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SETTLEMENT REACHED ON BREWERY EXPANSION

by Brad Holden

Two and a half years after Creemore Springs Brewery announced its intention to expand its facilities, and four months after the Ontario Municipal Board suggested mediation take place before a full-fledged hearing begins on the file, a settlement has been reached between all parties.

An announcement on the subject was made by Clearview Township Mayor **Ken Ferguson** Monday night, after Council emerged from an in-camera session during which the Mayor and Township clerk **Bob Campbell** were instructed to

sign the Minutes of Settlement. Creemore Springs and the two appellants, **Paul Vorstermans** and **Austin** and **Christine Boake**, have already signed. The other party, Simcoe County, will not deal with the settlement until its next Corporate Services Committee on March 14.

Counsel for the brewery is now notifying those who signaled that they would be participants at the hearing that an agreement has been signed. It's unlikely that the agreement will be made public until it goes back to the Ontario Municipal Board.

All parties will jointly present the settlement to the OMB at a two-day hearing on March 19 and 20. Participants will have a chance to make their comments to the Board at that time.

At this point, parties to the agreement are fairly mum on its contents, but Christine Boake did tell the *Echo* that she's happy with the outcome.

"The power of Creemore as a community has come through again," she said. "It was important to do everything we could to preserve the village nature of Creemore, and I think everyone came around to that in the end."



BEST IN CANADA Maple Lane Misty, **Rusty McArthur's** provincial champion Belgian filly, capped off a great season last weekend when Rusty was notified that she has been chosen as the Canadian Belgian Horse Association's 2011 All-Canadian Filly Foal Champion. The foal qualified by scoring 45 points in 2011 at shows across Ontario – including 10 firsts, 7 seconds and 1 third placing. Judges select the champion by examining pictures of all the qualifying foals from across the country. This is the first all-Canadian champion Belgian bred by the McArthur family. Rusty will pick up his plaque at the association's AGM on April 12.

Budget talks get realistic about new Stayner library

by Brad Holden

Clearview Council continued its long road to approving a 2012 budget Monday, with its fifth workshop meeting since the process began last November.

The focus of Monday's session was on two departments, the Clearview Public Library and the Water and Sewer Department.

Jennifer LaChappelle, CEO of the Clearview Public Library, took Council members present at the workshop through her requests for this year, which include \$28,250 to fix the roof of the Stayner branch and another \$28,250 to replace that building's HVAC system. Both of these, she said, will offset yearly costs associated with the problems, and both are necessary despite the fact that the branch is currently scheduled to be replaced in 2014.

That eventuality was the subject of most of Monday's discussion, as Council struggled with the fact that the Library's current five-year financial plan predicts a 2014 cost of \$7.5 million to tear down the Stayner Branch and build a new building on the same property. That number includes an assumed provincial/federal grant of \$5 million, something all members at the table agreed was possibly in the realm of fantasy given the current economic situation.

Given that, Council proceeded to a frank chat about just what can be done about what everyone agrees is a dire capacity and structural problem at the Stayner branch.

(See "Straight talk" on page 3)



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This Weekend

Friday, February 18 to Monday, February 20

- **Big Heart Days 2012.** Fill out your entry ballet at downtown stores to win the BIA Basket full of gifts and vouchers. Draw takes place February 20.

Saturday, February 18

- **Help Save the Collingwood Bridge Meeting** at Station on the Green at 11 am.

Sunday, February 19

- **Church Services** on page 5.

Upcoming Events

Monday, February 20

- **Family Day at Singhampton Park.** Skating beginning around 11 am. Hamburgers & hotdogs for sale. All proceeds go to the Park for upgrades, hydro & insurance for the ice. Come out for some fun!
- **Family Day Fun at the Tiffen Centre,** 8195 8th Line of Essa, east of Angus from 10 am to 3 pm. \$5 per person, 5 & under free. nature walk, birdwatching, animal track hunting, try geocaching or snowshoes. Bring your own skates & helmet or cross-country skis. learn how to make maple syrup. cclubine@nvca.on.ca or 705-424-1479 ext. 254 for details.
- **Family Day at Dufferin County Museum & Archives!** Costumed interpreters, guided tour of our log cabin (learn how important the summer kitchen was to the family) and see our collection of early settlers' vehicles, signs, furniture and much more. A chance to play some Victorian parlour games. Pioneer clothing for the children to try on. A scavenger hunt after the tour. Families built Dufferin County. Bring your family for an experience of Dufferin heritage, and celebrate Family Day at the DCMA. The Museum is open Family Day from 10 am to 5 pm. Regular museum admission charges apply. Dufferin County Museum & Archives, Hwy 89 and Airport Rd. 1-877-941-7787 events@dufferinmuseum.com.
- **Family Night at the Sovereign.** Play area for kids sponsored by Cardboard Castles. Kids eat free with the purchase of an adult entrée.

Tuesday, February 21

- **Annual Pancake Supper** from 5 to 7 pm at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline St. W. Adults \$8, children 12 & under \$4, preschoolers free. Come out and enjoy a traditional pancake supper with sausage, pancakes, coleslaw, dessert, beverage.
- **Pancake Supper on "Shrove Tuesday"** in Duntroon, from 5 to 7 pm at the Old School House, across from the school. Family of four \$20, adult \$6, student \$4, preschoolers free. Pancakes, sausages and pie will be served by the Parishes of Batteau/Duntroon & Singhampton.
- **Simcoe County Public Information Centre concerning the replacement of the Collingwood Street Bridge** at Creemore Arena Hall from 4 to 7 pm. Presenting project information, answer questions & receive comments

regarding the Environmental Assessment Study process & outcome.

Friday, February 24

- **Toonie Lunch** at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline Street West from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Come enjoy some homemade soup.

Friday, February 24

- **Duntroon Public School Memorabilia Gathering & Spaghetti Dinner Night.** All Duntroon alumni, family and community members are invited to attend a special night of memory gathering and celebration from 5 to 8 pm at the **Nottawasaga Hall, Duntroon.** Bring your photos, stories, and anything else related to the school for posterity and the creation of a final year book. Dinner is \$5 per family.

Saturday, February 25

- **4th Annual Health and Leisure Showcase** at Creemore Legion from 10 am to 2 pm. There's something for everyone with over 40 sports, recreation and health providers under one roof! Giveaways, Product Sampling, Program Registration, Information Packages & Interactive Demos. This year's Grand Prize Passport Giveaway is a 2012-2013 Season Class Pass donated by the Danceroom. For more information visit www.clearview.ca.

Sunday, February 26

- **Creemore Legion Breakfast** from 8:30 to 11 am. A

Belgian waffle with fruit, syrup & whipped cream or two eggs any way you want, bacon or sausage, home fries, toast, juice, coffee or tea all for \$5.

Friday, March 2

- **World Day of Prayer Service** at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline Street West at 2 pm. The theme this year is "Let Justice Prevail". The Service is written by the women of Malaysia. Please join us & learn about life in Malaysia.

Saturday, March 3

- **Mad & Noisy Gallery Art Show Opening Reception** from 2 to 5 pm for new exhibition "**Elemental Truths: Examinations of Abstraction versus Minimalism**". This month's group of seven artists is: **James Stacey, Claudia McKnight, Liz Eakins, Jenn Smith, Dorianne Ross, Jordon Eveland, Brett Lundy.** Experience this ethereal collection of works that celebrate the mediums of silver, encaustic, paper, paint, stone, and digital imagery. Show runs to April 2. 705-466-5555 info@madandnoisy.com.
- **Lamb Supper** at St. John's United Church, Mill Street from 4:30 to 7 pm. Adults \$15. children \$5, pre-schoolers free. All are welcome.
- **Dan Needles Entertains!** at 7:30 pm at Station on the Green. \$20 tickets available at Curiosity House. A fundraiser for My Friend's House celebrating 20 years of keeping families safe. Silent Auction. Refreshments.



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Interested in taking an active role with Community Mental Health Services?

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The Community Mental Health Services is actively seeking dynamic candidates with vision and strong personal and professional integrity for several positions on the Community Advisory Committee. Membership is representative of the four major communities served — Collingwood, Wasaga Beach, Clearview and Blue Mountains. As well, the Committee composition is representative of the skills required to assist with strategic guidance. Fundraising is not required.

The Community Mental Health Services is currently seeking candidates who, preferably although not necessarily, have skills in communications, public relations, project management, finance, or a clinical background.

Interested applicants are asked to submit a written letter of interest and their resume to Mr. Dale Graham, Administrative Co-Lead Community Mental Health Services, 459 Hume Street, Collingwood, Ontario L9Y 1W9 or fax to 705-444-5131 by March 16, 2012.

For further information call Joan McLeod, Administrative Assistant of Community Mental Health Services at 705-444-6600.

Straight talk about a new Stayner library

(Continued from page 1)

"We need to have a discussion about a 2014 build of some type without funding," said Deputy Mayor **Alicia Savage**.

Councillor **Shawn Davidson** agreed, citing the need to put a realistic plan in front of the public so that the community can start fundraising if it so chooses.

Asked where the \$7.5 million figure came from, Treasurer **Edward Henley** said it was based on a 15,000 square foot building, which would offer enough

capacity to serve a population envisioned by the Township's growth forecast. The grant was predicted, he said, because the Build Canada Fund, the last major cultural infrastructure funding from the province and the federal government, was announced in 2007 and at that time was labeled as a seven-year grant program.

A capacity study of the library done four years ago stated that, given the population at that time, a 10,000 to 12,000 square-foot building would

suffice, and that number provided Council a way forward.

At the end of the discussion, Henley was instructed to work on a rough estimate of what a new building of that size would cost – a figure of \$4 million was tossed around by a few Councillors – and what effect such an expenditure would have on Township finances in 2014. He is to report back to Council at its next budget workshop, scheduled for Monday, March 5.

That workshop will also see a presentation for the Clearview Fire Department and will include time for Council to make changes to the budget before they hold a Town Hall meeting on the evening of Thursday, March 29. After that, Council will hold a seventh

and final workshop on Monday, April 16, at which comments gathered at the Town Hall will be considered. The final budget will then be presented to Council for approval on Monday, April 30.

If all requests presented to Council by Township staff were improved, residents would be looking at an 8.89 per cent increase in Clearview's portion of their residential tax bill. When you take into consideration Simcoe County's 1.5 per cent increase and the School Boards' zero per cent budget, the net increase in Clearview homeowners' residential taxes would be 4.9 per cent. It's expected that the budget workshop process will result in a number somewhere lower than that.

Community grants approved

by Brad Holden

Clearview Township will hand out \$20,000 in Community Assistance Grants this year, compared to \$16,750 in 2011.

It was decided early on in the budget process that an increase in the amount paid out would be worthwhile during a tough economic time. And it's commonly pointed out by Councillors that dollars directed toward Community Assistance Grants are multiplied several times over in the volunteer efforts they leverage.

But even with their increased commitment, Councillors faced some tough decisions for 2012, as community groups submitted applications requesting a total of \$66,300.

They made their final allocations Monday night. The biggest recipients were the Clearview Community Theatre

(\$2,000), The Door youth centre in Stayner (\$2,000), My Friend's House (\$1,500), the Clearview Stayner Food Bank (\$1,500), the Housing Resource Centre (\$1,500), the Singhampton Community Park Committee (\$1,000), Hospice Georgian Triangle (\$1,000) and the SCI Robotics Team (\$1,000).

Creemore area recipients were Teddy Bear's Picnic (\$500), Tin Roof Global (\$500), the Mad & Noisy Children's Art Camp (\$500), the Creemore Legion Canada Day party (\$500), the Clearview Soccer Club (\$500), Rent-a-Youth (\$500), St. Luke's Gift of Music (\$250), the Creemore Santa Claus Parade (\$500), the Creemore Horticultural Society (\$750), South Simcoe 4-H (\$250), and the Seed & Feed Archival Mapping Project (\$250).

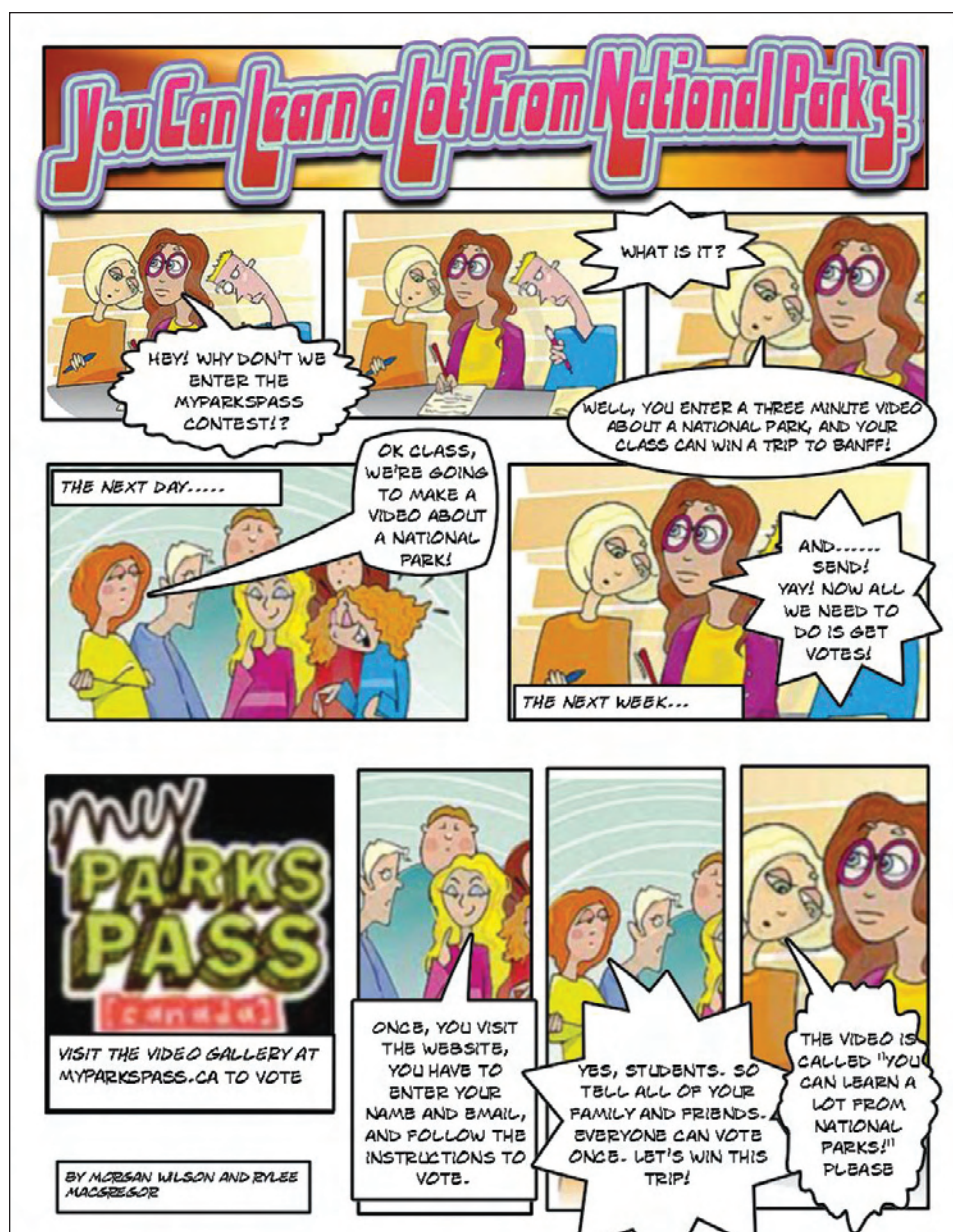
ECHO Briefs

2nd Skyway Meeting Set

Skyway 124, the investment group that aims to build three wind turbines northeast of Maple Valley, has scheduled a second public meeting on the file for Thursday, March 22 from 6 to 9 pm at the Singhampton Hall. The first public meeting on the project was held just before Christmas in Creemore, but was criticized because it did not include a map showing the proposed turbine locations. Nearby residents also complained that Singhampton would provide a closer venue for the meeting than Creemore.

Council Forms New EDC

Clearview Council agreed on the terms of reference for a new Township Economic Development Committee Monday night, and then appointed the following people to the new committee: **Bill Wall, Paul VanStavern, Vicki Bell, Mike Schriener, Heidi Sterrenburg, Larry Culham and Corey Finkelstein**. Representing Council on the committee will be Councillors **Shawn Davidson** and **Brent Preston**. Members will serve for the entire term of Council, and a chair will be chosen at their first meeting. The committee will have four priorities: agriculture, commercial development, tourism and recreation.



VIEW AND VOTE! It seems that **Mr. Weir's** Grade 8 class at NCPS is brimming with creativity these days. Not only have they created a video about the National Parks experience (you can see it at www.myparkspass.ca) but they provided us with this great comic strip, asking all of you to please visit and cast your vote for the video before March 5 – if it gets the most votes, the class will win a trip to Banff National Park!



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EDITORIAL A work in progress

There's been a lot of talk floating around about the Clearview Township 2012 budget, about just where the numbers stand (and how set in stone they are) and about how public the process has been to this point.

At Monday's workshop meeting, the fifth held so far by Council, there were about 10 people in the audience, and members of Council did not, as far as we could see, pull any punches for fear of onlookers hearing what was said. There were frank observations and quality discussions on several points, and one certainly could observe an effort on behalf of the Township and Council to conduct themselves in an open, transparent way.

The potential tax increase coming into this process was a high one, and Clearview Township is certainly not in a position to whittle it down to a decrease like Collingwood is promising to do. But there is still much room for it to come down.

Those who wish to see some work in that direction are advised to attend the next working session on March 5. The number that comes out of that meeting will be the one that arrives at the Town Hall meeting (after which they'll still have one more chance to bring it down).

What's happened so far has been information-gathering. Now is when the cost-cutting work begins.

LETTER

To each a landmark

Editor, *The Creemore Echo*

Let's see: The community enjoys a rare architectural treasure built near a river around the turn of the last century and loved ever since as a symbol of an age when things were made of steel and iron, when trains hurtled along steel tracks and skyscrapers had skeletons of steel and iron. Ever since this treasure has been a local symbol sought after by tourists and townspeople alike. And yet there are those who would have it torn down for scrap metal because its purpose is in some doubt.

The Collingwood Street Bridge? No, not that. The community I'm talking about is Paris, the treasure is the Eiffel Tower and the river is the Seine. But the issues are essentially the same.

Peter Goddard, Ten Hill, Creemore.

LETTER

Aw, shucks...

Dear Editor,

I'm wondering, do you folks at the *Creemore Echo* realize the pleasure your paper gives to some of us? I read it from cover to cover every week, and want you to know how much I appreciate it. The crossword keeps me occupied for hours!

No doubt my sentimental approach to Feb 14th may seem a bit much; however, "A Happy Valentine's Day" to you all.

Many thanks for being there.

Warmest regards,

Florence Bremner, Singhampton

THE WAY WE WERE



Here's an undated postcard depicting the Creemore Baptist Church, submitted to us by former Creemore resident **Helen Miller**.

The steeple has a different appearance than it does now, and a wheelchair ramp has been added to the front entrance.

LETTER

Kind words for a great program

Dear Editor,

Last week, Norah and I attended the Annual Meeting of Ray's Place. We met an active Board of Directors and supporters, and learned about the wonderful facility Ray's Place operates on Caroline Street. Here, Creemore area youth gathers to do homework, socialize and use the facility's computers. One-on-one tutorials, conducted by volunteers, are also available. We also heard an update on the successful Rent-a-Youth program where students can "make a few bucks and dialogue with adult members of the community," as they work together on various home projects.

The mission of Ray's Place is to "optimize our youth's potential by having them remain in school longer." To enable this vision, committed funding for two scholarships valued at \$20,000 was announced at the meeting. These were initiated by Dr. Ted Morgan and his wife, Mary Lou.

Funding for two scholarships is now committed – one to be awarded this September, the second in September of 2013 (the scholarship winners will be chosen by a respected three-person selection committee, using established criteria to ensure no favouritism). The objective is to raise a further \$200,000 to complete a four-year cycle of scholarships – and with your help, an even

greater sum. Ray's Place will receive its Registered Charity number in the very near future to facilitate contributions through issuance of tax receipts.

Ray's Place is dedicated to Creemore area youth and wants the best for them, and this program represents one of the positive features underscoring Creemore's caring nature.

Our congratulations and thanks go to the Board of Ray's Place and all of its members and supporters. The bottom line is that "our youth is our future." Let us continue to support this wonderful work from which we all benefit!

Doug Mills, Creemore

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Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 44 out for cards today, and I mentioned that we had received a call from **Joan Monaghan**, who was calling from Florida. She called the day after Warren's birthday, and Warren, tongue in cheek, said, "You must have known it was my birthday." Joan didn't miss a beat, and replied, "Of course. That's why I phoned!" When told that his birthday was the day before, she just laughed – and we all enjoyed her quick pick-up on the birthday clue! Anyway, Joan was checking up on how everyone was doing, and she mentioned that they were in contact with **Ruby Klinck** and **Ruth Gilpin**, who had **Brenda Noble** visiting her. So again it was nice to hear from our far flung friends.

Bob McNicol mentioned that **Connie Smith**, wife of **Ron Smith** from Singhampton, had passed away. Quite a few folks at Seniors knew these folks, and we send our sympathy to their family and friends.

Barb Pilon had a "short" story to tell us, according to **Bob Veale**. But Bob also mentioned that I had a "few words" to say (Ha! We sure fooled him!). Anyway, it was a cute story that Barb told.

The 50/50 draws went to **Irene**

SENIORS



Sylvia GALE

Dolson, Marg Hope, Dave Smith, Karl Seifert, Ted Underhill, Alma Seifert and Tom Sharpe.

Moon shots were played by **Warren Gale, Beulah Dunn, Evelyn Warden, Mary Gilchrest and Carol Faulkner**. Carol won the travelling prize, and

Warren won the Sidewinders shekels. Also, some tried and got shot down in flames – right, Warren?

High scorers were **Russ Miller 269, Vi Matthews 265, June Hartley 264 and George Blakney 253. Earl Bentley** nearly won the dubious honour of low score – so would you try a little harder next time, Earl? Please? Really, low score went to **Sylvia Gale** with 57. (Note to Editor – could you please print that last sentence in teeny tiny letters? Or better still, do you have white ink?)

We have our first trip to Rama for 2012 scheduled for Tuesday, April 3. This is a modern Great Canadian coach (bus) that departs from Creemore at 8:30 am for Rama, with stops at New Lowell (8:45 am) and Angus (9 am). The cost is \$5, and this money goes to our Senior's Club to help with expenses. This bus is not just for Seniors. We welcome anyone 19 years of age and up – and would

appreciate any new folks joining us for the trip. We are usually back in Creemore by 4:30 pm. Anyone interested can call **Sylvia Gale** at 705-466-5732 for more information.

It was lovely to read that **Cat Flack** got her adventuresome wee dog "Nellie" back safe – and with a few good meals, she'll likely be "sound" again. The wee gal, a Jack Russell Terrier, is one of a very opinionated and decisive breed of dog. Quite often, with that breed, there is one way to do things – and that is their way! But they are very smart, and decidedly courageous. So it seems that this wayward pooch heard about a sale on hats or something, went tripping off into strange territory, and ended up in a turnip pit (apparently about eight feet deep) in neighbour **David Millsap's** barn. Then, Nellie waited for someone to rescue her. Several days later, as we all now know, she made enough noise that **Corrie Millsap** heard her, and she was rescued.

Well, it must be a Millsap thing! The above story reminded me of one about "Mike," a dog we had back in the 1940s. It must have been around 1946, because Creemore was celebrating its Centennial, I think, and there was a lot more traffic on the road that ran by our farm than

was usual. This was the Bill Jordan farm, south of Creemore by going out George Street. We also looked for Mike – in the ditches, in case he had been hit by a car, and we walked all the fence rows, in case he had got caught up in wire – and still no dog. We kids were pretty sad, as was Mike's litter mate, "Pat." I was around seven or eight years old, and Jim, Joyce and Jerry were younger. My sister Pat (known as Patsy at that time) was also still home. My parents had queried anyone they thought might have seen Mike, and Dad worked for the Noisy River Telephone Company, headquartered in Creemore, and he kept asking wherever he went. Finally, one day the phone rang, and it was Earl Millsap (Bob and Gayle Millsap's dad) from down by Banda Corners.

He said he had heard that we were missing a dog. He'd had a stray dog show up about three weeks or so ago, and it was sleeping on his chesterfield at that minute. Mother described Mike, and Earl said he figured that it was our dog that was napping on his furniture. So pretty soon we had Mike back home, with heartfelt thanks to that other Millsap family that rescued our dog. So here's hoping that if a dog comes up missing, it has the sense to come up missing near a Millsap!

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PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

COLLINGWOOD STREET BRIDGE (000141) REPLACEMENT MUNICIPAL CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT STUDY

The County of Simcoe hereby notifies all stakeholders and interested individuals that a Public Information Centre (PIC) will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at the Creemore Arena, 220 Collingwood Street, Creemore. The purpose of the PIC is to allow the study team the opportunity to present the project information, answer questions and receive comments regarding the Environmental Assessment (EA) Study process and outcome.

The County of Simcoe is considering improvements to the site of the Collingwood Street Bridge (No. 000141) located on Collingwood Street over the Mad River in Creemore, 0.8 km south of Louisa Street.



The map above shows the approximate location of the study area.

The existing bridge structure was constructed in 1913 and has been identified as being deficient with respect to deck width, physical condition, barrier protection, guide rail protection and road approach geometry.

The County has concluded that the preferred solution is to replace the existing bridge.

This project is being planned under Schedule B of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, as amended in 2007). Subject to comments received and the receipt of all necessary approvals, the County intends to proceed with the design and construction of this project. The work is scheduled for completion by fall 2013.

The Study Completion Report is available for review at the Creemore Library and the Township of Clearview offices in Stayner or on-line at www.simcoe.ca.

The Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document and Study Completion Report are both available for review at the PIC and during office hours at the following locations:

This Notice issued February 17, 2012.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the following project team members:

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WHO NEEDS SNOW? The annual Snowarama for Easter Seals went as planned last Saturday, and the event even received some much-needed snow at the last minute – enough for Mayor **Ken Ferguson** to take a small ride on his snowmobile. His annual “Mayor’s Run” ride did remain cancelled for lack of snow, but that didn’t stop donations to him and others from coming in. In the end, the event raised over \$12,000, with big chunks arriving from the Collingwood Progress Club (above left), Mayor Ferguson’s efforts (above middle) and the Blue Mountain Snowdrifters snowmobile club (above right). Attending the event on a cold day were about 25 people, with a dozen going on a hike in place of the traditional snowmobile ride.



A ROMANTIC SKATE Several people braved cold, stormy conditions to participate in the Creemore BIA’s Big Heart Romantic Skate at Station on the Green last Friday night.



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A GOLD AT PROVINCIALS The Creemore 1944 EME Cadet team continued their great run at the Provincial Cadet Biathlon Championship in Thunder Bay last weekend. **Cole McArthur** (above left) earned a gold medal with his composite team consisting of **RJ Copeland** (2799 Aurora-Army) and **Tyler Frazer** (557 Brampton-Army). The EME Creemore Relay team (consisting of **Troy Millsap**, **Connor McNally** and **Devlyn Lohnes**) placed 5th overall, and individually McArthur placed 7th and McNally placed 9th in the Junior division, Lohnes placed 5th in the Senior division, and Millsap placed 8th in the Youth division.



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NOTICE OF PROPOSAL and PUBLIC MEETING

To be held by Skyway 124 Wind Energy Inc. regarding a Proposal to Engage in a
Renewable Energy Project

Project Name: Skyway 124 Wind Farm

Project Location: The project is to be located on private lands near the community of Creemore in Clearview Township. The project location is further described in the map below.

Dated at Clearview, Ontario this the 17th of February 2012.

Skyway 124 Wind Energy Inc. is planning to engage in a renewable energy project in respect of which the issuance of a renewable energy approval is required. The proposal to engage in the project and the project itself is subject to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act (ACT) Part V.0.1 and Ontario Regulation 359/09 (Regulation). This notice must be distributed in accordance with section 15 of the Regulation prior to an application being submitted and assessed for completeness by the Ministry of the Environment.

Meeting Location:

DATE: March 22, 2012

TIME: 6-9 pm

PLACE: Singhampton Community Centre,
6 Milltown Rd. Singhampton, ON N0C 1M0

Project Description:

Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which the project is to be engaged in, is considered to be a Class 4 Wind Facility. If approved, this facility would have a total maximum nameplate capacity of up to 7.5 MW and is proposed on private lands located near the community of Creemore in Clearview Township, Ontario. It would consist of up to three (3) wind turbine generators. A Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) has been acquired for the project under Ontario's Renewable Energy Standard Offer Program (RESOP).

Documents for Public Inspection:

The Draft Project Description Report titled Skyway 124 Wind Farm Project Description Report describes the project as a 7.5MW class 4 wind energy generation facility consisting of up to three (3) wind turbine generators. A written copy of the Draft Project Description Report will be made available for public inspection on February 21, 2012 at the Creemore library (165 Library Street, Creemore ON, L0M 1G0) and the Township of Clearview Municipal Office (217 Gideon Street, Stayner, ON L0M 1S0). The report can also be found on the internet at www.skyway124.com.

Project Contacts and Information:

To learn more about the project proposal, public meetings, or to communicate concerns please contact:

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Environmental Business Consultants
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EB-2012-0017

Ontario Energy Board
Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND HEARING FOR AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION RATE CHANGE COLLUS Power Corporation

COLLUS Power Corporation ("COLLUS") has applied to the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") for permission to increase its delivery charges beginning May 1, 2012 to reflect the recovery of costs for deployed smart meters. The application was filed on December 5, 2011 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B), under the Board's *Guideline G-2011-0001: Smart Meter Funding and Cost Recovery*.

Delivery charges are one of four regular items on Residential and General Service customers' electricity bills and vary depending on the amount of electricity consumed. If the application is fully approved, the impact on the monthly bill for a Residential customer would be an increase of \$2.51 per month for the next 12 months. The impact on the monthly bill for a General Service customer having a monthly demand of less than 50 kW would be an increase of \$5.05 per month for the next 12 months. The proposed changes to the Delivery charges are separate from other potential changes to the electricity bills.

For additional information on billing items visit the Consumer page of the Board's website at <http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca>.

The Board has assigned the application File No. EB-2012-0017. The Board's decision on this application may have an effect on COLLUS' metered customers.

How to see COLLUS's Application

To see a copy of the application, go to the Consumer page of the Board's website and enter the case number EB-2012-0017 in the "Find an Application" box. A copy can also be seen at the Board's office and at the applicant's office at the addresses indicated below, or on the applicant's website <http://www.tbhydro.on.ca>.

Written Hearing

The Board intends to proceed with this matter by way of a written hearing unless a party satisfies the Board that there is a good reason for holding an oral hearing. If you object to the Board holding a written hearing in this matter, you must provide written reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. Any submissions objecting to a written hearing must be received by the Board and copied to the applicant within **10 days** of the publication or service date of this notice.

How to Participate

You may participate in this proceeding by requesting either intervenor or observer status, or by submitting a letter of comment:

- Intervenors** participate actively in the proceeding (i.e., submit written questions, evidence, and arguments, and cross-examine witnesses at an oral hearing). You may request intervenor status by sending a letter of intervention to the Board and copying the applicant no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. The letter of intervention must include:
 - A description of how you are, or may be, affected by the outcome of this proceeding; and
 - If you represent a group, a description of the group and its membership.You must indicate in your letter of intervention whether you expect to seek costs from the applicant and the grounds for your eligibility for costs.
- Observers** do not participate actively in the proceeding but receive documents issued by the Board in the proceeding. (There is no fee for observers to receive documents issued by the Board.) You may request Observer status by sending a request to the Board no later than **10 days** from the publication or service date of this notice.
- Letters of Comment** are to be sent to the Board no later than **30 days** from the publication or service date of this notice. All letters of comment will be placed on the public record, subject to the privacy terms for personal information stated below. This means that the letters will be available for viewing at the Board's offices and will be placed on the Board's website.

Interrogatories and Submissions

Board-approved intervenors or Board staff wishing information and material from COLLUS that is in addition to the evidence filed with the Board and that is relevant to the hearing shall request it by written interrogatories filed with the Board and delivered to COLLUS on or before **March 13, 2012**. COLLUS shall file with the Board complete responses to the interrogatories and deliver them to all intervenors no later than **March 30, 2012**.

Written final submissions by Board staff must be filed with the Board, and copied to all other parties, by **April 17, 2012**. Written final submissions by an intervenor must be filed with the Board, and copied to all other parties, by **April 20, 2012**. If COLLUS wishes to respond to the submissions, its written response must be filed with the Board and delivered to all other parties by **April 30, 2012**.

YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS TREATED DIFFERENTLY DEPENDING ON HOW YOU CHOOSE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING:

- Intervenors** - everything you file with the Board, including your name and contact information, will be placed on the public record (i.e. the public file and the Board's website).
- Letters of comment or observers** - the Board removes any personal (i.e. not business) contact information from the letter of comment or the request for observer status (i.e., address, fax number, phone number, and e-mail address of the individual), however, your name and the content of the letter of comment or of the request for observer status will become part of the public record.

Filing Information for Intervenors

If you already have a user ID, please submit your intervention request through the Board's web portal at <https://www.errr.ontarioenergyboard.ca>. Additionally, two paper copies must be submitted to the address set out below.

If you do not have a user ID, visit the Board's website under e-Filing Services and complete a user ID/password request form. For instructions on how to submit documents and naming conventions please refer to the RESS Document Guidelines found at http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry_e-Filing_Services.

The Board also accepts interventions by e-mail, at the address below. Additionally, two paper copies must be submitted to the address set out below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit their intervention request on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies.

Need more information?

For more information on how to participate please go to the Board's website at <http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry/Regulatory+Proceedings/Hearings/Participating+in+a+Hearing> or call the Board at 1-888-632-6273 (toll free).

How to Contact the Board or COLLUS Power Corporation

Please reference Board file number EB-2012-0017 in the subject line of your e-mail or at the top of your letter. It is also important that you provide your name, postal address and telephone number and, if available, an e-mail address and fax number. All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

IMPORTANT

IF YOU DO NOT FILE AN OBJECTION TO A WRITTEN HEARING OR DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING BY FILING A LETTER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS NOTICE, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR PARTICIPATION AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO FURTHER NOTICE IN THIS PROCEEDING.

Addresses

The Board:

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The Applicant:

COLLUS Power Corporation
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Attention: Mr. Tim Fryer
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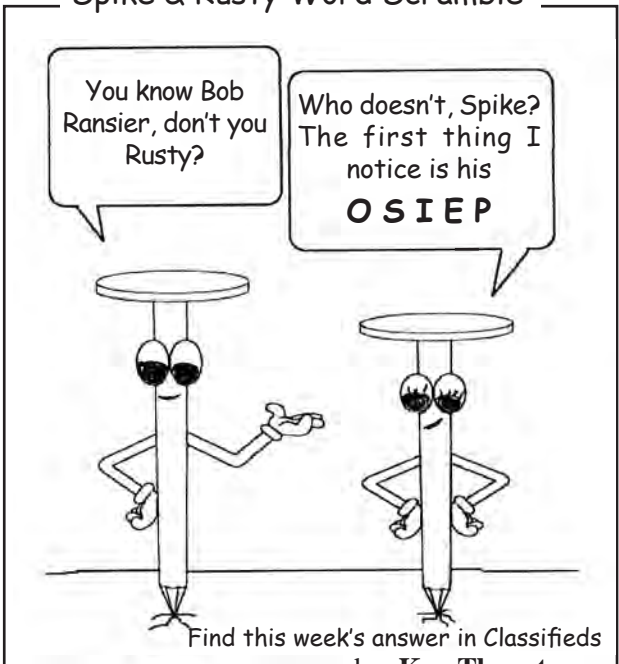
FUN & Games

Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answer in Classifieds

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



Find this week's answer in Classifieds by **Ken Thornton**

CREEMORE Weekend Weather

Friday, February 17

Cloudy with sunny breaks
High 1 Low -5 Winds W 25 km/h
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Saturday, February 18

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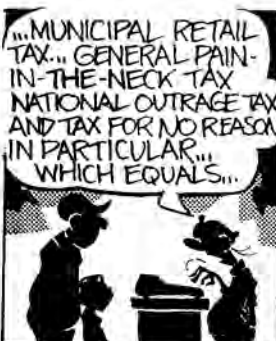
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FRED'S FUNNIES

A prisoner receives a letter from his wife: "I have decided to plant some lettuce in the back garden. When is the best time to plant?" He replied: "Whatever you do, do not touch the back garden. That is where I hid all the money." A week or so later, he received another letter from his wife: "You wouldn't believe what happened: some men came with shovels and dug up all the back garden." The prisoner wrote back: "Now is the best time to plant the lettuce."

Brian's Canadian Crossword

#163 by Brian Paquin © 2012

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ACROSS

- 1 Roots actress Leslie ____
- 7 Clear the track, here comes ____!
- 12 Layers of latex
- 17 Canadian Country Music Hall of Famer Prophet
- 18 Canadian TV journalist MacVicar
- 19 First name in talk shows
- 20 Starbucks size
- 21 Certain soccer shot
- 22 Company whose mascot is a cockney lizard
- 23 You, Me And Mexico group (2)
- 25 Concentrate on (2)
- 27 Out to lunch
- 28 Insurance fraud crime
- 29 Man! I Feel Like a ____!
- 33 Contents of western elevators
- 36 Walking sticks
- 41 Clear of the sea floor
- 43 Horror film sounds
- 46 Partner of parcel
- 47 First Canadian male to win a World Cup downhill event (2)
- 49 First Canadian Place, e.g.
- 50 Exuded

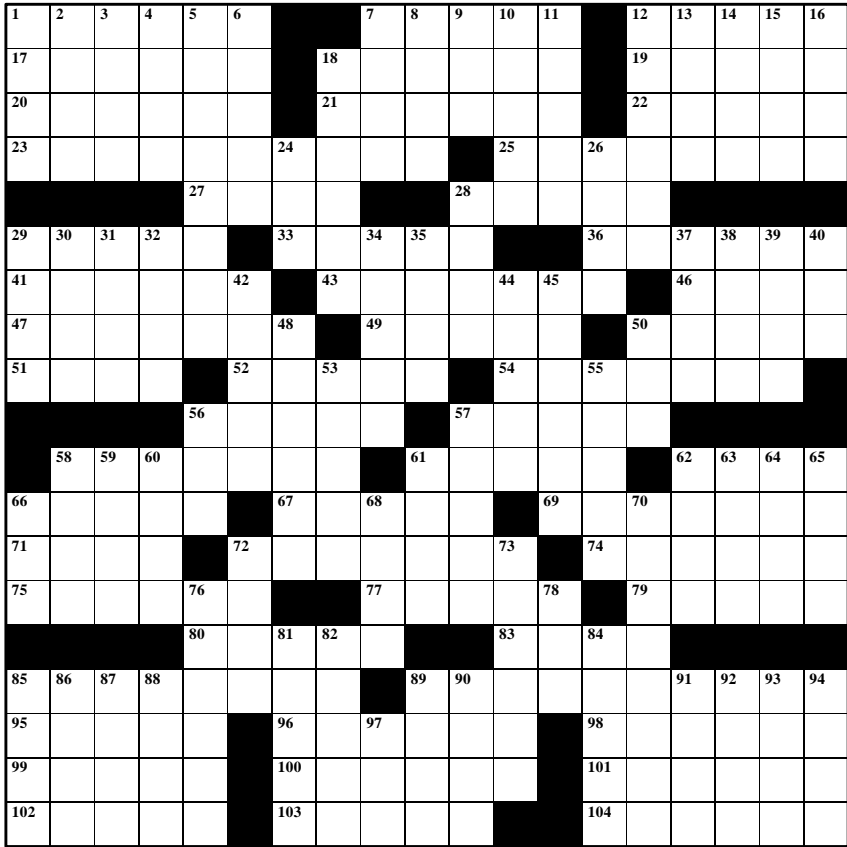
- 51 Concludes
- 52 Free trade negotiator Reisman
- 54 Spun out
- 56 A deadly sin
- 57 Tommy Chong's acting, sometimes
- 58 Partner of verse
- 61 In the know about (2)
- 62 Prerecord
- 66 ____ TV (Showcase)
- 67 Ambulance alarm
- 69 Baited
- 71 Pulpit of old
- 72 Lawyer Finch of fiction
- 74 House covering
- 75 Kicked
- 77 Unit of yarn
- 79 Angie Baby singer
- 80 At face ____
- 83 Traditional stories
- 85 Apocalyptic figure
- 89 Portrayer of Red Green
- 95 Mythological hunter
- 96 Frozen-food family of New Brunswick
- 98 Blooper
- 99 Grudge
- 100 A ____ For The Taking (David Suzuki)
- 101 Posts electronically
- 102 Offering by Mary Brown

DOWN

- 103 Posts
- 104 Telescope parts

DOWN

- 1 Driving force
- 2 TSN sportscaster Miller
- 3 Chew like a beaver
- 4 ____ (Go To Him)
- 5 Missile category
- 6 Pepitas, e.g.
- 7 NY stadium where the Beatles performed
- 8 Conduct a trial
- 9 Assistance
- 10 Transparent
- 11 Little race cars
- 12 Convincing
- 13 Not locked
- 14 Needing rain
- 15 Knack for negotiation
- 16 Vamoose!
- 18 Gardener's tool
- 24 Beseech
- 26 Hurl a horseshoe
- 28 All over again
- 29 Finnegans ____ (Joyce)
- 30 Actor Wilson (Marley & Me)
- 31 Fix socks
- 32 Snobby ways
- 34 Role player
- 35 Oxide that makes Mars red
- 37 Place for peas? (2)
- 38 Unnerve
- 39 Dan For Mayor actor Ewanuick
- 40 Normal, briefly
- 42 Doesn't own
- 44 Greek storyteller
- 45 Being For The Benefit Of ____!
- 48 Summary
- 50 Poetic tribute
- 53 Excellence
- 55 Maple syrup and the Mounties
- 56 Mimic
- 57 Performance place
- 58 It's Impossible singer
- 59 Freddie The Freeloader, e.g.
- 60 Beginning on (2)



- 61 Tarnation!
- 62 Crimson ____ (1995 film)
- 63 Battery fluid
- 64 Remain undecided
- 65 Avant-garde
- 66 ____-Jongg
- 68 Start the day
- 70 Tedious
- 72 Brother of Little Joe
- 73 Like Florence Lawrence's films
- 76 More smooth
- 78 Grey Cup mth
- 81 Where genies live
- 82 Word of surrender

- 84 Reject authority
- 85 Holder of the Olympics
- 86 Whale watched near Vancouver Island
- 87 Battle Of Ballantyne Pier, e.g.
- 88 Hurting
- 89 Make more smooth
- 90 Father's Day gifts
- 91 Partner of groan
- 92 Marsh wader
- 93 Metalware
- 94 Brother of Little Joe
- 97 Our home and native land, briefly

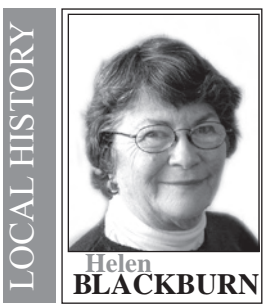
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A Sleigh Ride to Dunedin, Part Three

This month for the third time we join George Royal, a young boy, his father and their hired hand, Jack Rooney. They are on their way to Dunedin by horse and sleigh to get new horseshoes on the horses. The account was written when George was an older man. He fondly remembers the people and their homes they passed on the way. Included in this 2012 account are the emergency sign numbers now at the people's gate.



LOCAL HISTORY

Helen BLACKBURN

clear and cold spring water. This spring is known far and wide, my father tells me, and few people, he says, come by this way who do not stop, because their horses cannot be persuaded to forego the opportunity to quench a thirst that only these waters can satisfy.

Man, too, enjoys them no less, as is evident by the large tin cup secured by a chain, and fastened to the side of the chute, down which the water is diverted from the spring bed to the trough. Needless to say, we all get out of the sleigh and slake our various thirsts. It is a pleasant break in the long drive. However, unlike in the warm days of summer, we do not linger long. There is a sharpness in the air, and we must resume our journey.

Past the spring the road climbs a low hill and runs along a wide bench. Over to the right we can see the river running black. Along here the current is swift and does not freeze over. The space between the bench and the river gradually widens and becomes a field and across the field we can see "the forks" and again recall that fishing expedition last Queen's Birthday for it was there, on that day, that Bobby Matchett caught the largest speckled trout that I have ever seen. It measured sixteen inches and he was the envy of all of us.

Beyond the junction and rising at

the "v" between the Mad and Noisy is a hill that always interests me, with its rounded shape and dark covering of forest. I call it "Look Out Point" and I think how lucky is Clarence McNall, who can explore it at will for it is right near his home. My father points to the field below us between the bench and "the forks" and tells me it was here that the Indians, in need of fresh meat, could put on their snowshoes and easily overtake a deer in the fresh snow, and affect a capture by stringing him.

The Noisy is now bearing to the south and west and is rapidly approaching our road and we can see our bridge just below grade. [County Road 9 at one time was diverted to the south and today passes Lindsay Bell's antique shop.] It was on this bridge that I caught my first speckled trout last summer. I had been fishing with the Miles youngsters, and we had strings of chub but nary a trout, until suddenly on this very bridge, when I had let my hook float down under, it was seized ever so fiercely, and lo and behold, there was my first speckled beauty, not nearly as big as the one Bobby caught at "the forks" but oh so much better in my own eyes, because did I not land it myself, and did it not signify my graduation to the exclusive ranks of fisher-folks?

Bear Creek joins the Noisy near this bridge and I recall the day last August we followed it along to the south and

climbed the ridge between it and the Noisy to gather luscious blackberries. The whole ridge is completely covered with blackberry briar and fallen timber. It is rough going and a steep climb, but well worth the effort, and we fill our pails to overflowing. What a contrast between the hot sun of that day and the chill of today.

Just across the bridge and at the turn in the road is McNall's gateway [8242], leading up one side of the bank to the right. Clarence McNall lives there and I think how much luckier I am than he in the wintertime, not having to walk nearly as far to the school in the village. Yet I have never heard him or his sister complain. He has compensation in the springtime for there are few places so well surrounded as his with the things that give pleasure to a growing boy: hills, streams and forest. What more could one ask? [Clarence McNall later moved to Saskatchewan and became mayor of Regina.]

The River Road, after passing McNall's gate, turns south and west with the river on the opposite side now, and because it is almost level we make good time, and, after a mile or so, we are passing the white stucco house in which a family by the name of Coe lives [8483].

Next month we'll complete the journey to Dunedin and read about George's fear of a pack of wolves tumbling out of the forest.

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Call (705) 466-9906 or Fax 466-9908

HEARTS FOR SYDNEY

Enjoy a bowl of take-out soup at **Chez Michel** between now and February 19 in exchange for a donation to the Hearts for Sydney fundraiser.

Creemore Meat Market will donate a nickel for every dinner sausage sold the week of February 21 to 25 to the Hearts for Sydney fundraiser. When a child cries out for help, it's time for adults to take action.

FOR RENT

New **ROOMS** for rent. Furnished. \$150 per week includes shared living room, heat, hydro, wireless internet, satellite TV, parking. Linens supplied. No smoking. Call 705-444-4852.

Great Senior **APARTMENT** at 149 Mill Street. Newly decorated, new carpets throughout. Perfect for a senior – no step, main floor. See Noel at Hillview Cellars or call 705-466-3635.

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CURLING

The Creemore Curling Club is offering **after school curling for students** 11-13 years of age. This will be starting on Thursday, February 23 until March 29, excluding March 16. The cost for this 5 week session is \$25. For more information and to register call Gayle Millsap at 705-466-5482.

Ever thought you would like to try curling? Well, here's your chance! The Creemore Curling club is offering new curlers a special rate. You can curl for just \$25. Ladies, men's mixed or daytime teams are available for you to join. Phone Linda Kelly 705-466-2785, Gord Fuller 705-466-3543 or Paul Crevier 705-428-2616 to sign up.

LOST / FOUND

Missing **GOLDEN RETRIEVER**. “Maverick” last seen in Stayner last weekend and in Creemore on Tuesday night. Missing 3 weeks. Greatly loved. Reward if found. Call 705-424-2800.

ARTIST CALL

Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts Call for Entry for The 2012 Murray Jacob Clerkson Award by 5 pm on Friday, April 20, 2012. The recipient of the Award will receive a prize of \$1000 (plus interest accumulated in one year) and will be honoured with the four other finalists at a reception and exhibition and sale of their work in the BMFA Arts Centre's Clerkson Gallery. Application forms and details regarding competition requirements are available in the BMFA offices and on our website www.bmfa.on.ca or at the BMFA Arts Centre, 163 Hurontario Street, Collingwood.

THANK YOU

WHITLEY – Our Dad, husband, Grandpa (Harold Whitley) was a really special guy, always a twinkle in his eye, and never an unkind word came out of his mouth. He cared greatly for his family, his farm, and his community. We have so many blessings to count, and so many people to be thankful for. We would like to thank everyone for their visits, food prepared, cards sent, prayers said, and the hugs. We would like to especially thank Dr. Houston, his staff, and G & M Hospital for the years of excellent care. To the staff of Creedon Valley Nursing Home, thank you for the home away from home you provided to Dad over the last five years. To Jim Henderson and Fawcett Funeral Homes, thank you for your excellent guidance and professionalism at this time of our lives. We would like to take the opportunity to thank our community for all you did when Dad and our family had our issues through the tough times. Our family owes many of you a great deal of praise and appreciation for all you did for us. We are proud and happy to live in our community. **Laurine (Rene), Carol, Jim & Glenna and families**

The Creemore BIA Executive would like to thank the Tree Society of Creemore, Station on the Green and Old Mill House Pub for helping to make the **Big Heart Skate** a success. Thank you as well to our Big Heart Days volunteers. Your time and effort is very much appreciated.

DEATH NOTICES

CREVIER, Donna “Marlene” Passed away peacefully on Monday, February 13th, 2012, in her 71st year. Marlene (nee MacKay) beloved wife of Glenn. Loving mother of David, Lisa and her husband Eric Barfoot. Dear grandmother of Alicia, Amy and Ashlyn. Loving sister of Gordon MacKay, Marg (Bill) MacDougall and Carol (Harvey) Decarteret. Fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. After graduating in 1965, Marlene served as a dedicated Registered Nurse at several hospitals including Collingwood General & Marine Hospital. Visitation will be held from 2 to 4 pm and 7 to 9 pm on Thursday, February 16, 2012, at Chatterson Funeral Home Collingwood, followed by a funeral service in the chapel on Friday at 1 pm. www.chattersonfuneralhome.com



SAUNDERS, Wayne (1949 – 2012) The family announces with sorrow his death at the West Nipissing General Hospital, Sturgeon Falls, Thursday, February 9, 2012 at the age of 62 years. Dearly beloved husband of Melanie (née Rhodes) of River Valley. Loving father of Robert and Christopher both of Addison and Katy Murphy (Charley) of Toronto. Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his grandchildren, Alexander, Brooklyn, Julian and Leyla. Dear brother of Roger (Barbara Ann) of Parry Sound and Sharon Belanger of Brockville. May all of us have the sense of humour, loyalty and love of life and family that Wayne had. He was one of a kind. Cremation has taken place. A memorial visitation for family and friends will take place at the home of Marlene and Roy Gilmore, 4 Edward Street West, Creemore, ON, on Saturday, February 18, from 2 to 4 pm. Donations to the Hospital for Sick Children or to a Charity of Choice would be appreciated. Funeral arrangements in care of Theoret Bourgeois Funeral Home, Sturgeon Falls. www.theoretbourgeois.com



CAMPBELL, Vira of Duntroon passed away peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, February 11, 2012. Predeceased by her loving husband Doug, and wonderful mother to Barbara (of Victoria BC), Graham (Susie), Jim (Suzanne), and Scott (Sumer). Loved very much by grandchildren Terra, Emma, Colin, Jacqueline, Brianna, Malcolm, Sadie, Esmé, Ryan, and Emily. Great-grandmother to Christopher, Kalen, and Lauren. Predeceased by brothers Graham (Mildy) Towers and Ken Towers. Vira was born in June of 1922 in Iroquois Falls, northern Ontario. She moved to England when she was 13 so that her dear father could fulfill his dream of having a pub in the village where he was born. Tragically her father died shortly thereafter, and Vira and her mother were left to run the pub alone. At 18, with her country at war, Vira joined the British Red Cross Nursing Reserve and spent the war years caring for soldiers in the tuberculosis wards. After the war Vira returned to Canada, settling in Kirkland Lake, where she met Doug on a blind date set up by his brother Bob's wife (and Vira's good friend) Juanita, to curtail the brothers' shenanigans. Doug and Vira married in North Bay in 1958 and after a few years there and then Collingwood, moved in 1963 to the Campbell homestead ‘Dunrobin’ near Duntroon, where she lived for the remainder of her life. A fulltime working mother, Vira was also a very active and tireless volunteer who worked quietly and continually toward the betterment of her community. She was an integral member of the Duntroon Women's Institute (at various times president, treasurer, and historian), of St. Paul's/Emmanuel Presbyterian Church (treasurer, ladies' auxiliary, and Building Committee), of the Islay Park Recreation Committee, and for the past 27 years the dedicated Treasurer of the Nottawasaga Community Hall. Only ten days before her death, as organized as ever, she made sure the NCH books, so typically immaculate, were completed and delivered to the Township. All are welcome to join with us in celebrating Vira's exceptionally kind, generous and youthful spirit at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church at 2 pm on Saturday, February 25, 2012. A graveside interment at the Presbyterian Cemetery will take place at 2 pm on Saturday, May 12, 2012. The family would like to thank the wonderful nurses who cared for Vira during her final week and the kindness and wisdom of Doctors Singh and Monte. Donations in memory of Vira may be made to the Collingwood General and Marine Hospital, The Salvation Army, or to the Nottawasaga Community Hall for the Islay Park's Memorial Tree Fund. Friends may visit Vira's on-line Book of Memories at www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com “And the child that is born on the Sabbath day Is bonny and blithe, and good and gay.”

Spike & Rusty: **POISE**

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The Creemore Cattlemen's Curling Bonspiel would like to thank the following sponsors for their support on February 8:

Collwest Grain Ltd, Holmes Agro Ltd, Metheral Meats, Steer Enterprises, Creemore Vet Services, Lisle Limousine, Stephens Fuels, Pioneer Seeds/Andy VanNiekerk, Huron Tractor, Aldcorn Bros Trucking, Hamilton Bros, Glen Huron Apples, Elanco, BJs Farm Supply Ltd, Stayner Town & Country, TD Bank Farm Services, Premier Equipment, Brussels Livestock.

Health and Leisure Showcase in Creemore this year

by Christopher Greer

There may not be any tightrope walkers or lion tamers, but there will be plenty for visitors to marvel at during this year's Clearview Health and Leisure Showcase, which, like a circus, will roll into town on Saturday, February 25 and set up under "The Big Top" that is the Creemore Legion.

Over 40 of this area's sports, recreation, and health providers will

put their wares on display, giving visitors a chance to sample their products and services.

"We want to encourage interaction," said Clearview Township community, culture and recreation programmer **Jacqueline Soczka** of the event, which is now in its fourth year.

There will be plenty of chances for visitors to participate, with interactive line dancing, theatre, card-reading,

counter-top gardening, and music demonstrations being made available (to name just a few).

"We've had to move to a bigger venue," said Soczka of this year's relocation from the Stayner Community Centre to the Creemore Legion, "because the event has grown in terms of the variety of interests represented."

A number of area sports teams will also be present at the Showcase, giving parents the opportunity to enroll their children in a number of different sports all in one place.

Lunch will be made available for those visiting between 11 am and 1 pm, with the Creemore Legion Ladies

Auxiliary serving homemade chili and accepting donations for Operation: Leave the Streets Behind, which helps homeless or near-homeless Veterans to escape the streets.

Visitors will also have a chance to win a 2012-2013 Season Class Pass at The Danceroom, which offers lessons in a variety of different dance styles.

"We have a number of new exhibits," said Soczka, "but there are also a number of returning exhibitors. They have found that the Showcase is a valuable thing and are coming back."

For more information on the Showcase, visit www.clearview.ca or contact Soczka at 705-428-6230 ext. 249.



CLEARVIEW TOWNSHIP NOTICES

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Treasury Clerk - Job # 2012-05
Temporary Full Time (12 month contract)

The Treasury Clerk will complete duties for accounts payable, accounts receivable, reconciliation of outstanding accounts and other clerical duties.

Qualifications:

- Post secondary degree or diploma in Business or Accounting discipline preferable, or minimum of two years experience in an accounting environment with an emphasis on preparation of journal entries and account reconciliation, or combination of relevant education and experience;
- Experience in collections and with cash handling.

Please visit our website at www.clearview.ca for additional information.

Qualified candidates are invited to submit their resume and covering letter, quoting **Job # 2012-05** by **March 9, 2012, @ 4:30 pm to:** Denise Henry, Township of Clearview, Box 200, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner, ON, L0M-1S0; dhenny@clearview.ca; fax #: 705-428-0288.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. Please no phone calls. Information gathered relative to this position is done so in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility for this competition. The Township of Clearview is an equal opportunity employer.

TENDERS

The Township of Clearview will be receiving Tenders/Quotes for:

- 1 – New 2012 Tandem Truck – Tender No. 2012-01
- 2 – New 2012 ½ Ton Pick-up Service Truck - Tender No. 2012-02
- Hot Mix Paving – Tender No. 2012-03
- ‘A’ Gravel – Tender No. 2012-06
- Maintenance Gravel – Tender No. 2012-07
- Dust Suppressant – Tender No. 2012-08

Tender forms are available at the Township Office, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. during business hours. Sealed tenders clearly marked with **Tender #2012-??** in envelopes and on forms supplied by Clearview Township will be received by the Clearview Public Works Department.

Tenders for the above will be accepted by the undersigned until:
Thursday, March 15, 2012 @ 1:00 pm
Tenders will be opened **Thursday, March 15, 2012 @ 1:15 pm**

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted

Submit Tenders to:
Stephen W Sage, CRS-S
Deputy Director of Public Works
Township of Clearview
PO Box 200 217 Gideon St
Stayner ON L0M 1S0
705-428-6230 ext. 228
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Avening Women's Institute

On February 9, a lovely sunny day, Avening Women's Institute met at the home of **Gwen Taylor** with 15 members present.

President **Dorothy Shropshire** welcomed everyone to the meeting. We were pleased to have **Marion Gordon** back with us.

This year is the 200th anniversary of the war of 1812. We should all remember this war that shaped our Canadian destiny and identity. Dorothy read an article about Ruth Redmond, a proud United Empire Loyalist who recognized the significance of the Battle of Lundy's Lane at Niagara Falls. She felt that this site should be preserved, so she bought the battlefield property in Niagara Falls in 1954 and transformed it into beautiful garden called Redmond Heights. She planted hundreds of red geraniums in memory of the boys who died in the war. She later donated the park to the city of Niagara Falls.

The roll call was: "What is your dream job/business." The answers varied from owning a business, opening an antique shop, to being a tour guide, a shopping assistant, or a daycare provider.

Muriel Day, convener of business and industry, introduced her guest speaker, **Dave Huskinson** C.P.C.A., a Senior Consultant with Investors Group. Dave gave each member a package containing a legacy planner and information on investing and retirement services. He gave us several income tax tips. There is a tax deduction for people with disabilities – such as difficulty walking, or hearing problems – and for family members who



help a disabled relative. He reminded us to include mileage and parking fees when we have to travel long distances for medical appointments. There are no probation fees on

investments with an insurance company where you can name a beneficiary. Starting in 2012 property tax or rent rebate will be paid in monthly payments. Muriel thanked Dave for his informative presentation and before leaving he gave each member a package of Valentines chocolates.

Dorothy announced many upcoming events. On Saturday, February 25 we are entering a display in the Health and Leisure Showcase at the Creemore Legion. She asked for help from 10 am to 2 pm and setting up on Friday evening. On Tuesday, March 20, Fun Day will be at the Legion Hall in Elmvale at 10:30 am. The cost is \$5 and includes a potluck lunch. Each branch is asked to provide 15 minutes of entertainment (**Joan Morby** will look after this). On Saturday, April 14, Women's Day will be at the Presbyterian Church in Elmvale. The cost is \$20. The theme is "Women Safe and Secure."

On Thursday, April 12 we have also been asked to help at the Maple Syrup Festival in Elmvale.

On Tuesday, May 15 the Centre-West District Annual Meeting will be at the Creemore Legion with **Dan Needles** as a speaker. The theme is "Back to Basics."

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, March 8, at the home of Dorothy Shropshire at 1:30 pm.



HEALTH AND LEISURE ShowCase



Check out these FREE demos at the Show along with over 50 Exhibitors!		MAIN HALL	LOUNGE AREA
	10:00	Mom & Tot Butt Kickin'	
	10:30	Nia	
	11:00	YMCA Drum's Alive	Watercolour Workshop
	11:30	Clearview Theatre	Children's Craft Workshop
	12:00	Line Dancing	
	12:30	The Danceroom	
	1:00	Square Dancing	Countertop Gardening 101
	1:30	Tai Chi	

Schedule subject to change. Visit www.clearview.ca for updates.