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## COMMUNITY RADIO COMING TO CREEMORE

By Kristi Green

A new radio station is about to make waves – from Creemore. Clearview Community Radio will launch in January from Ray’s Place Youth Resource Centre. At first, it will be available online. Eventually, it will become a full-fledged on-air station that the audience can tune into, organizers say.

“Clearview is a really vibrant and rich community, and we feel we need to have a service that will reflect that and serve everybody,” says **Steve Green**, who is leading the project with his wife, **Sandra Green**.

Steve, who has worked in television and radio in the past, including at local radio station 97.7 The Beach FM, says starting a community radio station has been his dream “forever.”

After signing their son up for a Ray’s Place program earlier this year, he and Sandra thought the youth centre would be a good place to realize that dream. Sandra will become the Executive Director of Ray’s Place in the New Year.

“We teamed up with Ray’s Place because we’d like the radio station to be youth-oriented,” says Steve. Clearview kids 13 to 17 years old will be able to learn how a radio show gets broadcast. Some might even get their own show.

Programming will reflect the diverse interests of the audience, Steve says. “The content will be anything and everything. Not only is this a great resource for Clearview, but the community has a say in what they want to hear. Want to hear more about fixing old cars? Pitch a show. Love poetry? Come on down to Ray’s Place and talk to me about scheduling more spoken word. The possibilities are endless.”



**ORDER OF CANADA GETS NEW MEMBER – Andy Barrie**, who lives in Mulmur, is congratulated by **David Johnston**, the Governor General of Canada, at the Order of Canada investiture ceremony in Ottawa on Friday, November 22. To read more, see the story on page 7.

## NVCA WARNS ABOUT WETLAND HEALTH

By Kristi Green

In spite of giving it a clean bill of health, the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) warns the Mad River’s wetlands are in decline.

In its 2013 report, the NVCA categorizes Mad River wetland conditions as “good,” meeting Environment Canada’s recommendation that at least 10 per cent of healthy watersheds are covered by wetland (aerial photography and computer-based mapping show it has 16.9%).

However, the Mad River subwatershed, which is one part of the

larger Nottawasaga Valley watershed (see maps on page 3), has lost 14 hectares of wetlands since 2008. This represents a 0.2 per cent decrease since 2002.

“The trends are important,” said **Wayne Wilson**, Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary/Treasurer of the NVCA. “If we are losing wetlands, then there is a concern.”

Wetlands are lost when they are cleared for farming or development of subdivisions or roads, Wilson said.

Unlike forests, which can be replanted, wetlands are difficult to

restore, he added. New farmland must be found, which must then undergo an extensive process to convert to wetlands.

According to the NVCA, wetlands play an important role in the ecological health of a watershed. They improve the water quality by filtering run-off from agricultural and urban areas. They help control flooding, reduce erosion and help maintain stream flow during dry periods by containing water on the landscape.

Every five years, the NVCA provides  
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# COMMUNITY Calendar

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## This Weekend

### 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](http://www.holidaytreasures.ca).

### 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](http://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.
- **Stayner Tree Lighting** with the Stayner Chamber of Commerce at 7 pm at Stayner Park Gazebo.

### Saturday, November 30

- **Nottawa United Church Christmas Craft Sale** from 9 am to 2 pm. Baked goods, homemade preserves, handmade quilts & crafts.
- **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.
- **27th Annual Singhampton Santa Claus Parade** at 6 pm tonight starting at the Singhampton Firehall. For more information or for entries call 705-446-7203. Hot chocolate and hot dogs will be available after the parade.

### Sunday, December 1

- **Church Services** are on page 5.
- **Lisle Santa Claus Parade** starting at 1:30 pm. The parade winds its way through the village ending at the Lisle Legion. Children can visit with Santa Claus at the Legion. For information or to place an entry into the parade phone Scott at 705-424-0769.
- **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.

## Upcoming Events

### 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!

### Friday, December 6

- **Creemore Christmas Tree Lighting** at 6:30 pm at Station on the Green. Carols, Crazy Hat Contest for kids. See you there!

### 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!
- **18th Annual Breakfast With Santa at Primrose Elementary School**, 636064 Prince of Wales Road, Mulmur from 8 am to noon. Enjoy a pancake breakfast or peameal on a bun and unlimited drinks! \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Santa and Mrs. Claus, crafts, food and baked good vendors, treasure trays, kids' activities, outdoor hockey clinic, skate exchange. There will be collection sites for non-perishable food items, toys, pet food and mittens. Contact [megantaylor@hughes.net](mailto:megantaylor@hughes.net) for more information.
- **Creemore Christmas Farmers' Market** at Station on the Green from 9 am to 1 pm. Baking, wooden crafts, handmade cosmetics, alpaca products, local artisans. Come out for some Christmas shopping!
- **The Creemore Horticultural Society** will be offering **Christmas arrangements** for sale at the Christmas Farmers' Market. Please come out, support the Hort. and help keep Creemore a beautiful village.
- **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!
- **Creemore Santa Claus Parade** begins at County Road 9 at 1:30 pm and will turn down Mill Street. If you would like to put in a float, contact Laurie at TD Canada Trust. The Mayor and Council will

be collecting for the food bank during the Stayner and Creemore Parade. Look for the Clearview Township float named "Deck the Small Halls" (SCI has built them a Small Halls Float) and hand them your donations.

- **Meet Santa after the Parade** at Station on the Green. Hot chocolate & coffee, too.
- **Clearview Public Library** invites you to our **After Parade Party** (free family fun & crafts) at 2:30 pm at the Creemore Branch. Special guest appearance: Geronimo Stilton.
- **Curiosity House Art Show Opening** from 4 to 6 pm as we welcome **Stephen Hogbin** to the gallery.

### Sunday, December 8

- **Come & Go Tea to celebrate Maud Walker's 75th Birthday** from 2 to 4 pm at Stayner Missionary Church, 295 Main Street, Stayner. Best wishes only.
- **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.

### Thursday, December 12

- **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.

### Friday, December 13

- **Creemore House of Stitches Pillowcase Challenge** for My Friend's House women's shelter. Help us fill some pillowcases with goodies to give each person at the shelter a new pillowcase for Christmas this year. Please drop in to Creemore House of Stitches with something to go in the pillow cases (e.g. toothbrush and paste, hairbrush, socks and undies, pjs, bubblebath, soap or a child's toy).
- **The Creemore Echo Toy & Food Drive in support of Hope Acres, Glencairn.** Today is your last day to bring in your donations of toys or grocery store gift cards or non-perishable foods.

### Saturday, December 14

- **The Creemore Skating Club is having a Pancake Breakfast** from 9 to 11:30 am at the Creemore Arena Community Hall. \$5 per person or a family of 5 for \$20. Come support the Creemore Skating Club and have breakfast with us. Breakfast includes: pancakes, bacon, sausage, juice, coffee and tea.
- **Pet Pics with Santa at Mad River Vet Clinic** from 10 am to 1pm.
- **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](http://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.

### Sunday, December 15

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

### Wednesday, December 25

- **12th Annual Community Christmas Dinner** at Station on the Green. Social hour with the Wipper family & vocalist Ken Robertson at 4:30 pm, dinner to begin at 6 pm. All are welcome but registration is needed by December 23. Admission is a donation of a non-perishable item for the Hope Acres Food Bank. Deliver to shut-ins available. Call Diane at 705-466-3126 or [diane.9lives@yahoo.ca](mailto:diane.9lives@yahoo.ca) to RSVP, for more information or to volunteer. Contributions can be made to TD Canada Trust 0330 5202657.

### Saturday, January 25

- Canadian Comedy Award winner **Monkey Toast: The Improvised Talk Show** brings its one-of-a-kind talk show to the Avening Hall. For this show local radio personality Mariane McLeod and another yet-to-be-determined celebrity will be interviewed by Ron Tite, who then throws the focus to top-notch comedic players who use the interviews as the inspiration for their improvised scenes. Doors open at 7 pm. Show starts at 8 pm. Cash bar. This event is proudly presented by The Mad and Noisy Improv Co. and the Avening Hall. Info at [www.aveninghall.com](http://www.aveninghall.com). Tickets \$20 in advance at *The Creemore Echo* and online at [www.ticketscene.ca](http://www.ticketscene.ca). \$25 at the door.



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## Creemore Echo Annual Christmas Toy & Food Drive

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

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- grocery store gift certificates
- non-perishable goods



# Forest conditions appear to be improving, NVCA says

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an overview of watershed health by rating the conditions of the wetlands, forests, streams and groundwater in the area. Based on its previous ratings, the NVCA further identifies trends for each component.

This year, both the forest conditions and the stream health of the Mad River also received ratings of “good.” In fact, forest conditions appear to be improving.

“The NVCA has planted 79 hectares of forest – or 189,000 trees – since 2002 to help offset some losses,” explained Wilson. “We have seen an increase in the forest by over 124 hectares because it is now maturing.”

Environment Canada recommends that at least 30 per cent of a watershed is covered by forest to support healthy wildlife habitat. The Mad River subwatershed has 35.1 per cent.

The same guidelines also recommend that at least 10 per cent of the watershed has forest interior, which is land that is more than 100 metres from the inside of the forest edge, and supports the survival of sensitive birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians. Mad River has 11.6 per cent.

Although the NVCA did not collect data for the quality of groundwater of the Mad River subwatershed, the groundwater for the entire Nottawasaga Valley watershed received a rating of

“very good.”

The NVCA aims to preserve a healthy environment through programs that protect, conserve and enhance water, wetlands, forests and lands.

The organization encourages community engagement in protecting forest, wetland and stream conditions, by, for example, planting trees along the sides of streams, stabilizing eroding stream banks, reducing or ceasing the use of fertilizers, planting native trees and shrubs, decommissioning unused wells and buffering streams from manure.

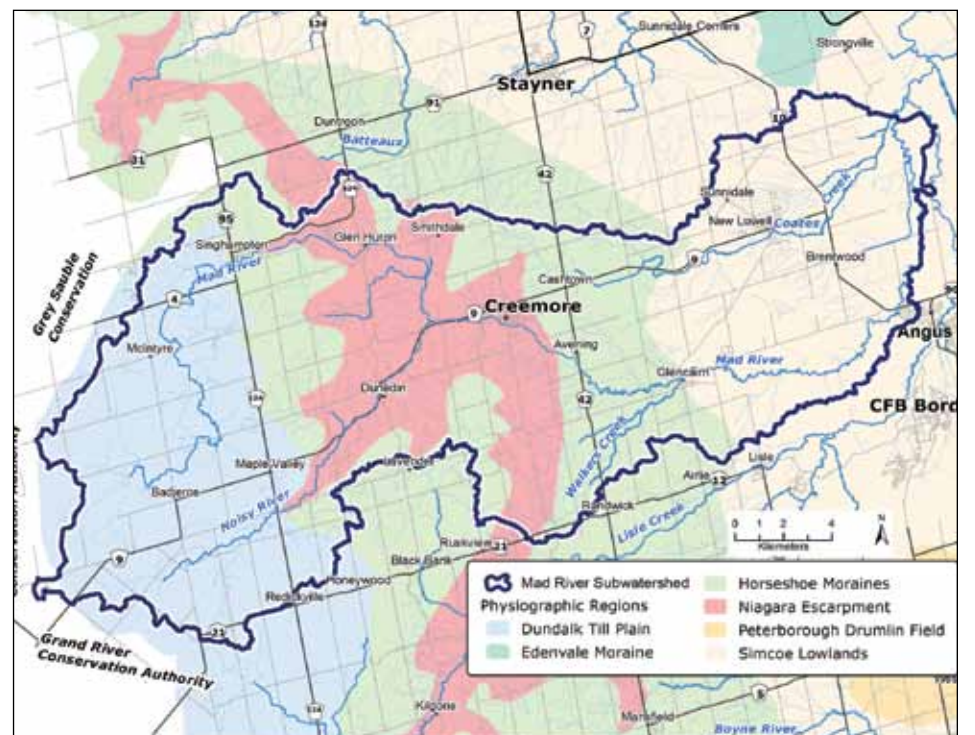
The NVCA’s 2014 - 2018 strategic plan emphasizes the importance of protecting human life and property from natural hazards.



Wayne Wilson



**WATCHING THE WATERSHED** – The Mad River subwatershed (below) is part of the Nottawasaga Valley watershed (left), which is approximately 3,700 km<sup>2</sup>. It is the source of water that flows into Georgian Bay at Wasaga Beach, Collingwood and Severn Sound.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY WATERSHED AND ITS HEALTH, CONTACT THE NVCA AT 705-424-1479 OR WWW.NVCA.ON.CA**

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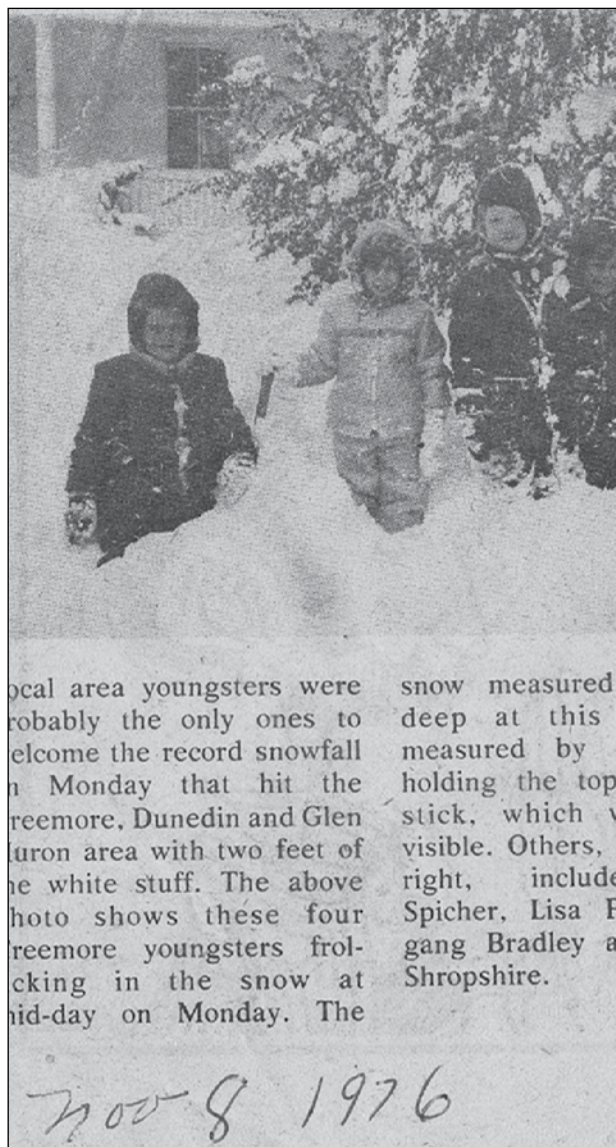
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## THE WAY WE WERE – AND ARE



Local area youngsters were probably the only ones to welcome the record snowfall on Monday that hit the Creemore, Dunedin and Glen Huron area with two feet of the white stuff. The above photo shows these four Creemore youngsters frolicking in the snow at mid-day on Monday. The snow measured deep at this measured by holding the top stick, which was visible. Others, right, include Spicher, Lisa Bradley and Shropshire.

Nov 8 1976

We were doing a little pre-Christmas cleaning at the *Echo*, when this clipping (left) from the November 8, 1976 edition of the *Creemore Star* fell out from between the pages.

It's a photo of four "youngsters" – as the article calls them – playing outside during another November snowstorm in 1976.

Given the weather we have been having since the great snows started to fall on Saturday night, we found it fitting that this picture would come our way this week.

Just like then, the modern-day kids in the photo below (taken last Sunday, November 24) sure didn't see any problem going outside and diving right in.

There is nothing like seeing a snowstorm through the eyes of a child to remind us that it isn't all about discomfort and inconvenience – it's also about having fun.



## LETTER

### Aggregate review

The report of the review ordered by Premier McGuinty before the last election has now been released, and it is profoundly disappointing.

Despite all the time, effort and expense expended on this review, the Committee made no recommendations to protect prime farmland and water sources. It was a complete waste of time and represents a full capitulation to the interests of the powerful aggregate industry and an abandonment of their responsibility to provide good government for the province and its people. What is needed is an intelligent and comprehensive policy protecting vital resources of the province, which would still allow the aggregate industry to operate but in a sustainable manner. In this, the Committee has failed completely. Fortunately, the report is not decisive of the matter, and the government must be pressured once again until they make the right decision.

The legislation as it stands makes no sense. It does not make sense to allow "cheap" aggregate to trump all other considerations:

- to destroy prime farmland which would otherwise continue for generations to come to produce the food that we need
- to put at risk our valuable water supplies that are so essential

- to destroy communities with the noise, dust, impassable roads, pollution, etc., that inevitably accompany gravel mining, and

- to continue to allow the aggregate industry to pay less than they should for the gravel they extract (even some of the industry people admitted this at the hearings), thus discouraging recycling.

Finally, it makes no sense whatever to have the final decision made by the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) – an unelected body with no expertise in the area, making their decisions in a vacuum with no clear legislation; a body that is considered to be pro-developer and has been subject to numerous calls for its abolition for many years. The OMB is not the equivalent of a court of law, making decisions within well-defined laws and with a highly qualified judiciary.

Unbelievably, after all the furor over the Melancthon mega quarry proposal, there is nothing in this report to prevent a future mega quarry on prime farmland and under the water table. The government must be pressured to do the job for which they were elected – to provide good government for the benefit of the province, not to pander to powerful private interests.

**Christina Wigle, Creemore**

## LETTER

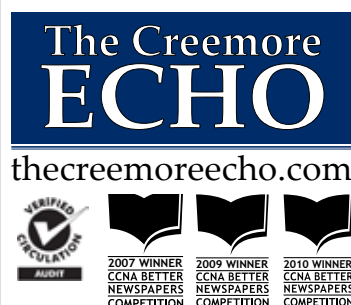
### At-large voting

An at-large voting system in Clearview would have given every resident an opportunity to impact who gets to control our destiny by allowing a vote against the councillors from outside of Creemore who put the seal on the Mayor's bridge-replacement wishes.

The two largest special interest groups in Clearview (the Council and the Clearview staff) got their way in the recent ward review, so we are once again stuck with the potential for 7-1/2 rubber stamping councillors following the wishes of staff for the next five years, unless we do our homework and put in place a Council that works in the interests of Clearview by cutting costs and containing staff.

Elections are coming so there is a potential for change at all levels of government. A clean sweep of the political closets in Ottawa, Toronto and Stayner may be what Canada needs to eliminate the preferential treatment given to big business and the 1% elites who are the greatest beneficiaries of our government's policies at all levels and to place the interests of Canadians above special interest groups.

**Peter Lomath, Creemore**



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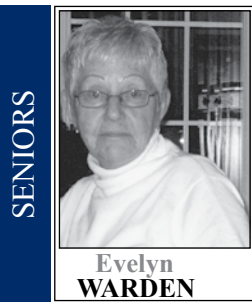
# Creemore Big Heart Seniors

We had 10 full tables for cards, and seven moon shots played by **Ruby Klinck**, **Phyllis Seed**, **Evelyn Warden**, **Karl Seifert**, **Janice Stephens** and **Marcia Cameron**, and the travelling prize went to **Marg Hope**.

50/50 winners were: **Ruby Klinck**, **Ray Leighton**, **Marg Hope**, **Mary Bouchard**, **George Blakney**, **Phyllis Seed** and **Alinda Bishop**.

Bid euchre prizes went to **June Hartley** 263, **Irma Flack** 254, **Phyllis Seed** 254, **Barb Cudmore** 247 and low, **Peter Gubbels**.

This Thursday was our potluck day.



Evelyn  
WARDEN

Wow! What an excellent variety of good stuff. Quality and quantity – the best one I have seen yet.....wonderful hot dishes, and to finish off: desserts supreme.

Help! We need more riders on the Rama bus so that we can continue to

enjoy this outing at a lower cost. You can sign up with Irma at 705-466-5205. Please consider coming with us.

A little business: Irma wanted a show of hands for the donation to the Creemore Santa Claus parade, which is one of the recipients of our annual donations. After some discussion,

**Barb Pilon** suggested donating \$150, which was seconded by **Evelyn Warden** and carried. **Irma** will take care of this as we were not sure who is the organizer of this year's parade.

**Bob McNicol** asked that we announce the Keenagers Christmas turkey dinner, "Holiday Best," on Saturday, December 7 at the Emmanuel Church on County Road 124 just north of Nottawa. Hors d'oeuvres at 5:15 pm, dinner at 6 pm, with entertainment by Gail and friends to follow for \$25.

Nice to see **John Van Voorst** back from knee surgery.

Remember: Some things money cannot buy: manners, morals and integrity.

## Echo briefs

### Flames at the brewery

On the morning of Monday, November 25, Clearview Fire Department investigated flames seen on the roof of the Creemore Springs Brewery on Mill Street. They found nothing and believe that an air exchanger motor possibly overheated.

### No street parking at night

From now until March 14, 2014, any vehicles that are left on a street, road allowance, sidewalk or municipal parking lot in Clearview between 12 am to 6 am may be charged and collected from the owner, and the matter may be referred to the OPP. This is so the Township can properly remove snow.

## New cook in this year's community Christmas kitchen



Jim Henderson

By Kristi Green

Some people find cooking Christmas dinner stressful. And then there is **Jim Henderson**.

This year, Henderson will be cooking Creemore's 12th Annual Community Christmas dinner for the first time for approximately 150 guests.

"I've cooked dinner for 1,000 people before," says Jim, who cooked for the opening of the Great Northern Exhibition Fair Grounds, has catered weddings and owned two restaurants in Wasaga Beach and Stayner about 15 years ago.

Now the Managing Director of Fawcett Funeral Home in Creemore, Henderson says cooking Christmas dinner won't be stressful because he likes doing it.

"The holiday season is a time for giving. There is no stress because people are enjoying the meal."

The free dinner has grown from feeding about 20 when it started 12 years ago, to about 150 today. It is funded by donations of money and food. Local farmers provide many of the vegetables and turkeys. Home bakers pitch in with squares and cookies. This Christmas, the New Farm has donated a 25-pound turkey, which will be cooked along with a few smaller ones.

Other costs are taken care of by corporate sponsors such as Village Builders. As well, a trust account at TD Bank is set up year round for anyone who would like to make a donation.

Every year, volunteers aged seven to 95 help run the dinner. They cook the food, decorate the Station and set the tables for people who might not be sharing Christmas with family or

friends.

Volunteers are available to drive guests to the event and to deliver dinners to people who cannot leave their homes. This year, event organizer **Diane McKay** is looking for decorations to use at the Station, as well as for volunteer elves to hand out presents from Santa.

"Some people have come as guests or volunteers since the beginning, so it's like seeing your family," says Diane.

Jim has volunteered at the Community Christmas Dinner for years. So when Diane asked him if he could cook the meal this year, he had no hesitation.

Jim will spend two days with other volunteers in the kitchen before Christmas preparing the food. The dinner will be cooked at the Station on Christmas Day so that, according to Diane, "when you come in the doors, all the heavenly aromas come out to you."

"We make extra stuffing because some of the guys love to take it home the next day. The cranberry sauce doesn't come out of a can either," says Diane, who makes the sauce at home.

Diane and her husband, **Brian McKay**, got involved with the dinner when their daughters started spending the holiday away with their in-laws.

"People are here because they want to be here," Diane explains. "They are not obligated like it can be with family. It relieves the stress that a lot of people feel at this time of year."

To reserve a place setting at the dinner, call Diane at 705-466-3126. Admission is a donation of a non-perishable item for the Salvation Army Food Bank at Hope Acres.

## LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY

*Sunday, December 1*



### CREEMORE UNITED PASTORAL CHARGE

**December 1:** Avening 9 am, New Lowell 10:15 am, St. John's 11:30 am.

**December 14:** "The Winter Rose" Concert at 7:30 pm. Creemore Pastoral Charge Senior Choir. Creemore Community Youth Choir. All welcome. • 705-466-2200

### Lunch & Learn

Bring a bag lunch and we have the coffee, tea & juice – join us for an informal look at the Bible and the book of Isaiah. From noon to 1 pm at:  
**Thursday, Dec 5 at St. John's United**  
**Wednesday, Dec 11 at St. Luke's Anglican**  
**Wednesday, Dec 18 at St. John's United.**  
Facilitators: Rev. T Rennett, Rev. L May, Rev. W Moore

### Knox Presbyterian Church, Dunedin

Sunday, December 1: First Service of Advent by Rev. Jane Archer  
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Friday, November 29: Toonie Lunch  
Sun December 1: Gift of Music Concert at 3 pm with Tenor Trio

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Andy Barrie (right) with his daughter, Jessie Barrie (left)

## A CANADIAN IN AN AMERICAN'S BODY

By Kristi Green

For **Andy Barrie**, becoming a Canadian is how he imagines a transsexual must feel once they've had a sex change.

"I was a Canadian in an American's body," he explains, of growing up in Baltimore, Maryland and leaving the U.S. after receiving orders to go to Vietnam in 1969.

"Canada is absolutely my country. Canada was like being homesick for a place I'd never been to. I had to move here and live here to know it."

Andy credits Canada with the great kindness of allowing him in.

"I have felt strongly over the years that I needed to repay that favour," he says.

Working at CBC Radio as the host of Metro Morning for 15 years gave him the opportunity to do just that.

Andy has also worked to raise

funds for mental health causes and his advocacy for people who live with Parkinson's Disease.

Last Friday, he attended a ceremony in Ottawa honouring his service to Canada and community engagement by investing him as a Member of the Order of Canada.

The Governor General **David Johnston** gives the honour annually to Canadians who have made significant achievements and performed remarkable service.

Thirty-eight individuals were honoured at last week's ceremony including former Newfoundland Premier **Brian Tobin**, cosmetics entrepreneur **Lise Watier**, and **Phil Fontaine**, former National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations.

"No country is perfect," Andy says. "But this is as near-perfect as I can imagine."

## Country tales of sheep and wolves

Living in a farming community as beautiful as the Creemore area has given me lots of fodder for interesting stories. Tales of people, animals and, of course, Mother Nature herself, abound.

Creemore has become a destination for people needing a break from the big city lights of Toronto. Some of these people are "weekenders" and some have become permanent residents.

As with any relocation of home and heart comes the natural desire to get involved with the new local community and residents. I have heard many funny recounts (and some not so funny) of the local interpretation of such involvements.

One that stays forefront in my mind is a story that a local sheep farmer's family told me about. There is always a problem with wolves

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and coyotes attacking and killing the sheep and lambs – a devastating loss for the farmer (never mind the poor animal).

A local meeting was held in the village hall to decide on a bounty and hunting rules to help curb the numbers and the losses for the farmer. A "new" resident earnestly stood and said "instead of hunting and killing the wolves and coyotes, could we not catch them and neuter the males?" At this point the sheep farmer stood up and said, in a loud and authoritative voice, "Listen lady, they aren't fornicating (although he used a much more vivid description) the sheep, they're killing them!"

That pretty much wrapped up the meeting.

Til next time, keep your wits about you, and be safe.

## Upcoming events in books

The Clearview Public Library's Biggest Book Sale Ever will take place at the old Co-Op Building at 212 Huron Street in Stayner, kitty corner to the Stayner Branch at 201 Huron Street.

The sale starts on Wednesday, December 4 at 10 am (closes daily at 5 pm) and ends at 4 pm on Saturday, December 7. BYOB (bring your own bag) and find a treasure or two (or 10) in our large assortment of books for \$2/bag.

Check out Bob's Better Books – new this year – to place a bid on a vintage book.

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Last month, the Clearview Public Library Board engaged the Collingwood engineering firm of R.J. Burnside & Associates to investigate a problem with the floor in the older part of the Stayner Branch. The branch was closed until repairs could be completed.

Additional repairs are required to allow use of the old meeting room. At a joint Council/Board

LIBRARY NEWS



Michele McKENZIE

meeting, Clearview Council approved spending up to \$25,000 to complete the repairs and have an air quality assessment conducted in the basement/crawlspace, which will begin in the near future.

The Stayner Branch will be open for its regular hours and Story Hour/Ontario Early Years sessions, too, in spite of the repairs.

As a special Christmas treat, please visit the library's book sale when author-mouse Geronimo Stilton pops by for a visit after the Stayner Santa Claus Parade on Saturday, December 7.

Geronimo will be hiding in the Township of Clearview's fire truck in Creemore's Santa Claus Parade that afternoon, and then he will be hosting the Library's After Parade Party at 2:30 pm at the Creemore Branch at 165 Library Street.

The After Parade Party is a free family-friendly event. Warm up with a cup of soup and make Christmas crafts with **Miss Margie** from the Ontario Early Years Program, author and illustrator **darci-que**, and myself.

Have a photo taken with Geronimo Stilton and take a moment to check out our great collection of his books, graphic novels and talking books.

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**Saturday December 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
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**A BIRTHDAY CHALLENGE** – On Wednesday, November 6, Creemore resident and "ultra run" competitor **Lee Ann Cohen** turned 60 years old. To mark this milestone, she will try to break the Canadian record for a woman over 60 running 100 miles as part of a 48-hour race called Across the Years in Phoenix, Arizona on Saturday, December 28. Cohen will be raising funds for the Canadian Mental Health Association, Simcoe County Branch and the Toronto Region Immigrant Employment Council. If you would like to make a donation, visit the "Giving Pages" at [www.canadahelps.org](http://www.canadahelps.org).



**POP-UP SHOPPING** – Marcy Stewart (front row, centre) shows her wares along with some of the other 17 vendors at the Ms. Design pop-up holiday shop at 195 Mill Street, which is open through December (back row, left to right: **Lori Judzinski** and **Jen Jansen**; front row: **Christine Kemsley**, Stewart and **Jen Eccles**). The shop has everything you need to get a jump on your Christmas shopping from ceramics, sculpture and sock moneys to bath products and children's yoga clothes – even potted Christmas trees! – and most of it is handmade. Recently, Ms. Design won the Collingwood Holiday House Tour 2013 for decorating Culham House in Thornbury with Habitat Interiors.



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**WHY IS THIS COW SMILING?** — This "girl" is glad because she and her herd from Miller's Dairy have just won a Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence. The award is given by the Honourable **Kathleen Wynne**, Premier of Ontario. It recognizes the success of farms, rural communities and food processing sectors as well as agri-food organizations in Ontario whose innovations improve existing products, create jobs and grow the economy. **John** and **Marie Miller** received the award in Guelph on Friday, November 1 from **Liz Sandals**, Minister of Education and **John Milloy**, Minister of Government Services. Miller's Dairy is Canada's only on-farm 100% Jersey fluid milk plant serving Ontario. It produces milk from a single herd of 120 purebred Jersey cows, like the ones in the picture.



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

On Monday, December 9, 2013, the Council of the Township of Clearview will hold a public meeting to present and obtain public input on the Township's proposed Open Burn By-law.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council and any person who attends the meeting may make representations relating to the proposed by-law. The meeting is to be held:

**Monday, December 9th, 2013**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**The Council Chambers**  
**217 Gideon St, Stayner, Ontario**

Copies of the proposed by-law will be available by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 4th, 2013 on the Township website [www.clearview.ca](http://www.clearview.ca) and from the Clerk's Office at the above location.

Interested persons may express their comments at the Public Meeting or in writing, addressed to the Director of Legislative Services/Clerk, PO Box 200, Stayner, Ontario L0M 1S0

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# Drive-by cooking

This week, a little history for you dear readers... my love affair with *Canadian Living* magazine.

My Mum had taught my two older sisters how to cook by getting them to make the family meals for a week each, but I guess she got tired of the thankless task by the time she got to me! Either that, or she figured I was a hard case since I'd tried to poison her and my Dad with my "special" anniversary cake one year. It was either "learn to cook or go without" in the Collier household, since our local Apache Burger was not open 24/7 and we couldn't afford a steady diet of Pizza Gigi, either!

My Auntie Willetta took pity and gave me a subscription to *Canadian Living* one Christmas. This was rather an odd gift from her, since the best thing she ever made was reservations! I certainly came to appreciate all the great recipes and cooking tips I learned reading it every month.

Way back in 1991, one of the gas companies started a promotion for which you could buy a *Canadian Living Cooking Collection* mini-cookbook for \$2 when you filled up your tank at one of their stations. There were eight of these mini-cookbooks in all; a new one available each month. I would get so excited about these books that I'd drive by the gas station and run in to ask the proprietor if the latest book was in. If

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Elaine  
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it was, then I'd fill up my tank and buy the book. If the cookbook wasn't in yet, then I'd run out again and come back to fill up when the book arrived. Suffice it to say, they got to know me well at that particular gas station – so well that when I pulled

into the station, the owner would wave the latest book at me through the window so I would stop rather than drive through! To this day, I still use those little cookbooks and they always bring back fond memories.

And speaking of drive-bys, nothing pleases me more after a long business trip than getting off Airport Road and driving through Creemore via Mill Street from bottom to top – especially in the evening. When I do this, I look out the car window and see all the great places to eat, lights twinkling, and people dining and enjoying themselves. I know I am once again close to home and ready to create another Creemore Dish.

Since I always drive by Giffen's Market on the way home, let's make something delicious with apples with week. I've come up with a twist on your usual baked apple. It's a cross between a baked apple and a mini-cheesecake without the graham cracker crust. I hope you enjoy it!

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

#### Baked Apples Avalon - Serves 8

- 8 large apples (I used Honey Crisp and Royal Gala)
- 1 250 g package of light cream cheese
- 3 tablespoons maple syrup
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup hot water plus 3 additional tablespoons maple syrup
- Cinnamon for sprinkling
- Sliced almonds for garnish, toasted

Preheat oven to 350°. Let cream cheese soften to room temperature in a medium size mixing bowl. Add 3 tablespoons maple syrup, the cinnamon and vanilla; mix well until smooth.

Core apples; cut half an inch off the bottom of each core and use as a plug at the bottom of each apple. Cut a thin slice off the top of each apple. Then, using a small melon baller, scoop out some of the flesh to form a small bowl. Set apples upright in a large baking dish. Chop the scooped-out apple bits into a fine dice, then stir into the cream cheese mixture.

Fill the apples with the cream cheese mixture, making sure to push some all the way down into the cored areas. Pour the hot water/maple syrup mixture carefully over the apples. Give each apple a generous sprinkling of cinnamon on top. Bake for about 30 - 35 minutes, until cooked through but still a bit firm. Remove from oven; let cool for five minutes. Serve topped with the toasted almonds. This dessert is also great with a scoop of French vanilla ice cream.

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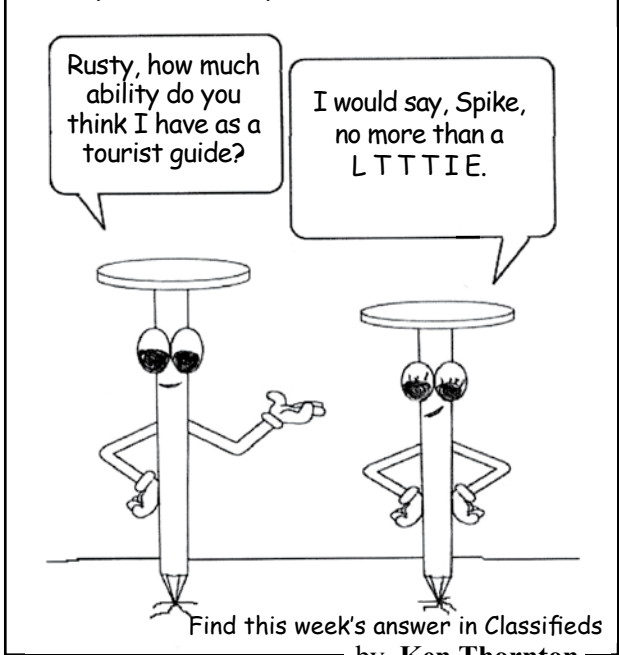
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## Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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## Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



## CREEMORE WEEKEND WEATHER

### Friday, November 29

Cloudy periods  
High -4 Low -11 Winds SE 5 km/h  
POP 20%

### Saturday, November 30

Cloudy with sunny breaks  
High -1 Low -9 Winds S 25 km/h  
POP 30%

### Sunday, December 1

Scattered flurries  
High 2 Low -5 Winds NW 10 km/h  
POP 40%

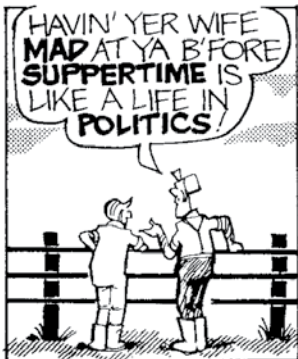
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by JEFF WILSON



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The early bird gets the worm,  
but it's the second mouse  
who gets the cheese.

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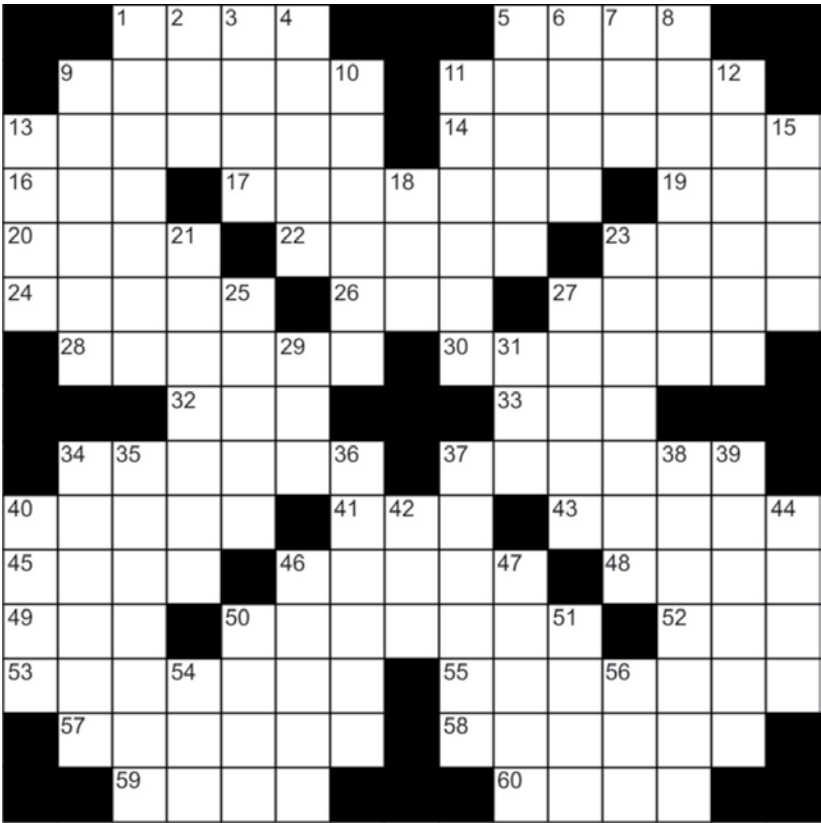
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### ACROSS

1. Thoroughly enjoyable, lively party
5. Code word for P
9. Marionette
11. Send back into custody
13. Produce milk
14. Wearing away of rock or soil
16. Noah's boat
17. Arctic Québec
19. Farm sound
20. Nutritious beverage
22. One being taught a lesson
23. Commanded
24. Concerning (archaic)
26. Put the pedal to the metal
27. Part of a flower in bloom
28. Rub a pan with shortening
30. Overjoyed
32. Moose
33. Picnic pest
34. Backward action of a rifle
37. Study of light
40. Macho guy
41. Cereal plant
43. Animal's nose
45. On
46. Furious
48. Stare open-mouthed
49. Cooking medium
50. Pathetic
52. Place to get some relaxation
53. Bishop's throne
55. Light motorcycle
57. Window in a roof
58. Money maker
59. Indian flatbread
60. Evil glance

### DOWN

1. Shield worn on the arm
2. Likely
3. Distance between two bridge supports
4. On edge
5. Exposure to risk
6. Out of control
7. The \_\_\_ (Manitoba town)
8. Bring to life
9. Thin slice of apple
10. Term of office
11. Bring back to consciousness
12. Thingamabob
13. Buddhist monk
15. Word on a Christmas card
18. Primate
21. Patella
23. Gambling
25. Eagle's claw
27. Part of a suit
29. Compete in a slalom
31. Drink like a dog
34. Slow down
35. Heightened feeling
36. Stand idly about
37. Not effective
38. A mat placed under a glass
39. Evening meal
40. Axe handle
42. Old Roman greeting
44. Injure a ligament
46. Fabric made from flax
47. Of a certain noble rank
50. Mountain lion
51. Needing liniment
54. Cover for the front part of a car
56. Word used for emphasis



November 22 Answer



# Q&A with figure painter Sara Sniderhan

By Kristi Green

Meet **Sara Sniderhan**, who has just celebrated her six-month mark living in the Creemore area.

Sniderhan is a figurative oil painter who was largely self-taught until she travelled to Los Angeles and San Diego to take painting workshops with her “superheros,” including classical realist **Jeremy Lipking**.

“The big guys say it takes 10 years of concentrated effort to oil paint and I don’t think it’s an exaggeration,” Sniderhan says. “Over the years, I have made it more my language.” For the past four years she has been represented by Ingram Gallery in Toronto.

Sniderhan, who lived in Toronto for 19 years, moved to the woods off Airport Road in Mulmur at the end of June with her husband, illustrator **Peter Mitchell**, and their two children, **Jackson**, 7 and **Isobel**, 5. When the family isn’t at the property building their house and barn, you can find them in Creemore where Sara paints at Mill Street Studio, where Jackson and Isobel attend school, and where her mother, **Bonnie Carey**, lives.



Sara Sniderhan

## Why did you move here?

Peter and I never wanted to raise kids in the city. Peter is from Muskoka. I know many people who are really creative who come from small places. There is something about a slower upbringing rooted in the natural world that leads to a healthy, grounded and imaginative human being.

Here, it’s a totally different pace, different from the constant cacophony of Toronto. It is the most beautiful area within one-and-a-half hours of Toronto.

The first time we drove through Creemore, we saw the art galleries, the arts festival, the Creemore Kitchen restaurant run by two gay guys, and we felt that Creemore was a bit more liberal-minded than some other small towns.

## How does it feel to change environments?

It’s crazy! It’s as dramatic of a move as I’ve ever made in my life. I love this property – the hills, the huge open spaces – so that always feels good.

But it has been a tough transition for my kids. My son really missed his friends and his school in Toronto. It has been a difficult social transition for me, too, because we had such a strong community of parents at our old school. Like Jackson, I’ve forced myself outside my social comfort zone. We’re looking for that feeling of belonging.

## What does living here let you do?

We are super into the idea of making lots of food during the growing season. We are planning to build

a functioning barn with chickens, pigs and a summer kitchen to can vegetables and a place for making cheese.

We had a small vegetable garden in Toronto and here we’d like to have a massive one. Doing real work in the natural world as part of our daily existence is new and exciting to me. I’d love to get to the point where we are supplying ourselves with most of our food or trading for it.

## How has it affected your work?

I recently put my farm in the background of a painting. I will always be a figure-based painter, but I can see the landscape coming in. Every corner I turn on my property I think, *I have to get a girl to stand there.*

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## THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone that offered and helped me last week: Griffin and his mother Jen, Brian, Francine (dogs), Laurie, Pauline, Sabrina, Chancellor and Anson and especially Corey who was my Knight in shining armour. **Colleen**

Thanks to **Bob Ransier** for clearing a walkway in front of our office! We really appreciate it! *Creemore Echo*

**POPPY FUND CAMPAIGN:** The Royal Canadian Legion, Creemore Branch 397, would like to thank the local businesses of Creemore, Singhampton and Glen Huron for hosting poppy boxes during the recent campaign.

The monies raised will be used to provide care and comfort for veteran’s, for the awarding of student bursaries, for donations to various charities, and for the procurement of future Poppy Fund material.

Thanks to all the individuals and businesses that donated to this worthwhile cause, and for making it another successful year.

## 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.

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.

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Bill, Joan, Adam, Lee Anne, Amy, Will and Jacob

## CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**  
The Salvation Army Hope Acres

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**The organizers of the Community Christmas Dinner are looking for: VOLUNTEERS** Dec 24 & 25 to help set up, decorate hall & tree, prep vegetables, serve buffet meal, clean-up, and pack decorations & equipment for storage. This is a fun way for students to earn community service credits. **HOME BAKERS** to contribute a plate of their festive squares or cookies. Please contact Diane at 705-466-3126 or email her at diane.9lives@yahoo.ca

## CREEMORE MEDICAL CENTRE

On behalf of the Creemore Medical Centre Service Board, I would like to thank most emphatically all the many individuals, families, organizations & companies who made contributions toward our expansion of the Centre. To date we have raised about \$500,000. Contributions are still very welcome since they will help reduce the borrowing we will have to do. Cheques should be made out to: Creemore Medical Centre Expansion and can be mailed to Bill Mann at: 4045 Conc 10, RR#3, Shelburne L0N 1S7

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## New community youth choir

Organized in October, the Creemore Community Youth Choir is now 24 members strong. Singers ages eight to 13 from Creemore, Dunedin, New Lowell and Glencairn meet every Tuesday evening at St. John's United Church in Creemore.

"The idea came out of wanting to attract young people to the church," said Corporal **Glen Keefe**, who is the choir conductor. In fact, he said the choir is not affiliated with any church and the singers come from mixed faith backgrounds.

**Lynn and Carlee Gowan** first approached Glen to be the conductor earlier this year. As the organist and Choir Director at St. John's, it seemed like he would be a good fit.

"I wanted to bring a group of kids together who had never sung before, to teach them the basics of song and their parts in it," said Glen.

The choir made its first performance at the Remembrance Day ceremony at the Creemore Legion on Monday, November 11. It also performs for the congregation at St. John's. On Saturday, December 14, the choir will be a special guest at "The Winter Rose" Christmas concert at St. John's United Church at 7:30 pm.



# 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](http://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:

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## Community Commitments