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ELECTORAL REVIEW HEADS TO COMMITTEE

by Brad Holden

After hearing some agreement from the public about the need for a review of



Clearview Township's ward system and its number of elected representatives, Council formed a committee Monday night that will hold further discussions with ratepayers, review the results of a request for proposals from consultants, and report its findings at the next Council meeting on Monday, August 12.

The Electoral Review Committee, consisting of Councillors **Brent Preston**, **Thom Paterson** and **Deb Bronee**, will meet on Tuesday, July 30 at 5 pm and Tuesday, August 6 at 9 am in the Clearview Council Chambers. According to Paterson, the first meeting will focus on the make up of the committee, the terms of reference, and a communication plan. The second will review the responses to the request for proposals, which was to be issued this past Tuesday. In forming the committee Monday night, Councillor Preston expressed his hope that members of the public will not only attend the meetings – as all meetings of committees of Council are open to the public – but that the terms of reference will also allow ratepayers to participate in the discussions as they happen.

About 25 people sat in the audience during Monday's initial public meeting on the subject, and six of them – **Dave Huskinson**, **Maureen McLeod**, **Rowland Fleming**, **Doug Mills**, **Paul Ruppel** and **Chris Raible**, all from the Creemore area – stood to speak.

The consensus was that an electoral
(See "Electoral" on page 3)



MK Lynde Photo

A BIG ARRIVAL The big international news of the week was felt locally as well, a fact illustrated by this display of cupcakes at the Creemore Foodland celebrating the birth of Prince George of Cambridge.

AN EXTRA SPECIAL TRACTOR RALLY

Antique tractor enthusiasts and friends of Jamie Adam came out in full force for last weekend's Dunedin Tractor Rally, which ended at the Great Northern Exhibition grounds with a memorial service for Adam, who founded the event seven years ago and died earlier this year. Adam was fondly remembered in speeches by **Neil Metheral**, **Gary Milne**, **Dan Needles**, Mayor **Ken Ferguson** and others. For more pictures from the event, visit thecreemoreecho.com.

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COMMUNITY Calendar

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This Weekend

Friday, July 26 to Monday, July 29

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

Saturday, July 27

- **Creemore Log Cabin** open 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. History Hosts will be on hand to welcome visitors and tell them about the cabin and its first families. (The Cabin will be open each Saturday morning until Thanksgiving.)

Sunday, July 28

- **Church Services** are on page 5.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, July 25

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

Saturday, July 27

- **48th Annual Honeywood Beef BBQ** held at the Honeywood Arena. Dinner Served from 5 to 7:30 pm. 50/50 Draw at 7 pm. \$17.50 Adults, \$7.50 for Children 12 and under, Children 5 years and younger FREE! Proceeds to Arena improvement.

Tuesday, July 30 to Thursday, August 8

- **Summer Yoga** at Station on the Green Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 10:15 am. \$15 per session. Contact Catherine Randall at 705-466-3533 or cathcreemore@yahoo.ca for more information.

Tuesday, July 30 to Friday, August 9

- **On A First Name Basis** written by Norm Foster Directed by David Nairn at Theatre Collingwood. This delightful play tells the story of a very successful, but cantankerous, novelist who suddenly discovers that he knows nothing about his maid of 28 years. She, on the other hand, knows absolutely everything about him! He makes it his mission to learn all he can about her in a most engaging conversation. Tickets and info available through the Theatre box office at 705-445-2200 www.theatrecollingwood.ca

Thursday, August 1

- **Canadian Blood Services' Blood Donor Clinic** at Angus Recreation Centre from 2:30 to 6:30 pm. Call 888 2 DONATE or www.blood.ca to book your appointment.
- **The Chill Billys** performs at the **Music in the Park** at the Station Park Gazebo, Stayner from 7 to 9 pm. Bring your own lawn chair. Sponsored by Stayner Chamber of Commerce.

Saturday, August 3

- **2nd Creemore Children's Festival** featuring even more activities, events & free live performances. Be part of the fun: we are seeking community partners, sponsors, committee members & event volunteers. Call 705-466-9998 or email info@creemorechildrensfestival.com.

Tuesday, August 6

- **Clearview Public Library** presents **Reptiles at Risk** - a free educational programs about Ontario reptiles which includes a 40-45min educational presentation followed by hands-on animal interactions with the audience. 10:30 am at Stayner Branch, 1 pm at Station on the Green, Creemore, and 3:30 pm at Sunnidale Branch.

Tuesday, August 6 to Thursday, August 29

- **Imaginarium Art Camp** - There's still 3 weeks of creative play in August! Ages 4-12 for August 6-9 & 19-23 and Ages 4-104 for Aug 26-29! Yes! A chance for everyone to have fun! Stop by the Mad & Noisy Gallery to register or call Jordan at 705-466-6304 or email creemoreimaginarium@gmail.com for more info. Some bursaries still available!

Saturday, August 10

- **Toronto and North York Hunt Gourmet Hack.** Riders \$100, lunch only \$50. At the home of Stuart and Victoria Lazier, Mulmur. RSVP to laurel@parkstud.ca

Saturday, September 14

- **My Friend's House Annual Literary Fundraising Event** at Station on the Green. Doors open at 5 pm for cocktails and conversation, and for the viewing of the live auction items. The auction itself will begin at 6 pm, with a selection of unique items and priceless experiences up for bidding. Next, we welcome Mr. Al-Solaylee to the podium to discuss his Writer's Trust-nominated book, "Intolerable" followed by an open Q&A and book signing. Tickets are \$30 can be bought at Curiosity House or online at www.ticketscene.ca.

Tuesday, September 17

- **2013 Founders' Lecture & Reception with Margaret MacMillan, O.C.** award-winning author and Canadian historian & her book *1914: Europe's Roads to the Great War* by at 7 pm located at the Craighleith Ski Club. Presented by Georgian Triangle Lifelong Learning Institute. Tickets \$15 available now at The Crow's Nest, 239 Hurontario St., Collingwood.

Friday, September 27 to Sunday, Sept. 29

- **School Open House/Reunion for Caine's Corners Section #8 Schoolhouse** at the corner of County Road 10 and the 9th Concession of Sunnidale, will be 100 years old in September 2013. The schoolhouse has been home to Leishman's Pottery for the past 35 years, and this weekend, in conjunction with Clearview Township's Culture Days, the Leishmans will open the building's doors and welcome the public and all past teachers and students. If you attended the school, are interested in some form of reunion or celebration or are willing to help with the planning, please phone Mike or Connie Leishman at 705-428-5240. Old photos or photocopies of photos would be appreciated. Tentatively, celebrations will include a welcoming of celebrities and dignitaries past, present and future, an antique car show, refreshments and commemorative pins and mugs. Watch for more information as the date approaches.

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Electoral Review

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review was justified, 20 years after amalgamation, but opinion on whether or not the ward system should be abolished was split. While Huskinson and Ruppel both spoke in favour of an at-large system, McLeod and Raible requested that the wards be kept intact.

"There is a great mix of people in Clearview Township, and part of that mix is a geographical one," said Raible. "If we are to have appropriate, balanced representation on our Council, it is essential that we continue with a ward system."

Concerns were also put forth about the need for any terms of reference to include improving the efficiency of Council and improving accountability to taxpayers, and some expressed doubt that a consultant is actually necessary to guide the process.

While Councillor Preston wondered if a consultant might not be needed for the preliminary work, he did agree with Clerk **Pamela Fettes** that one would be required to redraw ward boundaries and complete any other technical work, mainly because, should the outcome of the electoral review be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board, the Township would need the consultant to testify as an expert witness.

Preston, who made the initial call for an electoral review, agreed that the ultimate goal is to make Council more responsible and accountable, but noted he is not looking at the exercise as a money saving opportunity. "Any money saved by reducing the size of Council, in my opinion, should be reinvested to make Council more effective," he said.

In their comments after the public portion of the meeting, most Councillors said they would lean toward keeping the ward system. All agreed, though, that more feedback was needed from the public.

Crossing Guard Changes

Following the institution of a new crossing guard policy and the observation of several potential and existing locations throughout the Township, Council made several decisions on the subject Monday night.

In Creemore this September, there will no longer be a crossing guard on Mill Street at Caroline Street, after that location failed to meet the criteria (based on number of students and breaks in traffic) set out in the new policy.

Two other locations in town, despite not quite meeting the criteria, will receive crossing guards. Collingwood Street will have a crossing at Johnston Street, right in front of the NCPS senior site, and County Road 9 will have a crossing at the western entrance to Jardine Crescent. The latter crossing will be evaluated for one year before it's made permanent.



Nottawa resident **Taylor May** will study kinesiology at Brock University.

Second Ray's Place scholarship awarded

by Brad Holden

Nottawa's **Taylor May**, who will study kinesiology at Brock University in the fall, has been chosen as this year's recipient of the Ray's Place Scholarship.

The award has a potential total value of \$20,000, payable at \$5,000 a year over four years of study, provided that May maintains particular academic averages in her courses.

The prize is instrumental in realizing the main objective of Ray's Place – to increase the number of students who acquire post-secondary education. In order to qualify for the scholarship, students have to be residents of Clearview Township and graduate from a high school in Simcoe County. They also have to exhibit both leadership qualities and financial need.

May certainly qualifies on both of those fronts. A standout student and athlete who prides herself at mentoring younger team and classmates, May has come a long way since the "rough patch" she went through in Grade 10 after her father committed suicide.

"There's no way I even saw myself graduating, let alone receiving an award like this," says May of those days.

Crediting her rugby coach with giving her the inspiration to turn things around, May eventually decided to "ditch" her old friends and throw herself headlong into student life.

"I found that high school was much better when

you got involved," she said. She also worked hard, taking a part-time job at the Candy Factory to offset her mother's seasonal income, and eventually graduating with top marks.

Before hearing about the Ray's Place scholarship, May had accepted a position at the University of Guelph-Humber, where she'd been offered a \$5,000 entrance scholarship. But her heart was with the kinesiology program at Brock. When a guidance councillor at Collingwood Collegiate Institute called all students who live in Clearview to her office and encouraged them to apply for the Ray's Place scholarship before the deadline, she jumped at the chance. "I'm really thankful," she said of winning.

May's hope is to one day become a physiotherapist. "I've always loved sports, and been interested in the human body," she said.

No one involved in the day-to-day operations of Ray's Place was involved in the selection of May for the scholarship, with the decision being made by an independent committee based on her academic merit and exemplary leadership skills.

The money for May's scholarship has been provided to Ray's Place by **Tony** and **Anne Arrell**. This is the second year that a four-year, \$20,000 prize has been awarded. Last year's scholarship, which went to Creemore resident **Galen Yates**, was provided by **Ted** and **Marylou Morgan**.

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EDITORIAL The Politics of Geography

Part of Chris Raible's rationale for keeping the ward system in Clearview Township at Monday night's initial electoral review public meeting was that "Creemore is frankly different, and it would be a mistake to pretend otherwise."

Without a doubt, the vast majority of the 25 or so people present for Monday's meeting were familiar Creemore faces. And all six of those who stood to speak were from this corner of the Township.

There are some on Council who believe that, 20 years into amalgamation, we should all see ourselves as Clearview residents and nothing else. But living and working in Creemore and reporting on Clearview, there is no doubt that Raible is absolutely right.

Whether Creemore and the Township as a whole would benefit from wards or no wards, however, is up in the air. Even those from this area who stood to speak Monday night were divided on the topic. What was agreed on is that we're all at the beginning of an important discussion. Hopefully, many residents – in Creemore and elsewhere – will make their views known.

LETTER

Keep wind turbines out of air approaches

Dear Editor:

It's the 30th anniversary of the Gimley Glider. On July 23, 1983 Air Canada Flight 143, a Boeing 767, needed an airport in an emergency. The plane ran out of fuel at an altitude of 41,000 feet and miraculously made a safe landing on an abandoned airstrip. Wikipedia has the full story.

Manmade obstructions like wind turbines should not be near any airport. All airports must have safe approaches in case of emergencies.

OJ Grolman, Dunedin

LETTER

A Creemore Kitchen clarification

Dear Editor

We would like to set straight a misunderstanding in last week's *Creemore Echo* article about our new restaurant.

We welcome any one from any media source at Creemore Kitchen. The quotes "we don't want *Toronto Life* here" and "we don't want the *Globe and Mail* here" were slightly out of context. The intent of the point was that we did not open a restaurant for media accolades, but simply to have "everyone" come and enjoy the food and atmosphere.

We are sorry if this statement translated in any offensive way to anyone at either publication.

Sincerely,

Samuel Holwell and Caesar Guinto, Creemore

THE WAY WE WERE



Here's a picture of the Grade 11 and 12 classes at the Creemore Continuation School in 1941, brought in to us by **Gerry Blackburn**. In back are Donald Stephens, Stan Nixon, Hadley Chamberlain, Isabel McArthur, Dorothy Morrison and Helen Coates. In the third row are Marjory McBride (teacher), Ruth MacDonald, Betty Smith, June Lee, Ellen Smith, Betty Woolner, Phylis Mackay, Nancy Dearden and Francis Hurst (principal). In the second row are Doris Coutts, Mary Lennox, Annie Facknie, Norma Penelton, Edna Day, Mylene Dewar, Audrey Hirlehey and Lois Baxter. In front are Murray Bonner, Erel Blackburn, Bob Graham, Doug Stainton, Doug Hare and Bob Flear.

LETTER

Don't take your signs down yet

Dear Editor:

Everyone is celebrating the Bonnefield purchase from Highland of the prime farmland that had been proposed for the mega quarry. However, don't remove your "Food & Water First" lawn signs yet. The biggest hurdle is still to come – to get the legislation covering the aggregate industry changed. The legislation as it stands offers no protection to prime farmland or water resources, the Niagara Escarpment, community wishes, property rights of others, conservation, etc. It allows the aggregate industry to override all other considerations, and the final decision is made at the whim of the OMB. Companies come and go, and the only real protection for our own and future generations is to have a comprehensive plan to protect vital resources and encourage responsible quarrying.

The mega quarry application was so egregious that it raised an enormous public protest, causing the government to order an environmental assessment (the first for a quarry) and a review of the legislation. Because of the public outcry and the resulting government action, Highland withdrew its application. It does not make sense that each time an application for a quarry is made, either in an

inappropriate location or with serious repercussions, it is up to the public, at great expense and time, to oppose it. It does not make sense that there are no rules under which the industry must operate. It does not even make sense for the industry to operate in this vacuum.

It was because of the huge public outcry that the mega quarry was stopped, so please do keep up your support (and your lawn signs) and do come to the NDACT celebration at the Honeywood Arena on Sunday, August 18 to celebrate the good news about the end of Highland and to support NDACT in its work to get the legislation changed.

Christina Wigle, Creemore

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Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 46 in attendance today. This was our 12-noon potluck lunch, so after **Ray Leighton** gave the blessing, everyone sat down to an awesome lunch that all present thoroughly enjoyed. After the clean-up was completed we had our 50/50 draws, which went to **George Blakney**, **Dave Smith**, **Peter Gubbels**, **Marcia Cameron**, **Bob Veale** and **Ruth Loughheed**.

Moon shots were played by **Pat Broad**, **Karl Seifert**, **George Blakney**, **Janice Stephens**, **Effie Taylor**, **Phyllis Seed**, **Dave Smith** (2), **Warren Gale** and **Jim Ferguson**. Jim won the travelling prize, and Dave won the Sidewinders loot.

High scorers were **Marg Hope** 310, **Evelyn Warden** 284, **Art Bishop** 283 and **Ruth Loughheed** 279. Low was **Bob Veale** with 55.

Marcia Cameron, finding that we had a need for a coffee pot, donated two coffee perks to Seniors, which was greatly appreciated. Ray, bless his heart, had a "senior moment" and forgot to acknowledge her donation by informing everyone, and thanking her on behalf of us all. So a big "Thank You" goes out to Marcia, and



Sylvia
GALE

you can give him six lashes with a wet noodle for being forgetful!

Today was **Wilma Zeggil's** birthday, and **Jim Rigney** brought in a lovely birthday cake, complete with candles that his wife **Georgina** had made for **Wilma**. I was absent today,

but I was told it was delicious (I think they were rubbing it in because I wasn't there to get any!) But the weather was very threatening, so Jim left right after lunch to go home. We have been most fortunate around here compared to the rest of the country – touch wood!

We have about one-and-a-half acres of grass down here in Avening that needs to be mowed fairly often, especially this year. I guess it is because of the plentiful rain and hot weather, but everything is just growing like mad. Even the old butternut (white walnut) tree is once again producing nuts this year, something it hasn't done for some years. We are very fortunate to have **Bob Hanson** and **Mark Madill** mow the grass and do the whippersnipping around here, because they do a great job and it looks lovely when they are finished. Plus, I don't have to sell my first born child to be able to pay their

rates! Thanks again, guys.

Grandson **Curtis Kidd** was back home recently on a stopover on his way to the Arctic. He comes from Alberta, and it makes no sense, but to get where he wants to go, on the days he wants to get there, he has to fly to Toronto then Ottawa then Iqaluit and then on to smaller flights with local airlines. A really long, drawn out process. But to fly to the Arctic from Alberta he ends up arriving at Iqaluit (the furthest a large passenger plane goes) on the wrong days, and he has to stay over several days to catch the flights he needs to take him to the smaller airports – which can be a heated Quonset hut.

While he was here, he went and visited at his "Murphy" cousins. **Shawn** and **Mark's** family (all young adults) have Murphy's Farm Market and Bakery on Simcoe Road 10 near Alliston. I think he must have been licking his lips, because they sent him back up here with a delicious blueberry pie, butter tarts, cookies, squares, raspberries, new potatoes, green peas, etc. And all at the far-from-home-drooling-cousin rate! Thanks to all you thoughtful kids – I enjoyed my share big time!

My sister **Pat (Jordan) Matthews** recently had an 80th birthday party, hosted by the above Murphy family.

(Shawn Murphy is Pat's eldest daughter). Pat's son **Dewy (Duane)**, friend **Roxanne**, and daughter **Katie** made it in from soggy Alberta, which meant that all Pat's kids were home for the occasion. Dewy played the accordion and **Kerry** (also Pat's son) played the guitar for a nice "Happy Birthday" song, and then later they played a waltz. Pat and **Bob Thompson** struck off waltzing, and you know, that young lady did okay! Actually, she always did waltz beautifully. I remember seeing her and **Sid Martin (Rene Whitley's** brother) swooping around the dance floor in Avening Hall, where one by one, other couples stopped to watch Pat and Sid waltz until they were the only couple left dancing. To borrow a phrase, they were "poetry in motion." There were so many great dancers at Avening, it was amazing to see any one couple stand out as they did.

Pat's birthday was actually on July 22 – the same day that England's new wee prince was born.

Jeff Jordan (Jerry's son) had been cruising around the huge selection of fantastic desserts, but when he came back, someone asked him how come he only had three or four choices. Jeff grinned and said, "Because **Ronda** (Pat's daughter) was there with a knife!"

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Sunday, July 28

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 – Guest Speaker Norma Godbold
August 4: St. John's Creemore 10:15 am
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A MASS OF COLOUR Julie and Tom Wilson of Nottawasaga Daylilies were eager to show us their fields in peak bloom this week. This year's flowers are bigger and more plentiful than the couple have ever seen – a result, they figure, of the heavy rains followed immediately by an extended period of high heat. Nottawasaga Daylilies is located on 3757 Nottawasaga Concession 3, and is currently open to the public on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.



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FOR THE KIDS The Creemore Children's Festival received a \$2,000 boost this week from the TD Bank Group. At left is festival organizer **Laurie Copeland**, receiving the donation from Creemore TD Canada Trust branch manager **Laurie Wilson**. To see all of the amazing things planned for the festival, taking place on Mill Street on Saturday, August 3, see the ad on page 7 or visit creemorechildrensfestival.com.



My Friend's House executive director **Alison FitzGerald** with volunteer **Fran Breithaupt** and board member **Kathy Simpson**.

Support My Friend's House locally

by Brad Holden

Collingwood women's shelter My Friend's House will hold its second annual Creemore fundraiser at the Station on the Green on Saturday, September 14. While last year's inaugural event featured local playwright **Dan Needles** as the keynote speaker, this year the spotlight will be on **Kamal Al-Solaylee**, a Canadian journalist who published *Intolerable: A Memoir of Extremes* in 2012.

Recalling a childhood spent in Beirut, Egypt and Yemen and shedding light on the politics and culture of a complex part of the world, *Intolerable* is at its root the story of what its like to grow up as a gay

person in an intolerant society.

The book also touches on the status of women in the Middle East, a subject that dovetails quite nicely with the My Friend's House cause.

"In the Middle East society takes one step forward and two steps back," said Al-Solaylee. "The advent of the Internet and social media in the last two decades made many people in the Arab world realize that life in fear and under political dictatorship is no longer an option. Women were among those marching in Tahrir Square in Cairo in 2011 demanding more rights and freedoms. But their protest was coupled with an increase in sexual assaults and violence against women. And so it continues."

Despite the vital importance of the services that My Friend's House provides to Collingwood, Wasaga Beach, The Blue Mountains and Clearview Township, the organization operates each year with a funding shortfall of \$170,000. That money is raised by volunteer fundraisers, who must get creative with their efforts.

The Creemore area has always been generous, said My Friend's House executive director **Alison FitzGerald**. Last year's Station on the Green event was a big success, and it's hoped that this year will bring in even more funds. "It's about awareness as well," she said. "Events like these introduce My Friend's House to a different demographic, and violence toward women extends across all demographics. So yes, we need the financial support, but we also want to get the word out."

My Friend's House board member **Kathy Simpson** and volunteer **Fran Breithaupt**, both from Creemore, are hard at work organizing a live auction that will also play a large part of the Creemore event.

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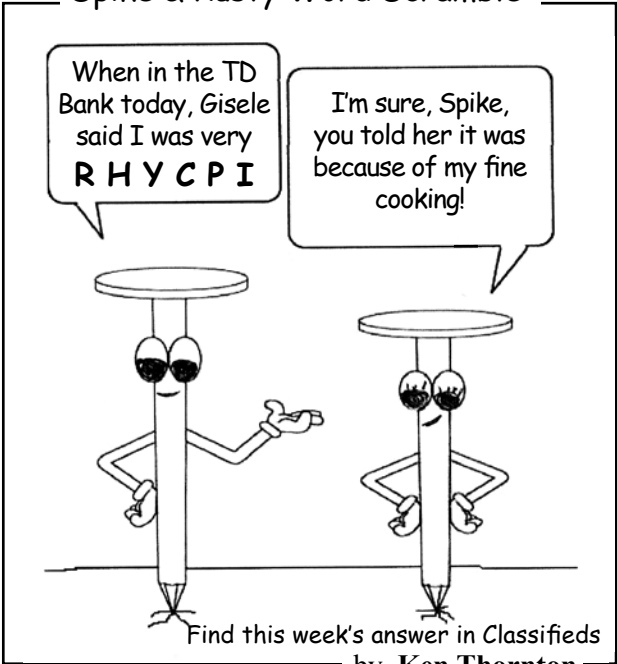
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Answer on Classifieds Page

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



Find this week's answer in Classifieds by Ken Thornton

CREEMORE Weekend Weather

Friday, July 26

Sunny
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Saturday, July 27

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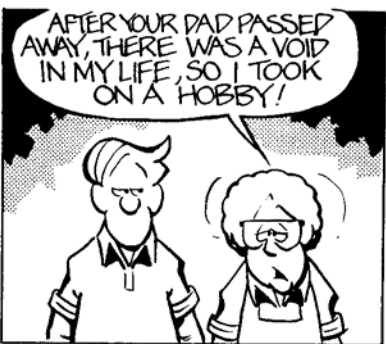
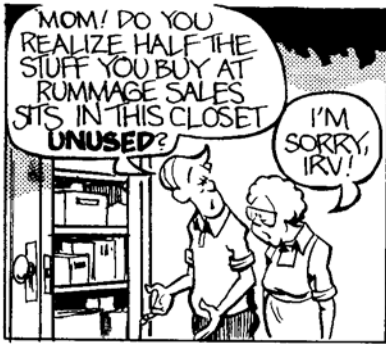
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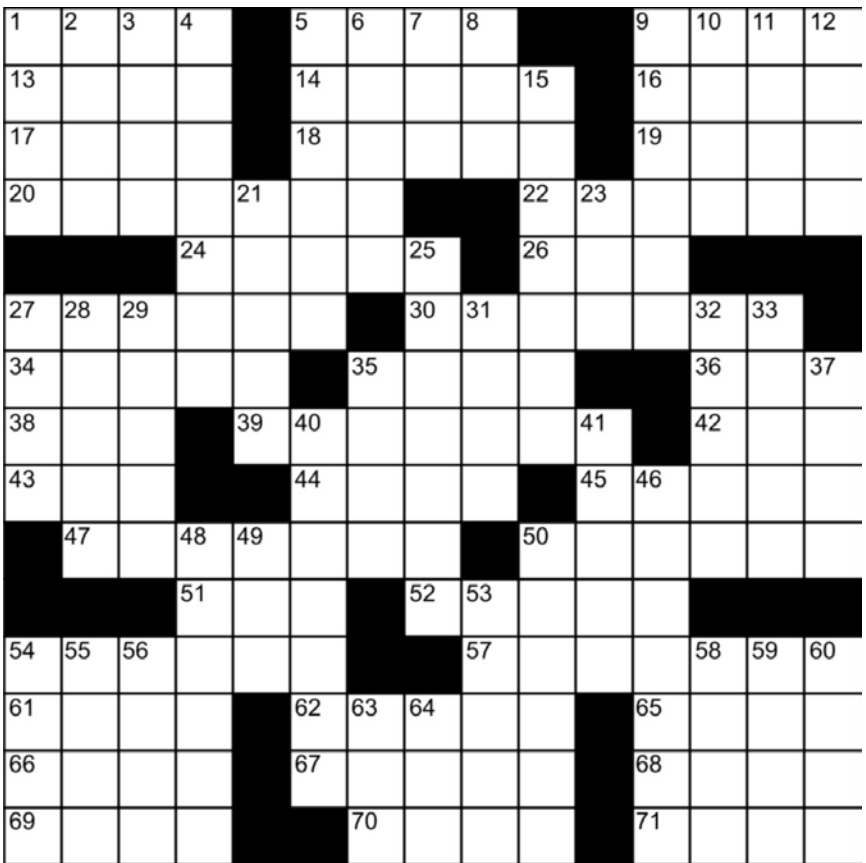
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ACROSS

1. Dull heavy sound
5. Opposite of west
9. Type of chowder
13. Top-notch
14. Device for securing a boat to
16. Rabbit relative
17. Cap worn under a nun's veil
18. Game of chance
19. Forget to mention
20. From Canada's capital
22. Place to enjoy floats
24. Most important
26. Recline
27. Angry and resentful
30. Say the same thing again
34. Be revolted by
35. Units of time in music
36. Gun an engine
38. Above average grade
39. Done in a deeply sincere way
42. Exist
43. Thanksgiving veggie
44. Medieval weapon
45. Strong fibre
47. It's left on an answering machine
50. Modern singer
51. Portable bed
52. Provide what is needed
54. Pierce with a sharp stake
57. Become opened
61. Naming word
62. Of a city
65. Uncommon
66. ___ George (historic site in Ontario)
67. Awaken from sleep
68. Pupil's concern
69. As recently as
70. Islamic ruler
71. Walk lamely

DOWN

1. Mexican snack
2. Owl's cry
3. Discrete part
4. Whether lawful or not
5. Oblong pastry
6. Single-handedly
7. Put scenery on stage
8. Tit for ___
9. Nervous system disorder
10. Dalai ___
11. Parched
12. Give out
15. Like convertibles, sometimes
21. A question of location
23. Run on TV
25. Engaged woman
27. Hospital delivery
28. Steel girder
29. Subject of discussion
31. It gets decorated for Christmas
32. Vagrant
33. Like haunted houses
35. Toot one's own horn
37. Sail away from the wind
40. Not professional
41. City in British Columbia
46. Clothing
48. Very little
49. Personification of the Sun
50. Marathon participant
53. Almost but not quite
54. Knowledge, for short
55. Satellite of Earth
56. Knitting stitch
58. Car taking paying passengers
59. Study at the last minute
60. Narcotic drug
63. Fish eggs
64. Good-for-nothing



July 19 Answer



CANADA DAY CASH This year's Old Mill House Pub Canada Day Street Hockey Tournament raised money for a new playground structure at the not-for-profit Teddy Bears Picnic Childcare Centre, and last week the pub presented the daycare with a cheque for \$2,500. From left to right are tournament volunteer **Vicki Dunleavy**, tournament organizer **Shawn Hughson**, Old Mill House employee **Amy Purkis**, **Shannon Hatherly** and **Connie McLellan** of Teddy Bears Picnic, Old Mill House owners **Carol and Steve Sperandeo**, and Old Mill House employees **Sabrina Stamp-Dupuis** and **Lesley Meek**.

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John, Linda, Shawn, Renee, Nicole and Andy

THANK YOU

The family of Margaret Ransier would like to thank everyone who attended our Mom’s celebration of life on Sunday, July 14, 2013. To have so many attend, showed how much she was thought of. Thanks to the Creemore Legion and Ladies Auxillary for always being part of Mom’s life and her memorial. A thank you also to Leisureworld Creedan Valley staff for taking such good care of Mom in her last year. She came to think of staff as family. She was a great Mom and will be surely missed.

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