

# The Creemore ECHO

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News and views in and around Creemore

## GREENHOUSE FEE PROPOSAL A NO-GO

By Kristi Green

A Clearview vegetable grower is urging Council to lower its building fees for greenhouses.

**Zhang Jian Fan** wants to build 40 plastic-covered greenhouses on his farm south of the Collingwood Regional Airport to grow “oriental vegetables” to sell at local and surrounding markets.

However, he feels Council’s latest proposed fee – \$300 per structure – is too high.

Speaking on behalf of Fan at Council’s Monday, October 7 meeting, **Rudy Ouwersloot** of Niagara greenhouse manufacturer, Paul Boers, where Fan purchased the greenhouses, said, “the proposed reduction (from \$437.76 per structure to \$300) doesn’t really address the issue. It will leave the Township wide open to an unfair fee schedule.”

Ouwersloot said the fee was unfair because it applies to any size of plastic greenhouse.

Fan’s greenhouses are 24 feet wide and 96 feet long. Based on the current system, if the greenhouses were larger but there were fewer of them, he would pay fewer fees.

At the Council meeting, Ward 3 Councillor, **Brent Preston** called the \$300 flat fee “wildly unfair.”

“With climate change, we need to

support this kind of operation in our communities.”

Ouwersloot suggested that a fair fee for Fan, based on the building permit fees of other municipalities such as Leamington, St. Thomas, Lincoln and Delhi, would be a total of \$2,000.

Fan and Ouwersloot originally approached the Township in August when they realized Fan would have to pay a total of \$17,510.40 for the project. This is based on Clearview’s current fee of 19 cents per square foot of greenhouse.

In September, Council offered to reduce the fee to \$300 per greenhouse.

Clearview’s building permit fees were calculated in 2008 by Tunnock Consulting Ltd. to reflect the “real costs of running the department,” said **Scott McLeod**, Clearview’s Chief Building Official. These costs include employees and their benefits, as well as support such as computers, data entry and education.

“In our mind this [\$17,510.40] fee seems extremely high compared to the value of the investment. It is also out of line with other municipalities where greenhouses are more plentiful,” said Ouwersloot, in his original letter to Council on behalf of Fan, who is unable to speak fluently in English.

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**JUMPING FOR JOY** – TD Bank Group branch manager **Laurie Wilson** (left) and Curiosity House Books manager **Jenn Hubbs** (right) literally jumped for joy when Laurie presented the bookstore with a \$1000 cheque from TD head office last Monday, October 7, to support Creemore’s participation in the IFOA.

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**NO ONE-HORSE TOWN** – Members of the Toronto and North York Hunt “rode to hounds” through Creemore not once – but twice! – on Saturday, October 12. For more photos, go to [www.thecreemoreecho.com](http://www.thecreemoreecho.com).

## Creemore now part of Authors Festival

By Kristi Green

For the first time ever, the Toronto-based International Festival of Authors has put Creemore on its map.

On Saturday, October 26, authors **Nicole Lundrigan**, **Janet E. Cameron**, **Lewis De Soto**, and **Sam Lipsyte** will read from their new works at Station on the Green at 7 pm. Tickets are on sale for \$20 at Curiosity House Books or online at [www.litontour.com](http://www.litontour.com).

**Jenn Hubbs**, Manager of Curiosity House Books, has been planning the event since the spring. Back then, she was making calls, filling out application forms and enduring

telephone conference call interviews to ensure that the IFOA would include Creemore as part of its “Lit On Tour” program.

Now in its seventh year, “Lit On Tour” links IFOA authors with bookstores, libraries, universities and communities to present their work across Ontario.

“It’s a chance for authors who wouldn’t normally come to the area, to have their work seen and heard here,” said Hubbs.

Nicole Lundrigan is one of those authors who is coming to town to read  
(See “Authors” on page 8)




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## This Weekend

### Saturday, October 19

- **St. James' Anglican Church, Clougher-Lisle Annual Craft, Lunch & Bake Sale** in Lisle Legion Hall from 10 am to 3 pm.
- **GNE Craft Show** from 10 am to 4 pm at the Agricultural Building on GNE Fairgrounds, 2220 Fairgrounds Road north of Hwy 91.
- **The Colours of Autumn Photography Workshop** from 10 am to 2 pm. Join photographer Bryan Davies and learn to create exciting photographs of the fall colours in Clearview. Suitable for photographers of all levels. Bring your point-and-shoot, phone camera, or

digital SLR. Cost \$35. Call 705-466-5775.

- **Turkey Shoot** at 10 am at New Lowell Legion.

### Sunday, October 20

- **Church Services** are on page 5.
- **Stanton Hotel Benefit Concert** at 2 pm at Whitfield Church, Centre Rd & 10 Sideroad Mulmur. Featuring **Carl Tafel** on guitar & vocals. Minimum \$10 donation, with all proceeds going toward the restoration of the 1863 Stanton Hotel. This event was rescheduled from Oct. 6. Contact highcounty@sympatico.ca for information.

- **Honeywood United Church Turkey Supper** in Honeywood Arena from 5 to 7 pm. Adults \$14, children \$6.
- **First Baptist Church, Stayner Anniversary Gospel Concert** at 7 pm with Dave Randall and 4ONE. Freewill offering. Refreshments to follow. All welcome.

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- **Gospel Services** at 4 pm at the Station on the Green each of these Sundays. The Bible in purity and simplicity presented reverently and freely. For more information call 705-428-5473. Everyone welcome.

## Upcoming Events

### Friday, October 25

- **Toonie Lunch** at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline Street West from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Come enjoy some homemade soup.

### Saturday, October 26

- **Wasaga Beach YMCA Annual Run Just For Fun** from 9 am to noon. Run or walk 2 km, 5 km, or 10 km. Event starts at the Oakview Woods Gazebo in Wasaga Beach, route takes you on town trails & along Beach 5 and 6. BBQ, face painting, DJ. Early Bird: \$10 per person, \$30 per family (includes t-shirt). After October 18: \$12 per person, \$38 per family (includes t-shirt, first come first serve). Register at the Wasaga Beach YMCA front desk, contact jenny\_marlatt@ymca.ca or call 705-429-9622 for more information.
- **Wasaga Beach YMCA 1st Annual Winter Trunk Sale** from 9 am to noon. Got junk in your trunk? Sell and buy new and almost new items. Emphasis is on winter clothing, sports equipment, and toys. \$25 per parking spot to sell items – register by October 25 at 5 pm. Register at the Wasaga Beach YMCA front desk, contact jenny\_marlatt@ymca.ca or call 705-429-9622 for more information.
- **Children's Halloween Parade** at Nottawa United Church from 10 am to noon. Free event. Wear your costumes!
- **Dalton Lowe's 80th Birthday Come & Go Party** from 2 to 5 pm at Stayner Arena Hall. No gifts please! Please wear a fedora or other type of hat!
- **Roast Pork Supper & Silent Auction** at 6 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church, 160 King St. S., Alliston. Adults \$15, children 5-12 \$5. For tickets call 705-435-5081.
- **I FOA Creemore (International Festival of Authors)** at Station on the Green at 7 pm. Tickets \$20 available at Curiosity House or www.litontour.com.

- **The Black Family Live in Concert** from 7 to 9 pm. A fundraiser for New Lowell United Church. Accessibility for All. Call Jen at 705-424-8687.
- **Halloween Party** at Brentwood Hall from 9 pm to 1 am. A night of music, costumes & prizes. Call 705-424-0706 for tickets.

### Saturday, October 26 to Sunday, November 3

- **Fifth Avenue Collection Jewellery Open House and Closing Sale** at 9230 Webster Road, Glencairn. Every day from 9 am to 5 pm. Impeccable quality, handmade, beautiful jewellery with lifetime guarantee. Refreshments, door prizes, "thank you" gifts. Great savings for those one-of-a-kind and discontinued pieces. For more information, call Sharon at 705-466-3520.

### Sunday, October 27

- **Creemore Legion Breakfast** from 8:30 to 11 am. A Belgian waffle with fruit, syrup & whipped cream or two eggs, bacon or sausage, home fries, toast, juice, coffee or tea all for \$5.



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# Large-scale operation

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Ouwersloot says Fan was “caught off-guard” when he learned the amount of the building permit fees in Clearview. Ouwersloot offered to take the issue to Clearview for him. Fan purchased the greenhouses from Ouwersloot in September.

But McLeod said “[building fees are] very specific to each municipality. Others may choose to have permits supplemented by taxes.”

In addition, McLeod believes this is a “one-off” situation. “There has never been a larger scale greenhouse operation that I am aware of,” he said.

“It’s not the first time someone has requested reduced building permit fees, but it is the first time it’s relative to greenhouses.”

Ouwersloot believes that Council is working on a solution that will be more fair.

“You have to be on the same playing field as other jurisdictions or no one is going to build greenhouses in that area,” he said.

Ouwersloot said that Clearview’s harsh weather and high snowfall have interfered with greenhouse use in the past. However, he is now seeing a new wave of immigrants who want to grow vegetables north of Toronto in places like Clearview, where land is more affordable than in areas such as Niagara.

At its Monday, October 7 meeting, Council opened the floor to the public. However, Ouwersloot was the only person to speak.

In the meantime, Fan is prepared to pay the \$17,510.40 fee so he can continue with his project.

Fan says using plastic greenhouses is the most environmentally sustainable way of growing food because it extends the growing season; protects crops from rain, wind or hail; reduces water and fertilizer consumption compared to outdoor growing; is not weather-dependent and has little effect on storm water management. As well, he says it creates less crop damage from insects and fewer weeds.

# OPP update

The OPP is urging people to call them when they see anyone driving dangerously.

On Monday, October 14, the OPP responded to a traffic complaint they received about an individual who was speeding in a car on County Road 9. They were not able to find the vehicle.

People who witness dangerous driving should call 1-888-310-1122 with as much information about the vehicle as they can get.



**FIRE DEPARTMENT DONATES TRUCK** – Firefighters from Clearview Fire Department Station 6 in Nottawa stand in front of the “pumper tanker” the Fire Department donated on Sunday, September 29 to the Township of Gauthier, which is east of Kirkland Lake. After selling a fire truck to the community of about 123 people last year, Clearview decided to donate this one. The truck is almost 30 years old and will be able to provide Gauthier with the level of service it needs.



**In memory** – The Nottawasaga Junior Farmers donated two picnic tables to Gowan Memorial Park in memory of their friend and fellow Junior Farmer, Conner Sampson, who passed away in 2012. Conner enjoyed spending time at the park watching the Creemore Braves play ball. The group thanks everyone who helped make this donation possible.

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## EDITORIAL

### Great 'Giving

I was blown away by Thanksgiving in this town. Farmers' Market, coloured leaves, cider-making, apple pies, horses and hounds... Really, Creemore, you know how to do it right.

Since moving here, I've noticed this community knows how to pull together. Walking to raise money for a cancer cure, stocking up the Food Bank, organizing the GNE, Arts Fest, Authors Festival, the lunches, brunches and dinners. After my first couple of interviews, I came home with a set of wine glasses and a bag of zucchini. At the *Echo* office, a bushel of apples once appeared at my feet and an apple pie at my desk.

Giving bolsters community and there are health benefits, too. One study showed that charitable work literally makes the heart grow stronger. It also reduces stress and increases happiness. Who wouldn't want that?

As the year rolls on, let's keep on giving. Halloween is just around the corner and there is the Santa Claus Parade to plan. See you out there, Creemore, enjoying our town, the events, and mostly, each other.

## THE WAY WE WERE



This picture ran in the very first "The Way We Were" on May 1, 2009 after **Noel VanWalleghe** brought it to the *Echo* office. It shows Noel and his parents, Alice and Jerry, in front of the Creemore Meat Market in about 1964. Noel's parents bought the business from the Johnston Brothers in 1947 and Noel took over when he was 21.

If you have an old photo to contribute to this page, we'd love to see it! Email info@creemore.com, call 705-466-9906 or drop in to 3 Caroline Street West anytime.

## LETTER

### CARA OKs electoral review

Dear Editor,

CARA supports the consultant's recommendations on electoral reform. We also appreciate Council's efforts with electoral reform to increase accountability to the electorate providing more parity of voting power in Clearview.

At the town hall meeting at the Station on the Green on Saturday, September 14, Chris Raible eloquently observed that Clearview Township was created as an amalgamation of areas with unique and different interests. The northwest relates more to Collingwood, the east relates more to Angus and Barrie, and the Creemore area has more in common with Mulmur. As such, Clearview naturally reflects a wide diversity of interests. Paraphrasing his remarks: reorganization does not always lead to expected salvation!

In these circumstances, ward representation seems more appropriate than at-large representation. The at-large representation has some appeal, most notably with councillors accountable to all the electorate. However, at the meeting, the consultant observed that at-large representation is more appropriate for homogeneous areas. He also noted that, in an at-large election, the Stayner area could have enough votes to elect all of the councillors. An at-large system is considerably more expensive for running a campaign, which may deter some potential candidates from running. There have also been instances in other Ontario communities where an at-large system led to multiple councillors from one area, with no representation from other areas within the municipality.

The next question is whether we would prefer to stay with seven wards or reduce the number to five. The cost savings with a reduction of two would not be very significant. (A real problem on the cost side is the challenge to the administration

of managing its costs in a no-growth situation. The number of staff grows, salaries grow and taxes go up.) Also, at present, the Creemore area has two of seven councillors. Under a five-councillor option, it would have one of five. For this reason, CARA prefers a seven-councillor system.

Lastly, it appears that there should be a change in the boundaries of the wards, to better balance the populations in each. Of the three options presented by the consultant, the directors prefer option 7A. It seems to best divide Clearview into wards that have internal communities of interests (unlike Ward 5 at present, which has part of Stayner with an agricultural area to the east, and Wards 1 and 2, which seem to artificially split Nottawa from Batteaux). In option 7A, there is better clarity of urban and agricultural areas. Stayner would have two representatives, as at present (and not three as in option 7C).

For these reasons, CARA supports option 7A (or 7A with the proposed modifications) and would urge Council to accept this model as its recommendation on Monday, October 21.

**Jim McCartney and Greg Young**  
Creemore Area Residents' Association

## LETTER

### Building a brand

To *The Creemore Echo*,

A comment re: your Friday, October 11 issue: "Council briefs."

I was disappointed in Councillor Preston's comment, "wanting to just get on with it." This was referring to the development of a brand name for the municipality of Clearview.

I've heard this type of statement before in my 40 years in the marketing advertising business.

The process of building a product to meet a consumer need, managing that product, having it placed on a supermarket shelf, and having done the necessary testing of a name for the product is extremely complex, expensive and requires a disciplined approach.

My recommendation to you is to search for the brightest marketing people who have a proven record in the management of brand marketing, assessing it, etc. Plus who have access to groups of brilliant creative people. This combination should help you in fulfilling your objective for the marketing portion of the business plan for Clearview. I'll not tread into that area.

This is a big step forward. A serious step for the future health of Clearview.

My best wishes,

**Stan Buda**, Creemore

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# Creemore Big Heart Seniors

There were 49 in attendance today and the 50/50 draws went to **Norma Johnston, Isabelle Gubbels, Patty Reddy, Joan Monaghan, Lydia Gartner, Irma Flack and Ruby Klinck.**

Moonshots were played by **Bert Douglas, Janice Stephens, Alinda Bishop, Carol Faulkner and Roy Veinot.** Roy won both the travelling prize and the "Sidewinder's" loot; **Dave Smith** was the only sidewinder present to pay up. High scores were **Evelyn Warden** 306, **Janice Stephens** 287, **George Blakney** 283, and **Doreen (Grose) Perry** 264. Low was **Marion Kelly** with 117.

**Evelyn Warden** said, "Ray, why should an angry witch not drive?" **Ray** didn't know, so **Evelyn** said, "She might fly off the handle!" After that, **Ruby Klinck** had a cute story which everyone also enjoyed.

Our thanks to **Barb Cudmore** for setting up our coffee and tea amongst other things, and also thanks to **Marion Kelly** for quietly keeping an eye out for anything that needs her magic touch to keep things running smoothly such as helping **Ray** with the tickets. We actually have a pretty fine group for everything up to and including heading to the kitchen to clean up



SENIORS

Sylvia GALE

after potluck lunch, wiping tables, putting out the cards and score sheets, etc., etc., etc. With the foundation of **Ray, Dave, and Irma** – a hard group to beat!

Sorry to hear **Russ Miller's** hip operation was postponed for three to six months because of heart problems. We were all hoping **Russ'** operation would be over and he would be on the mend, 'cause he's such a nice friendly guy and deserves a break from pain.

The other evening, I received a call from **Lydia (Grose) Gartner** from Elliott Lake, who mentioned she and her siblings were in the area for the funeral of her sister **Gladys'** husband, Doug Broderick. We had a nice chat and I discovered that a lot of her siblings were in the area in places like Barrie, Stayner, etc., and sister **Ruth** is settled in Alberta. Our sympathies to you all on the loss of a fun-loving family member. Myself and several others are distant cousins of the Grose family as we are related through the Ferguson connection.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to **Marlene Pifer** on the recent death of her husband Roy. There is quite a large connection in both **Marlene** and Roy's families and because of his genuinely

friendly and helpful nature, he was well-liked. Our condolences go out to all the extended families.

We are again fortunate to have another member of the "wicked westerners" supposedly visiting here but in reality working hard to help us at this time. This is grandgirl **Shannon (Shier) Kirk** and the only problem is we are losing her in a couple of days. We also again want to thank **Shawn** and **Mark Murphy** for being our unbelievably helpful taxi service to and from the airport.

The last one we had home was grandboy **Curtis Kidd** who rented a car for transportation to and from the airport. When he drove to the airport to catch his flight home, he turned in the rental car, grabbed his suitcase and went into the terminal. He checked his luggage and was just lining up to board the flight when he put his hand in his pocket and realized he had no truck keys for his vehicle back in Alberta. He suddenly remembered that he had left a small travel bag on the back seat of the rental car with his keys and other important items in it. This is when he

came to an understanding of why the powers that be had equipped him with such good long legs. He tore back out to the rental office only to find they had already parked the car back out in the lot. He got the keys and sprinted out into the lot, grabbed his missing case and went into overdrive to try to catch his flight. He got there in time to find the doors just closing in front of him – the extra spurt of adrenaline carried him through the door and onto the flight. This gave **Curtis** one more saga to add to his multiple close calls in the art of living.

We had a thoroughly enjoyable Thanksgiving supper with all the remaining **Jordan** siblings (**Pat, Jerry** and **Sylvia**). We got to telling stories from when we were kids, which was good for a lot of laughs and some near tears. One thing for sure, we were not pampered children but we absolutely had a wonderful childhood.

Sorry to hear that **Andy Dymond** took the fastest way to get the floor and dislocated his little finger and chipped his wrist and smacked his forehead when he landed. Here's hoping you're soon feeling better, Andy.

## A NOTE FROM SYLVIA'S KIDS:

Hello, everyone! As most of you know, our Mom (Sylvia Gale) has been struggling with some health issues recently. Her birthday is coming up soon and she is not quite up to the rowdy party that we had hoped to have for her. So, we are looking at "Plan B."

She is turning 75 on Saturday, November 2, and we would like to have a "Birthday Card Extravaganza!" We are hoping people will mail her a birthday card – no emails, please – but a real old-fashioned birthday card to help us with her special day.

We are really hoping she can receive 75 cards, one for each of her years. We know she has friends near and far, but we don't think she knows just how many (or from how far away), so please help us out with this secret mission to show her how many wonderful friends and relatives she has that care so much about her. Many thanks in advance!

Sharon, Terry, Carol and Laurie

Here's how you can mail a card to our Mom:

**Sylvia Gale, Box 11, RR #3, Creemore, ON, L0M 1G0**

## LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY

### Sunday, October 20

#### CREEMORE UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE

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**BREAKFAST FOR A CAUSE** – (Left to right:) Ladies Auxiliary members **Marg Falls** and **Cathy Traverse** of Creemore, and **Carol Percy** of Angus, served a tasty – and almost neverending! – meal to lucky brunchers at the Creemore Legion on Saturday, October 5. Proceeds went to "Leave the Streets Behind," which helps veterans who are homeless find support.

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**THE PIE THAT TOOK THE CAKE** — After baking an apple pie that came in 4th place last year, mother-daughter duo **Lily White** and **Keri Lammle** returned on Saturday, October 12 to take the top prize at the 6th Annual Apple Pie Contest, organized by the Creemore Heritage Apples Society. In the photo at left, Lily (middle) and Keri (right) are joined by Lily's granddaughter and Keri's daughter, **Kelsey Lammle** (far left).

Throughout the morning, **Al Clarke** (above) guided the five judges' taste buds through a tough battle between 15 apple pies. The judges rated the appearance, crust, flavour and texture of the pies. **Carrie Archibald** took 2nd place for the second year in a row; **Stephen Loewg** and **Catherine Morrissey** came in 3rd; **Annette Chaison** 4th; **Brian Koturbash** 5th; and **Jennifer Van Tol** earned the 6th-place ribbon.

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## Farmers' Market grew in 2013

On Saturday, October 12, the Farmers' Market said farewell to another successful season, one in which new vendors helped it to bloom.

"The Farmers' Market really thrived this year," said **Sarah Hallett**, President of the Farmers' Market (below right). Hallett, who sells baked goods from Roseberry Farms said the market had an unprecented 44 vendors on its opening and closing weekends. On the other Saturdays, 28 to 35 vendors participated.

"It was really busy with lots of new vendors and customers coming and returning," she said. "As the new vendors come, they bring new people with them."

Throughout the spring, summer and fall, visitors came from far and wide – and Creemore – to greet vendors and friends, buy bread, baked goods, cheese, olive oil, crafts and vegetables, handmade soap from **Jenn Jansen** and son **Corben Lucas** at From the Blue House (below, left), admire **Al Matchett's** rock heads for the garden (bottom) and see (and taste!) apples being pressed into cider by **Ian McLeod** (right).

Next year's Farmers' Market begins on Victoria Day weekend in May 2014. If you can't wait until then, the Christmas Market will take place on Saturday, December 7 at Station on the Green. Stay tuned for a market next Easter, too.



## Lucca Found!



**Thank you for rallying to help us find Lucca. Many of you called with sightings and helped us search the area near our home.**

**You all contribute to a terrific community here that we are proud to be a part of.**

**- Leslie and Doug Trott**



# Authors share their stories

(Continued from page 1)

from her new book, *The Widow Tree*.

For Lundrigan, this fifth novel marks a departure from her earlier work. For one, *The Widow Tree* is set in the former Yugoslavia in 1953, rather than in Newfoundland, where Lundrigan was raised. And while her other books all contained elements of suspense, she characterizes this one as a mystery.

Seeds for *The Widow Tree* were sewn when Lundrigan's father-in-law told her a story about his uncle in Yugoslavia, who found a handful of gold Roman coins in a field one day. Instead of giving the 2,000-year-old coins to the authorities, he kept them.

While the story fascinated her, Lundrigan wasn't sure she could pull off the fictional relocation.

"It was unnerving to write a book about someone else's culture, especially with Yugoslavia's complicated history and political situation," she explained. But instead of being dissuaded, she kept her focus on the universal theme of human emotion.

Where does she get her inspiration? "I have no idea," Lundrigan said. "I used to think of clever answers to that question when I first started writing [in

2000], but now it's the little things, the everyday things. If I waited for massive inspiration, then I would never write."

For Lundrigan, the way to be a writer is to persist. A former graduate student, Lundrigan intended to pursue a PhD in anthropology. But after her daughter was born in 1998, she published a story about her water birth in *Mothering* magazine. She continued to write for magazines while caring for her daughter before deciding to embark on a novel.



Nicole Lundrigan

"I didn't intend to be a writer," she explained. "I think if I had known how difficult it would be, I would have been a little more nervous. Instead, I told myself, somewhat naively, 'I'm going to write a book and someone will publish it'."

Writing a book was harder than she imagined because it took a "huge amount of discipline," she said. Lundrigan made sure she took time out of every day – usually late at night – to sit at the computer and write, while balancing the demands of family life including homeschooling her daughter.

"You need to be disciplined and write what feels honest," she said. "If you want to be a writer, you have to make a choice to write."

## Free IFOA tickets for students

When Creemore resident **Tony Fry** learned that the International Festival of Authors (IFOA) was sending four writers to Creemore as part of its "Lit On Tour" initiative, he thought the youth of Clearview should know about it, too.

So, Fry, who founded Ray's Place with Jim Vandewater in Creemore eight years ago, visited guidance counsellors at Clearview's four high schools in Stayner, Collingwood and Angus to offer students free tickets to the Saturday, October 26 event.

Ray's Place is a youth resource centre that encourages kids ages 13 to 17 to continue their education beyond high school, enter post-secondary education or earn a trade license, college diploma or a university degree.

The Creemore Area Residents' Association is paying for the cost of the students' tickets.

"We're trying to raise the intellectual level of the youth in Clearview," said Fry, who is also on the board of the Creemore Area Residents' Association. "More than one-third of the high school graduates in this Township do not go on to receive post-secondary education here. Anything we can do to encourage intellectual involvement for kids is fantastic."

On Saturday, October 26, 19-year-old **Christa Rowe** will be one of those students in the audience. An aspiring writer who has already had her work published, she is most looking forward to finding out how the authors balance writing with a job.

"I'd like to make a living as a writer, but I am not sure how," explained Rowe, who graduated from Stayner Collegiate Institute last spring. "I don't want to be rude about it, but I need to make a living, so I want to know how to survive."

**Are you a student who is interested in going to the IFOA reading on Thursday, October 26? Contact Ray's Place at 705-466-3663 or info@raysplaceyrc.com.**

## Echo brief

Former Clearview Township Fire Chief **Bob McKean** is scheduled to appear in Milton Court on Monday, October 21. He is expected to enter a plea for charges of impaired driving and dangerous driving.

On Saturday, June 29, OPP stopped McKean who was driving his car the wrong way on Highway 407 with his three children inside. McKean was charged with impaired operation of a motor vehicle, operating a vehicle with more than 80 mgs of alcohol and dangerous operation of a vehicle.



### My Friend's House Is looking for BOARD MEMBERS

My Friend's House is a working Board, committed to the mission of providing safe shelter, care and counselling to abused women and their children. Their focus is to raise community awareness of the services My Friend's House provides in the Georgian Triangle and ensure the necessary resources are available to sustain My Friend's House long term.

In the next year, the Board of Directors will continue to focus their efforts on increasing the level of support My Friend's House receives from the community by enhancing our presence and organizing events to raise funds.

My Friend's House is seeking Board Members who believe in our cause and possess the time and skills to support the following activities:

#### Fundraising, Marketing and Communications, Event Planning/Event Management and Financial Management

If you are a collaborative leader with a positive outlook and a desire to make a difference, we'd love to hear from you. Please send along a letter of interest by **November 1, 2013** and we'll advise on next steps.

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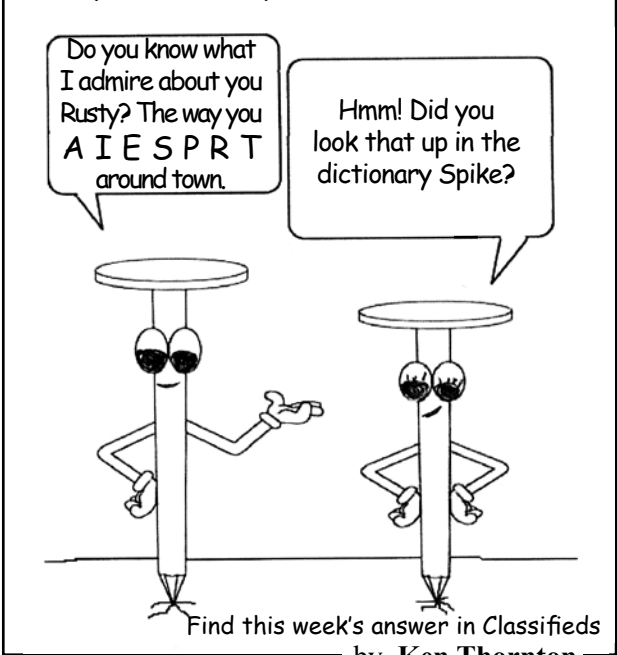
# FUN & Games

## Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answer on Classifieds Page

## Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



## CREEMORE Weekend Weather

### Friday, October 18

Variable cloudiness  
High 13 Low 7 Winds W 20 km/h  
POP 30%

### Saturday, October 19

Cloudy with showers  
High 10 Low 6 Winds SW 25 km/h  
POP 60%

### Sunday, October 20

Cloudy with showers  
High 9 Low 2 Winds SW 25 km/h  
POP 60%

Wishing you a pleasant Weekend

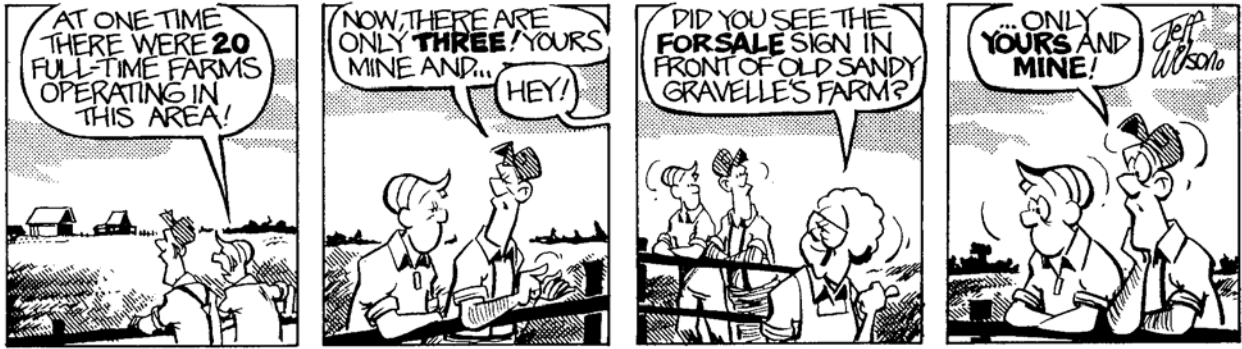
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## The AVRIDGE FARM

by JEFF WILSON



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All of them. For it is written:  
"All of my angels shall sing my praises in  
one Accord."

## Canadian Criss Cross

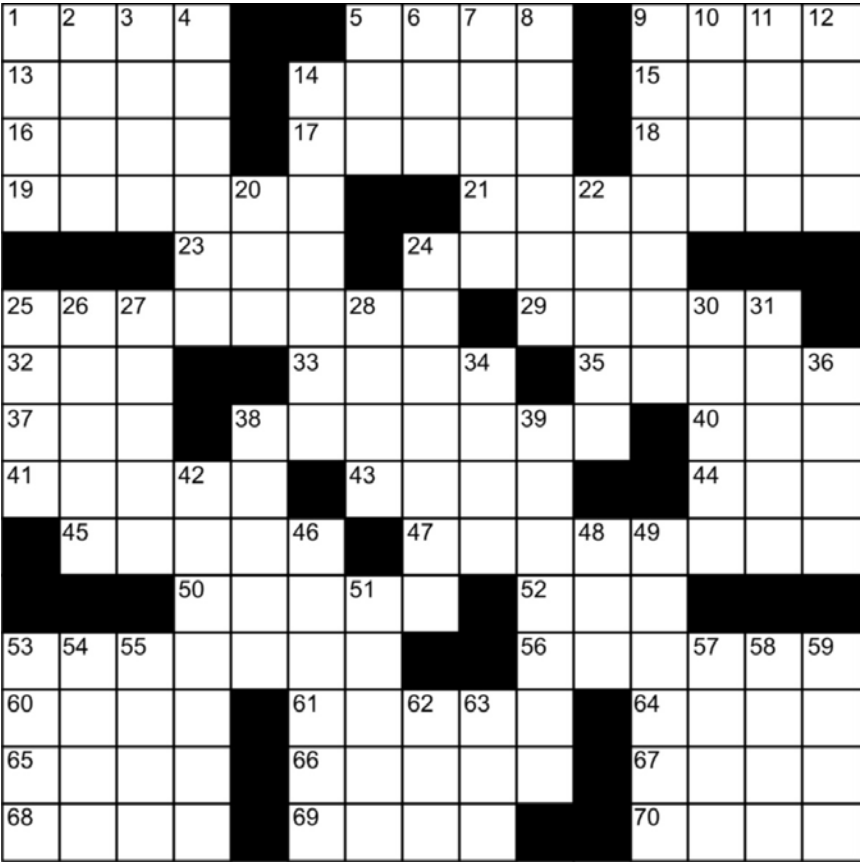
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### ACROSS

- Piece of riding gear
- Formula One race car driver from Vancouver
- Wild party
- Head of the Roman Catholic church
- Roll of tobacco for smoking
- Two-dimensional space
- At another time
- Turn away from sin
- Make land ready for cultivation
- Drying frame
- Kind of psychology
- Take in food
- Pertaining to the kidney
- Actors' costumes
- Water vapour
- Eggs
- Produced by the voice
- Off the top of your head
- Remaining after all deductions
- Partial resemblance
- \_\_\_ cream
- Investigation of a case before a judge
- Data entry acronym
- Bikini top
- Damage beyond repair
- Action causing rebellion against the government
- Give medical aid to
- Scatter seed for growing
- Canadian author who wrote "The Sacrifice"
- Unexplained thing
- Available space
- Backless sofa
- Row of theatre seats
- Sitting on
- Correct by changing the wording
- Squeeze into an insufficient space
- Breathe hard
- Immediately following
- Devoted to God

### DOWN

- Come down like raindrops
- Cornbread
- Au courant
- Like most tuxedos
- Cutting part of a drill
- The conscious mind
- Chain of mountains
- Leafy vegetables
- Fought against
- Opera solo
- Talk into
- Stop moving
- Animated film
- Pitcher handle
- Indonesian dish
- Dreamer's opposite
- Refuses to
- Ward off
- Numerical comparison
- Toot one's own horn
- Suspect's story
- Abnormally small prefix
- Theatre box
- Kidney \_\_\_
- Fill with apprehension
- Something unexpected but welcome
- Make an effort
- Heavy
- Electrically charged particle
- Move spasmodically
- West Indian resin
- Cover with paper
- Very small quantity
- Before long
- British financial system
- Food served and eaten at one time
- Ground forces
- Give a hard time to
- Hill-building insect



October 11 Answer



# On the road and back again

I guess by this time you might have noticed that my column and recipes haven't appeared in the *Echo* for a while.

That's because I've been on the road on-and-off for the past six weeks or so. Not much time for cooking (or food writing), and way too many restaurant meals. In Vancouver, I had a deconstructed Caesar salad that was the strangest room service meal I've had in a long time. I always thought there was not much you could do with a Caesar salad, but I was wrong! I also had one of best desserts ever – a delicious poached pear with toasted almonds and fruit coulis that was as pretty as a picture (yes, I did take one).

Last week, I was in downtown Montreal, and I could have given my right arm for some fresh fruit. I finally found a Provigo grocery store after two days of looking. I was greatly reminded of the lyrics from Alanis Morissette's song, "Ironie": *It's like ten thousand spoons, when all you need is a knife*, except in my case, it was 10,000 French pâtisseries when all I needed was a banana! Anyway, I have survived to cook another day and am glad to be back with the family and in my beloved kitchen once more.

Now that Thanksgiving dinner is over and done, my thoughts are turning to soup. I love everything about making soup – it's one of those special culinary routines that takes me away from everything else going on in my

CREEMORE DISH



Elaine COLLIER

life and transports me to the Zen zone of cooking.

I love poking around the fridge, freezer and cupboards to see what I can toss in the soup pot this time. I love chopping the veggies, adding a handful of this, a tablespoon of that, and coming up with

something really tasty. I love lifting the lid off the soup pot, then taking a big steamy whiff of everything that's bubbling away in there. It's really hard to mess up making soup, although **Stephen** once made an egg drop soup that was a tad lip-puckering. He thought the measurement was half a cup of lemon juice rather than half a tablespoon!

This week's recipe is a very hearty soup that will stick to your ribs on a cold autumn night. In fact, you can make it so thick that it could also be called a stew, hence the name. I've given you some notes for a vegetarian version as well.

I hope you enjoy it and I will be back again soon! I'm off to make a pot of curried corn chowder which is **Stephen's** all-time favourite. Hmmm, I have two pie pumpkins still hanging around looking a bit forlorn – maybe I'll make some creamy pumpkin-apple soup while I'm at it...

Feedback is great and I would love to hear it. Email me at [elaine@avalonclearview.com](mailto:elaine@avalonclearview.com). Until next time, eat well, live well...

## Hearty Lentil Sausage Souper Stew

- 2 1/2 cups dried brown lentils
- 2 celery stalks, diced
- 1 large carrot, diced
- 1 large cooking onion, diced
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil, divided into 2 teaspoons and 1 teaspoon
- 28 fluid ounce can Italian flavoured diced tomatoes
- 2 teaspoons dried marjoram
- 1 teaspoon ground thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 1/2 teaspoons sea salt
- 1/2 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
- Water (see below)
- 10 Country Naturals Original Sausage Snacks (gluten free)

Rinse and drain lentils. After opening the can of diced tomatoes, drain the liquid into a 4-cup measure. Top up with water until you have 4 cups of fluid.

Heat a large soup pot to medium heat, then add 2 teaspoons olive oil, chopped celery, carrots and onion. Cook for about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Don't let the onions brown. Add the drained lentils, diced tomatoes and 4 cups fluid to the pot, stirring gently. Add the dried marjoram, thyme, salt and pepper. Bring to a quick boil, and then simmer for at least 40 minutes or until lentils are tender, stirring occasionally. You may need to add more water (last time I made this, I added an extra 3/4 cup) depending on how thick you would like your finished soupy stew to be.

While the soup is simmering away on the back burner, cut the ends off the sausage snacks and then cut into bite-sized pieces. Heat a frying pan to medium heat, add 1 teaspoon olive oil and the sausage pieces, then sauté for about 5 minutes, turning pieces to lightly brown on all sides. Set aside until you are within 5 minutes of finishing cooking the lentil mixture. Add the sausage pieces, stir and cook for 5 minutes. Serve with some crusty bread and you have a delicious, filling meal.

Note: Vegetarians can just as easily omit the sausage snacks or use a meat substitute. The smokiness of the sausage does add an extra element of flavour.

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## CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCES

Back by popular demand New Lowell Legion is once again hosting a Christmas Dinner and Dance for small to medium size groups at the dates below. We provide a tasty Turkey Dinner prepared by a Professional Chef and served by volunteers for only \$22 per person. Followed by a fun evening of dancing. Music provided by a D.J. Book early to avoid disappointment. Dates available are: Saturdays November 16, 23 and 30, December 7 and 14. For your reservations call Roy at 705-424-2690.

## THANK YOU

A very special thank you to my family for arranging a great 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party. To celebrate with so many family and friends was so special. Former Junior Farmers, Simmental cattle breeders and Belgian horse enthusiasts from all across Ontario as well as a special visitor from Calgary, Alberta, brought back a multitude of memories I will never forget. Thanks again,  
**Milton McArthur**

## THANK YOU

The School Council of Nottawasaga & Creemore Public School would like to thank our community for making the **Nottawasaga and Creemore "Meet the Teacher Night"** a huge success! We would like to take this opportunity to specifically thank the following members of our community for their help and support: Don Akehurst from the Sovereign Restaurant for preparing the delicious beef on a bun; Johnny & Marie Miller "Miller's Dairy" for donating their amazing milk; Giffen's Country Market for donating their delicious apples; The New Farm for donating their wonderful salad and tasty dressing; Creemore Kitchen for donating the Vegan meal options for our event; Mapleton's Organic for a great deal on their fabulous ice cream; BJ Rentals for donating the hand washing station; the staff and students at NCPS for all their hard work. We look forward to seeing all of you back for Breakfast with Santa on December 7, 2013.



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## DEATH NOTICE

**PIFER, Roy** passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, October 12, 2013 in his 69<sup>th</sup> year. Beloved husband of Marlene. Father of Darlene Pifer (Kelly Sparks), Jody (Stacey Marsden), Peter (Cassie Loughhead) and Derek (Bonnie McEachern). Cherished grandfather of Bradley, Luke, Jesse, Kaylee, Cody, Sarah, Alice, Brett, Megan and Alyshia; great grandfather of Bella and Brianna and soon to be Adelynn. Brother of Murray, Norman (Mary), Dennis, Rosie and Marlene; predeceased by brothers Victor, Earl and Elgin and sister Laura. Brother in law to Stan (Sharon), Jack (Shelly), Wayne (Sharon), Bob (Barb), Joan (the late William), Heather and Brenda (Phillip). Friends and family were received at Fawcett Funeral Home – Creemore Chapel on Tuesday, October 15, 2013. Funeral service took place in the chapel on Wednesday, October 16, 2013. Interment at Creemore Union Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family. Friends may visit Roy's online Book of Memories at www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com

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