job #2020-002 Pool Lifeguard – Supervisor
- Job #2020-003 Student Water / Sewer Operator (Co-Op position)
- Job #2020-004 Student Roads Workers (4 positions)
- Job #2020-005 Student Tourism/ Culture Assistants (5 positions)
- Job #2020-006 Student GIS Technician

All full time (f/t) positions are 35-40 hours per week (May to August 2020)

All resumes must be received electronically through the Human Resources department, by Friday, February 28, 2020, at: hr@clearview.ca

Please indicate job # in the subject line. If applying for more than one position, please indicate the order of preference.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please note: In accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, please contact Human Resources for accommodation inquiries or requirements at 705-428-6230 x. 255

Community Maintenance and Beautification Labourer – Temporary Full-time

The Corporation of the Township of Clearview

Clearview Township is currently seeking three (3) temporary full-time Community Maintenance and Beautification Labourers from **April – October**

Key Accountabilities

Reporting to the Supervisor, Parks, Culture and Recreation, the Community Maintenance and Beautification Labourers are responsible for the maintenance of community property and township beautification projects.

The preferred candidates will possess a strong working knowledge of power and hand tools, push mowers, riding lawn mowers, whipper / weed snipper, power washers and street sweeper. They must be a self-starter with strong problem-solving skills and a pride in good workmanship attitude as well the ability to deal with the public in a courteous and professional manner.

Skills and Experience

- Minimum Grade 12 education with 2 years of demonstrated experience in streetscapes, parks and outdoor spaces.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and in a team environment.
- Personal suitability and satisfactory physical condition.
- Knowledge of standard hand and power tools, lawn maintenance equipment and equipment used in maintenance activities and ability to operate such in a safe and effective manner.
- Knowledge of safety standards and precautions for the use of tools and safe work practices.
- Ability to understand, read and follow written and oral instructions.
- Ability to perform heavy manual labour, including bending, stooping, reaching and lifting heavy objects.
- Physical strength and ability sufficient to meet job requirements for extended periods under uncomfortable conditions in all types of weather.
- Ability to climb on ladders and to work in confined spaces.
- Current certification WHMIS
- A valid Ontario Driver's License, Class "G" with a driving record that demonstrates responsible / safe driving behavior

Salary:

The salary range offered for this position is \$18.54 per hour, plus 4% vacation pay.

Note: The preferred candidate must be willing to provide consent for the Township to conduct a criminal background and vulnerable sector check prior to finalizing an employment offer.

Interested candidates are invited to forward their resume and covering letter quoting **job # 2020-008** to Human Resources **by February 28, 2020** to: hr@clearview.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls, please. The Township of Clearview is an equal opportunity employer.

Accommodation will be provided in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).

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