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CREEMORE VOLUNTEER HONOURED AT QUEEN'S PARK – Jim Wilson, MPP for Simcoe Grey (left) stands with **Norma Friest** (right) at a ceremony in Toronto on Monday, October 21, where Friest received an award for her volunteer work. Read more about her contribution to this community on page 6.

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DAIRY FARMERS CHEESED OFF

By Kristi Green

A new trade agreement making it much easier for European cheese manufacturers to sell their products in Canada has set a dangerous precedent that could spell doom for this country's dairy industry, says Clearview dairy farmer **John Miller**.

Last week, Ottawa agreed to allow more than twice the amount of European cheese into this country without tacking on the previous high tariffs of more than 200 per cent.

Lending his voice to the Dairy Farmers of Canada, which represents Canada's 12,529 dairy farmers, Miller, owner of Jalon Farms near Creemore, warned that the agreement sets the stage for another deal, the Trans-Pacific Partnership, which will further damage Canada's dairy industry.

The Trans-Pacific Partnership is a free-trade agreement that opens up markets between Canada, Mexico, Australia, Brunei, Chile, Malaysia, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, the U.S. and Vietnam. Canada formally joined the Trans-Pacific Partnership trade negotiations one year ago.

Once the Europeans have open access to the Canadian market, other countries in the Trans-Pacific Partnership will want to follow suit, Miller said.

"From our perspective, if the EU trade deal is a dark cloud that came over the industry, the Trans-Pacific is the storm that will hit us," said Miller. "Now that the EU has significant access to the Canadian market, the other countries will want it, too."

But Simcoe-Grey MP, **Dr. Kellie Leitch**, said although there will be changes, the Canadian government will support the farmers through them.

The government is expected to develop the details of the EU agreement over the next few years.

At the signing of the EU agreement-in-principle in Brussels last Friday, Prime Minister **Stephen Harper** said Ottawa will compensate dairy farmers if they lose sales.

"Our farmers will be supported through new markets," said Dr. Leitch. "This area exports a lot to feed Ontario and Canada, and now that is going to extend to Europe."

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Has shy Singhampton ghost gone to "the other side"?

By Kristi Green

The owner of a haunted Singhampton restaurant wonders whether its ghost has finally followed the light.

Sandy Hamilton, owner of Mylar and Loreta's Restaurant, says she hasn't seen the ghost she calls Mylar since last spring, when she felt a presence and saw a shadow pass by.

Mylar and Loreta's is located in Singhampton's first tavern, which was built in the 1850s by Cyrus Sing to house travellers and survey crews who came to town. In recent decades it has operated as a hotel and a general store, and changed hands many times. Hamilton purchased it in 1983 and has been running it as a restaurant ever since.

She says Mylar has been absent for long periods before, which always causes her to question whether she has seen him for the last time.

The wayward ghost first appeared about four months after Hamilton purchased the building.

He usually appears early in the morning or late at night, she says. Hamilton can tell it is Mylar because he is tall and thin and he always wears dark pants, a red plaid shirt and suspenders.

But Mylar is sneaky. Whenever Hamilton tries to focus on his face, she says he disappears.

The restaurant takes its name from a tale in which two lovers, Mylar and Loreta, are separated when Mylar comes to Singhampton to "find his fame and fortune."

After settling in the new land, he sends for Loreta to join him. But she never makes it; her ship goes down at sea. Mylar, however, never stops dreaming of her and may now roam the restaurant awaiting her return.

Hamilton says that Mylar has never frightened her. "I believe in life after death," she explains.

However, one customer swore she





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This Weekend

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. BBQ, face painting, DJ. \$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. Buy new and almost new items from car trunks. Emphasis is on winter clothing, sports equipment and toys.
- **Children's Halloween Parade** at Nottawa United Church from 10 am to noon. Free event. Wear your costumes!

- **Turkey Shoot** at Manito Shrine Club, 2265 Fairgrounds Road at 10 am. For more information call 705-445-7460.
- **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.
- **IFOA Creemore (International Festival of Authors)** at Station on the Green at 7 pm. Tickets \$20 available at Curiosity House or www.litontour.com.

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- **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

- **Church Services** are on page 5.
- **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.
- **Gospel Services** at 4 pm at the Station on the Green. The Bible in purity and simplicity presented reverently and freely. For more information call 705-428-5473. Everyone welcome.
- **Clearview Soccer Club Annual General Meeting** at 7 pm at Creemore Arena Hall. All are welcome. Volunteers required. Discounts available for new volunteers. 2014 registration raffle.

Upcoming Events

Monday, October 28

- **Dunedin Women's Friendship Club.** Come out for fun, friendship and refreshments. Meeting begins at 7:30 pm at the Dunedin Hall.
- **Stayner Garden Club Monthly Meeting** at Centennial United Church at 7:30 pm. Everyone welcome to join. Have fun, learn new ideas & keep Stayner beautiful. Call 705-444-2873 for information.

Wednesday, October 30

- **Stayner Skating Club's Mini Battle of the Blades Competition** at Stayner Arena. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Competition is from 7 to 9 pm. Adults \$5, children 5-10 \$3.
- **Fall Plant Auction** from 7 to 9:30 pm at Brentwood Hall.

Thursday, October 31

- **Honeywood Halloween Party.** Just before trick or treat time from 5 to 6:30 pm! Upstairs in the Honeywood Arena. All ages welcome! Pizza and drinks. Costume photo booth. Games and crafts.
- **Hallowfest** from 6 pm between the Hort Park and Caroline Street on Mill Street. Haunted Hort Park, best costume contest, tricks & treats. Be prepared to be scared! Presented by Creemore BIA.

Friday, November 1

- **Jam Away Hunger III** at Angus Legion at 7 pm. In support of the Angus Food Bank. Local hands make music, country, rock and a whole lot of love. Donations of non-perishable food items or cash is the

only admission.

Saturday, November 2

- **Turkey Dinner** at Centennial United Church, Stayner (corner of William & Oak Streets) from 4:30 to 7 pm. Entertainment while you wait. Adults \$15, children 6-12 \$6, under 6 free. A fundraiser to aid the Church.
- **Harvest Roast Beef Dinner** at New Lowell Legion at 5 pm. Silent Auction. Sponsored by New Lowell United Church. Adults \$14, children 6-12 \$5, under 5 free.

Monday, November 4

- **Walking Indoors at Creemore Legion** begins today at 10 am. Walk all winter long on Mondays and Wednesdays. Everyone welcome. For more information call 705-466-2330.

Wednesday, November 6

- **Triple P Parenting "Bedtime Problems" tip sheet workshop** will give you suggestions to help your toddler develop a good bedtime routine. From 11 am to noon at the Creemore Public Library. Child care (limited spaces available). To register call the Collingwood-Ontario Early Years Centre at 705-446-0816, ext. 407.

Saturday, November 9

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over 37 years in the military as a photographer. 9 am at Jubilee Presbyterian Church, Main Street, Stayner. \$5 includes continental breakfast, speaker & DVD of student trip to Vimy Ridge. For tickets call Catherine at 705-428-2719 or pick up at Barb's Clothes Closet. Advance by November 5 only.

- **Snow Flake Bazaar** at St. Luke's Anglican Church from 11 am to 2 pm.

Friday, November 15

- **3rd Annual One Stop Christmas Shop** at the Duntroon Hall, 9025 County Rd 91, from 4 to 8 pm. A Hall fundraiser. Vendors filling both floors of the Hall, and maybe a visit from Santa for the kids! Get an early start on your Christmas shopping! Very limited space available for additional vendors – contact duntroononestopxmas@hotmail.com or Robin at 705-446-9907.
- **Chez Michel Venison Night.** Please call for reservations at 705-466-3331. 4 course set menu.

Saturday, November 16

- **3rd Annual Tree Society of Creemore's Annual Meet & Greet** at Station on the Green at 6:30 pm. Speaker is Ian Bruce, a well known Toronto arbourist. All are welcome. Members are free or become a member at the door (\$10 annual fee) or join us as a guest for the evening for \$15. Refreshments and munchies will be served along with live entertainment and a special guest speaker.

Saturday, November 23

- **Scrumptious Saturday Brunch and Christmas Craft Sale** at the Horning's Mills Hall Craft Sale from 9 am to 1 pm; Brunch from 10 am to noon. Adults \$10, kids under 12 \$5, under 5 eat free. Come early to sample all of our delicious offerings. www.horningsmills.ca for more information.

Sunday, November 24

- **Gift Of Music Concert** at St. Luke's Anglican Church at 3 pm. **Guitarist Tariq Harb** opens this season's concert series. \$15 or full series for \$50 available at Curiosity House, *Creemore Echo* or at door.



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Barriers to trade

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Unlike European dairy farmers, who are heavily subsidized by the EU, Canadian dairy farmers do not receive government subsidies. As a result, dairy products are much less expensive in Europe than they are in Canada.

“One hundred per cent of dairy income comes from the marketplace in Canada,” Miller explained. “Our product is more expensive because it’s the actual cost of making it. [Our system] is extremely efficient and competitive, but we can’t compete with the Europeans because they subsidize.”

“[In the EU deal, Canadians] gave up significant market share for EU cheese,” said Miller, whose 120 Jersey cows produce milk for bottled milk and milk products including cheese. “This will reduce our industry’s quotas by 2¼ per cent. If I’m milking 100 cows, then I’m going to milk 2¼ less cows as a result.

“By signing this deal, we have moved from a non-subsidized industry to a subsidized industry. Dairy farmers have been fighting these deals for 25 years.”

Miller is also concerned about declining milk production in this country. With more cheese coming to Canada from Europe, Canada will need less milk to produce its own cheese.

“[Canadian dairy farmers are] losing the market for cheese made in Canada,” he said. “This is really bad for the dairy industry.”

In addition, European regulations that prohibit farmers from feeding genetically modified foods to their animals will make it difficult for Canadian farmers to send their products to Europe, Miller said.

Under Canadian regulations, farmers are permitted to feed their animals genetically modified foods.

“That is a barrier that is not under the trade agreement,” said Miller. “Europe is very happy to give us access to their market because they know we wouldn’t be able to send it over there.”



GHOST CROSSING – Sandy Hamilton, owner of Mylar and Loreta’s Restaurant in Singhampton, stands in front of the fireplace where the ghosts of a man, woman and boy in 18th-century clothing have appeared.

Ghost vanishes at busy times

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would not return to the restaurant after claiming to have seen the ghost of a woman wearing 18th-century clothing in the bathroom. And another left the restaurant after witnessing a man open a drawer, close it – and disappear.

But Hamilton isn’t worried about Mylar having a bad effect on business. After all, it keeps people talking. “I think it’s more of a positive than a negative effect,” she says.


No staff member has ever quit their job due to the ghosts.

Mylar has appeared dozens of time and in many different places. Most often, Mylar has been seen in front of the kitchen doors, but he has also appeared at the window at the kitchen.

Once, Hamilton saw a man standing at the back door. But when she asked, “Can we help you?” he disappeared.

Perhaps Mylar is shy. “He doesn’t come when we’re really busy,” Hamilton says.

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THE WAY WE WERE

Wayne Noble brought his 1951 school photograph from the Avening School to the *Echo* office this week. (Wayne is the boy kneeling at the very left end of the middle row.)

The picture shows the students with their teacher, **Marion (McLeod) Gordon**. Gordon taught at the school until Christmas that year before leaving to have a child. **Dorothy** and **Ruth Timmons'** mother took over for her at the school.

Standing with teacher **Marion McLeod** are happy-looking pupils (*back row:*) **Yvonne Emerton, Shirley Lennox, Alice Patton, Ruby Hammond** and **Ruth Timmons**. *Middle row:* **Wayne Noble, Roy Emerton, Dennis Rainbird, Doug Weatherall, Lorraine Coates** and **Inga Fislo**. *Front row:* **Bill Patton, Ray Woodward, Jim Trott, Diane Rainbird, Gwen Woodward** and **Joanne Brown**.



EDITORIAL Spooky business

What is the one thing an editor needs for Halloween? Why, a ghost, of course!

And in this old town, I thought it would be easy to find one.

So, notebook in hand, I began to stroll the streets of historic Creemore with an eye for old buildings, sinister crevices and mysterious places.

This will be easy! I thought.

First stop: The Sovereign Restaurant. An old railway hotel built in 1878 that has changed hands many times over the years. Think of the possibilities: wronged businessmen, sordid affairs, vengeful lovers! Surely, there had to be some ghosts there. But when I went inside, the owner, Don Akehurst, merely chuckled and said he hadn't seen anything.

Incredulous, I left the place without evidence of even one measly haunting. This was going to be harder than I thought.

There were rumours about paranormal activity at farmhouses, a former student who liked to roam up and down the stairs – and through walls – at NCPS, and a tale of a spectre who was so impressed with the new plumbing in one house that he spent all night flushing the toilet. But still, I came away with nothing concrete to report on.

A few people suggested that I head up to the graveyard, but all I found there was a beautiful place to have lunch.

Even Helen Blackburn, one of Creemore's esteemed historians, had only one story about a haunted swamp that wasn't even haunted anymore.

The ghost thing started to get to me. Last Friday, at the Curling Club's registration and social night, most people were talking about...well, curling. But I wanted to know if the rink had any ghosts (it doesn't). I

asked people on the street, patrons in restaurants, cashiers, visitors and teachers. Once, I even pulled up to the Shell Station on County Road 9, lowered my window, and hissed, "Hi, have you seen any ghosts?"

This was no way to make friends.

Creemore, I have to admit it: I was beginning to feel betrayed.

That is, until my colleague, Georgi, suggested I drive to Singhampton to have lunch. It was there that I met Sandy Hamilton at Mylar and Loreta's.

Sandy is certain that her restaurant has ghosts! Not only has she seen them, but others have reported sightings as well. And Sandy seems happy to have her ghosts, to boot. As the owner of Mylar's for 26 years, she says the ghosts feel as much a part of the restaurant as everything else.

So, thank you, Sandy, for sharing your spooky stories with me.

Happy Halloween, everybody!

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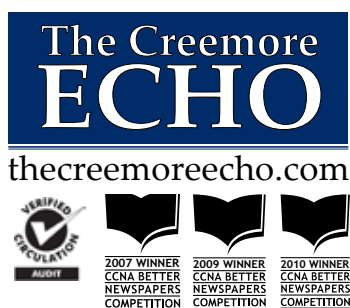
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Creemore Big Heart Seniors

I was absent because of an appointment at Collingwood G and M Hospital for a bone scan, so again someone wrote down the information on the day's goings-on for me. Thanks, gals!

There were only 17 out for the good, well-rounded meal that ensued, so after President **Ray Leighton** gave the blessing and everyone enjoyed the food and company, the Creemore Cuties Kitchen Crew made short work of the clean-up and card set-up. There is one problem with the Cuties addition to the title – some of the guys might just be a bit embarrassed at being called a Cutie!

There were 41 out for cards, and the 50/50 draws went to **Lucy Young, Kevin Keogh, Art Bishop, Irma Flack, Roy Veinot and Marg Falls**.

Moon shots were played by **Bert Douglas, Phyllis Seed, Dave Smith (2), Peter Gubbels, Effie Taylor and Phyllis Seed** again. **Phyllis** won the travelling prize and **Dave Smith** won the Sidewinders loot, which was pretty slim pickings this week!

High scorers were **Eileen Nash**

SENIORS



Sylvia
GALE

277, **Effie Taylor** 269, **Marg Donaghey** 258 and **Alinda Bishop** 241. Low was **Marg Hope** with 95.

Everyone sang "Happy Birthday" to **May Johnston**, as her big day was on October 16th – and many more, May!

It seems that we should start thinking about being ready for the snow and cold before long, as it seems that a lot of our "snowbirds" are starting to think about heading for their winter digs.

Phyllis Seed has again agreed to be our "Candy Lady" for a couple of weeks, while **Barb Pilon** is otherwise engaged with her Mom.

We were invited to a wonderful chap's 95th birthday on Saturday, October 19, in honour of **Ken Thornton**, which we could not attend as I was having health problems. We really, really felt badly about missing the festivities. So, **Ken**, please think really seriously about doing the same thing for your 100th natal day, and let's BOTH plan to attend!

One evening recently, there was a knock on our door, and there stood **Lynda (Whitley) Jeffery** with her basket full of supper. Really – a large main course, delicious meat-and-veggie pie, veggies and cake with

pineapple to finish off with. It really was a huge pie, so we called on our neighbour, **Maurice Weatherall**, to come over and share the bounty, and explained that it was **Lynda** who had done it. Now it is going to be a moot point as to which side of the road grabs her and adopts her first! Thanks again, kiddo!

This past Sunday found 13-year-old **Hannah Whitley** – formerly of Creemore but now from Barrie – in a pairs competition in figure skating with her partner, **Elliot Graham**. I did not get the results of the Sunday skate, but they have done amazingly well so far in their careers. So best wishes for many more successes.

We folks in Creemore and surrounding areas are so fortunate to

have the professional level of health care providers that we do enjoy in our little town. They are experts in caring, kindness and thoughtfulness, plus being skilled masters in their calling. We would all likely be embarrassed to go in for a doctor's appointment, etc., and then try to tell them how much we appreciate them, so I am hiding behind the printed word to try to give them an idea of just how I, and everyone I know, feels.

Note from the *Echo*: Sylvia is turning 75 on Saturday, November 2.

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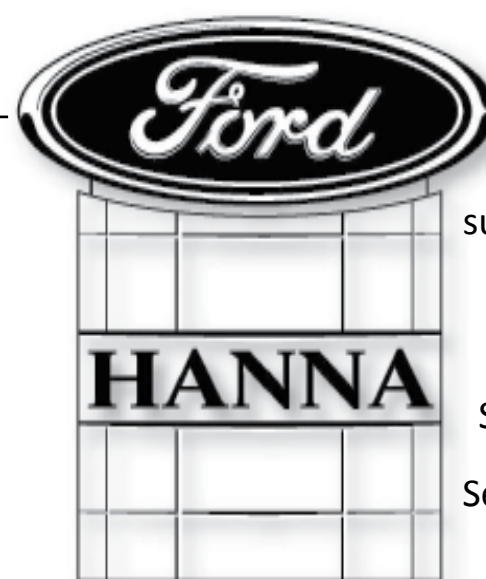
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CLASSROOM HELPER – Norma Friest poses with Kathy Whitley’s kindergarten class at Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School in 2011.

Province sings praises of volunteer

By Kristi Green
For the past 26 years, Creemore’s **Norma Friest** has been “keeping the music alive” for countless kids at Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School (NCPS). Now the province’s Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration has recognized her dedication with a Senior Achievement Award.

The award recognizes seniors who have made an outstanding contribution to their community through voluntary or professional activities. It is Ontario’s highest honour for seniors over 65.

With characteristic modesty, Friest, a longtime community volunteer, said she was surprised when she learned she had won an award. “I’m very honoured, but I don’t like the publicity,” she said.

Kathy Whitley, a former teacher at NCPS, nominated Friest for her work managing the school’s instrumental music program, encouraging after-school activities and promoting the importance of accepting people with different abilities.

As well, Friest has been raising funds for musical instruments for the school since 1986.

As Chairman of the Band Association at the school, Friest organizes fundraising events such as silent auctions. The group is currently holding a poinsettia sale for December.

“I think children need music,” Friest told the *Echo* this week. “I think it teaches them to interact together, and to enjoy something that’s extremely gifted. Music also takes away barriers like race or handicaps.”

And music is not her only passion. At NCPS, where she has volunteered for 23 years, Friest works with students from kindergarten to grade 8 who need extra help in subjects such as math and English.

“I enjoy it or I wouldn’t be doing it,” Friest explained simply.

At a ceremony and reception on Monday, October 21 in Toronto, **Lieutenant Governor David Langley** presented Friest and 20 other recipients with their awards.

POINSETTIA SALE

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For more information on how to sell your equipment or clothing at the ski swap, we invite you to contact Brian Diedenhofen at Ext. 224 or via e-mail at brian@mansfieldskiclub.com

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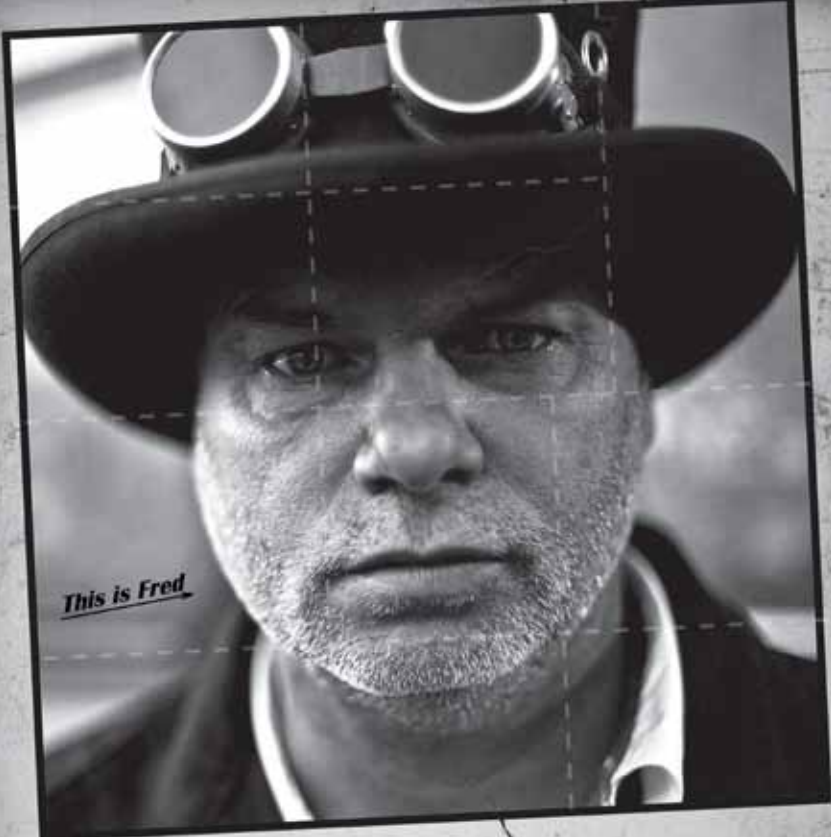
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The empty chair at Authors Fest

By Kristi Green

While Creemore is hoping to fill every seat at the International Festival of Authors (IFOA) event on Saturday, one chair will remain conspicuously empty.

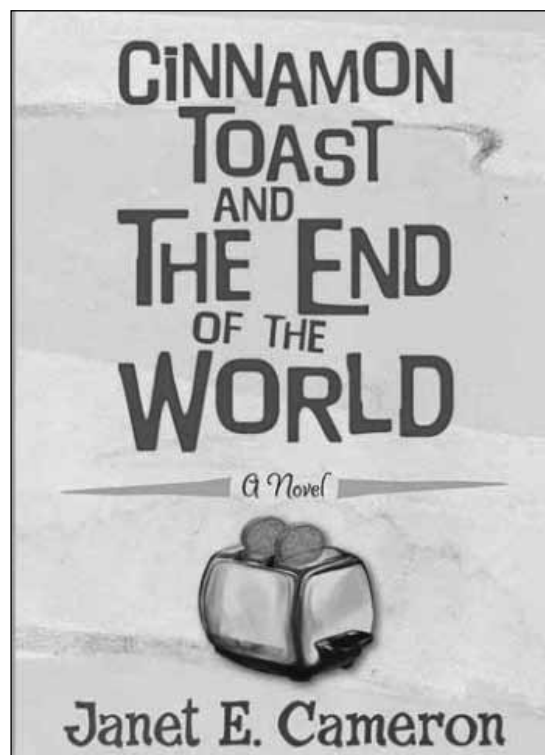
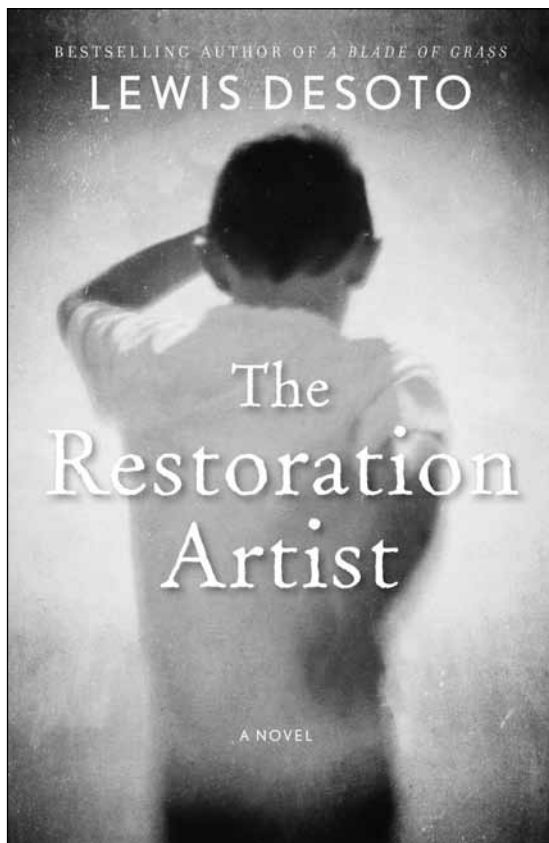
The "Empty Chair," which is placed onstage alongside the four featured authors, stands for one writer whose voice has been silenced.

This year, the chair will represent **Eskinder Nega**, a jailed Ethiopian journalist and blogger who advocates for freedom of expression, publicly calling for an end to political corruption and repression in that country.

For the last 19 years, Pen Canada has placed an Empty Chair onstage at all IFOA events in place of a writer who is not permitted to travel freely. In the past, IFOA Empty Chairs have "sat" in for Nigerian activist **Ken Saro Wiwa** and Iranian blogger **Hossein Derakhshan**.

PEN Canada is a nonpartisan organization of writers that promotes literature, fights censorship, helps free persecuted writers from prison, and helps writers living in exile in Canada. It works with others to defend freedom of expression as a basic human right, at home and abroad.

During Saturday's event at Station on the Green, Creemore will welcome four writers who are able to travel around the world to attend writer's festivals, from Ireland, Canada and the U.S. They will read from their new works and participate in a discussion moderated



by Curiosity House Books manager, **Jenn Hubbs**.

Janet E. Cameron will present her debut novel, *Cinnamon Toast and the End of the World*. The Halifax-born author has spent the last 10 years in Ireland, where the book won the Irish Writers' Centre Novel Fair Competition.

Born in South Africa, **Lewis De Soto** moved to Canada as a teenager. His first novel, *A Blade of Grass*, was an international bestseller and was longlisted for both the Man Booker Prize and the *Prix du Meilleur Livre Étranger*. He is also the author of a biography of the painter Emily Carr. On Saturday, he will read from his new work, *The Restoration Artist*.

Time magazine called American author **Sam Lipsyte** "the most consistently funny fiction writer working today." His new short story collection, *The Fun Parts*, promises even more laughs. Lipsyte is a *New York Times*-bestselling author and the winner of the first annual Believer Book Award. His writing has appeared in *The New Yorker*, *Tin House* and the *Los Angeles Times*.

Newfoundlander **Nicole Lundrigan** now makes her home just outside of Toronto. At IFOA, she will be reading from her fifth novel, *The Widow Tree*. Her previous novels have received critical acclaim. *Unraveling Arva* was selected as a *Globe and Mail* top ten, and *Thaw* was longlisted for the Relit Award.

To purchase tickets for \$20, call Curiosity House Books or visit www.litontour.com

Council briefs

APPROVED

New ward boundaries

At its Monday, October 21 meeting, Council voted to dissolve the municipality's existing wards, redivide the municipality into wards and consider ward boundary realignments as a result of the recent electoral review. At the meeting, **Thom Paterson**, Councillor for Ward 4, requested an amendment to the boundaries between Wards 2 and 5 on Riverside Drive.

Bridge rebuild

Council supported the rebuilding of the Collingwood Street bridge in Creemore (into a two-lane bridge) as well as the commemoration of the old bridge structure. It did not accept the application to designate the bridge as a heritage structure.

Viewscape protection

Council approved Clearview Heritage Conservation Project's plan to protect the viewscape over the westerly half of the Township, looking to and from the Niagara Escarpment corridor, from the disturbance of proposed large, non-farm development, under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Dog licence fee increase

The fees for dog licences will increase in 2014 and 2015 to keep pace with inflation. This will be the first fee increase since 2005.

Workplace respect policy

To support Clearview's goal to be a progressive employer and a desirable place to work, Clearview Township has developed a Respect in the Workplace policy that complies with the *Occupational Health and Safety Code Act* and the *Human Rights Code*. Under the policy, employers are responsible for preventing workplace violence, harassment and discriminatory behaviour. They are also expected to take every necessary precaution for protecting the safety of their employees.

Accessibility plan and policy

Council approved a Multi-Year Accessibility Plan and Corporate Accessibility Policy for Clearview to identify, remove and prevent barriers for people with disabilities, and ensure equal access opportunities to Clearview's goods, services, facilities and employment. This will involve making ongoing accessibility improvements to existing buildings, infrastructure and public spaces.

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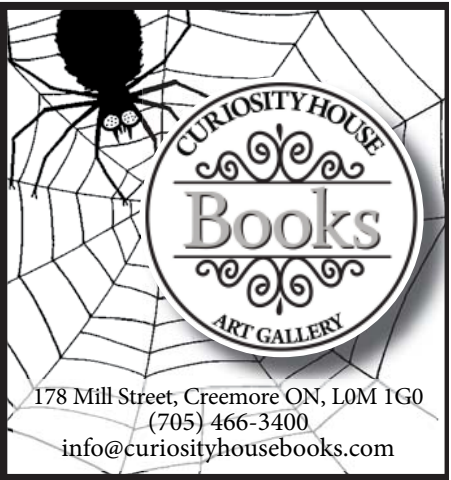


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Financial help for high school grads

By Kristi Green

Every year, thousands of dollars in university scholarship money go wasted because students don't know the money exists. Ray's Place, Creemore's youth centre, wants to change that.

Ray's Place is a youth resource centre that helps kids ages 13 to 17 stay in school.

Beginning this Sunday, grade 12 students and their parents can attend workshops to learn about scholarships, bursaries and grants, budgeting, creating applications, cover letters, essays and resumes. The sessions will also help students develop skills for post-secondary program interviews.

The workshops are open to all students in Clearview Township who are considering post-secondary education.

Also, for the third year in a row, Ray's Place will offer a \$20,000 scholarship to one student from Clearview to contribute toward their post-secondary education.

Last year, the youth centre received 15 applications for the scholarship, which is funded through private donations.

"That's a one-in-fifteen shot of winning," says **Corey Finkelstein**, Manager of Ray's Place. "It's really good – so you may as well apply!"

Finkelstein also says the Rent-A-Youth program is still in high-gear and is available for fall clean-up projects such as raking leaves, garden work and helping winter tenants move in.

Rent-A-Youth is a work program in which students are linked with short-term, part-time, hourly jobs in Creemore and the surrounding area.

"Unlike other employers, Ray's Place provides support for your family life and work," said Finkelstein. "We have flexible hours and we look after the kids to make sure they are safe when they go out on a job. The program takes kids off the streets and puts money in their pocket. It also teaches them what it's like to be working with minimal education."

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PARTY TIME – "Youth for rent" **Owen Head** (left) enjoys the Rent-A-Youth street party with his parents, **Donna Head** and **Barry Head** (middle) and **Corey Finkelstein** (right) Manager of Ray's Place on Friday, October 18.

in 2007, Rent-A-Youth will continue during the winter months and year round "This is our most successful Rent-A-Youth year to date," Finkelstein said.

The centre also offers activities throughout the school year. Learn how to refurbish a 1951 Ford pick-up truck by joining the car restoration club; make a Christmas greeting card at one of the photography workshops starting in November; get in shape

with the Running Club; or try theatre improvisation.

Ray's Place also offers one-on-one tutoring in a variety of subjects at no cost for kids in grade 6 and up.

"Ray's Place takes kids out of their normal social circle and exposes them to different ideas, opportunities and people with different backgrounds," says Finkelstein. "There's more out there than what's at the dinner table."

STUDENTS: To register for the Scholarship and Bursary Workshop Series or other Ray's Place programs, visit www.raysplaceyrc.com.

CLIENTS: Call 705-466-3663 if you have leaves to be raked, wood to be stacked or a sidewalk to be cleared.

OPP update

Not there furlong

At 2:30 am on Sunday, October 20, the OPP received a call from an individual who saw a brown horse and a donkey hoofing it south on Mill Street together. The individual monitored the animals until losing sight of them. Although the animals were nowhere to be found when the police arrived, they reported that the individual seemed stable.

Halloween driving

The OPP would like to remind people in cars to be mindful of excited little ghosts and goblins who might run out onto the street on Thursday, October 31. Drive slowly in areas where children are likely to be trick-or-treating. Pay attention to people crossing the road; some children may be wearing costumes or masks that make it difficult for them to see.

Lock your cell phones

On Saturday, October 5 the police received a 911 call in error. Every time a cell phone accidentally dials 911, the police are dispatched. The OPP asks citizens to lock their cell phones and not put 911 on speed dial.

Winter-ready vehicles

Now that we have seen snow in these parts, it is time to give your vehicle a pre-winter check-up. This should include an inspection and testing of the battery, belts, hoses, radiator, oil, lights, brakes, tires, exhaust system, heater/defroster, wipers and ignition system. As well, always have at least half a tank of gas in your fuel tank once the weather turns colder.



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Clearview's own music man brings the community together

By Kristi Green

Gren Bray, the stage and musical director for Clearview Community Theatre, says that his latest production, "The Music Man," has "taken over his life."

Luckily, he doesn't seem to mind.

"I can't even begin to guess how much time I spend organizing shows every year," he said on the telephone between final rehearsals at Nottawasaga Community Hall in Duntroon earlier this week. Because each show requires so much work, he "only" puts on one per year.

"The Music Man," by Meredith Wilson, is a story about a con man (played by **Ken Wilson**, pictured at right) who poses as a boys' band leader and risks being caught when he falls in love with the local librarian.

Bray said the theatre group chose the musical, which was written in the 1950s, because its plot and dialogue are kid-friendly, and it has many parts for different age groups. "We have built a reputation for presenting family entertainment, so people count on us to be able to bring their kids."

This is Bray's 13th major production. He started producing musicals when he was an elementary school teacher in the early 1980s. Since retiring in 2001, he has followed his passion for community theatre full-time.

"I want to give everyone – but especially youth – the opportunity to figure out what they like about theatre," he said. "Youth theatre is my passion, but I wanted to take it a step further and open it up to more people."



Ken Wilson

So, in 1996, Bray started Clearview Community Theatre, a group whose goal is to bring all age groups together to create a supportive environment for local productions, with a special emphasis on youth theatre.

Bray credits theatre with improving self-esteem in kids who may not have found their niche. "In theatre, there is a place for everyone," he explained. "Onstage, you can be a star or you can have a role in the background. Or, you can be offstage, too."

For those who prefer to be offstage, Clearview Community Theatre offers training in lighting, sound and stage management for children, teenagers and adults.



Gren Bray

Auditions are usually held about four months before the show. No experience is necessary to try out.

The current production has 40 cast members, ranging in age from seven to senior citizen. For some in the troupe, this is their first stage production.

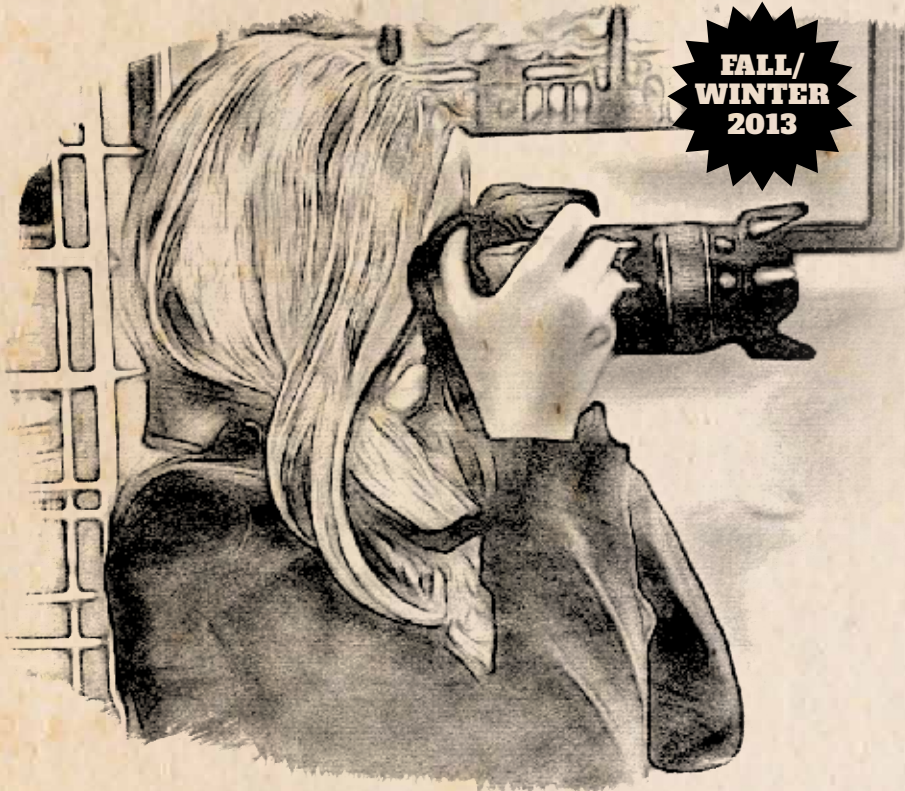
"The cast is like a family," said Bray. "We help each other,"

"The Music Man" runs from Friday, October 25 to Saturday, November 2. Check www.clearviewcommunitytheatre.ca for showtimes. Tickets are available at JACS in Stayner: 705-428-2160.

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Our Early Years and Story Hour programs for children who are 2½ to 5 years-of-age are bouncing with energy and activity here at all three branches on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays every week. Please call **Glenda N.** at 705-428-3595 for more details and register if you would like to join a big friendly crew of moms and tots.

We have two spaces left in our Reading Circle for Reluctant Readers on Wednesdays at 4:15 pm at the Stayner Branch. This program is an informal warm-and-fuzzy approach to brushing up on elementary reading skills for students in JK to grade 2.

Our Adult Book Club (Stayner Branch) will be meeting every last Tuesday of the month. Please note that the Tuesday, November 26 date



Michele
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will be a potluck lunch with our “jewelry doctor,” **Jen Gerrior**, who makes old jewelry wearable again, before the Q&A session. This group of ladies definitely makes reading fun! Please call us to add your name to our list and make a date to join us for a tea and chat at 2 pm.

Next week, we will be announcing the winner of the 5th annual Georgian Bay Reads, which is taking place at the Meaford Opera Hall on Saturday, October 26. If you wish to join us at this event, please call the Meaford Public Library (519-538-1060, ext. 1123) to reserve your tickets as our allotment is all taken. **Danielle Ounsey-Atkinson**, one of our most enthusiastic patrons, is going to be promoting her choice for the Ultimate Winter Read at this event. Check out *Omens* by **Kelley Armstrong** whether it wins the Georgian Bay Reads prize or not. It is a fantastically gripping tale.

Our Computer Access Program students are back in action to teach Social Media 101. Contact **Sean** or **Alicia** through the circulation desk at all three branches to book a lesson if you wish to learn how to use Facebook, LinkedIn, Google+, Twitter or to create a blog. These tutorials are free and based on student requests so you can learn about what you want to do in cyberspace.

Check out your library and see what is new during Ontario Public Library Week!



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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:

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A Mandatory Site Meeting will be held for all bidders at 9:00 a.m. on October 28, 2013. Meeting location is 6993 Highway 26, Clearview Township Emergency Facility.

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COMMUNITY GRANTS

ANNUAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

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Each organization is required to complete an application form. The deadline for the 2014 Budget application is Monday, December 2, 2013. Applications can be picked up at the Clearview Administration Centre, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner or on the Clearview Township website www.clearview.ca

Please note that only completed applications submitted to the Clerk's office by the deadline will be considered.

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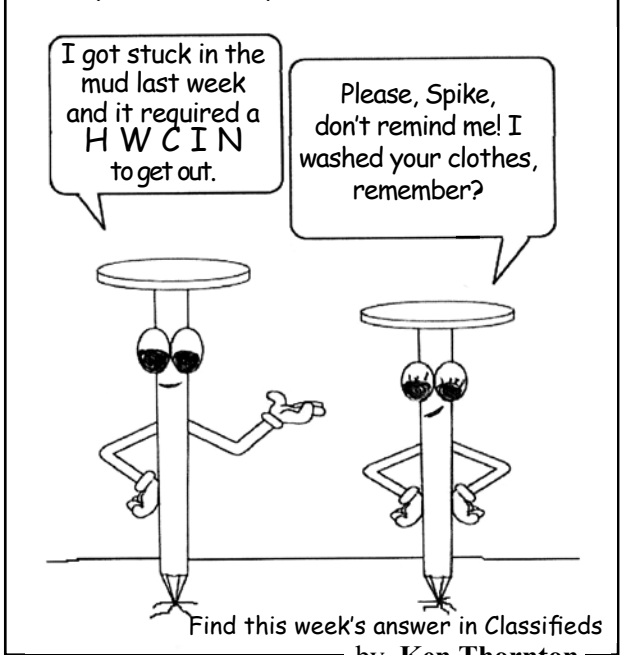
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Answer on Classifieds Page

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



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Friday, October 25
Isolated Showers
High 8 Low 1 Winds W 15 km/h
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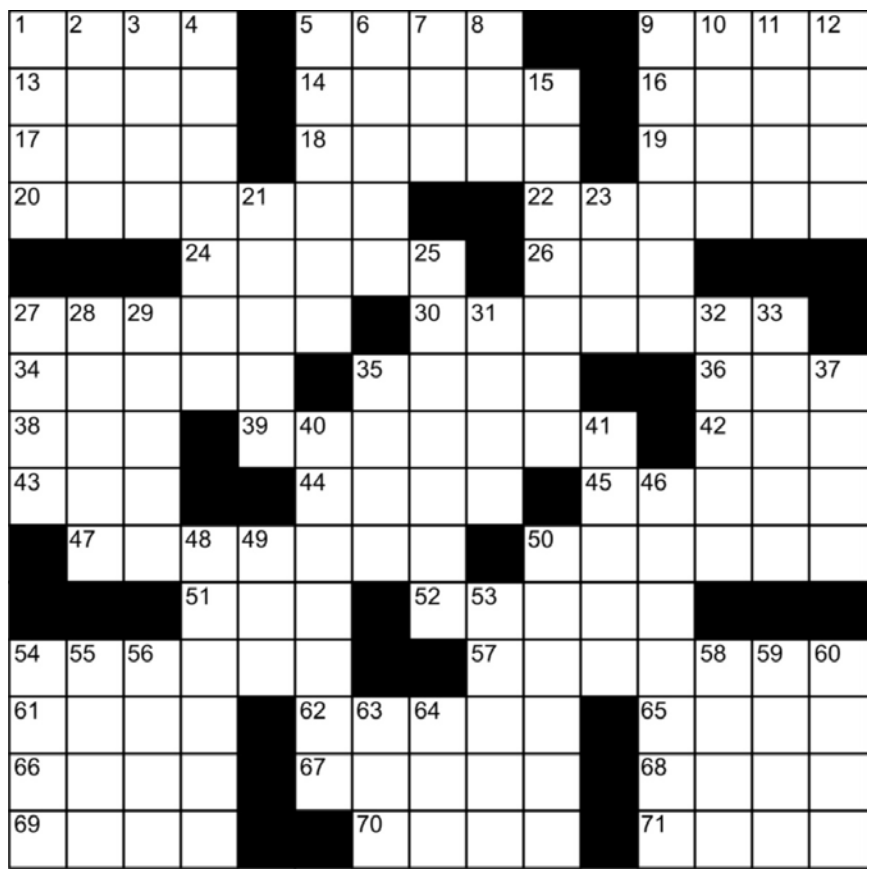
FRED'S FUNNIES

A man went to a friend's costume party with nothing but a girl on his back.
"What have you come as?" asked his friend.
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October 25, 2013

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9. Verruca
13. First-rate
14. Hello in Hawaiian
16. Follow a command
17. University teacher, for short
18. Confusion of voices
19. Bring in the harvest
20. Hockey player in Ottawa
22. Hurried activity
24. Bit of bread
26. Take advantage of
27. Split pin
30. Love story
34. Protective garment
35. Willing to participate
36. It goes on your head
38. Fixed charge
39. In control of a car
42. Tree with grey bark
43. Division of geological time
44. Touch at one end
45. Say yes to
47. Device for making equipment compatible
50. In an abrupt and discourteous manner
51. Mermaid's home
52. Without others
54. Wealthy one
57. Friendly understanding between nations
61. Dull continuous pain
62. Winning
65. Ripped apart
66. Brownish songbird
67. Human trunk
68. Wicked
69. Have got to
70. Moose relative
71. Strikes with one's knuckles
- DOWN**
1. Toy gun ammo
2. Traditional knowledge
3. At another time
4. In reality
5. Part of a mechanic's bill
6. Security concern
7. Weep convulsively
8. That girl
9. Go downhill
10. Assist an offender
11. Not to be taken lightly
12. Printed characters
15. Egg white
21. Current style, in fashions
23. It's south of Canada: abbr.
25. Display of daring
27. Coffee in French
28. Drama set to music
29. Shoe part that touches the ground
31. Leave unmentioned
32. Navigator's need
33. Artist's tripod
35. Utter taunting, sarcastic words
37. People in general
40. Knocking sound
41. Thin and bony
46. Restaurant employee
48. Travel up
49. Whistle part
50. Largest bird in the Western Hemisphere
53. Rental contract
54. Baby deer
55. Piece of land
56. Biblical pronoun
58. ___ Scotia
59. Game show prize
60. Slippery swimmers
63. Coal scuttle
64. Before



October 18 Answer



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, KEN! – Creemore resident **Ken Thornton** brought a tear to our eyes piping “Amazing Grace” with the RCMP Pipe and Drum Band, who travelled from Ottawa to fête him at his 95th birthday party at the Creemore Legion Hall on Saturday, October 19.

Seen & Heard

FIREFIGHTERS HONoured FOR YEARS OF SERVICE – On Wednesday, October 16, Fire Service Ontario presented seven Clearview firefighters with the Long Service Medal at a ceremony and reception in Barrie. Pictured (left to right): Mayor **Ken Ferguson**; Acting Deputy Fire Chief **Roree Payment**; **Gerry Goorts** (25 years of service); **Peter Goorts** (25 years of service); **Willow Windatt** on behalf of the late **Alfred Windatt** (25 years of service); **John Lamers** (retired, 25 years of service); **Jim McCarthy** (40 years of service); **Robert Ransier** (retired, 25 years of service); Acting Fire Chief **Colin Shewell**; **John Lemmon** (40 years of service); and Deputy Mayor **Alicia Savage**.



Poker run cruises along– **Jim Richards**, President of the Creemore Legion, presented **Julie Kerfoot** of Tottenham with her third place prize at the 5th Annual Poker Run Cruise on Saturday, October 12. **Murray Henderson** of Creemore came in first and **Jim Thew** of Cookstown



Join the fun – Beaver Scout Leader “Rainbow” (a.k.a. **Leah Bailey**) holds mascot **Bucky** at the Creemore Legion Hall where she helps run Beaver Scouts every Wednesday night. If you know a child age 5 to 10 who would enjoy games, crafts, and outdoor activities, try Beavers, Cubs or Scouts. Call **Cathy Traverse** at 705-466-2307.

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DEATH NOTICE

GOWAN, Edith passed away peacefully on Thursday, October 17, 2013 at Mount Nemo Christian Nursing Home in Burlington. Edith is predeceased by her husband Norman and son Bruce; survived by daughter in law Maura, grandson Mark (Valerie) Gowan and granddaughter Jennifer (Barry) Gowan-Johnson, great grandchildren Parker, Adyson and Logan. Predeceased also by brothers Wilfred and Vernon and sisters Marion and Maude. Funeral service was held on Monday, October 21, 2013 at Fawcett Funeral Home – Creemore Chapel with visitation one hour prior. Interment at Creemore Union Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations to the Creemore Cemetery or Heart & Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Friends may visit Edith's online Book of Memories at www.fawcettfuneralhomes.com

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New Lowell news

By Sandra Bednarek

Well, now that the great Thanksgiving dinner is over, it is time for most of us to get down to preparing our yards or homes for winter. I almost hate to print that word. As I write this column I sit watching the beautiful colours on the trees and wonder why we couldn't just jump from fall to spring? Can you tell what my least favourite season is?!

Have you got your tickets for the famous "Black Family" song, dance and musical instrument group? They will be at the New Lowell Legion sponsored by the New Lowell United Church on Saturday, October 26 starting at 7 pm. The cost of the tickets is \$30 for adults and \$10 per child under 12. At intermission there will be a tasty light lunch. Get your tickets today as they are going fast and you don't want to be disappointed at the door! Call 705-424-1034 or 705-424-8687. This is a fundraiser for the "Accessibility for All" project at the New Lowell United Church.

Are you tired of all those turkey leftovers? Well, come and treat yourself to a delicious Harvest Roast Beef Dinner with all the trimmings. The date is Saturday, November 2 at the New Lowell Legion, sponsored by the New Lowell United Church. The doors open at 5 pm. During this time

you will certainly be able to find some special Christmas gifts at our silent auction. Tickets for the dinner are \$14 for adults; \$5 for children 6-12; and under 5 free.


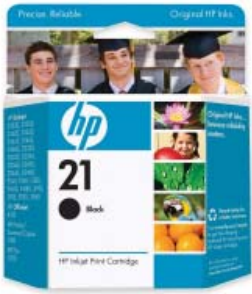
The New Lowell School would welcome anyone who would like to spend some time with the primary children to help with their reading. Please call the school at 705-424-0991 for more information.

The New Lowell Legion is sponsoring their famous Christmas dinners for companies treating their employees. Please call the Legion for more information.

Sympathy from the community goes out to **Thelma McGillivray** and her family on the passing of George. Thelma and George were the cornerstones of New Lowell until a few years ago when, because of health, they had to move to a retirement residence in Barrie.

There will be young ladies coming to your door in future weeks selling the famous Girl Guide cookies. This is their major fundraiser for the year as the profits help the Guides with their camping programs.

That's the news in and around New Lowell. Please call me at 705-424-6497 or email me at sandra@bednarek.ca if you have news to share.



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Stayner skaters in “battle” on CBC

By Kristi Green

Local figure skaters and hockey players are lacing up to prepare for next week’s Battle of the Blades competition, which CBC television will film in Stayner.

Billed as the “Mini Battle of the Blades,” the contest will take place on Wednesday, October 30 at the Stayner Arena at 7 pm.

The show, which first aired in 2009, teams up figure skaters with hockey players in figure skating pairs competition set to music.

The Stayner Skating Club is one of nine skating clubs in the country whose competition is being filmed. The CBC contacted the Skating Club earlier this year about filming the local competition.

Videos of the winning pairs from each skating club will appear on the CBC’s Battle of the Blades website. Then, members of the public will be able to vote for their favourite pairs.

“It’s a great honour to be picked to do it,” said **Heather Trott**, President of the Stayner Skating Club, which has held a local Battle of the Blades competition for the past three years.

With skating club memberships dwindling over the past few years, Trott said the Club welcomes the attention.

“We are very happy to showcase our Club to the community and to kids. Winter is coming and it keeps skating active in the community. Skating is hard work, good exercise and fun. It’s also a great way for kids to meet new kids.”

Last year, the figure skaters teamed up with members of Stayner Minor Hockey. This time, the pairs include hockey players from Collingwood, too.

There will be 13 pairs in this year’s competition. For the first time, more hockey players applied to participate in the Battle of the Blades than the Skating Club could accommodate.

“For the first couple of years it was harder to find hockey players. But now the hockey players talk about how much fun they have, so this year there are more,” Trott explained.

Each skating team has invested 15 to 18 hours of practice since the beginning of the month. The pairs have been skating together every Monday and Friday morning before school, as well as on Wednesday afternoons.

Next week’s winning pair will be invited to the show’s season finale on Sunday, November 17 in Toronto. They will also be contenders for the national win in an online voting contest.



PAIRED TO WIN – Stayner Skating Club members **Hannah Whitley** (left) and **Elliott Graham** (right) presented father-daughter team **Mike** and **Chloe Bahen** (middle) with their winning trophy at last year’s Battle of the Blades competition.

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