



25 YEARS OF SERVICE

Castleton UCW secretary Joyce Buchegger (seated) was presented with a gift to honour her 25 years of service to the United Church women's group. Presenting the gift, President Cecilia Terpstra remarked that the list of Joyce's contributions is too long to give in one meeting. Joyce has no intentions of quitting just yet.

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Public summer school classes draw 3,000

Not all students are off for summer vacation. At CDCI East in Cobourg, over 500 public school board students are hitting the books at summer school.

Approximately 3,000 Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board students began summer school classes July 2 at three locations: CDCI East in Cobourg, Bowmanville High School and Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School in Peterborough.

The majority of students are

upgrading their marks while some are taking full courses for new credits, the Kawartha Pine Ridge School Board reports. Students may complete a maximum of two credit upgrades during the summer.

At CDCI East, 476 credit upgrades, 107 full credit students, and one class of Grade 9/10 literacy are enrolled. As well, there are four classes of remedial Grade 7/8 instruction underway.

Smog Alert for area lifted

The smog alert has been lifted for Northumberland County. After a week of being under provincial Ministry of the Environment notice to take precautions, the cold front which moved into the area over the past weekend brought clouds, showers and thunderstorms. As a result, fine particles were washed from the air.

Smog is a hazy mix of pollutants made up of ground level ozone, fine particulate matter and other pollutants. During the summer months, more than half of Ontario's smog-causing pollution originates in the United States. In cooler months, domestic sources can be significant contributors to the formation of fine particulate matter.

Cramahe has little control over biosolids spreading

New regulations in effect Sept. 1

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How little control Cramahe Township council has over spreading of biosolids in the township was brought home with a question from Deputy Mayor Lee Dekeyser at last week's council committee meeting.

Mr. Dekeyser was concerned there might be a stockpile of biosolids which he regards as unacceptable but isn't sure what council can do anything about. At the top of his list of concerns is the potential disease importation.

Mayor Jim Williams advised council later in the discussion that Dr. Hukowich, Medical Officer of Health for this area, has indicated over and over there is no evidence of disease from the spreading of biosolids.

When asked by Councillor Mike Johnston where the biosolids were being stockpiled, the deputy mayor replied he didn't know; he thought some were coming from Port Hope.

Cramahe CAO Merlin Dewing noted the township received a notice three weeks ago of plans to spread biosolids in Cramahe Township at an undisclosed location.

Mayor Williams asked for the wishes of council but added he isn't sure the provincial Ministry of the Environment will listen to anything coming from the township.

Until recently the township was not allowed to ban biosolids, the CAO added. He has been told at nutrient management meetings that the township cannot pass bylaws to cover the use of biosolids.

Provincial regulations will come into effect on September 1 for new and extensive operations. All others will be covered by township bylaws for five years.

Councillor Johnston observed Cramahe council knows how much biosolid waste is spread but can't control it.