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SOURCE WATER CENTRE OF STUDY

By Kristi Green

New research about the geological materials that affect groundwater in this area will help support source water protection in Simcoe County.

This summer, the Ontario Geological Survey (OGS) began a four-year study of the geology in central Simcoe. The OGS is a branch of the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Researchers have begun to study geology in Clearview, Springwater, Wasaga Beach, Collingwood, Tiny, Tay, Midland and Penetanguishene.

Over the next year, researchers will collect information about subsurface geology to learn more about the local groundwater supply. The information will be used to make informed decisions about managing source water.

"Groundwater is used extensively throughout central Simcoe County to support agricultural and commercial activities and to provide water for residential use," said **Wayne Wilson**, the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority's (NVCA's) Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer.

"The demand for this water is growing rapidly as our population increases. This study will provide municipalities, the NVCA and community partners with a better understanding of the geology in our area, supporting improved management of our groundwater resources."

The NVCA is a public agency aimed at preserving a healthy environment through specialized programs to protect, conserve and enhance our water, wetlands, forests and lands.

This project is a partnership between the OGS, the NVCA and the Severn Sound Environmental Association.

Echo brief

For the first time, the rainbow flag will fly in Clearview for Simcoe Pride Week, which runs from Friday, August 1 to Saturday, August 9. Clearview's flag will join 13 other municipalities across Simcoe County. Council approved the flag raising at its meeting on June 2.

Simcoe Pride was founded in 2012 to provide a safe and inclusive County that supports the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered and Allied community. The 10-day long festival will feature events across Simcoe. For more information, visit www.simcoepride.com.



COMING TOGETHER IN QUILTING – (Left to right:) **Sam Groves, Marc Talbot, Staci Squires-Fachnie, Rachel-Lynn Doucette, Wally Gendron, Breanna Munro and Savanna McLead** show off the squares they decorated at Creemore House of Stitches earlier this week. The children, who attend Teddy Bear's Picnic Children's Centre, paid a visit to the store where owner **Cheryl Robertson** will sew their work together into a quilt.

THE CHILDREN ARE COMING!

On Saturday, August 2, Creemore welcomes families of all shapes and sizes to Mill Street and beyond for the third Children's Festival. To get into a youthful frame of mind, the *Echo* asked some of the village's younger residents: What's best about being a kid?



Ryan VenDerWath, 10

"I like that I get to play sports all the time. Especially playing baseball. I like first base."



Rozlyn Kemp, 8

"You get to have more exercise when you're a kid because adults are slower and kids get to do whatever they want."



Holden Andrews, 9

"My favourite thing is that I'm not a grown-up. They have so many responsibilities, like cooking."



Jackson Andrews, 12

"Everything."



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This Weekend

Friday, August 1 to Monday, August 4

- **Nottawasaga Daylilies** Come see the excellent peak bloom. Open 10 am to 5 pm Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays from now until Labour Day. 3757 Conc 3, Avening. See ad on page 3 for directions.

Friday, August 1

- **Grand Opening of Abandoned Echoes** at 145 Mill Street featuring unique fine art photography, jewellery and various handcrafted & vintage items. All day sales in store from 11 am to 4 pm and join us later in the day for live music, a raffle draw & refreshments from 6 to 8 pm. 705-466-5329.

Saturday, August 2

- **3rd Annual Creemore Children's Festival** from 10 am to 5 pm on Mill Street. Community-minded, not-for-profit event designed to empower children by inspiring their imaginations and

broadening their creative minds through exciting, interactive activities and play. Visit www.creemorechildrensfestival.com for details.

- **Creemore's Log Cabin** is open from 10 am to 1 pm. History Hosts will be on hand to welcome visitors and tell them about the cabin and its first families. (The Cabin, Creemore's only surviving log residence, was built in the 1870s and is now located on Library Street, between the Old Jail and the Creemore library.) It will continue to be open each Saturday morning until Thanksgiving.
- Also at the Log Cabin this week: **Interactive "Discover the Weird & Wonderful Display"** from 10 am to 4 pm. Hosted by the Creemore Log Cabin and the Simcoe County Museum.
- **Reptilia Zoo Truck** outside the Creemore Library. Shows on the hour as well as informal meet & greet sessions with a wide variety of reptiles. Inside the

library, **Miss Margy** from Ontario Early Years and our Summer Students will be crafting with Ooey Goey Slime and other messy ingredients. We also have quiet space with air conditioning and clean bathrooms if you (and your family) need a break from all the action. Hosted by The Clearview Public Library.

- At the jail, we have some extra special guests. **Visit with Rosemary and her horse from Roseview Farms.** Take a Kodak moment with Flossie, our historical paper re-enactor, representing the first prisoner in the Creemore Jail.

Sunday, August 3

- **Church Services** – see page 5.

Monday, August 4

- **Creemore Echo** will be closed for the Civic Holiday today.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, August 5 & Thursday, August 7

- **VON Smart** – free seniors exercise classes. Tuesdays at 1 pm & Thursdays at 11 am at St. Luke's Anglican Church, Caroline Street West. Come one day or both. Gentle, no floor or mat work. Can be performed seated or standing. Must be 55+ with a valid Ontario Health Card. For more information call 705-309-7054 or michelle.foster@von.ca.

Thursday, August 7

- **Bingo at Creemore Legion.** Doors open at 5:30 pm, canteen opens at 6 pm. Early Birds start at 6:45 pm. Progressive Jackpot continues at 55 numbers. Everyone welcome to the biggest little bingo in the area.
- **Canadian Blood Services' Blood Donor Clinic** at Angus Recreation Centre from 2:30 to 6:30 pm. Call 888 2 DONATE or www.blood.ca to book your appointment.
- **Music in the Park** Concert at Station Park in Stayner from 7 to 9 pm featuring Bayview Country. Bring your own lawnchair.

Friday, August 8

- **Johnny Cash from Memphis to Folsom.** At the Duntroon Hall. Doors open at 7 pm, show starts at 7:45 pm. Jim Yorfido as Johnny Cash and Pam Yorfido as June Carter-Cash, with Opener: Moonshiner's Daughter. Tickets \$25 advance, \$30 at the door, age 14 and under receive \$5 discount. For tickets 705-446-2506 or visit ticket master at www.ticketscene.ca.

Saturday, August 9

- **Townhall Meeting** at Osprey Community Centre (Feversham Arena, Grey Road 2) at 10 am concerning the closing of a portion of Cty Rd 91 that connects Simcoe with Grey County. Come and find out about how this has come to be and what we can do about it. For more information, please contact Lorrie Gillis at 519-922-3072.
- **"The Weight of Water" New paintings by Peter Adams** at Double Door Gallery, 4004 Horseshoe Valley Road West - just outside of Barrie. Opening Reception from 12-4pm Saturday Aug. 9th. Exhibit continues until August 24th. For more info call 705.734.9856 or visit www.peteradamsart.com.

Sunday, August 10

- Friends, neighbours and family are invited to a very special **90th Birthday Celebration for Elisabeth Van den Hurk** with a Mass from 11 am to noon and then a Come and Go luncheon from noon to 3 pm at St. Patrick's Parish in Stayner. Call Willow Windatt for further information at 705-424-6549.
- **Art Show Opening Reception for Andrew Peycha** at 2 pm at Dufferin County Museum & Archives, corner of Hwy 89 & Airport Road. In the Silo Gallery until Sunday, October 26. 705-435-1881 or www.dufferinmuseum.com for more details.

Thursday, August 14

- **Music in the Park** Concert at Station Park in

Stayner from 7 to 9 pm featuring Third Time Around. Bring your own lawnchair.

Thursday, August 21

- **Music in the Park** Concert at Station Park in Stayner from 7 to 9 pm featuring The Gulleys. Bring your own lawnchair.

Saturday, August 23

- **2014 Copper Kettle Classics.** Classic Car Show from 10 am to 5 pm featuring 1990 or older classic cars, trucks and motorcycles, OddBalls and One-Offs. Call 705-466-6593 for more information or visit www.copperkettleclassics.com.
- **Creemore Springs Copper Kettle Festival** from noon to 6 pm rain or shine. First Annual Copper Kettle Cook-Off featuring celebrity chefs, local growers & more.
- **Creemore Skating Club Duck Race.** At 2:30 pm from Collingwood Street Bridge to Mad River Park. Tickets \$5 available at *Creemore Echo*.

Tuesday, August 19 to Saturday, August 23

- **Theatre Collingwood** presents *Trying*. The year is 1967; 82 year old Francis Biddle (former Attorney General for FDR) struggles to write his memoirs. Enter Sarah a smart, strongwilled young woman from the Canadian Prairies. A witty and touching portrait of two people at different stages of life, who are unexpectedly and forever changed by friendship. Based on a true story. For ticket information call 705-445-2200 or visit www.theatrecollingwood.ca.

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LAVENDER HILLS ESTATE OF CREEMORE FULFILLS THE DREAM

Custom built in 1996, this impressive country home seamlessly combines the influences of French Country with English Tudor. The tranquil setting is truly breathtaking, accessed by a long, tree lined interlock drive.

This luxurious home is situated on 100 acres with stunning 3 mile vistas over the rolling hills of Creemore. There is an open two storey atrium with a gorgeous grand staircase. Approximately 7000s.f. with five bedrooms and 5 1/2 baths. Spectacular wide plank flooring throughout. Master wing with cathedral ceiling, his/hers bathrooms and walk in closets. Separate fitness room and music/library with coffered ceiling. Attention to detail and craftsmanship is evident throughout the house. Full nanny/granny apartment in the lower level. A crystal clear spring water swimming pond and multiple streams scatter the property. The land is approximately 70% open and 30% maple wooded. Two adjoining 40x60 foot bank barns with horse stalls and tack room complete this special offering.

An easy 5 minute drive to the village of Creemore, this is one of the area's most desirable estates.

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Imaginarium campers making papier-mâché masks

Camp bursary in memory of child

By Kristi Green

A local resident is sending a child to summer camp in memory of a girl who lost her life in a tragic accident in Toronto.

Eight-year-old Georgia Grace Walsh was struck and killed by a van in Toronto on July 16.

A Creemore resident who knows her family has decided to commemorate the little girl by naming a bursary after her at the Imaginarium Adventures in Art summer camp.

"I think it is really important for children to experience something special in the summer," said the donor, who prefers to remain anonymous.

"I recognize that a single parent has difficulty keeping kids busy in the summer, and if kids can attend camp then that's a good thing."

Last week, the donor called **Ayrlie MacEachern**, one of Imaginarium's founders, with the idea.

"She said she wanted to donate this

bursary and future bursaries in Georgia's name," Ayrlie explained.

The donor added, "Lots of kids want to go to camp but can't afford it. I can, so I did."

Imaginarium offers bursaries to families who need financial help sending their children to the day camp. Bursaries are arranged by various community members and groups, and are supported by Imaginarium's fundraising efforts.

"We post on Facebook and in emails and are able to offer this to families in financial need," Ayrlie said.

Imaginarium was founded by Ayrlie MacEachern, **Jordan Eveland**, **Shelley Hannah** and **Patrick Keating** three years ago.

The group's mission is to cultivate a love of the arts and confidence in self-expression in kids of all ages.

If you are interested in setting up a bursary to send a child to camp, contact Ayrlie at 705-444-0550 or creemoreimaginarium@gmail.com.

Cybergnomes put Clearview on robotics world map

By Judah Page

The Cybergnomes put Clearview Township on the international map of the Robotics' World at the Indiana Robotics Invitational on July 18 and 19 in Indianapolis.

This is the elite off-season event for FIRST Robotics; only the top 70 teams in the world get invitations, and the "Gnomes" were one of them.

Of the top 70 teams, out of 2,700 around the world, nine Canadian teams were invited. Four of the eight in the finals round were Canadian, showing that Canadian high school students are some of the most advanced in the "STEM" subjects (science, technology, engineering and math).

The Cybergnomes had some hard luck on Friday morning, but recovered

in the afternoon and showed their capabilities well on Saturday morning. In the Alliance Selections (when the top eight seeded teams pick three other teams to partner with for elimination matches), the First Place alliance picked Team 2013 The Cybergnomes. Our alliance played up through the quarters and semis, and into the finals. The first match was close – lost only due to a penalty on an alliance member. The second match was hard fought, but not in our favour.

The Cybergnomes are recruiting students aged 14 to 18 to start in September for the next season. You can contact us via Facebook at **Cybergnomes Robotics FRC Team 2013**, or by email at cybergnomesteam2013@gmail.com.

Echo brief

This August, you can help expand the Bruce Trail by participating in the first-ever Bruce Trail Hike-a-thon. The Hike-a-thon is a month-long fundraising event to secure, steward and open to the public 5,000 additional acres of Niagara Escarpment land, including the Bruce Trail, by 2017. Participants

set a personal hiking goal, collect donations, and then hike the Trail throughout the month of August. The event is part of the Bruce Trail Conservancy's 50th Anniversary Milestones Project and is hosted by the Toronto Bruce Trail Club. Visit www.bruce-trail.org for more information.

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EDITORIAL Serious fun

Is Creemore a paradise for children? My two whippersnappers seem to think so. A library that has its very own cat, open spaces galore, trees for climbing, ponds for dipping, bike parades, art activities, Snow Mountain in winter and coins from the “Brick Fairy” in a certain Mill Street alleyway, to name a few. And last, but certainly not least, an entire festival that is devoted to kids!

On Saturday, Creemore will celebrate, inspire, encourage and excite children (of all ages, actually), at its third Children’s Festival. Originally planned to be a biennial event, the festival has proven so popular that it keeps coming back, year after year.

Through sights, sounds, shows and activities, the festival sets out to inspire imagination. You won’t find an arcade at this event. It’s all about playing – not consuming. Founder Laurie Copeland consults area kids regularly about what to feature and who to bring in. Even Laurie’s toy store, Cardboard Castles, is less about things and more about things that inspire creative thinking. It is kid-driven, kid-centred and kid-crazy.

Children’s creativity isn’t only about popsicle sticks and glitter glue. Just ask Ayrle MacEachern of Imaginarium Adventures in Art, which is offering a summer camp right now. There, she and her fellow teachers introduce projects, teach the kids skills and then, as she puts it, “let them go!”

This kind of fun – that is, open-ended, free-form play – lowers stress levels, helps kids express their feelings and fosters creativity, the serious doctors say. It allows kids to try out all sorts of ideas and develop new ways of thinking. When the emphasis is on the process – rather than the finished product – kids can learn and discover things not only about the materials, but about themselves. And do you

know something? Grown-ups can, too.

Kids are, by nature, unborring. They can find fun in inanimate objects, make up songs and invent stories about anything (can you?). And we all know what happens to all those toys on Christmas Day when they are cast aside in favour of the boxes they came in.

Indeed, the world of improvisation is a youthful one. But children be warned: your grown-up might not know what to do with so little structure secured. Without a script to read from, directions to follow or a plan in place, your adult companion runs the risk of panic, frenzy and becoming confused.

But never fear, kids! With a little time and a lot of nurturing, your grown-up is sure to improve. Take them outside and look for pictures in the clouds. Make up a story about what you see. Show your full-grown friend the joys of colouring outside the lines (better yet – give them a blank page!). Arrange your stuffed animals in a scene and give them voices. Put on a costume and pretend to be a customer in a restaurant. Or a tiger in a jungle. Or a jellyfish. Or rocketship. You get the point.

If your parent, relative or caregiver balks at the prospect of using so much imagination, be patient, child. Praise the effort instead of the result. Repetitive exposure to creative materials and ideas will help. After all, grown-ups were once kids, too.

So, in a world of helicopter parenting, overprotective safety zealots and shrinking enrolment in our schools, we say, bring on the kids! On Saturday morning, get up (extra early if you like to watch cartoons), get dressed (you’re welcome to use the dress-up box, of course) and come out to be inspired by the world of children.

Kristi Green

THE WAY WE WERE



This wedding photo of **Thomas Cook's** great aunt and great uncle, was taken in the early 1930s in Glencairn. Albert Adair (pictured, left) had a small farm by the river on what is now Centreline Road. He married Jean Adair (right), who was a hairdresser from Barrie. They lived next door to Thomas' great grandfather, who came to the area in 1888. Both Albert and Elizabeth lived to a ripe old age in Creemore.

LETTER Roaring replies

A month ago or so, I wrote to the *Echo* about motorcycle riders, dangerous drivers and noise abuse, to which I have had replies. To the Reverend, the teacher and Cat, I want them to know I am a fortunate two-time prostate cancer survivor and a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces. Over the years, my wife and I have donated over \$10,000 for cancer research without disturbing anyone. Next time the Legion provides bikers with a free lunch, I trust Reverend Eagle will ask each rider to donate \$1,000 from his/her own bank accounts to add to the money raised from sponsors. That would total over \$600,000 per year and, in 10 years, at least six million dollars. At that point – if I am still alive – I will regard bikers as responsible adults.

I don’t dislike all motorcyclists, only the irresponsible ones. As an example of the lack of consideration some riders have demonstrated, last Saturday we attended a beautiful concert in the Gambrel Barn in Elora. Two inconsiderate motorcyclists roared by. To say they were “out of tune” with the musicians on stage is an understatement. What more needs to be said?

Dick Byford, Mulmur

LETTER Positive change

I regret that my letter caused such an angry reply. My intent and the wish of a great number of us including “quiet bike riders” is to curb the illegal bikes that pollute Creemore. As for prostate cancer, working with your doctor at age 50 is the rule to prevent it – earlier if it is in your family and at age 45 for black males.

Julie Pollock’s article last week (“Motorcycles an election issue,” *The Creemore Echo*, July 25, 2014) saying that Mulmur is now concerned about this illegal activity, and the kind concern showed to me by our Councillor Thom Paterson, gives me hope we might have a more peaceful village again (the Mayor is still MIA).

I would like to see positive things here like installing free charging stations in the downtown. This would attract environmentally friendly people to dine and shop, and know they can get home on a full charge that would take a few hours. We could become the electric car tourist destination for Ontario! Cyclists are also a group to target with money to spend; cyclists are hotly pursued by Quebec.

Glenn Brown, Creemore

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

“Brrrrr.”

– A lot of people on Mill Street during this week’s unseasonably cool weather. Meteorologists are blaming a jet stream with an Arctic chill for temperatures across central and eastern Canada that have been dipping into the teens.

Letters printed in this section reflect the views of community members and not necessarily those of The Creemore Echo.

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LETTER

Hall renos' glaring omission

Our local Community Halls are the centrepieces of each community in Clearview. Collectively, they have provided affordable, spacious venues for countless wedding receptions, community meetings and dance studios, and have been a place for the farming community to come together for social gatherings.

The hard-working and dedicated volunteers who give countless hours of their time (often after full days at work or on the farm) have gone above and beyond to raise the funds and provide the elbow grease required to improve these great buildings with new drywall, kitchens, washrooms and many other modern upgrades.

All of these improvements have gone a long way to making these halls more attractive to potential renters. Remarkably, the one glaring omission to the halls in Duntroon, Nottawa, Avening, Brentwood, Dunedin and at Sunnidale Corners is wheelchair accessibility. It is unthinkable that in 2014 that any business or public venue would not be 100% user-friendly. This needs to change and change quickly.

Retrofitting these six halls with wheelchair accessibility won't be inexpensive. Clearview taxpayers are maxed out and should not have to reach into their already thin pockets to pay for these essential upgrades. The obvious question then becomes, where will the money come from?

Simcoe County will pay Clearview Township two million dollars for its two rural landfill sites. Mayor Ken Ferguson has stated in the media that he wants to see the cash stay in reserves. Here's food for thought: rather than leaving

the money in reserves where it will quickly be forgotten and then eventually put toward infrastructure projects that benefit one small area of Clearview, divide the money amongst the six halls to modernize them all with much-needed wheelchair accessibility equipment in the form of elevators or lifts.

The Directors of the Sunnidale Corners Community Centre cited specific organizations that want to rent their hall for meetings but cannot due to regulations stating the venue must have full wheelchair access. Other potential renters have been forced to look elsewhere for locations able to provide their guests and loved ones with similar accommodations.

With the upcoming Small Halls Festival in October, the Township is committing \$20,000 to help promote the area halls and hopefully land provincial grant money for upgrades. There is no better way for Clearview to show the provincial government they are seriously committed to improving and preserving our local community halls, than to cover the cost of wheelchair accessibility equipment and installation in these six halls. Any additional grant money awarded by the province could be used for upgrades in electrical, plumbing and structure repair.

I am a big believer in return on investment. Adding wheelchair accessibility to these wonderful buildings will make them even more appealing to potential renters. This will significantly increase rental revenue and ultimately decrease the amount of financial assistance they require from all levels of government in the future. Everyone wins!

Bill Keith, Sunnidale Corners

Creemore Big Heart Seniors

We had 10 full tables and one table of three for cards. Winners for cards were **Phyllis Seed** 303, **Marg Hope** 296, **Bob McNicol** 273 and **Evelyn Warden** 263, and low was won by **Roy Veinot** 90.

Moon Shots were played by **Phyllis Seed** x2, **Marg Ferguson** x2, **Bob McNicol** x2, **Evelyn Warden**, **Effie Taylor** and **Bert Douglas**, and the travel prize went to **Jim Rigney**.

Lucky draws were won by **George Blakney**, **Barb Cudmore**, **Lois Walker**, **Norma Johnston**, **Lucy Young**, **Flo Kerr** and **John VanVoorst**.

Today we received an appreciation from the General and Marine Hospital for our donation. In this letter, they informed us that they have purchased a new mammogram machine and bone scanner, as well as joined the electronic services information highway, which makes sharing information more efficient.

How great to see **Norma Johnston** back after heart surgery. And also to hear that **Kevin Keogh** is home from cancer surgery and doing well.

Rama informed **Irma Flack** that the double promotion lunch and prepaid points on your card will only continue



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into August, and there is no indication of promotions for September, October and November. We do not travel to Rama in January, February or March. **Irma** will keep us informed of any further promotions. Please contact **Irma Flack** at 705-466-5205

or **Evelyn Warden** at 705-429-5076 with any interest in going with us on the first Tuesday of each month.

Barb Pilon told us she had a visit from a few live lawn mowers (goats) last week; they just wandered into her yard after escaping from a neighbour's place.

High on a hill above and to the west of Creemore, lives a lady known to all (or most) of Clearview Township. This lady is a treasured volunteer for many organizations in the area. A few weeks ago, the old schoolhouse was closed. This lady not only went there, but she was also a parent and grandparent to children attending this school, and she was on staff there. She is a valued member of our Club in arranging the Rama trips, as well as our Treasurer. We at the Club treasure her, and her name is **Irma Flack**.

Remember: Wine is to women as duct tape is to men. It fixes everything.

CORRECTION

Clearview borrowed \$188,039.85 to buy the area at 5825 Nottawasaga 27/28 Sideroad, known as the "Walker

lands," not \$2 million, which was reported in the July 25, 2014 edition of the *Echo*.

LOCAL CHURCH DIRECTORY



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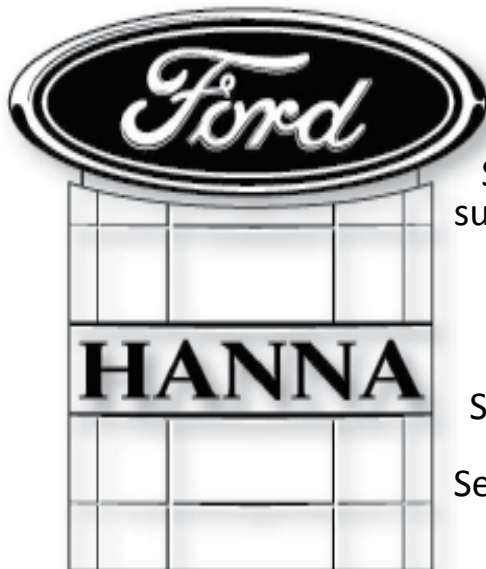
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Visit North America's smallest jail and play with Roseview Farms, and meet their special guest.

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WEIRD AND WONDERFUL COMING TO KIDS' FEST



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Michele McKenzie with bony friend

By Michele McKenzie

Look who is coming to the Creemore Children's Festival on Saturday, August 2!

Parts of this mastadon (pictured, left) will be included in the interactive "Discover the Weird and Wonderful" display hosted by the Creemore Log Cabin and the Simcoe County Museum. Check out the Museum's mystery items or bring your own locally found treasures for identification between 10 am and 4 pm.

At the same time, the Clearview Public Library will host the Reptilia Zoo Truck just outside the Creemore branch. Two zookeepers will present shows on the hour, as well as informal meet-and-greet sessions with a wide variety of reptiles. Inside the library,

our summer students and **Miss Margie** from Ontario Early Years will be crafting with Ooey Gooley Slime and other messy ingredients. We also have quiet space with air conditioning and clean bathrooms if you need a break from all the action.

Down at North America's "smallest" jail, we have some extra special guests to visit with: **Rosemary** and her horse from Roseview Farms.

Did you know that the first prisoner in the jail was a black cow? On Saturday, take a Kodak moment with "Flossie," our cardboard cow with a cut-out for a child's face.

Let the fun begin – rain or shine – and we look forward to seeing you at the Library, the Log Cabin and the Jail during the Children's Festival!

New shop opening on Mill

By Kristi Green

Some people come to Creemore in search of peace and quiet. Not **Diane McQuaig**.

The new entrepreneur is hoping her addition to the Creemore business scene will help restore the village to the place of bustling activity that she remembers.

Diane, who lives in Toronto, has spent weekends and holidays in the area for the last 23 years with her husband and four daughters. She says she loves the town and would like to see its shopkeepers busy and successful again.

"I'd like to help restore [Creemore] to when it was bustling in the 1990s," she explained.

So, Diane decided to add to the attraction of Mill Street with The Creemore General Store, which will open next week.

Described as "a little bit city, a little bit country," the General Store will have something for everyone, Diane said. The business will feature an eclectic mix of home and giftware,

plus cashmere items, organic foods and photography by Diane's husband, **Robert Armstrong**.

"The general store concept allows me to be broad and sit on top of what's happening in the retail world," Diane said.

The store's logo features a pig in homage to her favourite childhood book, *Paul Piglet the Storekeeper*, which she recently dug up for her three grandsons.

"It reminded me of simpler days in the country, hence my logo

for the store with the pig on it. The pig has wings because I always thought I would have a store when pigs fly... and now I do!"

According to this new shopkeeper, when it comes to the local economy, the more the merrier on Mill Street.

"The businesses really have to pull together," said Diane. "The more we can collaborate and work together, the better it is for the community."

The Creemore General Store will be open from Thursday to Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm, and on Sundays from 12 to 5 pm.



Diane McQuaig

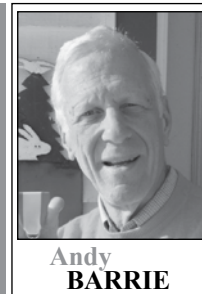
Bring back the layaway!

Every weekend I go and visit a piece of stereo equipment I really have the hots for. It's currently living at an appliance store, waiting for me to save up the money to bring it home. In the meanwhile, I drop by to croon over it, twiddle its knobs and just generally fantasize about how nice it will look and sound on my shelf.

In other words, I am behaving like a complete jerk; a throwback to the days before plastic credit and instant gratification. Because, let's face it, I could take this thing home tonight if I wanted to. I could slip the clerk a credit card and my waiting would be over. This is exactly what a friend of mine says I ought to do. He can't imagine why on earth I would pine for something that a piece of plastic could instantly make mine.

It took his teasing to make me realize that I am subconsciously acting out one of the major dramas of my childhood. This is the now-forgotten concept of the layaway. These days of course, they give credit to cocker spaniels, but there was a time, friends, when you didn't get the goods until the store got its money – period. The unspeakable fear was that

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Andy BARRIE

by the time you scratched together the cash, the thing would be gone. So the store would hold it, while you sort of ransomed it on the installment plan.

I think I was nine when I spotted a – can you believe this? – ventriloquist dummy that had to be mine. It cost

15 bucks. I made a deal to pay it off at about a dollar a week. I'd go down every Saturday with my single, crumpled bill. In return, I had visiting rights. I could take the dummy down from the shelf and play with it. But eventually, it would have to go back. One day, almost four months after I started, it was mine.

Well, I never learned to throw my voice. I forgot about the dummy. But I still remember those months of longing.

Now I'm a grown-up and the credit card folks say I can have anything I want, as soon as I want it. Just sign right here. But it's hard for me to put away the layaway mentality. I have this idea that most things ought to live in your imagination for a while before you bring them home.

So, I'll leave you now. There's a toy in a store down the street that's waiting for my weekly visit.

Echo brief

Residents of Simcoe and Grey counties are invited to a Town Hall meeting to discuss plans to close part of Simcoe County Road 91 permanently. The meeting will be held on Saturday,

August 9 at 10 am at Osprey Community Centre (Feversham Arena, Grey Road 2). For more information, contact **Lorrie Gillis** at lpcgillis@bmts.com or 519-922-3072.

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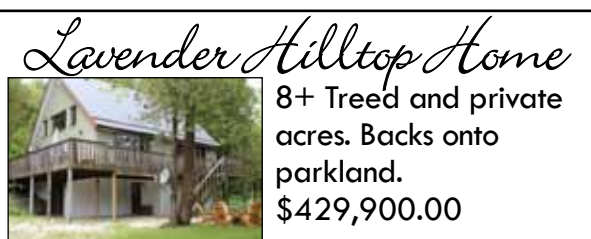
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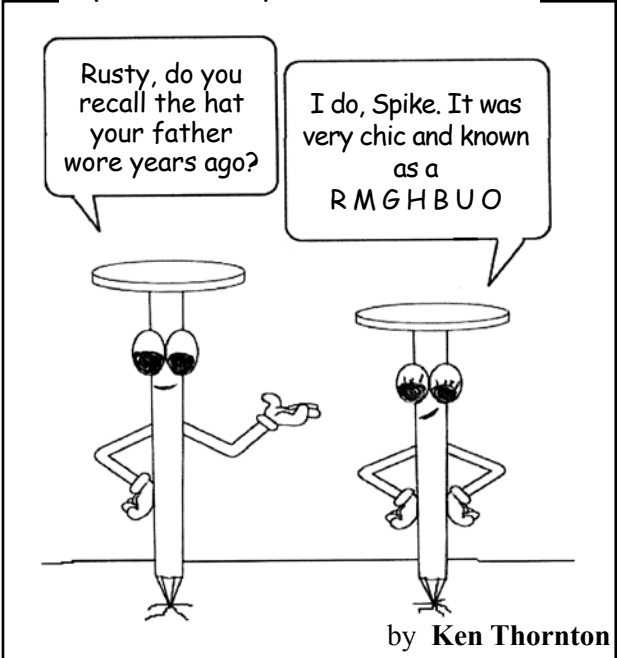
FUN & Games

Sudoku by Barbara Simpson

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Answer on Classifieds page

Spike & Rusty Word Scramble



by Ken Thornton

Find this week's answer in Classifieds



WEEKEND WEATHER

Friday, August 1

Chance of thundershowers
High 24 Low 14 Winds SW 10 km/h
POP 40%

Saturday, August 2

Chance of thundershowers
High 24 Low 16 Winds S 5 km/h
POP 40%

Sunday, August 3

Isolated showers
High 25 Low 15 Winds NW 5 km/h
POP 40%

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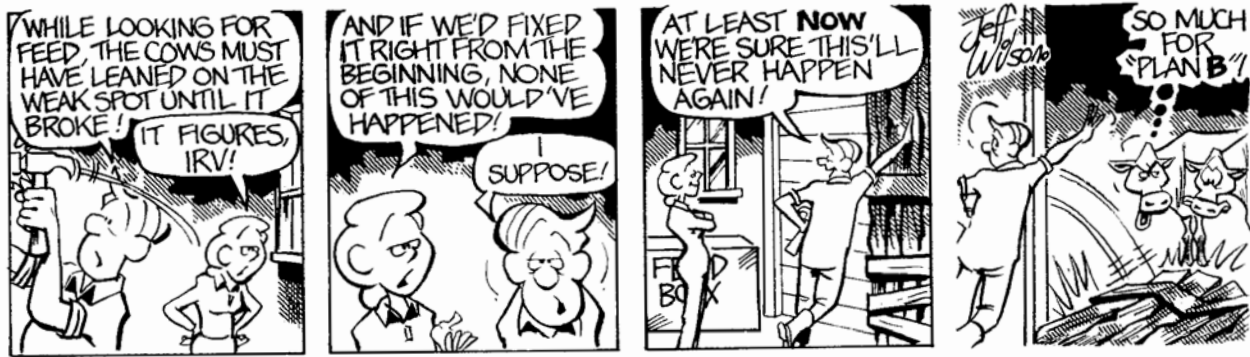
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by JEFF WILSON



FRED'S FUNNIES

Herman's teacher always rewarded good work by putting a gold star at the top of her students' homework. One day, Herman came home with a big zero at the top of his paper. "Herman, what does this mean?" asked his mother. "Oh," Herman explained. "My teacher ran out of stars, so she gave me a moon."

Canadian Criss Cross

August 1, 2014

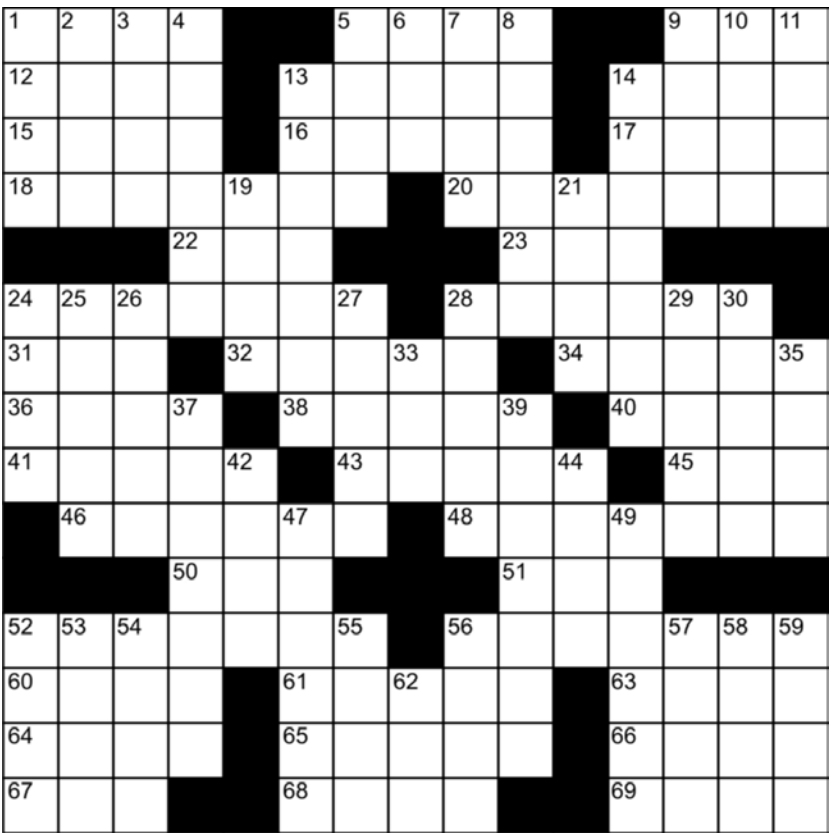
ACROSS

- Soft creamy cheese
- Deep, resonant sound
- Tub for relaxation
- Apologetic exclamation
- Smoothly polite
- Come down from a higher place
- Acorns, chestnuts, and other tree fruits on the ground
- Organic compound
- Egg
- Distance across
- Keep under control
- Add up
- Research room
- Just punishment for evil deeds
- Go around
- Before
- Sandpiper relative
- Change to fit a different use
- City in Hungary
- Protruding knot on a tree
- Continental money
- Not general
- Proceed very slowly
- Check the growth of
- Three times
- Cultivated land
- Ratite bird
- Neptune's realm
- Kind of lettuce
- Angry altercation
- Car taking paying passengers
- Bread ingredient

- Operatic prima donna
- Discharge
- Spooky
- Poem that tells the story of a hero
- Was introduced to
- Antonym of laugh
- Have confidence in

DOWN

- Explosive device
- Growl loudly
- ___ dixit
- Landed property
- Tree's cousin
- Cereal plant
- Throughout
- Just
- Keep from spending
- Increased by
- Charity
- Place and time of a story
- Not allowed
- Place to sleep, in Britain
- Father
- Multi-media artist from Vancouver
- Cereal disease
- Lake in Gatineau Park, Québec
- From the time when
- Flat hat
- Steam bath
- Headless tack
- Average level
- Drink heavily
- Cheesy Welsh dish
- Free time
- Fruit like a lemon



Find the answer to this week's Crossword on the Classifieds page.

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| 44. Urgent request | 54. Way out |
| 47. Period of time when people may not go outdoors | 55. Merriment |
| 49. Food storage place | 56. Clever saying |
| 52. A couple in love | 57. Fully developed |
| 53. Moved toward | 58. Sinful |
| | 59. Like doilies |
| | 62. Valuable rock |

Q&A with Sue McKenzie, Clearview's outgoing CAO



Sue McKenzie

By Kristi Green

In 1999, **Sue McKenzie** was employed as Shelburne's Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), when she heard Clearview was looking for someone to fill the same position. Sparked by the chance to work where she lives, Sue (who has called Creemore home since 1997) decided to go for it – and won.

Fourteen years and three Mayors later, Sue is now preparing for a new stage: retirement. The *Echo* caught up with Sue during her last week at the municipal office to find out what she's leaving behind and what the future has in store.

Has being Clearview's CAO lived up to your hopes and dreams?

Absolutely! It has been a whole series of changes, challenges, successes and lessons learned.

There have been a lot of "best moments." We conducted an original branding exercise in 2001, but we weren't ready for it then. We are ready for it now and the new brand is great. I believe people are ready for a professional, progressive municipality.

We have established a business plan, built the infrastructure and got the funding. It's a huge feat. Now that the infrastructure is in place, we will encounter more growth in the next few years. And we recognize that we need people to do specific things, like the Small Halls Festival in the fall, which will bring Clearview together.

It's been challenging, stimulating and rewarding. I believe that every day you should learn something and I have learned so much.

What challenges have you faced?

In this job, you never turn off. You have to care and do your best every day. There are times when you just have to sit down and laugh. And if you don't laugh, you'll cry. Luckily, I have never cried over issues.

You also have to meet four levels of legislation – federal, provincial, county and municipal. That's a lot of legislation! Clearview is so geographically

large and diverse that there is always controversy. It is a whole series of communities and we need to bring them together in civic pride. It's a fascinating place. The differences in the communities give strength to the whole.

I have positive memories and enjoyed every moment of what I do, even when there have been frustrating times or when I had to do things I didn't necessarily agree with.

I'm the meat in the sandwich! I'm between the politicians and the staff. It's up to me to try to make things work.

Why retire now?

It's the right time for me professionally and personally. I think I've done all I can and Clearview is ready for new energy and thoughts. The new Council should start in the fall with a new CAO in place.

What will you miss?

You can't always make things work and please everybody, but you can deal with the pressures if you have a great team. My proudest achievement is the team I am leaving behind and their capacity to take Clearview forward. I have 100 per cent confidence in that team. They are supportive and amazing; I'm just a small part of it. We sit down, talk and do the best we can with the tools we have. Everyone puts their heart and soul into it every day. That's what I will miss the most – the people.

You have a reputation as a snappy dresser. Now that you're retiring, is it sweats-and-sneakers time?

I don't own a track suit! I do have workout clothing that I hope to use, however. I have been sitting at a desk for 35 years and I want to become more active.

What are you looking forward to?

I'm looking forward to opportunities for doing new things – and doing more of the things I love. There is a very special person in my life and we are planning to travel, play golf and do things with our friends and families. I'd like to ski again for the first time in eight years. I like hiking, golfing, reading, cooking and entertaining. I love making beef tenderloin in a mustard peppercorn crust! I'm on the Board of the Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society and I want to continue working in my community. I've always been able to get things done, but now it will be amazing to wake up and have time to do it.

Will you consider politics?

No! I have a lot of energy left to do positive things with, and it will be for the community, but not politics.

I still love what I do and where I am. I love the people and I feel fortunate to have had this time in such a wonderful area.

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BIST, George Mathias Passed away peacefully at Dufferin Oaks on Sunday, July 27, 2014 at the age of 96 with his daughter Candice and his granddaughter Madelaine beside him. Loving husband of the late Ruth and supportive father of Murray (Janet), Gary (Connie), Candice (Bruce), Kent (Rhonda) and Kimberley (Luke). Grandfather of Zachary, Michael, Madelaine, Christopher, Graeme, Adrian, Jessica, Jennifer and Jordan. George was born in Montreal where he met Ruth and began his career as a package designer. In 1956 he moved his young family to Toronto and shortly thereafter opened his own design company. George spend 8 years living in Dufferin County, the first four with Candice and Bruce at their home in Mulmur. He had fond memories of his time at Knox Presbyterian Church in Dunedin. The last years of his life he lived in Dufferin Oaks, Shelburne. His family is deeply grateful for the wonderful care he was given by his Dufferin Oaks Angels. A private family service was held on July 30, 2014 at George's veteran's plot in York Cemetery in Toronto. Throughout the latter part of his life, George contributed to numerous Christian ministries. If you would like to honour his memory a contribution to Boarding Homes Ministry, Suite 200, 73 Simcoe Street, Toronto Ontario M5J 1W9 would be appreciated by his family. Arrangements entrusted to the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne. Online condolences and donation may be placed at www.jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com.

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Saturday, August 23rd, 2014
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August 19th-23rd

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TENDER

Mowat Street and Emerald Creek – Sanitary Trunk Sewer and Emerald Creek Watermain Loop Contract No.: 300034781

SEALED BIDS, on forms supplied by the Contract Administrator, in the envelopes provided, will be received by Pamela Fettes, B.A., CMO, Dipl. M.A., Director, Legislative Services/Municipal Clerk, at the Township of Clearview, 217 Gideon Street, Stayner ON L0M 1S0 until:

2:00:00 p.m., local time, Thursday, August 28, 2014

Tenders will be opened publicly on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 2:10 p.m. EST in Clearview Council Chambers, at 217 Gideon Street, Stayner ON L0M 1S0. The work ("Work") includes:

Mowat Street

- The installation of 585 m of 375 mm Ø and 1150 m of 525 mm Ø of sanitary trunk sewer, 22 sanitary service connections, and restoration on Mowat Street in Stayner from Main Street (Highway 26) to Nottawasaga 27/28 Sideroad.

Emerald Creek

- The installation of 600 m of 450 mm Ø and 36 m of 525 mm Ø of sanitary trunk sewer and approximately 636 m of 200 mm Ø PVC watermain from the Emerald Creek development to the Township of Clearview sewage pumping station.

Bid Documents may be obtained at the office of the Contract Administrator, R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited, 3 Ronell Crescent, Collingwood ON L9Y 4J6 for a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 (\$88.50 plus HST) payable to R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited.

In addition to other provisions in the Bid Documents, the lowest or any Bid will not necessarily be accepted.

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