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BROOKLIN -- Fran Slat, Judy Gillespie and Grace Stanley from the Brooklin United Church are part of a group working together to support refugees in a Bridge to a New Home refugee sponsorship coalition with three other churches.

Brooklin church working to give hand up to refugees

Bridge to a New Home
coalition includes
members from four area
congregations; fundraiser
planned for April 30

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BROOKLIN -- Grace Stanley's decision
to join a group of volunteers work-

ing through her church to help refugees get settled in the community was based on the same logic that went into choosing her career many years ago.

"I guess just because I'm a human," the retired nurse and Brooklin resident says simply.

"I'm a human being, and to be able to give a hand up to another human being in a really practical way ... I find that, I guess, a reason for being."

Stanley is a longtime member of Brooklin United Church, one of four area churches -- along with Unitari-

an Universalist Congregation of Durham, Westminster United Church and Kingsview United Church -- that make up the Bridge to a New Home refugee sponsorship coalition.

Last year, a group of about 20 representatives from the four congregations announced they were raising money in an effort to present the gift of life in Canada to a refugee family, leading up to the country's 150th birthday in 2017.

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Free stargazing party in Whitby during Earth Hour March 25

BROOKLIN -- Residents and businesses are encouraged to turn off their lights, power down and unplug any unnecessary electronic equipment from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 25.

The Town of Whitby has been participating in the worldwide Earth Hour initiative, which strives to promote energy conservation and awareness of climate change, since 2008.

While the lights are out, residents can take advantage of the darkened skies by joining town staff and the Durham Region Astronomical Association for a free stargazing party at the Port Whitby Marina, 301 Watson St. W., Whitby.

See the moon, planets, and the stars from telescopes from 8 to 10 p.m. There will be displays, activities, snacks and refreshments in the marina clubhouse.


Visit <http://whitby.ca/en/residents/earthhour.asp> for more information.

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