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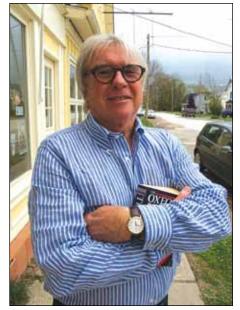
# **CURIOSITY HOUSE FINDS ITS SAVIOUR**

by Brad Holden

It's said that Yogi Berra, the great New York Yankee, didn't have much time for books. But he is known for his ability to coin a phrase, and we'd like to borrow one of his best-known ones here. For when we announced the long-feared and recently announced closure of Curiosity House Books last week, it turns out we should have added a caveat: that, as Yogi said, "it ain't over 'till it's over!"

In a surprise turn of events, Creemore's bookstore found a buyer this week, and will now continue its operations at a new location next month.

"The partners of Curiosity House Books & Gallery are delighted to announce that **Ralph Hicks** will become the new owner of the bookstore on May 25, 2012," said a statement from current owners **Catherine Randall**, **Miriam Vince**, **Rowland Fleming** and **Tom Vandewater**, delivered to the *Echo* on Thursday afternoon. "The business will then move to a new location further up the



Ralph Hicks

street at 178 Mill Street (in the space formerly occupied by Cottonwood Historic Trim and Moulding)."

Although Hicks is best known in Creemore as the sculptor of the Dress Up Dance fountain in the horticultural park, he does have an extensive background in the retail industry. Before coming to Canada,

he was a buyer in London, England for one of the largest drugstore chains in the world; later, he became a successful consultant to the Canadian retail industry. Since closing his consultancy business seven years ago, Hicks has been focusing on his sculpting full-time at his Mulmur home and studio.

That is, until early this week, when he had a revelation. "At about 9:30 on Monday morning, I was driving in Toronto, and I started to think about the bookstore's imminent demise," he told the *Echo*. "I simply thought that someone should save it, and then I realized: why not me?"

A half an hour later he was on the phone with Randall, and on Tuesday they met and came to an agreement. On Wednesday, a lease was signed at the new location. "It's really quite amazing how things can move along when there's only one person making the investment decision," he said.

While Hicks will need a few weeks to acquaint himself with the store and the publishing industry, he said his objective for his new business will be simple. "I aim to make this the best little bookstore in Canada," he said. "It's already been voted one of the ten best, and I want to build on that. I really believe that if you are determined to be the best in your field, commercial success can follow."

After a long hunt for someone to take over the business, the current owners of Curiosity House greeted Hicks' purchase with a mixture of excitement and relief.

"We are thrilled by the amazing commitment Ralph is making to ensure that the store continues to be a worthwhile contributor to the cultural health of the community," they said in their joint statement. "We anticipate that his business acumen will ensure that Curiosity House will be a vital and viable business enterprise for many years to come. And to this end, we encourage all of our friends and supporters to support Ralph and his staff as they enter this new phase of operation."

# ECHO Briefs

# Oops... A Mistake!

A typographical mistake caused us to list a few dates wrong in the Community Calendar last week.

Several events happening on Saturday, May 26 were incorrectly placed under May 19, so please correct your calendars at home and make note that the Dunedin Plant & Bake & Garage Sale, the Lilac Luncheon at St. James' Church in Clougher-Lisle and the Duntroon Central Public School Grand Finale are all taking place on Saturday, May 26. For more information, see this week's Community Calendar on page 2.

Our apologies to the organizers of all three events.

# Calling All Runners

Creemore will play host to a new running event this summer, with the inaugural Creemore Copper Kettle Dash set to take place on the morning of Saturday, August 25.

The race, which is being supported by Creemore Springs Brewery, will include a five-kilometre walk/run and a 10-kilometre run. All proceeds from the event will go to the Simcoe County YMCA's Strong Kids Campaign, which provides families and kids with Y memberships, when otherwise they wouldn't be able to afford it.

More information on the race can be found at www.copperkettledash. blogspot.com. Those wishing to tune up for the race can participate in a running clinic being taught by race director **Lee Ann Cohen**. Contact her ASAP at leecohen2011@gmail.com.



**GIFTS FOR MOM** Creemore Horticultural Society members **Cathy Sumner**, **Sherry Wilson** and **Norah Mills** were hard at work this week arranging floral bouquets in a selection of teacups and unusual vases. Their arrangements will be on sale outside the Mad & Noisy Gallery from 10 am to 12:30 pm on Saturday, May 12 – just in time for Mother's Day! Proceeds will go toward the Hort Society's ongoing efforts to keep Creemore's public spaces beautiful.



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# COMMUNITY Calendar

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# **This Weekend**

# Saturday, May 12

- NVCA'S 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Arbour Day Tree Sale. Sold in bundles of 10 at \$20 per bundle (cash, VISA or MasterCard accepted). Two locations for the sale: Tiffin Centre for Conservation, 8195 8<sup>th</sup> Line of Essa from 8 am to noon. Or Nordic Centre parking lot, Wasaga Beach hosted by the Wasaga Ganaraska Hiking Club from 9 am to noon. Visit nvca.on.ca for more information on the sale including maps and directions, or call 705-424-1479.
- Mad & Noisy Gallery Art Show continues for exhibition "Momente: Capturing Moments in Time" featuring seven artists. Show runs to end of May.705-466-5555 info@madandnoisy.com.
- Creemore Horticultural Society Annual Flower Sale in front of the Mad & Noisy Gallery from 10 am to 12:30 pm. Arrangements in teacups and unusual containers

- & small bouquets. Come out & support them as they continue to help keep Creemore's public spaces beautiful.
- New Lowell Legion Turkey Shoot at 10 am. For more information call 705-424-0471.
- M&M Meat Shops Charity BBQ from 10 am to 4 pm featuring emily-que. First Street & High Street in Collingwood. Benefits Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of Canada.
- Mother's Day Tea at Brentwood Community Centre from 1 to 3 pm. \$15 per family with snacks, craft for mom, one photo, door prize. RSVP 705-424-0706.
- Creemore Minor Hockey Association Annual Elimination Draw & Dance "Vegas in the Valley" Doors open 8 pm, Dancing from 9 pm to 1 am at Creemore Arena. Six cash prizes, 1st prize \$10,000. Live music by Fred Hale. \$40 per couple available at Creemore Shell, Donna Harper at 705-466-5082.

# Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day

- Church Services on page 5.
- Mother's Day Breakfast from 8 am to noon at Manito Shrine Club, 2265 Fairgrounds Rd. Adults \$10, children under 5 free.
- Creemore Legion Mother's Day 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
- **U4ia Quartet** will be performing on Mother's Day at **St. John's United Church** in Creemore during the 11:30 am service. Come & enjoy this 4-part acappella-style barbershop quartet.
- Creemore Baptist Potluck Supper at 5 pm. Speaker Charles Talbot on his Phillipean Mission starts at 6:30 pm. All welcome.

# **Upcoming Events**

# Monday, May 14

• Annual General Meeting of the Creemore Union Cemetery at 8 pm at St. Johns United Church Hall. All welcome.

### Wednesday, May 16

- Creemore Horticultural Society Meeting at St. Luke's Anglican Church Hall, Caroline Street West at 7:30 pm. Pleased to present **Paul Jenkins**, of Wildflower Farm, who will speak on why we need wildflowers. Refreshments will be available.
- Collingwood Jazz & Blues Society presents Shawne Jackson & David McMorrow at Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts Centre, 163 Hurontario Street, Collingwood from 7 to 9 pm. Tickets \$15 available by calling 705-445-3430. \$20 at door.

# Thursday, May 17

• Nottawasaga Community Hall's Annual General Meeting at 7:30 pm at the Hall, 9025 Cty Rd 91, Duntroon. Call 705-445-9550 for more details.

# Saturday, May 19 to Saturday, May 26

• The Mary Robertson Collection of more then fifty lovely and unusual 19th and 20th Century botanical prints. You are cordially invited to an **Exhibition** and **Silent Auction** held at the Creemore Log Cabin. May 19 9 am – 2pm, May 20 noon – 3pm, May 26 9am – 2pm The exhibit will close on May 26 with a Reception and final bidding from 2 to 3 pm. For the benefit of the gardens and landscaping of the Creemore Log Cabin.

### Saturday, May 19

- *Creemore Echo* will be at the Creemore Farmers' Market Season Opening doing the Annual Subscription Drive. Drop by and see us for a chat we'll be near the fountain! The price this year is \$46.67 plus hst totalling \$49.
- Curiosity House Story Hour from 10:30 to 11:15 am...
   Bring your children and join Miriam for story hour and craft time. 705-466-3400.

### Saturday, May 26

- Dunedin Annual Plant & Bake & Garage Sale at Dunedin Hall starting at 8 am until the plants are gone. Donation of plants & yard sale items are greatly appreciated. Garage sale items can be dropped off at the Dunedin Hall on May 11, 18 & 25 from 6 to 8 pm. To arrange alternate drop offs, call 705-466-3690.
- Creemore Horticultural Annual Plant Sale at Station on the Green starting at 8:30 am. Lots of

- unusual & unique large-sized plants from the Hort Garden & members' gardens. Peonies, phlomis, hellebores, specialty day lilies & hundreds more perennials. Please bring carry-out boxes.
- St. James' Anglican Church, Clougher-Lisle will be holding a Lilac Luncheon in the Church Hall from 11 am to 2 pm. The tea will include a Bake Table and a Plant Sale. \$5. We look forward to seeing you. West of Lisle on the north side of Cty Rd. 12 at Conc. 2 of Adjala-Tosorontio.
- Mulmur Public Meeting from 9 to 11 am for Township ratepayers interested in and/or concerned about the Dufferin Wind Power Inc. proposal to construct approximately 49 wind turbines in the north-east portion of Melancthon Township. At the Township Office, 758070 2<sup>nd</sup> Line East (Terra Nova). See ad on page 8.
- **OPP Public Open House from 11 am to 1 pm.** Presentations on elder abuse, personal safety and theft prevention bicycle safety. Come and meet the members of the Mulmur Police Services Board and let us know what your concerns are! At the Township Office, 758070 2<sup>nd</sup> Line East (Terra Nova).
- Come & Go Tea to celebrate Maureen McLeod's 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday from 1 to 5 pm at the GNE Ag Building, Fairgrounds Road just south of Hwy 26. No presents, your presence is present enough!
- Duntroon Central Public School Grand Finale Celebration Day from 1 to 6 pm at the school to commemorate the school's 48 year history. All alumni, staff and students are invited! The Duntroon School Council has planned many special activities that will take place throughout the day. Classrooms will be open during the day to celebrate each decade of the school's history – from the 1960s to the 2000s; numerous children's activities; the Stayner Collegiate Band will perform; a drumming performance by Groupe Soume; student and class presentations, and a baseball game to end the day. The official ceremonies will start at 2 pm. To view a complete agenda, visit the school's website at http://dun.scdsb.on.ca and visit the Grand Finale Celebration Page. You can also call the school at 445-0258 to request more information.

# Sunday, May 27

•Dufferin Hi-Land Section Loop Hike (Map 19) at Mono Cliffs Provincial Park, Level I, Variable terrain, slow to moderate pace. 2.5 hrs, 7 km.Bring

- the whole family out for a hike to enjoy the scenery! Please bring snacks, water, good boots, etc.Meet at the Mono Community Centre Parking lot at 10 am. Starting at km 1.2 we will be hiking up the main trail to the lookout point, then looping back out of the park via the Walter Tovell Side Trail. Contact: Susan Simons at 416-526-9582 or susancsimons@gmail.com.
- •Edible Foraging Workshop with Alexis Burnett. One-day workshop focusing on learning about some of the many edible plants that are found during the spring and how to prepare them. Learn how to identify both edible and poisonous plants in the field, ethical wild crafting and proper harvesting/preparation techniques while gaining hands on experience. \$50 per person. Please register asap as there is limited space at info@100milestore.ca or 705-466-3514.

# Saturday, June 2

- Come party with us at the Clearview Trail Mixer at New Lowell Park from 8:30 am to 2 pm. A fun-filled day of activities including an NVCA Interpretive Canoe Trip, carnival games, face painting, Fun Run, trail hike along the Ganaraska, FREE learn to paddle clinics and more! Details at www.clearview.ca.
- Margaritas in the Valley with Northern Harbour, the ultimate Jimmy Buffett Tribute Band. At Creemore Arena, doors open at 7 pm. \$20 available at Creemore Foodland. Presented by Nitetis Lodge #444 in support of the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario.

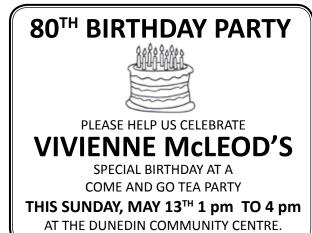
# Wednesday, June 20

 My Friend's House 9th Annual Daisy of Hope Putting Challenge at Georgian Manor Resort. BRudolf@myfriendshouse.ca or 705-444-2586 ext 221 for more information.

# Saturday, July 7

• See Stars at the New Farm. Yes, those Stars – the band, with Amy Milan, Torquil Campbell, Christopher Seligman and Evan Cranley – while indulging in the finest fare with tasting stations by "Hooked", Amanda Ray of "Canoe", Matt Flett of the George Brown Culinary Program, Chris Brown of "The Stop", Alex Johnston of "Hockley Valley Resort" and Caesar from the soon to be opening "Creemore Kitchen". Event tickets \$45 inc. hst. Food tickets sold separately. Event tickets on sale soon. For more info contact Sara at (705) 466-9906.







Our annual subscription drive begins next week. Come and see Sara and Georgi at the Market.

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# A night of crime on streets of Creemore

by Brad Holden

The Huronia West OPP are encouraging people to make sure their doors are locked after a series of crimes that took place in Creemore on the night of Tuesday, May 8.

A total of 22 unlocked cars were entered all over town, and several of them had their contents stolen. Incidents took place on Mary Street, George Street, Elizabeth Street East, Elizabeth Street West, Wellington Street East, Wellington Street West, King Street, Nelson Street and Jardine Crescent. Among the stolen goods were quantities of cash, credit cards, gift cards, CDs, a masonry saw, two GPS units, a cell phone and a Blackberry Playbook.

In addition, a motor vehicle parked at a residence on Elizabeth Street West had a window broken and a purse stolen from it. At another house on that street, a garage was entered and keys were stolen.

If you have any information in regards to these crimes, please contact the Huronia West OPP at 705-429-3575, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (1-800-222-8477) or submit your information online at www.sdm-crimestoppers.com. Crime Stoppers does not subscribe to call display, and callers will remain anonymous. Being anonymous, you will not testify in court and your information may lead to a cash reward of up to \$2,000.



# BY THE LIGHT OF THE MOON

A so-called "supermoon" brightened the sky last Saturday night, and our own **Fred Mills** captured this great photograph. Supermoons occur when the moon's closest approach to the Earth — known as its perigee — coincides with a full moon. They occur, on average, about once a year.

# Airport Road crash sends three to Toronto hospitals

by Brad Holden

A head-on collision between two minivans on Airport Road north of Cashtown sent three of the five people involved to Toronto hospitals by air ambulance last Sunday night.

Huronia West OPP, the Clearview Fire Department and Simcoe County Paramedic Services responded to to the scene, on County Road 42 near Nottawasaga 15/16 Sideroad, at about 9 pm. An initial investigation has revealed that a 2006 Honda van driven by a 36-year-old male from Collingwood was heading north when it crossed over into the southbound lane, colliding head on with a 2004 Dodge van driven by a 52-year-old female from Mississauga.

The driver of the Dodge van and her passenger, a 55-year-old man from Mississauga, were initially transported to Collingwood General and Marine Hospital via ambulance. Both had serious but non-life-threatening injuries. The driver was later transported to St. Michael's Hospital by air ambulance, and the passenger was flown to the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.

The driver of the Honda van was not injured, but a three-year-old male passenger did receive serious but non-life-threatening injuries and was transported from G&M Hospital to Sick Kids Hospital by air ambulance. A second passenger, a six-year-old female, was not injured.

An investigation into the incident is continuing with the assistance of the Central Region OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigation Unit.

# Township seeking local art for Recreation Guide

Clearview Township is looking to feature the local art of one of its residents on the cover of the upcoming 2012 Fall-Winter Culture and Recreation Guide.

Any professional or emerging artist who is an adult resident, property owner or business owner in Clearview Township or any student of high school age or older whose parents own or rent property in Clearview Township may submit an entry.

"We're excited about this new direction for the Guide," said **Jacqueline Soczka**, the Township's Community, Culture and Recreation Programmer. "It is a great opportunity for Clearview to support its artists and bring value to the publication."

The winning image will appear on over 6,000 copies of the Culture and Recreation Guide, which is distributed to every household within the Township. The guide also appears on the municipality's website,

digital signage and is featured in a wide variety of promotional material.

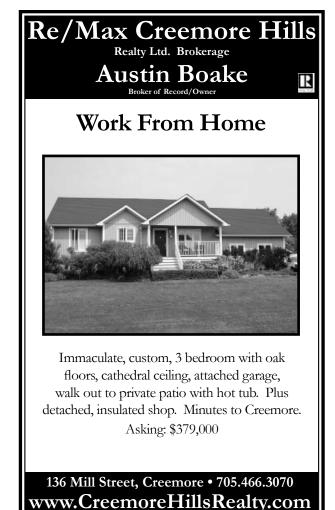
Local artists are asked to submit a photo of their original, hand-made artwork to the Township by Friday, June 1 at 4 pm.

For more information on the selection process or to obtain an entry form, contact Soczka at jsoczka@ clearview.ca, at 705-428-6230 Ext. 249 or visit www. clearview.ca.





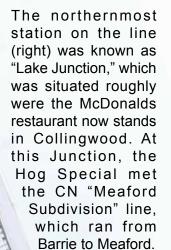


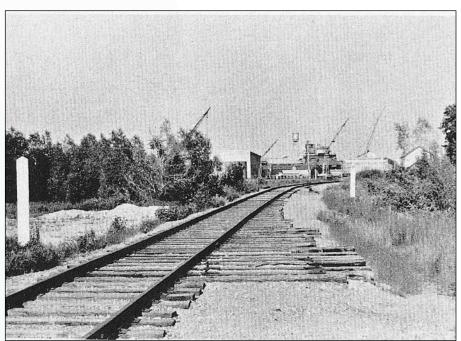


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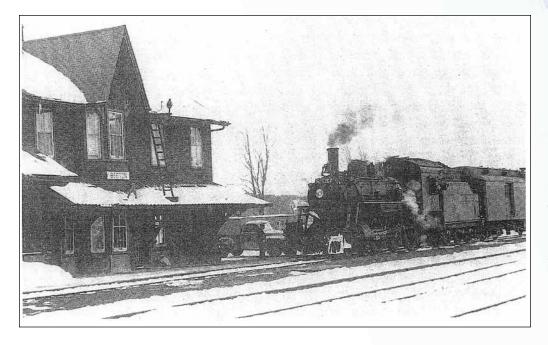




# THE WAY WE WERE

As our weekly "The Way We Were" feature suggests, this area is rich with train buffs. But we're pretty sure there's none bigger than Peter Coates, who has been working diligently at collecting pictures of every station on the Beeton branch of the old Hamilton & North Western Railway (also known as the "Hog Special"). He's found shots of every stop but Nottawa, and would dearly love it if someone were able to dig through their attic and find a picture of that station. Over the coming weeks, we'll print Peter's pictures and take you on a tour of the railway that made Creemore what it is today.

The Hamilton & North Western Railway was the second railway into this part of Ontario. The Railway's Beeton Branch (the squiggly line on the map at right) ran from Beeton to Collingwood from 1879 until 1960. It was later called the Grand Trunk Railway and the Canadian National Railway, but it was always known as the "Hog Special." There were two mixed trains per day each day until 1931, then one per day each way until scheduled service was discontinued on October 29, 1955. At that point, the track was lifted from Alliston to Creemore. Freight service from Creemore to Collingwood continued on an "as needed" basis until 1960; after that, the rest of the track was lifted.



The southernmost station on the Hog Special was in Beeton, where it branched off from the Hamilton & North Western Railway that ran from Hamilton to Barrie and beyond. Watch the *Echo* in coming weeks for pictures of the stations between Beeton and the Lake Junction.







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# Creemore Big Heart Seniors

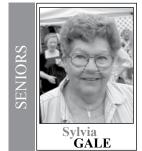
We had 14 full tables (56 people) turn out for cards today, and we were glad to see **Brian McGill** out and about again. We all thank **Evelyn Warden** for her donation of gum drops to our "stash" of goodies, but I think she has an ulterior motive. Evelyn is slim and trim,

and I think she is "aiding and abetting" at helping to keep the rest of us in the "tad heavier" category. Also thanks to the gal who sent wool for **Nancy** with **May Johnston**, and thanks to May for delivering it to me. And to the two ladies with wool down in Mulmur – I will get down to pick it up soon! I will give you a call to find a "good" day. **Barb Pilon** then told us a cute joke about a "Christian"

The 50/50 draws went to **Dave Smith**, Lucy Young, Alinda Bishop, Jean Lune, Sylvia Gale, Bob Veale, Jim Rigney and Irma Flack.

Moon shots were played by **Dean** Chestnut, Jim Rigney, Earl Bentley, **Toosje Vasvari**, Jim Ferguson and Eileen Nash (2). Eileen won the travelling prize and Jim Rigney won both the Sidewinders bet and his side bet with Warren.

High scorers were June Hartley 315, Isabelle Gubbels 298, Lois Walker 286 and Warren Gale 282. Low was Marg Falls with 78. At one time and another, both Bob Veale and I were Marg's partner – which "helped" her to end up with a low score. But I thank you, Marg, for coming in with a bit lower score than



I had, which saved my pride in that category today!

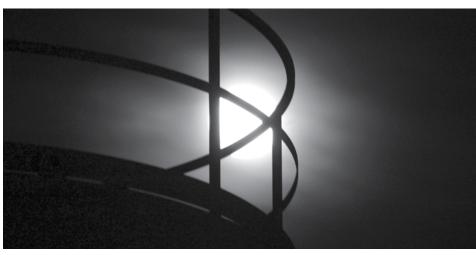
At lunch after cards, Warren Gale dripped a line of coffee on the floor as he was heading for his table. Barb Pilon noticed, and she got down and did a hilarious parody of the guys in white suits that blot up spills in

the ad for paper towels that you see on TV. The only difference was that Barb carried on a running commentary as she made the spots disappear, and we all got a good chuckle out of her antics. I can see a future in the theatre for that gal!

Warren's sister Mary Dolomont lives in a retirement home called, aptly, My Cape Breton Home, as she lives in North Sydney, Nova Scotia, which is on Cape Breton. Mary receives the Creemore Echo, and enjoys it very much. She remembers a lot of the names of folks she met while visiting here on different occasions, and from going to Bingo when I would pick up Mother, Gladys Noble, Elizabeth Middlebrooks, Vi Nelson, etc. Well, Mary has an upcoming birthday on May 16, and we would like to say "Happy Birthday" in the Echo. Only problem is, the Echo arrives in North Sydney a week late. So, by sending this greeting a week early, we might just get lucky and have it reach her just about the perfect time. And, this is a pretty good birthday for Mary. Warren will reach the big 9 zero in February, and Mary is three years older than he is. But you would never guess she was near that age, as she is still a vibrantly good looking gal with a ready smile who is enjoying life in her "Cape Breton Home."

This past week had the moon appearing quite large to the naked eye, so it would have been the perfect time to have a look

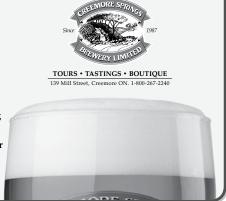
at it through a telescope. And, there is a guy up town that has (or had?) just such an instrument. We weren't on the ball, **Bob**, or you would have received a call asking if we could come up and "spy on the sky" with your 'scope.

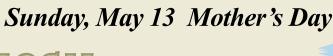


**SUPERMOON 2.0** Another "supermoon" shot, this one submitted by **David Dillon**, who framed the moon with the sillhouette of the silo at Creemore Springs Brewery.



At Creemore Springs we take pride in introducing folks to the great taste of our beer and showing them how we make it. So the next time you're near the town of Creemore, drop by the brewery, the hospitality is on us.





# LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY

Sunday, May 13 Creemore Baptist Potluck Supper at 5 pm.

Speaker **Charles Talbot** on his Phillipean Mission starts at 6:30 pm. All welcome.

### Knox Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

Worship & Sunday School at 10 am Sermon "Servants who would be Sons and Daughters"

All are welcome Rev. Charles Boyd 705-466-5202

# THE SALVATION ARMY HOPE ACRES COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Avening Sunday School & Worship at 9 am, New Lowell United at 10:15 am & St. John's in Creemore at 11:30 am. U4ia Quartet will be performing during the 11:30 am service. Come & enjoy this 4-part acappella style barbershop quartet. Coffee & conversation starting at 11 am.

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# Friendship leads to an international outlook



by Brad Holden

Creemore's **Michael Runyon** had no idea how much his life would change the day, three years ago, when he sat down for lunch at CCI next to a group of visiting acrobats from the Mully Children's Family orphanage in Kenya.

"I totally hit it off with them, and they became my good friends," said Runyon, who will host a fundraising night for the MCF organization at 7 pm on Friday, May 18 in the CCI auditorium.

Runyon is now finishing up his final year at CCI, with plans to study International Development at university in the fall. He also plans to spend about four months in Kenya next summer, revisiting the friends that he last saw on a three-week trip to MCF last year.

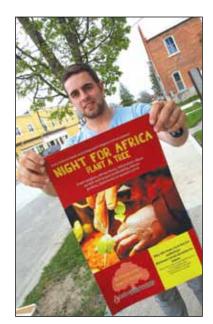
He helped build a new building at the

orphanage on that trip, and he also saw first hand how Mully Children's Family has helped more than 6,000 orphaned children find their way in life and get an education.

"They're awesome kids, and it's amazing to see how strong they are after being taken in and helped by MCF," he said.

Proceeds from the May 18 event, which will feature **Gabriel Mathika**, one of Mully's orphans who is now working in Toronto, as a guest speaker, will go to reforestration efforts on the MCF compound.

For more information, call Runyon at 705-888-2264, email him at mike.runyon.1@ hotmail.com, or visit the MCF website at www. mullychildrensfamily.org. Tickets for the event are \$10, available at the door.





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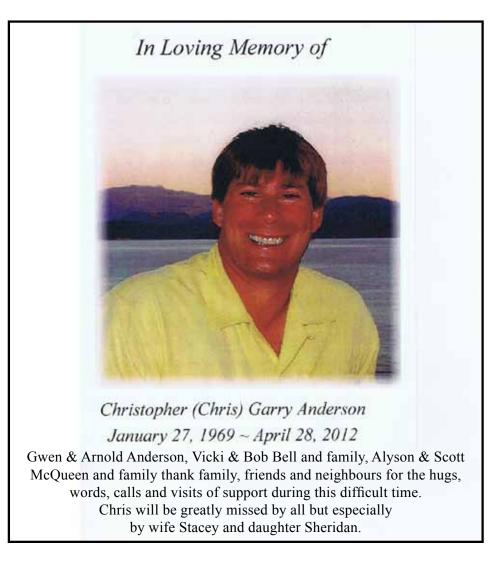




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**A FINE SPEAKER** Mulmur resident **Vincent Halis**, a Grade 7 student at Primrose Elementary School, was runner-up at this year's Provincial Final of the Royal Canadian Legion Public Speaking Competition, held in Niagara Falls on Saturday, May 5. His speech, on the subject of violence in Canadian hockey, won trophies at both the Zone and District level of the competition for having the highest overall score.









GOT NEWS?
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A collection of botanical prints owned by the late Mary Robertson will be auctioned off later this month.

# Cabin fundraiser honours a great gardener

by Brad Holden

Mary Robertson, an avid gardener and community volunteer who left us in 2010, will be honoured posthumously later this month when her lifelong collection of botanical prints is offered for silent auction at the Creemore Log Cabin, with all proceeds going toward the development of gardens and landscaping at that new facility.

"It's quite an impressive collection," said **John Ferris**, the Log Cabin Committee member who's organizing the event. In total, there are about 55 matted and framed prints, all presenting the latin name of whatever flower, vegetable or herb is illustrated in its botanically correct form. The prints are of varying sizes and ages, with some dating as far back as the late 19th Century.

The collection will be on public display at the Log Cabin on Saturday, May 19 from 9 am to 2 pm; Sunday, May 20 from 12 to 3 pm; and Saturday, May 26 from 9 am to 2 pm. Silent auction bids can be made at any time during those three periods. The exhibition will then end

with a public reception from 2 to 3 pm on Saturday, May 26, during which time any final bidding will be done in live auction style.

The landscaping around the Cabin that will take place this summer using funds raised during the auction will be a lasting tribute to Robertson, and will include periodstyle perennial beds around the building and several heritage vegetable plots out back.

"Mary would be delighted that her prints are going to help out the Log Cabin," said her friend and business partner **Kathy Meeser**, who encouraged Mary's husband **Stuart** to donate them to that cause. "She was tremendously excited about the cabin when it was discovered."

Many of the plants in Robertson's gardens were sold during last year's Horticultural Society Plant Sale, benefitting her other great passion. It was Robertson and Meeser who did the original gardening work in the Horticultural Park, and she spent many years volunteering for that organization.





# New Lowell News

Well the blossoms are out and the warmth is in the sunshine. Spring is one of my favourite seasons. As you stroll around the village watching people sweep, plant, dig, and mow it makes you so thankful for having such a good environmentally friendly



neighbourhood. Now if we could just stop the people from throwing out their coffee cups/paper/bottles and other garbage in the ditches when they are travelling, the environment would be much cleaner.

The Brentwood Community Centre will be holding a Mother's Day Tea on Saturday, May 12, from 1 pm until 3 pm. It will be \$15 per family with snacks, crafts for mom, one photo, and a door prize to a lucky mom. Please contact **Carrie McCallum** at 705-424-0706 for further information.

The New Lowell Legion also appreciates your support with their Wing Night on Friday evenings (and, on the last Friday of every month, Fish and Chips). The Legion has new hours to better accommodate you. On Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday they are open from 4 to 8 pm. On Friday they are open from 4 pm to 1 am. Get your tickets for the Neil Diamond Tribute Show featuring Joey Purpura. This is on Saturday, May 12 at 8 pm Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. This is a perfect way to treat Mom for Mother's Day. The Legion's phone number for further information is 705-424-1621. You might also want to treat Mom to a special Breakfast on Sunday, May 13 starting at 9 am at the Legion.

Planting season will soon start and so will our local greenhouses and market gardens. **Heidi Sterrenburg**'s Rural Roots is open and you can visit her at www.ruralrootsnursery.ca for all the new ideas for planting. The Cut and Dried Flower Farm is also up and ready to go. They offer a wide variety of flowers for all areas and **Katie Dawson** will be happy to assist you when you visit her greenhouses.

There were lots of rhymes and memory verses at New Lowell Public School on Friday morning. The Primary Classes had their Annual Poetry Cafe. A few children from each class reviewed their poems in front of family and friends. This was a super opportunity for parents, children and friends to see another side of the Language Arts Curriculum. The New Lowell Public School will have the Midwest Metal bin on their property on the morning of Saturday May 26. Please drop off your recycled metals/TVs/wire, etcetera. This is a fundraiser for the school.

The New Lowell United Church will have a very busy season in the next couple of months. They invite you to come out with your hats or fascinators for a special Jubilee Tea to honour the 60th Anniversary of our Queen's reign. There will also be a Bake Table and a Celebration Table that will have some memorabilia of our Monarch's life. Drop in for a visit and stay for tea on Saturday, May 26 from 10 am to 2 pm. The cost for the tea table is \$5.

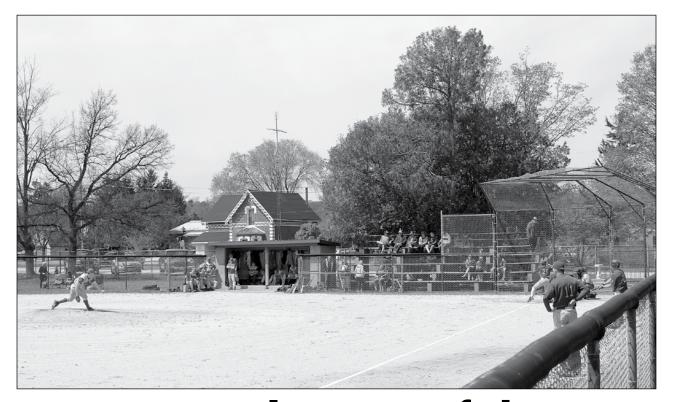
On Sunday, May 27 at 10:15 am the New Lowell United Church of the Creemore Pastoral United Church Charge will celebrate Confirmation of three young people along with the celebration of Communion and Pentecost.

Please mark your calendar for the New Lowell Church's 139th Anniversary Service on Sunday, June 10 at 11 am. This will be a special service with a guest speaker and full Charge Choir.

The Cemetery of New Lowell will have a special Remembrance Service on Sunday, June 24 at 2 pm.

The Brentwood Horticultural Society welcomes new members to their meeting on the last Tuesday of each month. They will be holding their annual plant sale on the morning of Saturday, May 19. The May 29th meeting of this Society will be themed "Let's Build a Container," with the speaker being being **Heidi Sterrenburg**. Please contact the group's president, **Joyce McGillivary**, at 705-424-1425 for further information.

That's the news from in and around New Lowell. Remember, if you wish to celebrate some news please call Sandra at 705-424-6497 or email sandra@bednarek.ca.



# Braves are slow out of the gate

by Fred Mills

The Creemore Braves began their 2012 season last weekend in much the same way that they ended last year's campaign: with no offence to be found.

The Braves welcomed New Lowell to town for

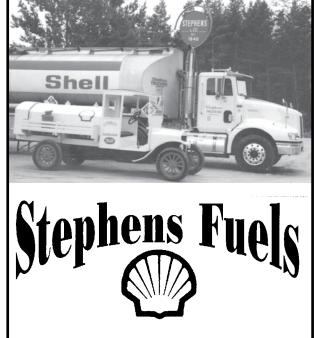
the season opener on Saturday afternoon. **Ryan Bartley** had the start and pitched 4.2 innings, giving up six hits (four of them home runs) and taking the loss. Todd Gowan pitched 2.1 innings of relief. The Braves had a mere four hits in total, with **Ryan Bartley** having a pair and **Glenn Patterson** and **Bryan Post** both hitting doubles. Creemore lost 4-0.

The Braves then travelled to Barrie on Sunday. **Brad Grieveson** took the mound and gave up four hits while striking out 10. Unfortunately, Creemore's offensive woes continued with **Ryan Bartley** having the only hit. Creemore left Barrie with a 1-0 loss.

In the two games, Creemore had a dismal five hits in 14 innings.

Tuesday's game against Barrie was cancelled due to field conditions and will be played Saturday in Creemore at 4 pm.

The Ladies Slo-Pitch season has also begun, with games played at Gowan Park every Thursday evening at 6:30 and 7:30 pm.



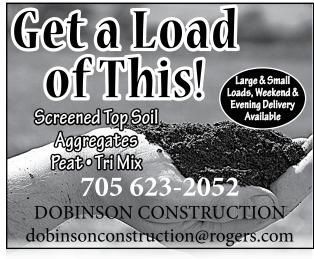
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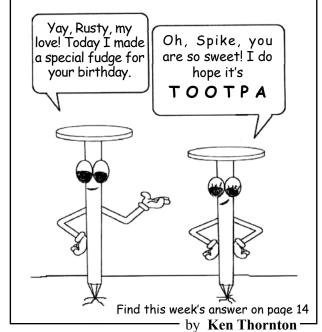
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Answer on page 14

# Yay, Rusty, my Oh, Spike, you love! Today I made are so sweet! I do a special fudge for your birthday. hope it's TOOTPA

# Spike & Rusty Word Scramble





# Friday, May 11

Sunny

High 17 Low 5 Winds NW 20 km/h

### Saturday, May 12

Isolated showers

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# Sunday, May 13

Mainly sunny

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# **FRED'S FUNNIES**

A termite walks into a bar and asks, "Is the bartender here?"

# Brian's Canadian Crossword

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### 1 Famed Nova Scotia sailor Joshua

- 7 Provides with weapons
- 11 Steroid use inquiry judge in
- 16 Prius maker

ACROSS

- 17 Open to debate
- 18 Club Regent in Winnipeg and Caesars in Windsor 20 More optimistic
- 21 Portend
- 22 Pizza herb
- 23 Airport abbrev.
- In The Morning (Anne Murray)
- 27 WKRP actress Smithers
- 28 Apple or peach, e.g. 29 Telephone connections
- up (accelerated)
- 31 Tibetan priest
- 32 Public worker
- 34 Rain hard
- 35 Microwave oven component
- 36 Headache medicine 37 1982 Neil Young album
- 39 Bad boy stat in hockey
- 40 Keep a roast moist 43 Kraft or McCain

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- 44 Wolfed (down) 47 Manitoba of 1870 or Alberta

- 48 Sierra and Kinsmen 49 Like a meeting of bigwigs
- 51 Atlanta NHLers
- 54 Inuit carving material
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- before Sept 15
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- 58 Sensation 59 Dash displays
- 60 Appears to be
- 62 Inclined (to) 63 Poker face spoilers
- 64 It's hard not to think of the
- 65 Without tact
- 68 Writer Cohen (Elizabeth
- And After)
- 69 Longtime Global news anchor Peter
- 73 Blowgun missile
- 74 Senator's garb
- 75 Overindulge
- To Newfoundland (Sin
- Cavendish Boyle) 78 Billy Bishop's alma mater
- 13 Like Sudbury's nickel 79 Famous role for Gordie Tapp 14 Needing help (3) 81 Cuddle, to a Brit 15 Loblaw brand (2) 82 D'Arcy McGee and Sir 18 Alibi 19 Fishfinder principle 25 Hill dweller 26 Magnum \_\_\_ (great work) 29 Do eye surgery 31 Clinging snail relative 33 Cauldron 34 Goalie gear 35 Money drawers 37 Excursions 38 Burgles 39 \_\_\_ Love (Paul Anka)



- Wilfred Laurier, e.g.

- 91 Audition tape, briefly

### **DOWN**

- 1 The Outcasts and For Better
- 2 Item buried in the ice at the
- 3 Pearl producer
- 5 All-purpose vehicle, briefly
- 6 Rogers Cup champion
- 10 Mountie hats
- 11 Challenged

- 40 British spa resort 41 Muscle problems
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- 44 Gretzky had 92 in 1981-82
- 46 Stonewashed material 48 Treasure container

- 85 Procrastinator's response
- 87 Humility
- 89 Bring out
- 90 Shoulder muscles, briefly
- 92 Oust from office

- Or For Worse
- 2002 Olympics

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- 12 Software customer

- 45 Summon up (feelings)
- 49 Bridge fees

- Peaks)

- 4 Wind around
- 7 Mosey along
- 8 Cheats

- 84 Actress Flynn Boyle (Twin
- 88 Give off

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- 42 Subway grip
- (hyph.) 66 Gun barrel cleaner 67 Gamer's paradise

50 Rents

52 It's about time! (2)

56 Highlander's garment

60 Old Testament king

63 War Amp identifiers

64 Like Mountie hats

54 Inuit food staple

53 Fires a puck

59 Exhaustive

61 Peeper

- - 68 Meek and mild 69 A real \_\_\_ tapper 70 Monte Carlo's country
  - 71 Venus And (Shakespeare) 72 Make void

74 Civil offenses

- 75 Certain curtain fabric 76 Student of Socrates
- 79 Expense 65 Old computer component 80 Moniker
  - 81 Cut with scissors
- 83 \_\_\_star satellite
  - 86 Brewski



### **NOTICE - MULMUR RATEPAYERS**

Mulmur Township is holding a meeting (details below) for Township ratepayers interested in and/or concerned about the Dufferin Wind Power Inc. proposal to construct approximately 49 wind turbines in the north-east portion of Melancthon Township. Some of the proposed infrastructure will be located in the area north and west of Honeywood just beyond the Township of Mulmur boundary, and one of two possible transmission line routes is along the Mulmur Melancthon Townline between County Road 17 and Hwy10/89.

### Saturday, May 26, 2012, 9:00am to 11:00am Township Office, 758070 2<sup>nd</sup> Line East, (Terra Nova)

The purpose of the meeting is to provide Mulmur ratepayers with an opportunity to make your views known to the Township before Council's formal comments on the proposal are submitted. All points of view are welcome and will be considered.

The Township will not be providing specific details on the proposal, so ratepayers are urged to inform themselves in advance of the meeting, to determine if/how the proposal impacts them.

The Notice of Draft Site Plan and Draft Site Plans can be downloaded on the main page of the project website under the "News" section.

www.dufferinewindpower.ca

If you missed the Public Information Centres for the project's 230kV power line alternative, the information panels presented can also be downloaded from the website.

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- iii) To ensure that proper land application of the NASM is carried

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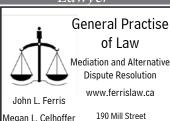
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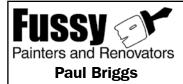
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Wishing our Mom Grace McGillivray a very Happy "80th" Birthday. Love from your family.

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# THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who attended the Mad & Noisy Quilter Dessert Tea last week. Thanks to Tracey Lawko for showing her wonderful quilts, framed artwork and clothing. Thanks to all the quilters for the delicious desserts. And thanks to all the helpers for the hard work setting up and taking down. Special thanks to Fred Mills for helping with set up, take down & taking pictures.

The Creemore Skating Club would like to thank the residents of Creemore, Mulmur, Glencairn, Dunedin, New Lowell, Lisle, Singhampton and surrounding area for their scrap metal and bottle donations for our annual fundraiser. Thank you to our drivers and volunteers: Annette and Josh Belkosky, Janet, Janice and Julie Bigham, Mary Bouchard, Jim Crawford, Carlee and Dan Gowan, Lisa and Makenna Halliday, Rob McCleary, Shauna, John, Grace, Libby and Luke Millsap, Dan Talbot and Steve and Julie Whitley. Thank you to Glen Millsap for the use of his trailer. A big thank you to Joan and Donald Gordan and the staff at Midwest Metals for their continued support. We look forward to next year's scrap metal fundraiser in early May 2013. The Creemore Skating Club

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# **PLANNING AN EVENT?**

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# Placing Old Age Security on a Sustainable Path

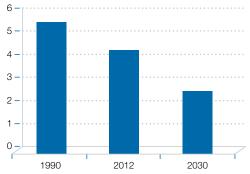
Canadians are living longer and costs for the Old Age Security (OAS) are rising. On April 1, 2023 the Government of Canada plans to start raising the age of eligibility for OAS and the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) from 65 to 67.\*

# What does this mean for you?

54 or older as of March 31, 2012	You may still obtain OAS/GIS at age 65			
53 or younger as of March 31, 2012	The age of eligibility for OAS/GIS will change gradually between 2023 and 2029			

Starting in July 2013, Canadians who are eligible for, but not yet receiving OAS will have the flexibility to delay receiving it in exchange for a higher monthly amount at a later date.

### The number of working-age Canadians for every senior is decreasing\*\*



\*\*Source: 9th Actuarial Report on the Old Age Security Program

The number of working-age Canadians per senior is decreasing, placing additional pressure on the OAS program.

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