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to the doctors have a wide smile on their faces and a warm welcome regardless of who they might be facing. The cancer is after all one of the greatest leveler –absolutely no distinction is made on age, sex, religious belief and colour of skin. We are in the same boat battling the waves and rain and snow.

To close this narrative, lessons from the Bhagavad-Gita of India may serve to sum up the collective will of the inmates at the Lodge. Arjuna, the great Prince, with his vast army behind him is facing a formidable enemy who appears to be at least of equal if not stronger force across the divide. To complicate matters, Arjuna's enemies are his near kin – uncles and cousins. As he faces his enemy he declares to his charioteer, who happens to be Sri Krishna, the divine incarnation, that he cannot possibly take up arms and kill his kin whom he declared have wives and children who could become orphans. Krishna tells Arjuna that he cannot lay down his arms- he must fight and not to give in to evil. The message of the Gita is not so much a war on the plains of battle but rather a war of the ying and yang-right and wrong. It is this message of Krishna that has infused the people at the Lodge. They are all in there fighting with all their strength to beat off the invader. This determination and optimism to beat off the attacker is a hallmark of every woman and man at the Lodge. The inner spirit and buoyant attitude toward the cancer attack are critical to the recovery :they no doubt supplement the medical intervention. The inmates know that to abandon the sunrise would be their sunset.

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Dedicated to all who are in their fight of their lives

Black Crick Chicks - Cont'd from page 1

consisted of Barb Guernsey (team captain), Annette Keogh (co-captain), Jane Shannon, Hazel Hobson, Rita Taylor, Judy Plomer, Karen Cowan, Brenda Bond, Erika Wolff, Irene Robb, Sonia McMillan and Gianna Angheloni made sure that there was someone from the team on the track at all times. The total event raised over \$320,000 for The Canadian Cancer Society and the Black Crick Chicks raised \$4,407 of those funds.

This event is in its 7th year running and has raised many funds for the Cancer Society. It is a fun filled evening which runs from 7pm Friday till 7am Saturday with a luminary ceremony at 10pm, theme laps throughout the night, a game of hot potato at 3am, a limbo contest at 5am and lots of people to talk to. The free Tim Horton's soup, coffee and doughnuts helped keep everyone awake too. You may ask why do we do this walk throughout the night and not the day. The answer is that 'cancer never sleeps' so surely we can handle one night without sleep. Anyone from the Black Creek Community who would like to join us next year can call Barb at 613-476-3757 or send her an e-mail at barb.guernsey@sympatico.ca we'd be glad to have you join us. Just remember that it is and all night 7pm till 7am commitment (you do not have to walk that entire time but it's appreciated that you do spend the time at the event with the rest of the team) and that a \$10 registration fee is required and each participant is to raise \$100 in pledges.

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Bill Yates, Friend of the County.

p.s. On a less serious note:

'A selfish fool is a person who says it's nobody's business what they do!'

And finally:

'Most people are willing to change, not because they see the light, but because they feel the heat.' And it sure has been HOT in our beautiful County these past few weeks. Have a great summer.