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News and views in and around Creemore



ZUMBA FOR CATS – Linda Coulter moves to the beat at a Zumba fitness class in support of Creemore Cats, who rescue and spay or neuter feral cats in the area. The fundraiser, held on Saturday, November 16 at NCPS, raised over \$1,000. If you couldn't make it to Zumba but would still like to support the Cats, buy a \$10 ticket at the *Echo* or at Affairs Café to enter a draw to win the gorgeous afghan that is currently hanging at Affairs.

Happy to be home from typhoon

By Kristi Green
A Creemore native has been given a glimpse into the enduring strength of another culture after finding herself stranded on an island in the Philippines by Typhoon Haiyan.
Melissa Striegl, 28, was staying on the island of Coron in the South China Sea when she began hearing rumours of an oncoming typhoon.
Striegl, who was visiting Asia for the first time, was capping off a two-week-long business trip in Manila with a week of touring the islands by boat.
On November 7, she was having

dinner with friends and preparing to return home to Toronto the next day.
However, when the owner of her hotel tried calling for a van service to drive her to the airport the next morning, none was available because of the typhoon.
Haiyan is the deadliest typhoon to hit the Philippines since Typhoon Thelma killed 8,000 people in 1991. It has caused catastrophic destruction; the death toll is now estimated at more than 4,000 people.
At first, Striegl tried thinking of other
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MED CENTRE FUNDRAISING GOES THROUGH THE ROOF

By Kristi Green
The Creemore Medical Centre is about to embark on a \$796,000 expansion, the result of five years of planning in which the Board exceeded its one-year fundraising goal of \$350,000 by \$150,000.
"People were very interested in this project," said **Bill Mann**, Chairman of the Creemore Medical Centre Service Board, which administers the Centre on the Township's behalf. "We received corporate and personal donations."
Construction will start before the end of the month, said Mann. He expects ground will be broken within the next week.
The expansion will occur in three phases: first, the addition will be built, then the wall will be broken and finally, the internal renovations will be completed.
To accommodate the renovation schedule, the Medical Centre will close for two to three weeks in late winter or early spring. The entire construction is expected to take six to seven months, Mann said.
The renovated Medical Centre will provide space for two new physicians (one in summer 2014 and one in 2015),

nurse practitioners and new services such as a laboratory, as well as a room where local residents can meet with visiting specialists instead of having to travel to another town or city.
The Centre will also have better access for seniors and people with physical disabilities, a new reception and office area, a physiotherapy space and a community health centre. The interiors will be modernized to meet building code requirements.
Mann called the Board's plan, which includes operating and construction budgets, and financing, "self-sufficient."
"This project is entirely self-funding – we are not asking for taxpayers' money," said Mann.
The rent revenue will cover all costs, including repaying a \$300,000 bank loan over the next 30 years.
Rent will be \$15 per square foot, lower than the \$18 to \$20 charged by similar facilities in Collingwood. "We will stay profitable and keep rents attractive," Mann said.
The Board's financial plan includes compensation for the approximately half a month's revenue the current tenants will lose during construction.



Melissa Striegl



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This Weekend

Friday, November 22

- **Creemore Centric.** 12" x 12" canvas and birch boards are now available at the Mad and Noisy Gallery. Purchase for \$20 plus HST, which is also the entry fee. The completed piece must be in the gallery by December 30. The opening reception is on January 4, 2014 and the silent auction runs until February 1. A final live auction will take place that day from 2 to 3 pm.
- **Movie Night** at New Lowell United Church at 7 pm to see *Parental Guidance*. \$5 includes popcorn, juice & water.

Saturday, November 23

- **Christmas Craft Sale** at Brentwood Hall from 9 am to 1 pm.
- **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.horningmills.ca for more information.

- **Christmas Bazaar, Bake Sale and Luncheon** from 11 am to 1 pm. Lunch includes soup, sandwich, dessert and tea or coffee – all for just \$5! Located at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church south of Nottawa.
- **Annual Musical Event** at Knox Presbyterian Church, Dunedin, from 7 to 9:30 pm featuring **The Gulley Family** and **U4IA** aka the Mulmur Barbershop Quartet. Free will offering with a portion of proceeds to support the Clearview Food Bank. All welcome.
- **Come and Go Tea for Bertha McBain's 90th Birthday** from 2 to 4 pm at Dunedin Hall. Best wishes only. Formerly of Dunedin, now residing at Collingwood Nursing Home.
- **Talent Night** at New Lowell United Church at 7 pm. \$10, children under 5 free. A fundraiser for the Accessibility Building Fund.

Saturday, November 23 to Sunday, December 8

- **10th Annual Holiday Treasures Juried Arts & Crafts Show & Sale.** Tuesday to Saturday

from 10 to 5 pm, Sunday from noon to 5 pm, closed Monday. Dufferin County Museum & Archives, Highway 89 & Airport Road. www.holidaytreasures.ca.

Sunday, November 24

- **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.
- **Rosemont Christmas Market** from 11am to 3 pm. Inside the Orange Hall, beside The Globe Restaurant on Hwy 89. Fill your freezer with The Globe's baking, Pam's Soaps, Shirley's Touch of Glass, Christmas theme wood carvings, wooden crafts, Clearview Tea, jams, honey and more.
- **Gift Of Music Concert** at St. Luke's Anglican Church at 3 pm. **Classical Guitarist Tariq Harb**, opens this season's concert series. \$15 or full series for \$50 available at Curiosity House, the *Echo* or at door.

Upcoming Events

Monday, November 25

- **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.

Thursday, November 28

- Starting grade 9 next year? **High School Information Night** at Stayner Collegiate Institute. is tonight from 7 to 9 pm.

Thursday, November 28 to Sunday, Dec. 22

- **Theatre Orangeville** presents *A Snow White Christmas*. A family holiday musical. For tickets call 1-800-424-1295 or www.theatreorangeville.ca.

Friday, November 29

- **Toonie Lunch** at St. Luke's Anglican Church, 22 Caroline Street West from 11:30 am to 1 pm. Come enjoy some homemade soup.
- **Collingwood & Creemore Speaker Series** from 7 to 9:30 pm at the Mad & Noisy Gallery. The last of the season! Creemore's own **Matthew Vorstermans** is a man with a gentle mission. Inspired by the enduring love he holds for his grandmother 8 years after her death, he's making a difference in the lives of many, both local and far beyond. Come hear his inspiring story. Come be moved to march past your own limitations. Admission by donation. For more info call Shelley 705-432-7375. RSVP at www.inspirationconvention.ca.
- Come enjoy a **Night of Wonderful Christmas Music** featuring the new **ChoralWorks Choir** with conductor Brian Rae and guest harpist Angela Schwarzkopf at 7:30 pm at Trinity United Church, 140 Maple St., Collingwood. Tickets \$20 available at the door or Crows Nest or call 705-888-4454.

Saturday, November 30

- **Hanging of the Green.** Come out and join friends and neighbours to help make our village look festive at 10 am at the Dunedin Hall. Hot chocolate and cookies are available to keep you warm.
- **CWL Christmas Bazaar** at St. Patrick's Church Hall, Stayner from 10 am to 1 pm. Bake table,

white elephant, silent auction, handmade crafts, tea table serving lunch.

Sunday, December 1

- **Gift Of Music Concert** at St. Luke's Anglican Church at 3 pm featuring the **Tenor Trio**. \$15 for this concert available at Curiosity House, *The Creemore Echo* or at door.

Tuesday, December 3

- **Sara Hershoff & Kristi Green** are on **97.7 The Beach** this morning between 9 and 10 am to talk "**All Things Creemore**." Don't miss it!

Saturday, December 7

- **Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School** is once again proud to host **Breakfast with Santa** from 9 am to noon. Come out and take pleasure in the Christmas festivities and enjoy a wonderful pancake and sausage breakfast. Also, take part in the other fun events such as: Kids Shopping Room, Treasure Tray Raffles, Kids Craft Room, Silent Auction and a visit with Frosty the Snowman and Santa!
- **Curiosity House Story Hour:** Turn yourself into Little Santa with our in-store display and you could win! To celebrate the release of *Little Santa*, come by the bookstore between 10:30 am and noon to hear the story of Little Santa and to create some holiday crafts. Have your picture taken as Little Santa, and you will be entered to win a holiday prize pack!

- **Curiosity House Art Show Opening** from 4 to 6 pm as we welcome **Stephen Hogbin** to the gallery.


Sunday, December 8

- **Gift Of Music Concert** at St. Luke's Anglican Church at 3 pm. **Cello Duo**. \$15 available at Curiosity House, *The Creemore Echo* or at door.

Saturday, December 14

- **Holiday Blues Event** at Sunset Manor, 49 Raglan Street, Collingwood. Coffee and snacks will be served at 6:30 pm in the foyer with a formal program of music and inspirational readings and activities to follow at 7 pm in the Sunset Manor Chapel. Hosted by the Hospice Georgian Triangle. Please come if you are grieving the loss of a loved one this holiday season. Call 705-444-2555 for more information.
- **A dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol** at Collingwood's Trinity United Church at 7 pm to raise funds for **My Friend's House**, Collingwood's shelter for victims of domestic violence. Special guests include The Beach FM morning show host, Mariane McLeod, the Honourable Madam Justice Margaret Eberhard, the Alleluia Ringers Handbell Choir and the Trinity Chorus. Tickets are \$15 general admission and can be purchased from the Trinity United Church office (705-445-3901). Non-perishable food items will also be collected at the door for the Trinity Food Bank. For further information or reservations, visit www.collingwoodchristmascarol.com.
- **"The Winter Rose"** at 7:30 pm at St. John's United Church presented by **Creemore Pastoral Charge Senior Choir** featuring guest choir, **The Creemore Community Youth Choir**. Glenn Keefe is conductor. Carlee Gowan on piano. Free will offering. We invite you to come and enjoy the sounds of the season.

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A cultural lesson in resilience one Creemore native will never forget

(Continued from page 1)

ways to get to the airport because she didn't want to miss her flight. But then she learned there were no more flights leaving the island.

In a demonstration of hospitality, the hotel owner assured her the hotel was a safe place and invited her to stay there free of charge until the airports were running again. At the time, Striegl was the only tourist checked into the hotel.

"At first, it seemed like a normal thunderstorm," Striegl said, of the wind and the rain. Although the Internet wasn't working, she derived some comfort from being able to send text messages to her boss in Manila.

"The Filipino people were acting normal. I felt that if this were any other place people would be putting down bags of sand and storing water, but here, nobody seemed to care; stores were even still open."

At the Centro Coro hotel, where Striegl was staying, she noticed that the owner had hammered planks across the windows. But still, Striegl wasn't afraid. "I didn't feel nervous because no one else seemed nervous."

Then, the electricity went out. Luckily, the owner of the hotel had a generator with a light. That night, he kept his staff on and invited his friends and family to inhabit the unoccupied rooms. Together with Striegl, they ate a big dinner of fish and rice. For her part, Striegl provided some entertainment by astonishing her company with tales of freezing Canadian temperatures.

"They couldn't believe it could be 5 degrees here!" she said. "Every day in the Philippines is about 30 degrees plus!"

At about 9 pm, Striegl headed to her room, which was located upstairs and had an outside walk-up. For the next hour she endured the worst of the storm there alone, attempting to read a book and spending regular intervals inching

the door open to see what was going on.

"The winds were howling," she said. "Every time I opened the door, I saw something new. One time there were flip flops – one pink, one black. Another time, I saw that the hotel banner from the top of the roof was whipping around the balcony. Because it was nighttime, you could just hear the storm and not see what was happening outside, which was scary. It felt like the building was shaking. I could hear pieces of debris banging into the doors and walls outside. There were about 30 minutes where I was pretty freaked out."

In the end, she got out her ear plugs and went to bed.

The next morning Striegl went outside. She saw leaves and pieces of metal everywhere, telephone lines on the ground and boats floating upside down

in the harbour. The local farmers' market had been ripped apart and one house had so much siding torn off it that she could see inside.

"Anything that wasn't concrete was pretty much missing pieces," she reported.

However, what she noticed most was the resilient attitude of the people, she said.

"The funny thing is the people seemed to be happy. They were still smiling even though their houses and businesses were destroyed." Striegl was so surprised at this that she even took a video of a man giving her the "thumbs up" amid the devastation.

Striegl spent one day helping dole out family meals of rice and sauce for a relief camp.

For the next few days she stayed at the hotel without electricity, eating at restaurants whose menus were becoming shorter and shorter as they ran out of food, and washing with water from a bucket the owner of the hotel brought to her.

The water ran out on Sunday. The

next bucket the owner brought her smelled like sewage. "That was my tipping point," she admitted. Striegl felt an urgent need to come home.

On Tuesday, after two days of waiting with more than 200 people to catch a standby flight to Manila, she began the journey back to Canada. "As soon as I got on the airplane, I was happy. Everyone was so happy about the air conditioning."

She spent the next 24 hours making

the trip from Manila to Tokyo, Minneapolis and finally, Toronto, where her boyfriend was waiting at the airport to drive her home.

Striegl, who felt relief upon landing in Canada, says she learned a lot from the experience. "I didn't really realize how people lived in other countries. I'm happy to have what we have here. I saw how it took longer for the Filipino people to recover and function than it would do here in Canada."

Striegl even took a video of a man giving her the "thumbs up" amid the devastation.



Students show support – The NCPS Student Government (pictured) worked with teacher **Jennifer Angus** to write the article below. They are encouraging students to donate money for aid relief in the Philippines, which has been hit by Typhoon Haiyan.

CREEMORE STUDENTS SHOW THEY CARE

By Ms. Angus and NCPS students
Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School has decided to take action and raise money to help those affected by the typhoon in the Philippines.

A goal of \$400 has been set, which is approximately a toonie per student.

Each student has been asked to bring a toonie to school between now and Friday, December 6, when donations will be submitted to the Canadian Red Cross. The Canadian government has committed to matching donations made by this

date. Anyone making a donation can fill out a pledge form that will be displayed in the school.

NCPS is asking community members to match our goal by coming to the school and making a donation. These donations can be made at the offices in either site by seeing **Mrs. Denison** or **Mrs. Eskra**.

Thank you for supporting this worthy cause and helping us put our empathy, caring and cooperation to work. With everyone's support, we will reach our goal!

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EDITORIAL Council matters

At Clearview Township's Council meeting on Monday night, decisions were made. Lots of decisions. Recommendations were approved, motions were debated, letters were read and presenters were questioned.

The meeting, which began at 5:30 at the Township's Administration Building in Stayner, went on so long Council had to pass a resolution just so it could continue the meeting after the four-hour mark.

For someone who is new to this area, I am sure getting to learn a lot about its inner workings by attending Council meetings for the *Echo*. And while it is interesting to see how the decisions get made, it is even more illuminating to discover why.

Phyllis Cook, who lives in Stayner, shares this interest. She regularly sits in on the Council meetings as a member of the public. Why? "Just for fun!" she said. "I enjoy finding out what's happening in town and getting the inside scoop on things."

Cook says she learns a lot about Clearview at Council. For instance, at the previous meeting she learned about the medical cannabis grower that the *Echo* reported on in last week's issue. "I didn't even know it was located here," she said. "I had no clue."

Cook is surprised that more people don't come to Council meetings. "They think it's all politics, but it's not. It's general community stuff."

You might be surprised at what you learn at Council. As for Cook, she says she'll keep on coming.

Maybe we'll see you there.

Kristi Green

THE WAY WE WERE



Garnet Madill brought the *Echo* this photo of the Avening Public School class in 1941. *Top row* (left to right): Miss Adeline Hood, Margaruite Lennox, Ellen Watson, Gladys Helmkey, Joyce Green. *Third row*: Jean Coates, Dorothy Helmkey, Iva Helmkey, Gretta Pengelly, Donald Sutherland, Douglas McLearn, Alex Pridham, Garnet Madill, Arthur Carruthers. *Second row*: Lois Perry, Jean Helmkey, Kathleen Hammond, Jean Watson, Pearl Watson, Ada Watson, George Howie, George Pridham, Gerald Green, Peter Choates. *Front row*: John Coker, Carl Lennox, Connor Howie, Frank Pridham, Eric Pridham, Dalton Helmkey, Gordon Weatherall and Lorne Helnkay.

LETTER Save the bell

It was music to my ears (or eyes) when I read in "Plans to Connect Two Schools" (November 8, 2013), that "...parents wished to preserve history by relocating the historic bell from the primary site to the senior site."

Yes, indeed, that bell has a history. Not only for generations did it call dawdling students when it rang 15 minutes before the start of lessons, but it is a symbol of the energetic and enterprising projects Creemore people have always undertaken.

The following quote from the *Enterprise and Collingwood Messenger* on February 2, 1882, illustrates this: "Our little town [Creemore] has been indulging in some proper and healthy excitement. It took the form of an entertainment to raise funds to purchase a bell for our handsome new schoolhouse. [This was the one built in 1881 and demolished when the current school on Caroline Street was built.] The building was dedicated by holding Divine service in it on Sunday. On Monday evening, the entertainment came off. The programme was an excellent one and the large audience was delighted. There were numerous solos, a recitation, a reading and Rev. D. McDonald gave a lecture titled, "Education." The funds for the school bell were increased by \$50."

Let's save the bell.

Helen Blackburn, Creemore

LETTER Don't spread manure into the wind

Dillon Consulting is paid to make it seem that the Dufferin Wind Power project is good for the community. The ploy of forming a "Community Liaison Committee" is to put a good face on it. Dufferin Wind Power is only interested in positive answers. The negatives of health and land value issues will be disregarded, as always.

Don't tell us that the Dufferin wind project will generate 91.4 megawatts to power up to 30,000 homes. That might be the turbine's outside capacity, but industrial wind turbines generate only 27% of the time, on average, and 85% of that time when not needed as, due to overcapacity, we are already selling electricity to the U.S. The problem is the Ontario government guarantees all wind generation at 11.5¢ kwh, while it's sold for 2.8¢. They actually shut down hydro (4.5¢ kwh) and sometimes nuclear (6.5¢ kwh) to prioritize wind! The wind companies make a profit at the taxpayer's expense. The tab presently is over \$3 billion.

Ontario doesn't need wind. For the foreseeable future, it has an overcapacity of electricity generation. Hydro and nuclear supply the base load requirement and gas capacity supplies more than enough for the variable load. Wind generation is intermittent and only adds to Ontario's household electric bills.

As for "decommissioning," the Ministry of the Environment states it "has published a Technical Bulletin that provides guidance for preparing a Decommissioning Plan Report, but does not require the original wind turbine company applicant or its successor to post security to ensure that there will be money available to carry out the decommissioning plan if the wind company or its successor fail to do so...the cost for dismantling the turbines and the liability for the health, safety and environmental hazards created by abandoned wind turbines, will fall to the landowner."

When the 20-year subsidy contract expires, Dufferin Wind Power will have made its money, but have no incentive to refurbish or decommission their turbines. Consider industrial wind turbines last for 18 to 25 years: the turbine assembly weighs about 160 tons, and there's a 30-metre diameter concrete base to get rid of.

The bottom line is, if not hydro, nuclear and gas, what will we do for electricity when the 20-year contracts run out and there is no longer wind generation?

Any farmer will tell you not to spread manure into the wind. You'll get some on you.

John Wiggins, Creemore

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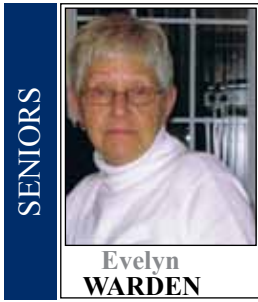
My name is **Evelyn Warden**. I live in Wasaga Beach, was raised near Singhampton and was welcomed some time ago into the Big Heart Seniors, who have entrusted me to report on the goings-on at the club.

When I agreed to try this, I hoped I would make a respectable contribution. Well, upon contacting the *Echo* with a couple of questions...OMG they wanted a picture of me and I had to scurry to find one that doesn't make me look like a convict, as I am not photogenic.

Sadly, Thelma Lighthead, one of our longtime members, has passed in her 93rd year. Our condolences to her family.

A heartfelt thank you from **Warren Gale** and his family was read by **Irma Flack**.

The next Rama trip on Tuesday, December 3, will leave the Creemore Legion at 8:30 am with pick-ups



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Evelyn
WARDEN

in New Lowell and Angus.

The next potluck is Thursday, November 21 at noon. Please be at the Legion Hall and prepared to eat at 12.

Thursday, November 14 bid euchre results:

Share the Wealth draws were as follows: **Nadine Chestnut** 920; **Norma Johnston** 902; **Lillian Hiltz** 914; **Marcia Cameron** 788; **Mary Bouchard** 702; **Dave Smith** 749; **Mercedes Venoit** 740.

There were eight moon shots played by myself, **Marcia Cameron**, **Marj Douglas**, **Ruth Lougheed**, **Barb Pilon**, **Kevin Keough**, **Ray Leighton** and **Marg Hope**.

Finally, the high score recipients were: 1st **Barb Pilon** 325; 2nd **Barb Cudmore** 307; 3rd **Dave Smith** 277; 4th **Alma Seifert** 276; and the low score went to **Flo Kerr** 94.

I apologize for any errors or omissions, and I welcome any input for my next attempt. Thank you, Irma, for all your help.

Remember...the best vitamin for finding a good friend is B1.

Council briefs

Give feedback on new cell tower

Bell Canada has proposed to install a 40-metre cellular tower at the New Lowell Legion to improve cellular coverage in New Lowell. The public is invited to send feedback about the tower to **Rossalyn Workman**, Development Planner at the Township (705-428-6230 ext. 248 or rworkman@clearview.ca), by Saturday, November 23. Township staff will prepare a follow-up report that includes this feedback for Council's Monday, December 9 meeting.

Open-air burning by-law amended

Acting Fire Chief **Colin Shewell** presented potential changes to Clearview's open-air by-law. The new by-law will clarify what outdoor fireplaces are in the settlement areas; prohibit flying lanterns; increase specifications for adverse health effects and weather conditions; and provide new specifications to restrict fire load and dimensions in rural areas, among other things. The amended by-law will be presented at a Public Meeting at Council on Monday, December 9.

Rooftop solar projects endorsed

Council agreed to a blanket endorsement of the use of rooftop solar projects on existing structures in Clearview that comply with all local and provincial policy and legislation.

Greenhouse fee decision

Council will not provide Clearview vegetable farmer **Zhang Jian Fan** with a further reduction in greenhouse fees for the 40 greenhouses on his farm south of Collingwood Regional Airport. Fan will pay \$300 per greenhouse, reduced from \$437.76.

Branding project in the works

Employees of advertising concept company, Cundari, conducted workshops with Clearview stakeholders, including its business owners, to articulate the separate identities of different areas in Clearview such as Creemore, Stayner and Sunnidale. Cundari will use this information to create a brand for the Township that ties its marketing efforts together.

Echo toy and food drive has begun

By Kristi Green

For **Micheline Hardy**, this is the "busiest and best" time of year.

Hardy is the Captain Corps Officer of the Ontario Central - East Division of The Salvation Army at the Hope Acres Community Church in Glencairn.

For the last few years, she has run a food and toy drive to help bring Christmas to families all over in Alliston, Angus, Tottenham and other places in between. Now, she is helping our area, too.

Members of Hope Acres add toys and food vouchers to the more-than-100 Christmas hampers they provide to families who register for them.

If you are in the Christmas spirit, you can purchase a new toy or a food voucher from any grocery store, and bring them to the *Echo* office for pick-up. Although food vouchers are preferred, Hardy says Hope Acres will also accept gifts non-perishable goods such as canned foods and cereals.



Hardy will be collecting the donations from the *Echo* on Monday, December 16. However, Hope Acres collects donations of food all year round.

"This year, we are looking for items for older children, ages 10 to 13," said Hardy, who suggested gifts of mittens, gloves and age-appropriate games. "It's hard to get things for that age group for some reason; it used to be the older teenagers that were harder, but now it is this one."

LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY

Sunday, November 24

CREEMORE UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE

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AWARD-WINNING STUDENT – Zach Whitley of Creemore has won a 4-H Bursary Fund, provided by the Stayner and Community Agricultural Society. The bursary gives him, along with Caryn Upton of Alliston, \$500 each toward their post-secondary education. Both students belonged to the Clearview 4-H Beef Club. The Fund usually awards only one bursary annually, but this year it presented two awards because it had no winner in a previous year.

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A message from
Krista Young,
General Manager

Winters can be a beautiful time, with snow crunching under your feet, trees laden with white and the crisp cold temperatures. What a season! But to some, winters pose a risk. It can be overly dangerous for driving, slippery when walking, and all around stressful when simply trying to get through the day.

I would like to introduce you to Mrs. Somerville. Her family is heading south for a month and a half in January. Since she isn't much of a traveller these days, she is concerned about being home alone. She is also worried about how she will get out to get groceries, although she cooks less and less these days. She is concerned about shovelling the driveway. What if she slips and falls while outside in the bitter cold? Yes, it happens. It is real and it is scary! So Mrs. Somerville decided to phone the Lodge to get some information. The following is how the call went.

Ring Ring.... Ring Ring.... "Good afternoon, Waterside Retirement Lodge, Krista speaking how can I help you? I'm glad you called Mrs. Somerville. You have questions about a winter stay with us, sure go ahead what would you like to know? You're wondering about furniture? For winter stays, Mrs. Somerville, all you need to worry about is bringing are your clothes, some mementos, photos and yourself. We supply the rest: a furnished suite with all of the amenities.

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"Of course your friends can visit, in fact, they can join you for lunch in our family dining room, just let me know the date. Yes, Mrs. Somerville, you are encouraged to come for a tour, and a colleague or I is available to answer your questions. Perhaps you would like to book a tour and join us for lunch on Friday, does that work? Perfect, I will see you at Waterside Retirement Lodge at 239 Zoo Park Road at 11:30am, I look forward to meeting you, and yes, I do believe you will love joining us for a winter stay. See you Friday."

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All are welcome regardless of age or personal circumstances but pre-registration is needed before December 23 to reserve a place setting. As always a few spaces will be set for those who are not able to plan ahead. Admission is a donation of a non-perishable item for the Salvation Army Food Bank, Hope Acres, Glencairn.

* Please know that volunteers will be pleased to deliver the meal to any who may be shut-in due to illness and to assist those without transportation in Avening and Creemore.

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Event organizers are Diane & Brian McKay, Head Cook Jim Henderson, Ken Robertson, Gertrude King and Kathy Meeser

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Publican portraitist with a theatrical flair

Creemore is a hotbed of artistic expression. Artists find a congenial, inclusive community of open-hearted and -minded people in the town and the surrounding hills. It is no secret that we have more than our fair share of cultural events to attend and celebrate thanks to the vision, will and effort of many in our community.

Besides covering art events in Creemore and environs, this column will celebrate a few well-known and some very well-hidden treasures: people in our midst who quietly produce art works, art events and contribute to this community's sense of itself as an artistic hub.

This week's hidden gem is **Carol Sperandeo** who came to us three years ago from Stouffville, along with her family, to buy and run The Old Mill House Pub. She is that gorgeous welcoming movie star who is the front-of-house (her husband, **Steve**, a talented chef, runs the kitchen and the office). She is warm and inviting and hysterically funny. She loves to gab and remembers everything you say (watch out). Her first love is her family, and she and Steve fell in love with Creemore as a place to build an adventure that would challenge their talents and grow their kids in a community. Carol counts her

ART BEAT



Martha
BULL

blessings every day to live in this awesome community and meet locals, members of the military, hunters, farmers, writers – and even movie star, **Rachel McAdams** – at her pub.

So why is Carol featured in the art column of the *Echo*? I first realized she is an artist (as in fine art) when I noticed some commendable portraits behind the bar at the pub. I recognized a few Creemore culprits and found out that Carol spends a big chunk of time alone in front of an easel quietly studying, painting and sketching characters she likes around town. Wow! Besides running a busy new business and mothering two great high-energy kids, Carol bangs out portraits in her garage studio.

Carol always admired painters and decided she had to learn to paint. After attending one Beginners Landscape Watercolour class a few years ago, Carol painted a portrait of a dear friend from a photo...over 10 times... with unsatisfying results. Then some determined part of her grabbed a magnifying glass. Carol started by painting a corner of one eye, then moved the glass, little by little, all over the photo rendering small shapes until it was finished. And it was a likeness! This is reminiscent of how Renaissance painters learned about foreshortening and perspective. I was really impressed with her spirited determination and



Carol Sperandeo

lateral thinking problem-solving.

How does such a social, energetic and civic-minded individual peel away from her chosen spotlight to do portraiture, which is an introspective contemplation? The answer begins with her love of theatre. Carol is a classically trained actor who graduated from the Theatre School at Ryerson in 1982. The school had a very fine costume department and Carol haunted the wigmakers, seamstresses and props department. She loved the whole picture more than the actor's spotlight. You can see this love of ensemble work in the way she has made her family and herself the cast of a great project: adopting a wonderful community and making magic happen in it.

And that explains why Carol and her pub have won the prize for best float every one of the three years they have participated in the Creemore Santa Claus Parade. She treats the float like a theatre piece, designing costumes, roles, props and staging. She loves the old Christmas movies and uses historical and literary themes to inspire her floats. Carol won't tell me what this year's theme is going to be, but she is extremely excited about it. She hints that papier mâché horses may be a part of it and she is madly hunting for peacock feathers for some grand place in the story.

See you all at the parade! May the best float win!

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There is comfort in communication

By Kristi Green

It's a cold and windy November day, but inside Leisureworld on Mary Street in Creemore, 32-year-old **Matthew Vorstermans** is sitting on a big sofa in a warm room, reading from *The Selected Journals of L.M. Montgomery* in a clear voice.

The elderly residents sit quietly and listen to the stories, surrounded by the bright colours of the handpainted woodland mural that wraps around the room. They have come specifically to hear Matthew, who reads at the long-term care home every Tuesday morning.

Matthew says he volunteers here in honour of his grandmother, but she passed away seven years ago in Nova Scotia after developing Alzheimer's Disease. Even though they lived far apart – she in Massachussetts and then Nova Scotia, and he in Creemore – they were very close, regularly writing and talking on the phone.

"All my life I looked to her for comfort. Anytime we talked she could make me feel better. When she developed Alzheimer's, the situation was reversed and now she needed the comfort. Now that she is gone, I'd love to give her comfort, but I can't, so I will give it to someone else."

Matthew has Cerebral Palsy, which affects his legs and feet. On Friday, November 29, he will be speaking about what it is like to have a disability – among other things – as part of the Collingwood



Reading at Leisureworld with fellow volunteer, Jane Timmons



Matthew Vorstermans

and Creemore Speaker Series.

"I don't see why it's extraordinary," says Matthew, about his life story. "But people are moved by it."

Matthew started volunteering for the Alzheimer Society of Canada while his grandmother was still alive. Today, he is an Alzheimer Society Ambassador, which means that he speaks to groups about Alzheimer's, volunteers at fundraising activities and attends events throughout the year.

All this for his Dutch Oma, the woman who helped him see who he was – instead of what he says others think they see.

"She didn't care that I had a disability. Others may have pampered, overprotected, smothered or underestimated me, but she didn't

do any of that. She encouraged me and told me that she loved me."

Matthew says his grandmother has had a lifelong effect on him. "[She] made me feel like a special and normal person. She helped me develop my attitude toward life. I have a permanent disability and I don't let it get in the way of things and I don't let people pre-judge me."

Matthew explains that when new people meet him, they often assume they know what his problems are before they get to know him. They might try to do everything for him or talk too loudly, assuming he can't hear well or even understand.

"People think physical and mental disabilities go hand-in-hand," explains

Matthew, who graduated from Stayner Collegiate Institute in 2001, has completed online courses through the University of Western Ontario and works at Discover the Path Wellness Centre in Creemore. "When I explain what I am able to do and people listen, they become more rational and open."

That is why communication is key, and it is one reason why Matthew continues to speak at events, auditoriums and care facilities. "Communication helps to get rid of some negative stereotypes," he says.

Matthew will be the featured speaker at the Mad and Noisy Gallery on Friday, November 29 at 7 pm. RSVP at www.inspirationconvention.ca or 705-432-7375. Admission is by donation.



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A good day for tree planting – Members of the Tree Society of Creemore stand in front of one of the 11 new trees they planted on the west side of Edward Street recently. From left to right: **Marion and Milton McArthur**, **Liz Smith** with her granddaughter **Morgan Timmons**, and **Anne Marie and Jim Morrey**. Part of the mission of the Tree Society is to plant, prune and care for Creemore's trees on public land. For more information about the Society, visit www.treesocietyofcreemore.com.

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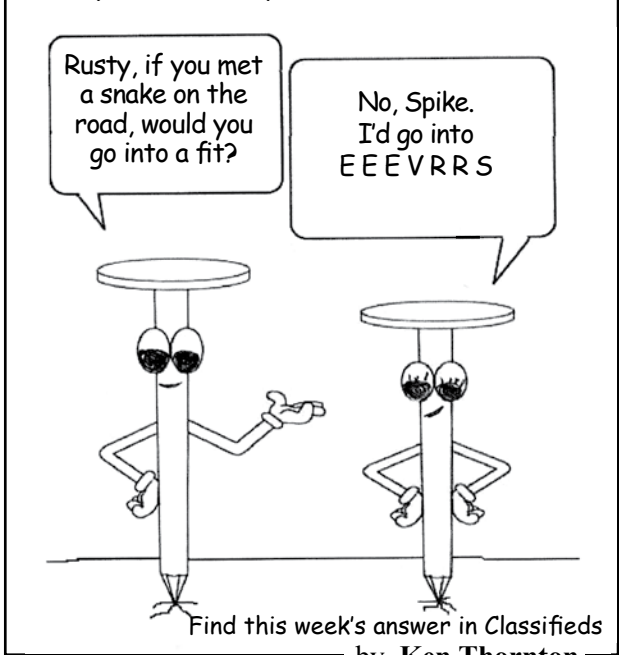
FUN & Games

Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answer on Classifieds Page

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



Find this week's answer in Classifieds by Ken Thornton

CREEMORE WEEKEND WEATHER

Friday, November 22

Cloudy with showers
High 7 Low -2 Winds SW 20 km/h
POP 70%

Saturday, November 23

Scattered flurries
High 0 Low -6 Winds NW 40 km/h
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Sunday, November 24

Scattered flurries
High -6 Low -9 Winds S 20 km/h
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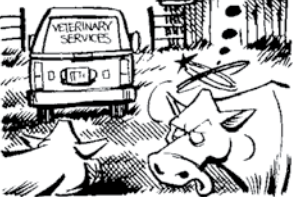
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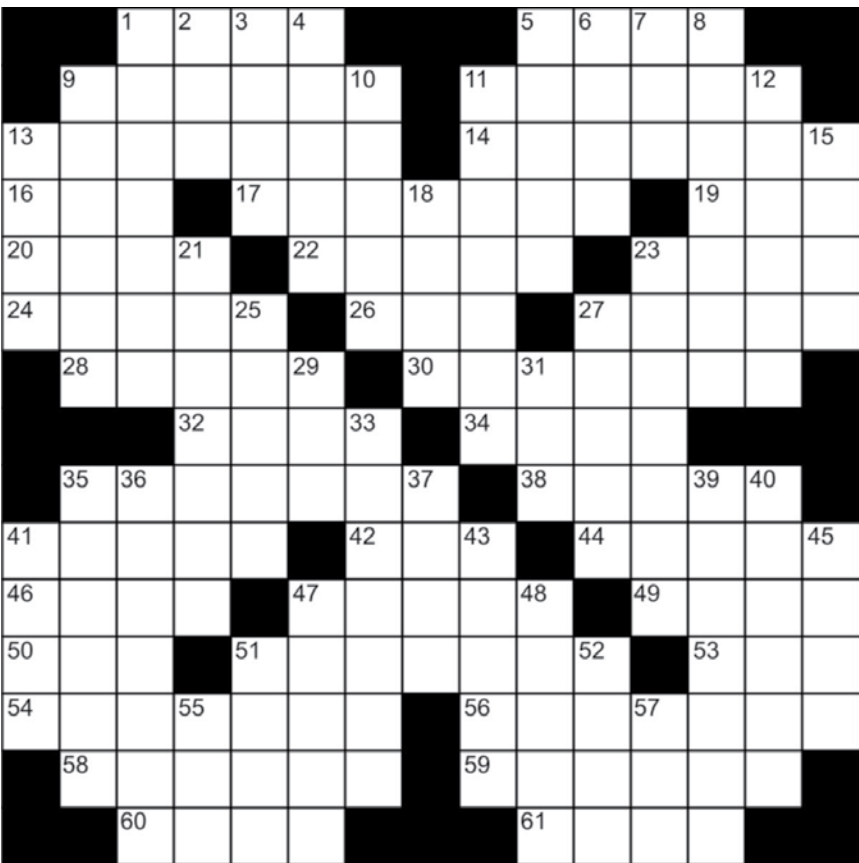
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ACROSS

- Between half and all
- Flat-topped elevation
- Swordfish relative
- Tommy Burns' sport
- Looking on the bright side
- Whole
- It's measured in degrees
- Ripple
- Pod vegetable
- Latch on to
- Only a moment ago
- Food served and eaten at one time
- An ambulance has one
- Spectrum colour
- Past its usefulness
- Indonesian dish
- Birthday cake decoration
- Romantically involved couple
- Lady's man
- Book published annually
- Liqueur flavouring
- Wicker fish basket
- Margarine container
- Go into
- ___ and crafts
- Piece of boneless steak
- British financial system
- Go bad
- Have power over
- Container top
- Mask feature
- Letter
- Source of wisdom
- Thanksgiving dinner
- Reside for a short time
- No longer owed

DOWN

- Eyelash cosmetic
- Rock that contains minerals
- Cabbage salad
- Satellite of Saturn
- Medium of exchange
- Go offstage
- Look after children
- Poetic foot
- Former football player for the Argonauts and Eskimos
- Certainly not
- Muscular canine
- Lubricant
- Shabby clothing
- Harvard rival
- Pitcher with a wide spout
- Early
- Coarsely woven fabric
- Of one's birth
- Tube-shaped pasta
- Hankering
- Ocean
- Afternoon performance
- Dry gully
- Alphabet components
- Religious sect
- Artificially formal
- With an air of mystery
- Have a soft spot for
- Flat hat
- Went on horseback
- Misguided undertaking
- Replenish one's drink
- Drug-yielding plant
- Monetary unit replaced by the euro
- Head covering
- Go downhill fast



November 15 Answer

Signs of the season in New Lowell

Did you hear “Ho! Ho! Ho!” throughout the area this weekend? Jolly St. Nick has arrived and it is joyful to see a parade through the eyes of a child. Another sure sign of upcoming events are the village homes as they get decorated inside and out.

The New Lowell Central Public school students and staff had a successful chili supper and silent auction to raise funds for their senior trip next year.

Sympathy of the community goes to the family of Thelma Lighthouse, who passed away last week. A private family service was held.

The Retired Women Teachers of Ontario (Blue Mountain branch) held their Christmas dinner on Monday. The ladies give new mothers at the Collingwood Hospital a bag and a few books to read to their new child. The ladies know that literacy is so important in child development, so they do this in the hopes that the child will have a good start in literacy. You are never too old or too young to enjoy the rhythm of words and poems.

Breaking News! The New Lowell United Church invites you to a family movie night on Friday November 22 starting at 7 pm. The movie for this month is called “Parental Guidance.” The cost is \$5 per person, which includes the movie/fresh popcorn/juice and water.

On Saturday, November 23, the church is hosting a local talent night with a real variety of music and dance in support of the Accessibility Building Fund. The cost is \$10 for admission, and children under 5 are free.

There is a great program at the New Lowell Church on Thursday mornings for moms and tots. This is a great way for moms to meet other moms and for the little ones to start socializing.

NEW LOWELL NEWS



Sandra
BEDNAREK

The Sunnidale Branch of the Clearview Library has tried to have “Story Hour” once a month on Saturday mornings starting at 10:30. The next scheduled “Story Hour,” geared to children 3 to 6 years old, is Saturday, December 14.

Don’t go to the shopping malls at this time of year with hustling and noise – instead visit the Brentwood Hall on Saturday, November 23 for a Christmas Craft sale from 9 am til 1 pm. Contact **Deb Bronée** (debbronee@yahoo.ca) if you wish to rent a table.

If you enjoy playing euchre, come play on Wednesday afternoons at 1 pm at the New Lowell Legion. This is a great social activity now that the weather is cooler.

The Comartin Bridge is all completed on County Road 10. I don’t know if you have noticed the purple rooster that sits on the farm at County Road 10 and 9. It is fast becoming a landmark and a fun topic of discussion. When issuing directions, people now say “turn at the purple rooster” instead of at the flashing light!

If you enjoy welcoming the Christmas Season with music, then plan on attending the “Winter Rose Cantata” featuring the Joint United Church Choir and the Community Junior Choir on Saturday, December 14 at 7:30 pm at St. John’s United Church in Creemore. There will be a goodwill offering. This promises to be a great salute to Christmas.

That’s the news from in and around New Lowell/Brentwood. If you have news for this column, please contact Sandra at 705-424-6497 or sandra@bednarek.ca.

GOT NEWS

CALL KRISTI

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Echo briefs

National Defence exercise

The Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers School will conduct exercise practice in Creemore on Wednesday, December 4 and Thursday, December 5. Between 7:30 am and 6 pm, approximately 30 students and course staff wearing military dress will be in the village to learn how to evaluate urban infrastructure for support operation. The soldiers will not be armed and no ammunition will be used.

Battle of the Blades

“Mini Blades” winners **Georgia-Ann Riedl** and **Austin Martell** skated in the televised finale of CBC’s Battle of the Blades in Etobicoke on Sunday, November 17. The CBC filmed their reaction to winning the “Mini Blades” competition at the Stayner Skating Club the week before. Congratulations!

OPP’s “Festive RIDE” campaign

The Ontario Provincial Police will begin its “Festive RIDE” campaign this weekend. The campaign will run from Saturday, November 23 to Thursday, January 2. Members of the public should expect to see RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) stops throughout the province during this time. The goal is to take impaired drivers off the road during the holiday season.

Interim CEO at Collingwood Hospital

Norah Holder has started her new position as Interim CEO at Collingwood General and Marine Hospital. Holder joined the hospital in 2009 and was previously its Vice President and Chief Nursing Executive. Holder takes over for outgoing CEO **Linda Davis**, who has held that position since 2005. Davis will become President and CEO of Northumberland Hills Hospital in Cobourg.

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THANK YOU

Our family would like to thank Rent -a-Youth and the TD bank for the scholarship awarded and shared by Tristan and Blaine in late August. It has been greatly appreciated by the parents of twins-attending-post-secondary! The Whitley family (Greg, Kathy, Tristan, Blaine and Hannah)

The Creemore Medical Centre Service Board would like to thank everyone for their donations during the fundraising. We raised more than our goal and will be starting the expansion next week! Your donations are greatly appreciated.

SERVICES

Sparkling Clean **HOUSE CLEANING** – I guarantee it! Parties, renovations, staging and moving as well as regular cleaning. Please call Sue at 519-923-6376.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING

Santa Claus Parade is on Saturday, December 7. If you would like to put a **FLOAT** in, please phone Laurie Wilson at 705-466-2018 or talk to her at TD-Canada Trust in Creemore.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the Santa Claus Parade to help at the County Yard. Contact Fred at *The Creemore Echo*, 705-466-9906 or fred@creemore.com.

Student & Adult VOLUNTEERS Needed to help hand out hot chocolate & coffee after the parade at the Santa Meet & Greet at Station on the Green. Also need student & adult judges for the parade. Contact Fred at *The Creemore Echo*, 705-466-9906 or fred@creemore.com. Students: this is a way to earn your community service hours!

Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School is graciously accepting gently used **'garage sale' items for the Breakfast with Santa Kid's Shopping Room on Saturday, December 7.** If you would like to donate any items, please drop off your donation at either school site. On behalf of School Council, we thank you for your generous donation.

Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School is hosting a **silent auction at the Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 7.** If you would like to donate any items to help support our school, please drop off your donation at either school site. On behalf of School Council, we thank you for your generous donation.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

The Salvation Army Hope Acres

If you are in need of Christmas assistance applications will be taken from November 12th until December 13th
OR
If you are looking to make a difference for a family in your community by adopting or making a donation.
Contact: (705) 466-3435 ext. 221


CHRISTMAS

34th Annual Christmas Draw. Grand prize is a suite of stainless steel kitchen appliances. Draw on Monday, December 23 live on 95.1 The Peak FM starting at 9 am. **All proceeds to support the New Age of Care Campaign for the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital Foundation.** Tickets \$2 on sale at *The Creemore Echo*. www.cgmhf.com.

Do you have a special Christmas recipe that you would like to share? *The Creemore Echo* is looking for recipes for the Annual Christmas Greetings issue coming out on Friday, December 13. If you have a recipe that you would like to submit please drop in to the *Echo* office, fax to 705-466-9908 or email info@creemore.com by Wednesday, November 27 at 5 pm.

MS Design
One Stop Holiday Shop
NOW OPEN
AT 195 MILL STREET
Open Wed-Sun 10-5
Holiday gifts and decor from 15+ local artisans!
www.facebook.com/MSDesignOneStop

CELEBRATION

**90th Birthday**
Come and Go Tea for Bertha McBain
Saturday, November 23
2 to 4pm
at the Dunedin Hall
Bertha is a former resident of Dunedin, now residing at Collingwood Nursing Home.
Best wishes only please.

HELP WANTED


DEVIL'S GLEN COUNTRY CLUB

For the upcoming 2013-2014 ski season we have the following employment opportunities available:
Full Time Seasonal Food Services Staff
Cooking Experience Required

Reply in writing, email or by fax to:
Devil's Glen Country Club
Glen Huron, Ontario
L0M 1L0
E-mail: info@devilsglen.com
Fax: (705)-445-5762

Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

IN MEMORIAM

Charles James Craig – December 8, 1943-November 22, 2012
Nothing can ever take away
The love the heart holds dear,
Fond memories linger every day,
Remembrance keeps him near.
Sadly missed and loved by his wife Mary, son Christie and his girlfriend Debbie Bowes,

CONGRATULATIONS

Happy 3rd Anniversary to **Creemore House of Stitches** – Here's to Year #4!
Congratulations to Cheryl & Ken,
from Sharon

Creemore Echo
Annual Christmas Toy & Food Drive

Drop in to the *Echo* with your donations between now and Friday, December 16.

• children's toys & games & books

especially toys & games for ages 10 to 13

• food gift certificates

• non-perishable goods: canned foods cereal etc.


CLASSICAL CONCERTS IN CREEMORE

TARIQ HARB
CLASSICAL GUITARIST
Sunday, Nov. 24, @ 3 p.m.

TENOR TRIO
Sunday, Dec. 1 @ 3 p.m.

CELLO DUO
Sunday, Dec. 8 @ 3 p.m.

THE DIVAS
Sunday, Dec. 15 @ 3 p.m.

Tickets \$15 or 4 for \$50.
available at Curiosity House Books, the Echo and at the door.
Complimentary refreshments following the concert.

SPONSORS: Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society, Creemore Springs, Township of Clearview, Creemore BIA

St. Luke's Church
22 Caroline St. West
Creemore

The Winter Rose
 Presented by Creemore Pastoral Charge Senior Choir
 Saturday, December 14 at 7:30pm
St. John's United Church
FEATURING GUESTS
 The Creemore Community Youth Choir
 Glenn Keefe • Conductor
 Carlee Gowan • Piano
 We invite you to come and enjoy the sounds of the season
 Free Will Offering

SKI SEASON RENTAL

Between Mansfield & Devil's Glen

Bungalow; 3 bedroom with King,
 Queen, Twins; fully renovated;
 fireplace; Sub-Zero fridge;
 7 km South of Creemore;
 lovely hillside views set on 24 acres;
 cross-country skiing & tobogganing.

Call Bob: 416-802-6763
 email: bob@presner.com



\$2,500 per month - December thru March
 April optional - Available at 50%



DUFFERIN WIND POWER



Community Liaison Committee

We're Listening!

Dufferin Wind Power Inc. is making long-term investments in Ontario's green energy future and is seeking your participation. DWPI received Renewable Energy Approval from the Ministry of the Environment on June 10, 2013 for its wind power project in Dufferin County. The project will generate 91.4 megawatts of wind power, enough to power between 22,500 and 30,000 households per year. This notice is the first step in establishing a Community Liaison Committee (CLC) to provide a venue for meaningful and ongoing discussion between the project team and community members.

How are we listening?

Dillon Consulting is creating this Community Liaison Committee in Dufferin County to discuss the construction, operation and decommissioning of the Dufferin Wind Farm.

This will be an opportunity for approximately 20 selected CLC members to:

- Exchange information
- Listen to community suggestions to minimize impacts; and
- Assist with identifying and resolving community concerns

The CLC will seek representation from Dufferin County residents & landowners, agricultural & business communities, aboriginal communities, municipalities, government agencies, local organizations, and special interest groups.

Become a member of the CLC

Interested in representing your community and discussing the Dufferin Wind Farm? CLC members will be responsible for attending a minimum of four (4) meetings over a two-year period. Meetings will take place on a weekday evening for approximately two to three hours each. Membership selection will be based on balanced representation from the various groups listed above.

Apply Today!

An application form is available at the DWPI project office and on the project website: www.dufferinwindpower.ca/community. If you are interested in volunteering for the CLC please apply in writing by December 15, 2013 using the following contact information:

Dillon Consulting Limited | Attention Katharine Myrans
 235 Yorkland Blvd., Suite 800 | Toronto, ON M2J 4Y8
 Phone: 416.229.4647 ext. 2381 | Fax: 416.229.4692 | Email: kmyrans@dillon.ca



Community Commitments