



Brian Sweet, organizer of the Wandering Writers Group, congratulates author Henrietta O'Neill at the Kingsville Train Station following her presentation last week. O'Neill stressed that getting a book published requires time, funding, patience, persistence and a bit of luck. Her books are available at the Nature Nook Book Store at Point Pelee or online at amazon.ca

## Point Pelee revisited

BY BILL GAY

Author Henrietta O'Neill has a passion for Point Pelee National Park.

In 2000, O'Neill wrote "In Search of a Heart", a history commissioned by the Friends of Point Pelee. A limited number of books were printed but this well written history of Canada's most southerly point on the mainland is still available at stores in the Point Pelee area.

In "In Search of a Heart", O'Neill weaves the early days of the area flawlessly with information gained through extensive interviews and secondary sources.

Last November, O'Neill's newest work – "Birding at Point Pelee, a Birder's

History of one of Canada's Most Famous Birding Spots" – was published. The new book is the story of a century of change in extreme southern Essex County.

With the May birding season just around the corner, O'Neill's latest effort is a must-read for serious and casual birders alike.

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## Retirees Social Club to host 'How To Week'

The Essex Retirees' Social Club is inviting seniors to a free week of activities at its Russell Street location from March 12-16.

A wide range of games and activities will be offered, including carpet

bowling, bingo, bridge, shuffleboard, cribbage, Scrabble, Tai Chi and quilting.

"It's for people to come out and try things they wouldn't normally do," said Essex Retirees' Social Club

staff member Betty Lou Frith. "If they felt awkward about coming in, they may be more inclined to participate if they saw other people joining in too."

The "How to Week" was organized by Essex

Retirees' Social Club staff member Michelle Mitchell. All older adults are welcomed. The week begins with a 9 a.m. exercise session on March 12 and ends with a 1:30 pm. choir performance on March 16.

## March Break Art Camp

The Leamington Arts Centre is hosting March Break Art Camp with Katherine Burton.

Burton, owner of Art Works and daughter of well-known Essex County artist Harold Burton, has taught art at United Mennonite Education Institute and offers private lessons.

During March Break Art

Camp, Burton will offer a program featuring challenging and exciting projects for ages 5 to 13. The camp runs from March 12 to 16 with ages 5 to 8 attending from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and ages 9 to 13 attending from 2 to 5 p.m.

For more information, call 519-324-7393 or email Katherine@artworks-isfun.com.

## Mad Science offers March Break shows

Help Mad Science support Team Diabetes by attending one of their March Break fundraising shows.

Team Diabetes is a sports-based fundraising initiative adopted by the Canadian Diabetes Association to raise funds for diabetes research, education, services and advocacy.

Dates, times and locations of Mad Science shows are available by visiting [www.madscience.org/wind-](http://www.madscience.org/wind-)

sor and clicking on the Upcoming Events button or by calling (519) 256-6094.

The presentations are free but spectators at some locations may be asked to make a loonie or toonie donation. All proceeds raised will be donated to Team Diabetes Canada.

Come out, have fun and learn about science while supporting a worthwhile cause!

## 'The Legend in Black'

The man's name is Bill Cayley and it must be an omen that someone born on the same birth date as Johnny Cash would someday be performing in the best tribute show to Johnny Cash on the planet.

Bill Cayley has been performing around North America for more than 40 years. His resume contains

a long-standing relationship as friend and road manager to the legendary Ronnie Hawkins, plus a release of his own CD produced by Ron Demmans at Nashville's Sound Control.

"The Legend in Black" comes to Kingsville's Migration Hall on Friday, March 2 at 8 p.m. For tickets, call 519-733-8357.

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