

EVA RUTH COWIE
Peacefully at the Maplewood Nursing Home in Brighton on January 17, 2001. E. Ruth Cowie, beloved wife of the late Jack Cowie, life-long resident of Cramahe Township, long-time member of Eden United Church and the Eden U.C.W. and Quilting Club. Mourning the loss of a beloved Mother are two sons Francis (Reta) Cowie and William J. (Teresa) Cowie, both of Cramahe Township and a daughter Jean Kernaghan of Colborne. A loving grandmother will be missed by Jim (Susan) Kernaghan and John (Bonnie) Kernaghan, Suzanne (Roger) Doidge and Julie (Peter) Williams, Michael Cowie, Gary (Nicole) Cowie, Tracy (Jonathan) Morewood and Diane (Toby) Turk and families. The funeral service was held at Eden United Church on January 20, 2001. Rev. V. Parsons and Rev. D. Timson officiating. The pallbearers were: Kevin Jones, Clint Jones, Julie Williams, Suzanne Doidge, Michael Cowie and Gary Cowie.

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Over \$4-m. of new building in 2000

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Over \$4-million worth of new building went up in the former Township of Cramahe in the year 2000. The year-end building department report of Chief Building Official Becky Bonisteel was presented to the general committee meeting of the new Township of Cramahe January 9.

A total \$4,064,380 worth of new building, representing \$26,288 in permit fees for the municipal coffers, was realized. The total was down from the

\$4,814,470 of new building in the former township in the year 1999 - the year several industries undertook major expansions. In that year, 92 permits representing \$32,220 in permits were reported.

In December 200, four permits were issued representing \$125,600 of building and \$987 worth of fees. The permits were awarded as follows:

- a residential addition for D. and R. VanEgmond built by Steve Voskamp, worth \$23,000 for a \$285 permit;
- a \$17,000 pool for A. Reda/S. Traynor at 185 Hunt Road being built by Hashem's Pools requiring a \$50 permit;
- a \$15,600 garage for Jack Mills, 437 Honey Road, for a \$198 permit; and
- a \$70,000 residential addition for B. and T. Cranston, 80 Reddick Road, being built by New Concepts Building with a \$505 permit.

The year-end 2000 building statistics indicate 22 new dwellings worth a \$2,860,000 (\$15,771 permits), seven residential additions worth \$180,600 (\$1,719 permits); four decks worth \$231,800 (\$200 permits); three pools worth \$25,900 (\$150 permits); 13 garages worth \$126,580 (\$2,045 permits); 11 accessory buildings worth \$91,700 (\$1,484); six agricultural buildings worth \$33,700 (\$545 permits); two commercial buildings worth \$184,000 (\$1,100 permits); three industrial buildings for \$435,000 (\$2,300 permits); and

seven demolitions worth \$18,300.

Cramahe seeks \$2.5-M arena grant from province

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Cramahe Township is moving ahead with an application for an estimated \$2.5-million in provincial funding to defray the cost of the new arena. The municipality is applying for SuperBuild Corporation monies under Phase II of the provincial five-year program opened up for sports, cultural and "partnership" projects.

Cramahe council was updated on the application at a special meeting of council January 23. Administrator-treasurer Gerry Morrison says the township must submit a detailed draft of application by March 31. Staff will not begin the formal preparation of the application until it hears from the province that Cramahe's January letter of intent to the province giving notice of wishing to proceed with a funding application has been accepted by the province for consideration.

Reeve Jim Williams acknowledges Cramahe's application will exceed the tendered cost — \$3.5-million — of construction to cover additional costs, like paving, not included in the tender.

Mr. Morrison says Cramahe is asking for SuperBuild funding to cover two-thirds the arena project cost. If provincial and federal government funding comes through, the township would be left to pay one-third the total cost.

In a financial presentation later in the same meeting, Mr. Morrison informed council the township will have exhausted the reserve funds by the end of February. In the meantime, the Cramahe has borrowed against its reserves to pay for the arena.

When the reserves are exhausted the Township will seek funds from an outside lender.

Almost \$900,000 has been paid out to date. Costs for the new arena are invoiced to the municipality monthly.



Hats off for Mary!

For as long as the Colborne Second Helping store of Northumberland Big Sisters has been open in Colborne, Mary Bloomer has been a volunteer. "She is the longest-serving volunteer we have," Janet Taft says. "And I can recall only one or two days when she hasn't been able to work her shift. I'm really going to miss her."

Mary Bloomer is relocating to Cobourg February 1. To send her off with best wishes and thanks, Second Helpings hosted an open house coffee klatch at the Colborne store last Friday. Gathering to honour Mary, front and centre in the photos, were Cynthia Angus, Sandra Compton, Jeannine Palmateer, Ann Redegeld, Dorothy Hallett, Marion Carter, Jean Henderson, and Barbara Reid. Colborne Second Helping Manager Janet Taft, bottom photo far right, and Northumberland Big Sisters Executive Director Barb Keenan, second left, with Mary.

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