Takes issue with letter citing 'boorish behaviour' at meeting

To the editor

I take issue with the letter published in the Oct 26 edition regarding "Boorish Behaviour" at the all candidates meeting in Rockwood earlier this month.

I attended the all candidates meeting and am offended by Ms. Gibson Smye's letter. Firstly there was only one set of boos and that was when Mr. Martin (current mayor) refused to address a question and brought up an issue that was already addressed previously. At least half of the audience did "boo" at the time, but it was mild-mannered and there was no disrespectful heckling. To be called "boorish" and "small" reflects a lack of respect on her part.

My greatest offence though, is that she would use this time of year (Remembrance Day) and the current situation overseas with our soldiers to further her own political agenda and the mayor on whose "slate" she is running on. The fact that Mr. Martin may be a War Veteran was/is totally inconsequential to the all candidates meeting and the booing that he received just once during the night.

My grandfather is a veteran of WW II and I lost relatives in WW I, and I am sure that they would have booed as well.

Thank you, Hugh Calderwood, Rockwood.

Letters ()

Neighbours more concerned about aesthetics than Nancy

To the editor

I have to write this letter as I am appalled by the story that was written in our "community newspaper," The New Tanner, on Thursday, October 26. The title of the story "Neighbours Demand Clean-up of Peel St. 'Eyesore'."

Some of these neighbours

are more concerned about the aesthetics of Peel St. than the fact that a woman, named Nancy Gordon, is living in a house without heat, hydro or water. That Nancy is sleeping in a tent and using a port-a-potty. How wrong is this? Where

How wrong is this? Where is our sense of outrage? Where is our compassion as a community? Where is our morality and our ethics that allows a woman, to exist like this?

Where are our social service agencies? Where is the public trustee? Where are our community-based services? Why is this being allowed?

In my opinion this is an example of "depraved indifference" to the plight of a member of our community, to a woman named Nancy and to another human being

An "eyesore" verses "human suffering." I am outraged that there is coverage in our newspaper and from Global that an "eyesore" receives more media coverage than that of a woman living in a tent.

Will we find Nancy Gordon frozen to death in her tent? Will that not be an "eyesore" on Peel St?

Joanne Bissonnette, Acton.

Relay raises over \$13,000 for Cancer

To the editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the participants, volunteers and sponsors that helped to make the recent Relay for Life event such a great success. The first Acton, Erin and Rockwood Relay for Life event was held at Rockmosa Park and despite the damp and rainy weather we had a great turnout, fantastic food, wonderful entertainment and raised over \$13,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society.

We would like to thank all

those businesses that donated and prepared food items, the entertainers that performed, and the Rockwood Lions Club for supplying the breakfast for the volunteers and participants.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to The New Tanner and Acton Free Press/Georgetown Independent for their coverage of this event – we really appreciate your support.

Sincerely, Cathy Gerrow, President, Acton branch, Canadian Cancer Society.



So what's the fence for?

To the edito

What is this? Town & Country Fencing has just put in this in between the barn and Fairy Lake, close to the water's edge.

So what is it?

Is it a...

Fence to stop people feeding the wildfowl?

Is it to stop dogs swimming?

Is it an environmentally friendly fence to stop snow going into the lake?

Is it an environmentally friendly fence to stop mud going into the lake?

Is it to stop Aunt Martha from swimming?

Is it designed to keep dogs away from the dog park? Guess this correctly – win a prize.

The prize is – delivery in Acton of the Tanner. *John Shadbolt,*

Acton.

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