

DECEMBER 21/10 Deaths

WAITE, Marion Elizabeth (nee Wright) - Passed away on Sunday, December 19th, 2010, at Markhaven Home, Markham, ON, for Seniors in her 86th year. She was predeceased by her husband Glenn in 1986, and her brother Elwood Wright, of Brighton/Belleville area as well as her parents Ross and Violet Wright of Dundonald, ON. Marion is survived by her only daughter, Connie Marion Wells (Edwin) of Uxbridge, ON, her two grandsons Kevin (Shannon) and her great grandson Kaleb of Richmond Hill, ON, and Gregory of Uxbridge, ON. She leaves a loving sister, Aileen Stimers of Liverpool, New York and many loving nieces and nephews and their families from Canada and New York. Marion was born in Dundonald, ON, (near Colborne) and when she married she moved to St. Catharines where she spent the rest of her life, an active member of Westminster United Church and its choir until she physically was not able to attend. A heartfelt thanks to Dr. Teodorini and his staff, Dr. P. O'Reilly and the staff at Shaver Rehab Hospital and the Homecare givers from Pro - Wellness for their respect and care for Marion. A funeral service for Marion will take place at the **LOW AND LOW FUNERAL HOME**, 23 Main St. S. Uxbridge, ON (905) 852 - 3073 on Tuesday, December 21st, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. with visiting from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. with reception to follow. Interment Waite Cemetery, Brighton, ON. Memorial donations may be made to the Arthritis Society or charity of choice. Words of comfort may be forwarded to the family by visiting www.lowandlow.ca. She will always be remembered for her warm hospitality, her beautiful garden that she took so much pride in and the wonderful goodies she prepared for us.

COUNCIL

Cramahe renews insurance plan

BOB OWEN

CRAMAHE TOWNSHIP - Cramahe Township will pay 8% more for insurance in 2011. Representatives for Frank Cowan Company and two local agents were at council on Dec. 21 to outline the events of 2010, explain the policy and answer questions. Cramahe paid \$104,103 this year but will see a rise of \$8,328. In its explanation of the causes of the increase, the underwriter (Frank Cowan) pointed at overall claim costs,

landmark cases, frequency and severity of claims. Cramahe was one of those claimants this year when it experienced a fire at its north works yard. The payout was over \$800,000 for damage to vehicles, contents and the building itself. The claim was the first significant claim for the municipality in six years. The insurance covers all property, vehicles and various forms of liability. Almost half of the premium paid by the township will go toward liability coverage. Township property is deemed to be worth over \$17 million.

DONATION: Locally grown apples will be purchased

Grafton church supports school nutrition programs with 100-Mile Diet proceeds

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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY - For the third year in a row, the Growing Together Team at St. Andrew's United Church in Grafton is supporting Northumberland Food For Thought. This year, church members are donating \$750, which was the amount of money raised from the recent 100-Mile Diet Event organized by the church. Northumberland Food For Thought will use the donation to buy apples grown in Northumberland County to feed students who use school nutrition programs in the area. The apples will be stored at the Food 4 All Warehouse and distributed to local schools as needed. "Fresh apples are a healthy food for helping students learn in class, and the fact this fruit is locally-grown really fits in with the spirit of the church's fundraising event," says Susan Greenwood, the Community Development Coordinator with Northumberland Food For Thought. "This fall, St. Andrew's members organized the 100-Mile Diet Event to showcase locally grown fruits, vegetables, cheeses and other farm fresh items. Farmers from across Northumberland County were invited to showcase their products for sale and sampling. Church organizers deemed the event "a tremen-

dous success" as an effort to raise funds for student nutrition programs, as well as raise awareness about the importance of buying locally grown produce. The concept of a '100-mile diet' is popularized in a best-selling book that challenges people to only eat food grown within 100 miles (160 kilometres) of their home. On average, some foods eaten by North Americans must be transported thousands of kilometres, which can result in significant carbon emissions that can cause global warming. Northumberland Food For Thought is a non-profit initiative that coordinates the nutrition programs offered in 38 schools across Northumberland County. Each day, these programs feed approximately 2,100 students in Northumberland County. Since its inception, Northumberland Food For Thought has received support from dozens of local businesses and organizations that have contributed money and food products that support school nutrition programs in the area. To find out how to support Northumberland Food For Thought, or to volunteer at a local student nutrition program, call 905-372-7863 or visit www.studentnutrition-program.ca.

CONSTRUCTION

Cramahe Township road work unfinished

BOB OWEN

CRAMAHE TOWNSHIP - It's the end of the year and time for Cramahe Township Council to tie up loose ends. Roadwork didn't all go as planned so council was busy establishing how to go forward. The work on Trenear Road in east Cramahe wasn't completed and almost half of the work will be brought forward to be done in 2011. The residents on Morganston Road are even worse off. Work on their road didn't even start this year, so the \$75,000 allocated for it will be used in 2011. Reserves will pay the \$24,000 deficit on Elgin Road Parliament Street roadwork was \$141,580 over budget on the \$715,000 job. The Parliament Street water main work was

actually under budget by \$65,000 and the excess transferred to the road construction portion of the contract. But water and sewage treatment must be self-funding and savings cannot be used to fund roadwork. Add that to poor sub-grade materials and you have a significant overage which will be covered by AMO gas tax revenues. When all the figures were tallied the township was ahead by \$24,000 on a budget of \$1.5 million.



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