

Gossip!

*Personal Notices, Announcements
& Random Notes*

South Marysburgh artist's solo show being held at The Painted Peppercorn Restaurant

A one-month solo show by Sarah Renaud-Wilkinson will be held beginning Thursday, January 6th at The Painted Peppercorn restaurant, 172 Main Street, in Picton.

Sarah, who will be 17 years old this month, had paintings accepted in both the 2010 and 2011 juried *Art in the County* shows; was a featured student artist at Arts on Main Gallery in Wellington; and was profiled in the inaugural edition of *Square2* art magazine. This will be her second solo show at The Painted Peppercorn. Her first was in 2010.

Closer to home, the Milford Bridge mural and the Ann Farwell branch library mural are group projects Renaud-Wilkinson enjoyed working on a number of years ago.

Update on the Miller Family Nature Reserve

Hastings Prince Edward Land Trust (HPELT) is very excited at the response to our campaign to raise funds for the Stewardship Fund for the Miller Family Nature Reserve. We have received amazing support from the citizens of Prince Edward County and surrounding areas.

I am delighted to report that we are well on our way and we are highly confident that we will achieve the \$85,000 goal by the mid-January deadline.

Thank you to everyone !!

Patti Wolfe
Board of Directors, HPELT

I hadn't received my copy of *The Mirror*, before several people asked me if the OPP would target a business by enforcing R.I.D.E. in front of an establishment that serves alcohol. I asked them to what they were referring, they answered a letter in *The Mirror*. The letter dealt with a R.I.D.E. program that ran on a cold wet November night in Milford. I then read the published letter in *The Mirror* and realized where people's concerns were coming from.

The men and women of our police service do take into account the history in areas of our community. For example, if you have an area where break and enters are occurring, they would concentrate patrols in that area to combat that activity. If you have a liquor establishment where drunken fights are occurring, yes they will be there to address the issue. The Milford Bistro, to my understanding, has no such history, but our community - yes, South Marysburgh - isn't exempt from the tragic loss which so often follows impaired driving. After all, we are the home of the 'horn trip.'

Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere, or R.I.D.E., is a keystone program in keeping our highways safe. I congratulate the officers who were in Milford and I hope they can make appearances in our community a regular event. I, perhaps more than most, know the pressures and time restraints the officers work under, and I for one am glad to see they are making that effort to show their colours in our community.

To the author of the letter, Judy Lamb, I congratulate her in acknowledging that she supports R.I.D.E. programs, it is a shame that negative words about the police's motivation were based on an assumption. You know what happens when you assume?

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The 2012 Milford Fair is only 9 months away. It's time to start thinking about your parade entry.