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Creemore to Africa
A celebration of accomplishments.

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BIKER GANGS TO HIT CREEMORE — These kids are just a few of the cyclists you can expect to see on Sunday, September 15. They will be participating in The Creemore Kids Cent Ride which starts at 10:30 am. The BIA and OPP are partnering to give local kids a chance to share the fun and excitement of the much larger Centurion ride out of Collingwood which is expected to hit Mill Street at about the same time that day. The kid's portion of the event, which includes a ride one one-hundreth of its senior version to start at 11:30 am at the corner of Mill and Elizabeth Street, will also feature an OPP safety rodeo, Share the Road information and helmet inspection, a water station, free bike safety check and lots of prizes including free t-shirts for the first 50 participants. Fire/Emergency services personnel will be on hand to start the race. The organizer's information is available in the community calendar.



BACK TO SCHOOL — By bus, car, bike and on foot students rolled up to Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School for another year of fun and learning. More pictures on page 6.

Echo Briefs

Meet the Editors

The *Creemore Echo* invites everyone to join us here in our office at 3 Caroline Street West on Friday, September 13 between 1 and 4pm for a Come and Go Tea. This will be a great opportunity to meet the *Echo*'s new Editor **Kristi Green** as well as well-wish the outgoing **Brad Holden**.

Holden served as the *Echo*'s Editor for six years as well as doing a brief stint as a reporter with the paper. During his time with the paper he helped develop a new look for both the paper and the award-winning website. He is now enjoying his fall semester at teachers college.





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COMMUNITY Calendar

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This Weekend

Friday, Sept 6 to Monday, September 9

• **Nottawasaga Daylilies** inventory reduction sale from 10 am to 5 pm each day. Excellent late bloom continues. Airport Rd south of Creemore, turn west on 3/4 Sideroad and follow signs to 3757 Conc. 3.

Saturday, September 7

- 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.)
- Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, Nottawa's Steak Supper and Silent Auction from 5 to 6:30 pm. Barbequed steak, baked potato, veggies,
- coleslaw, tea or coffee and homemade pie all for just \$16! (children 6-12 \$8, no charge for children under 6.) Silent auction. Tickets purchased from the Church Office at 705-444-6823 or by calling Rae at 705-445-2494. 3521 County Road 124, 3 km. south of Nottawa.
- Supporters of the 1863 Stanton Hotel are invited to a Garden Party from 4:30 to 8:30 pm in the beautiful Mulmur hills. Excellent food, musical acts, art show, games, silent auction and more are all included with a \$20 donation. All proceeds go towards the restoration of the Hotel. 876584 5th Line at 10 Sideroad, 1.5 km west of Mansfield in Mulmur.
- **Spaghetti Dinner** from 5 to 7:30 pm. A fundraiser for Brentwood Hall. Adults \$10, children under 12 yrs, \$5. Pasta, salad, garlic bread or roll and dessert. For tickets contact Chris at 705-424-1268.

Sunday, September 8

- Church Services are on page 5.
- Silvershoe Historical Society Annual Memorial Candlelight Service at Bethel Union Pioneer Cemetery from 7 to 9 pm. Bring a lawn chair. The cemetery is outside the village of New Lowell on Creemore Avenue, just off of Sunnidale Concession 7 and is internationally known as the final resting place of both black and white pioneers who first settled this area.

Upcoming Events

Monday, September 9

- Clearview Township's Council Meeting at 5:30 pm at the Council Chambers. Everyone welcome.
- ChoralWorks Choir Rehearsals (September to May) will be well structured and held on Monday nights from 7 to 9 pm in the Collingwood Public Library. Contact Brian Rae 705-444-5857 to join. Choir will present 2 concerts a year of artistic & professional quality of sacred & secular music from the middle ages to present day.

Tuesday, September 10

• Fall Yoga with Catherine Randall at Station on the Green. Beginners Tuesdays 10:45 am to noon. Intermediates Tuesdays or Thursdays 9 to 10:30 am. Gentle Thursdays 10:45 am to noon. Preregister at 705-466-3533 or cathcreemore@yahoo.ca.

Wednesday, September 11

- Weight Watchers Registration Night at Jubilee Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Stayner. Registration 5:30 pm, meeting at 6 pm. 1-800-461-2246 for more information.
- Creemore Skating Club Registration will take place at the Creemore Arena from 6:30 to 8 pm. For more information please contact Annette Belkosky 705-424-9422 or a.belkosky@hotmail.ca or Julie Bigham 705-424-0626 or jbigham30@hotmail.com.
- **Beavers, Cubs & Scouts Registration** at the Creemore Legion from 6:30 to 8 pm. Beavers ages 5-7, Cubs 7-10, Scouts 11-14. Registration fee is \$185, post dated cheques will be accepted. For more information please contact Ginny 705-466-6171 or Leah 705-466-2281.
- Guiding Information Night at New Lowell United Church from 6:30 to 8 pm. Financial assistance available. Call Tammy at 705-424-5252, nlbrownies@gmail.com or Girl Guides of Canada 877-323-4545 ext. 5131 or www.girlguides.ca. (Sparks for ages 5 to 6 meet on Thursday evenings (Contact Charity 705-424-4011). Brownies for ages 7 to 8 meet on Wednesday evenings and Guides for ages 9 11 and Pathfinders for ages 12 to 14 meet on Monday evenings from September to June.

Thursday, September 12

- Clearview Township Town Hall Meeting regarding Electoral Review at 7 pm at Nottawa Hall.
- Alison FitzGerald of My Friend's House will be speaking about hope, safety, support, and counselling for women and children at St. John's United Church, 192 Mill Street, Creemore, at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. Presented by the Avening Women's Institute. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, September 13

- Come and Go Tea at *Creemore Echo* to say goodbye to Brad Holden and hello to Kristi Green. Please drop in between 1 and 4 pm.
- Creemore Ladies Auxiliary are starting the Friday Supper again. Tonight from 5 to 6:30 pm. BBQ hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, potato salad, marinated vegetable salad. Cakes. Coffee/tea. \$9 adults, \$8 seniors.
- Friday Night Mixed Dart League at Creemore

Legion. Registration is tonight at 7:30 pm at Creemore Legion for the 2013-2014 season. For more info contact Mike at 466-3007 or Gail at 520-0055. All are welcome. Come out, make new friends and enjoy darts in a fun league!

Saturday, September 14

- Clearview Township Town Hall Meeting regarding Electoral Review at 10 am at Station on the Green.
- CuriosityHouse presents "How to Feed a Family" event authors at the Creemore Farmers' Market from 10 am onwards.
- Clearview Township Town Hall Meeting regarding Electoral Review at 2 pm at Brentwood Hall.
- **St. Luke's Annual Roast Beef Supper** from 5 to 7 pm at 22 Caroline St. West. Free will offering but please be generous. Come out and bring your friends and enjoy an excellent roast beef dinner.
- 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.

Sunday, September 15

- Terry Fox Run. Bike, walk, run! The 33rd Anniversary Terry Fox Run for a Cancer Cure from 9 am to noon at the Mulmur Town Office, 2nd Line and 20th Sideroad in Terra Nova. 1, 5 or 10 km. Fun for families and supporters of all types! Snacks and refreshments will be provided. Donations of any amount can be made at the event.
- **Kids Cent Ride** for ages 5 to 12 meeting at 11:30 am at Mill Street & Elizabeth Street. **OPP Safety Rodeo** at 10:30 am. First 50 entrants receive a free t-shirt. Call 705-466-6321 or email tpaterson@clearview.ca to register. Remember to wear your helmet!
- Joan and David Black are moving to Toronto in order to have access to necessary essential services and to be closer to their family. During their many years in Creemore, they have made a significant contribution to our community. Their friends are invited to a Come and Go Tea at Station on the Green from 2 to 4 pm on Sunday, September 15.

Monday, September 16

• Curiosity House presents In Conversation with Joseph Boyden and Michael Winter – An evening with two of Canada's most celebrated authors, moderated by Catherine Gildiner at 7 pm at the Avening Community Centre. Tickets are \$25 can be bought at Curiosity House or online at www.ticketscene.ca.

Monday, September 16 & Tuesday, Sept 17

• Gaslight Community Theatre Productions Open Auditions at 65 Simcoe Street, Collingwood from 7 to 9 pm. Walk-in auditions will be held at the Theatre Collingwood Studio. For more information see www.gaslight-productions.com. No acting experience required. Just bring your enthusiasm and sense of fun!

Tuesday, September 17

 Clearview Township Town Hall Meeting regarding Electoral Review at 7 pm at Stayner Community Centre.

Wednesday, September 18

• Creemore Horticultural Society Meeting at 7:30 pm at St Luke's Church. Speaker Lorraine Mennen will talk about "Succession of Blooms – A designer's secrets." Prior to the speaker will be our Fall Flower Show. Judging starts at 6 pm & will be open to the public at 7 pm.

Wednesday, Sept 18 to Saturday, Sept 28

• Same Time, Next Year at Theatre Collingwood. This romantic comedy follows the love affair between Dorris and George, who while married to others, rendezvous once a year. Call the box office at 705-445-2200 for tickets or visit their website www.theatrecollingwood.ca.

Friday, September 20 to Sunday, September 22

• **GNE Fall Fair** at the GNE Fairgrounds, 2220 Fairgrounds Road North. www.greatnorthernex.com

Sunday, September 22

• Cantorum Acappella Choir will be performing at St. Luke's Anglican Church at 3 pm. This will be a fundraiser for St. Luke's improvements to the accessibility ramp and repairs to their beautiful stained glass windows.

Monday, September 23

- Retired Women Teachers of Ontario (Blue Mtn. Branch) Meeting at 11 am registration at Jubilee Presbyterian Church, 7329 Main St. W, Stayner. Call Lois 705-428-2880.
- New **Tai Chi** beginner classes start at the Station on the Green on Mon. Sept. 23 (1-3) and Wed. Sept. 25th (6:30 8) at the Station on the Green. For more information visit us at the farmer's market on Sept. 7th & 14th, or call Laura at 466-5011.

Tuesday, September 24

• Do you like to sing? A Creemore Community Youth Choir is in the works and now we need you! St. John's United Church will be hosting an Information/Registration Night from 6 to 7:30 pm. Pizza and refreshments served. Ages 8-14. No singing experience required. No cost for joining. Variety of music selections to be incorporated. For more information call Lynn at 705-466-2995 or e-mail lgowan@rogers.com

Friday, October 4 and Saturday, October 5

• As part of the Creemore Festival of the Arts the ACC North welcomes **Jason Collett's Basement Revue** to the hall for two nights. Be surprised by the phenomenal mystery guests – literary, musical and just downright amusing. Each evening the doors open at 7 pm with food available from fabulous food trucks. Show starts at 8 pm. Info and tickets available at aveninghall.com, at the Creemore Echo and by contacting sara@creemore.com 705-466-9906.

Friday, October 4 to Sunday October 6

 Year Two of the Creemore Festival of the Art. Enjoy artists on location, activities for the whole family, concerts, artisans fair and more all made possible in part by Heritage Canada. Events listed on phahs.ca.

"Intolerable" author helps My Friend's House



Kamal Al-Solaylee

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.

Tickets for the September 14 event are \$30 and are available at Curiosity House or at ticketscene.ca.

Artisans invited to participate in Arts Fest Fair

This year's Creemore Festival of the Arts is fast approaching. In its second year, the Festival continues to evolve and has taken the opportunity provided by its infancy to take major steps to enhance the event by adding more ways for local artists and attendees to engage the weekend of October 4 to 6.

Just one of the additions to this year's festival, which includes a juried art show, sculpture garden, artists on location, concerts, kids' activities and interactive dance programs, is an Artisans' Fair to take place at the Creemore Legion, on Saturday, October 5. The show, which hopes to feature about 40 craft people, will have a similar feel to Creemore's Farmers' Market and even some familiar market faces. It will showcase well known local handcrafted soaps and candles, crocheted creatures and fibre art as well as feature other artisans including painters, jewellery makers, photographers and woodworkers.

"Craft shows can be a treasure trove of new and

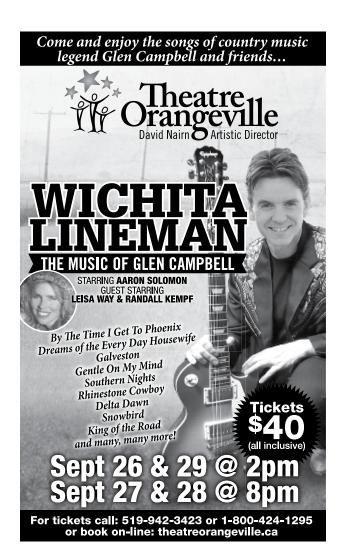
unique artists, especially in an area as rich in the arts as this one is," says **Jenn Jansen**, the Fair's coordinator. And while all forms of art will be on display throughout the area during the Festival the Legion will provide a dedicated venue for multiple artisans, making it convenient for the public to see and enjoy a wide variety of work in one location and perhaps even get a jump on holiday shopping.

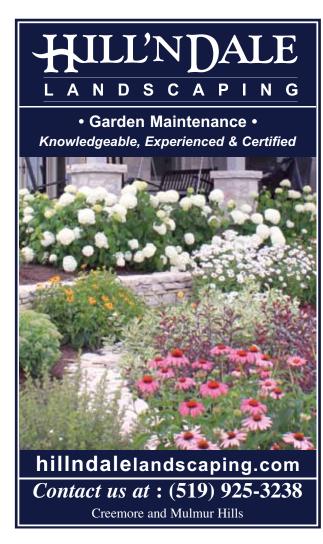
Jansen is still seeking artisans to participant on October 5 and thinks there is real value in being part of an established, art-focused weekend, "From a vendor's perspective, this inaugural show has the benefit of being affiliated with a festival that is already successfully in place and a popular tourist destination. Having been a vendor at many a craft show myself, the ones where crickets echo down the aisles because the events was never advertised are the absolute worst. This promises to be better from the get-go."



Jenn Jansen at one of the many shows she attends

If you're interested in vending the Artisans' Fair, please visit the Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society website at www.phahs.ca or contact Jenn Jansen at Fromthebluehouse@gmail.com







OPINION & Feedback

Feedback and old photos welcome info@creemore.com call (705) 466-9906 fax (705) 466-9908

THE WAY WE WERE



Dave Huskinson, the owner of Clearview Station Bed and Breakfast, is also the proud owner of a wide variety of railway memorabilia. The avid collector brought this rare picture of the Creemore Station right after it burned down in the spring of 1955.

LETTER

Power Options?

This is a partial response to the letter last week, opposing wind turbines. There were several questions and since I left the paper behind I can only remember the gist of a couple. Subsidies? The writer was concerned that the wind energy people were getting subsidies. Who isn't? Hydro, nuclear, solar – even the road crews and senior centres get money from the government. We pay taxes so we can have the goods and services that

we need.

Another concern was birds dying when they hit the towers. Likely some do, however many more birds die because they run into the windows in apartment and office buildings. There are few windows in a wind tower. Should we ban office towers?

For me the bigger picture is a question of the options. The public wants electricity. Coal fired plants are filthy. Nuclear is unsafe – check

Chernobyl or Fukushima. Water, wind and solar have low operational costs, and are far more environmentally friendly. Personally I would rather have a windmill than a nuclear plant on my farm.

Let's encourage the government to put money and jobs into renewable energy production.

Glen Eagle, Creemore

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Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 46 out for cards today, and Barb Cudmore wrote down the day's activities until mid afternoon, and then **Barb Pilon** took over. She regaled everyone with a joke, and kept track of all goings on for the rest of the day. Thanks, gals!

The 50/50 prizes went to June Hartley, Barb Cudmore, Ruby Klinck, Effie Taylor, Wilma Bannerman, Norma Johnston and Pat Winger.

Moon shots were played by **John** Van Voorst (2), Ray Leighton, Marg Falls, Jim Ferguson, Pat Winger, Isabelle Gubbels, Peter Gubbels, Marg Hope and Dave



Smith (3), with one of them being in the last hand. Dave won the travelling prize and the Sidewinders money – but **Bob Veale** was the only one there to pay Dave!

High scorers were Dave Smith 292, May Johnston 250, Wilma

Zeggil and Janice Stephens tied with 249. Low was Brian McGill with 55. What happened to you, Brian? This is not your usual spot!

It's nice to see the Creemore Legion Ladies Auxiliary Friday night suppers are starting again. They are always enjoyable, as are the folks you meet at them. The food is good and the price is reasonable,

and all served with a smile.

It will soon be **Brad**'s last day at the paper. I for one will miss his always helpful advice and his pleasant smile, which is a trademark of all the Creemore Echo staff. But I'm sure the new Editor, Kristi Green, will fit right in - and it saves all of us from going down to the US of A and kidnapping Craig and Barbara Simpson and bringing them back to Creemore! At any rate, I have appointment(s) at Barrie Hospital on September 13th – and they seem to have been timed to bug up our getting in to the "Come and Go Tea", but we will see how our timing works out as I would like to take part in the *Echo*'s Meet and Greet - but we will be sorry to see Brad leaving. But it is for all the best reasons, and this will make quite a difference in his life. And a note to Kristi – if it turns out that we cannot make the tea, then welcome to Creemore (a suburb of Avening!) and we will pop in to meet you as soon as we can to say "Welcome".

I have been turning in a "shortened" Seniors News lately. Hopefully I will soon be feeling able to throw in my two cents worth again.



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LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY

Sunday, September 8

CREEMORE UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE **September 8:** Avening U.C. 141st Anniversary Service at 11 am (only one service this week)

September 15: Avening 9 am, New Lowell 10:15 am, St. John's 11:30 am.

All welcome. 705-466-2200

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Sat.Sept.14: Annual Roast Beef Supper 5-7 pm. Free will offering.

HONEYWOOD Worship Service: Honeywood 11:30 am,

Maxwell 9:30 am, Badjeros 10:15 am

Sunday, September 8, 2013

Anniversary Service for

West Nottawasaga Presbyterian

Church at 3 pm.

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will be leading the service.

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Sept. 10 to Dec. 12 at Station on the Green

Tuesdays: 9-10:30 am Intermediate 10:45 am - noon Beginner Thursdays: 9 -10:30 am Intermediate 10:45 am - noon Gentle

Pre-registration required. Call Catherine Randall at 705-466-3533 or email cathcreemore@yahoo.ca

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SCHOOL BELLS CHIMED — As the almost century-old bell rang last Tuesday parents and students gathered at the junior site of NCPS in anticipation of the first day of classes. Among the first to arrive were new students to the school **Jackson** and **Isobel Mitchell**, left, and second-grader **Dawn Morby**, bottom centre. **Zinnia Hehn** was a little later to roll up on her bike but made it in plenty of time to hear the roll call and be whisked into her new class room by her teacher for the 12013/14 academic year



A Conversation with

Joseph Boyden & Michael Winter

Join us for an evening with celebrated Canadian authors

Joseph Boyden and Michael Winter as they read from their latest works followed by a moderated Q&A with Catherine Gildiner.

Date: Monday, September 16th, 2013

Time: 7 pm

Place: Avening Hall

Price: \$25 (includes a \$5 credit towards

the purchase of a book at the event)
\$15 for students (no book credit)

Tickets available at Curiosity House Books and

through www.ticketscene.ca

Upcoming Events at Curiosity House Books and Gallery

September 6th: Art opening for Lorette C. Luzajic, reception from 5-7 pm

September 11th: Return of the CH Book Club! We will meet at 2 pm to discuss "A Thousand Farewells" by Nahlah Ayed

September 14th: Join us at the market as we welcome the authors of "*How to Feed a Family*" - 10:00 am

September 14th: We welcome author Kamal Al-Solaylee, author of "*Intolerable*" as part of the My Friend's House fundraiser - Station on the Green, 5 pm



Curiosity House Books and Gallery

CELEBRATING AN AMAZING AFRICAN ADVENTURE

by Brad Holden

Part-time Dunedin resident **Lynn Connell**'s African story has been well-documented over the years in the *Creemore Echo*, and for good reason – what Connell and a dedicated group of fellow volunteers have accomplished with the Majengo Children's Home in Mto Wa Mbu, Tanzania has been nothing short of miraculous, and very little of it could have happened without the significant amount of support Connell has received from the Creemore community.

On Sunday, September 22 from 2 to 5 pm, Connell will host a Majengo party at her Creativity Art Retreat in Dunedin, and she's hoping that all who have played a part in the story, as well as any inspired to become involved, will join her in celebrating her African successes.

To recap what's happened to date: Connell first travelled to Tanzania in 2008 to teach art to HIV/AIDS sufferers with ICA Canada, a non-governmental organization that works to better the lives of vulnerable people throughout Africa. Following that experience, she was so enthralled with the country that she volunteered at an orphanage, an experience that turned traumatic when she discovered the level of corruption surrounding orphanages in Tanzania, many of which are set up near tourist areas as a means of extorting sympathetic money from western visitors.

Upset but wanting to do something about the situation, Connell was taken by an ICA Tanzania worker named **Charles Luoga** to the Home Comfort Orphanage, a squalid, mud-floored building that was home to 52 children. The conditions at Home Comfort were so bad, it had been refused official orphanage status by the Tanzanian government – even though the official orphanages were little more than tourist money traps.

Luoga told Connell that someone was willing to rent their house to Home Comfort so that the orphans could be kept in better conditions, but that an investment would be required. So Connell returned home and raised \$23,000, much of it from donors in the Creemore/Dunedin area.

The children were moved, the orphanage was renamed Majengo, the name of the agricultural community where the new house was located, and Connell and her growing team of volunteers never looked back.

With the help of two American families who have performed some major fundraising in their own hometowns, Connell has been able to raise \$100,000 per year in operating costs and an additional \$130,000 to build three new residences and a dining hall on 10 acres gifted to Majengo by the local government. Last September, the Majengo kids – now 72 of them – moved in. In addition, the orphanage supports 56 more children who live out in the community, attending public school. All of the children range in age from 3 to 14.

"It's been an amazing adventure all the way through," said Connell last week. "And it's been a truly collective effort."

The adventure, as Connell accurately refers to it, continues. In addition to ongoing operating costs, Connell and her partners are now determined to raise a further \$80,000 to build a soccer field, a playground and a resource library on the Majengo property. These



Lynn Connell

assets would be available to the wider community as well as the Majengo children.

The library has Connell particularly excited. In a country where a lack of access to education is the main factor contributing to systemic poverty, the chance to provide a place where children and adults alike can study English and access information is a tantalizing prospect.

The Majengo project is not without other financial stressors as well, especially given its focus on education. As the children progress into their teen years, they will be faced with the fact that high school education costs money in Tanzania - about \$650 per year per student. In addition to the aforementioned fundraising, Connell, said, her team is always on the lookout for people who would like to sponsor secondary students.

"The nice thing about us is that none of the administrators are getting paid," she said. "All of the money that's donated goes directly to real operating costs and the real cost of students' educations."

The 18 staff on site are under the direct supervision of Luoga and are handpicked for their professionalism. Connell and her two American partners are handson involved as well – her most recent trip involved painting the new residences by hand as part of her duties – so local corruption is not an issue.

"We're really like one big happy family over there," she said.

It's hoped that Luoga will be in Canada and in attendance at the September 22 party, so attendees will have a chance to talk directly with the man in charge in Africa.

"It will be a celebration and a catchup," said Connell. "Of course, we might be doing a little fundraising as well!"

For more information about Majengo, visit majengo.org or Connell's personal Majengo blog at lynnconnell.blogspot.ca.

As an aside, American artist Douglas Walton was attending Connell's Creativity Art Retreat in Dunedin two weeks ago and, upon receiving an update on her Majengo activities, announced that he'd be putting her name forward for the 2014 CNN Heroes Project, an initiative by the US broadcaster that aims to highlight ordinary people who have accomplished extraordinary things. The other attendees at that week's retreat announced that they'd be putting in nominations for her as well. Connell is uncomfortable with the prospect, pointing out that she's just one of many who have contributed to Majengo's success, but she also realizes that such exposure would be great for the organization. If you'd like to put Connell's name forward as well, you can do so at cnn.com/specials/cnn.heroes.





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SENIORS INVITED TO GET ACTIVE — THEIR WAY

by Brad Holden

A new Creemore resident is hoping to use her education and expertise to help area seniors gain access to services they may be having a hard time receiving now.

Karen Shannon is a graduate of Sheridan College's Activation Co-ordinator and Gerontology program, and spent time working at Belmont House, the well-known Toronto nursing and retirement home, before moving to Creemore.

Now, she's hoping to gauge the community to find out what kinds of seniors services might be needed. On Monday, September 23 from 9 am to 12 noon at the Station on the Green, she'll host an open meeting to discuss some of the services she would be able to provide. Expect refreshments and social time from 9 am and a presentation at 10 am.

All of them, she explained, would cater to seniors who are trying to stay in the home but are finding it hard to stay active in the community, either because of physical disability or deteriorating mental abilities.

The first, and most obvious, option, would be some type of weekly day program. This, said Shannon, could be a five-hour program with lunch included, featuring a whole range of activities from physical exercise and cognitive programs to creative visual arts, guest speakers and musical performances.

"The key is that it would be a really social time," she explained. "People need to be able to do things with their peer group in a setting where they're comfortable, where their dignity is not compromised."

If there is not enough interest in a regular day program, other options would include shorter programs focused on specific activities.

"I'm really hoping to get some good feedback from the meeting, so we can set up something that meets the community's needs," said Shannon. That includes the needs of caregivers as well, she noted, as those looking after seniors often find them overworked and needing a break – access to a day program, for instance, would give those caregivers a weekly chance to get caught up.

Shannon, who was an art teacher and a carpenter before entering the Sheridan program, said her chosen field is great because it combines all of her interests in one place.

"What really excites me about it is that it's a



Karen Shannon

chance to provide seniors with respect – to ensure they are able to maintain the quality of life that they deserve."

Seniors and caregivers are encouraged to attend Shannon's introductory meeting and have their say about what kind of programs should be offered.

For more information contact 705-446-6252.

OPP seeing drop in longweekend traffic deaths

(ORILLIA, ON) - With a busy 2013 Labour Day Long Weekend behind them, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) reported three fatalities in OPP jurisdiction over the weekend, but they are relieved to see a steady decline in the number of Labour Day weekend traffic deaths.

As part of their ongoing efforts to save lives, the OPP stepped up enforcement on highways, waterways and trails over the weekend and particular attention was being cast on motorists who were caught driving distracted.

Sadly, a 16 year-old male died after being struck by a motor vehicle while he was skateboarding. A 41 year-old woman died in a motor vehicle collision after being ejected from the vehicle and another man (age unconfirmed) died when he lost control of his off-road vehicle (ORV).

"Despite the tragic loss of three lives this past weekend, when we look at the last five years, I am encouraged to see a 23 per cent decline in Labour Day weekend fatal road crashes in OPP jurisdiction and a 100 per cent drop in marine fatalities on OPP policed waterways," said Chief Superintendent Don, Bell, Commander, OPP Highway Safety Division. "In contrast, Labour Day weekend ORV fatalities are up 25 per cent over the same fiveyear period and I encourage the ORV community to work with the OPP to reduce these numbers," added Bell.

"It was disappointing to see distracted drivers continue to pose a risk to road users this past weekend, with our officers laying 397 distracted driving charges compared to 107 impaired driving charges", said Deputy Commissioner Larry Beechey, Provincial Commander, Traffic Safety and Operational Support.

According to Beechey, aggressive driving continues to be a significant problem on long weekends and the Labour Day weekend was no exception with 6,078 speeding charges and 64 street racing charges being laid (for driving 50 km/h or more over the posted speed limit).

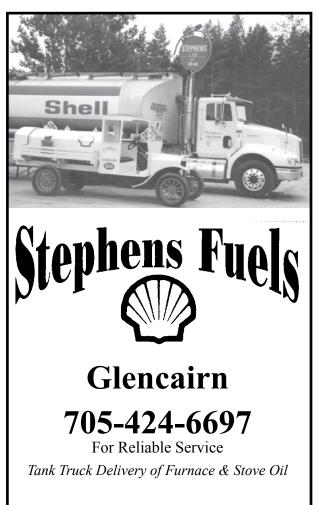
Various other charges were laid, including 535 seat belt charges and a total of 87 Warn Range suspensions were issued to drivers with a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) in the 0.05 to 0.08 range (or 50 to 80 milligrams of alcohol in 100 millilitres of blood).



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$Sudoku^{\,{}_{by}}_{\,Barbara\,\,Simpson}$

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Answer on Classifieds Page

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble _ Rusty, do you know the kind of I bet they would be sweaters Johnny ERJYES Miller wears? Spike!

Find this week's answer in Classifieds by Ken Thornton -



Friday, September 6

Cloudy periods

High 21 Low 8 Winds SW 10 km/h **POP 20%**

Saturday, September 7

Thunder showers

High 23 Low 15 Winds SW 15 km/h **POP 90%**

Sunday, September 8

Variable cloudiness

High 19 Low 11 Winds N 20 km/h POP 30%

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FRED'S FUNNIES

Q. What did the cat say after eating two robins lying in the sun? A. I just love baskin' robins.

Canadian Criss Cross

ACROSS

- 1. Scottish lake
- 5. Hybrid of a grapefruit and tangerine
- 9. Uppercase letters, for short
- 13. Well-qualified
- 14. Area below the abdomen
- 15. Margarine
- 16. Laugh loudly
- 17. Keyboard key
- 18. Sheep's hair
- 19. Lower the dignity of
- 21. Unexpected good 23. Frequently, in poems
- 24. Gem found in an oyster
- 25. Football intermission
- 29. Certain believer in God
- 32. Flightless bird
- 33. Arrive by plane
- 35. Bowling score 37. Pen denizen
- 38. Evening worship
- 40. Enforceable rule
- 41. Cunning untrustworthy man
- 43. Fit and strong
- 44. Lyric poem
- 45. Operate a barrel organ
- 47. Canadian TV series starring Craig Olejnik (with "The")
- 50. Sports collectibles
- 52. Get some sun
- 53. Sort of snake
- 56. Correctly
- 60. Repeated sound
- 61. Finger or toe
- 64. Regular attender
- 65. Muslim ruler's title
- 66. Angry look
- 67. Relating to boys
- 68. Turn down
- 69. Alternatively
- 70. Charitable donations

DOWN

- 1. White cooking fat
- 2. Hautboy
- 3. Seafood item
- 4. Concerning this
- 5. Place for certain ashes
- 6. Understood
- 7. Province of East Belgium
- 8. Encroachment
- 9. English primrose
- 10. Lotion ingredient
- 11. Labourer in Latin America
- 12. Auction cry
- 14. Not Jewish
- 20. At the back of a ship
- 22. One-piece garment
- 24. They exchange letters with each other
- 25. Exclamation of frustration
- 26. In a group of
- 27. Relating to the moon
- 28. Prepare, as potatoes
- 30. Grand sitting room
- 31. Make an exchange
- 34. Lunch spot
- 36. Decorative pitcher
- 38. Able to be bought
- 39. Say again
- 42. Defeat of an opponent
- 46. Machine for digging underwater
- 48. Driveway material
- 49. Mystery
- 51. Safety routine
- 53. Tall marsh plant
- 54. Peak of perfection
- 55. Having a small diameter
- 57. Successful shot
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- 59. Very in French
- 62. Driver's need 63. Anger

September 6, 2013

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SAME TIME, NEXT YEAR AT THEATRE COLLINGWOOD

After the highly successful run of Forever Plaid, Theatre Collingwood is excited to be collaborating with Orillia's Laugh Out Loud team once again for TC's final show of their summer season Same Time Next Year written by Bernard Slade and directed by Dayna Tekatch, this production runs from September 18 to September 28th at the Historic Gayety Theatre.

One of the most popular and romantic comedies of the century, Same Time, Next Year follows the love affair between Doris and George who, while married to others, rendezvous with each other once a year. Twenty-five years of manners and morals are hilariously and touchingly played out by the lovers as the changing world spins around them.

"Our goal this year was to create a season of familiarity", said Executive Director Erica Angus. "We wanted to provide professional shows that were tried and true, perhaps known to our patrons, and sure to provide great talent and entertainment. I believe we have achieved this and our final show of the summer season will not disappoint".

Starring in the role of George, Brian Paul spent 2012 playing Sergeant Thunder in WarHorse at the Princess of Wales Theatre in Toronto. Brian performs across Canada and has been a company member for The Vancouver Playhouse, The Manitoba Theatre Centre, The Blyth Festival, Festival Lennoxville and The Stratford Festival. He also appears in many films and television shows. Recently Brian worked on Murdoch Mysteries, The Listener and the soonto-be-released feature film Mr. Viral.

Alongside Brian Paul and in the role of Doris is the hilarious Robin Clipsam. Actor, director, writer and educator, Robin has spent most of her life in



theatre. Recent credits include Murder In Noirville. and Thumbs (Laugh Out Loud), As You Like It, The Taming of the Shrew, Twelfth Night, The Tempest, and A Midsummer Night's Dream (PRISM Theatre In The Park), Sexy Laundry (Theatre Muskoka) and many more. Robin also teaches drama and improvisational theatre in Muskoka.

Theatre Collingwood has also started a tradition this summer of offering a post-show chat with the actors following each Wednesday matinee. This will be held



directly following the 2 pm matinee on Wednesday, September 25.

Board President, Harold Bickerstaff said "this production is sure to delight you and bring you back to Theatre Collingwood the Same Time, Next Year!"

Tickets for Same Time, Next Year are available online at www.theatrecollingwood.ca, by phone 705-445-2200 or at the box office at 65 Simcoe Street, Collingwood, ON.

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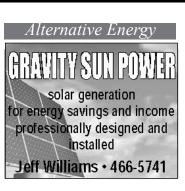


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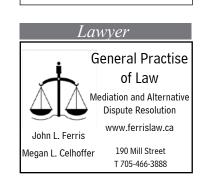
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Spike & Rusty: JERSEY

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DARTS REGISTRATION

Friday Night Mixed Dart League 2013 - 2014 Season Registration on Friday, September 13, 2013 at 7:30 pm at Creemore Legion. For more info contact Mike at 466-3007 or Gail at 520-0055. "All are welcome. Come out, make new friends and enjoy darts in a fun league!"

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THANK YOU

The Dunedin community wish to extend a sincere thank you to all who attended our **Annual Chicken BBQ**. A huge thanks to the workers for a job well done, the youth for their energetic help and the ladies for providing pies, pickles and fresh veggies. A special thanks to Tupling Farms for your generous donation of new potatoes for our BBQ. Your support is greatly appreciated. Knox Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

Thanks to everyone for their good wishes, moral support, cards and goodies during my recent surgery. Special thanks to Dr. Chang and the staff at G&M Hospital. **Bill Bendill**

PICTURES WANTED

I am looking for pictures of the 1967 Dunedin centennial activities. I am hoping *Creemore Echo* readers might have some photos. I lost my photos in a fire years ago. We are trying to create a slide show for my mother's 90th birthday. I thank you in advance. Sheila (McBain) Foster – you can find me on facebook at Sheila Foster



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FOSTER, Courtney Henry - The family of Courtney H. Foster is saddened to announce his sudden passing on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 in Creemore, Ontario. Courtney was in his 75th year, and was pre-deceased by his parents, Courtney and Mary Ellen (Nellie) Foster, and by his brother, Leslie. Courtney will be sadly missed by his siblings, Mary Mateljan (Richard), Alice Foster (Jack Henshaw), Dr. Joseph Foster (Nancy), Leslie's widow, Margaret, by his many nieces and nephews and by his Mexican family. We wish to extend our sincere thanks to Susan McKenzie for her unfailing love and devotion to Courtney. Cremation has taken place, and a gathering of family and friends to celebrate Courtney's life will be held on Sunday September 8, 2013 at Station on the Green, Creemore from 2 to 5 pm. In recognition of special friendships, remembrances in Courtney's memory to either Ronald McDonald House Charities, Canadian Canoe Museum or the Ontario College of Art and Design would be appreciated by Susan and his family. Arrangements under the direction of the Carruthers & Davidson Funeral Home (705-428-2637). For further information and to sign the Book of Memories. Log on to www.carruthersdavidson.com

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Beautiful voices to help St. Luke's

Cantorum Acappella Choir will be making an appearance at St. Luke's Anglican Church on September 22 at 3:00 pm. This will be a fundraiser for St. Luke's improvements to the accessibility ramp and repairs to their beautiful stained glass windows.

Cantorum was formed in 2007 with 13 individuals who wished to learn, examine and sing music which is not often heard but deserves to have an audience, that is, Early Music from the time it was first written until approximately the 17th Century. The choir sings Early Music beginning with Chants of the 12th Century; Madrigals, Motets, Carols, Chansons of the 15th and 16th centuries; polyphonic music of the Renaissance period and music which has been written more recently in these styles. The music may be secular or sacred and sung in various languages. We have recently added period appropriate accompanying instruments for some of our numbers. The Mandolin, Lute, Recorder and

Drum affects, all add a new and interesting dimension to our programmes.

Many Christmas songs are still sung by everyone and easily recognizable, including Adeste Fideles or O Come All Ye Faithful and In Dulci Jubilo.

From its inception the choir has presented programmes at many different venues within the Community. They include the Collingwood Public Library, Apres Ski Services once a month at All Saints' Anglican Church, Doors Open at Trinity United Church, Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts Appreciation Evening, the local Chapter of the Retired Teachers' Association, Tai Chi Christmas luncheon, Christian Reformed Church Adult Group and Raglan Village. In addition, the choir presents a Christmas Concert each November.

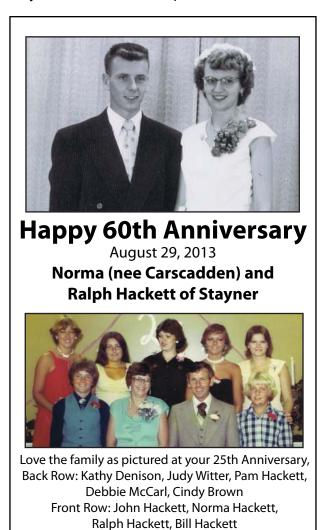
Upcoming presentations will be at the Rob Roy Church, November 3rd and our Christmas Concert, November 24th at All Saints' Church.



A GOOD YEAR FOR TOMATOES — Irene Edwards brought this beautiful beefsteak into the *Echo* office along with the report that is has been a fine year for her favourite crop. This specimen weighed in at 690 grams and is just one of the many she has grown at her home on the 21/22 Sideroad just west of the 6th Line. Though the fruit is plentiful Edwards says they are mostly green and, like so many others, she hSopes for an extended period of warmth and sunshine so they have time to reach ripeness.







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