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The Legend of Silver Slipper, Part 2

In the last episode, author and horse lover Carol Pearson discovered the horse of her dreams in downtown Kinmount. We left her agonizing over whether she would ever possess this ideal horse. "The fall turned to winter and the months dragged by, and still I had no word from Bill Scott. I worried about the care of the grey, and wondered if he was being carefully broken to the saddle. There are so many ways that a horse can be mishandled, harming him permanently. Was he being

properly shod? The blacksmiths in the north country do very little work on light horses, and, rather than making up shoes for those few, they simply cut the heels off the heavy draft shoes and nail them on! Jimmy Ross, who was for years Canada's champion blacksmith, shod our horses, driving the thirty-odd miles to Claremont after we left the city to do the work. He is a little Scotsman who knows as much about horses and their feet as any veterinary

doctors. He and his family are among my dearest friends. On one of our almost weekly trips to the cottage, we asked Jimmy to go with us. I was anxious to have him see the grey. A jumper should be started the winter before it was four years old if it is to progress quickly. We made a point not to bother Bill Scott, giving him time to make up his mind; but nowtime was passing! A few minutes from the village we met Bill riding his horse; Jimmy was as impressed as I
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Clockwise from top: Bombardier 2—part snowmobile; Annie's Smurf Mobile topples over; John the Woodcarver creates a masterpiece; Mash Hill Ranch provides snowy rides all at the Winterfest



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Friends and Neighbours: Omemee ★

Emily Township was the first township in Victoria County that was opened for settlement. After the War of 1812 and the corresponding Napoleonic Wars in Europe ended in 1815, a new age in history dawned for both the Old World (Europe) and the New World (North America). Economic dislocations and population growth led to huge population shifts. Millions of rural residents were displaced as the Agricultural Revolution led to fewer farm workers. The surplus population had 2 choices: seek work in the growing industrial cities or emigrate. The latter choice led to huge implications for Canada as millions left overcrowded Europe for economic opportunity in North America.

In 1821 a party of 400

Protestant Irish from Fermanagh County in Ireland migrated en mass and took up land in the newly opened Cavan Township. This planned settlement spilled over into the southern concessions of the newly surveyed Emily Township. The Cottingham Family pushed further north and set up a grist & saw mill at the future site of Omemee village. The site was an obvious one for a pioneer village: a waterfall on the Pigeon River with access to Pigeon Lake and the Trent Waterway. The mill was in operation by 1825 and was a boon to the local farmers: who didn't have to travel all the way to Port Hope or Millbrook or Peterborough. Around the mill a village grew up with the standard stores, blacksmiths and (of course) taverns.

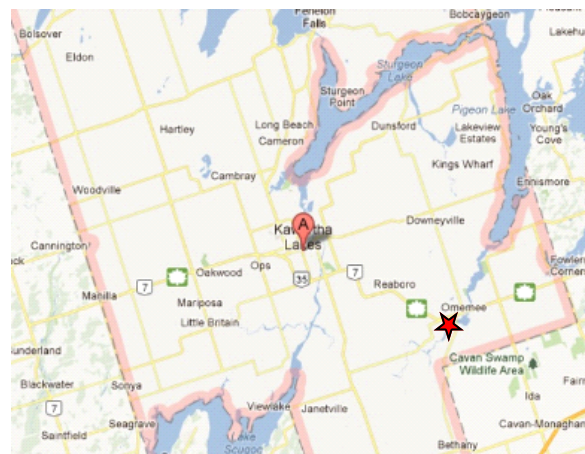
The founder of Omemee was

William Cottingham. When the hamlet was granted a post office in 1835, the name "Williamstown" was adopted. In the 1840s, the name was changed to Metcalfe. But both names were also used elsewhere in Ontario, and in 1857 the village was re-christened Omemee. The name was adopted from the Omemee family of Mississauga natives who lived in the area. The arrival of the Port Hope, Lindsay & Beaverton Railway in 1857 gave a further impetus to the village. In a fit of spite, the Railway company built the station a distance outside of the village as revenge for the "small" bonus paid the railway by Emily Township! Until the 1860s, Omemee rivaled Lindsay as the largest town in Victoria County.

By the late 1800s, Omemee

had reached its zenith of economic prosperity. The industrial complex included a grist mill, 2 sawmills, a tannery, a foundry, a shingle mill and a cloth mill. There were 3 churches, four hotels, numerous stores as well as a public & a high school. The village also had a newspaper (Watchman Warder) which served its 1,000 or so residents. The village also served as the shopping centre for a rich agricultural hinterland. Over the years, the industrial section of Omemee declined until by the 1950s, only the Regal Stationary Company remained. Today, even it is gone.

Today Omemee is the service centre for the surrounding area. Cottages now line the banks of Pigeon Lake and retirement subdivisions have sprang up all over the region.



Youngtown Rock & Roll Museum features 7 rooms of World Class Exhibits. & is named after musician Neil Young, who spent his early childhood in the village.



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Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 by Cathy King

April is going to be another busy month at the Legion: Big Buck Bid Euchre is the 3rd Wednesday each month with the next date on Wednesday April 18 at 11:00 a.m. Cost is only \$10.00 includes delicious lunch.

Back by popular demand is Karaoke with Gord Bartley on Saturday April 28th at 8pm. There is no admission cost and non members are welcome to join us. Spring was definitely in the air in March and we hope this fair weather continues so that members and visitors may enjoy visiting our outside patio. A reminder to members that

the annual nominations and election of officers is Sunday May 6 at 1:00 pm Please come out and support your branch.

At this time of year as we prepare for our annual Honours and Awards, it is a good time to reflect on our membership We are pleased that a number of new members have joined our Legion this past year . We commend them for their enthusiasm and willingness to join in, volunteer and to share their ideas.

The Legion will be closed and there will be no bingo on Good Friday. Happy Easter everyone!

In The Lions Den, by Barbara Hill

The Kinmount Lions have been awarded the honour of hosting our district's annual convention at the end of April. As it is a big undertaking and our members are few, we have invited the Bobcaygeon Lions Club to help. It is sure to be a very informative and fun event. It is not too late for anyone who may be thinking of joining the Lions Club to contact any of our members to come to a meeting and see what we are about. In past issues of the Gazette, Lion Janice gave a brief history of the Lions Club and some of the local organizations and people we have supported, as well as internationally.

Many of you know us as the Club that collects for the Christmas Hampers with our Angel Trees and our food boxes around town, or by selling the most wonderful Christmas Cakes around! But there is more to us than that! We have a great bunch of people and work together like a family. Our meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 p.m. We welcome you to contact any member and come out and join us. Members will be selling spring bulbs, available in early May. These are beautiful bulbs, sure to enhance any garden, so be sure to check them out. Happy Spring everyone!

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Myth Busters:

Police were called to a local area cottage over the March Break when skeletal remains were found at an abandoned seasonal home whose new owners had come to explore the site and meet with a local contractor. Officers quickly cordoned off the area in order to keep the crime scene untainted for the Crime Scene Investigators. Officers Bryan Birk and Wade Grekzy spoke to reporters who arrived at the scene, stating it was one of the worst and saddest cases that had come across their desk in years. The remains are believed to be of a female, aged 40-50 years old. Investigators stated that carbon dating techniques and historical testing on the hockey jersey found on the body have led experts to believe that the victim has been in the elements for approximately 10 years. Autopsy results have indicated that the cause of death is not suspicious and has been determined to be as a result of self-

imposed blunt force trauma to the forehead in tandem with a massive broken heart sustained over a period of several years. A chronic condition known as *hockitis-runningoutis*.

A telling note was found on the scene. Tributes have been pouring in to a website set-up to honour this Jane Doe who has yet to be identified. Leaf Fans from all over the country have been commemorating their unknown peer in heartfelt posts which have come from as far away as South Korea



Police are searching for anyone who may have any information which can help support their solving of the identity of Jane Doe. Anyone with any information should contact the local authorities at 1-666-555-1313.

Please ask for Donald Cherrie. Above: A photo was snapped of the crime scene by a local reporter

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had felt sure he would be, and once more the horse and I renewed acquaintance. We enlarged our offer a little, and Bill promised to phone the next night to give a definite answer. I dreamed my way over the hundred mile drive back to the farm, but when I got to bed the night seemed so long; there seemed to be so many decisions to make, each one too important to leave until morning, but in the daylight not even important enough to remember. The next day dragged by, each minute an hour. Supper over at last, we plunked down beside the phone to wait for the call.

Everyone I knew called that evening, I think. None of them knew I was expecting a call and wanted the line left open. It required all my willpower to answer the phone, only to have some kind-hearted soul say; "Hello Carol, how are you?" Could I say "Fit to be tied!" When the call finally came, my husband answered the phone. When I heard him say we would be up in the morning, I wished we had a rocket to

shoot far up into the sky! It called for a celebration. My gratitude welled up inside me.

Bill had called the grey "Skipper", and now my task was to choose a name that would imply grace and beauty, without taking from his natural dignity. The thoroughbred bloodline in a half-bred horse is usually specified by the carrying of the name of the sire into the colts name. Once again I turned to Jimmy Ross. Bless his Scots heart, he had a wonderful pair of shoes made up ready for the grey when I called to tell him he was indeed going to be mine. "sure I knew that, you were made for each other!" he said in his softly rolling drawl, the heather falling off the words as he said them. Jimmy hardly seemed to think about the name, so it may be that, like me, he had been missing a bit of sleep because names were uppermost in his thoughts! As he said, I would probably want to carry the name of the sire along. Then, very casually, he asked what

I thought of "Silver Slipper". That was it! The sire's name, Shoeless Joe, was close enough to be recognized by those interested, but removed far enough not to let the bad disposition the sire was noted for cast reflections on him! Old Joe, as he was known about his stable, had wonderful staying power and many records to his credit, but he was a hard horse to handle. I wonder if he had had different handlers if he would have been so difficult.

Jimmy went up with us to get the grey, and the name fell into use so naturally that we were all referring to the grey as Slipper before we got there. The horse himself seemed to accept it without question. The shoes, too, fit perfectly; but then, I had known they would.

Slipper entered our barn in the best of spirits, showing no shyness in the presence of the strange horses. Jimmy shod him that very day, and right away his schooling started.

We were friends from the first. He was like putty in my hands, and it was hard for me to remember not to go too quickly, or push him too hard! His muscles were in tone, but jumping uses muscles a horse is not aware he possesses, and care must be taken that they do not stiffen. We went for long rides every day, with only a quarter of a mile of fast going to accustom his eyes and limbs to the rough cross country terrain. The hunting had already started in Aurora, and the terrain at Claremont was very similar. Horses used only to travelling the roads must become used to travelling through fields and over fences. They are apt to be so engrossed with the jumping that they do not see rabbit and groundhog holes and other unevenness of the ground. We jumped small fences and low gates twice a week, and he took it naturally. His reserve strength and his great courage were evident as I rode him into his fences. He carried his head high and proudly, and he listened intently, depending on my tone of voice and the inflections of my speech to guide him. I am a great believer in talking to horses. They respond to voice more readily than to spurs or curb-bits.

In the next edition, Silver Slipper joins the Hunter Circuit.





Earth Day History & Events



Each year, 20 million participants in teach-ins that addressed decades of environmental pollution. The event inspired the US Congress to pass clean air and water acts, and establish the Environmental Protection Agency to research and monitor environmental issues and enforce environmental laws. In 1990, 2 million Canadians joined 200 million people in 141 nations in celebrating the first International Earth Day. In many countries, the global event brought pressure on heads of state to take part in the UN Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro to address issues such as climate change and the world wide loss of species. In Canada, Earth Day has grown into Earth Week and even Earth Month(s) to accommodate the profusion of events which range from large public events,

Celebrated April 22, Earth Day is the largest, most celebrated environmental event worldwide. More than 6 million Canadians join 1 billion people in over 170 countries in staging events and projects to address local environmental issues. Nearly every school child in Canada takes part in an Earth Day activity. First launched as an environmental awareness event in 1970, Earth Day is celebrated as the birth of the environmental movement. The first Earth Day involved 20 million participants in

like Victoria's Earth Walk (5,000 participants), Edmonton's Earth Day Festival at Hawrelak Park (30,000 participants), and Oakville, Ontario's Waterways Clean-up (2,000 participants) to the thousands of smaller events staged by schools, employee & community groups.



One of the ways Earth Day is celebrated on a local level is by Kinmount Sparks, Brownies & Guides who invite you to "Green the Streets" by "Lending a Hand" at

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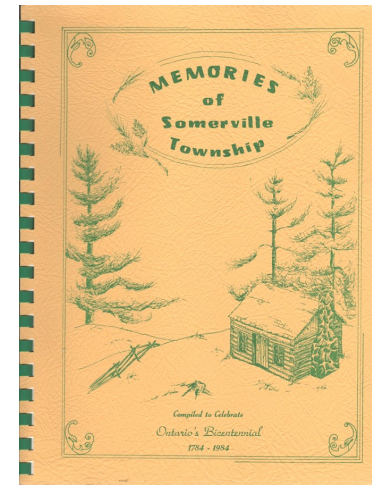
Anniversaries Past

It was three years ago April 1 (2009) that Kinmount celebrated its 150th anniversary. One of the projects was the Kinmount Gazette. Our objective was to publish 16 editions over the year, ending in November. Well, its edition # 45 and we are still going strong! As a "pic of the past", the Gazette republishes some photos from the April 1 ceremony kicking off our celebrations held at the Kinmount Post Office. And that's not all! In 1984, Ontario celebrated its Bicentennial and Kinmount, ever the patriotic community, also held celebrations. These included an "opening ceremony" also held at the Post Office, a weekend event held at the fairgrounds and a booklet "Memories of Somerville Township".

Brenda Simmons & Gord Kennedy dress up for the occasion in genuine historical costumes from the 1780s.



Dignitaries on Post office steps: (left to right) Guy Scott (MC), Harry Platt (Councillor: Township of Galway-Cavendish), Maurice Watson (Reeve, Somerville Township), John Eakins (MPP Victoria-Haliburton), Bill Scott




(MP, Victoria-Haliburton), unknown, Jane Rolfe (Postmaster in 1984) and sundry schoolchildren from Kinmount Public School, long since grown to adulthood. Birthday cake followed the ceremony.



Clockwise from top left: Brenda Simmons and Gord Kennedy in period costume, 1784; Memories of Somerville booklet produced for the anniversary; Kinmount's 150th anniversary kick-off on April 1st 2009; the 1984 celebrations included from left to right Guy Scott, Harry Plat, Maurice Watson, John Eakins, MPP, Bill Scott, MP, Barb Fountain(?) and Jane Rolfe, Post Mistress

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Kids' Corner



Ian Lee smiles for the camera.

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*Aloha from Madylin Rensink
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"Best Decorated " ages 7-12
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*Kaylynn Shaw poses with "Best Decorated
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Disasters of Kinmount: The Great Flood of 1928

The Gazette reported on the Great Flood of 1928 way back in edition #2 (April 15, 2009). A quick thaw with lots of snow caused a “Flood of the Century”. Since then, a lot more photos have become available. So here is a collage of the Great Flood of 1928: just to re-

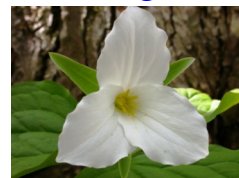
mind us of the power of Mother Nature. The Railway Station poses as an island. The water flooded the station itself to about 6 inches deep, but the railway stayed open. Passengers were ferried by canoe from the passenger cars to high ground! The new Kinmount Transit mode for main

street: the ever-reliable canoe! How Canadian! Locals measure the water levels. The spring log drive came early and jammed up the dam. Yielding to pressure, the old dam eventually burst!



Clockwise from top left: The Railway Station flooded to the firebox of the woodstove; a canoer transports people and goods around town; Main Street Kinmount with the bridge in the background; the dam is plugged up with logs

The Legend of the Trillium



In 1937, the Province of Ontario selected for its Official Flower, a beautiful and delicate white flower named for its pretty pink tinge and three petals, the Trillium. The white blossom, with three small green leaves in the shape of a star, cannot be picked without also removing the star-like leaves which will cause the entire plant to die. It is illegal to pick trilliums.

A three-petalled flower is so rare and unusual that there was a very special reason for its creation. Legend has it almost 400 years ago, one of the Jesuit Fathers sent over to Canada by the King of France to teach

Christianity to the native people, learned from some of his pupils that there were many more native peoples to the West. He had a great desire to bring the Word of God to as many people as he could. He decided to explore this unknown land and, crossing the Ottawa River in a small native canoe, entered into what we now know as Ontario. He found that the native people he met here could not understand the language that he had learned from their brothers to the east. He searched everywhere for a solution to this communication problem. One day he noticed that growing all around in the forest were many pretty white flowers. The four petals formed the shape of a cross. These he thought, he would use to teach the native people how Christ was

crucified. With the help of the little flowers he was finally able to explain to them how Jesus had died for them. Most native people would never harm a friend and they only became very saddened by the story and avoided his company. Understanding this, he plucked one of the petals from the flowers and used the remaining three to teach them about The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit and the little star-shaped green leaves behind the flower helped him to explain the Miracle of Christ's birth. He prayed that some sign would be sent to remind the native people of his teachings. To his great delight and wonder, the flowers that he had used had only three petals when they came into bloom the following year and since that time have never changed.



The Hot Stove Leak by Lynne Kilby

Of all the seasons, spring is definitely my favourite. Thank goodness I have lived to see yet another beautiful re-birth of our world. I'm just like a little kid at Christmas who can't wait for everything to unfold. The magical glory of spring beckons. For me the anticipation is part of the thrill. What about you? Does spring put a smile on your face? I sure hope so!

Keep smiling and please call me at (705) 488-2919 or e-mail lynne.kilby@sympatico.ca to leak info through the Hot Stove Leak. Happy Easter!

HAPPY 153RD BIRTHDAY APRIL 1, KINMOUNT!

Explore 153 years of history at the new Heritage Centre opening for its 2nd season later this spring. The centre, manned by volunteers under the direction of the KCPED, is a plus for Kinmount that promises to grow and blossom. Make sure to sample Jailhouse Beans at upcoming events. This fundraiser was the brainstorm of Bruce Boswell of the pinerypeople.ca. For a \$2.00 donation you received a tasty sample and a keepsake recipe for Jailhouse Beans. Funds will go towards restoring the basement of the Heritage Centre to its original state of jail cells. If you would like to contribute to the Heritage Centre in anyway please call 705-488-2635.

WINTERFEST HIGHLIGHTS

Organizers were thankful for the remarkable weather at Winterfest. Attendance, activities, displays & food were great. Thanks to all supporters & special thanks to Lorraine Turcotte for her fabulous decorating. Winners of the various activities were: Chilli Contest: Maryann Glover, Jamie Jones & Zoltan, Downhill Dash under 6, Best Decorated: Kaylynn Shaw (2nd year in a row!) with her Princess Sleigh, Furthest Distance: Thomas Munns, ages 7+ Madylin Rensink & Natasha Austin Best Decorated,, Annabelle Cloutier-Austin Furthest Distance, Chuck a Puck: Jane Barkwell, Pick the Joker: Dwight Fountain, Hockey Skills: Simon Cloutier-Austin & Jack Campbell, Colouring Contest: Brittany Day, Scavenger Hunt: Ariel Dolan.

KIDS CRAFT DAY A HUGE SUCCESS

Back for its 3rd year the Kids Craft Extravaganza held during March Break saw record breaking attendance. The Kinmount Artisans, who host the event, are pleased to give back to the community by encouraging the artistic creativity of our local youth. Besides the March Break Craft Day, the artisans promote kids crafts at Moonlight Mania.

CARD NIGHT AT IRONDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Did you know Irondale Community Centre hosts Card Night every Wednesday at 7pm.? Everyone welcome. Cost \$2. Bring snacks to share.

3RD ANNUAL GREAT EASTER EGG HUNT

Bring your baskets and hop on over to Austin Sawmill Heritage Park at 1:00 p.m. Saturday April 7. Lots of fun, games, & prizes.

KINMOUNT SPIRIT ROCKS!

The nasty weather Saturday, March 3 did not stop Kinmount from raising nearly \$4,000.00 after expenses at the Kinmount Gazette & Victoria Pony Club annual Dinner & Loonie Auction. The groups share the funds equally. Thank s to all supporters for their generosity. Special thanks to cooks/organizers Susan & Madeline Pearson, auctioneer Doug Pearson & musician Bruce Boswell who entertained with easy listening music. Though quarters were tight at Kinmount Community Centre, the crowd beamed smiles & chuckles. Here's a sample:of the witty humour they enjoyed: When a Toronto Maple Leafs Wall Hanging came up for auction Doug declared "This wall hanging comes with this....." and held up a toilet seat! Now that got a big reaction!

EARTH DAY APRIL 22

There is so much to love about our world/Kinmount. Discover your Mother Earth Day IQ with this quiz:

- 1. What is an eco-system? A) A place with unique physical features that include air, water & land that supports plant & animal life. B) A process to name newly discovered plants & animals C) A popular computer game 2. What is the re-cycling symbol? A) The Earth with a heart. B) 3 arrows making a continual loop C) A gold star 3. How does planting trees help our environment? A) Trees help clean air B) Trees provide homes for birds & animals C) Trees help reduce pollution in water D) All of the above 4. Which uses less water? A) A shower B) A bath 5. What is composting? A) Posting information about the environment online B) Weeding the garden C) Recycling fruit & veggie scraps & other organic material by planting them outside 6. What is a carbon footprint? A) A dinosaur fossil B) A measure of the impact our actions have on our planet & climate C) A picture of a footprint

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Advertisement for BCH Tax Preparation and Highlands Cinemas. Includes contact info for Barry Heaton and a list of services like Accounting, Bookkeeping, and Payroll.



The Hot Stove Leak *continued from p. 11*

7. What is the greenhouse effect?

- A) A house painted green
- B) When plants grow in spring
- C) The rise in temperature the Earth experiences when gases in the atmosphere trap energy from the sun that then warm up the Earth

8. What is organic food?

- A) Food made or grown without chemicals or pesticides
- B) Food that tastes bad
- C) Food grown to organ music

9. Which of these things is something you could do to help our planet/Kinmount?

- A) Turn off water when brushing teeth
- B) Use reusable bags for shopping
- C) Lend a hand at Pitch In Day May 5 in Kinmount
- D) All of the above

10. Why is it important for us to take care of our Earth/Kinmount in any way we can? There is only one answer:

- A) The Earth/Kinmount is our home and we need to take care of our home so it can work properly at its ultimate best for our own benefit.
- Answers: 1 A), 2 B), 3 C), 4 A), 5 C), 6 B), 7 C), 8 A), 9 D), 10 A)*

PITCH-IN DAY... ARE YOU UP

FOR THE CHALLENGE?

Girls of the 1st Kinmount Unit of Sparks, Brownies, Guides & Pathfinders challenge you to refresh the town and your town pride by helping them at Town Pitch-In Day, 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 5. Help take care of our world by meeting at Kinmount Railway Station to choose your route and get your supply of gloves and garbage bags. Sweets and treats served on completion.

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The deadline for receiving applications is June 30 of each taxation year. "Low-income Senior" means: a person who attained the age of 65 years as of December 31st of the previous year and is in receipt of benefits paid under the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) program, as established under *The Old Age Security Act (Canada)*; OR a person aged 55 to 64 years of age as of December 31st of the previous year whose combined taxable income, with their spouse (if applicable), as reported on Line 260 of the 2010 Income Tax Notice of Assessment, is less than \$25,000. "Low-income person with disabilities" means a person who receives benefits paid under the *Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997*; or a disability amount paid under the *Family Benefits Act (Ontario)*; or Canada Pension Plan Disabilities Pension, & be eligible to claim a disability amount as defined under *Income Tax Act (Canada)*.

SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN'S SPORTS & ACTIVITIES

The Community Social Investment Fund (CSIF) provides financial assistance to low-income families to enable children to participate in recreation or sports activities. Who can receive assistance? Children 17 years of age & under in the City of Kawartha Lakes or the County of Haliburton. Call 705-324-9870 or 1-877-324-9870 ext. 3251 to request assistance. A telephone interview will be completed and you will be asked questions regarding your family's income and assets. You may be asked to submit some documentation or information to complete the application. Activities that can be covered include activities or sports that provide ongoing social interaction with other children; healthy personal development; increased community connections; increased physical activity; participation in an approved at-risk program (tutoring, School's Cool); or increased self-esteem. Items that may be covered include reasonable registration fees; minor equipment costs; and some transportation costs. Tournaments or competitions are not eligible.

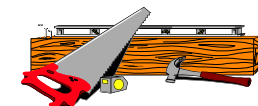
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Oodles of treasures and a good meal are yours at the KCPED's gala annual Dinner Auction in support of community improvements in the village Saturday, April 28 at Galway Hall. This event sells out fast so don't hesitate to call 705-488-2687 or 705-488-2635 for tickets.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7 - **Easter Hunt** 1:00 p.m. at Austin Sawmill Heritage Park.

April 9 - **Public Transit to Lindsay** departs 8:00 a.m. from Gateway Store.

April 12 - **Casino Rama Trip** sponsored by Kinmount Seniors. Bus leaves Legion parking lot 9:00 a.m. Return 4:00 p.m. Free lunch included. To reserve a spot call Theresa at 705-488-1110.

April 15 - **Spring into Fashion** brunch, jewellery and fashion show at Burnt River Centre. Doors open 11:30 a.m. Tickets \$15 at Handley Lumber & Watson's Village Shop in Fenelon Falls or from Burnt River Firefighters.

April 18 - **Big Buck Bid Euchre** 11:00 a.m. Kinmount Legion. Cost \$10 includes lunch.

April 21 - **Friends of the Library Book Sale** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. lower level Kinmount Public Library.

April 23 - **Public Transit to Lindsay** departs 8:00 a.m. from Gateway Store.

April 25 - **Diner's Dinner** 12:00 p.m. Burnt River Centre.

April 28 - **KCPED Annual Dinner & Auction** at Galway Hall.

May 5 - **Pitch-In Day** 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Kinmount Railway Station.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Sunday Morning Kids Club: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. St. James Church

Tai Chi: Mondays & Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Galway Hall.

Kinmount Playschool: Monday & Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - noon Kinmount Community Centre. **Ontario Early Years Mobile Outreach** visits 1st & 3rd Monday each month.

Seniors Cards: Potluck lunch, 12:30 p.m. Mondays followed by bid euchre at 1:00 p.m. at the Legion.

Kinmount Sparks, Brownies, Guides Mondays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Kinmount Community Centre.

Preschool Storytime: Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m. at Kinmount Library.

Kinmount Public Library Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. & Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Yoga: Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Kinmount Community Centre. Call 705-457-9294.

Card Night: 7:00 p.m. Irondale Community Centre. Cost \$2. Bring snacks.

Friday Night Bingo: 6:45 p.m. Royal Canadian Legion., \$300.00 Must Go Jackpot.

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The years before six are the most influential to a child's development. In the early years children develop at a rapid pace. How we care for our children during the first six years sets the stage for life long learning, behaviour and health. With this in mind, Ontario Early Year's Mobile Van visits Kinmount Community Centre the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month. The focus is to help all parents give their children the best start in life. The free 2 hour program is funded by the Ministry of Children & Youth Services and offers a wide range of benefits for both adults and children.. As a result, parents, caregivers and children six and under learn, grow and have fun in a welcoming atmosphere. The van arrives at 10:00 a.m. full of toys and children's equipment which is set up as an Early Learning Centre. Different learning stations are carefully planned around themes—always with specific child-learning goals or outcomes in mind. Every visit reveals a whole new

world of toys to explore with the bonus being that through creative play, children get to check out a variety of toys they would otherwise not have access to. Sometimes there may be a Sensory Table with sticky, slippery, gooey, heavy, bumpy, sensory materials. Because children learn best by having "hands on" experiences, sensory exploration helps children feel good about their decision making skills. The Outreach Program includes Interactive Circle Time where surprises await. There may be a science experiment or learning numbers on a calendar. You never know what will be part of Circle Time but generally adults and children sit together in circle to learn songs and finger plays and hear stories. Sequencing, colours, math skills, early literacy and counting are all part of the learning that takes place during the fun. At the same time, children gain social skills, learn to follow routines, and make friends. Craft Time another regular activity, allows children the opportunity to develop small motor skills, imagination and pride in their crea-

tions. Snack is provided compliments of Kinmount Playschool who operates separately, but on a similar basis the remaining Mondays & Wednesdays each month. The mobile van also provides a variety of quality children and parenting books and free parenting magazines. While visiting the Outreach Program, parents and caregivers can get answers to questions; get information about programs and services for young children and their families, and talk to Early Years professionals, as well as other parents and caregivers in the community. Staff can also provide information about child care services. Focus is on the early years, but staff may have information about other service and programs for children older than 6. On occasion, special guests such as dental health professionals may visit providing further resources. Please share this information with those who may be interested in discovering the fresh and exciting joys the Ontario Early Years Outreach Program continually brings to Kinmount. For further information call 705-324-7900.



The Importance of Being Earnest

From time to time, the thespians of Kinmount have put on famous stage plays in the Community Hall. This tradition goes far back into Kinmount's history; even to a time when it was called the Forrester's Hall. The first production the editor can remember was "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder. This production was staged in the late 1970s to rave reviews. The next major production was "The Importance Of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde. The production was staged in 1988

and featured the following local actors:
 Doug Pearson – Earnest Worthing
 Guy Scott – Algernon Moncrief
 Jane Austin – Cecily Cardew
 Jennifer Dettman- Gwendolen Fairfax
 Jill Dettman – Miss Prism
 Stella Tate – Lady Bracknell
 Ian Tate - Lane, the Butler
 Matthew Eades – Rev. Cannon Chausible
 The play is subtitled : The Importance of Being Earnest: A

Trivial Comedy For Serious People", and so it was! The plot has been labelled a comedy and a farce; with farce referring to a silly comedy. Oscar Wilde's satire of love in Victorian Society was well received ; at least in Kinmount circa 1970s. The original play, presented in 1895, was the scene of a famous incident which eventually led to the trial and suicide of Oscar Wilde. The Marquis of Queensbury tried to disrupt the play by throwing rotten fruit at Wilde, but was pre-

vented by the police. Queensbury's son and Wilde were in a scandalous same-sex relationship, which led to Wilde being found guilty of homosexuality & sentenced to 2 years in jail. Upon release Wilde fled to France and committed suicide shortly thereafter. The Kinmount production elicited no such incidents, but it did lead to critical acclaim and future productions.



Left & Right: 1988 Kinmount production of *The Importance of Being Earnest*.
 Centre: 1895 production.

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Land Without Water is Just Dirt *submitted by Bruce Boswell*

The Ice Age spanned 100,000 years during which time glaciers clawed their way south taking with them massive boulders, rocks, stones, sand, gravel, trees, and whatever was in their way. A glacier is made up of snow that never gets a chance to completely melt in the slightly warmer years. They can reach a thickness of well over one kilometre, become putty-like and try to flatten out. They simply squish downhill from their own weight. Through our neighbourhood, the glacier inched south and started a push and shove match with another one heading north from the American side of the Great Lakes Basin. Finally, 10,000 years ago, the two lobes met and everything melted. We ended up with a massive landform now referred to as the Oak Ridges Moraine. It runs from Orangeville over to Cobourg. Then the fun started. Rivers rose and lakes swelled. The water surged south

and smacked right into the Oak Ridges Moraine but couldn't get through right away. Before an outlet to the east was found, water from the rivers and lakes flowed back north which is why today the Kawartha Lakes look long and skinny on any map. The Scugog River, for example, flowed backwards up past Lindsay before levels were established and it started its present course back out into Sturgeon Lake. What did we end up with? Our very own Burnt River. A living breathing thing passing us everyday for 10,000 years. It hasn't been without penalty or consequences and that is why we are dedicating time at the new Heritage Centre to celebrate the River and what it has meant to Kinmount. The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development will be studying ways to fully appreciate the Burnt River. Heritage is more than who we were and

what we did. It's who we are and what we do. More next month. *Article courtesy of pinerypeople.ca. Check out What's Up Kinmount, a new weekly feature at the site. Click on What's Happening.*



The Burnt River as it winds its way north from Kinmount Bridge past the new Heritage Centre.

Dorothy's Delights

By Dorothy Heath

Another Lenten Recipe.

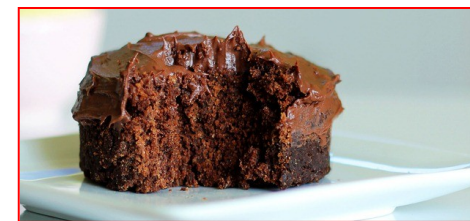
Quick Salmon Vegetable Chowder

3 cups milk
 1 can cream of chicken soup
 3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese
 2 cups frozen mixed vegetables
 1/2 cup frozen corn
 1 can salmon (184 gm) drained, bones & skin removed & flaked
 Put soup, milk and frozen veggies in a pot and heat gently. Add cheese and stir until melted. Add salmon and heat gently to serving temperature.

Now a sweet treat for those evening munchies.

Chocolate Cake for One

3 tbsp flour
 4 tbsp brown sugar
 3 tbsp cocoa powder
 pinch baking soda
 pinch salt
 3 tbsp milk
 1 tbsp full fat mayo
 1/4 tsp vanilla
 In a small bowl mix dry ingredients. Add milk, mayo and vanilla. Mix well with a fork for 1 minute. Microwave for about 2 1/2 minutes but stop as soon as you smell chocolate cake. (Depends on the power of your Microwave). Cool briefly and enjoy. Great with ice cream.



Cooking Q & A

What can you tell me about storing canned salmon? Canned salmon in an undamaged can is safe for 2-3 years on the pantry shelf. Leftovers must be refrigerated or frozen as soon as possible to avoid any food-borne illnesses. Refrigerate leftovers in plastic container, or freeze and use within a couple of months. Pour salmon into a zip-top freezer bag. Push out air, seal & place in freezer. To thaw place in refrigerator for a few hours. Canned salmon should not be placed in the freezer while still in the can; this can cause deterioration in the quality of the product as the metal reacts to the freezing temperatures.

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Loonie Auction a Roaring Success!

The Annual fundraiser for the Kinmount Gazette and The Victoria Pony Club was held on Saturday March 3. The site was moved to the Kinmount Community Centre due to renovations at the Galway Hall. It was a "tight fit" in the smaller building, but everyone enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to all the individuals who donated prizes for the loonie auction. It featured an eclectic mixture of everything from pies to paddles, golf passes to riding lessons and everything in between! This is the only fundraiser for both community groups and the proceeds will be put to good use. Many thanks from both groups!



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S.S. # 5: Lutterworth Snowdon Union School (the Red School)



The fifth school house along the Bobcaygeon Colonization Road was SS # 5 (Lutterworth-Snowdon Union Section) also known as the Red School. It was located just outside Minden on Highway #121 where it meets Ravine Road. The building is still standing today beside the residence of the late local historian, John Hulbig. He was a student at the school, and has left his recollections of his first day at SS # 5 (April , 1931).

“On a nice bright spring morning near the end of April in 1931, one might have seen a middle-aged man with a nicely trimmed, heavy moustache, and a seven year old boy walking briskly along the one lane dirt road somewhere between the Hulbig farmhouse and the Bobcaygeon Road , a distance of perhaps a mile.

The boy, who had been scrubbed from head to foot, appeared to be three shades lighter than usual. Over his shoulder was a new black leather book bag that Santa Claus had kind-

ly provided the previous Christmas, and in his hand he carried a shiny five pound honey pail filled with sandwiches and cookies. The long talked about day had arrived – my first day of school. When we reached the schoolhouse, my father left me with a small group of children, who were playing drop the handker-

chief under a mammoth elm tree. About twenty minutes later a tall, broad-shouldered, clean-shaven man with a fringe of greying hair appeared on the wooden platform. He was dressed in a black suit with a white shirt and a red tie. Vigorously he rang a small brass bell for about thirty seconds, then he walked erectly back into the school. With Kenneth Bowron, another boy starting the same day, I fell in behind the other pupils and we sat together in an empty seat.

The teacher, standing behind a walnut desk on a raised platform, solemnly read a scripture from a well-worn leather bible, then all stood up and repeated the Lord’s Prayer in unison and sang “God save The King”. After giving the other students their work for the first morning period, he came over to where Ken and I were sitting and welcomed us to his classroom. He told us his name was Mr. Young, and he knew we were going to get along just fine, particularly if we obeyed his commands promptly and kept out of mischief.

He then wrote cat in three inch high letters with a black crayon on a white

card. He gave us each a card and a chunk of grey plasticine. We were to kneel on the floor and roll out long strings of plasticine. We were then to outline the word cat with the rolled-out strings. I think I must have rolled out miles of this material while Mr Young taught at this school, and outlined every word in the Red Primer Reader. The other children were good to us and took us in tow. They worked us into their games and also helped us with our schoolwork. “

Times were clearly different from today!

Besides the “older starting age” of seven, there were no “indoor conveniences” back then. John Hulbig describes the washrooms in his school days:

“Back of the school, about 150 feet from the building, were two small structures about 75’ apart, hidden in the tall cedars on the edge of the swamp- our outside conveniences. Each building’s sole furnishings were a copy of last year’s Eaton’s catalogue. The hinges were never oiled and made an eerie sound each time the door was opened and closed. All around the bottom of the building, to a height of about two feet, the rough boards were nearly eaten through by the constant chewing of porcupines in the summer months. One had to keep a sharp lookout for these animals, for sitting on one in the unlighted building would have been disastrous indeed. One also had to contend with the mosquitoes which hungrily swarmed around you as you made your way down the trail, being careful you didn’t stub your toe on one of the rocks. In the winter, the paths were never shovelled, for the flow of traffic kept them passable. In twenty-below-zero weather, one did not linger longer than necessary. “

In 1960, all the rural schools in Lutterworth Township were closed and a new central school built on Highway #35.

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The Library Link

March Break was a huge success with many children attending the computer workshop creating their very own e-book. To the right, Kayla Switzer creates her story called A Cute Puppy, with Tiffany Short, the Library's Cap Student. Bottom pictures are Kids On The Block performing with their puppets addressing topics such as; epilepsy & bullying. Thank you to all who participated in these programs. This month's book sale is Saturday, April 21 from 9:00 to 1:00pm. Now that the nice weather is approaching, plans are in the works to

enhance the Reading Garden in the back with plants. Visit our website www.city.kawarthalakes.on.ca/library for all your spring needs on topics such as: decorating, gardening, & cleaning. Eliminate Chaos by Laura Leist is a great book to organize your home & life. Organic Housekeeping by Ellen Sandbeck is another great book about clearing clutter & protecting your health. Come in & see the many books on display. "A good book is the best of friends, the same today & forever." Martin Farquhar Tupper.
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Spot the Shot



Each edition we feature a photo from the Kinmount Area. We challenge you to identify the spot.

Submissions of photos welcome. Please submit to the editor via email with a detailed description of the spot you have captured.

Last month's Spot the Shot: The Falls on the Burnt River at the 9th Line of Somerville Township bridge.

**Submission Deadline
For May Edition:
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From the Editor's Desk

A huge thanks to all those who attended the Loonie Auction Fundraiser or donated prizes for the auction. The funds will be used to keep the Gazette going.

Also thanks to the members of the Victoria Pony Club and the Gazette Staff who did so much work to make both the supper & the auction a social & financial success. Also thanks to Sue Pearson for organizing the dinner & Doug Pearson for being the Auctioneer. Bruce Boswell provided the music as well as some material for the Gazette.

The "ice season" at the Kinmount Arena ended with a bang (and early) this year. In fact, it was late getting started, but then we cannot trump Mother Nature. A thank you to the members & volunteers of the Kinmount Agricultural Society who organized and operated the rink during the season. Also kudos to Jeff Nichols for organizing hockey in the arena.

Congratulations to the Kinmount Business Association for staging a successful

Winter Carnival. The weather was great, there was lots of entertainment and the crowds enjoyed themselves. It is not an easy job to run a winter carnival.

The early spring hampered the Maple Syrup season this spring. For those who have made maple syrup, I salute you! It is a labour-intensive operation totally at the mercy of the weather.

Once again this edition I borrowed some excerpts from previous authors. I want to acknowledge the late Johnny Hulbig for the story on SS #4 school section. It was taken from his book "Whispering Pines: A Haliburton Heritage" (volume 1). Yes, there are 5 volumes in total and all are available at the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace. The Silver Slipper story can be found in "Brown Paws And Green Thumbs" by Carol Pearson. More stories from this excellent book yet to come.

The Kinmount Country Jam-boree has set its entertainment line up for 2012. The entire schedule can be found at www.ambrec.com. The Jam-

boree will be held June 21,22,23,24 in the Kinmount Fairgrounds and the proceeds go to paying off the mortgage on the new arena. The headliner this year is Canadian Country Legend Johnny Burke who will be on stage Saturday night with an all-star cast. More details next edition.

Happy Anniversary to Walsten Marina who are celebrating 40 years in business.

The Gazette is always looking for article, news, history, photographs, etc on the Kinmount area. If you have any "stuff" that may be of interest to the Gazette, please don't hesitate to contact any of the staff. We are constantly on the lookout for information.

The next edition for May is the start of a new season for the Gazette advertisers. Anyone wishing to get into the "summer season", please contact Yvette Brauer. See you in summer! GS

Auctioneer Doug Pearson ready for a fun night at the Gazette/Pony Club Dinner Auction; Bruce Boswell entertains the crowd. Photos courtesy of Gary Warburton,





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