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News and views in and around Creemore

## TWO SIDES OF STORY AT CASINO MEETING

by Brad Holden

Two very different pictures of provincially run gambling facilities were presented at Tuesday evening's Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation public meeting in Wasaga Beach – one, put forward by representatives of OLG, depicted a win-win situation for the province, the host municipality and the recreational gambler; the other, described by several health care professionals and religious leaders who stood to read statements at the end of the meeting, told of gambling addiction, personal bankruptcies and “damaged and destroyed lives.”

The meeting, held jointly by Wasaga Beach, Collingwood, Clearview Township and the Township of Springwater, drew about 500 people to the Wasaga Beach RecPlex. The four municipalities have been working together since May, when the OLG announced its restructuring plans and indicated that an opportunity existed for a 300-slot gaming facility somewhere within what it calls “Zone C7” – an area encompassing parts of each municipality. The turnout was apparently the largest that representatives of the OLG have seen in a series of similar meetings

across the province, and support for a casino in the area seemed evenly split among the crowd.

The evening began with a presentation from the OLG, followed by a question period where members of the public submitted their questions to their respective Mayors, who in turn posed the questions to the OLG. Finally, there was an opportunity for audience members to make a five-minute statement to the Mayors and their Councils. Representatives of the OLG did not remain on stage for this portion.

Pursuing what it calls a “modernization plan,” the OLG is in the process of downloading its existing casinos to private operators while retaining its position as overseer of the gaming that takes place at the facilities. Further, it has identified 29 zones across the province where private operators will have the opportunity to establish casinos, should the targeted municipalities decide they'd like to host such a facility. Of the 29 zones, 24 have existing casinos; in those cases, the chosen private operator will have the option of taking over the present facility or relocating elsewhere

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Dale Hamilton of the Everybody's Theatre Company.

## Using the mega quarry to engage – and entertain

by Brad Holden

Dale Hamilton has witnessed the sheer power of an engaged community, and it's truly a sight to behold.

The artistic director of the Eden Mills-based Everybody's Theatre Company, Hamilton is one of Canada's leading proponents of “community engaged theatre,” an art form that combines performance and civic engagement. On Saturday, October 27, she will begin workshopping what will hopefully become a community play about the proposed Melancton mega quarry.

There's a reason why the word “community” has already shown up four times in this article. Without that word and all it represents, Hamilton's plays would not exist at all. To illustrate, it's helpful to look at the Everybody's Theatre Company's first major project, which started Hamilton on a 20-year journey to where she is today. Called “The Spirit of Shivaree – the Eramosa Community Play,”

the project took place in the early 1990s near the town of Rockwood, Ontario, where a controversial estate home development was at the time proposed to be built on some prime agricultural land.

The key to Hamilton's process is that everyone who wants a part in the play gets a part in the play. In Rockwood, over the course of a year, Hamilton and her group held countless workshops and “community soundings,” gathering stories, writing songs, exploring themes and shaping a narrative.

She then took all of that information and wrote an allegorical play that dealt with themes of land use and development, and that play, featuring a cast of dozens of local people, was performed to capacity crowds in the ruins of an old mill at the Rockwood Conservation Area, over the course of one festive week.

And what happened after that was perhaps most interesting. Many of the people who had

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## This Weekend

### Friday, October 19

- **Gift of Music Concert** at St. Luke's at 7:30 pm. Pay what you can.
- **Friday, October 19 to Saturday, October 27**
- **Tipling Stage Company** presents *There Goes The Bride*. October 19, 20, 26 and 27 at 8 pm and October 21 at 2 pm at the Grace Tipling Hall, Shelburne. Tickets \$15 available at Shelburne Town Hall & Caravaggio IDA or visit [www.tiplingstagecompany.com](http://www.tiplingstagecompany.com). To reserve tickets call (519) 925-2600.

### Saturday, October 20

- **Mad & Noisy Gallery** "Bodies and Beasts: Soleil: Contemporary Exploration of the Human and Animal Form" continues featuring Juliet Jancso, Paul Corfield, Caroline Routh, Lois Green, Iris Casey & Ann Clifford

as they visually celebrate & investigate the imagery of both through clay, wood, paint, line, paper & metal. Until October 29.

### Sunday, October 21

- **Church Services** on page 5.
- **First Baptist Church Stayner** will celebrate their **158<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** at 11 am with Guest Preacher Rev Arnie Reimer and with a **Great Gospel Concert** at 7 pm featuring The Chapelairies Quartet from London, Ontario. Free will offering will be received and all are welcome.
- **Soupstock – Save the land that feeds us. Stop the Highland Mega-Quarry.** At Woodbine Park, Toronto from 11 am to 4 pm. **Catch the bus** leaving from Honeywood Arena at 8 am & Shelburne No Frills

at 8:30 am. Reserve your seat at [info@ndact.com](mailto:info@ndact.com) or 519-925-6628.

- **St. Luke's Anglican Church** invites you to a **Traditional Service of Evensong** at 5 pm sung by the choir of St. Paul's, Bloor Street, Toronto.
- **Autumn Leaves Fashion Show** at 7 pm at the GNE Fairgrounds Agri-Cultural Building. A fundraiser for The Collingwood Agricultural Society's Great Northern Exhibition. Sponsored by Clearview Nursery, Cty. Rd. 91. Models and escorts will be members of the Clearview Fire Department. Tickets are \$15 or a table for 8 at \$100 available at Creemore Village Pharmacy and D & L Family Variety in Nottawa. 519-922-3448, or check out [www.greatnorthernex.com](http://www.greatnorthernex.com) for details.

## Upcoming Events

### Tuesday, October 23

- **What the informed person should know about Islam.** Adult education. A 4 week program from 7 to 8 pm at St. John's United Church. This second week's discussion is on Muhammad, Qur'an, and Islamic Civilization. Everyone welcome.
- **Georgian Triangle Lifelong Learning Institute's 9th Founders' Lecture & Reception** at 7 pm at Craighleith Ski Club. "Hope Out Of Ruins: Human Endurance In An Age Of Crises" Speaker is Brian Stewart, Gemini Award winning broadcast journalist and senior correspondent for CBC. Tickets \$15. [www.gtlli.ca](http://www.gtlli.ca) or at Crow's Nest, Collingwood.
- The Registered Nurses Association (RNAO) South Simcoe Chapter presents "Finding the Keys to Your Castle" with Ann Marie McAllister at 6:30 pm at Hospice Simcoe, 336 Penetanguishene Road, Barrie. Please register at [partridges@rvh.on.ca](mailto:partridges@rvh.on.ca).

### Wednesday, October 24

- **Collingwood Caregiver Support Group** at VON Adult Day Program, 49 Raglan Street, Collingwood (Sunset Manor) from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Connecting family and friends caring for a person with Alzheimer's disease or other dementia, to education and coping strategies in a safe place, while sharing challenges and successes. 705-722-1066 for details.

### Thursday, October 25

- **Dufferin Dance Network Meeting** at 7:30 pm at 10 Zina Street, Unit 1, Orangeville. Please RSVP to [catherine\\_carpenko@hotmail.com](mailto:catherine_carpenko@hotmail.com) or 519-941-5522. Bring your enthusiasm for the future of the Dufferin Dance Network

### Friday, October 26

- **Toonie Lunch** at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline Street West from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Come enjoy some homemade soup.
- **Dufferin Circle of Storytellers 'Evening Bestiary'** at 7 pm in the intimate surroundings of Historic Corbetton Church. A collection of animal stories that teach us not only about four legged creatures but a bit about humans as well. Refreshments and friendly conversation follow in the Museum. Tickets \$10, available at Curiosity House & the Dufferin County Museum. Dufferin County Museum & Archives, Hwy 89 & Airport Road. 705-435-1881 [events@dufferinmuseum.com](mailto:events@dufferinmuseum.com).

### Saturday, October 27

- **St. James' Anglican Church, Clougher-Lisle** will be holding its **Annual Craft, Lunch & Bake Sale** in Lisle Legion Hall from 10 am to 2 pm. Adult Lunch \$8, children \$2. Admission Free. Bring the children to see Mrs Claus and there will be Lucky Draws, Raffle tickets, & Door Prizes. For vendors wishing to Rent A Craft Table the cost is one for \$15 or 2/\$25. To book please call Grace at 705-424-5068 or Marie at 705-466-6722.
- **Natives and Animals** from 10 am to 2 pm. Stories of wild animals from Ontario native culture. A special exhibit of native artifacts found locally will educate our audience on native activity in the area prior to first contact with Europeans. Tickets \$10 or \$5 for DCMA members. Call the Museum at 1-877-941-7787 to purchase or reserve your tickets. Dufferin County Museum & Archives, Hwy 89 & Airport Road.
- **Come & Go Tea to celebrate Lloyd & Jean Rowbotham's 50th Wedding Anniversary** at

Dunedin Hall from 2 to 4 pm. Besh wishes only.

- **Song Writing Workshop** from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Write a song about the proposed Mega-Quarry with professional songwriter James Gordon at The Honeywood Schoolhouse. No experience necessary. No need to pre-register. For more about James visit [www.jamesgordon.ca](http://www.jamesgordon.ca)
- **Gospel Evening at Dunedin Knox Presbyterian Church** starting at 7 pm featuring the Aldcorn Family. An evening of music & refreshments. Good will offering will be accepted.
- **A Masked Ball.** An Adult Masquerade Ball at Station on the Green from 7 pm to midnight. Hor d'oeuvres by The Creemore Kitchen, cocktails and live music by String Theory featuring Glen Hoag and Sherri Jackson. Have your fortune read and enjoy the haunted Station on the Green. Bid on our spooky silent & live auction. All proceeds go to the Collingwood Hospital Foundation. Adults only. Come in costume. Tickets are \$50 per person available in advance. Visit [www.hallowfest.ca](http://www.hallowfest.ca)
- **Live Performance by Dinah Christie** at 7 pm. A DCMA supporter, Dinah has been involved in theatre for decades as actor, dancer, singer, writer, director and designer. Limited number of tickets. Pre-registration required. Don't be disappointed, book your tickets early. Tickets \$20 per person. Call the Museum at 1-877-941-7787 to purchase or reserve your tickets. Dufferin County Museum & Archives, Hwy 89 & Airport Road.

### Sunday, October 28

- **Hallowfest** presented by Collingwood Hospital Foundation. 10 am to 4 pm at Station on the Green. Fun for all ages – Tricks. Treats. Surprises. Visit the witch's kitchen, haunted house and a ghostly marketplace. Enjoy activities, games crafts and more. Take part in a Thriller dance and zombie walk. Come in costume for tricks and treats. Pay by donation – all proceeds to support the Collingwood Hospital Foundation. [www.hallowfest.ca](http://www.hallowfest.ca) for details.

### Saturday, November 3

- **Southern Ontario Dulcimer Association** entertains at Creemore. Experience a unique musical performance at the Station on the Green. Open to the public from 1:30 to 4 pm.
- **Turkey Dinner celebrating Fall** at Centennial United Church, Stayner, from 4:30 to 7 pm. Corner of William and Oak Streets. Adults \$15, children, 6-12 \$6, under 6 free. Entertainment while you wait! Come and bring family & friends. A fundraiser to aid the Church's work.

### Saturday, November 10

- **Zumba Fitness Master Class** at Station on the Green. Registration/Doors Open at 9:30 am, Master Class from 10 to 11:30 am. A fundraiser for **Creemore Cats Spay Neuter Release Project**. Wear clothes suitable for a workout, good indoor shoes and bring water and a towel. Some snacks provided. Breaks taken when needed. Door Prizes and a Raffle. Tickets: \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door (drop-in). Purchase advance tickets at Curiosity House Bookstore & Gallery or purchase through PAYPAL link at [fitness-fundraisers.com](http://fitness-fundraisers.com). Space is limited. All proceeds from this event will go towards Creemore Cats' vet procedures & feral cat care.

### Wednesday, November 14

- **Flu Shot Clinic** at Station on the Green from 1 to 7 pm. Book your appointment on-line at [www.simcoemuskokahealth.org](http://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org) or by phone at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.



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# OLG makes its case for an area casino

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within the zone. In the five zones with no present casino, including C7, new facilities will be built.

While all four municipalities in C7 will have an opportunity to vote on whether they want a casino within their own borders, the OLG representatives confirmed Tuesday night that all they are looking for is one municipality to say yes. Should more than one town vote in favour of becoming a host community, the decision will then be up to the private operator that is granted the contract for the zone from the OLG.

Much of the OLG presentation focused on the economic benefits available for host communities. Under the existing compensation structure, municipalities receive 5 per cent of the revenue from a facility's first 450 slot machines, and 2 per cent from the remaining machines. Using the OLG slots at Hanover Raceway (where there have been about 125 machines since 2001) as an example, it was shown that the town of Hanover has received \$9.7 million in the 11 years since the facility opened. In addition, about \$41.5 million has been paid out to local people in wages and benefits, about \$4.4 million worth of local purchases have been made by the casino, and \$186,877 has been injected into the community in the form of OLG corporate sponsorship of various organizations and events.

Under the modernization program, the formula for compensation will change – host municipalities will now receive 5.25 per cent of the casino's first \$65 million of revenue, 3 per cent of the next \$135 million, 2.5 per cent of the next \$300 million, and 0.5 per cent of the remainder. With 300 slot machines planned for a facility in Zone C7, revenues to the host municipality could feasibly be more than double what Hanover has been receiving for the foreseeable future.

When asked whether all four Zone C7 municipalities could feasibly share the revenues from a gaming facility, the OLG said that its contract would be with the host municipality, but that ancillary agreements between municipalities could exist. Wasaga Beach Mayor **Cal Patterson** answered the question as well, stating that "it's our intent to share the revenues in some way, to offset things like the wear and tear on roads used by people travelling to the casino."

OLG director of policy and social responsibility **Paul Pellizzari** also spoke at length about the

organization's dedication to responsible gambling, saying that after 16 years in the casino business, it "now understands gambling problems."

According to OLG statistics, 3.4 per cent of the adult population has a gambling problem. To ensure that these people aren't aided and abetted by Ontario casinos, the OLG aims to be a "gold standard bearer in responsible gambling," offering a self-exclusion program to problem gamblers, training staff members to look for "red flag" signs, and maintaining lines of communication with social services and health responders in host communities. The OLG spends approximately \$40 million per year on its responsible gambling initiatives; included in that number is \$28 million to provide free gambling counselling in 52 treatment centres across the province.

New technology is also being developed that will set time and money limits on slot machines and interact with people who are showing signs of problem gambling.

"We are an industry that is working on changing and is changing," said Pellizzari. "Problem gambling is one of the biggest threats to our business model, and we are doing everything we can to deal with it."

Questions through the Mayors to the OLG dealt with things like what kinds of salaries can be expected for employees of a casino (\$40,000 to \$50,000 per year on average was the answer) to casinos' effects on nearby property values (either no effect or an uptick, according to the OLG) to whether crime tends to go up when a casino is built in a community (it doesn't, they said).

When it finally came time for members of the public to make their statements, Collingwood physician **Mark Quigg** led things off with a list of 28 area doctors who had signed a letter stating their opposition to a casino in the area. He said that gambling addiction is a "hidden problem," one that is as "addicting as illegal drugs." He spoke of people sitting for hours at slot machines wearing adult diapers so as not to give up their lucky spot, and of children being left alone in casino parking lots while their parents head inside to do some betting.

Wasaga Beach psychotherapist **John Hamilton** also delivered some disturbing statistics about gambling, in stark contrast to the OLG presentation. Stayner resident **Laurie Vandenhurk** pointed out that casinos don't generate wealth, but instead redistribute it, and Collingwood doctor **Mike Lewin** wondered if it's worth forming a partnership with an organization that spends \$40 million a year to help solve the very problem it creates.

With that, the meeting was adjourned. The Town of Wasaga Beach plans to hold a second public meeting for its own residents on Wednesday, October 24, and the Town of Collingwood will do the same on Monday, October 29. At this point, Clearview Township has no plans to hold a meeting of its own.

The four municipalities are required to submit their positions on hosting a casino to the OLG by mid-November. It's anticipated that a private operator could be in place by early next year. Zoning and site plan approvals would then be the responsibility of the host municipality, paving the way for a casino opening sometime in 2014 or 2015.

## OPP looking for man in connection with arson

On Friday, October 12 at approximately 3:45 am, members of the Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police and the Clearview Fire Department responded to a residential fire on the Mulmur-Nottawasaga Townline southwest of Creemore.

The structure was destroyed, and the fire is being investigated as an arson.

Police are interested in speaking with a man who had visited the residence on Monday, October 8. Described as white, 38 to 42 years old, 6' to 6'1", 180 to 185 lbs, with a fit build, gray/blue eyes, a clean shaven face and neck-length fair hair, the man was wearing a dark,

heavy, flannel shirt with a brown leather vest, matching brown leather pants and brown square-toed cowboy boots. He was described as being well-spoken.

The OPP are requesting the assistance of the public in solving this investigation. If you have any information in regards to this crime, please contact the Huronia West OPP at (705) 429-3575, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (1-800-222-8477) or submit your information online at [www.crimestopperssdm.com](http://www.crimestopperssdm.com).

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## LETTER

### Giffen's responds to local food letter

Dear Editor:

In response to the letter to the *Creemore Echo*, October 5, 2012, stating Giffen's are taking advantage of the "Buy Local Program," I am angry and disappointed. Giffen's Market has been in business for over 50 years and we have always offered quality, farm fresh produce and products at reasonable prices.

This is a sad year for all Ontario apple growers. Our "horse apples" are still being sold to our local customers for less than what we could get from other companies looking for juice apples. With or without apples, our expenses for maintaining our trees have not decreased.

It should also be noted that Giffen's has donated hundreds of apples and baked goods to so many local business fundraisers. We also donate hundreds of apples to the local food banks, churches and community halls.

If Mr. Walter Sickinger and Patricia Peterson had to pay an additional \$4 this year to feed their horses, I am confident this crisis has cost many others a lot more than that. The financial stress on apple growers this year is huge. Our apple production is less than 10 per cent this fall. Be assured we are not taking advantage of the "Buy Local Program."

**Bob & Mary Giffen**, Glen Huron

*Ed. Note: Bob and Mary's letter was submitted with a petition that was put out for one day at Giffen's Market, listing 21 signatures of people who disagreed with the letter in question and no signatures of people who agreed with it.*

## LETTER

### Good Samaritans abound on rainy night

Dear Editor:

The night of Saturday, Oct. 13, 2012 will certainly be retained in the memory of my wife Marie and I. Not the trials and tribulations that took place directly, but the inundation of good nature we received. Driving from Severn Falls that evening was not the best. A cold autumn air signalled the change of seasons and with it a mix of sleet and rain, which came down at times in sheets. As it turned out, our 2005 Mustang convertible was not the reliable vehicle we thought it was; the car lost its lights and then its power. We were stalled in pitch-blackness in the flats past the bridge and curves on County Road 9 just west of the town of Creemore. Some 12 hours earlier, we had passed by this very spot and remarked on how scenic it was. Not having a cell phone or CAA insurance (which my wife had only days earlier suggested we get), we were at wit's end as to what to do next.

As we debated our options on that desolate strip, a minivan slowed to a halt and a lady and her daughter offered the use of their phone. As some of your readers may already know, we were stuck in an area of no reception. I thanked the ladies for trying and reassured them we would be alright. I should add that we live near Teeswater, two hours away and 130 km westward. We hoped in vain that with the battery rested and the motor dry, the car would somehow or another resurrect itself, and we would be on our way again. No such luck. It was 11:30 pm, and after a futile attempt to start the engine, we decided that if given another opportunity we would try to get a call through to our daughter near Neustadt in hopes that she and her husband could come rescue us. A truck stopped soon after and the driver told us he would not leave us stranded but would be back again in 10 or 15 minutes and would bring his booster cables.

The cold rain was relentlessly beating the canvas top upon his return. The boost was of little help as it was determined with his gauge that the alternator was not charging. With little time left on his cell phone he drove to Creemore with Marie in an attempt to place a call to my daughter. While I waited another chap stopped to offer his help, and while talking to him another lady stopped to see if she could help. With the heavy rain, no moon and little shoulder to pull off onto, the car was hard to see and in a dangerous spot. We thought it might be a good idea to have the car pulled a short distance up the road to the village of Dunedin. The man with the truck returned. A call had been placed to my daughter; she and our son-in-law were on their way. Both left. The chap returned soon after with a tow strap. In the end we decided to abandon the idea and wait it out. My daughter showed up an hour later and a call was sent to Kell's Service Centre of Collingwood. The tow truck arrived in due course and the courteous driver hooked the useless carriage up and lugged it north. With that we were on our way home, warm and dry and I was only too happy to humbly endure an expected ribbing from my son-in-law on the virtues of owning a reliable GM product.

Of the half-dozen or so drivers we encountered in those few hours on that blusterous night, all but a few stopped to offer their help. The night being what it was, little was conveyed in the way of small talk or names. To the people who offered their help and the two men who left rain-soaked and who refused to be compensated, a very grateful and enduring thank you. What a hospitable community... truly a land of Good Samaritans.

**Doug & Marie Kreller**, Municipality of South Bruce

## LETTER

### We need an administration, not a government

Dear Editor:

It seems to me our style of "government" is failing us; "common good" no longer appears part of the equation.

Many elected public representatives appear to expend most energy perpetuating their re-election; funded by the taxpayer. The more frequently elected, the more entitled they get. Not everyone starts that way, but power does corrupt. If you want to climb the political ladder you have to behave as others do. Jets, five star hotels, travel unavailable to most of us, and contract cancellations for political gain are part of an increasingly expensive "representative cost of government."

I am tired of the term "Government." I prefer "Administration," which more accurately reflects the administration of our collective affairs for the common

good, at the least possible cost. In short, administrators are not meant to play partisan stay-in-power-politics-at-all-cost.

Unfortunately, voters get what they deserve and our administrative arteries have become clogged by years of red tape, brutish bureaucracy, political correctness and elected officials straining to stay in office at an alarming rate of incremental expense. (Anyone know how much elections cost these days?)

What other administrative system might we have?

My answer would be this; assess a candidate's capacity to cut unnecessary spending, poorly researched programs and their ability to focus on value for taxpayer dollars, no matter what party flag he or she runs under. As for appointed positions, slash empire building through strict application of sunset budgets.

We can no longer afford undemocratic and expensive

Green Energy Acts, ORNGEs, E Health, Lotto and fighter jet fiascos. Clearly, administrative skills are lacking both provincially and federally and there have certainly been questionable local expenditures on a shrinking taxpayer base.

Until we collectively wake up and think about who will best administer and be accountable for our dollars, the "political elite" will continue to spend extravagantly. To illustrate, think about the cost of the relocation of gas plants in Ontario for political motives; and now we are paying the Provincial administrators to do little for the next six months to allow for political reorganization. That is not simply mismanagement, it's theft.

As Peter Newman would say, "that may not be news, but that too, is reality."

**Doug Mills**, Creemore



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# Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 59 of us out for cards, and **Bob Veale** welcomed some folks we only see every so often – **Ron Johnston** from Penticton, BC, who was back east visiting his mom, **May Johnston**, and other family members. We were also glad to have **Marg Hennessey** join us, and real happy to have **Irene Dolson** back for cards today. Then we heard that **Pat Winger** had been talking to **Phyllis Seed**, and heard that she was having a hard time with a “wonky” hip that causes her great pain when she moves very much. Hope that soon straightens itself out, Phyllis. Then **Bob McNicol** told us a couple of cute jokes that started our day off with a smile.

The 50/50 draws went to **Marion Kelly**, **June Hartley**, **Eileen Giffen**, **Earl Bentley**, **Sheila Fenton**, **Bob Veale**, **Elsie Longson** and **Pat Winger**.

Moon shots were played by **Ruby Klinck**, **Evelyn Warden**, **Mike Weir**, **Bob McNicol**, **Peter Gubbels** (2), **Eileen Nash**, **Pat Broad**, **Sheila Fenton**, **Alma Seifert**, **June Hartley**, **Martin Verstraten**, **Dave Smith** and **Lois Walker** (2). Lois won the travelling prize, and Dave won the Sidewinders money.

High scorers were **Eileen Nash**

SENIORS



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319, **Bert Douglas** 302, **Pat Broad** 301 and **Alinda Bishop** 290. Low was **Audrey Tidd** with 43.

Our sympathy goes out to **Roger and Wilma Zeggil** and family, and to all the Zeggil clan on the death of their brother, Gerald Zeggil. “Jerry” passed away in his

74th year – much too young.

I am working on getting an up-to-date roster of everyone’s telephone number – just in case we have a need to cancel Seniors because of a heavy snowfall, or such like. Having these numbers written down is just a whole lot easier than trying to locate folks in the phone book. Although I have found, on the few occasions when we have cancelled, that if you get in touch with one person, they will offer to call three or four of their neighbours, or good friends, etc, for you. This is a real help, and sure gets the word out quickly.

There are quite a lot of “harvest” suppers, prepared by the various organizations around the area to raise money to fund their various projects. These meals give a choice of beef, pork, turkey and sometimes lamb, depending on which place you chose to dine at. A lot of these meals are “church” suppers, as well as being held at any community organization that has the space and the

equipment to do this. One certainly gets their money’s worth, as the price includes the main course, as well as a variety of things such as salad, pickles, rolls, various condiments plus beverage and dessert. Thank goodness for the guys and gals who are members of these clubs and spend hours peeling, dicing, chopping, slicing, cooking, rolling pastry, making pies, baking, etc, etc, as well as making gravy, setting up tables and serving tea and coffee. And then there is the clean-up, and the getting everything back into its usual place. All you folks involved in this are to be highly commended. You folks, and your type of “working” members are what keeps these organizations able to do all the good things they do in a small town. We (**Warren** and I) and many others are pretty much regulars at these dinners, which we thoroughly enjoy.

How I wish I had had the money when my kids were growing up to have been able to afford to take them to a couple or three dinners a year. The one thing I did save for and splurge on was taking the four kids out for a Chinese supper (usually up in Thornbury) at the end of the school year. They were great kids to take anywhere – all very well behaved, and showing their manners. But being a single parent, and paying for a house, just didn’t leave any dollars left over to treat them very often. The

“last day of school” meal was one where they could order what they liked, and it was served in a bowl, and was shared by us all. Usually the five dishes were not enough, and we needed to get an extra order of chicken balls and at least one and maybe two extra dishes. Then, when they were all cleaned up, they declared themselves “stuffed.” But usually by the time we got back down to Collingwood, one of them, usually Terry, was commenting that they were a “bit hungry,” so could we have an ice cream cone? If I had enough money left, then that was still part of their “free for the summer” treat. You know, thinking about it now, the kids probably thought that the dinner was only enjoyed by them. But little do they know of the lovely memories I have of those once, or if I was lucky, twice-a-year forays out someplace “different.”

It sounds to me as if an appetite for strange tastes has passed on down in the family. Our great grandboy, three-year-old **Colby Kidd** (**Curtis Kidd**’s son) who lives in Alberta, was violently ill the other night. He threw up three or so times, and then went to sleep. When he woke up, he was okay, and he announced to his mother that he was going to stop drinking that bubble water that was in the bath tub (obviously bubble bath) because it made him sick. Smart kid – he figured out “cause and effect” pretty quick!



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# A smashing Thanksgiving

The most recent chapter in the war between us and the local wildlife took place the morning before our guests were due to arrive for Thanksgiving.

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A closer inspection revealed a flash of orange on the front yard. Parties

VIEW FROM THE RIDGE



Lisa  
TIMPF

unknown had dragged the pint-sized pumpkins a few feet from the house, where they now lay shattered, having been cracked open so the pulp and seeds could be scooped out and consumed.

If we had secured the Smashing Pumpkins to entertain our guests, that would have been a hit. Smashed pumpkins – not such a big draw.

Although no tracks were left behind, it seemed to us that raccoons were the most likely perpetrators of this crime.

The pumpkin incident put the coons back in the running for Nature



remedies prescribed in books and online. Some, such as setting up sticks around the vegetable garden, seemed to work quite well. Others, like sprinkling strong-smelling soap near the plants needing protection, did not. Of course, to make that one work, perhaps you have to actually take the soap out of the box rather than leaving it still in its package in the bathroom vanity, as is the case with the eight-pack of Irish Spring we bought as a special gift for the deer.

This is all just tongue in cheek – I do enjoy seeing the wildlife around, and I can't really blame them for their antics. After all, they had the run of our woods before we built and moved into our house. I just would prefer that they stick to eating nature's bounty – like the plentiful acorns the oaks have so graciously provided for them this year. And if they could at least leave the decorations alone until after Thanksgiving next year, that would be fine too.

Nuisance of the Year, an annual award at our place. Prior to that, the deer were the front-runners for the 2012 honours, having grazed most of the branches off the newly-planted Empire and Honey Crisp apple trees, as well as eating the heads off several sunflowers and nipping the buds off the roses.

To foil the deer, we've tried various



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# EDC to cost out Township rebranding

by Brad Holden

Stating that “times have changed” since the last time Clearview attempted to update its image, members of the municipality’s Economic Development Committee came before Council Monday night to request direction to hire a professional design firm to develop a new brand for the Township.

The Clearview EDC last undertook a branding exercise in 2001, recruiting volunteers within the Township to come up with a new logo for the municipality. But that effort stalled when it came back to Council. Clearview is currently using a logo and slogan – “Friendly People, Beautiful Landscapes” – that was developed at the time of amalgamation in 1996.

But as EDC member **Corey Finkelstein** outlined in his portion of the presentation to Council Monday night, a brand is much more than a logo and a slogan. As he put it, “a brand is a living business asset, brought to life across all touchpoints which, if properly managed, creates identification, differentiation and value.”

If the Township were to hire a professional firm, he said, it could expect to receive a new logo, a brand strategy, a visual identity, a set of brand guidelines, and some form of measurement index that would give feedback on the success of the brand.

Finkelstein also talked about the difference of “push marketing” and “pull marketing.” Many of today’s successful brands, he said, utilize the latter, incorporating things like social media to make the experience a two-way conversation between the brand-holder and the potential customer.

The potential cost of hiring a professional brand designer, said Finkelstein would be somewhere between \$35,000 and \$75,000. At this point, the EDC was looking for direction to come up with a more detailed cost estimate so that the Township could include the ask in its budget deliberations for 2013.

Councillor **Brent Preston**, who sits on the EDC, explained that, as the recently struck committee has gone about laying out its priorities and strategizing about how to bring new business and tourism to the Township, the lack of a modernized brand has consistently appeared as a “roadblock.”

But some members of Council seemed slightly leary



about the pricetag, given the tough budget process that awaits them in the coming months.

“This is on our list of things to do,” said Councillor **Thom Paterson**. “It’s not at the bottom, but I don’t think it’s at the absolute top either. So we need to do this the smart way – to fully cost it out. And I think we need to be prepared to go at this over several years if that’s all we can afford.”

Deputy Mayor **Alicia Savage** seemed to support the initiative, pointing out that she was a member of the EDC the last time a branding exercise was conducted. “After that experience, I agree that hiring a professional is wise,” she said. “This has been an obstacle to a lot of initiatives – I believe we’ve set this aside one too many times.”

With that, Council passed a motion directing the EDC to create a detailed proposal to be brought forward for evaluation during the 2013 budget process.

## CCC visits Council

Members of the Clearview Community Coalition came before Council Monday night to request that Council not respond in opposition to the Niagara Escarpment’s request for a judicial review of the joint board decision to approve the Duntroon quarry expansion.

This request was made in response to a resolution passed at Council’s last meeting, in which Clearview reiterated its support for the expansion and acknowledged “the fairness of the Consolidated Hearing Process.”

In her remarks, CCC president **Janet Gillham** noted that the process could only be considered fair if “the right of the NEC to seek a judicial review is respected.” She also pointed out that the terms of the agreement between Clearview and Walker Aggregates, reached prior to the joint board hearing, do not oblige the Township to participate in the judicial review.

Mayor **Ken Ferguson** was not moved by the CCC presentation, however, stating that “our position has been the same since the very start of this whole process.”

Councillor **Brent Preston**, who has always opposed the quarry expansion and voted against the resolution at the last Council meeting, pointed out that at this point, the process is legally out of the hands of the municipality. “Let’s just hope it’s resolved

as quickly as possible,” he said. “We’ve all paid way too much for this.”

## Administrative Restructuring

In preparation for the upcoming retirements of Township Director of Public Works **Richard Spraggs** in March 2013 and Clerk **Bob Campbell** in April 2013, Council created three new administrative positions Monday night. The moves will save the Township \$93,500 in 2013 and \$152,400 in 2014 and every year after that.

In the public works department, where up until now Deputy Director of Public Works **Steve Sage** has worked under Spraggs and Water/Sewer Superintendent **Mike Rawn** has reported to Sage, the new structure will see Sage become the General Manager of Transportation and Recreation and Rawn become the General Manager of Environmental Services. The Director of Public Works position will be eliminated in March 2013, as will Sage and Rawn’s current positions on November 1, 2012 when the new structure takes effect.

In the clerk’s department, the part-time Records Management/Freedom of Information Clerk position has been vacant since a resignation in June 2012. **Brenda Falls** is currently the Executive Assistant to the Clerk. Under the restructuring, the duties of both of these positions will be combined and on November 1, 2012, Falls will become the Township’s Deputy Clerk.

Councillor **Thom Paterson** was the lone member of Council to vote against these moves, stating he’d prefer to see the Township’s new pay-for-performance plan, which is currently in the works, in place before decisions such as this are made.


## Council Remuneration Plan

After several attempts to decide on an ongoing plan for its own pay raises, Council finally voted Monday night to approve an annual cost of living increase for the Mayor and Council members, to be based each year on the previous year’s Consumer Price Index. The first increase is to take place on April 1, 2013. For reference, the CPI in 2011 was 2.3 per cent.

Stating that he did not like voting for things that would benefit himself, Councillor Paterson offered that the increase should begin at the start of the next Council term. That request was not granted, though, so Paterson voted against the motion.

The rest of Council voted in favour, with Mayor Ferguson stating that using the CPI was a “very honest way of keeping up with the times.”

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Yvette DeBeer is a graduate of Avening SS#14, Stayner and Collingwood Collegiates and has a Doctor of Education degree from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, Toronto. Dr. DeBeer’s duties at CISK include daily operations, curriculum development, marketing and staff development. CISK’s program is based on the Ontario curriculum and policies. Dr. DeBeer notes that the mission, vision and values of CISK closely align with her beliefs about the role of education in developing informed, engaged, global citizens.



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LETTER

# Walker VP responds to Baylis letter

Dear Editor:

I'm writing in response to a letter published in last week's *Echo* by Donna Baylis, to set the record straight on some of the facts about the Duntroon Quarry expansion and to alert readers to information about the expansion of which they may not be aware.

First of all, both Walker Aggregates and our industry association, the Ontario Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (OSSGA), agree that the Aggregate Resources Act is overdue to be updated and we welcome this. As for the proposed Duntroon Quarry expansion, it lies within the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) Plan Area and is subject to the Niagara Escarpment Plan and the policies of the NEC. The NEC does allow for aggregate extraction in its plan area. In fact "mineral resource extraction" is one of the seven land uses identified in the plan.

As for the Niagara Escarpment being designated a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve, this does not mean that development on the Escarpment cannot happen. UNESCO's own website states that "Biosphere Reserves are sites established by countries and recognized under UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere Programme to promote sustainable development based on local community efforts and sound science."

Many of Ontario's pits and quarries are nearing the end of their licensed reserves and few new or expanded ones are being approved. The principals behind the Melancthon Quarry proposal have not yet made a formal application for a quarry, and if they do, it will be many years before a decision is made about whether this quarry will be allowed to proceed.

While the MAQ quarry has been given approval to

go forward, Clearview Township and Simcoe County will receive no benefits from this operation – either in tax revenue, levies paid to these municipalities for the aggregate extracted or in road improvement funds. This is despite the fact that trucks entering and leaving the MAQ quarry will be travelling along Clearview and Simcoe roads and through these communities.

As it stands now, more than 90 per cent of the land in southern Ontario is off limits for aggregate extraction – either because the land is protected, no aggregate reserves exist or the land is in private hands by owners unwilling to sell to aggregate companies.

Meanwhile, if you were to take the total consumption of aggregate in Ontario and divide this by the total population, it works out to about 14 tonnes per person

per year. Aggregates are primarily used in construction projects – such as building roads, schools, hospitals, water treatment facilities and homes – but also used in the manufacture of such items as steel, glass, paint, paper and household cleaners.

Most of the aggregate from an expanded Duntroon Quarry would be used for projects in and around Simcoe County. More than 50 per cent of the cost of aggregate is the transportation cost. This means that the cost of local construction projects – many of which are taxpayer-funded, public projects – will be considerably higher in the future if few local sources of aggregate are available.

**Ken Lucyshyn**  
Vice-president, Walker Aggregates

LETTER

## Maybe CCC and NEC should "let it go"

Dear Editor

After 139 days of testimony and evidence heard over a 13 month period, the Joint Board of the Consolidated Hearings Board ruled in favour of the Walker Quarry expansion. Walker Aggregates has conducted in excess of a decade of studies and planning for this expansion. Maybe it is the Clearview Community Coalition and the Niagara Escarpment Commission who should let it go.

There is no appeal for this decision. So because they do not like the answer, they recommend a judicial

review. There will be no review of facts. They are trying to exchange a science-based decision for a frivolous taxpayer-funded last-ditch attempt to put 31 employees out of work? How many more millions do the Ontario taxpayers have to pay? How much more mental anguish do the employees of Walker Aggregates have to endure? Please know your facts and be respectful of people's jobs and livelihood when writing letters to the editor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Duntroon Quarry Employees

LETTER

## Casino issue should go to plebiscite

Dear Editor:

What is really behind Thom Paterson's (and Alicia Savage's and Brent Preston's) position on denying gambling in or around Clearview, which they publicly announced even before the facts were available from the gambling authority, confirming that their decision is personal rather than being based on facts or what the community might want?

Alcohol and its associated impacts (drinking and driving) have a far greater verifiable and in many cases tragic (children getting killed by a drunk driver) health and societal impact on Ontarians than the gambling that

already exists a short drive away from this community. It is questionable if moving it closer to Clearview will actually exacerbate any of the purported existing health and sociological problems referenced in Thom's position paper.

Where were these same concerns about health impacts on our community when Clearview Council and the County of Simcoe voted to allow and then went on to support, in legal argument and cost, the approval of the Creemore Springs Brewery expansion?

In days past it took a public vote (plebiscite) to change an area from "Dry" to "Wet."

The same level of public participation should now be given to allowing gambling in a community and that public decision should also determine the specific use for any income from a "Yes" vote.

Gambling is too important an issue to leave to Councillors who consistently ignore the public viewpoint and vote the way they want. The last Clearview "public" budget meeting is a perfect example of that lack of regard for input from the public. The matter of allowing casino gambling in this area should be placed in front of the public for their direct (voted) input, not left to members of a Council that has already voted for the increased potential for drinking and driving who are now putting forth health "scare tactics" to support their already published decision to reject the casino regardless of public opinion!

Any income from this form of "voluntary taxation" should be used solely for community needs, such as the expansion of the Creemore Medical Centre or to provide better equipment for our local hospitals – no using it to give more and more unmerited automatic yearly salary increases to staff!

All residents of Collingwood, Clearview and Wasaga Beach need to have a direct say through a plebiscite on this subject. It's not something to be left to a handful of politicians.

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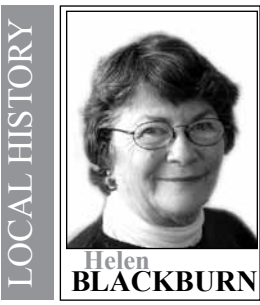
# Sometimes history astonishes

A few years ago I wrote two articles about the lime kilns in this area. For the second article I began by stating that the interest in lime kilns exceeded anything that I had previously written in Creemore papers for the last 30 years.

A renewed interest has been sparked by a phone call from Bill Franks, who lives west of Duntroon. He had been reading *Blue Mountain Country*, a history of Singhampton and area by the late Frank Hammill. The chapter on lime kilns made Bill Franks think of one on his property.

Since the production of lime is an industry long gone from this area, perhaps a quote from the Hammill book will explain the process.

"Here and there and especially along the ridge of the Niagara Escarpment, one can find the ruins of a kiln and sometimes two kilns, side by side. It was a very essential industry; it produced the bonding ingredient of mortar used in stone and brick work, for the stucco in exterior finishes and the plaster of interior walls and ceilings. It was made by burning the limestones which were so abundant in the soil of the fields. Burning in this case meant heating to a



LOCAL HISTORY  
Helen BLACKBURN

high temperature for a period of three to five days. This eliminated carbon dioxide from the stone and left a white lumpy residue called "quick lime," which could be easily powdered. This was the form in which the product was teamed or shipped to where it would be used.

"Now, in order to burn lime, a kiln is necessary. These kilns were built into the side of a hill with the front of the structure facing away from the hill. They were built of field stone and were usually square on the outside with a more or less cylindrical interior. This interior was about six feet or more in diameter and eight to ten feet in depth. An open doorway was left at the bottom and front so that it could be fired with the maple and wood in use at that time. It was a back-breaking job to fill, burn and pull a kiln and required constant attention, come rain or shine."

I was fortunate enough to have a guided tour of the lime kiln area. Bill Franks and I headed up the Bruce Trail which follows the Duntroon Sideroad west of the 10th Line. After a while we fought our way through a tangle of grapevine, shrubs and cedar boughs. All of a sudden we were in front of the lime kiln. To say I was

astonished is the understatement of the month. This was a giant fireplace about 25 feet wide and 30 feet high with the circular interior about 10 feet across. It was built of limestone slabs piled one upon the other. Two iron beams provided stability. What made me even more astonished was that I had passed within 15 feet of the kiln at least two times as I walked on the Bruce Trail.

Frank Hammill provides some specific information on this site. He says, "Another big operation was that of the Gosnells, which Joseph and his sons, Joseph (Jr.) and Edward, kept going. This was the one which George Hughson fired on the night shift. It was situated between the two levels of hill just above the 10<sup>th</sup> Line on the Duntroon Sideroad."

Walter Rigney, formerly of the Duntroon-Rockside area, tells me that his father-in-law, Frank Sampson, transported the lime by team and sleigh to Collingwood where it was loaded on ships bound for England.

This lime kiln structure is a valuable part of Nottawasaga's heritage and should be preserved. A little repair is in order after so many years of disuse. Perhaps our Council or some local organization could volunteer.



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

## SECOND NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE DUFFERIN WIND POWER PROJECT

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

**Project Name:** Dufferin Wind Power Project  
**Project Location:** Melancthon, Shelburne, and Amaranth, Dufferin County, Ontario  
**Dated at:** The County of Dufferin, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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).

Public Information Centres (PIC) for the Project under the Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) process were held in Sept 2011 and in April and July, 2012. Additional PICs are being held in Melancthon, Amaranth and Shelburne to present additional details and updates to the project layout design, for example, one minor turbine shift, the final routing of the 230 kV transmission line and location of the switching station.

### 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. The proposed 230kV power line route option would pass through the Township of Melancthon, Town of Shelburne and the Township of Amaranth to connect into the Orangeville Transformer Station, located in the Township of Amaranth (through a switch station to be located adjacent to the Orangeville TS).

### 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 public information sessions to present additional information regarding the 230kV power line option. At these information sessions you will be able to view information on the project and provide comments directly to the proponent.

**Each meeting will begin with a 30 minute walk-through and a formal question and answer period will be held from 6:30pm to 8pm.**




**Township of Amaranth Public Information Centre (PIC)**  
**DATE:** Monday October 22, 2012  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Amaranth Township Banquet Hall  
374028 6th Line, Amaranth

**Melancthon Township Public Information Centre (PIC)**  
**DATE:** Wednesday October 24, 2012  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Horning's Mills Community Hall  
14 Mill Street, Horning's Mills

**Town of Shelburne Public Information Centre (PIC)**  
**DATE:** Tuesday October 23, 2012  
**TIME:** 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
**PLACE:** Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex  
200 Fiddlepark Lane, Shelburne

**Project Contacts and Information:**  
Please call 1-855-249-1473 or email  
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**PUTTING OUT THE FIRE** The St. John's United Church Ladies Group had a visit from the Clearview Township Fire Department recently, and were given tips about fire prevention. Here, **Linda Dunstan** takes a turn with the fire extinguisher.



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Nominations will be accepted until **November 30**

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Do you have a special  
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Stories of Christmas' past or present -  
of coming home or of leaving  
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The Mad and Noisy Theatre Company in conjunction with Cardboard Castles is looking for your stories to use as inspiration for the Creemore Christmas Pageant


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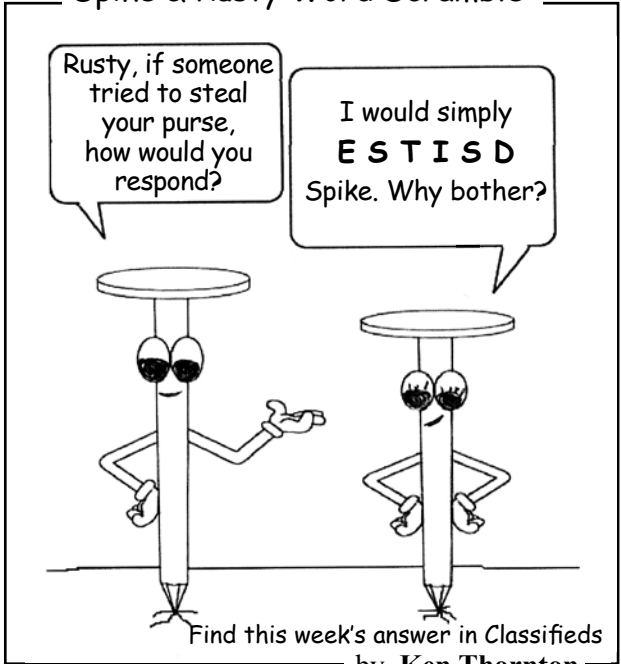
# FUN & Games

## Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answer in Classifieds

## Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



## CREEMORE Weekend Weather

### Friday, October 19

Cloudy periods  
High 15 Low 7 Winds SE 10 km/h  
POP 30%

### Saturday, October 20

Cloudy with showers  
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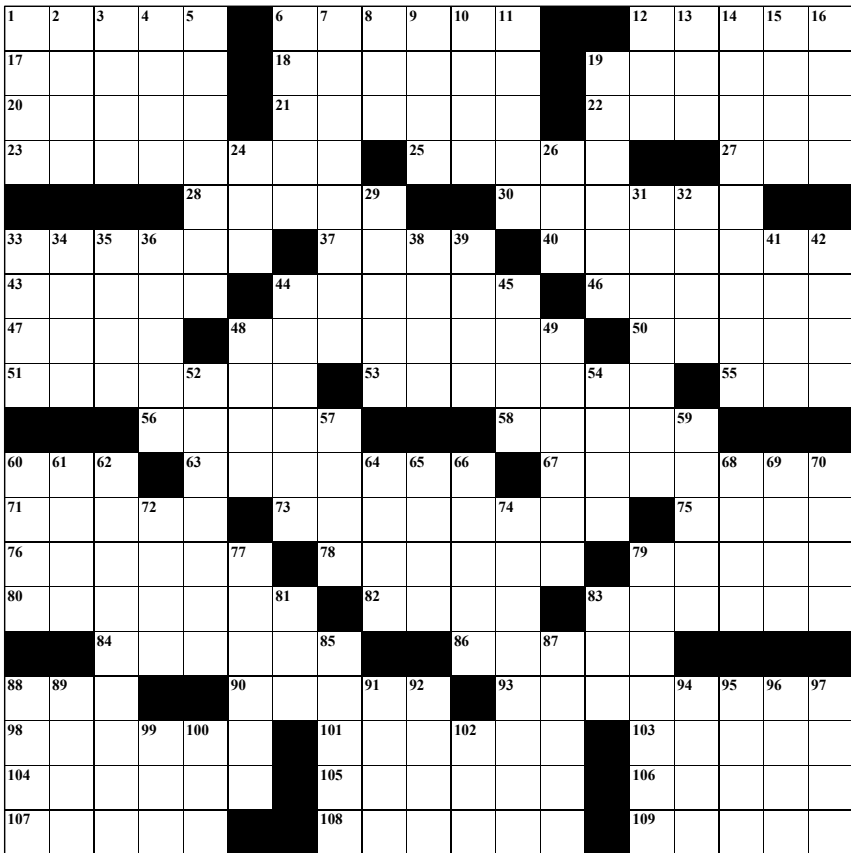
### ACROSS

- 1 Synchronized swimmer Carolyn  
6 Owner of Chapters  
12 Tumbler  
17 Crosswise on a ship  
18 Three Days Of The \_\_\_\_ (Robert Redford)  
19 Sweatshirt with a top  
20 Like a dead dragon  
21 Deduces  
22 Boom time  
23 Apprehensions  
25 Cat chorus  
27 Exit sign illuminator  
28 Produce children, biblically  
30 La Femme \_\_\_\_  
33 Last NHLer to wear glasses on the ice  
37 Olympic torch lighter Steve \_\_\_\_
- 40 Pinnacles  
43 Vessels  
44 Notices  
46 Biblical prophet  
47 League category?  
48 Early arrivals  
50 IGA or A&P  
51 Mediate  
53 Most limber  
55 \_\_\_\_ you tell me!

- 56 French alternative  
58 Big mug  
60 Railway company that connected the provinces  
63 Lofty structure built by a railway company (2)  
67 Part of GATT  
71 Bicycle thief stopper (hyph.)  
73 Shane author Jack \_\_\_\_  
75 Squall  
76 Told  
78 Authentic  
79 Article of faith  
80 Greeted a general  
82 Get together  
83 Rivers run through them  
84 Tyrant  
86 The real \_\_\_\_ (genuine article)  
88 Grp. that stands on guard for Canada  
90 Bush successor  
93 1979 Trooper album (2)  
98 Prepares chestnuts  
101 House portrayer  
103 Amassed a bar bill (2)  
104 Stick  
105 Trip to the store, e.g.  
106 To the max  
107 Stop, at sea  
108 Bluegrass musician Ricky \_\_\_\_

### DOWN

- 1 Used to be, biblically  
2 Competent  
3 Tilt  
4 Orator's stage  
5 Anthology  
6 Cake topper  
7 Tommyrot  
8 Poor racing result  
9 The same, in a footnote  
10 Quayle successor  
11 Mr. Bean of Broadway  
12 Elephant party of the USA  
13 Fortune  
14 Devotion  
15 Produce children  
16 Fire off an e-mail  
19 Prepared corn  
24 Not 'neath  
26 Expert  
29 Finishes wrapping  
31 Flustered (3)  
32 Windshield option  
33 Org. or assn.  
34 Womanizer  
35 Largest chemical company in the world  
36 Catch-all category  
38 Airhead  
39 Next in line  
41 Deli purchase  
42 Scads  
44 Constructs  
45 Six, in Seville  
48 Philadelphia founder  
49 Crossword creator, in Britain  
52 Bird bashers?  
54 Burn a bit  
57 Cut of ham  
59 Country and river in Africa  
60 Recipe amounts  
61 Guilty or not guilty  
62 Author of Charlie & The Chocolate Factory (2)  
64 \_\_\_\_ Dunnit (Ernie Kovacs segment)  
65 Lessen  
66 Adjust a skirt length



- 68 Wolf's tooth  
69 Leave the scene  
70 Coagulates  
72 Hint for Hercule  
74 Attractive  
77 Unseat  
79 Chain store for kids (3)  
81 Driver's license info  
83 Understood  
85 Folklore  
87 Sorority sisters

- 88 Without luster  
89 Junction point  
91 X, e.g.  
92 Ambience  
94 Put a stop to  
95 Aware of a scheme  
96 Change directions  
97 Fix Fifi  
99 Labrador, e.g.  
100 Take a shot  
102 Cleaning cloth

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# Engaging, and entertaining, the community

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been involved in the play remained engaged; four cast members even ran for Council in the next election, eventually forming a voting bloc and managing to defeat the development proposal. When their decision was appealed, footage of the play was screened at the resulting OMB hearing, which ended in their favour.

“The theatre project is just the spark,” says Hamilton. “People go through this and they get hooked.”

In the years since, Hamilton has done plays like this in several different communities across Canada, always stressing that the process is as important as the finished product.

Early this year, she received funding from the Ontario Arts Council and the Canada Council of the Arts to bring her brand of theatre to this area, to tackle the mega quarry issue, which she sees as ripe for this kind of treatment. The project, at this point, is entitled “Digging Deep.”

On Saturday, October 27, from 1:30

to 3:30 pm, the first of four workshops scheduled for this fall will take place at the Honeywood Schoolhouse. Focusing on songwriting, the workshop will be run by professional songwriter **James Gordon**, who has worked on many of Hamilton’s projects in the past.

“James can take a group of people with no musical experience and by the end of the day they will have worked together and come up with a beautiful song,” said Hamilton on a recent visit to Creemore.

On Saturday, November 3, Hamilton herself will host a “Story Gathering Drop-In” at the Honeywood Schoolhouse. From 10 am to 5 pm, people are encouraged to drop by with their stories and photos about local history, or their thoughts about the proposed quarry. For this workshop and all others, it’s important to stress that Hamilton is not just looking for people opposed to the project. Pro, con or undecided, all are welcome and encouraged to take part.

“This is not meant to be a propaganda piece,” she said. “We would defeat the purpose of the project if we made one group out to be bad guys. There are always two sides to every story, and they’re both important.”

The third workshop will take place on Saturday, November 10 at the Station on the Green. Hosted by **Ayrlie MacEachern**, this one will focus on creating dance and movement pieces that could be used in the play.

Finally, on Saturday, November 24, artist **Sandi Wong** will host a visual arts workshop at the Honeywood United Church, with the goal of creating drawings and 3-D models about the mega quarry. As with all four meetings, no experience is necessary.

More workshops and meetings will follow in the spring, with things eventually being whittled down into a play that Hamilton foresees as a form of “promenade theatre,” where cast

and audience travel on schoolbuses between scenes and the fields of Melancthon are used as backdrops.

“Why wouldn’t we take people right to the scene?” she asked.

When it comes to casting, Hamilton hopes to cast the net as wide as possible. In one project that she was involved in during the amalgamation of Guelph and Eramosa Townships, in which the two political entities were depicted as a husband and wife on their wedding day, one of the municipality’s mayors played the husband, a relative newcomer to the area played the bride and a longtime resident played the mother of the bride.

“The more connected people are to the issue, the more passionate their performances are,” she said.

For more information on the Everybody’s Theatre Company, visit [www.communityengagedtheatre.ca](http://www.communityengagedtheatre.ca). Hamilton herself can be reached at 519-856-9891 or by emailing [dale@hsfx.ca](mailto:dale@hsfx.ca).

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**Devils Glen Family looking for ski season rental.** Please call Peter 416-605-6475.

## SERVICES

**SPARKLING CLEAN HOUSE CLEANING.** I guarantee it. Renovations & moving cleaning. Staging cleaning also available. Please call Sue at 519-923-6376.

## SNOWBLOWING

DJC Landscaping & Handyman Services offering driveway **SNOWBLOWING** Services in the Dunedin, Singhampton, Maple Valley & Glen Huron area. Call Dan Minduik at 705-466-2285 or 705-446-4000.

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## HELP WANTED

**Property maintenance manager wanted.** For grass cutting, weed eating, trimming; tractor and lawn cutting equipment servicing and maintenance; path maintenance; supervision of external services and supplies (gas and diesel, irrigation systems, pool, ponds, gardening supplies, generators); tree cutting; small general repairs. Call 705-466-2634.

## NOTICE

The congregation of Mansfield Presbyterian Church wish to let everyone know that we will no longer be hosting our annual November **Turkey/Goose Supper**. This long standing event began in "1892" and it has been enjoyed by many from far and wide. Sadly, it is the end of "An Era". We will miss our many friends who have supported us through attendance and generous helping hands. "THANK YOU" to all. **Mansfield Presbyterian Church Congregation**

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## THANK YOU

I would like to thank both the Stayner Slo-Pokes and Hanna Motors for the generous donations they made towards my quest for GOLD! I am training hard to represent my country well in PyeongChang, South Korea in January. I am part of Team Canada's Special Olympics Snowshoeing Team. It is great to know that I have so many wonderful supporters! Thank you so much...you rock! **Regan Millsap**

## WANTED

**Dart players wanted for the Friday night darts at the Legion.** Call Dee at 705-466-2432. If you wish, you can be a spare or on a team. No experience necessary.

## LOST & FOUND

Engraved **WEDDING BAND** found on the Switchback Trail, Devil's Glen. Call *Creemore Echo* to identify and claim.

## DEATH NOTICE

**BLACKBURN, Gord** passed away suddenly on Monday, October 15, 2012 at the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital in his 83<sup>rd</sup> year. Beloved husband of Helen and the late Beatrice. Loving father of Greg (Valerie), Kevin (Heather Iles), Gail Blackstock (Dave Marsden), Randy (Sylvia), Brent and Kari (Kimble Elliott); step father of Alex (Peggy) and Franklin Hargrave, predeceased by infant son Rick. Grandpa Gord will be forever cherished by his grandchildren Jennifer (Darryl), Stephen, Adam, Jason, Ashley (Mike), Michelle, Philip, Ashley, Brittany, Kaitlin, Brayden, Kiana, Conner and Kaeden; great grandchildren Samantha, Mathew, Kiera and Mason. He is survived by his siblings Murray (Jesse), Thelma (the late John) Meesters, Muriel (Doug) Fortune, Helen (Jim) Hughes and Doug (Sue). Gord will be remembered and sadly missed by nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. Visitation will be held on Friday, October 19, 2012 from 2-4 & 7-9 pm at Fawcett Funeral Home – Collingwood Chapel. Funeral service will take place at 11 am on Saturday, October 20, 2012 at First Baptist Church, Collingwood. Interment at Westmount Baptist Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorial donations to Collingwood General & Marine Hospital Foundation or First Baptist Church would be appreciated by the family. Friends may visit Gord's on-line Book of Memories at [www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com](http://www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com)

## DEATH NOTICE

**SAMPSON, Conner James** passed away suddenly at his home in Creemore on Tuesday, October 16th, 2012 at the age of 20. Conner, beloved son of Doug and Susette Sampson. Cherished brother of Jacey. Adored grandson of Alan and Dorothy Sampson and Carol and the late Jean-Paul Cormier. Dear nephew of Peter (Joanne), Jerry (Sherry), Leo-Paul (Christine), Daniel and Simone (Gregory). A funeral service will be held on Friday, October 19, 2012 at 1 pm at the Stayner Community Centre. In lieu of flowers donations to the Nottawasaga Junior Farmers or the Creemore Medical Centre – Expansion Project. Friends may visit Conner's online book of memories at [www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com](http://www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com)

## COMMUNITY

**Gently used outdoor wear** (hats, boots, coats, mitts, scarves, etc.) needed to by donated to the "Out of the Cold" Program which supports the David Busby Centre in Barrie. Drop off donations to the side door at St. Luke's Anglican Church or Creemore Echo.

## AUCTION

**Canadiana Antiques, Art, Pottery, Folkart & Lighting Auction**  
**Saturday, October 20, 2012 @10am**  
to be held at  
**The Royal Canadian Legion Hall**  
27 Wellington Street West, Creemore  
to feature

Early Canadian pine furnishings, Ontario stoneware & redware, West Coast Native art, Nova Scotia folkart, Ontario decoys, art pottery, vintage lighting, wicker furniture, clocks, quilts, antiques reference books, country collectibles, oriental rugs, etc.

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- For more information, photos or viewing, please contact Jenn McDermid at 705-428-2353**





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# Project Update



Through the Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) process, Dufferin Wind Power Inc. (DWP) has been permitting two power line options to connect their wind farm to the provincial electricity grid:

- 1) A DUAL 69 kV POWER LINE - TO BE LOCATED IN MUNICIPAL ROAD ALLOWANCES
- 2) A DEDICATED 230 kV POWER LINE - TO BE LOCATED IN A FORMER RAIL CORRIDOR

Both power line options are being considered however, DWP has selected the rail corridor as the primary option due to its lower overall impact to the community and the environment. DWP is currently negotiating an easement agreement with Dufferin County to install the power line along the side of the rail corridor so it does not disrupt the use of the recreational trail. DWP has also committed to installing a portion of the power line underground within the Town of Shelburne. Once an easement agreement has been reached with the County, DWP will drop the 69 kV option from the permitting process.

## The former rail corridor is the preferred choice because:

- ➔ During the project's community meetings and public consultation process, community members overwhelmingly preferred this route as having the least impact on the community
- ➔ The rail corridor route passes a significantly smaller number of homes and businesses in Melancthon, Mulmur, Amaranth, and Mono as compared to the 69 kV option
- ➔ The rail corridor route requires a substantially smaller number of power poles than the 69 kV option and will have a much smaller impact on the community and environment

## The 69 kV power line is expected to have a substantially larger impact on the community and environment because:

- ➔ The 69 kV option would require almost three times more power poles than the rail corridor option and these poles would run on the side of the road in Melancthon, Mulmur, Amaranth, and Mono and pass directly by many homes, businesses, and developments
- ➔ In many locations these new power poles would be much larger and spaced more closely together than the power poles that are currently installed along the side of the road
- ➔ The 69 kV option would require a second transformer substation be built in the Town of Mono. (The rail corridor option requires only one transformer substation in the project area)

## Important to Know



Although constructing a power line using the rail corridor is expected to cost more than the 69 kV option, it will have a smaller overall impact on the community and the environment. To Dufferin Wind Power, it is clearly the preferred route based on information gathered from community consultations.

## Contact Us...

Dufferin Wind Power is committed to on-going public and stakeholder consultation

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