

SANTA VISITS HOWICK

STORY & PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY
BONNIE WHITEHEAD

Santa Claus toured to the Fordwich Village Nursing Home on Friday, November 19 in Fordwich.

Activity Director Barbara Wakeford surprised the residents with a visit from Santa who arrived with bells, on waving a grand hello and laughing ho ho ho! The residents watched from the windows waving and clapping and delivering messages of what they would like for Christmas.

Onward ho ho ho, Santa gave a great big group circle hug, waved good bye, and headed to the Howick Community Centre for the Light Up the Night in Howick Drive Thru Santa Parade, sponsored by the Huron County Cruisers.

Upwards of 80 carloads of people toured through the parking lot between the floats and displays eager to see Santa waiting for them at the end of the parade route. Sparky the Fire dog and Clifford the Big Red Dog lit up the children's faces as did Ebony, Ernie, and Dixie, the miniature ponies sponsored by Keil Dadson Insurance Brokers.

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Fan favourites included Sparky the Fire Dog (from Howick Fire Dept.), Santa, and Clifford the Big Red Dog (from Clifford Fire Dept.).



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Let it Snow

Every time it snows, I get the question from my 4-year-old daughter, "Is it winter yet?" Yes, and no... though it may feel like winter with a fluffy white blanket of snow covering the ground, technically we haven't reached the official solstice date when winter begins. At least in the astrological definition. I recently learned through the Farmer's Almanac that there are also meteorological dates, based on the annual

temperature patterns rather than the sun's position. According to the Almanac, winter begins on December 1 — I'm sure my daughter would be happy to hear this information, though it shouldn't effect her snowman-building endeavors. What winter activities do you enjoy? Perhaps you could send me a photo of you or your family making the most of this colder season, and I will share them in the January Newsletter.



With the more consistent presence of snow, it feels time to prepare for Christmas. Not only buying gifts, decorating, checking out the lights and parades, but also for many it means preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus. As a parent, I'm encouraged to consider the story from a different point of view and explore the many "why" questions that seem never-ending. May we all be so full of curiosity and eagerness to learn.

I hope that during this Christmas season you may experience joy in the both the big and small moments, contentment in the loud and quiet, and love for and from all those who are special to you.

Angie Koersen

**Deadline for
the next issue
is December 15.**

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If anyone is interested in helping out with the newsletter, I could use some assistance with picking it up from Blyth Printing, and getting them delivered to the post offices and a few businesses at the end of each month.

HOWICK LIBRARY

December:

Take and Make kits:

These will be given out at the branches.
This month it is a little gnome bookmark craft.

No More Fines!

The Huron County Library is very pleased to announce that starting Jan. 1 2022, the library will no longer charge fines on overdue materials!



Holiday Closures:

The library will be closed on Friday Dec. 24, Saturday Dec. 25, Friday Dec. 31, and Saturday Jan. 1.

If you have questions, you can contact the library at **519.335.6899**, check out our website www.huroncounty.ca/library/ or see our Facebook page "Huron County Library" for upcoming events.

LIBRARY HOURS:

Wednesday 2pm - 6pm
Friday 11am - 2pm
Saturday 9am - 1pm



FROM THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

Council and staff of the Township of Howick extend **best wishes on a joyous holiday season and all the best in 2022.** Please be advised that the Howick municipal office will be closed for the 2021 holiday season from **Thursday, December 23, 2021 at 4:30pm** and will reopen on **Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 8:30am.** There is a mail slot located to the right of the door for your convenience.

The final **Council meetings for 2021** are scheduled for **December 7 at 9am** and **December 21, 2021 at 7pm** in the Howick Council chambers at the municipal office. Agendas are posted on Howick's website on the Friday preceding the meeting.

IMPORTANT NOTICE from the Howick Township Fire Department as of December 8, 2021 the Howick Fire Department will receive emergency fire dispatching from the Owen Sound Police. **If your home or business in Howick Township is monitored for fire by an alarm company, you must provide your alarm company with the Owen Sound Police Dispatch number 519-376-2033.** In the event of a fire emergency dial 911 as usual. There is no change to open air burning. Continue to call 519-335-3202 to register open air burns. For more information contact, Fire Chief – Shawn Edwards, 519-335-3202, howickfire@howick.ca

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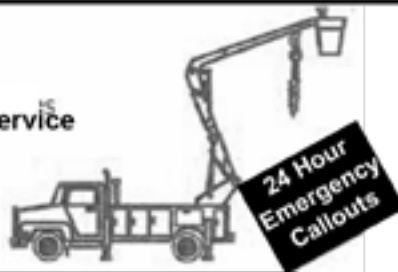
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WINTER PARKING - Township of Howick restricts on street parking to provide safe snow removal and emergency services to Township residents. As per the Traffic and Parking By-law No. 6-2011, parking is restricted from **November 1st to March 31st between the hours of 1am to 7am**. Applicable fines will apply and vehicles impeding snow removal may be towed at owner's expense. Thank you in advance for helping winter maintenance crews plow faster and more efficiently.




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WINTER HOURS:

The landfill is on winter hours starting November 1, 2021, **Wednesday 9am – 4pm and Saturday 9am – 1pm**; these hours will remain in effect until May 1, 2022.

ICE RENTALS:

The Howick Community Center is pleased to be open for rentals for the auditorium and ice surface. For details please visit either the Howick Community Centre Facebook page, our website www.howick.ca or contact us by phone at 519-335-3883.

FREE PUBLIC SKATING:

Free public skating will be offered at the Howick Community Center with thanks to our generous sponsors.



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Private family rentals for the ice and the auditorium during the holidays are welcome please contact **519-335-3883** to book yours now.

Marion's Meanderings

As we are entering the final month in the year 2021, we begin to reflect on the good times and the bad times of the last 11 months. In November, we celebrated Remembrance Day, remembering those who fought for us, and many lost their lives in the war that was to end all wars! However, as we listen to the news, we are reminded that we still live in a troubled world. The pandemic has taken its toll on many who have passed away, been very, very ill, or are suffering with mental health problems with all the lockdowns. I am so lucky that I have family and friends who have taken very good care of me, doing my shopping, visits from my grandchildren. I love to read, so books have been a great asset, thanks to our local library. As a member of the Huron County Cruisers, we have continued throughout the summer with social distanced car tours, and even a couple of Cruise Nights at the end of the summer which have helped to relieve the tedium for me. Although the Covid numbers have been slightly on the rise again, it is to be hoped that by next summer, we are free of it. It is a time to be happy that we live in Canada, and although we all have our complaints here and there, it is a great country to live in.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. Sending wishes your way for a great holiday season and a super fabulous year ahead!

Marion



REMEMBRANCE DAY POEM WRITTEN FOR
THE LEGION CONTEST

Enemy Fire

BY ANNA PAYNE

Our guns are miles behind us
Our target is thousands of feet below us
The pitch black sky envelopes us
But we dare not let fear encompass us

With the odds stacked against us
With the enemy near below
With their fire surging towards us
We have no time to slow

With their guns aimed towards us
I say a silent prayer
With death bounding towards us
I feel its cold, hard stare

With the cockpit engulfed in flames
I know my time draws near
I recite my loved ones names
And I shed a single tear

We take more flack and nose dive
And plummet to the ground
The Germans wait for our arrive
But none alive are to be found

*In memory of my uncle Jack Newton who was
declared missing in action while flying over
Germany.*

MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!

Would you like to be a community volunteer? The board is looking for new members to help out at the hall. Want to know more? Come in for a coffee and have a chat with a board member.

The hall's coffee shop is open **Mon. to Fri., 6 to 10am.**
Please join your friends for a coffee and a visit.
Masks and proof of vaccination are required.

Follow us on our Facebook page -
"Wroxeter Community Hall"
- 1094 Centre Street"
for the latest updates.



**HAPPY NEW YEAR
AND ALL THE BEST FOR 2022!**

WROXETER HALL NEWS

UPDATE HOWICK CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

SUBMITTED BY TRACEY SWART

It is hard to believe that we are only a few weeks away from the end of 2021. We have been very busy at school but we are now well settled into our routines. During the month of November we had a number of spirit days at the school such as Team Shirt Day, Wacky Sock Day and Dress up for Your Future Career Day. We are also in the process of bringing back some activities for the kids to do during recess such as intramural dodgeball and yo-yos. We are looking forward to using the indoor curling sets that the Howick Optimist purchased for us last year.

Our School Council ran two fundraisers during the month of November. One fundraiser was "Mom's pantry" which includes a lot of baking goods and the other fundraiser was Elmira Chicken. Thanks to anyone who supported this fundraiser. In the new year, School Council is gearing up for a "Dad's Pizza" fundraiser.

This is the time of year when we reach out through our Calling All Three Year Olds program. This is our early kindergarten registration program. Like last year it will be completed online again and hopefully in the Spring of 2022 we will be able to have the opportunity for our future Howick Hurricanes to come to school and go for a bus ride! Registration for September 2022 is for children who are 3 years old by December 31, 2021 (JK-born in 2018) and for children who are 4 years old by December 31, 2020 (SK-born in 2017). Please register your child for AMDSB Kindergarten at amdsb.ca/kindergarten. You will then receive information and resources about child development and

the opportunity to complete the Early Years Check In. If you have any questions please contact the school at 519-335-3566.

Thank you to Branch 370 of the Royal Canadian Legion for supporting the Remembrance Day Poster and Literary Contest this year. We had a lot of amazing entries. Here is a list of our winners. First place winners will have their work go on to the next level of Royal Canadian Legion competition.

Junior Colour Poster:

1. Chloe Reichard, 2. Nora Pennington, 3. Liam Byersbergen.

Junior Black and White Poster:

1. Alice Smith, 2. Natalie Ostriyznick, 3. Jonathan Bailey.

Intermediate Colour Poster:

1. Kyla Clarke, 2. Austin Gibson, 3. Leona Hester.

Intermediate Black and White Poster:

1. Paige Kitchen, 2. Kyla Clarke, 3. Zayden Heffer.

Intermediate Essay:

1. Kailyn Armstrong, 2. Sadie Merkley, 3. Sadie Pennington.

Intermediate Poem:

1. Sadie Merkley, 2. Anna Payne, 3. Kyla Clarke.

Finally, the staff and students of Howick Central Public School would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. We look forward to sharing more updates in 2022!



JUNIOR COLOUR POSTER



JUNIOR B&W POSTER



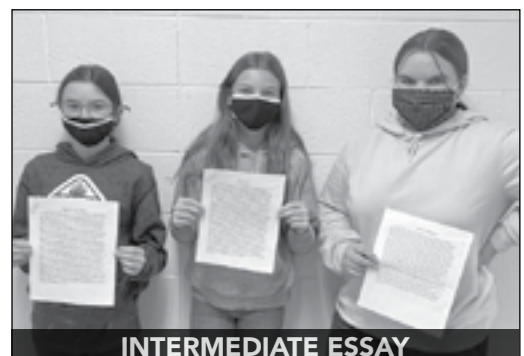
INTERMEDIATE COLOUR POSTER



INTERMEDIATE B&W POSTER



INTERMEDIATE POEM



INTERMEDIATE ESSAY

Maitland Valley CAMERA CLUB



PHOTO BY LIZ ALLEN

Deb Griffey led a workshop called "Getting to Know Your Camera" on Nov. 4. We learned how to hold our cameras properly and some of our camera functions.

Gary Moon and Mark Robinson were our guest speakers. They spoke on concepts of good photography. We have been given a Winter/Spring Photo Challenge, focusing on Still Life, Subjects Close Up, Outdoor Landscapes and an Ad for a product. There will be a Show and Tell in the Spring of 2022.

The Nov. 18 meeting was our 2nd workshop on "Getting to Know Your Camera". Dee Graham and Deb Griffey were our guest speakers.

We thank all of our guest speakers as well as Cameron Yuill for keeping us up to date on photography, as he posts websites and videos for us to view.

Check us out on our facebook page, Maitland Valley Camera Club.



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OPTIMIST CLUB SUPPORTS FOOD BANK

The Howick Optimist Club donated \$500 to the Wingham Salvation Army-Food Share program and \$500 was donated to the Listowel Salvation Army - Food Share program.

Pictured (above) is Howick Optimist President Joe Glaze presenting a cheque to Deb from the Wingham Salvation-Army Food Share and (below) Carolyn receiving a cheque at the Listowel Salvation Army - Food Share.




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HOWICK OPTIMIST CLUB

LIGHT UP THE NIGHT DRIVE THRU PARADE

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Firetrucks, mud buggies, floats, and displays were entered by the Howick firefighters - Keven Stewart, Madelyn Yungblut, Matt Brodhaecker, and Kyle Dickert; Minto firefighters - Wayne Loos, Tanner Loos; Wightman Telecom - Matt Chambers; Snobelen Farms; Trevor Tout Custom Dozing; Merkley Farms; Wroxeter Boggess - Guy Boulanger, Lindsay Graham, Chloe Boulanger; Teeswater-Culross Rural Fair, Keil-Dadson Insurance Brokers - Tim Keil, Mary Lou Ruttan, Don Ruttan with Ebony, Ernie, and Dixie; WLTN Raceway, Howick Optimist - Tanner McIntosh, Joe Glaze, Joe Hoffele; Leslie Motors - Cole Leslie, Mark Leslie; and your hosts, the Huron County Cruisers lit up a snowmobile and an antique car.

Three top prizes were handed out to:

First - Snobelen Farms,
Second - Trevor Tout Custom Dozing, and
Third, Howick Optimist Club.

Organizers, Verdun Zurbrigg, Jason Benninger, Marion Feldskov, and volunteers, Brad Davidson, Pauline Raycraft, Fraser Hayden, Zack Hayden, Tyler Hayden, Tory Schefter, Morgan Versteeg, Bob Checkley, were pleased with the number of parade participants and those who drove through. They were especially appreciative of all the donations and recognition raised for the food bank that evening. The next Cruisers event in January will showcase vintage snowmachines and the Optimist Club members will feature tasty chicken wings on the menu.

Merry Christmas one and all!

STORY & PHOTOS SUBMITTED BY BONNIE WHITEHEAD



SANTA GREET'S A CARLOAD OF PEOPLE



SANTA VISITS THE FORDWICH NURSING HOME



TEESWATER-CULROSS RURAL FAIR



WROXETER BOGGERS



WLTN RACEWAY



EBONY, ERNIE & DIXIE GREET THE CROWDS

STAY TUNED

**The Huron County Cruisers
VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE SHOW**
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Free registration begins at 9:30 a.m.
Show and Swap, vendors welcome.
There will be a ride, if snow conditions allow.
Further details in the January 2022 issue of
What's Happening in Howick.



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Mom's Ginger Snaps

If you are looking for a classic holiday cookie to make, give this recipe a try! I like to **double the spices**.

From
allrecipes.com

Makes 36
cookies.

- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 3/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup molasses
- 1 egg
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/3 cup white sugar, for decoration



DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
2. In a large bowl, mix together the brown sugar, oil, molasses, and egg. Combine the flour, baking soda, salt, cloves, cinnamon, and ginger; stir into the molasses mixture. Roll dough into 1 1/4 inch balls. Roll each ball in white sugar before placing 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheets.
3. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes in preheated oven, or until center is firm. Cool on wire racks.

THANK YOU!

The Wroxeter Parks Board would like to thank everyone who donated to the park project this past year. A significant amount of work was done to freshen it up and make it inviting for ball teams and the community of Wroxeter residents to enjoy. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Gibson Restoration, Flawless Design and Renovations, Armstrong Garage, D'Arcey Sand and Gravel Ltd., Fordwich Tire and Donegan's for their contributions. Not only did local businesses donate, but we also received donations from residents wanting to contribute! It is very gratifying to have a community come together and offer to help in whatever way they could. We would like to give a huge thank you to Trevor Tout Custom Dozing Ltd. for donating all his time, equipment, and crew. A lot of work happened to spruce up the park and we are very thankful for his generosity. We also want to acknowledge Gibson Restoration for not only donating a considerable amount but also repointed the pavilion brick and installed a new foul net behind home plate.

Lastly, we are happy to announce that the fundraiser events were a huge success. The bottle drive and ball tournament brought in a total of \$5000 to help with future projects for the coming year. Thanks to all who contributed.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy 2022!



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From the Howick Fire Department:



See the Township News for an update about the change in emergency fire dispatching.



12 DAYS OF HOLIDAY FIRE and CO SAFETY

12 TIPS OF HOLIDAY FIRE & CO SAFETY

1. Water fresh cut trees daily. If you're decorating with a real tree, buy a fresh tree and always keep the base of the trunk in water. Keep your tree away from any ignition source such as the fireplace, heaters or candles.

2. Use the proper lights and check for worn or damaged cords. Make your festival of lights fire safe. Replace any string of lights with worn or damaged cords or loose bulb connections. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use. Use the appropriate lights.

3. Install and test smoke alarms. The holidays are a perfect time to check your smoke alarms. Smoke alarms give you the precious seconds you need to safely escape a fire. Install smoke alarms on every storey of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Test your alarms monthly to make sure they will alert you and your family if a fire occurs. Replace smoke alarms if they are over 10 years old.

4. Install and test carbon monoxide alarms. Carbon monoxide is an invisible, odourless gas that can quickly kill you. Installing carbon monoxide alarms in your home will alert you to the presence of this deadly gas. Install alarms outside all sleeping areas and test them monthly, if your home has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage. Carbon monoxide alarms don't last forever. Replace them according to manufacturer's instructions.

5. Develop and practise a home fire escape plan with everyone in your home. Discuss with everyone in your home how each person will get out in a fire. Know two ways out of each room, if possible. Determine who's going to help young children, older adults, people with disabilities or anyone else who needs help escaping. Once outside, stay outside and call 911 from a cell phone or neighbour's house.

6. Extension cords are for temporary use. Overloaded outlets can overheat and start a fire. Extension cords should be used only as a temporary connection. Never run cords under rugs which can damage the cord and cause a fire. Avoid overloading a circuit with "octopus outlets". If additional outlets or circuits are required, have them installed by a licensed electrician.

7. Keep decorations one metre away from space heaters and other heating sources. Keep anything that can burn, such as holiday decorations, curtains and upholstery, at least one metre (3 feet) away from fireplaces, woodstoves and other heating sources like space heaters.

8. Go flameless - use battery operated candles. Candles can set the perfect mood for a holiday celebration. Consider using battery-operated flameless candles, which can look, smell and feel like real candles. If you use real candles, always blow them out before leaving the room or going to bed. Keep lit candles safely away from children and pets and anything that can burn, such as holiday decorations, curtains and upholstery.

9. Keep matches and lighters out of reach of children. Matches and lighters can be deadly in the hands of children. Store them out of the reach of children. If you smoke, have only one lighter or book of matches and keep it with you at all times.

10. Stay in the kitchen when cooking on the stovetop. The holiday season is one of the busiest times of the year, which means it's easy to get distracted from what we are doing. Cooking fires most commonly occur when cooking is left unattended. Always stay in the kitchen when cooking. If a pot catches fire, carefully slide a tightfitting lid over the pot to smother the flames and then turn off the heat.

11. If you smoke, smoke outside. Careless smoking is the leading cause of fatal fires. Encourage smokers to smoke outside, including outside garages. Always use large, deep ashtrays that can't be knocked over and make sure cigarette butts are fully extinguished. Do not extinguish cigarettes in plant pots, which may contain a mixture of peat moss, shredded wood and bark that can easily ignite.

12. Don't cook while under the influence of alcohol or cannabis. To prevent cooking fires, you must be alert. You will not be alert if you have consumed alcohol or cannabis, which make you drowsy. Alcohol is all too often a common factor in fatal fires.



MASSE, Lorraine - At Alexandra & Marine General Hospital on Saturday, October 23rd, 2021, the former Lorraine Steuernol of Goderich and formerly of Gorrie, passed away at the age of 90. Devoted mom of Debbie & Mark Ireland of Teeswater, Susie & Marvin McLean of Wroxeter, and Nancy & Brian Goetz of Wroxeter. Cherished grandma of Jenny & Bill

McGrath, Dennis & Trisha McLean, Jason & Jane Anne Ireland, Jodie & Geoff Tummers, Adam & Julie Ireland, Josh & Marjan Ireland, Cody & Ashley Goetz and Jesse Goetz. Loving great-grandma of Jessica, Justin, Jasmine, Janessa, Zackery, Brycen, Cameron, Mac, Elyse, Joel, Tyson, Emily, Andrew, Austin, Connor, Nash, Jenna, Emmett and Veronica and great-great-grandma of Melody & Arnen. Sister-in-law of Bob & Ardell, Mary and Joyce Steuernol. Lorraine will be missed by her many nieces, nephews, large extended family and friends. Predeceased by her parents George & Astella (Bell) Hall, her first husband Archie Steuernol (1992), second husband Donald Masse (2016), sisters Helen Scott (Danny) and Betty MacDonald (Alex), brothers Willis (Ida), Johnny and Melvin Hall, great-grandchildren Jordan Marie Ireland and Cole Tummers both in infancy, brothers-in-law Mac Steuernol (Beryl), Bert Steuernol, John Steuernol and sisters-in-law Wyn Howes (Jim), Ruby Howes (Les) and Jean Wilton (Wallace). A private family service was held at McBurney Funeral Home, Wingham on Friday, October 29th, 2021. Interment will take place at Gorrie Cemetery. A celebration of Lorraine's life was held at the Wingham Knights of Columbus Centre on Friday, October 29th, 2021. Memorial donations to Huron County Food Bank or the Heart & Stroke Foundation. Online condolences available at www.mcburneyfuneralhome.com



HART, Shirley - With her family by her side at Rotary Hospice in Stratford on Friday, October 22, 2021, Shirley Hart of Wroxeter, passed away peacefully at the age of 88. For Shirley, her family was her greatest love and her number one priority, she has left her family with a strong foundation and endless memories. She was the cherished wife of the late Lyle Hart who predeceased

her in 2010. Loving mom of Patti & Bob Bradshaw of Wroxeter, Susan & Jim Collison of Kitchener and Diane & Dale Drumm of Smiths Falls. Treasured grandma of Kelly & Jeff Payne, Peter & Cynthia Collison, Nathan & Erin Drumm, Trevor & Carolyn Drumm, Kayla & Jeff Fleming and Alicia & Dean Edwards. Special great-grandma of Katie, Matt and Anna Payne, Madeline and Ben Collison, Lauren and Ian Drumm, Greyson Drumm, Noah and Jack Fleming, and Cora and Olivia Edwards. Shirley was eagerly awaiting the arrival of her thirteenth great-grandchild. She will be lovingly remembered by her sister-in-law Helen Newton, many nieces and nephews and also by her friends and neighbours who will miss seeing her on her beloved front porch in Wroxeter. Awaiting her in Heaven for well-deserved reunion are her parents Reg & Retta (McArthur) Newton, brothers Jack, Bill (Marni) and Tom Newton, sisters Betty Bradshaw (Harvey) and Nancy Hayton (Lee), brother-in-law Bill Hart (Shirley) and parents-in-law William & Evelyn (Hislop) Hart. A private family graveside service will be held at Wroxeter Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Rotary Hospice, Stratford would be appreciated. Online condolences at www.mcburneyfuneralhome.com

Thank You - Hargrave

Thank you for thinking of our family during this difficult time. We deeply appreciate the expressions of sympathy and all the support we received. Thank you to those who offered a helping hand, dropped off food and to those who shared stories and memories. Your expressions of sympathy were deeply appreciated and we received comfort and strength. It is hard to imagine how different life is going to be for us without David but thankful we have the support of family and friends.

DOUG AND LIS HARGRAVE
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MICHAEL HARGRAVE AND FAMILY



CANE, Joan May (Ellis) - formerly of Gorrie, passed away at Strathcona Long Term Care on Sunday, November 21, 2021, in her 82nd year. Wife of the late Bill Cane Sr. Mother of Bill Cane Jr. of Hanover, and Helen Cane Kestner & John Kestner of Mount Forest. Grandmother of Joshua Kestner & Hannah Risidore, and Joelle Kestner. Sister-in-law of Sylvia Ellis, and Primrose

Ellis. Predeceased by her parents Sydney & Margaret (Brunston) Ellis, sister Mollee Ellis, and brothers Eric Ellis and Jim Ellis. Visitation was held at the Hardy-Lee Funeral Home, Harriston on Saturday, November 27, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. until time of the funeral service at 2:00 p.m. Interment in Gorrie Cemetery. Memorial donations to Harriston Food Bank would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.hardyleefuneralhome.com

Obituaries



ROTH, Brenda Lorene (Hill) - passed away peacefully and surrounded by her family at her home in Fordwich, on Friday, November 5, 2021 in her 76th year. Wife of the late Mayne Roth. Dear mother of Teresa and Colin Hatch of Fergus, Trevor Roth of Fordwich, and Darren and Lisa Roth of Elmira. Grammie of Evan Roth and Austin Roth, step-grammie of

Ali Clarke, Melanie Hatch, and Zachary Hatch, and step-great-grammie of Si Meier, Tripp Meier, and Penny Clarke. Sister of Sharon and Wray Zimmerman of Listowel, Jim Hill of Clifford, Richard and Doreen Moore of Hanover, Deb Whitehead of Hanover, Brad and Diane Moore of Harriston, Vickie Zettel of Chepstow, Stephanie Newton of Ayton, and Chris and Diane Moore of Neustadt. Sister-in-law of Shirley and Herb Wagler of Tavistock, Ervin Roth of Listowel, and Ed Roth of Gorrie. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her parents Elmer Hill and June Thomas, her parents-in-law Almon and Annie Mae (Ropp) Roth, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law Sheila Hill, Marie Roth, Wanda Roth, Nelda and Delmer Roth, Dianne Rellinger and Bill Knoblauch, Trent Moore, John Zettel, and Jim Newton, and by her nephew Corey Zettel. A private family service was held at the Hardy-Lee Funeral Home, Harriston on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, Rev. Gail Clarkson officiating. Interment in Fordwich Cemetery. Memorial donations to Listowel Memorial Hospital or the Kidney Foundation would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.hardyleefuneralhome.com

Christmas Memories BY SANDY SIEWERS

When snowflakes dance on winter winds
And colored lights shine Christmas cheer,
When children's laughter fills the air
And family gathers from far and near,
I try to celebrate with them
And not let my hurting show,
But the empty spaces within my heart,
At this season, seems to grow
'Till oftentimes it fills the days
And many night times too,

With aching thoughts and memories
Of Christmases I spent with you.
Yes, memories do hurt, it's true
But I have this feeling too.

I'm so glad I hold these memories,
For with them I hold part of you.
So for now I'll wipe away the tears
And join with loved ones dear
To celebrate this Christmas time,
For I know that, in my heart, you're here.

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You may also join Rev. Jeff Hawkins for an online service through our facebook page at Gorrie Wroxeter United Churches at 9:30am each Sunday.

We thank McKinley Orr for posting the Hymns and updating our facebook page. For the latest updates, you may follow us on our facebook page **Gorrie Wroxeter United Churches.**

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