

# The Creemore ECHO

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News and views in and around Creemore

## WAKESTOCK PUSHES DEADLINE ON GNE EVENT

by Brad Holden  
Organizers of  
Collingwood-  
based Wakestock  
received a



dressing-down from several members of Clearview Council Monday night after they failed to meet the special event permit application deadline for an auxiliary camping and entertainment event at the GNE Fairgrounds, scheduled to take place in the evening and nighttime hours during the water sports festival.

With the event planned for the weekend of August 10-12 and several aspects of the application still not dealt with, including security arrangements with the Huronia West OPP, Township bylaw officer **Phil Snape** brought a  
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**A HISTORIC ROUTE** Last Saturday's 6th annual Dunedin Tractor Rally travelled from Dunedin to Creemore via Lavender, which meant the procession of antique tractors had the opportunity to cross over Collingwood Street Bridge. Here, rally organizer **Jamie Adam** leads the way over the bridge before heading across Edward Street and up Mill Street. For more pictures of the always fun event, see page 7 or visit [www.thecreemoreecho.com](http://www.thecreemoreecho.com).



**JUST HANGING OUT** Creemore residents **Julia Grey**, **Sabrina Stamp-Dupuis** and **Amy Purkis** demonstrated some serious bravery on a recent trip to Toronto, where they visited the CN Tower and decided to try out that attraction's new "Edge Walk" experience. Judging from their smiles, they appear to be enjoying themselves!

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## Echo Briefs

### "StoMp" this weekend

For those athletically and environmentally inclined, it's not too late to sign up for the StoMp the Mega Quarry run/bike/walk event taking place this Saturday, July 28 in Honeywood. Experience a fun and challenging course featuring rolling hills and beautiful fertile countryside threatened by the proposed Highlands mega quarry. Sign up at [ndact.com](http://ndact.com).

### Wpd public meeting

Here's another reminder that wpd Canada's second and final public meeting regarding the Fairview Wind Farm proposed for County Road 91 and Fairgrounds Road is scheduled for Thursday, August 2 from 5:30 to 8 pm at the Stayner Community Centre.

### NEC weighs Walker decision

The Niagara Escarpment Commission will decide on August 16 whether it will seek a judicial review of the Consolidated Hearings Board decision to allow the Walker Aggregates expansion.

The Commission received a staff report last week pointing out that only two of the Board's three members decided in favour of the quarry expansion. In the NEC staff's opinion, only the dissenting member, in his comments, gave the correct amount of weight to the protective policies of the Niagara Escarpment Plan.

Clearview Community Coalition lawyer **David Donnelly** and member **Ruth Grier** both spoke to the commission, requesting a judicial review.

After a two-hour in-camera discussion, the Commission deferred the matter until August 16.



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# COMMUNITY Calendar

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## This Weekend

### Friday, July 27 to Monday, July 30

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

### Saturday, July 28

- **Free Bernadin Workshop** at Station on the Green. Chef Emerie Brine will be showcasing Ontario Peaches with free tips and treats available. Workshop begins at 10 am. To attend, please register with Sarah Hallett. email: sarah.hallett@hotmail.com cell: 705-794-8943

- **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.

- 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.

### Sunday, July 29

- **Church Services** on page 5.

## Upcoming Events

### Monday, July 30 to Friday, August 2

- **darci-que camp** – a limited number of spaces are still available for this week's 1800s camp at the log cabin. Activities include historically fun arts and crafts. Contact 705-466-2405.

### 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](http://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](mailto:david@dbj.ca) and Charlotte at 705 466-2756 or [cvorstermans@rogers.com](mailto:cvorstermans@rogers.com).
- Opening reception for the new show *Industralimental*, at the **Mad & Noisy Gallery** in Creemore, focuses on the impact industrialization has had on industry and innovation between 2 and 5pm. The six participation artists are painters Mark Hope, Peter Adams and David

Scott, photographer MK Lynde and sculptors Kyle Thornley and Al Matchett. This show runs until 27.

### Sunday August 5, 2012

- The family of **Marilyn Knutson** invites you to join us for a **Come and Go Tea in celebration of Marilyn's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday**. The tea will be held at the Station on the Green in Creemore from 2 to 4 pm. All are welcome. Best wishes only.

### Thursday, August 8 to Sunday, August 12

- The **62nd Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship** takes place in Shelburne. The contest finals happen on Saturday, August 11 at 6:30 pm and will feature entertainment by the Black Family. Ticket Prices and Information, Event Package (Thurs. evening, Fri. all day, Sat. afternoon, Sat. evening) Adults: \$45, Children: \$22 (12 Years and Under)

### Saturday, August 11

- **Victorian Tea**, 2-4 pm, St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline St. Hosted by the Avening Women's Institute in honour of the Queen's Jubilee and the 200th Anniversary of the war of 1812. Tea, fancy sandwiches and sweets will be served. Historical Exhibits. Tickets are available in advance for \$5.00 at the Creemore Farmers Market July 28th and Aug 4th. Tickets at the door are \$6.

### 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. See ad on page 7 for drop-off details.
- **The Creemore Copper Kettle Dash.** This is the

inaugural run – come out and set a course record! The race will be capped at 150 entries. Race Kit Pick-up: 7 to 7:45 am on race-day at the Creemore Community Arena. Early bird \$35 (by July 31), \$40 afterward. 5K & 10K loops. Visit [www.onlineregistrations.ca](http://www.onlineregistrations.ca) and find Creemore Copper Kettle Dash under Upcoming Events (sport) to register, or contact Lee Anne Cohen at 705-466-3253.

### Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 of September

- Artists, community groups and residents are invited to participate in the first Annual **Creemore Festival of the Arts** hosted by Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society. This event will take place throughout Creemore and requires your talents to be a big success. For more information on how you can get involved contact Simon Heath at 705-466-6446 or email [simonheath@xplornet.ca](mailto:simonheath@xplornet.ca).

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# Council grants Wakestock an extension

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report to Council recommending that the Wakestock application be revoked. Event organizers were late getting their ducks in order last year as well, he said – a situation that prompted Council to later amend the special events bylaw to include a provision that applications must be complete prior to 30 days before the event. But when that deadline passed this year, Wakestock organizers had not finished their work and were not responding to Snape's phone calls and emails.

In the days since his report was finished, however, the organizers had been in touch, and two representatives – **Steve Jarrett** and **Todd Elsley** – were in attendance Monday night.

"Communication has not been my strong point, and for that I take full responsibility," said Elsley, explaining that the delay in completing the application occurred due to a late commitment from the this year's event's main sponsor.

That led to some strong words from Mayor **Ken Ferguson**, Councillor **Shawn Davidson** and Councillor **Robert Walker**, all of whom pointed out that Wakestock should have continued their work with the various agencies while they were sorting out their sponsorship.

Council did hear from two significant supporters of the event Monday night, the importance of whom eventually swayed its decision away from Snape's recommendation. GNE president **Eldie Benson** spoke directly to Council, noting that a cancellation of the Wakestock event would represent a "huge blow" to the Fairground's budget for the year. And Collingwood Deputy Mayor **Rick Lloyd** sent a letter to Clearview, respectfully asking that the Township support the Wakestock application as it is a crucial element of the festival. In 2010, the year before the GNE camping event was introduced, Collingwood experienced significant mischief and disturbances during nighttime hours during Wakestock.

"I don't want to be the bad guy here," said Mayor Ferguson before a vote was called. "But it bothers me that you're expecting people to jump through hoops at the last minute. In my books, it's strike three and you're out. This is maybe strike two."

Councillors **Doug Measures**, **Brent Preston** and **Thom Paterson** all spoke of the importance of Clearview maintaining good relationships with Collingwood and the GNE Board, and Paterson encouraged Elsley to be more communicative with the Township should he run into problems in the future.

"It's better to get five minutes of lecturing from our bylaw officer than the amount of lecturing you've heard here tonight, isn't it?" he said.

With that, a motion to accept Snape's recommendation and revoke the Wakestock application failed, with only Councillor Robert Walker and Deputy Mayor **Alicia Savage** voting in favour. A subsequent motion to extend the deadline until Monday, July 31 passed by a count of 7-2.

## Hub Financing Secured

With the Clearview Simcoe Joint Emergency Services Facility now up and running, Council approved a formal debenture for the project Monday night, replacing interim financing that had been in place during the facility's construction.

The Township's 2010 budget anticipated that \$3,681,071 would need to be borrowed at this point, but the project came in under budget, necessitating a loan of \$3,325,703. That amount will be amortized over 40 years, with a fixed interest rate of 3.79 per cent for the first 30 years. A rate for the final ten years will have to be negotiated when the time comes.

That translates to a total yearly payment of \$162,162 to service the loan. Of that, \$75,872 will come from development charges and \$86,290 will come from taxation. The total cost of all payments, including interest and assuming the same rate for the final 10 years, works out to \$6.48 million over 40 years.

Mayor **Ken Ferguson**, an avid supporter of the Emergency Hub since it was first conceptualized, made his hope known that there would be a unanimous vote on the financing. Councillor **Thom Paterson**, however,

continued his tradition of voting against resolutions concerning the project.

## Compensation Studies Approved

Council approved \$15,100 in non-budgeted spending Monday night in order to hire a consultant to complete a market compensation review of the Township's non-union (management) employees, as well as a review of Council's remuneration. The former study will cost \$10,000; the latter \$5,100. Funds will come from a combination of the Township's "General Consulting" account and savings that have been realized this year as a result of a changeover of Clearview's employee benefits provider.

The compensation study will ascertain the market price for each of the Township's management positions, propose a new salary structure in line with the 50th percentile of those market prices, suggest provisions for maintaining competitive salary rates over time, determine how quickly individuals should progress through the pay grid, and make suggestions with regard to compensation in lieu of overtime, pay equity compliance and performance reviews.

The Council remuneration survey will study the market prices for Council pay and benefits across a range of comparators.

It has been six years since Clearview Council members received a raise in pay.



**MAINTAINING HEALTHY TREES** Local arborist and Tree Society member **Liz Smith** spent last week methodically trimming the trees on Mill Street, which were planted by the Society three years ago after the road was reconstructed. Most of the trees are in good shape, said Liz, though she did see some alarming damage. The cut pictured above is in a tree at the intersection of Mill and Elizabeth Streets; likely, it's a result of a wire being tied too tight around the bark. Smith would like to remind everyone that the trees of Mill Street are living organisms that can suffer if treated badly. Please don't tie anything too tightly around their branches.

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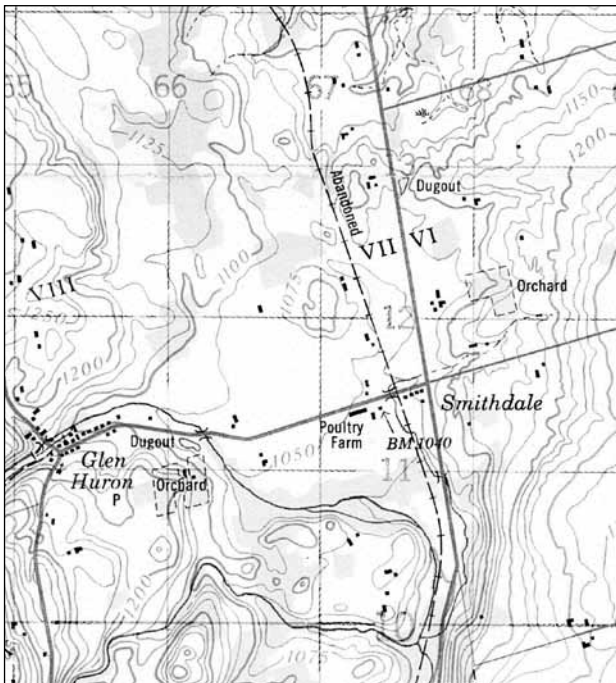
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## THE WAY WE WERE



This week we head north from the Glen Huron station, which was actually located just west of Smithdale. The picture at left, taken in 1960 as the line was being decommissioned and the rails were being lifted, is taken from roughly the location of the Glen Huron station. The dirt road crossing the tracks is today's Glen Huron Sideroad. The picture below it is of the same view today; once the line was removed, fill was brought in to level the field and make it suitable for pasture. You can still see a slight dip in the horizon where the train once travelled. The next farm, the first one north of the Glen Huron Sideroad on the west side of the 6th Concession, is owned today by **Mike Giffen**. In the picture at bottom left, our train expert **Peter Coates** stands on the property; to his left you can see the embankment that once held the tracks – the train went right by the old barn. Further north, several residents on the 6th Concession continue to maintain the old rail corridor. The picture at bottom is what it currently looks like on one of those properties.



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# Creemore Big Heart Seniors

This was our 12 noon potluck lunch, and we had quite a nice few folks out for it, and a really great assortment of choices to choose from in the food department. Now that I am not up to making any elaborate dishes the way I once used to, I have nothing but admiration for folks such as **Irma Flack**, who always brings a large pan of fresh-baked buns, or **Janice Stephens** with her homemade tea biscuits, or **Bob Veale** with his tasty meatloaf, or **Sheila Overall** with her blueberry muffins, or **Marj Thomson** and others with their homemade pies – I could go on and on, but you get the idea. It's enticing enough to coax picky eating Seniors back to the "grub" line an extra time – or two!

After the cleanup crew worked its magic, we had a total of 63 folks out to play cards. I mentioned that **Phyllis Seed** had broken her pelvis recently, and had been staying at her daughter's, but was expecting to be able to go home shortly. So you got a lot of "get well soon" wishes from a lot of people, Phyllis.

After a cute joke by **Ruby Klinck**, the 50/50 draws went to **Eileen Nash**, **Marg Ferguson**, Oh, Me! **Barb Cudmore**, **Evelyn Warden**, **Alinda Bishop**, **Betty Bartlett**, **Eileen Giffen** and **Sylvia Gale**. Guess you guys just weren't in somebody's good books, as it was all females who won draws today.

Moon shots were played by **Lucy Young**, **Karl Seifert**, **Barb Pilon**, **Toosje Vasvari**, **Effie Taylor**, **Pat Broad**, **Roy Veinot**, **Carol Faulkner**,

SENIORS



Sylvia GALE

**Warren Gale, George Blakney, Evelyn Warden, Isabelle Gubbels, Ruby Klinck, Peter Gubbels, Alinda Bishop and Jim Ferguson.** Jim won the travelling prize and Roy won the Sidewinders money.

High scorers were **Lucy Young 286, Sheila Fenton 278, Marj Thomson 271 and Janice Stephens 264.** Low was **Mercedes Veinot** with 24.

**May Johnston** and her son **John** came across a copy of the *Mad River Star*, a local newspaper dated Thursday, January 23, 1902. Knowing my interest in such things, May brought it in so I could have a look at it. I'm sure she thought I had absconded with it as I have been slow getting it back to her, but it is really interesting, and loaded with advertisements. There are also obituaries, and church news, plus a "ghostly" mystery happening, plus some stories that apparently are a weekly "serial" feature. And, several of the merchants whose ads appear had names that were still quite common when I was a kid.

Some of the ads were pretty hard to read as the paper had got stained over the years, but **Jas Reid** of "Pearen's Old Stand" had six pounds of rice for 25 cents, 25 pounds of yellow sugar for \$1, and 20 pounds of granulated sugar for \$1. Also, three cans of tomatoes, corn or peas for 25 cents, and heavy wool gurnseys at \$1.75 a pair. Another ad had "Turkeys wanted – will pay 9 cents a pound for plucked turkeys. We pay freight and will send the cheque



or money order as soon as we receive the turkeys. **Samuel E Lewis and Co., London, Ont.**" This made it obvious that, without much in the way of refrigeration, the train was still running twice a day to deliver the turkeys fresh.

Raw furs were wanted at the sign of "The Bear" in Collingwood. They were paying: Mink \$2 to \$3; Coons 50 cents to \$1.75; Muskrats 8 to 12 cents each; Skunk 25 cents to \$1.50 depending on size of stripe; and Otter \$8 to \$14. **W.A. Mays Hardware** (where the brewery is now) sold cross cut saws, 5 1/2 feet long with patented handles from 25 cents to \$ 4.25 each; chopping axes for 65 cents to \$1.25; and horse blankets and buffalo robes at cost. (The **W.A. May Hardware** was still in business through the 1940s and up to around 1950. **Art May** had the north side, which was hardware, and **Nellie May** and her sister (**Art's** sisters) had the south half, with dishes, figurines, and gifts of all sorts.)

The Medical Hall wanted alsike, red clover and good clean timothy seed for highest market prices. **W.J. Corbett** was represented (**Jean Smart** owns the now-named "Village Pharmacy," but it was still called **Corbett's Drug**

Store when I was a kid. At that time, the druggist was **Ab Orr**, until **Jack Heslip** bought the business around 1949). The **Gowans** were in business as **Wm Gowan, Blacksmith**, who wished all his many friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and thanked them for their liberal patronage during past years.

There were many other items of interest, and on the back page was a column called "The Tomb," which included: **CHERRY** – In Creemore, on the 15th inst., **Mrs. Richard Cherry**, aged 45 years, 8 months; **FLACK** – at Banda, on the 16th inst., **Margaret Gilroy**, relict of the late **Robert Flack**, aged 85 years; **SMITH** – In Nottawasaga, on the 18th inst., **Colin G.**, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. **Reuben Smith**, aged 15 years, 5 months.

My thanks to May for sharing this paper with me, and if I can get it back later there are many other ads and articles that I found quite interesting that I would add to the Seniors news off and on.

Our sincerest sympathy to **Jim** and **Georgina Rigney** on the recent death of **Georgina's** sister, **Eileen Webster**.

## LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY



Sunday, July 29

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Katharine Blohm (centre) receives her OPP Commissioner's Commendation.

# Putting community safety first

Creemore resident **Katharine Blohm** received an Ontario Provincial Police Commissioner's Commendation this spring for her "commitment to crime prevention and safety education, which has improved the quality of life of the residents in her community and surrounding areas."

Blohm was a co-developer of "K.I.D.S.@Home," a program targeted at kids between the ages of 10 and 13 who were left at home after school. The program provided them with valuable information on Internet and fire safety, as well as first aid and nutrition. The initiative was so successful, it was adopted throughout the OPP's Central Region.

A Child Car Seat Inspection Technician, Blohm has checked over 100 car seats over the past six years. She has also participated in 13 bicycle rodeos, where she helped properly fit helmets for almost 200 young people.

In early 2009, Blohm was one of several volunteers who distributed over 1,000 Counterfeit Prevention packages to local businesses. She further contributed to this project by organizing three presentations on counterfeit prevention, as well as credit and debit card fraud.

Blohm has been an active member of the Clearview Community Policing Committee for the past two years and a volunteer firefighter with the Clearview Township Fire Department for the past 10 years.



Indian Pipe

Photo Ginette Pieper

## Piping in the summer

One thing that continually surprises me when I walk on the trails through my property is the fact that, with a degree of observation, it's easy to see, hear, or experience something new to appreciate each time.

In the spring, it might be a newly flowering trillium or wild columbine; spring and summer might bring the calling of a thrush, the eerie calls of the pileated woodpecker, or the flitting of a forest-dwelling butterfly; or any time of year the seasonal difference in the angle of the sun's slanting rays through leaves or bare branches can make the same stretch of forest seem subtly different.

Just the other day, the "new and different" for the morning walk with my Border Collie Emma was a patch of Indian Pipe bursting up through the soil.

Waxy white in colour, this odd organism bears, on white stalks, beautifully shaped miniature pipes.

But what, I wondered, is it exactly? Plant? Fungus? Some form of alien life?

A quick check through my "Mushrooms of Ontario" book came up dry. An Internet search provided the unanimous verdict: it's a plant (sources were silent on the alien life part). Although the plant lacks a showy bloom, something in the pipe-shaped flowers attracts bees for pollination.

Also known by a variety of other names, including Ice Plant, Fairy Smoke, Ghost Pipe, and Ghost Flower, Indian Pipe does not have chlorophyll, the substance that most plants use in the process of photosynthesis. Instead, it is a parasite, feeding on fungi that in their turn draw some of their nutrients from trees.

Because it does not rely on the sun for its energy, Indian Pipe can grow in dark, shady areas that are inhospitable for other plant life.

Its reclusive nature is also reflected in the fact that it does not suffer being picked gladly; if disturbed it will die and turn black.

Indian Pipe is listed by some sources as belonging to the blueberry family. While usually white in colour, it can also have a pinkish tinge, or even in rare cases be deep red in colour. Indian Pipe is usually seen in early summer to late autumn, and I always find it a pleasant surprise when it pops into view anew each year.

The plant is believed to have some medicinal purposes, but I prefer to leave it in the woods – as yet another item to be enjoyed and appreciated.

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Join us **Thursday, Aug 2nd at 3:30** at **Clearview Nursery**. From there we will parade down Highway 91 to be at the public meeting at the Stayner Community Hall by 5.30pm.

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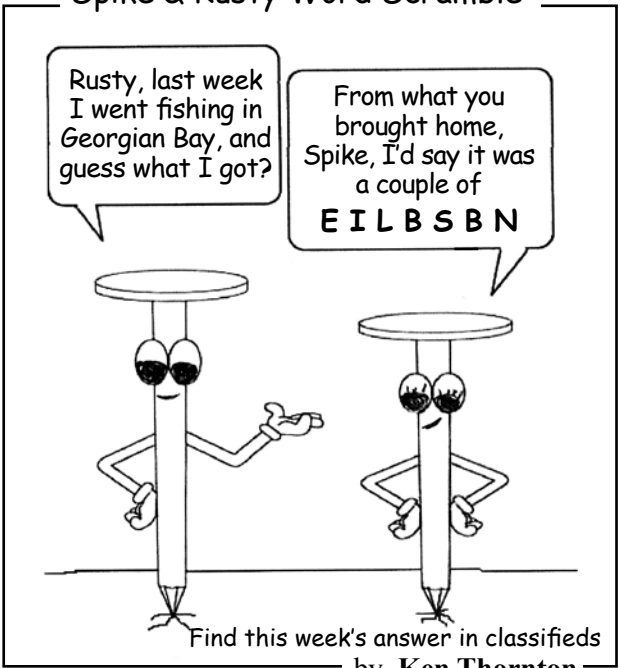
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Answer in classifieds

## Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



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### Friday, July 27

Chance of thundershowers  
High 23 Low 19 Winds NE 10 km/h  
POP 40%

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High 26 Low 16 Winds NW 10 km/h  
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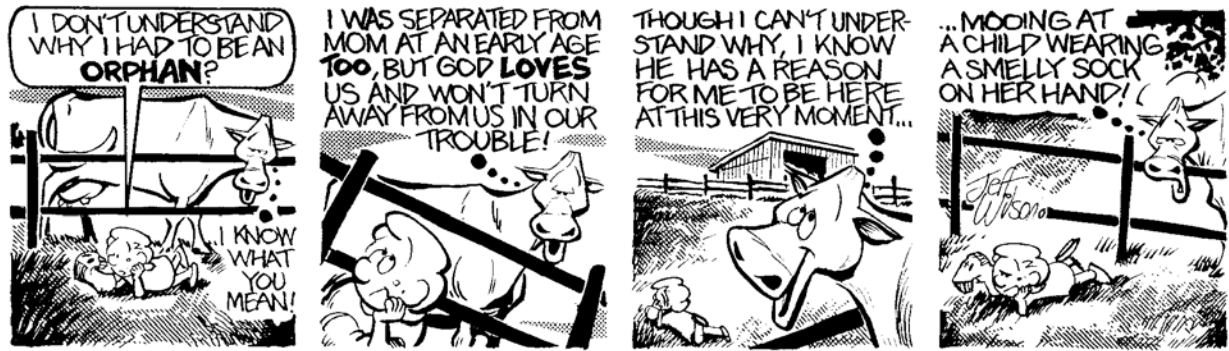
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## Brian's Canadian Crossword

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### ACROSS

- 1 Immediately (2)  
7 What's \_\_\_?  
13 There Goes Rhyming' \_\_\_ (1973 album)  
18 Buddy Holly hit (2)  
19 Big name in cable TV  
20 Kelly \_\_\_ of the CBC  
21 Chilling out (2)  
22 Gave the first performance  
23 Bakery products  
24 He played Lt. Philip Gerard (2)  
26 Most foolish  
28 Outrage  
29 Bodybuilder's pride  
31 Either of the front two  
36 Sudden outburst  
38 \_\_\_ Cruise (Herman's Hermits)  
41 Bakery byproducts  
42 NB premier McKenna  
43 Certain track events  
45 Big name in Canadian fishing  
46 Hefford of hockey  
47 Bolero actress (2)  
48 Service club member  
50 Padded parts in hockey  
52 Wanders around  
53 His postal code is H0H 0H0

- 55 Do improv  
57 Fence piece  
61 With \_\_\_ included  
63 Done! (3)  
68 Cirque du Soleil performer  
70 Complaints  
72 Angel of mercy  
73 Dudley Do-Right portrayer  
Brendan \_\_\_  
74 Cecil's pal  
75 Novelist Rushdie (The Satanic Verses)  
76 Typical score for Nadia in Montreal  
77 Making fun of  
79 Actor Ray \_\_\_ (The Lost Weekend)  
80 Destructive grasshopper  
81 Melancholic  
82 Winning runs  
85 Second-winningest NHL team (2)  
92 Hymn of praise  
93 Drool  
96 Snoopy's breed  
97 Degrade  
98 Cheated the CRA  
99 Ventilate (2)  
100 Was, like, awesome!  
101 Specialty of This Hour Has 22 Minutes  
102 Massive, Malign and

### Misty in Alberta

#### DOWN

- 1 Iraqi or Kuwaiti  
2 See ya! (hyph.)  
3 Finito  
4 Close by  
5 Snug  
6 ... but your \_\_\_ closer  
7 Written music  
8 High school dances  
9 Screenwriter James \_\_\_ (The African Queen)  
10 Author Kesey (Twister)  
11 Winter sculpture material  
12 Ixnay! (2)  
13 Sent to the junkyard  
14 Actor Jeremy \_\_\_ (Dead Ringers)  
15 CSIS infiltrator  
16 Great Grey and Great Horned, e.g.  
17 Aerie  
25 COM alternative  
27 Compulsion  
29 The \_\_\_ Boat Song  
30 Annoy  
31 Science competition  
32 Soup pasta  
33 Shellac  
34 Actress Samms (General Hospital)  
35 Bedrooms for beasts  
36 Fish cookout  
37 Lean and \_\_\_  
38 Tegan's sister  
39 Took a good look at  
40 Names a price  
42 Orange soda brand  
44 Part of a race  
46 One of The Lennon Sisters  
47 Big gulps  
49 Hit single from Sounds Of Silence (4)  
51 Educate  
54 Although  
56 Unexciting  
57 Log boat  
58 Real estate unit  
59 Islamic country  
60 \_\_\_ Lobos (La Bamba)

- 62 Actor Connery  
64 Unexciting  
65 Bestseller Bombeck  
66 Straight-arrow connector  
67 WWII aid program, with 80D  
69 Lamented  
71 CTV show set in a TV station  
74 Ezra, Esther and Ezekiel, briefly  
75 Courtroom conversation  
78 Swears like a sailor  
79 \_\_\_ du pays (homesickness)  
80 See 67D

- 81 Gardening tool  
82 Quarrel  
83 Perfume launched in 1932  
84 Legit  
85 Noon time in Nice  
86 Say with certainty  
87 Carrie's big role  
88 Bring in  
89 All excited  
90 Chimney pipe  
91 Movie-making sites  
94 First of Mickey's eight wives  
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# Here comes the bride...

'Tis the season for weddings, particularly outdoor weddings be they in a park, someone's flower bedecked backyard, beside the Mad River or on the shore of Georgian Bay. Interestingly enough, outdoor weddings have not always been the rage. All of us remember how most weddings were in a church. From my readings of old *Creemore Stars* it may be seen that fashions in weddings change over the years as surely as we have moved from long hoop skirts to skimpy over-the-knee skirts.

While working my way through the old Creemore newspapers from 1900 to 1930 I collected accounts of 23 weddings and what follows is a summary of the fashions of that era. Almost all ceremonies were held in the bride's home. Two were held in churches and two were held in the Presbyterian manse.

In most cases a great deal of

LOCAL HISTORY



Helen BLACKBURN

effort went into decorating the home. The marriage ceremony was often held under an arch of evergreens. One instance tells of an arch of white bells.

Pianos or pump organs were common in the homes and the wedding description would speak of the relative or friend who played the wedding march.

A point of interest was always the bride's bouquet. For a while Lily-of-the-Valley was popular to complement orchids or roses. One bride had yellow chrysanthemums to match her gown trimmed with yellow satin.

And, of course, the greatest interest was paid to the bride's gown. In some cases the bride did not wear the traditional wedding gown but a dress that could be worn over again for "good." Blue was the most popular colour. Hazel Wilkinson, bride of Clement Peneton, wore "a dress of blue silk Crepe-de-chene



and Georgette, embroidered in white with pearls."

Almost as important was the description of the bride's going-away outfit. Ann Eugenia Boyes wore a suit of bronze green cloth with red

trimmings and a black beaver hat with yellow plumes.

The feast that followed the ceremony was the result of hours and hours of cooking and baking, both by the bride's mother and other friends and relatives. The crowd would not be large as the people would have to be accommodated in the houses of the time.

The honeymooners left, in most cases, on the 4:05 pm train which was travelling southwards. Of special interest were the couple who travelled to the train station in cars which we now view as primitive and over roads we would now see as impossible.

Traditionally in local areas, friends, neighbours and relatives gathered shortly after the wedding to celebrate the nuptials with dancing, socializing, giving gifts and a bounteous lunch. Good wishes and confetti followed the couples as they embarked on a life together.

Today, the customs may have changed but joyous good wishes are still the order of the day.

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THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to our family and friends for all their support since our barn fire. To all who helped organize the benefit dance, donated silent auction items, volunteered time and supported us in so many ways, we are forever grateful. We’ve been reminded once again how blessed we are to live in such a caring and supportive community of family and friends! **Chester and Karla Tupling**

Thank you so much for putting a great picture of **Creemore Vertical Challenge** into last week’s paper. I would like to thank my community for their excellent support in preparation for our race. Tim Horton’s in Stayner provided free of charge and on short notice, 3 dozen bagels, 120 timbits, coffee for 200 people plus cream, sugar and a carafe. They also delivered the product at 7:00 a.m. on race day. The brewery gave us 3 kegs of beer, cups and some promotional material. Foodland donated 380 litres of water and 200 bags. Pizza Perfect provided pizza at an amazing discount. We would like to express our appreciation to the land owners who granted use of their trails to 200 runners. Lastly our race could not take place without the many volunteers who gave freely of their time. See ya next year!!!! Happy feet. **Lee Anne Cohen**

**A BIG THANKYOU THANKYOU** to everyone helping in anyway to make our Tractor Rally and Roast Beef Dinner a great success. Also all those attending. Without all of you this would not happen. Oh yes, and let’s not forget the weatherman. Jim Adam and The Dunedin Hall Board. PS - Juliet Jancso won the 50/50 draw.

**IN MEMORIAM**

In memory of **Viola Lowe**, July 26 1931- July 29 2011  
I thought of you with love today but that is nothing new,  
I thought about you yesterday and days before that too,  
I think of you in silence I often speak your name  
All I have are memories and your picture in a frame  
Your memory is my keepsake with which I’ll never part  
God has you in His keeping I have you in my heart.  
Miss you always, Myrna, Jim, Zach, Clayton, Luke, and Jessy

In Memoriam ~ **Viola Lowe**  
Dear Vi, A year has passed and you’re never more than a thought away, quietly remembered every day. No need for words except to say, you’re ever so loved and missed in every way. Till we meet again, love always, Dalton

**Ian Lang** - In loving memory of a beloved husband, father and grandfather who died on the 1st of August, 2005. May you continue to inspire us to enter each day with a generous heart, to serve the call of courage and love. “Till a seas gang dry my love,” Marjorie

DEATH NOTICE




**HEFFERNAN, ROBERT ‘Bob’** passed away peacefully at home surrounded by the love of his family on Sunday July 22, 2012 after a lengthy and extremely courageous battle with cancer. He was the beloved husband and best friend of Carol, proud and loving father of Karen (Dan) Brundula, Sean (Lesley) Heffernan, Todd Gunnell and Gayle Eckerd. Adoring grandpa to, and will be sadly missed by, his grandchildren Adam, Karly, Samantha, Lauren and Lukas. Bob was the loving brother of Barbara Heffernan and will be forever remembered by his nieces, nephews, Aunts, cousins and extended family in both Canada and the U.S. Predeceased by his parents Frank & Vera and son, Michael. Bob was a proud man who loved life, family, friends and God. He was a successful businessman; starting as an accountant and working his way up to Western Ontario Regional Partner in Charge for Touche Ross. He later went on to become both a financial consultant and shareholder in several corporations in both Canada and the U.S. Bob strongly believed in, and was always very involved in, his community; he was the past chairman of the BBB, Freeport Hospital Corporation and Westmount Golf & Country Club; past director of Kitchener Waterloo Community Foundation, Devil’s Glen Country Club, Gyro International and several other service and charitable organizations. He loved to live life to the fullest and enjoyed skiing, golfing, traveling, reading, politics and a good joke. He was a man with great integrity, vision and commitment and was to many an inspiration. The way he chose to live his life was with kindness, generosity, courage and dignity and for this he will be remembered. A celebration of Bob’s life will be held at the Station on the Green on Sunday July 29<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m. Those wishing to make a donation in memory of Bob may do so to the Nottawa United Church. Friends may visit Bob’s on-line Book of Memories at [www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com](http://www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com)

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**CLEARVIEW TOWNSHIP  
NOTICES**

**TENDERS**

**East Street Sidewalk Construction and Road Rehabilitation**  
**Contract No.: MCG020986**

**SEALED BIDS**, on forms supplied by the Contract Administrator, in the envelopes provided, will be received by the Township Clerk, at Clearview Township, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner, Ontario L0M 1S0 until:

**1:30:00 p.m., local time Thursday, August 2, 2012**

The Work includes the construction of sidewalks, curb and road rehabilitation for East Street in Stayner, in the Township of Clearview.

Bid Documents may be obtained at the office of the Contract Administrator, R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited, 3 Ronell Crescent, Collingwood, Ontario, L9Y 4J6 for a non-refundable fee of \$62.15, including HST (\$55.00 + \$7.15 HST) payable to R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited.

In addition to other provisions in the Bid Documents, the lowest or any Bid will not necessarily be accepted.

**Replace Streetlights on Main Street (Highway 26) Stayner**  
**Contract No.: MCG020985**

**SEALED BIDS**, on forms supplied by the Contract Administrator, in the envelopes provided, will be received by the Township Clerk, at Clearview Township, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner, Ontario L0M 1S0 until:

**1:30:00 p.m., local time Thursday, August 2, 2012**

The Work includes the replacement of 25 streetlights on Main Street (Highway 26) in Stayner, in the Township of Clearview.

Bid Documents may be obtained at the office of the Contract Administrator, R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited, 3 Ronell Crescent, Collingwood, Ontario, L9Y 4J6 for a non-refundable fee of \$28.25, including HST (\$25.00 + \$3.25 HST) payable to R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited.

In addition to other provisions in the Bid Documents, the lowest or any Bid will not necessarily be accepted.

**Sidewalk Reconstruction 2012**  
**Contract No.: 300031847**

**SEALED BIDS**, on forms supplied by the Contract Administrator, in the envelopes provided, will be received at the Township of Clearview, Municipal Office, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner, Ontario, L0M 1S0 until but not later than:

**1:30:00 PM local time, Thursday, August 2nd, 2012**

The Work is 703.5 m<sup>2</sup> of Sidewalk Reconstruction with an additional 79.5m<sup>2</sup> of Provisional Work. The sidewalk reconstruction work includes: removal of existing, disposal, excavation, installation of Granular 'A' base, compaction, forming, new concrete sidewalk installation and full restoration, in the communities of Stayner and Creemore. Bid Documents may be obtained at the office of the Contract Administrator,

R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited, 3 Ronell Crescent, Collingwood, Ontario, L9Y 4J6 for a non-refundable fee of \$50.00 (\$44.25 + \$5.75 HST) payable to R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited.

In addition to other provisions in the Bid Documents, the lowest or any Bid will not necessarily be accepted.

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| <b>Owner</b>          | <b>Contract Administrator</b>      |
| Township of Clearview | R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited |
| P.O. Box 200          | 3 Ronell Crescent                  |
| 217 Gideon Street     | Collingwood, ON L9Y 4J6            |
| Stayner, ON L0M 1S0   | 705-446-0515                       |
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# A Book Club for Guys

If you live anywhere near Toronto you are aware that the city has a mayor who prefers donut shops over libraries and visits the former often and the latter never. Creemore, on the other hand, has a great little library that is well used and broadly supported and now a revived Curiosity House Bookstore thanks to **Ralph Hicks**. There is no donut shop, which I believe says great things about our community.

Like many new retirees, I worried about how my time would be filled when I stopped working. I wanted to make sure I kept mentally engaged, so as not to lose it. **Jacquie** was busy expanding "The List," but that didn't really seem, to me at least, to be the answer. So to help fill the impending void I started a "Book Club for Guys." The club has two rules: first, we only read non-fiction books; and second, we meet every two months at a restaurant to discuss the latest book and pick the next read. The framework is simple enough and has been successful, as we are now in our second year.

My philosophy professor, a man we called Happy Harry, put forward the idea that your mind is always seeking comfort, in that it likes to reinforce ideas it already holds to be true, and it subconsciously avoids the introduction of new or conflicting information that might upset things. So if you are to advance your understandings you have to consciously override this inclination and challenge your status quo. His example was that when you read a newspaper and inevitably come across an article that conflicts with your views, at a glance you'll assume it's wrong and you'll pass it over. He strongly advised against that. If you don't introduce conflicting material and ideas you can never uncover the errors in your universe and you may miss the opportunity to bolster correct ideas from the onslaught of foolishness.

So with Happy Harry's guidance I purposely assembled a group of dissimilar minds. You want diversity of thought, since hanging around with a bunch of guys who think the same things you do can be extremely boring. So it was that I assembled: an entrepreneurial former McDonald's operator; an insightful forensic accountant; a caring pediatric cardiologist who commutes from Oakville; a seasoned news journalist; an inventive lawyer/engineer; a retired innovative IT nerd; an American Express socialist environmental lawyer; a retired mellowed Bay Streeter; a quirky corporate consultant with ties to the old country; and myself. None of us are alike but most importantly we are all likeable. The eclectic nature of the members has led to the book club's real success, as a catalyst for new ideas and thoughts.

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With no surprise, the recommended books are widely varied and often something that some of us on our own would not have chosen to read which I am sure would please old (or surly dead by now?) Happy Harry. We started with a right wing tirade on human

rights commissions by Ezra Levant, were frightened by an account of the subprime mortgage disaster by Michael Lewis, sailed across the Atlantic with Simon Winchester, ventured into the unsettling world of the Prime Minister's Office with Lawrence Martin, ground through 500-plus pages of post-WWI history by Margaret MacMillan, were frustrated by the treatment of Canadian history as detailed by Jack Granatstein, were pleasantly surprised by a tale of west coast logging by John Vaillant, were embarrassed at our lack of knowledge regarding Canada and the Korean War and were duly educated by Dan Bjarnason, were alarmed at how much corn we put into ourselves according to Michael Pollan, were fascinated by the details of pre-confederation life and Sir John A. MacDonald as told by Richard Gwyn, were stunned by Steve Jobs' bizarre antics as related by Walter Isaacson, were mesmerized by the WWII intrigue of MI5 presented by Ben MacIntyre, and are currently being introduced to new ideas and having old ones challenged by Joshua Foer.

It is interesting to note that two of our members regularly go to the Toronto libraries for their books, where they were they have yet to bump into Toronto's mayor. Only two or three download their books to iPads or Kindles; the majority of us still cling to the tactile experience of real books.

Below is the full list of the Book Club for Guys books. Check out the Creemore library to see if they have the one you want, or take a walk over to the Curiosity House Bookstore, where Ralph and his staff will be happy to order any of the books. If I had to recommend one to start with, either *The Golden Spruce* or *Operation Mincemeat* would be at the top of my list. Enjoy.

- *Shake Down* by **Ezra Levant**
- *The Big Short* by **Michael Lewis**
- *Atlantic* by **Simon Winchester**
- *Harperland* by **Lawrence Martin**
- *Paris 1919* by **Margaret MacMillan**
- *Who Killed Canadian History* by **Jack Granatstein**
- *The Golden Spruce* by **John Vaillant**
- *Triumph at Kapyong* by **Dan Bjarnason**
- *The Omnivore's Dilemma* by **Michael Pollan**
- *John A* by **Richard Gwyn** (the first volume)
- *Steve Jobs* by **Walter Isaacson**
- *Operation Mincemeat* by **Ben MacIntyre**
- *Moon Walking with Einstein* by **Joshua Foer**