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KEEPING OUR WATER CLEAN The 1st New Lowell Brownies were in Creemore recently, doing some important work in conjunction with the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority. The girls marked storm drains throughout town with a picture of a yellow fish and the words "Rainwater Only" to promote awareness about the impact of pollution. In back, left to right, are **Christy Rawn** and **Ella Hayward**. In front are **Eryn Lamers**, **Carrie-ann Hendry**, **Paige Harrison**, **Kendrah Neve**, **Lauren Lamers**, **Zachary Neve** and **Caitlin Samuels**.

WASAGA BEACH OFFERS CASINO SITES

by Brad Holden

The Town of Wasaga Beach has responded to the Province's Request for Information regarding the possibility of establishing a 300-slot casino somewhere in the area of Wasaga Beach, Collingwood, Clearview and Springwater and has also submitted a map of eight potential sites within its municipal boundaries – despite assurances that they will work together with the other three municipalities on a joint response later this summer.

Of the eight proposed sites, five are at the eastern end of Wasaga Beach and three are in the west. Of the western sites, one is at the intersection of Fairgrounds Road and Highway 26, one at the intersection of Mosley Street and Highway 26 and one further south on Highway 26, just north of Sunnidale Concession 12.

The submission apparently caused a stir among representatives of the other three municipalities, and prompted an apology letter from Wasaga Beach CEO **George Vadebonceur** on July 5, two days after the response to the province. In the second letter, the other municipalities were assured that Wasaga Beach plans to continue working as a regional team and that the response was submitted to let the province know that Wasaga Beach opposed any changes to the boundaries of the area being looked at for a future casino.

The next meeting of the four municipalities is still to be scheduled.



Happy Dairy Day!

Well, Creemore, the moment we've all been waiting for – when we get to try that first taste of local milk from Miller's Dairy – is almost upon us. See page 7 for a schedule of happenings as the town celebrates Dairy Day on Saturday, July 14.

Local runner goes the (crazy!) distance

by David Bruce Johnson

On Saturday, July 7, an ultra-marathon event called "The Sinister Seven" was run in the vicinity of the Crow's Nest Pass, Alberta. The run has seven stages from 12 to 35 kilometres long each, giving a total distance of 148 kilometres. Over the entire run, the total elevation gain and loss is more than 5,300 metres. And there is a time limit; a runner must finish in less than 27 hours.

Consider this: Have you ever thought of riding a bike, running, jogging or walking from Creemore to the Toronto waterfront? That is a distance of only 125 kilometres.

Peter Taylor, who lives in Dunedin, is an ultra-marathon runner. On Saturday, he completed the Sinister Seven in just under 20 hours. He finished an amazing 6th place overall. And he is still alive and able to talk about the experience. A fabulous accomplishment for one of our own, who did most of his preparatory training here in Clearview.



Peter Taylor, still smiling on the first stage of the 2012 Sinister Seven ultra-marathon.



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This Weekend

Friday, July 13

- **A Midsummer Night's Dance** from 7 to 11 pm at Nottawasaga Community Hall, Duntroon. All ages welcome. \$5 entry, ages 12 and under free. \$1 refreshments and snacks available. A Duntroon Hall family fundraiser. 705-445-9550.

Friday, July 13 to Monday, July 16

- **Nottawasaga Daylilies** open for viewing of the garden in peak bloom from 10 am to 5 pm each day. See ad on page 11 for directions.

Saturday, July 14

- The **CREEMORE LOG CABIN** (on Library Street) is **OPEN TODAY**, and 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. See the Grade 4/5 Art Show at the Log Cabin this weekend.
- The **Creemore Horticultural Society** invites all flower lovers & gardeners to view their **Summer Flower Show** from 8:30 am to 1 pm at the Station on the Green. Guided tours of the CHS garden (between Foodland & the bank) will also be available.
- **Creemore Dairy Day**. Help celebrate the **Grand Opening of Miller's Dairy**. Downtown Creemore: Opening Ceremonies at 10 am; tours of Miller's Dairy:

bus leaves every half hour; Story Hour at Curiosity House at 10:30 am; Frankie D and the Dreamers perform 50s and 60s themed music from 11 am; themed food at many locations downtown; antique cars & trucks from the 50s & 60s; children's activities: bouncy farm, face painting, balloon twisting & games; art gallery & demonstrations at Mad & Noisy Gallery; learn how to milk a cow; buy a souvenir at Miller's Dairy Booth. Have fun in celebration of all things dairy. Join us for some old-fashioned family fun to 4 pm.

- **Curiosity House Dairy Day Story Hour with Miriam** begins at 10:30 am. 178 Mill Street. 705-466-3400.
- Register for **Ms. Margie's Dance Classes during Dairy Day**. Come visit Margie and find out more about recreational dance classes for children age 3-10 starting this fall. Also, Ms. Margie's Dance Classes welcomes the Simcoe Contemporary Dance Company who will perform during Dairy Days. Visit them afterwards at our booth near Cardboard Castles. For more information: www.msmargie.ca/dance www.simcoecontemporarydancers.blogspot.com (705)792-8743 dance@msmargie.ca
- **Mad River Veterinary Hospital Grand Opening** from 10 am to 4 pm. **Ribbon Cutting** at 1 pm. Hospital tours, lucky draws, refreshments. See pets in costume!
- **Art in the Park – Art Fair and Demonstrations** at

Station Park Gazebo, Stayner. Call for artists. To register call Frieda Linke at 705-428-5870.

- **2nd Annual Pick'n In The Park** at Station Park, Stayner from noon to 6 pm. A fundraiser for The Door Youth Centre. 6+ bands including the Gulleys and Chuck Baker, holding silent auctions as well as other fun activities, games and food. This will be a great family friendly event. Call 705-428- 3733 or gerriordutka@rogers.com.
- **Avening Beef BBQ** at the Avening Hall from 4:30 to 7 pm. Adults \$15. Beef, potatoes, pies and more.
- **Mad & Noisy Gallery Art Show continues** called "Sur-rural" featuring **Rosemary Hasner, Gita Karklins, Loralie Clemmensen, John Jacquimain, Jim Harkness & Lisa Brunetta**. Show runs to July 29. www.madandnoisy.com 705-466-5555.

Saturday, July 14 & Sunday, July 15

- **Open Garden** at 113 Mill Street (Mad River Pottery) from 9 am to 5 pm.
- **Church Services** on page 5.
- **Rob Roy United Church Annual Beef BBQ** from 4:30 to 7 pm with musical entertainment by the Aldcorn Family. \$20. For tickets call 705-445-4848.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, July 19

- **Music in the Park 2012. Classic Country Memories & free ice cream night** at Station Park Gazebo, Stayner from 7 to 9 pm. Bring your own lawn chair. Sponsored by Stayner Chamber of Commerce.

Saturday, July 21

- **6th Annual Tractor Rally** leaving the Dunedin Park at 10 am. Antique tractors make a trek for the day. Call Jim Adam at 705-466-2690, Neil Methetal at 705-466-5190 or neilandjean5@gmail.com for details.
- Check out **The Clearview Public Library's free Author Presentation** at the Station on the Green at 10:30 am. **Donna McCaw** will be reading and selling her book about creating a successful retirement lifestyle, *It's Your Time*, at this time.
- Please join **George & Heather Dunn** at a **Come & Go Tea** to celebrate their **50th Wedding Anniversary** from 1 to 3 pm at 45 Francis Street West. Best wishes only.
- **6th Annual Roast Beef Dinner** at Dunedin Hall from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Come out and enjoy a delicious meal for \$15. For advance tickets call 705-466-2181 or 705-466-3071. All proceeds to Dunedin Hall projects.

- **The Concert at Lyric Pond**. In support of challenging inappropriate land use in Mulmur & Melancton. Join Jim Cuddy and his friends. Hosts are Melody & Bill Duron. Starts at 6 pm. Fabulous buffet. \$200 each, 11 to 17 \$75, 5 to 10 \$25, 4 and under free. Reserve tickets at norm@informationpackaging.ca.

Monday, July 23

- **Clearview Township's Council Meeting** at 5:30 pm at the Council Chambers. Everyone welcome.

Tuesday, July 24

- **Sara Hershoff & Brad Holden** are on **97.7 The Beach** this morning between 9 and 10 am.
- **Public Information Centre #2** held by Dufferin Wind Power Inc. & Farm Owned Power (Melancton) Ltd. regarding the **Dufferin Wind Power Project** at Hornings Mills Community Centre from 6 to 9 pm.

Thursday, July 26

- **Public Information Centre #2** held by Dufferin Wind Power Inc. & Farm Owned Power (Melancton) Ltd. regarding the **Dufferin Wind Power Project** at Honeywood Community Centre from 6 to 9 pm.
- **Music in the Park 2012. Rusty Nuts** at Station Park Gazebo, Stayner from 7 to 9 pm. Bring your own lawn chair. Sponsored by Stayner Chamber of Commerce.

Saturday, July 28

- **StoMp the Mega Quarry** in Honeywood to walk, bike or run and celebrate Ontario's prime farmland and fresh water. We are raising awareness and funds to directly support the non profit NDACT in its efforts to preserve precious resources. All levels of walkers, runners and cyclists are invited! Experience a fun and challenging course featuring rolling hills and beautiful fertile countryside threatened by the proposed massive mega quarry. Sign up at ndact.com.
- **47th Honeywood Beef BBQ** at the Honeywood Arena from 5 to 7:30 pm. Famous for its mouthwatering outdoor fire-roasted beef dinner with all the fixins' and scrumptious home-made desserts. All proceeds raised support the North Dufferin Community Recreation Centre. Free for kids 5 & under, \$5 for kids 12 & under, \$15 for adults.

Monday, July 30 to Saturday, August 4

- **Theatre Collingwood** presents the hilarious adult comedy *Skin Flick*. In the midst of an economic downturn, a regular, middle-aged couple suddenly lose their jobs. Panicked, they stumble upon the idea of producing an 'adult movie' to make ends meet. (Adult Advisory). July 30 – August 4 at 8pm, matinees on July 31 & August 2 at 2 pm. Tickets: 705-445-2200 / 1 (866) 382-2200 or visit www.theatrecollingwood.com.

Thursday, August 2

- **Music in the Park 2012. Southern Comfort** at Station Park Gazebo, Stayner from 7 to 9 pm. Bring your own lawn chair. Sponsored by Stayner Chamber of Commerce.

Saturday, August 4

- **"Around the World in Creemore" Progressive Culinary Garden Tour**. Enjoy international cuisine served in local gardens. Garden features include: pond, sunken garden, "green" rooms, perennial beds, unusual specimens, roses, sculptures, gazebo, and vegetables. Foods include appetizers, salads, soup, meats and desserts representing various countries. Hosted by Creemore Horticultural Society. Tickets \$20 each, available from David at 705 466-6317 or david@dbj.ca and Charlotte at 705 466-2756 or cvorstermans@rogers.com.

Monday, August 13

- **Clearview Township's Council Meeting** at 5:30 pm at the Council Chambers. Everyone welcome.

Saturday, August 25

- **Big Book Sale** at Station on the Green from 8:30 am to 2 pm. A fundraiser for the Station. Drop your books off at *Creemore Echo* during office hours or drop your books off on Monday, July 16 at the Curling Club.



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Writing history of Singhampton was a labour of love

Frank Hammill's "Blue Mountain Country" is published post-humously

by Brad Holden

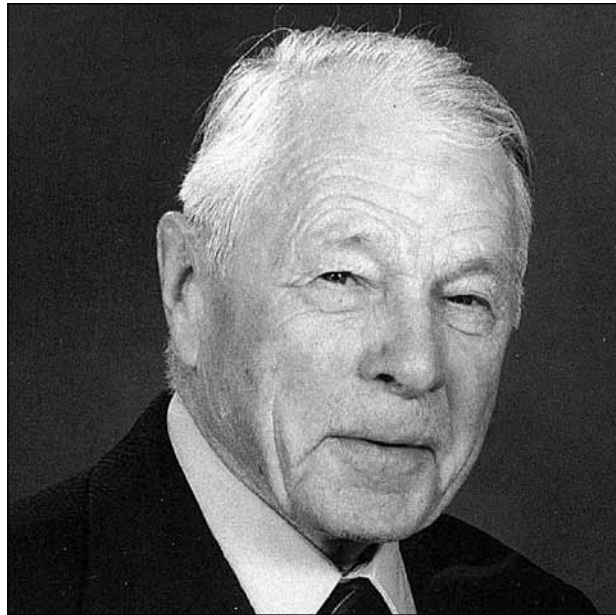
Though his career took him to various places in Simcoe, Grey and Dufferin Counties, Frank Hammill never found a place that suited him better than Singhampton, the village where he was born. So when the chance arose in the early 1970s to purchase the old mill property, where the still young Mad River begins its descent of the Niagara Escarpment and where a man named Richard Richmond first harnessed the river's power 130 years earlier and founded the settlement that would become his beloved town, Hammill jumped at it.

For 20 years, Hammill puttered around the property, gradually adding rooms to the bungalow that sat on the precipice above the river just downstream from the dam and the remains of the mill. His wife Anne (Buie), a Singhampton girl, passed away in 1975. His second wife, Sylvia (Schwandt Royal), was also of local stock.

A lover of nature, Hammill fed about 1,000 birds a day on the property. He kept an elaborate schedule, filling his various feeders at 5 am, 10 am, 1 pm and 5 pm, and making frequent trips into Glen Huron to pick up massive bags of bird feed from Hamilton Brothers. While he dearly loved his avian dependents, Hammill's family also suspected the feeding routine was an excuse to keep him from having to stray very far from the property. Leave the birds for even a day, he said, and they might not come back.

Hammill had another great passion during his years at the mill, one he kept fairly quiet about but which undoubtedly took up many a long winter's night as the river shrugged off the ice of the mill pond and tumbled over the chasm outside his window. Over several years, Hammill compiled a history of the Singhampton area, writing his chapters out by hand and later giving the manuscript to Sylvia's daughter Lynn Toris to type out.

Entitled *Blue Mountain Country*, for that's what



Frank Hammill

the area surrounding Singhampton, stretching from Dunedin and Duntroon in the east to Maxwell and Rob Roy in the west, had always been known as while he was growing up, Hammill's book was finished in the late 1980s but never published – possibly because the first-time author thought that doing so would be financially prohibitive, but more likely because he and Sylvia started to succumb to the illnesses of old age at that point and life got in the way.

By the time Hammill passed away in 1996, the book, in the form of a binder full of loose-leaf pages, had found its way onto a bookshelf in the Orangeville home of his daughter Joanne Lott. It remained there until late last year, when she came across it and decided it might be time to deal with it properly.

Printed by Page Graphics in Creemore, *Blue Mountain Country: A History of Singhampton and Surrounds from 1850 to 1950* is now available for purchase for \$20 at the *Creemore Echo* and Curiosity House Books. Its 256 pages begin with the area's first settlers, at a time when Dunedin was known as Bowerman's Hollow, Duntroon as Scotch Corners and Singhampton as two separate settlements – Mad River Mills around the mill site and Kelvin near where the Mad River crosses the present-day County Road 124.

Whether Irish, Scottish or United Empire Loyalist, the pioneers who settled these hills and dales were a hardy bunch, and their descendents over the years retained that trait. That makes for some great stories of the

privations and sufferings required to make a new start in a strange land. The original mill equipment that C.R. Sing installed after buying the Mad River Mills property from the Richmond family, for instance, had to be teamed by horse and wagon from Toronto, where the machines were purchased, to Holland Landing on Lake Simcoe. From there they were shipped up the lake to Barrie. From that point they were teamed to Willow Creek on the Nottawasaga River, on which they were then rafted to Georgian Bay and up to Collingwood (then "Hen and Chickens") harbour. Once ashore, they were again loaded onto wagons and teamed up the hill to present-day Singhampton.

Hammill also tells the story of his mother and grandparents, relocating to the area from the Eastern Townships of Quebec in 1872. By that time the railroad had been servicing Collingwood for some time, but getting to Singhampton was still a challenge. The young family arrived in Stayner on the "night train," disembarking at 9 pm and rendezvousing with Moses Taylor, a local farmer who had been dispatched to pick them up. "The horses walked every step of the twelve miles to the Taylor farm and even though the passengers had heavy robes to cover them, they nearly perished from the cold," writes Hammill.

Detailed and extensively researched (with the help of Helen Ferguson, Howard Hammill, Don and Jean Carmichael, Iola Cottrell and Sylvia Hammill, according to the book's acknowledgements), *Blue Mountain Country* spends time in every decade from the 1850s to the 1940s, opening with an account of the local politics of the day and then devoting chapters to miscellaneous things like the lime kilns, the Irish wakes, cemeteries, Orange parades, health care through the years and the development of area roads. It's a treasure trove of information for anyone interested in local history.

"It's a shame Dad didn't get it published when he was still alive," said his daughter Joanne, who has been distributing the book to Hammill's many relatives and has been pleased with the response. "He would have loved the conversations that it would have brought about."

That was part of what he loved about living on the mill property, which always attracted people interested in the history of the site. Whether the visitors were artists, hikers, snowmobilers or paddlers on the Mill Pond, Hammill always had time to chat about the old stories of the area.

"His heart was in the Blue Mountain Country," said Joanne. "He always said there was no place better."

**Happy
50th
Anniversary
Mom & Dad**



*Please join
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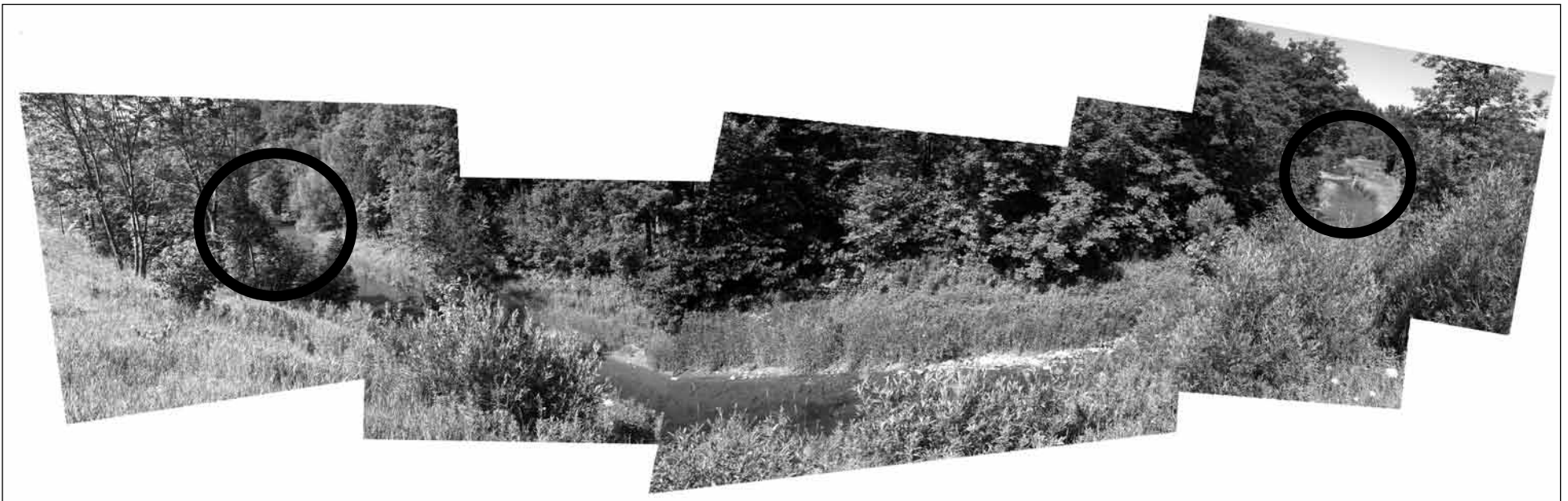
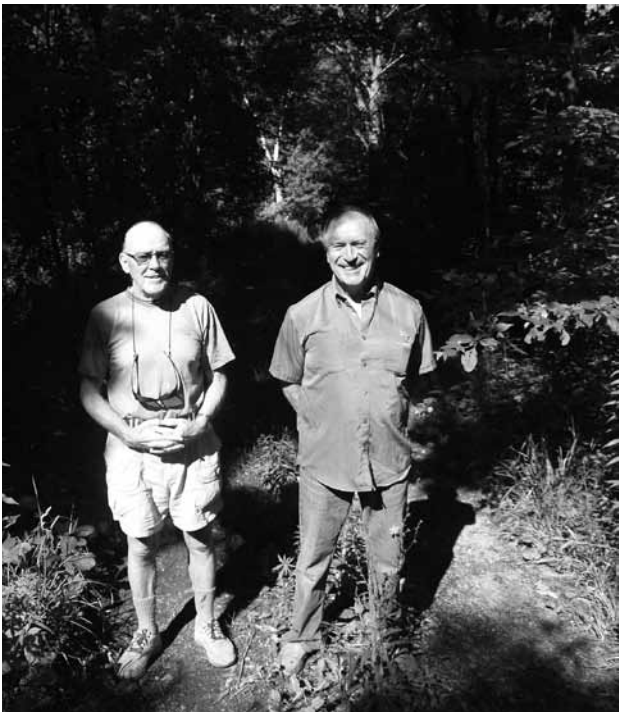
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THE WAY WE WERE This week we explore the stretch of track that ran through the mighty metropolis of Websterville. While not much remains of the “Hog Special” line in this area, there are a few remnants if you look closely. At right, our resident train buff Peter Coates stands with Fran Webster on a section of the old embankment, on the south side of Riverside Drive before it makes the bend to the north. Fran, who grew up with the railroad crossing his property, remembers taking the train only a few times before it closed in 1960, and only to travel into Creemore. There was no station in Websterville, but you could just hold up your hand and wave the train to a stop. The two pictures below were taken by Coates during his final trip on the train on April 20, 1955. Immediately below, the train has just made the bend to the north; from Coates’ vantage point on the back of the train (but not the caboose as we reported last week!), you can see the bend in the distance. In the second picture, the train is in the process of crossing the first of two four-span bridges that used to span the Mad River in quick succession.



Slight remains of these bridges can be seen today if you stop at the section of Riverside Drive where the bank slopes steeply down to the river to the west of the road. The panorama at bottom was taken this week from that point. Circled are the spots where the railroad used to cross the river, taking advantage of a meander and avoiding the steep bank. (The spot on the map where the two bridges were is also circled.) The circle at the left of the panorama is where Coates’ photograph was taken.



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Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 61 out for cards on this very warm day, and after a joke by our resident jokester, **Barb Pilon**, given to her by **Pat Broad**, the 50/50 draws were held. They went to **Tom Sharpe, Corrine Brownridge, Audrey Fines, Lucy Young (2), Eileen Giffen, Barb Cudmore** and **Sheila Overall**.

Moon shots were played by **Brian McGill (2), Earl Bentley (2), John Van Voorst, Pat Broad, Barb Pilon, Marg Ferguson, Bert Douglas, Carol Faulkner, Vi Matthers, Marg Hope, Audrey Tidd, Eileen Nash** and **Russ Miller**. Russ won the travelling prize, and none of the Sidewinders got a moon shot.

High scorers were **Jim Murray 309, Warren Gale 277, Russ Miller 270** and **Barb Cudmore 267**. Low was **Mercedes Veinot** with 75.

Sheila Overall and **Betty Sharpe** joined the club today, with **Mike**, our most eligible bachelor, being the thorn between two roses that made up our new members.

Next Thursday, July 19, is again our 12 noon potluck lunch, so bring your choice of food and come on out.

I was absent this week as I was having oxygen delivered, so my thanks to **Barb Pilon, Irma Flack**, and of course **Warren Gale** for the information about what went on this week at cards.

Thanks also to **Irma** for “ramrodding” the Rama bus trip on July 3. We were very pleased to have a lot of folks from Angus join us this

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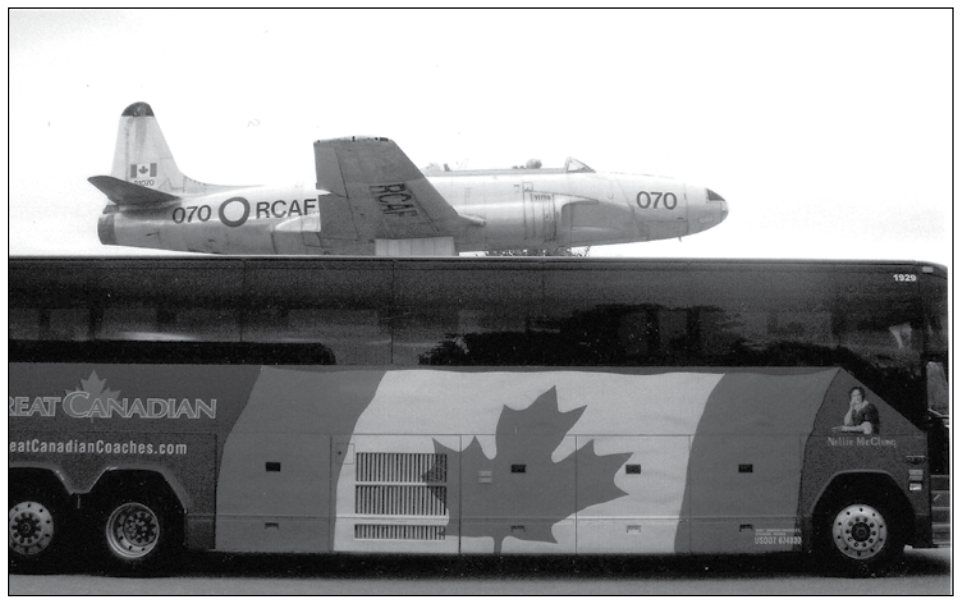


Sylvia
GALE

last trip as their bus is not running in July and August. So thanks to all the “extras” who travelled with us, and thanks to **Helena Hayward** for getting the information into the Alliston paper. We sure appreciate it.

In last week's *Echo*, I mentioned that daughter **Sharon** inadvertently put artificial rum flavouring into her hummingbird “nectar.” This week **Muriel Lowcock**, a young (in her 90s) lady from down in Mulmur, phoned to ask me to mention that adding colour to hummingbird nectar is a no-no. Muriel has read that this is quite harmful to the baby birds. She also mentioned that the birds will find the feeder without the aid of the dye. I also have read that the colouring is not good, but the reason given was that it made the egg shells softer. But given the number of hummingbirds around now compared to what there was some years ago, we must be doing something right. However, it makes sense that the less “gunk” we add to any food, the better it should be. Thank you for mentioning this, Muriel.

Doris Whiston and her friend were slated to go on this month's bus trip, but come bus time, Doris was absent. As she is always one of the first to climb aboard, we were pretty sure that something major had held her up. Turns out that her husband had suffered a heart attack, and went from Collingwood to Orillia to Newmarket hospital. He is now back home, but no wonder she was so concerned that she forgot to call anyone to tell them she would not be on the bus.



Several people remarked that whoever was flying the Creemore Legion's Lockheed T-33 had made quite a talented landing on top of the bus picking the Seniors Club up for their trip to Rama last week!

Son **Terry** (Mantracker) is on the Calgary Stampede Chuckwagon Committee, and is one of five riders who stay mounted “behind the scenes” all the while the “chucks” are being run. These five guys are on deck in case of an accident, or if any untoward event happens. They can be on the spot in seconds to help, or to help clean up if they have a “wreck” or a dead animal. He has done this for a few years, and lots of things happen that we never see as they are handled quietly and efficiently so the “show can go on.”

Daughter **Laurie** is a 911 dispatcher, and there is a large police contingent on the rodeo grounds all through Stampede week. Laurie mentioned that on Monday, July 9, there were 184,400 paying customers on the grounds, which made the Calgary Stampede Grounds the third largest city in Alberta! And the grandstand, which holds nearly 20,000 people, is filled for the day show, and then emptied out and filled again for the “chucks” at night. Sounds almost as good as a licence to print money!

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SERVE AND VOLLEY The Creemore Tennis Club ran a kids camp last week for the first time in its history, and the courts were abuzz with young people learning the skills of the game from Simcoe Tennis coach **Ethan LaPlante**, who is currently studying at the University of Texas on a tennis scholarship. Ethan will be back for another week of kids camp from July 23 to 27. Admission for five mornings is \$75, open to children aged 7 to 13. For more information, call **Geoff Ayton** at 705-466-2005.



POWER TO THE PAINTERS The recent Artists Against the Mega-Quarry 2nd Annual Paint-In took place on the stunningly beautiful grounds of "Wallyngton," a historic estate in Hornings Mills. Thirty artists, including **Peter Adams** (seated above) spent the day interpreting the landscape. Below, Creemore resident **Catherine Randall** took a liking to a painting by **Donna Tranquada**.



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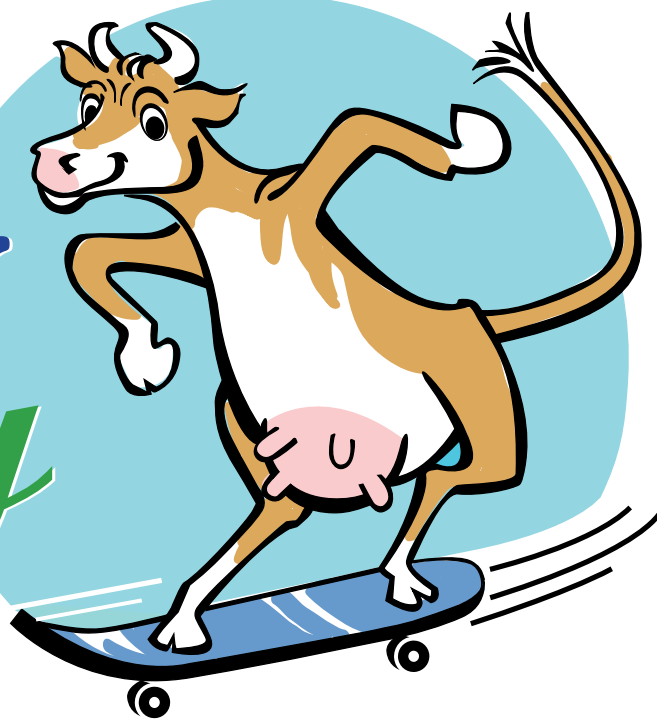
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Local fundraising: A tradition that never grows old

Trying to decide among an endless list of summer fundraisers? Here's how I see it: You can send your cash to a far-off charity and never really know where your money went. Or you can hand it over to your neighbours and watch it grow. On July 28, two community groups—one old and one new—will be joining forces for a big day in Honeywood.

For nearly half a century, neighbours have gathered over a mid-summer meal in support of the North Dufferin Community Centre. The first fundraiser, following a winter fire that razed the wooden building, was held in August 1965 and everything on the table was donated: beef, salads and pies. Diners sat on straw bales in the parking lot. Even the barbecue was borrowed.

That first dinner raised \$2,200. When you consider that last year's event raised about \$6,000, it's clear that the early gathering was remarkable for its generosity. (For cost comparison: Ontario Hydro erected six miles of high-power lines to serve the new ice plant for \$2,500.) Along with talent and materials donated by neighbours, the funds raised were pooled with government contributions to rebuild by the following winter, with the improvements of artificial ice and a new party room.

For many years, the fundraiser was an all-day event, including baseball and other outdoor fun, followed by the dinner. Recent years have been quieter, though, with people showing up for the barbecue and heading right back to the car. Donations have declined. Volunteers are getting thin on the ground. But the need has not diminished. Maintenance

MULMUR RAMBLE



Julie Suzanne POLLOCK

costs for the large building are high. A replacement Zamboni is on the horizon. And a few bucks would freshen up that now-aging party room.

"Times have changed," notes Mayor **Paul Mills**. "We need younger people to work with us now to keep the community centre going."

Enter Stomp the Mega Quarry, a "first-annual" upstart devised to benefit the Melancthon-Mulmur citizens' group, NDACT. Rather than compete, the event organizers decided to share the spotlight for a day.

The idea behind the Stomp is to get people out on the roads and trails to deepen their knowledge of the region that would be most affected by the proposed quarry. The focus is on food and water, and maintaining oversight on resource use in the region. The "Stomp" will include a lookout point where a large picture frame will capture the view – ideal for photographs and for contemplation on how that view may change in the future.

"This is not a short fight," says race director **Maria Burton**. "We need young people to care about this issue because it will transcend generations."

The races are set up to suit all generations, from a 5-kilometre stroll to a full marathon. You can walk or run the 5-kilometre, 10-kilometre, half- or full-marathon course. Or you can ride your bike on a 10-kilometre or 20-kilometre course. There is also a kids' mad dash in the centre of the village.

The kick-off happens before the heat of the day, with the first bikers heading out at 7 am. Those who prefer a more



Above: the 1965 groundbreaking for the North Dufferin Community Centre. Below: the vista that will be "framed" during this year's Stomp the Mega Quarry event.

leisurely start can sign up for the shorter walk or run starting about 9 am. With all that action, appetites should be keen for a Honeywood-style barbecue lunch and an afternoon of live music in the outdoor tent. Following the race ceremonies, the party will keep on going with the traditional dinner in the arena.

This year, the party starts early and it's going to take a big crowd to pull this thing off. Sounds like we've come full circle in a half-century. Won't you join the party? "I think we can make a difference,"

says Maria. "And it's a great way to celebrate the area."

Get your registration from the NDACT website (ndact.com) and sign up online, by email (stomp@ndact.com) or fax (519 925-2866). You can pick up registration forms from Shelburne Physiotherapy (167 Centre St., Shelburne) or French's Flowers (124 Main St., Shelburne). Dinner tickets are also available at the door. If you think you'd like to join, as a stroller or racer, sign up today and help your neighbours plan this awesome day.

SECOND NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #2

To be held by Dufferin Wind Power Inc. and Farm Owned Power (Melancthon) Ltd. regarding the Dufferin Wind Power Project

Renewable Energy Approval
Second Notice of Public Meeting
s. 15(1)(a)(b) Ontario Regulation 359/09

Project Name: Dufferin Wind Power Project
Project Location: Melancthon, Mulmur, Mono, Shelburne, and Amaranth, Dufferin County, Ontario
Dated at: The County of Dufferin, this 6th day of July, 2012

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

The first Public Information Centre for the Project under the Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) process was held in September, 2010. Another PIC#1 was held in September, 2011 and presented a 69kV power line (within road rights-of-way) that would extend through the Townships of Melancthon, Mulmur, Amaranth, into the Town of Mono for interconnection with the Provincial grid. Based on feedback provided by the public and stakeholders DWP is examining a second power line option. Another series of PICs#1 were held in April, 2012 in the following Townships to present the 230 kV power line alternative: Townships of Melancthon and Amaranth and the Town of Shelburne. The final PIC (PIC#2) will present information on the entire project and will serve as PIC#2 for both power line options.

Project Description:

Pursuant to the Act and Regulation, the facility, in respect of which this project is to be engaged in, is a wind energy project and is rated as a Class 4 Wind Facility. If approved, the proposed wind farm project would have a total name plate capacity of 99.1 MW. The wind farm is to be located entirely in the Township of Melancthon. As mentioned above there are 2 power line options. Dufferin Wind Power Inc. is seeking permitting through the REA process for both power lines but only one would be constructed. Please refer to the map.

Meeting Information:

In order to provide information to and consult with community members, stakeholder groups, First Nations and Métis communities and government agencies, Dufferin Wind Power Inc., Farm Owned Power (Melancthon) Ltd. and Dillon Consulting Limited are hosting a series of public information sessions to present information regarding the project and findings of the Renewable Energy Approval studies that have been undertaken. At these information sessions you will be able to view information on the project including the power line alternatives, collect handouts, ask questions and provide comments directly to the proponent.

PIC FORMAT CHANGE

Please note that each PIC will start with a one hour walk-through whereby the public can talk one on one with the project proponent and their consultants. **Promptly, at 7pm (2pm for Shelburne meeting) a formal, moderated question and answer session will be held.**

MELANCTHON PIC: Tuesday July 24th, 2012, 6-9pm, Horning Mills Community Hall, 14 Mill Street, Horning's Mills
AMARANTH PIC: Wednesday, July 25th, 2012, 6-9pm, Township of Amaranth Banquet Hall, 374028 6th Line, Amaranth
MULMUR PIC: Thursday July 26th, 2012, 6-9pm, North Dufferin Recreation Centre, 706114 County Road 21, Honeywood
MONO PIC: Friday, July 27th 2012, 6-9pm, Mono Community Centre, 754483 Mono Centre Road, Town of Mono
SHELBURNE PIC: Saturday July 28th, 2012, 1-4pm, Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex, 200 Fiddle Park Lane, Shelburne

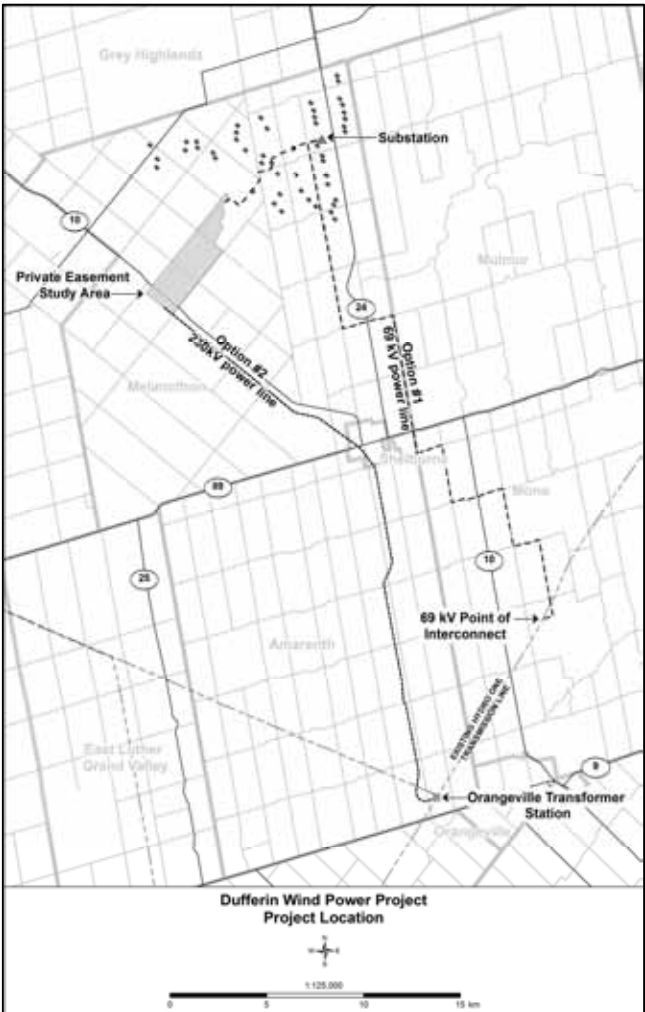
Documents for Public Inspection:

Further to this Notice the Draft REA documents (with the exception of the Consultation Report, in accordance with O.Reg 359/09) were available for public review as of **May 24, 2012** on the Project website (<http://www.DufferinWindPower.ca>) and at the following Municipal Offices: Townships of Melancthon, Mulmur, Amaranth and the Towns of Mono and Shelburne. **The public comment period ends on July 23, 2012. Please provide your comments in advance of this date. All comments relating to the PICs must be submitted on the day or evening of the PIC.**

Project Contacts and Information: Please call 1-855-249-1473 or email info@dufferinwindpower.ca to comment on the project or for further information.

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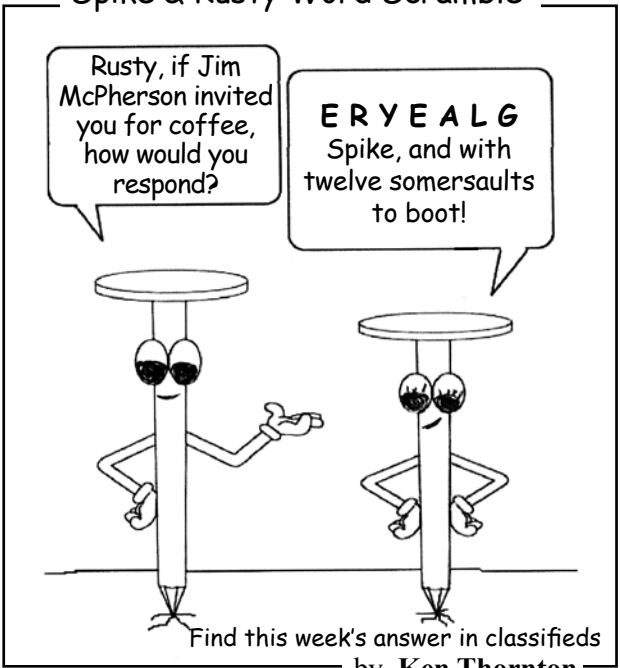
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Answer in classifieds

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



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

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Friday, July 13

Sunny
High 31 Low 16 Winds S 10 km/h
POP 10%

Saturday, July 14

Cloudy periods
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POP 20%

Sunday, July 15

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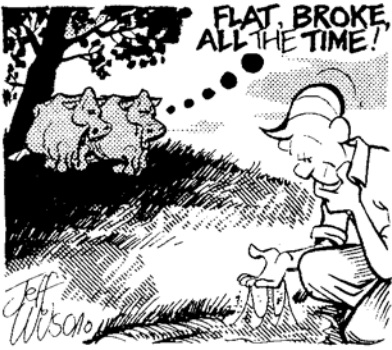
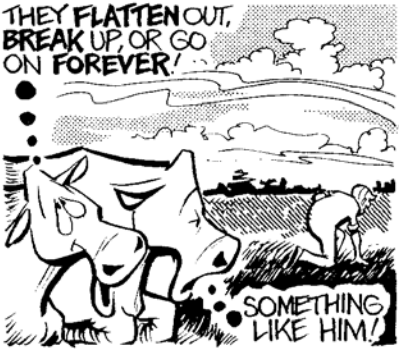
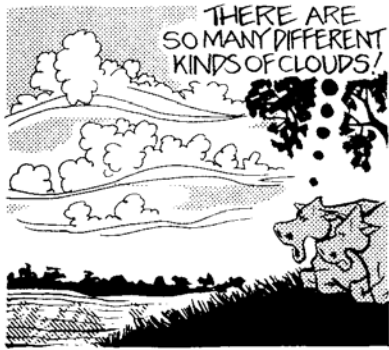
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Brian's Canadian Crossword

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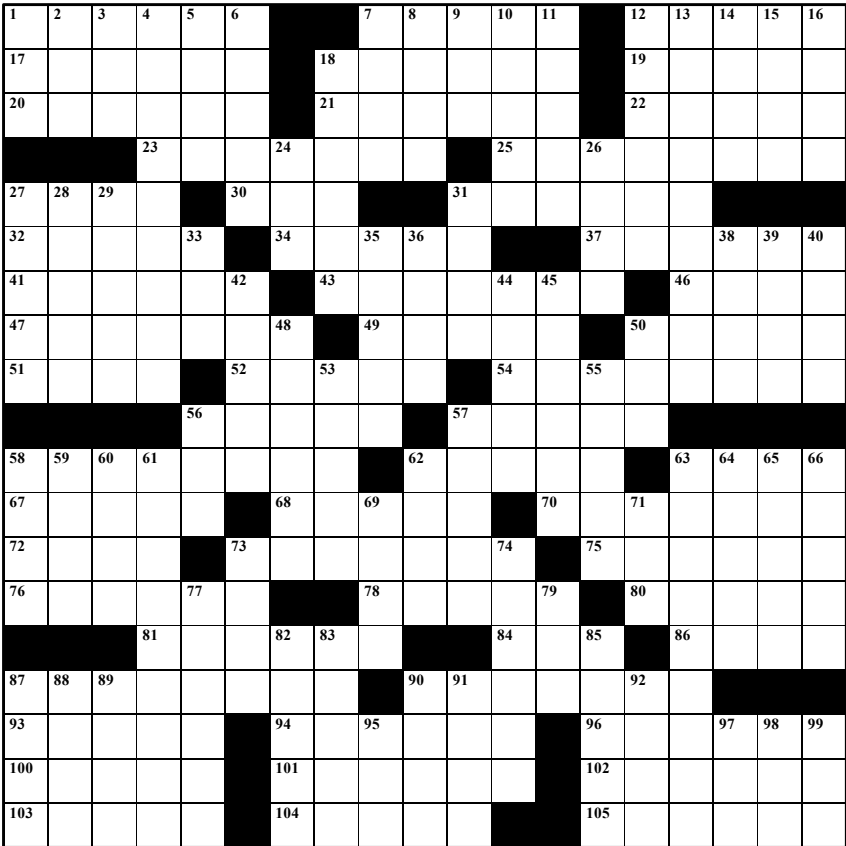
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30 Producer Wallis (Casablanca)
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43 Distillery founder Joseph E. ____
46 Slimy stuff
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52 ____ Harbour, Banks Island

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56 Skier Greene (Canada's Female Athlete of the 20th Century)
57 Marks made by notaries
58 Toronto novelist MacDonald (Fall On Your Knees)
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73 Shakin' ____ (The Guess Who)
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80 Cousins of viruses
81 Seal up in a sarcophagus
84 Mafia head
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87 In an unrefined way
90 Headliner (2)
93 Champing at the bit
94 Long for
96 Achilles' ____
100 Tease (2)
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102 Born on the Bayou
103 Band made up of JustiN, ChriS, JoeY, JasoN, and JC
104 Head holders
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- 1 Tabloid
2 U2 producer Brian ____
3 Not a lot
4 Egg dishes
5 Soar
6 Contest
7 Battle memento
8 A lot
9 ____ be an honour!
10 Dreams (Heart)
11 Chips in
12 Dynamite inventor Nobel
13 Transfers
14 Breeders' Cup event
15 Takes steps
16 Ounce of liquor
18 Aromas
24 One who overacts
26 Pardon me..
27 Hour timer
28 Heart outlet
29 Shoestrings
31 RC honorific, briefly
33 Totally cool
35 Canadian musical group of eight siblings
36 Pierced parts
38 Traffic marker
39 ____ de force
40 Skewer
42 Actor Romero (The Cisco Kid)
44 Harder to find
45 Response on the high seas (with 87D)
48 1973 Elton John hit
50 Capital of Saskatchewan?
53 Flashlight battery (hyph.)
55 Saskatchewan premier Blakeney
56 Voice vote option
57 Rat's route
58 Part of YWCA, briefly



- 59 Type of iPod
60 Nighttime in Normandy
61 Fort ____ (NWT hamlet)
62 Pack up and go
63 Foreshadowed
64 Burning up
65 Gin ____
66 ____ this mess!
69 Box office failure
71 Do the planting
73 ____ meridiem
74 Like some potato chips
77 Coordinated (2)
79 Won ____ soup

- 82 Like days gone by
83 Yeah, sure! (2)
85 For sure!
87 See 45D
88 Burden
89 Legal rep.
90 Swindle
91 Van Gogh flower
92 Insignificant
95 Just a ____!
97 K9 cop
98 Soccer cheer
99 Actor Beatty (Superman)

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A summer salad with a surprise twist

I hate to admit this, but I have not yet been able to get to the Creemore market this summer season. Shame on me! It seems we've had people at the B&B every Saturday morning, and by the time I can get away, I know it's too late – all the wonderful foods will be gone. From the mouth-watering email updates I've been getting from **Sarah Hallett**, it sounds like the market is continuing to thrive. Hopefully, I can extract myself from kitchen duty soon and get to the head of the line at the market stalls! At the very least, I am planning on getting to Creemore Dairy Day this weekend.

Besides B&B guests, we've also welcomed two new additions to the family. We've adopted two new golden retrievers, Claire and Shelby, from Golden Rescue, so we are back to our full contingent of furry four-legged pets. While seven-year-old Shelby is quite laid back and has taken her B&B guest greeter role seriously, seventeen-month-old Claire is very excited to be in her new

CREEMORE DISH



Elaine COLLIER

forever home and wants to share that with everyone who crosses the threshold!

Now that we're in the midst of summer with all its hot dry weather, everyone's thoughts turn to outdoor barbeques and simplifying suppers as much as possible.

Many times, all you want to add is a cold salad on the side of your favourite barbequed meat and dig in. Well, do I have a different salad for you. It takes a bit of prep work in the kitchen but it's worth it.

This week's recipe is a healthy and summery style salad which – surprise, surprise – is not composed of your regular garden variety lettuces. For those of you not familiar with quinoa, it is classified as an “ancient” grain (meaning it's been around since the time of the Incas). Quinoa is actually a seed, packed full of fibre and protein. Quinoa *must* be rinsed before using; otherwise it will taste bitter once cooked. Due to the increased popularity of quinoa, especially for people who cannot tolerate gluten, it is becoming easier to find in your local

supermarket. When cooked, it has a very agreeable nutty flavour. So do the salad switch-up this week and try my Summery Quinoa Salad.

Feedback is great and I would love to hear from you. Just email me at elaine@avalonclearview.com.

Until next time, eat well, live well...

Summery Quinoa Salad - Serves 6

1 cup dry quinoa	1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
2 cups water	1 1/2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
1 cup dried cranberries	4 cloves garlic, minced
1 cup fresh summer green peas	1/4 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1/2 cup water	1/2 teaspoon sea salt
1/4 cup green onions, thinly sliced	1/4 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper

Place quinoa in a medium size strainer, then rinse well in cold water. Combine quinoa with 2 cups water in a medium saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to a simmer, cover and continue cooking until all water is absorbed – about 10 minutes. Fluff with a fork and let sit covered for 10 minutes. While quinoa is resting, place summer peas in a medium size bowl, add water and microwave covered for 1.5 minutes on high, or until barely cooked. Drain and set aside. To make the vinaigrette, whisk the balsamic vinegar, EVOO, minced garlic, Dijon mustard, sea salt and freshly ground black pepper in a small bowl until well blended.

In a large serving bowl, combine cooked quinoa, dried cranberries, summer peas and green onions. Pour vinaigrette over the quinoa mixture and toss all ingredients together until well blended. Refrigerate salad for at least 30 minutes before serving.

Note: If you don't have any fresh peas on hand, you can easily make this salad with frozen sweetlet style peas.

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THANK YOU

A very special thank you to all my wonderful family and friends for the flowers, cards, visits and calls etc. During my recent heart bypass surgery. Thank you to my husband and our children, Pastor Neil and Debbie, Pastor Terry and Donna. Also to South Lake and G&M Hospitals. All your acts of kindness were so very much appreciated. Sincerely, **Ruby Klinck**

The family of April McCartney-Irwin wish to thank all their friends, family, neighbours and relatives for the support and kindness during our recent loss. We thank the firemen and paramedics for their professionalism and care. We are extremely lucky to have such a caring group of dedicated people in our area. For all the food, flowers, and donations, we thank you. Special thanks to Rev. Rob Harwood, Missionary Church and Carruthers & Davidson Funeral Home for their help and support. To our friends who had the house opened up and all the food and beverages ready, we thank them for their support. Thank you.

Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair,
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,
If so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,
As any friend could say;
Perhaps you were not there at all,
Just thoughts of us that day,
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
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DEATH NOTICES

SINCLAIR, William J. Passed away suddenly at home on Monday, July 9, 2012 in his 75th year. Bill will sadly be missed by his loving wife Joan, and will always be cherished by his children Lissa Greer (Doug), Bill Sinclair (Traci), Bob Sinclair (Jennifer) and Kim Patton (Bob). Special Grampy to Jeremy, Brad, Lindsay, Cory, Michael, Jack and Charlotte. He will be fondly remembered by brother Alan Sinclair (Nancy) and sister Sheila Hamilton (Paul) as well as sister-in-law Helen Sinclair. Bill is predeceased by brother Malcolm. If desired remembrances to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements under the direction of the Carruthers & Davidson Funeral Home-Stayner. For further information and to sign the Book of Memories, log on to www.carruthersdavidson.com

GOLLINGER, George Edgar born September 19, 1925 passed away peacefully on Monday, July 9, 2012 at Stevenson Memorial Hospital with his family by his side. Beloved Husband of 63 years to Irene (Henderson) Gollinger. Loving Brother to Marie (Bob), Nora (Roy), Mary Ellen and Ruth (deceased). Dear Father to Donna (Jack Lockhart), Doug, Jo Anne (Murray MacDonnell), Vicky, Jim (Deb), Sally, Cathy (deceased), Terry. Proud Grandfather to his many Grandchildren Rob Lockhart (Julie Quinn), Dan Lockhart (Kelly), Nick, Mark (Nicole), Kelly McLaren (Chris Douglas), Maeghan Swan (Matthew), Alyssa, Melanie (Kyle Payne), Graeme Fraser, Hannah Fraser, Angela (Neil Cameron), Jenna and Great Grandchildren Madison, Mackenzie, Emma, Madison Quinn, Sarah, Kelsey, Logan, Nala, Callen. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Visitation to be held at W. John Thomas Funeral Home in Alliston, Ontario on Friday, July 13, 2012 between 10 am and 11 am. Funeral to follow immediately after. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. James Anglican Church, Clougher, Lisle or charity of your choice.

NOTICE

Stayner Heritage Society has voted to not reschedule **Heritage Day** for this year. Everyone had other commitments for the rest of the summer. They voted to hold a big event next year to celebrate the 140th and 141st birthdays of the Founding of the Town of Stayner. The Society apologizes for this cancellation.

IN MEMORIAM

Stewart, Lloyd January 20, 1931 – July 23, 2006

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A serious theatre advisory

Creemore resident **Steven Thomas** begins his fifteen season as Artistic Director of Theatre Collingwood this year. To celebrate, he has issued a warning: a “Laughter/Comedy Advisory.”

Chuckles Thomas, “That’s because we’re certain your theatrical laughter meter will reach the extreme this summer season. The four comedies span a range of styles, from madcap spoof to adult humour, saucy farce to rural wit.”

The Mystery of Irma Vep is already in rehearsal. It’s a hilarious ‘send up’ of Gothic melodrama, Victorian thrillers and Hollywood horror, mocking every cliché from Dracula to Alfred Hitchcock. Of course, it begins with “It was a dark and stormy night.” Two actors perform eight characters and perform 35 costume changes in this madcap mile-a-minute parody of literary and film genres. It’s onstage for one week only – July 16 to 21.

Audiences are in for a treat when the playwright **Norm Foster** himself joins the cast of *Skin Flick* (July 30 to August 4). In the midst of an economic downturn, a regular middle-aged couple suddenly lose their jobs and stumble upon the idea of producing an ‘adult movie’ to make ends meet. Don’t let the title fool you. This is a good-natured, beautifully crafted play, with characters who are highly likeable; it’s actually a love story with a gentle heart.

This season boasts another feather in Theatre Collingwood’s cap – the seventh

World Premiere in just nine years. Award-winning Canadian playwright **Vern Theissen** premieres *Do Not Disturb* from August 20 to 25. This contemporary comedy deals with an upwardly mobile couple trying to find romantic commitment in a fast-paced, technology-driven world. Says Thomas, “A year ago, I was searching for a comedy that was new, fresh, exciting and that really stretched the boundaries. Our final workshop in April assured us that we have a successful winner on our hands!”

Wingfield Lost and Found (September 17 to 22) starring **Rod Beattie** is the seventh (and most recent) in the series written by our own **Dan Needles**. Persephone Township’s worst drought in 25 years brings Walt Wingfield face to face with climate change and his ecological footprint. This comedy is a whimsical reminder that searching can turn up more than what is lost and teach us the value of more than what is found.


Theatre Collingwood’s professional summer season productions are performed at the Historic Gayety Theatre. Tickets may be purchased at this location one hour prior to performance. The theatre’s year-round box office has newly relocated to 65 Simcoe Street (at the corner of Ste. Marie St.), open Monday-Friday between 11am to 3pm. Reserve by phone: (705) 445-2200 / 1 (866) 382-2200. Single tickets may be booked on-line at www.theatrecollingwood.com.



STARS IN THE BARN The New Farm took it up a notch last Saturday during its annual fundraiser for Toronto’s Grow for the Stop Community Food Centre. This year’s installment, which featured 15 chefs and a concert by Montreal band Stars (above and below) drew 550 people and raised \$40,000 that will go toward securing balanced, healthy meals for those who frequent the Stop’s food bank.

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