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Grade 6 Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School student **Noah Cook** tucks into pancakes while attending Breakfast with Santa at the school Dec. 1 with parents **Ryan** and **Sarah Cook**. See more photos of the weekend's festivities on page 6-7.

Measures sworn in as Clearview mayor

by Trina Berlo

Clearview council members were sworn in with pomp and ceremony Monday evening at town hall in Stayner.

Councillors were paraded into council chambers by piper **Tim Armour** to greet a standing-room-only crowd of family, friends, supporters and politicians from neighbouring communities. The National Anthem was performed by **Ella Baker** before councillors took their oath of office.

The guest of honour was Clearview's first mayor **Carol Currie**, elected in 1994. In her remarks she issued a challenge to council, before presenting the newly elected mayor, **Doug Measures**, the chain of office.

Currie imparted words of wisdom, advising council members to be good leaders by being strong but also knowing when to back down, to work hard and be decisive. She used a number of analogies and anecdotes



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Clearview Township clerk **Pamela Fettes** presents Mayor **Doug Measures** his gavel at Monday night's inauguration ceremony at town hall in Stayner.

to emphasize her message, saying things like "There are a whole bunch of squashed squirrels on the road out

there who couldn't make a decision" and "You can't lead if no one will (See "Clearview" on page 3)

Firefighters tackle two area fires Monday

The Clearview fire department responded to two fires on Dec. 3.

The first call came in just before 1 a.m. A residence on 30/31 Sideroad, along with multiple vehicles, were in flames and three people had escaped without injury.

The fire is currently being investigated.

The second fire occurred just after 4 a.m. in a detached garage at a Concession Road 3 residence in Creemore.

Thirteen firefighters with five apparatus responded, working hard to keep the fire from extending to the nearby home.

The fire is not considered suspicious.

Motorcyclist succumbs to injuries from October crash

A Waterloo man did succumb to injuries sustained in a collision in Mulmur on Oct. 19.

Dufferin OPP are now confirming that Dale Hoch, 67 years old of Waterloo, Ontario, died on November 23 in a Toronto area hospital.

Dufferin OPP were called to a serious collision Oct. 19 at the corner of Airport Road and Dufferin Road 21, where a minivan had collided with a motorcycle just before 1 p.m.

A preliminary investigation revealed that an eastbound minivan travelling on Dufferin Road 21 failed to stop at a stop sign and collided with a northbound motorcycle.

The driver of the motorcycle was immediately flown to a Toronto area hospital by Ornge Air Ambulance.

The driver of minivan sustained minor injuries.

The collision remains under investigation and no charges have been laid at this time.

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This Weekend

Friday, November 23 to Monday, Dec. 17

- **Creemore Echo** is Collecting Food & Toys in support of Hope Acres and the Clearview Food Bank. Gift cards, grocery store cards, cash/cheque donations, non-perishable foods, toys & gifts for all ages are welcome. Drop off your items by Monday, December 17.

Friday, December 7

- **Live at Gayety Theatre: Gabor and Friends**, a nine-piece band with performances from singers: Wayne Buttery, Stephen Cassini, Lisa Hutchinson, John Finley, Connie Scriver & Dean McTaggart. 100% of ticket revenue goes to The Collingwood G&M Hospital Foundation. Event will be videotaped and recorded. Every ticket holder entitled to a DVD of the event. Tickets \$75 at www.gayetytheatre.com or 888-353-3203. Doors open at 7 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. 161 Hurontario Street, Collingwood.
- **A Rat-Packed Christmas Comedy Hour** at Simcoe Street Theatre, 65 Simcoe Street Collingwood, at 7:30 p.m. Classic Christmas comedy variety show, crooners, country singer & Toronto comedians! m.bpt.me/event/3744877 or ratpackedchristmas@hotmail.com for tickets.

Saturday, December 8

- **Handmade in the Valley Craft Show at Dunedin Hall** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Over 20 local vendors. Drop in and get some Christmas shopping done!
- **2nd Annual Very Artisan Christmas at Nottawa Hall** from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A gathering of local artisans, makers & creators in the Georgian Bay area showcasing their creations. Something for everyone just in time for Christmas.
- **Sound Investment Community Choir Christmas concert.** Sing Noel: a joyful celebration of song from around the world. Special guests are the CCI Vocal Ensemble. 7 p.m. at New Life Brethren Church, 28 Tracey Lane, Collingwood. \$20, children 12 and under free with ticket purchased, available at www.soundinvestmentchoir.ca or through Theatre Collingwood at 705-445-2200. If still available, tickets will be sold at the door.

Saturdays, December 8, 15, 22 & 29

- **Creemore Farmers' Winter Market** at Station on the Green from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sunday, December 9

- **Church Services** on page 5.
- **Clearview Community Church presents a Concert with 2Fish** at their service at 11 a.m. at Station on the Green.
- **St. Luke's Anglican Church Service is The Christmas Story in Word & Carol** at 11:15 a.m.
- **Stories and Carols**, to celebrate the beginning of the Advent season at 2:30 p.m. at **Holy Trinity Clearview, Duntroon.**
- **Free Public Skating sponsored by Stayner Lions** every Sunday until the end of December. Creemore Arena from noon to 1:50 p.m. Stayner Arena from 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- **TD Lands Community Consultation Session.** A public consultation session is being held at Station on the Green at 2 p.m. For more information contact Sara at 705-466-9906 or sara@creemore.com.
- **Handel's Messiah** at St. John's United Church, 192 Mill Street, at 3 p.m. The New Tecumseth Singers and The Dufferin Concert Singers present choral highlights from Handel's Messiah with piano accompaniment. Adults \$20, children under 16 free.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, December 11

- **Stayner Euchre Club** meets every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Jubilee Presbyterian Church.

Friday, December 14 to Sunday, Dec. 16

- **Sandcastle Theatre presents Narnia the Panto** at Mountainview Elementary School, Collingwood. Friday at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Adults \$20, students \$15. Tickets available at U-Pick Parties, at the door, from cast members and may be reserved via email to Stephanie at sandcastletheatre@gmail.com.

Sunday, December 16

- **Creemore Legion Breakfast at Creemore Legion is early this month!** 8:30 to 11 a.m. Choice of 2 eggs or waffle, home fries, toast, sausage or bacon, juice, coffee/tea. Adult \$7, children 12 and under \$4. Hungry Soldier Special \$10. **Drawing of the 50/50 tickets will take place at the breakfast.** Call 705-466-2202 for more information. 27 Wellington Street West.

Tuesday, December 25

- **Creemore Community Christmas Dinner** at Creemore Legion at 4:30 p.m. Everyone welcome to dine and/or volunteer. Pay what you can. Donation of non-perishable food item appreciated. Contact Donna at 705-466-2523 or CreemoreChristmasElf@gmail.com to reserve your seat or make special arrangements. For more information see www.CreemoreChristmas.ca and have a Merry Christmas!



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Clearview council acknowledges past and future

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follow you". She also told an amusing story about shovelling pigeon poo out of the old town hall in order to make useable office space – the message being, don't be afraid to pitch in.

It was a jovial atmosphere with lots of laughter. After the remarks, council members took their seats around the festively decorated council table and each took a turn addressing the audience.

Ed Christie, Nottawa's new representative, opened with gratitude for a successful campaign, saying, "I am looking forward to the new job and I will take it very seriously."

Doug McKechnie acknowledged Ward 2's previous councillor **Kevin Elwood** for encouraging him to run for the seat.

"He told me no one ever complains and I have already found out that's not true," joked McKechnie.

"We need to shake things up," he added, more seriously, saying public participation is low. "We need to think outside the box and get bums in those seats."

To Measures, McKechnie said he is looking forward to being part of his team.

"You are John Lennon, we are the Beatles. You are Mick Jagger, we are The Stones. You are Diana Ross. We are The Supremes," he said, much to the delight of onlookers.

Stayner north's new councillor **John Broderick** said, "When I look around this table I see capabilities, and capacity for deep thought," adding he is excited to see what Clearview can do when they put their minds to it.

Robert Walker, who returns to council for a 28th year, this time acclaimed as Ward 4 councillor, gave kudos to former mayors who have laid the ground work for the coming term.

Former mayor **Ken Ferguson**, who was in attendance, was known to say Clearview's time is now, said Walker.



Staff photo: Trina Berlo

Clearview Township council pose for a photo at their inauguration Monday: **Ed Christie** (from left), **Thom Paterson**, **John Lamers**, **Robert Walker**, **Doug Measures**, **Barry Burton**, **Connie Leishman**, **John Broderick** and **Doug McKechnie**.

"Well, Clearview's time is now," said Walker. "Clearview is starting to blossom. Clearview is starting to get its own identity."

Creemore's representative **Thom Paterson**, to new councillors, advised them to cherish the time they have on council and to have their priorities straight in terms of time. To former councillors, "To all of you, I'll miss you. Thank you for your service."

Measures made a point of recognizing Ward 6 councillor **Connie Leishman** as the only woman on council.

"When I stood up last time I said I had a passion for Clearview. Well, that passion has not waned. If anything, it is enhanced," she said. "This is my new family. We all have strengths. Together, we make up a good council.

You are in really good hands."

"It's not lost on anyone that I'm the only woman. Dig for your feminine side once in a while, would ya boys?"

New Ward 7 councillor **John Lamers** said, "I am looking forward to keeping Clearview on track and we have a lot of work to do."

When it came time for Deputy Mayor **Barry Burton** to speak he said Clearview has come a long way.

"We have shown others that while our communities have their own identities we have united as one."

He thanked his wife **Lorraine** for her support, echoing other councillors' comments about the amount that committee work keeps them away from home. Burton said he was musing about it with his wife when she said, it's nice to have the remote to herself.

Last up, his worship **Doug Measures** talked about service, partnerships and being good listeners.

"Let's work together, get along, have some fun at the end of the day and move this community forward," he said.

He told councillors, "You are always on duty... Speak up and share your goals for this community. I respect the office of mayor. It's not a game but I do like to have a little fun once in a while."

"My boys have grown up seeing me do this council thing and I'm not sure they understand but I care about this community as much as I care about our family," he said.

After speeches, council adjourned for photo ops before joining the reception.

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EDITORIAL

Not a spectator government

Welcome new councillors and congratulations to those who have retained their seats or moved into the mayor's seat.

A new term of council is an exciting time for politicians. Everyone is energized and determined to get down to business.

During the inauguration ceremonies held this week in Clearview and Mulmur it was oft said that councillors were happy to have so many people in the audience and they wished people would come to council meetings regularly. It is understandable that councillors find it discouraging to conduct meetings while looking out at empty galleries but to interpret the low attendance as utter disinterest is foolish.

To ask the average citizen to demonstrate their level of community engagement by attending long, boring council meetings is simply asking too much.

The regular business of the day can be done without an audience. Part of a councillor's job is to rubber stamp things and make minor decisions about township business. The fun stuff, the controversial stuff and the big spending stuff comes along less often.

Councillors are often fixated on how to get people out to meetings but instead council should be making sure the community has convenient ways of finding out what is happening and when.

There are many examples of missed opportunities in Clearview. At council's last meeting, comments were made about the lack of attendance for a discussion about council remuneration. One councillor went so far as to say, people don't care.

It is infuriating to hear the public criticized for not showing up to a special meeting in the middle of a weekday afternoon to talk about remuneration when the meeting was not advertised. It wasn't even tweeted, which is the preferred method of alerting the public to agendas being posted online.

More importantly, participation shouldn't be gauged by attendance at meetings, where people are only spectators (aside from 15 minute public engagement and meetings held specifically to hear public input).

People have many different ways of engaging with the township. Councillors just have to be savvy enough to understand that they are being engaged.

Ask Creemore representative Thom Paterson and he will probably tell you that it takes him hours to get around town as people spontaneously ask him for information or give him a piece of their mind. It is up to him to mentally compile everything he gets from those interactions to gauge public opinion.

Councillors must accept the public's participation however they choose to engage. (It should be noted that not even new councillors attended meetings before they decided to run.)

Too often people are turned away or cut off when attempting to engage with Clearview officials. The way volunteer committees were disbanded is just one example.

While next door, Mulmur is adding committees, welcoming people at town hall meetings but they still have a small audience for regular council meetings.

THE WAY WE WERE



Marion McArthur pulled by trusted steeds at the 2000 Creemore Santa Claus Parade, accompanied by scooper Jason Durrish.

Some things shouldn't change

Editor:

The recent change notified in *Creemore Echo's* Nov. 30 publication, supports the theory that 'nothing stays the same'.

Spike and Rusty weekly puzzle will be missed as will Ken Thornton himself. Good luck Ken.

Wilson's Avridge Farm cartoons have brought many a smile to this community.

One other subject while I have my fingers on the keyboard: I share your readers' anger over speakers using Armistice Day parades to spin some political point.

As always on these solemn occasions we should focus on giving two minutes silence with any appropriate speech remembering the fallen, and that should never change.

I attended my first Armistice Parade in 1930s, remembering those who fell in WW1 in our town. Their names are still cut into stone on the town's

cenotaph.

Again in late 1940s, I attended services remembering the fallen personnel from WW2 by adding more names to those of WW1.

Regretfully, changes in the future will no doubt give some stone mason more work. But one thing remains; those donning a uniform to fight for their country do not indicate any political leanings. Many of us who served in WW2 wonder why the unnecessary change in rhetoric; stick to the service at hand and leave present day politics out of it.

The cenotaphs only have alphabetically engraved names under a war heading, they are not segregated or politically color coded for any reason.

If that ever happens, it would be a deplorable change.

Ray Jackson,
Mulmur.

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Poor health drives Bert Smith to buy newspaper

Last month we found the Smith family, Bert and May, rejoicing over the birth of their first child, David Angus, "the most wonderful thing that had ever happened." Bert, writing his own biography, continues:

The First World War armistice happened two weeks after David's birth. Fortunately we escaped the flu bug and generally things were good. The old farm paid off in 1918-19 but then the depression started and to make matters worse my health was miserable. I had to live on a restricted diet. My trouble was a Duodenal Ulcer, but it took 12 years before the doctors diagnosed the trouble. I also had chronic appendix trouble, and in March 1921 I went to the Collingwood Hospital under Dr. McFaul and had my appendix removed. The surgeon also removed my tonsils at the same time. I wouldn't recommend this to anyone else. The doctor said he felt sure I was then to have good health but he was all wrong. The old internal pains returned and I just couldn't keep up with the necessary farm work.

The doctor and several friends advised me to quit the farm and go into some other line of work. Frankly, I was quite perturbed. I had no training for anything else. I went to my mother and she said, "You are now 35 years old, and if you feel unable to farm, the sooner you pick some other vocation the better."

LOCAL HISTORY



Helen BLACKBURN

It was about December 1, 1923 that I went into *The Creemore Star* office to pay up my subscription

Mrs. Carlton and her son were running the business. Mr. Carlton had died two years before. I found her in bad humour. Straight away

she said, "I wish you or someone else would buy me out." She said, "Give me \$8,000 and it's yours." I didn't let on but frankly I was interested. The next day I called on the Anglican minister because I knew he had been a printer. I told him about my health and finances and asked for his opinion. He told me *The Creemore Star* was down at the heel. In fact he said it was a mess. But he considered there were great possibilities. Then to get another publisher's viewpoint I got on the train and visited the Alliston editor because I had heard he had come to *The Creemore Star* office to do some repair job. Like the preacher he said the *Star* was at low ebb, but there were good possibilities under good management. He valued it at \$7000 for machinery and building. I, of course, talked it over with my family and within a week I went in and made an offer of \$7000 - two thousand cash and balance in abeyance until one year later to be arranged. She accepted.

I made an estimate of my assets and hoping to sell the farm considered it was worth \$7,000. I went to the bank and found the manager cooperative. He

would loan me \$2,000. Signed, sealed and delivered I was the owner of *The Creemore Star*. The \$2,000 loan from the bank was the down payment. I took over January 10th, 1924. My knowledge of the business was nil, except that I felt confident that I could write. It was in favour that the business was at low ebb. I kept the two boys already there, Ken Carlton and "Stiff."

My hope was to hold an auction sale in March, and also sell the farm. For two months I went up and down daily on the good old train. May and the children stayed on the farm until late in March. I should mention that a depression was on. My sale went over and I was able to pay off the bank. But not a single prospect wanted to buy the farm. I finally leased it. We were able to rent a house in Creemore.

I pepped up the *Star* and added several new subscribers but after three or four months I realized things were in a rut. I was advised that the two boys on the staff were inefficient and that I should fire them. I took Ken into my confidence and when I outlined my plans he got mad and walked out never to return. In the meantime Mrs. Carlton was boasting that she would soon have the business again as well as the \$2,000 deposit.

In September I hired Frank Patterson. He said for me to run the front office, do the writing, etc. and let him handle the mechanical and without interference. I agreed and things then progressed very well. I was able to get a mortgage on the

building and machinery for \$5,000 and in December paid Mrs. Carlton off in full, much to her disappointment.

The business picked up and I bought my first car. After getting the car I visited other editors at Alliston, Barrie, Dundalk, etc... and humbly asked for advice. They all advised me to join the weekly press association and attend meetings.

In the meantime my printer was very unsatisfactory. He knew the business from A to Z and his advice was usually right. I guess I was stupid but it never dawned on me that he was an alcoholic, and for his first 10 months with me I didn't even know he would take a drink.

But things went along. Bert and Mrs. Smith took a vacation and went to the newspaper convention in Winnipeg. In the late 1920s Frank Patterson became a confirmed alcoholic. I took on Russell More as an apprentice. Then one day my main man Patterson went away and never came back.

My health broke down, due to an ulcer, which had never been diagnosed. The ulcer hemorrhaged and I was more dead than alive. I was taken by ambulance to Collingwood Hospital for an emergency operation. When I now recall what I came through I just wondered how I survived. Fortunately the operation was successful and for many years I had fairly good health. I had been on a restricted diet for years but after the operation I was able to eat anything.

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Dryden Dinsmore (above) was declared the winner of the crazy hat contest at the Tree Lighting ceremony Nov. 30, hosted by Creemore and Area Residents' Association and the Tree Society of Creemore. Dryden, who thanked her sister **Ella** for her skill with the hot glue gun, won the honour of flipping the switch to illuminate the Christmas tree at Station on the Green. All participants were given prizes from Cardboard Castles.



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The craft room was bustling at Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School's Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 1. Grade 4 student **Aline Stokes** (right) tells **Santa** what she wants for Christmas. Below left: Three-year-old **Riley Holzer** makes a snowman at the Nov. 30 tree lighting. Below right: **Ken Robertson** leads carol singing.



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Mulmur council gets down to business on inauguration day

by Trina Berlo

Mulmur council members were sworn in Wednesday during a modest ceremony, followed by a brief reception before getting down to the business of their first meeting, which was expected to go on well into the afternoon.

There was a packed house for the 9 a.m. inauguration ceremony, which saw each council member taking the oath of office, beginning with newly elected mayor **Janet Horner**.

Before breaking for coffee and snacks, each council member was given a few moments to address the crowd overflowing council chambers.

“Let me first say how excited I am to be sitting in this chair surrounded by this very capable team,” said Horner.

She took the opportunity to thank fellow councillors, past and present, her husband **Brian**, who she said has been calling himself “the first lady of Mulmur”, former mayor **Paul Mills**, who was in attendance, for his “solid leadership and gracious handover.” She thanked staff and those who added special touches to the ceremony, including **Grace Franco Lloyd**, who sang the National Anthem, and **Ruth Rindella** who read an original poem about Mulmur.

Horner went on to say, “To the voters, this council, we thank you for your support and your belief in the future of Mulmur. Your confidence and trust in us is something that we will not take lightly... Our future starts today. Our job as council begins today, as we build



Staff photo: Trina Berlo

Mulmur council: **Shirley Boxem** (from left) **Earl Hawkins**, **Janet Horner**, **Patricia Clark** and **Ken Cufaro**.

the framework for the future we want tomorrow.”

She outlined four themes that will be the focus of council: High quality and efficient service (infrastructure, maintenance, customer service and affordable policing and fire service); Controlled growth (develop housing for families and seniors, develop a vision for the Primrose business park, which has a new owner; Support small business and agriculture (enhance internet and wireless service, work to accurately define greenspace mapping concerns); Resident engagement (add new committees to work on strategic plan and continue addressing road

safety).

“Together we will move through the next four years – we will embrace the future and work hard to create the vision of Mulmur that we all can support. I trust that my leadership as your mayor will help us get there,” said Horner.

Earl Hawkins also thanked supporters and gave a heartfelt thanks to staff.

“Without a good staff we are nothing, absolutely nothing,” he said.

Hawkins thanked Mills for his time as mayor, saying to him directly, “At times your job was very difficult. You are a good mayor.”

Like others on the campaign trail, Hawkins said many positive comments about life in Mulmur were expressed. “Many people said they’re just happy to

be here, that’s really something.”

“Our job is not an easy one. Sometimes you have to make decisions that are best for the majority,” he said. “I will do my best, as I have for the past 21 years.”

Three councillors-at-large, all of whom are new to the table, made brief comments.

“I am thrilled and honoured to be sitting on this side of the desk. I am really looking forward to the next four years. Thank you,” said **Shirley Boxem**.

Patricia Clark said, “I think we will enjoy ourselves. We will work hard but have a good time.”

“I will do my best to fulfill my duties. Thank you for this opportunity,” said **Ken Cufaro**.



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Big Heart Seniors

November 29
We had 27 for cards. On such a beautiful day we hoped to have more.
50/50: **Alinda Bishop, Irma Flack, Ron Laing, Janice Stephens.**
Moon shots: **Dave Smith. Phyllis Seed** got the travel prize.
Winners: **Bill Martin, 331; Isabelle Gubbels, 31; Wilma Zeggil, 305; Janice Stephens, 280.** Low: **Morris Tymchuk, 137.** No lucky chair.

Narnia, the Panto

Sandcastle Theatre is putting on five shows of Narnia the Panto at Mountainview Elementary School in Collingwood. The show runs Dec. 14-16 at 7 p.m., with 2 p.m. matinees on Dec. 15 and 16. Tickets cost \$20 for adults and \$15 for students. For tickets, visit www.sandcastletheatre.com.



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FUN & Games

Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answers on page 11

FRED'S FUNNIES

Hear about Santa and his reindeer landing on top of an outhouse?

Santa looked around for a moment, then hollered, “No no, Rudolph! I said the SCHMIDT house!”

Canadian Criss Cross

December 7, 2018

- ACROSS
- 1. NHL team in Winnipeg
 - 5. Spoil
 - 10. Cicatrix
 - 14. And others
 - 15. Giraffe relative
 - 16. Ready money
 - 17. Beige colour
 - 18. Canadian who played for the Blues
 - 19. Chief food in many parts of the world
 - 20. Satellite of Mars
 - 22. Ancient Greek headband
 - 24. Gun, as an engine
 - 26. Flatfish
 - 27. Meat stuffed into a casing
 - 31. River in Quebec
 - 35. Five: Fr.
 - 36. Very good
 - 38. Piece of chewing tobacco
 - 39. Letters after Q
 - 40. Spanish gentleman
 - 41. Unconvincingly feeble, as an excuse
 - 42. “___ of the Mind” (Shepard play)
 - 43. Clock pointers
 - 45. River in Turkey
 - 46. Charles Bronson film
 - 48. Able to float
 - 50. Piece of orange peel used as flavouring
 - 51. Yang’s counterpart
 - 52. Having rhythm
 - 55. Sudden outburst of anger
 - 60. Kaffiyeh wearer
 - 61. Muse of lyric poetry

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- 65. Invisible emanation
- 66. Outdoor swimming pool
- 67. Not intoxicated
- 68. Make up a story
- 69. Textile fibre
- 70. Religious groups
- 71. Skein of yarn
- misshapen
- 10. Movie script
- 11. Adam and Eve’s son
- 12. Spore sacs in fungi
- 13. Satellite of Saturn
- 21. Mouths
- 23. Ginger ___
- 25. Covered with green vegetation
- 26. Available for emergency use
- 27. Sabre-toothed squirrel in “Ice Age”
- 28. Airplane seating option
- 29. Up to the time of
- 30. Accordion
- 32. Hughes who is in Canada’s Sports Hall of Fame
- 33. Typical of people
- 34. Excrete
- 37. Unit of geological time
- 43. Former Canadian brand of potato chips
- 44. Men courting women
- 47. Marsh
- 49. Single
- 52. Young cow
- 53. Seed covering
- 54. Child’s word
- 56. Prepare potatoes
- 57. Development stage of an insect
- 58. Town in Ontario
- 59. Having a foul smell
- 62. Fish eggs
- 63. Phone button letters
- 64. The New Year in Vietnam

Creemore Curling Club standings

Daytime

Team	(win-loss-tie)
Coulter	8-2-1
Loranger	8-3-0
Bell	6-5-0
Steed	4-6-1
McDougall	4-8-0
Lambert	3-9-0

From the Hack: The last round robin play has begun. Larry, Kate, Anne and Ron are playing like pros, allowing Team Coulter to easily beat any opposing teams they come up against. They have taken over the top spot in the standings from Team Loranger, and they're confident that they can finish the session in first place (at least that's what Larry says!) It should make for an exciting last few games as three teams are in the running for top spot and with this game, anything can happen! (at least that's what Michael says!) Good curling everyone!

Men

Team	(win-loss-tie)
Bill Neelin	3-2-0
Adam Verstegen	3-2-0
Neil Rowbotham	3-2-0
Bill Hewitt	2-3-0
Dave Millsap	2-3-0
Gord Fuller	2-2-1
Ron Coulter	2-2-0
John Millsap	1-2-1

From the Hack: The Verstegen rink has managed to move up in the standings, while the Neelin and Rowbotham teams stall, creating a three way tie for first place. With only two games remaining in the first draw it should be interesting to see if one of these teams will hold out. Even the rest of the field remains in tight competition and ready to pounce and knock the off should the top three falter and give them the opportunity. New curlers always welcome experience not necessary. Join now as the January draw is now being prepared.

Mixed

Team	(win-loss-tie)
Bell	4-0-0
Fuller	4-1-0
Crevier	3-2-0
Cass	2-2-1
McArthur	2-3-0
Meulyndyk	2-3-0
Neelin	1-3-0
Baylis	0-4-1

From the Hack: With two games left to play, it would appear that Teams Bell and Fuller are tied for the lead. Not so fast! As the match up between Teams Bell and Neelin was cancelled, these teams have played one less game than the rest. Stay tuned... High scorers were Teams Fuller and Crevier, both with nine points.

Ladies

Team	(win-loss-tie)
Millsap	4-1-1
Walker	4-2-0
Steed	2-3-1
Crawford	1-5-0

From the Hack: The ladies had two exciting games this week to set up for next weeks championship game.

Team Millsap will compete against Team Walker for the coveted McArthur Trophy.

Did you know...Curlers are responsible for building Canada's 1st indoor ice rink. Hockey players and figure skaters can thank The Royal Montreal Curling Club est. 1807 by Scottish immigrants. It is now the oldest active sports club in North America.

Avro Arrow replica comes home to Edenvale



Staff photo: Trina Berlo

A full size replica of the Avro Arrow (CF-150) was transported through the night Dec. 3 from Toronto's Pearson Airport to its new home at the Edenvale Aerodrome, where it will eventually be on display for the public. It arrived early in the morning on Dec. 4. Piper Tim Armour was there to welcome it at sunrise. More info coming soon.



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GOOD BYE

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FUNDRAISING

Friends of the the East Nottawasaga Cemetery on Fairgrounds Road have begun fundraising for a restoration and improvement project next summer 2019, which will include straightening and cleaning monuments, tree planting, grounds improvement etc. As one of the oldest cemeteries in Simcoe County, many of the pioneers that settled in the area in the mid 1800s are resting here. Contributions towards this project can be made to the "East Nottawasaga Cemetery" c/o Morrison Farm, 1881 Concession 6, Creemore L0M 1G0. Email warren.morrison@live.com for more information.

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THANK YOU

Many thanks to the folks that came to my aid when I fell, and to the people who phoned and visited. A special thank you to Betty who took me to the hospital and stayed with me. Happy Holidays, Irene.

To all who supported the Foodbank Fundraiser that cold Thursday evening, November 22, at the Singhampton Hall, many Thanks. We gave \$422.25 in cash and about 550lbs of food to our two foodbanks, Clearview in Stayner and Grey Highlands in Flesherton. Special thanks to the staff at Dr. Kellie Leitch's office who brought much food in carry bags, and extra bags.

Thank you to all those who supported the Zumba Fitness Fundraiser Saturday, November 24. I'm happy to report that \$800 was raised in support of the Georgian Triangle Humane Society! Special thanks for donations to our local and surrounding area businesses. Thanks to instructor Morgan Booth of Barrie and her many loyal followers. Also, thanks to my parents, brother Justin, and friends Ruby, Addison and the Gray family for all of their help at the event. Thank you to everyone who gave or participated in some way! Sincerely, Alyssa Rowbotham.

On behalf of Badjeros United Church, we would like to thank all our members of the church, our community, families and friends, for all the help and donations you have made throughout 2018. We are very blessed and we thank you all. Please join us on Christmas eve at 7 p.m.

Thank You to Everyone for Your Ongoing Support! We would like to express our sincere and heartfelt thank you to all of those who participated in the **Eighth Annual Michael Tupling Memorial Tournament**. We had another successful year, with six men's teams and six women's teams participating. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time preparing and organizing the tournament, score/time keeping, refereeing, bartending, and setting/cleaning up the tournament. Your hard work, dedication, and support are greatly appreciated. A special thank you to those who generously donated silent auction items, monetary donations, and those who showed their support by coming out to watch some hockey games!

The Michael Tupling Memorial Fund was established to encourage youth involvement and leadership in the community. All the proceeds from this tournament go towards recreation activities, community projects, and help provide financial support for youth in the North Dufferin community who may not otherwise have the financial resources to participate. Thank you again for your continuous support and generosity and hope to see everyone out again at next year's tournament!
Sincerely, The Michael Tupling Memorial Fund Committee.

Thanks to NN for the treats! *The Echo*

This week's answers

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The Little Chicken that Doodle Dooe'd!

by Trina Berlo

Author and illustrator **darci-que** had it in mind to write a book about chickens, but the story took a twist that even she hadn't seen coming.

The author of 11 Adventures of Mollie Doodle books, and others, was working on illustrations for a story about a chicken that rallies her peeps after the death of the brood's rooster. It started out as a little chicken that could type of tale but morphed into something else.

Darci-que said she learned a lot about chickens while babysitting some neighbourhood chickens.

"People think they're stupid but they're not," she said.

One day, a chicken farmer happened into her Creemore studio and noticed the drawings of chickens. They were talking about all things chicken when he informed darci-que that there is a phenomenon whereby a hen can experience sex reversal and display the characteristics of a rooster.

Without missing a beat, said darci-que, the farmer's daughter made a suggestion about the storyline.

"That's easy," she said, "turn it into a transgender chicken."

And so it came to be.

The Little Chicken that Doodle Dooe'd! tells the story of a hen named Fawn who transitions into a rooster named Ron.

"Fawn's thoughts and feelings were jumbled. What is happening to me?



Staff photo: Trina Berlo

Darci-que with her *Little Chicken that Doodle-Dooe'd!*

Why do I feel so weird?" she mumbled.

With the support of the farmer's daughter, Ron understands he was a rooster the whole time.

The other hens struggle with the transformation but accept Ron and his new role in the coop.

"It's a gentle story about being happy with who you are, to love and accept

yourself," said darci-que.

She said the world is changing and the book's subject reflects that. It has met with some negativity, which surprises her, but many people love it.

The Little Chicken that Doodle Dooe'd! is available at darci-que's store (Hillview Cellar Winery at 151 Mill St.) for \$15.

Festive RIDE

Heading into the first Festive RIDE campaign since the legalization of non-medical cannabis, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is reminding drivers that they are as prepared to deal with drug-impaired drivers over the holidays as those who are alcohol-impaired.

So far this year (2018), alcohol and/or drugs were a factor in the deaths of 39 people on OPP-patrolled roads.

From January 1 to mid-October 2018, (the OPP's latest data) the OPP laid more than 6,700 impaired driving charges across the province, 283 of which were impaired by drugs.

One week to donate

The Creemore Echo's annual food and toy drive continues until Dec. 17.

Gifts will be distributed through Salvation Army Hope Acres and non-perishable food will go to Clearview Stayner Food Bank.

The Echo is also accepting monetary donations for both Clearview Stayner Food Bank and Hope Acres.

Hope Acres' Rehabilitation Centre is an alcohol and addiction treatment centre that gets the bare minimum in government funding and also relies on donations.

All food collected during the drive will be distributed by Clearview Stayner Food Bank, operated by the Clearview Ministerial Association.

Drop all donations off at *The Creemore Echo* office, located at 3 Caroline St. W.

We hope you enjoyed the
Creemore Santa Claus Parade

To the many individuals, community groups and businesses who take the time to create a float and offer their support in so many ways we say

Thank you

A special thanks to Hamilton Brothers for donating the Christmas trees; Brian Doran, Jennifer Yaeck MacIntyre, Griffen MacIntyre and Corey Finkelstein, Simcoe County and Cory Freys for their help in the yard; The Creemore Log Cabin and Pat and Chris Raible for welcoming Santa and his many visitors after the parade; Anne and Bruce Godwin, Midwest Metals and Miller's Dairy for their unexpected, but ever so appreciated generosity; Diane and Andrew Paverill; John Harper for the dedication over the years helping Santa with his float and of course a huge thanks to Santa and all those who attended.

Fred Mills, Chair, Creemore BIA Santa Claus Parade Committee

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