Witches have a ball to benefit UWay



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Ball Belle: Banquets and Special Events Coordinator Donna Rusaw and her staff area sweeping into action for the annual Witches Ball for the United Way.

Sweep out those cobwebs, dig up that costume; it's time for the annual Witches Ball at the Keeler Centre.

On October 27 the annual Northumberland United Way fundraiser will fill the Rotary Room with bats and brooms and everything scary from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Ball organizer of the third annual ball, Donna Rusaw, encourages everyone to come and enjoy the fun - costume or not. There will be door prizes and costume prizes too, and lots of dancing to the music of Soundsgood DJ. Late in the evening, near the witching hour guests will savour appetizers laid on by the Rotary Room staff.

Cost for the pre-Hallowe'en soirée is \$25. Tickets can be ordered ahead by calling Donna at 905 355-2846 extension 2.





PHOTO BY BOB OWEN Members: Some of the current members of the Cramahe Ratepayers Association took time for a group photo at the annual general meeting Oct. 1. In front, from left, the executive of the Cramahe

Ratepayers Association: Peggy Klem, Pat Calder, Ferne Dobson, and members Thelma Ouellette, Diahe Patterson; behind: John Reid, Tony Peters, Wayne Dobson, Jim Robinson, Lesley Owen, David Jones, Pat Patterson.

Ratepayers give it a rest

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The ratepayers saw one of their biggest campaigns come to fruition this year with the demolition of the former Colborne Cramahe Arena. At the Oct. 11 meeting members noted the contractor had found the roof joists were unsafe - confirming their suspicions and longstanding engineer's reports.

One of the group's final causes was resolved with the construction of the sidewalk on the north end of Percy Street in Colborne earlier this year.

In recommending suspension of the meetings, Mrs. Dobson pointed to the lack of current issues in the township, and confidence in the new council that "has put us out of business".

The ratepayers association was formed during the last term of office of Cramahe council, to provide the community with information about the activities of council, and to investigate alternatives. in order to assist council in providing better township governance. Its first chair was Peter Wyminga.