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A BEAUTIFUL SEND-OFF Last Saturday saw balloons sent off in a similar style as the many students educated at Duntroon Public School over the past five decades, with the care of dedicated staff and the help of the community.

DUNTROON BIDS SCHOOL FAREWELL

by Brad Holden

In the end, the Duntroon that said goodbye to its public school last Saturday was much the same as the one that built it 48 years ago – a close-knit, community-minded, rural hamlet where many families have known each other for generations.

With nearly 400 current and former residents packed standing-room only into the Duntroon Central Public School gymnasium, a succession of speakers asked for several shows of hands – from former graduates, from former faculty members, from those who were students at one of the several surrounding one-room schoolhouses that were closed when Duntroon Central opened in 1964. With each call, a flock of hands were raised. Regardless of the fate of Duntroon Central, it was clear that this remains
(See "Celebration" on page 3)

Clearview talks Casinos

by Brad Holden

A recent announcement by the provincial government that the south Georgian Bay area – and specifically one of Collingwood, Wasaga Beach, Springwater Township or Clearview Township – might be a good place for a casino was included on the Clearview Council agenda Monday night and generated some interesting discussion.

While the item was included at the request of Mayor **Ken Ferguson** so that Council would start thinking about a response before debating the subject at a later date, two members of Council were quick to stake out their positions right away.

"I am adamantly, fundamentally convinced that casinos do more harm



than good to communities," said Deputy Mayor **Alicia Savage**, who apologized for taking a stand before Council has an official debate, but pointed out the need for haste.

On May 17, the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Commission issued a Request for Information (RFI) regarding the expansion of private-sector gaming in Ontario. It outlined 29 "gaming zones" across the province where new casinos could potentially be established. The zone that includes Clearview has been identified as having the potential for one new gaming facility with up to 300 slot machines and a "to be determined" range of table games.

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READY TO SET SAIL Librarian **Michele McKenzie** shows off a few of the books of this week's visiting author.

THE GOOD SHIP TITANIC

This Saturday, June 2 at 10:30 am The Clearview Public Library will be hosting **Hugh Brewster** at the Station on the Green. The renowned expert will be appearing to talk about his 25-year relationship with the Titanic and many details of its history.

This is a free, informal presentation about the people, the ship and the events of this sinking which radically shook the Edwardian age and inextricably altered our modern civilization.

You are encouraged to reserve seats by booking a complimentary ticket through the Creemore Branch at 705-466-3011.

The library has a number of other speakers planned for this special series at the Market. **Donna McGaw** will be at the Market in July and **Terry Fallis** will be attending in September.



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This Weekend

- Friday, June 1 to Sunday, June 3**
- **Blue Mountain Foundation of the Arts Studio & Art Tour** from 10 am to 5 pm featuring over 40 artists. See www.bmfa.on.ca or 163 Hurontario Street, Collingwood for details. 705-445-3430.
 - **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.
 - **Creemore Echo** will be at the **Creemore Farmers' Market** 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.

- The **Creemore Log Cabin** (on Library Street) will be **open** every Saturday throughout the summer from 9:30 am to noon. Volunteer "History Hosts" will be on hand each week to welcome visitors.
- **Mad & Noisy Gallery Art Opening** from 2 to 5 pm. **Un-Earthed: Dynamic Renderings of Nature's Gifts** will celebrate the beauty of nature's elements through the mediums of jewellery, oil paintings, wood, clay, and watercolours featuring Norma Lee, Sue Miller, Douglas Brown, Rosemary Molesworth, Frith Bail, Taylor Ledden, Elaine Wigle. Show runs to July 1. www.madandnoisy.com 705-466-5555.

- **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.
- **GNE Hoedown** held at the GNE Fairgrounds. Happy Hour starts at 6 pm, Dinner starts at 7 pm. Tickets are \$20 each and include steak dinner and square dancing for beginners and advanced. Silent auction. Licensed event. Tickets can be purchased by calling Diane at 705-444-2992 or going to Smart's Flowers in Collingwood.
- **Sunday, June 3**
- **Church Services** on page 5.

Upcoming Events

- Monday, June 4**
- **Collingwood & District Historical Society Meeting** at 7 pm at the Leisure Time Club, Minnesota St., Collingwood. "In Search of the Grand Trunk Railway" a presentation by author and historian Ron Brown of the Railways of Simcoe County and area. Admission CDHS membership or \$3.
 - **Tuesday, June 5**
 - **Bruce Trail Hike.** Dufferin Hi-Land Level 1 6.6 km from the 20th Sideroad south to Centre Rd, by Kilgourie school. Meet at Superburger at Hwy. 89 & 10 Map 20 & 21.
 - **Wednesday, June 6 or Tuesday, June 12**
 - **Dufferin County Community Strategic Plan. Workshops** for residents to participate in a discussion on the strengths & opportunities of our region & vision for Dufferin County. June 6 from 7 to 9 pm at Mel Lloyd Centre, 167 Centre Street in Shelburne or June 12 from 7 to 9 pm at Monora Park, 633220 Hwy 10 N, Orangeville. 1-800-661-8437 ext 259 or christina.bruce@dpra.com for details.
 - **Thursday, June 7**
 - **Canadian Blood Services' Blood Donor Clinic** at Angus Recreation Centre from 2 to 7 pm. Call 888 2 DONATE or www.blood.ca to book your appointment.
 - **Friday, June 8**
 - **Friday Night Supper at the Creemore Legion** is a BBQ from 5 to 6:45 pm. Adults \$10 and seniors \$8. Call 705-466-2202 to RSVP.
 - **Saturday, June 9**
 - **Teddy Bears Picnic Play Day in the Park.** An afternoon of fun for the whole family! From 1 to 4 pm at Gowan Park in Creemore. Admission minimum

- donation of \$10 per family. All proceeds to daycare! Games, sports, crafts, face painting, silent auction & a bake sale. Photographers available. All ages welcome! This is a rain or shine event.
- Sunday, June 10**
- **New Lowell United Church 139th Anniversary Service** at 11 am. This will be a special service with a guest speaker and full Charge Choir.
 - Everyone welcome to come and share in the celebration of **Bob and Betty Stephenson's 50th Wedding Anniversary** at Clougher Community Hall, west of Lisle from 1pm to 5pm.
 - **Wednesday, June 13**
 - Sara Hershoff is on **97.7 The Beach** this morning between 9 and 10 am to talk "**All Things Creemore**". Don't miss it!
 - **Thursday, June 14**
 - **Collingwood General & Marine Hospital AGM & Inaugural Community Luncheon** held at Georgian Manor Resort. to begin at 10:30 am. Over dessert the keynote speaker, Francesca Grosso will speak about our health care system. Contact Tom Paterson at 705-466-6321 for tickets, \$20.
 - **2nd Annual Scotch Nosing & Prime Rib Dinner** at the Masonic Lodge in Stayner. Doors open at 6 pm, dinner at 7:30 pm. \$60 per person. Contact Bill at 705-428-0609 for tickets. Hosted by Stayner & District Kinsmen. Proceeds to Collingwood General & Marine Hospital Foundation.
 - **Saturday, June 16**
 - **The Clearview Emergency Hub Grand Opening** from 10 am to 2 pm at 6993 Hwy 26. Official ceremonies at 11 am. Complimentary BBQ.
 - **Creemore Curling Club Charity Golf Day** at Duntroon Highlands Golf Club. Four person scramble, shot gun start at 1 pm, includes 18 holes, cart, dinner and donation to Collingwood G&M Hospital Foundation. Cost \$115 per person or \$35 for dinner/donation only. This year the proceeds are being allocated to the purchase of a

- CT Scanner. Please contact Paul or Karen Crevier at 705-428-2616 for registration and more information.
- 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, June 23**
 - **Dunedin Knox Presbyterian Church Strawberry Supper** from 4:30 to 7 pm. Adults \$12.50, youth \$6 and under 5 free.
 - **Sunday, June 24**
 - **Avening United Church Strawberry Tea** from 2:30 to 4:30 pm at the Avening Hall.
 - **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 now at the *Creemore Echo*. For more info contact Sara at (705) 466-9906.
 - **Saturday, July 14**
 - **Creemore Dairy Day.** Downtown Creemore from 10 am to 4 pm. Help celebrate the **Grand Opening of Miller's Dairy.** 50's and 60's themed music, food, festivities, farm tours, fun in celebration of all things dairy. Join us for some old-fashioned family fun.



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A celebration, rather than a funeral, for DCPS

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a community that deeply cares about its educational institutions.

That sentiment was confirmed by **Caroline Smith**, the Simcoe County District School Board trustee for Collingwood, who upon being introduced was applauded for her efforts to try to save the school from closure during the Accommodation Review Committee process last year.

"I've never worked with a group of people who were so focused on saving a school for all the right reasons," said Smith, noting the special spirit in every Duntroon graduate's heart, and expressing hope that the opportunity now exists to take some of that spirit and embed it elsewhere.

The loudest applause of the afternoon came when Mayor **Ken Ferguson**, a Duntroon graduate himself, took the podium (the fact that DCPS student **Jared Young** gave him a wrestling-style introduction didn't hurt: "And now.... the Mayor... of Clearview Township.... Ken... Fergussssssoooooonnn!").

"This is a very sad day for me," said Ferguson. "Usually I'm cutting ribbons or kissing babies. I don't close schools; that's not on my agenda."

The Mayor went on to praise the community he saw in the audience. "I see many memories out there," he said. "This is my community – look at all that this school has produced."

Also speaking during the official part of Saturday's program was outgoing DCPS principal **Bill Floyd**, who said he felt blessed to be part of the Duntroon community, if only for a short time; SCDSB Area 5 superintendent **Paul Sloan**, who painted a picture of what the world was like in 1964; DCPS students **Young, Scott Miller** and **Sadie Campbell**, who spoke of the history of education in Duntroon; and School Council chairperson **Robin Ardilla**, who spearheaded the organization of Saturday's Grand Finale celebration.

The afternoon did feel more like a celebration than a funeral, which is what Ardilla and her committee had hoped for. Following the speeches, guests filed out of the gym to see most of the student population of DCPS assembled in a circle, banging out a rhythm on drums of various sorts and sizes. With help from the drummers of Group Soume, the students increased the intensity of their drumming as a group of Duntroon graduates – one for each decade of the school's existence – accompanied by several students with multi-generational ties to the school carried a netting full of green and white balloons into the centre of the circle. Just as it seemed the music could not get any



more raucous, it stopped dead and the balloons were released, floating up and over the village of Duntroon to the southeast and disappearing into the blue.

The rest of the day was taken up by a local talent show, a light barbecue dinner and a multi-generational baseball game.

Duntroon Central Public School will remain open until the last day of the 2011/2012 school year. When school gets underway again in September, its students will be divided between Nottawa Elementary School, Clearview Meadows Elementary School and Nottawasaga & Creemore Public School.

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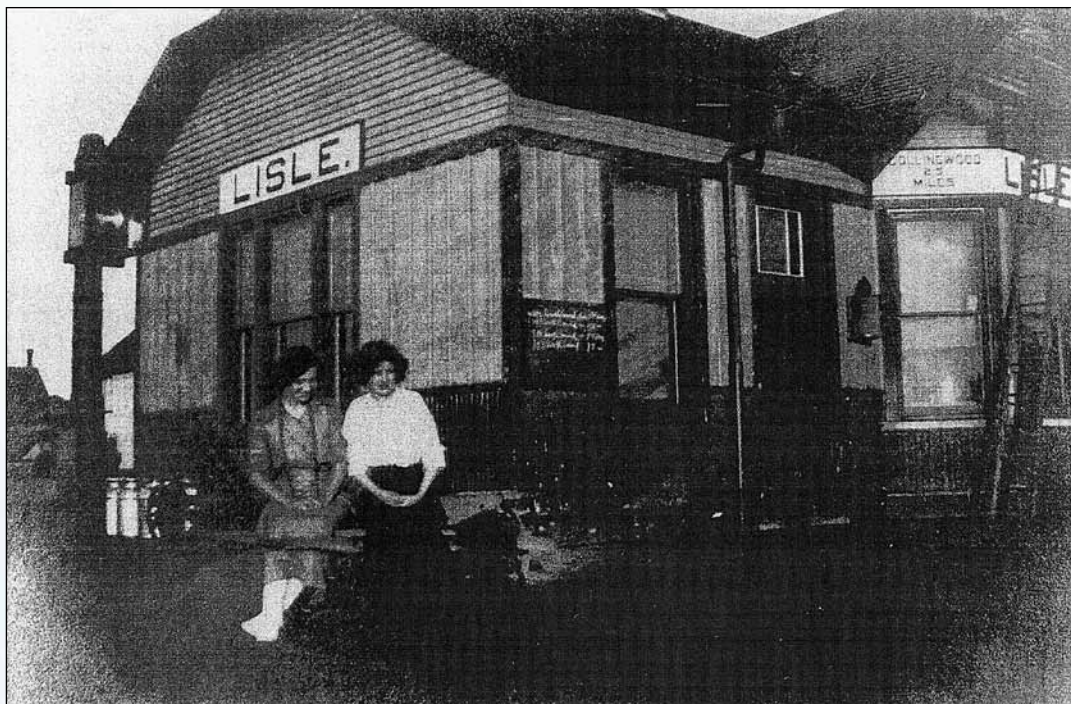
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THE WAY WE WERE



Along the tracks on the Hamilton
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Anyone know who they may be?

Moving along on our trek northward toward Creemore, the Hamilton and North Western Railway next passed Glencairn. We'll continue with **Peter Coates'** station-by-station tour of the "Hog Special" next week.



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Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 52 out for cards on this very warm day, but the temperature in the Legion was not too bad. **Bob Veale** announced that **Ruby Klinck** was in hospital in Newmarket awaiting heart surgery, but there were some complications, so her operation was delayed. If all goes well, it will be rescheduled to take place as soon as possible. So here's a big "Best Wishes" and a "Get well soon" from us all.

The 50/50 draws went to **Joan Monaghan, Audrey Tidd, Lucy Young, Barb Cudmore, Lillian Hiltz, Isabelle Gubbels, Edith Atkinson** and **Mercedes Veinot**.

Moon shots (scads of them!) were played by **Lois Walker, Lillian Hiltz, Dave Smith, Kevin Keogh, Earl Bentley, Phyllis Seed (2), Jim Rigney (3), Lucy Young, Audrey Tidd, Roy Veinot, Mercedes Veinot, Carol Faulkner** and **Pat Winger (2)**. Pat won the travelling prize, and Jim got the Sidewinders loot, plus the side bet with **Warren**.

High scorers were **Russ Miller** 331 (nice!), **Pat Winger** 314, **Gayle Gordon** 304, **Earl Bentley** 287 – and we missed getting Alma Seifert's score in last week, so she qualified for a high spot with **306**. Low was **Carol Faulkner** with 95.

In the very first game, there

SENIORS



Sylvia
GALE

were about twelve moon shots, and this got a lot of players starting out with great scores. For instance, **Phyllis Seed** and **Warren Gale** tallied up 91 points in their first game!

It was good to have **Pat Winger** back with us this week – and she obviously hasn't forgotten how to play the game!

We were sorry to hear that **Marie Kidd** (sister of **Thelma Lighthouse** and **Lois Walker**, members of Seniors) had quite a bit of a bad time after her heart surgery in Newmarket Hospital recently. So all the best for a speedy recovery, Marie. Marie and I share three grandboys, and I'm sure they would all like to say "Get well soon, Grandma" to you.

Irene Dolson and her daughter **Ann** were down for a wee visit last week, and Irene brought me a lovely flowering begonia. She sure doesn't need to do this, but she knows how much I enjoy their lovely blooms, so she spoils me! Irene is looking a little shaky, but she is doing amazingly well considering that she was beset by heart problems, and she is not in her teens or twenties anymore. Then again, Irene never was one to sit around and do nothing, and I do think that helps in one's recovery. At any rate, it was wonderful to see you out, and we all look forward to

your being back at cards.

We were at the "Toonie Lunch" at the Anglican Church on Friday. The broccoli soup that I had was very good, and we enjoyed chatting with everyone. Special thanks to **Sylvia Knox** (Sorry, Sylvia, I can only remember your maiden name!) for coming over and saying "Hi." I missed seeing her on the way in, and if she hadn't been good enough to come over, I would have missed her entirely. There was a lot of "Sylvias" when we went to school. There was **Sylvia Thompson, Sylvia Pether, Sylvia Bishop, Sylvia Knox** and **Sylvia Jordan**, all in public school at the same time, and we sort of kept track of each other off and on over the years.

My thanks to **Lynn Penney** and **Gerda Sporleder** for sharing their wool, crochet hooks, knitting books, buttons, etc, for the gal that is a stroke survivor and that can make use of all these things. Warren and I picked up the materials from down in Mulmur Township, and will see that it gets to **Nancy** fairly soon, along with the other donations that we have already picked up. You know, folks in this area are just great – they hear of a need, and they respond with help. Thanks to all of you for, again, coming up with whatever is required.

We have a bus trip to Rama coming up on Tuesday, June 5, and anyone who would like to join

us is welcome. You need to be at least 19 years old, and have valid government identification (Driver's licence, etc). The cost is \$5 and that covers the trip and also a great lunch. Just call me at 705-466-5732.

I am very sorry to report that another schoolmate and friend since Grade 1 passed away recently. This was Ruth (Emmett) Hughes, sister of **Helen Blackburn**. Ruth was a registered nurse, and nursed for years. But this last while she has had several medical issues that were hard to overcome. In school she was nearly always in the top three of her class, and she was a polite, pleasant kid that everyone enjoyed being around. She grew up and married the "boy next door," Bill Hughes, and they had two daughters. Bill predeceased Ruth. Our sympathies go to her girls and their families, as well as to Helen and her family. Ruth was also a cousin of the **Websters** from (where else?) Websterville.

In a "blast from the past," it was on May 28, 1935 that the Dionne quintuplets were born in Northern Ontario. They were the first "quints" to survive infancy, which was a miracle considering their house had no hydro, no running water, and was heated by a wood stove. But the doctor dug up some incubators that did not require hydro, and the rest is history.

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Annual Cemetery Services

Sunday, June 10
Honeywood Cemetery Service. 2 pm

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Sunday, June 17
Creemore Cemetery Decoration Service. 2:30pm
Singhampton Union Cemetery Service. 3pm

Sunday, June 24
Dunedin Cemetery Service. 2pm
Christ Church Banda Cemetery Service. 2pm
Cemetery of New Lowell Service. 2pm
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New sports facility not just for heavy hitters

by Brad Holden

It's been three months since **Kelly Barrow-Smith** and her family opened Smith Brothers Baseball Central in New Lowell, and the response to the 12,600-square-foot indoor baseball and fitness facility has so far been fantastic.

"Within four hours of getting our occupancy permit, we had a Barrie rep team training here," said Barrow-Smith. In all, the facility has seen multiple visits from four Barrie rep teams, two NDBL teams, the Stayner select team and the Mansfield select team. It has also played host to free introduction days for each of the South Simcoe Minor Baseball Leagues, and is home to a thriving series of clinics on all types of skills used in hardball and fastball.

"It's been going really well," said Barrow-Smith with a smile, but after a quick tour through the facility, you wonder if she's at all surprised. It's clear, after all, that Barrow-Smith, her husband **Kirk Smith** and their sons **Kirby** and **Konar Smith**, baseball lovers all, knew what they were doing when they developed their business plan.

Standing in the lobby of Smith Brothers Baseball Central, your eye is immediately drawn to the indoor field, which takes up 8,000 of the building's 12,600 square feet. Covered with the same turf that's used at the Rogers Centre, the field can be used as a whole or divided up into pitching and batting tunnels. It's clear that the field is the facility's star attraction, as it can be seen from most of the other rooms. Included in those are a fully stocked workout gym, a parents' viewing lounge complete with comfy furniture and a flat-screen television, and a multi-purpose room that's used for many of Smith Brothers' non-baseball activities.

And the non-baseball activities are many – don't think for a second that Smith Brothers caters to baseball players alone. The facility offers gymnastics and tumbling classes, dance and fitness programs, yoga and Zumba. As of next week there will be a massage therapist in residence. And any seniors who are interested in some indoor bocce ball or age-related fitness programs, they should get in touch as Barrow-Smith would like to gauge interest in such services.

All of these programs are important to the whole picture at Smith Brothers, but it's baseball, of course, that is the Smith family's first love. Both



AN ACTION PACKED PLACE Kelly Barrow-Smith and her family are now in their third month of operations at Smith Brothers Baseball Central. The New Lowell facility aims to service everyone from elite ball players to bocce enthusiasts.

Kirby and Konar play rep baseball in Barrie, and Kirby is currently playing with the Oakville Royals of the Ontario Premier Baseball League. Now 17 years old, Kirby is hoping a scholarship to play ball at an American university might come next.

Despite Simcoe County being a hotbed of baseball, the Smith family noticed, as their sons progressed up the ranks to elite ball, that there was no proper training facility in the area. They started to investigate the possibility of establishing one, and everyone they talked to told them that whatever they build should be in Barrie, where there are 700 kids playing Little League Baseball. But being based in New Lowell, they knew that there were 1,200 kids playing in the South Simcoe Minor Leagues, and New Lowell is geographically in the

centre of all of that. So they built it there, and are happy that they did.

Smith Brothers currently has 17 employees and four contract staff. Among its coaches are Creemore's **Brad Grieveson** and **Kirby Smith** himself.

"We want to be a place that can help the average player step up their game to the elite level," said Barrow-Smith. "If we can do that, we'll be happy."

For more information on all of the programs offered by Smith Brothers Baseball Central, visit their website at www.smithbrothersbaseballcentral.com. Note that the facility is now gearing up for summer baseball camps; information on those can be found at the website. Smith Brothers can also be reached at 705-424-0427.

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What prompted Savage's warning about haste was the timeline the government has laid out for decisions to be made. The RFI, which is intended to gauge private sector interest and obtain related information for a subsequent process to establish and regulate new casinos, will close on July 7. Following that, the province plans to move quickly to tender on the new establishments, most likely by the fall.

In a short staff report accompanying the announcement on the agenda, Planning Director **Michael Wynia** said Council had three choices at this point: to sit still and do nothing; to take proactive action to potentially attract a gaming facility; or to take pro-active action to negate the potential for a gaming facility within the municipality (by reviewing its planning instruments and informing the OLG that the municipality is not interested).

Council decided to debate the issue and come to a conclusion at its next meeting, but not before Savage and Councillor **Thom Paterson** had a bit more to say on the subject.

"This is just another example of the province's disrespect for municipalities," said Savage. "They don't really give a hoot what we think."

Paterson said he completely agreed with Savage, especially on the need to set a tone early. "A casino is completely out of character with my view of Clearview Township," he said. "This has no place here."

"CLEARVIEW ECO PARK" GETS GO AHEAD

After months of planning, Council approved the creation of a Simcoe County District School Board environmental learning centre at the former Nottawasaga Gravel Pit located on the Sixth Line. To be called the "Clearview Eco Park," the facility will be home base for a new special environmental program at Stayner Collegiate Institute.

While the Township will retain full ownership of the property, school use of the property will be covered under school liability plans and insurance.

With Council's decision Monday night, staff was directed to prepare a site management and development program with SCI and the SCDSB; to negotiate a program allowing students to complete the rehabilitation of the site (tree and shrub planting and soil remediation without heavy equipment, etc.) with the Ministry of Natural Resources; to negotiate long-term access to the site; and to consult with surrounding neighbouring property owners regarding the long-term security, use and development of the site as an outdoor learning and eco centre.

With SCI constantly struggling to keep its enrolment up to stave off closure, all members of Council were enthusiastically behind the plan, hoping that the new environment program at the school might provide a draw for students from further afield. Deputy Mayor Alicia Savage made sure to give credit to Clearview Planning Director Michael Wynia, who had the original idea to partner with SCI on the rehabilitation of the site.



Walk, run and other fun to celebrate trails

by Christopher Greer

On Saturday, June 2, a Trail Mixer will be held at the New Lowell Recreation Park, marking the official opening of a new section of trail that brings Clearview Township a step closer to its long-term goal of linking all of the municipality's settlement areas.

Appropriately, the Trail Mixer corresponds with International Trails Day and will include a number of activities that, in keeping with the mandate of the annual celebration, will "promote trail development, the use of trails and the healthy lifestyles they encourage."

According to **Jacqueline Soczka**, Clearview's community, culture and recreation programmer, the trail, which links New Lowell's subdivisions to the local park, school, and library, is integral to the health of the community in terms of facilitating transportation and encouraging tourism.

Later this year, the Township intends to build a trail in Creemore as part of a five-year initiative that will link the town to New Lowell.

Eventually, Soczka hopes that there will exist a "network of trails, linking Creemore to Collingwood, Angus and eventually Barrie," allowing for multi-day trips that will benefit local businesses.

Festivities begin at the New Lowell Recreation Park on Saturday at 8:30 am with a three-kilometre run – or walk, if you prefer – along the trail. Registration is available at the park on the day of the run, but the first 25 people to register ahead of time by visiting Smith Brothers Baseball Central in New Lowell will receive a "Clearview" emblazoned water bottle.

Certified instructor and New Lowell resident **Jen Elliott** will then hold a yoga session in the park at 9:30 am.

Clearview Councillor **Deb Bronee** will cut the ribbon at the trail entrance at 10 am. There will also

be speeches.

From 10 am to noon the Huronia West OPP will be hosting a Bike Safety Clinic for young children new to bike riding on the Park tennis courts, with a public health nurse on site inspecting helmets to ensure they fit properly.

From 10 am to 2 pm, Collingwood-based Eagle Adventures will run a free paddling clinic on the New Lowell Conservation Area pond. There will also be a guided tour of the pond at 1 pm, led by Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) representative **Dave Featherstone**, with canoes and kayaks being made available for rent for \$5.

"It's gorgeous," Soczka said of the excursion, noting that, last year, she came across a blue heron and a number of bullfrogs nestled among the trees, which also hold still-lively birdhouses installed by the NVCA when they held jurisdiction over the pond.

At 1:30 pm a game of Betsy Bingo will be held, in which a lamb named Betsy – generously provided by Mayor **Ken Ferguson** – will be set loose on a cordoned off section of the park. In what is sure to be a suspenseful affair, Betsy will walk atop an enormous bingo card composed of squares purchased by participants for \$5. The purchaser of whichever square she should decide to "do her business" on will receive one half of the proceeds from the game, with the other half going to the New Lowell Central Public School – who will also be running the food and refreshment booths – in support of their school projects.

Throughout the day there will also be live music, carnival games and a silent auction, as well as baseball clinics hosted at the Smith Brothers Baseball Central indoor facility.

"It's really just about getting out and having fun," said Soczka. "We want everyone to get out and get active while celebrating Clearview's trails."



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Seen & Heard around Creemore



The New Lowell United Church celebrated the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with a tea and bake sale last weekend. Delicious pies and a luncheon were offered up by some very "fascinating" ladies. **l-r: Bev Scott, June Robinson, Jean Cambourne, Sandra Bednarek, Andrea Lancaster and Deanne Lancaster.**



Grade six and seven students at the New Lowell Public School were out washing cars to raise some cash for their school trip to Quebec City in 2013. Ongoing fundraising efforts will be made to help reduce the cost to the individual students.

Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society members, including **Paul Bridgman** and **Marg Purkis**, enjoyed their annual lobster dinner last Saturday. The event helped raise a portion of the money to pay for the over \$21,000 in arts and heritage programs and donations the Society has planned for 2012.



By all reports the 6-Hour Trail Run Relay for Pine River was a huge success. More than 200 people, of all ages, including lots of kids, signed up to run and many more attended to cheer everyone on. The Pine River Institute, located in Mulmur, has been treating youth with mental health and addiction issues since 2006. The event raised \$39,000 towards their *Help Make A Home Campaign*. The campaign goal is to purchase the property they are on and expand capacity to help more families.

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Nature inspires artists at the Mad and Noisy

The Mad & Noisy Gallery celebrates nature's elements during June with a new show, *Unearthed*. The six member artists featured will be painters **Norma Lee**, **Sue Miller** and **Douglas Brown**, sculpture **Frith Bail**, potter **Rosemary Molesworth**, and wood turner **Taylor Ledden**. Also joining them as a guest artist, will be Collingwood goldsmith **Elaine Wigle**.

Stayner oil painter, **Norma Lee** has a keen interest in the Bruce Trail and hopes one day to walk end to end. "Each time I visit I am amazed at its beauty and appreciate the diversity of scenery. For this Bruce Trail series I returned repeatedly to favourite spots to capture the varied light. Standing in the shadows beside the Mad River near Devil's Glen Provincial Park I was impressed at how the sun's light made the distant trees glow. In autumn, on the Singhampton Cave trail, the warm colours sparkled as I looked down from the escarpment in the valley below."

Lee has chosen to paint on the frame to give the feeling of zooming in on her subject. "I hope through my paintings I have excited someone, who is not familiar with this Ontario treasure, to get out and enjoy the natural wonders of the Bruce Trail."

Creemore area artist, **Frith Bail**, uses a unique, ancient method of sawdust firing for her clay sculptures. "I wrap each piece in grass and embed them in sawdust. Over 12 hours, as the sawdust slowly burns, the smoke created special marks in the clay. The best part is unearthing my pieces from the smouldering ashes."

For this show, Bail is concentrating on the special contribution birds bring to nature, both through their individual uniqueness and how they connect in a group.

Shelburne-area ceramic artist **Rosemary Molesworth** uses a black ceramic pencil to depict our place as humans in nature on her bowls and plates. "My new clay work for *Unearthed* involves more drawing than in the past. Slip-trailed decorations of fish swim on rustic clay vessels and animal stencils on black clay illustrate my conviction of our connection to the land. By producing unique handmade, mainly functional pottery that can be enjoyed every day, I hope to add richness and pleasure to our daily life."

A woodturner from Wasaga Beach, **Taylor Ledden**, finds nature's beauty in insects that burrow into wood. These insects create burls or abnormal growths on the side of the tree. This wood is unusable for normal lumber operations but the faults in the burls provide a unique beauty that Ledden capitalizes on for his lathe-turned bowls.

During *Unearthed*, Ledden will also feature a few pieces with alabaster inserts.

Watercolour artist **Douglas Brown**, paints in his studio in Nottawasaga from sketches made during his travels throughout Ontario and the Maritimes. A former architect, Brown's watercolours record his interest in the maturing and recycling of buildings, and their contribution to both the urban and rural landscapes.

Oil painter **Sue Miller**, whose studio is in Collingwood, says the art she will be showing in this show relates to the theme from a primal perspective. "They are not actually renderings which try to capture details or a direct representation of a scene.



Sue Miller at work.

Rather, they are inspired by natural places that have created a collective imprint on me. My work is always about the earth, sky and water, and how we relate to these natural elements."

"I start by brushing a warm, earth wash on the canvas and then I apply layers of thick viscous paint over the top using a palette knife. By allowing the underpainting to peek through in places and by overlapping the oil layers, I'm able to create the

colour palette or mood I've experienced."

There will be an opening reception for *Unearthed: Dynamic Renderings of Nature's Gifts* on Saturday, June 2 from 2 to 5 pm at the Mad & Noisy Gallery on the main street of Creemore.

The show will continue throughout June. The gallery, at 154 Mill St., is open daily for the summer months. For more information call 705-466-5555 or go to www.madandnoisy.com.



NORTH DUFFERIN COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOTH OPERATIONS

The Township of Mulmur is accepting proposals for the operation of the concession booth in the Arena for the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 winter ice seasons. Proposals shall be made on a monthly rental basis, and include the use of all appliances in the booth. The operator pays their own energy costs, carries insurance coverage, commits to excellence in customer service, and will ensure the booth is open during all arena events.

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**Thursday, June 14, 2012
10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
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Members of the Corporation and interested citizens of the communities served by the G&M Hospital are cordially invited to attend our Annual General Meeting and Inaugural Community Luncheon.

Business will include consideration of Financial Statements for the year ended March 31, 2012; election of members to the Board of Trustees, any amendments to the Hospital By-Laws, reports from Hospital Leadership and other business properly brought before the meeting.

At 12:30 p.m. keynote speaker, Francesca Grosso will speak on Navigating Ontario's Healthcare System, A User Guide to Getting the Care You Need. Ms. Grosso is an established expert in health policy and communications. To attend the 12:00 p.m. lunch and this presentation, the cost is \$20.

Hospital Corporation Members will be provided with an agenda and all relevant information for the meeting by June 7, 2012.

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Aliens in the hills, but not the green ones.

Driving down the 2nd Line of Mulmur the other day, I caught a movement in the grass along the fence out of the corner of my eye. Then I picked up a flash of colour, and knew that what I was seeing could only be a Ring Neck Pheasant.

It brought back memories of my college days. In the late fall my buddies and I would go pheasant hunting in the cornfields of Iowa. The air was clear and there was often a frost on the ground, and I enjoyed the walk more than the hunt. I always felt the kill was the messy, unnecessary part of hunting. I feel about hunting as Thoreau did about fishing: "People go fishing all their lives without realizing its not fish they are after."

The Ring Neck Pheasant was introduced into North America as a game bird in 1881, and for an alien species it has turned out okay. In fact, as aliens go this has to be a very rare exception, because I can't think of another introduced land species that has turned out as well.

It got me to thinking about aliens in general; not "Little Green Men" (although for a fun read I would recommend Christopher Buckley's book by the same name), but animals that well-intended men have put where nature didn't intend.

In my travels I have personally seen some unmediated disasters when it comes to introduced species. A few spectacular ones come to mind. Travelling to Florida though the southern United States, you come across Kudzu Vine from China and Japan, which grows wild and kills everything in its path. In Australia there is the highly publicized rabbit problem, which has destroyed much of the indigenous plant life, and the infamous poisonous/hallucinogenic Cane Toad. New Zealand has a real problem with deer, possums and stoats, the later of which have decimated the country's unique ground-dwelling native bird population. On a recent trip to New Zealand the car rental clerk asked, if I saw a live possum on the road, whether I would be so kind as to run over it. In North America, starlings let loose in Central Park by the New York Shakespearean Society in 1890 annually cause considerable damage to the fruit industry. Finally, the goats of the Galapagos, which were introduced in the 1700s by whalers, destroyed much of the famous giant tortoise's habitat.

It is quite difficult to get rid of these aliens once they gain a foothold. In fact the only successful eradication of an alien species that I'm aware of is "Project Isabela," carried out on three of the Galapagos Islands – Isabela, Santiago and Pinta. The Ecuadorian government hired New Zealand hunters who had gained fame for greatly reducing the introduced deer and goat population there. The hunters used AR-15 rifles and 1 million rounds of ammunition to killed an estimated 200,000 goats. Today, the islands are goat-free and greener than they were when Darwin visited them in 1835. The giant tortoises are returning to their original habitat and growing in numbers.

Canada, it seems, is always willing to

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be helpful and send a couple of our critters to anyone who asks, particularly for reintroduction programs (which, technically, mean that the animals are not aliens):

In 1904 we sent four New Brunswick moose to Newfoundland, which at the time was not part of Canada. Today there are over 150,000 moose in Newfoundland, causing over 700 serious vehicle accidents a year. A Newfoundlander told me that you can always tell a Canadian moose, as they're the ones that apologize after they destroy your car, eh?

We sent 10 Saskatchewan moose to New Zealand in 1909, which were released into New Zealand's remote southern Fiordland. While they didn't do any harm, they didn't seem to take either – though even today there are still rumoured Sasquatch-like sighting of Canadian moose in the impenetrable forests of the South Island.

In the 1920s we sent colonies of beavers to Poland, Finland and Sweden, where to the Europeans' surprise they immediately went to work gnawing down trees and damming up rivers. European beavers don't build dams, but dam building is hard wired into every Canadian beaver, so this has not turned out well for the ecology of European rivers.

In 1960s we sent Whooping Cranes from Wood Buffalo National Park to Florida with good success. A 2011 population estimate was 599, up from just 21 in 1941.

In 1963 Newfoundland sent 20 Woodland Caribou to Maine with mixed results, as they immediately took off in all directions and have not been seen since.

In 1966 we successfully sent Bobby Orr to Boston, where in 1970 and 1972 he scored the deciding goals to win two Stanley Cups.

In the 1970s we sent Bald Eagles from British Columbia and New Brunswick to New York, Pennsylvania and California, to help them out with their national symbol.

In the 1970s, with great success, we sent Pronghorn Antelope and Rocky Mountain Big Horn Sheep to Montana.

From 1973 to 1989, we sent 2,000 Newfoundland Puffins to islands off the coast of Maine, where they continue to live and breed successfully.

In 1974 Jean Chrétien, as Minister of Indian Affairs, sent 10 Muskoxen to Russia to reintroduce a species that had been extinct there for thousands of



Al Clarke and wife Jackie pose in front of a truck while visiting Newfoundland. Enormous bumper bars are installed to protect against damage from run-ins with non-native moose.

years. Now more than 2,500 of the furry ungulates roam the Taymyr Peninsula.

In the 1980s we successfully sent Quebec Peregrine Falcons to the American mid-west.

There was a bit of a disaster when we sent Yukon Lynx to the Adirondack Mountains in the 1980s; it appears they weren't too street smart and most were run over by cars. We tried again in 1999, sending 38 Yukon Lynx to the San Juan Mountains in southwest Colorado where there are fewer cars. Word is still out on this experiment.

From 1985 to 1987 we sent 59 moose from Algonquin Park to Michigan in exchange for some wild turkeys – the success of which is clearly visible in the hills of Mulmur. Unlike the Newfoundland moose, these guys seem to be able for the most part to avoid cars.

In one of the most controversial moves, Canada sent wolves for reintroduction into Yellowstone National Park in 1995. The reintroduction has proved successful in controlling the elk population, and now the forest undergrowth is coming back and the

ecosystem is returning to its sustainable natural state.

In 1997 British Columbia sent 13 Caribou to the Selkirk Mountains in Washington State. They seem to have done well, and there are plans to send more.

Canada's success seems to be in returning species to their once natural habitat. It is rare that it works out as well with true alien species; we got lucky with the Ring Neck Pheasant. We should be ever mindful that in nature everything is interconnected, often in ways we can't imagine, and Mother Nature can be a cruel mistress when we tamper with the natural order.

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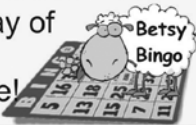
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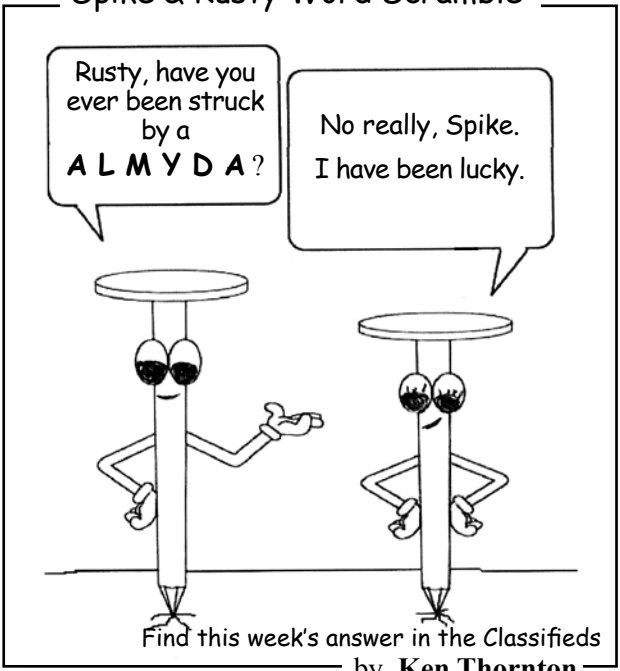
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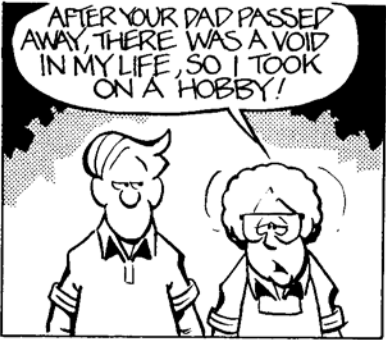
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Brian's Canadian Crossword

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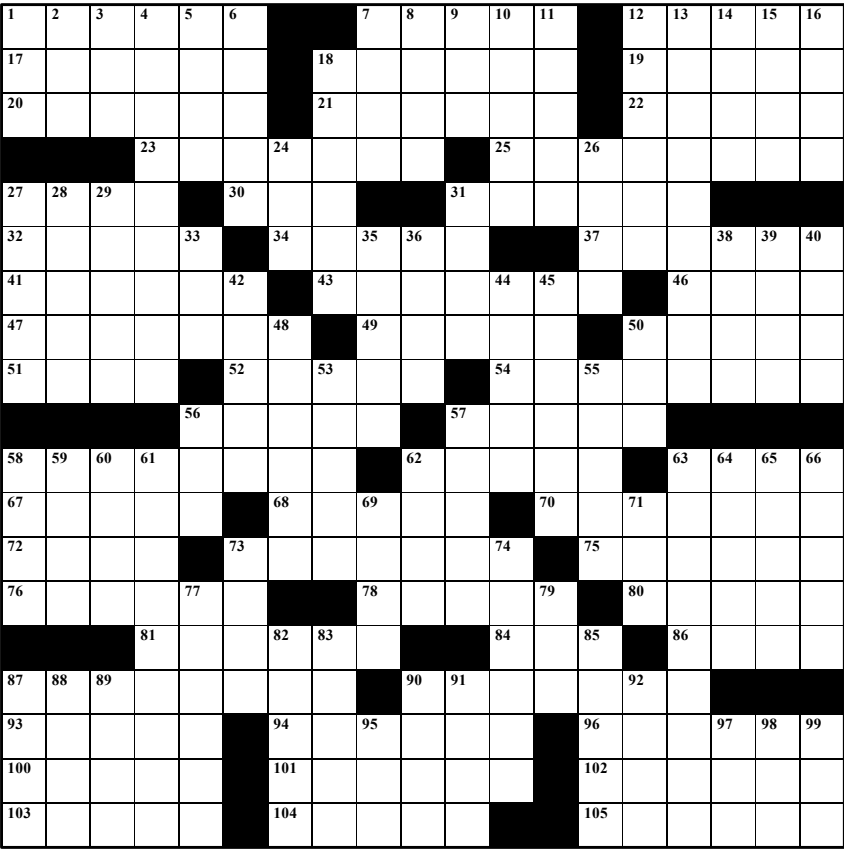
ACROSS

- Singer Goulet
- Winnipeg Blue Bombers QB Dieter
- Green (TV classic)
- Heaven
- More attractive
- Blackboard
- William Shatner's alma mater
- Ebb
- Sample
- Manitoba city and Yukon fort
- Waylaid
- Cop, in Calais
- As of now
- Gretzky and Orr, e.g.
- Kept going and going (2)
- Famed Toronto interpreter of Bach
- Arrests
- Computer report, e.g.
- Anti-radar technology
- Cover completely
- Fabricated
- Good morning (2)!
- (2)-walsy
- A Marx who wasn't funny
- Canadian cosmetics mogul Elizabeth
- Make waves

- Montreal singer-songwriter David
- Ate in style
- Plan for (2)
- Attack
- Highlands girl
- Poker phrase (2)
- Having the biggest poker stack (2)
- Kingdom within South Africa
- Big fall of snow
- Kareem's shot
- Tire type
- Surfing the Net
- Loosen laces
- Ma's musical instrument
- Bishops' headdresses
- Pride Of (Lightfoot)
- French holy women
- British actor Arthur (Mary Poppins)
- Greenpeace event
- British PM Edward
- Order legally
- Gets hitched on the sly
- Political matter
- Looks after (2)
- Madrid money
- Slows down
- Lauder of cosmetics
- Oily

DOWN

- Grog ingredient
- How cold medicine is sold
- Swamp
- Pertaining to a bishop
- Annoy
- Add up
- 1930's heavyweight boxing champion Max
- Casablanca cafe owner
- Smelter input
- Fragrant wood
- Krispy Doughnuts
- Sharp as a tack
- Jon Vickers' music
- Reaction to poison ivy
- Disk ender
- Canary food
- Party munchies
- Party barrel
- Party
- Clerical garment
- Author Ingalls (Little House On The Prairie)
- Change starter
- Greeting from The Outback
- Ding-a-ling
- Unqualified
- Rocker Russell
- Author Emile (J'accuse)
- Right, on a map
- Eyelid problem
- Fluff up hair
- Common name for a French king
- Mountain that is encircled by Banff, AB
- Sylvia's Mother group (2)
- Dubble Bubble character
- William Shatner's character on Boston Legal
- Prevent
- Web location
- Via Rail location
- Inventory acronym
- Mouse target
- British big house
- Final demand
- Big windfall
- Naturally occurring magnet
- On an angle



- Sedimentary rock
- Performs alone
- In this fashion
- Kangaroo carrier
- BC actor Rogen
- Japanese robe
- Market places?
- Chow down
- Actress Della (Chico And The Man)
- Cousins of kites

- Has to have
- The side that goes up
- Interlude
- Let up
- Sit pretty
- Liturgical event
- Actor Pickens
- The CF-105 Arrow, e.g.
- Hard-hit baseball
- Mess up
- Tofu base

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CELEBRATING 70 Maureen McLeod enjoyed a special birthday surrounded by over 200 friends and family members including son **Alex McLeod**, daughter-in law **Delia**, daughter **Mariane McLeod** and son-in-law **Charlie Rentner**. Also at the GNE ag building were 25 quilts that McLeod has made for her family over the years.



PROUD GRANDMOTHER Sandy VanLaar enjoyed a very special visit with her Calgary-based granddaughter **McKenna Armstrong-VanLaar**, shown here holding her gold ribbon, the week of May 23 to 27. They spent time together at the Etobicoke Olympium where McKenna, one of the 14 swimmers for the Calgary Aquabelles, participated in the 2012 Espoir Canadian Championships for synchronized swimming. **Bill Bendell** and Uncle **John VanLaar** also enjoyed watching as The Belles competed against 333 other athletes from as far away as Aruba to earn top ranking in combo, team and duet categories.

DO YOU HAVE A PROUD MOMENT TO SHARE? The whole village would love to know what you and your family are up to. Send us picture and information about the latest events, accomplishments and activities of your family – both near and abroad – and we will do our best to print them. Contact us at info@creemore.com, 705-466-9906 or pop into our office at 3 Caroline Street West.

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CELEBRATION

Anniversary Celebration. Everyone welcome to come and share in the celebration of **Bob and Betty Stephenson’s 50th Wedding Anniversary** on Sunday, June 10 at Clougher Community Hall, west of Lisle. From 1pm to 5pm.

GARAGE / YARD SALES

June 2 - Garage Sale at Badjeros United Church from 8 am to 1 pm. Treasures old and new! If you care to donate items we will graciously receive them on Friday evening (7 to 9 pm) at the church shed. To rent a table to sell your own goods call David Culham at 705-446-7203.

June 9 - June Bug Yard Sale at Sunnidale Corners Community Centre from 7 am to 1 pm. Come set up a table and visit with neighbors. To book a table call 705-428-3599 or 705-428-0223.

June 16 - Salvation Army Hope Acres Garage Sale with Silent Auction from 8 am to 1 pm. (Rain Date June 23) at 998614 Mulmur Tosorontio Townline, Glencairn. Call 705-466-3435 for more information.

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HELP WANTED

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THANK YOU

A huge ‘Thank You’ to all our friends and neighbours for the wonderful support given us for our **Dunedin Plant and Yard Sale**, and the gift certificates and items donated for our gift basket. We cannot thank all of you enough for all the generous help and support. Again without all of you this could not happen. Have a great summer. Dunedin Hall Board

Roxanne Hudson won the Gift Basket and **Don Coukell** won the children’s basket.

THANK YOU

Many thanks to everyone for your kind inquiries, phone calls and visits since I have been sick. All your help and offers of help are very, very much appreciated. I am feeling better and hope to continue improving. **Jim Steed**

I am still amazed at the kindness and generosity of the residents of Creemore and area. I would like to express my appreciation to all the customers, family and friends who telephoned with much needed support for both John and I. We would also like to thank everyone who sent flowers and food to our home.

I would like to say a special thank you to Elaine Lighthead of St. Elizabeth Nursing Care for all her help and advice when I returned home after my surgery. As well, I would like to say how grateful I am for the friendly professional advice I received from Mrs. Catherine Fuller.

I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Stan Freedman and Mr Brian Footitt and our staff: Debbie Mumberson, Sandy Bennett, Judy Parsons, Anne Emerton, Cheryl Hutchinson, and Bonnie O’Halloran at Creemore Village Pharmacy for making sure it was business as usual during my absence.

I would like to thank Dr. Lorna MacDougall of Creemore, Dr. Bryn Pressnail of Royal Victoria Oncology and Dr. Carmine Simone of the Thoracic Clinic at Toronto East General Hospital for their medical care. We are blessed to have such a great health care system in Canada.

We must never take good health for granted. Every day is a beautiful day. **Mrs. Jean Smart** Bsc. Phm. Creemore Village Pharmacy

A big thank you to all the friends and family from near and far who attended (the quilt show a.k.a.) Birthday Party on May 26 at the Fairgrounds. My daughter Mariane, her husband Charlie, Alex and Delia and all the McLeod cousins who connived to totally surprise me with 30 years of wedding presents – the quilt show! I know that you all had a great time fooling me and I want to thank you all for the effort. It is much appreciated. The effort of the GNE board members is also much appreciated with help with the quilt rods and setting up the internet to Skype Australia so that Ian and family could be part of the party too. Thank you, **Maureen McLeod**

Thank you to all the dozens and dozens and dozens of supporters who have so warmly and vocally expressed their delight that the Curiosity House Bookstore will continue to operate in the village....Thank you!

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DEATH NOTICES

KELLNER, Ruth Maria – May 3, 1935 – May 17, 2012. A memorial service will be held at St. Luke’s Anglican Church in Creemore at 2 pm on Saturday, June 9, 2012.

HUGHES, Ruth passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 26, 2012 at the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital in her 75th year. Beloved wife of the late William ‘Bill’ Hughes. Loving mother of Karen Mackie (Eric Rudd) and Peggy Hughes (Bob Sturgess). Cherished grandmother of Amanda (Jake), Kristin, Tyler, Morgan & Garreth; great grandmother of A’Laura and Kingston. Ruth is survived by her sister Helen (Gord) Blackburn. She will be sadly missed by the Hughes family and all who knew her. Funeral service was held on Wednesday, May 30, 2012. Interment at Creemore Union Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the General & Marine Hospital, Diabetes Association or the Kidney Foundation. Friends may visit Ruth’s on-line Book of Memories at www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com

ANDERSON, Harold Ivan (Bud) It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Bud Anderson on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 in his 77th year after a brief battle with cancer. Bud of Lisle, beloved husband of Grace (Fraser). Loving father of Doug (Judy), Tom (Jane), and Debbie (Ray). Cherished Grandpa to Heather (Shane), David, Scott, Bryan, and Bradley. Brother of Helen Bailey (Murray). Bud will be missed by his many nieces and nephews, family, and friends. Visitation took place at W. John Thomas Funeral Home, 244 Victoria Street, E, Alliston on Monday, May 21, 2012. Funeral Service was held in the chapel on Tuesday, May 22, 2012. Interment at Alliston Union Cemetery. If desired, donations in Bud’s memory may be made to St. James Anglican Church, Clougher-Lisle or Stevenson Memorial Hospital. www.thomasfuneralhome.ca

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Memorial Service for the late Keith Mills to be held on Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 11 am at Centennial United Church, 234 William Street, Stayner.

NOTICE

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