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A QUICK LOOK AT OUR TOWN!

■ THIS 'N' THAT

Heavy rain Saturday turned quickly to snow by evening making driving dangerous... Daylight Saving Time begins this coming Sunday, March 13th when clocks SPRING ahead one hour... this Thursday, March 10th begins the Tavistock Ministerial noon hour Lenten Luncheons held at Grace United (see ad page 3) - Easter Sunday, April 24th this year.

■ BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Dean Alexander is 5 years old today March 9; Adam Skubowius of Shakespeare is 20... on March 10th Isabel Wilker is 2; Sierra Pletsch, 12... Delaney Beam is 2 March 11th; Amber Haynes, 10; Denise vanGriensven, 7; Brandon Albrecht, 17; Mark Bickle, 20... on March 12th Colin Barbour is 10; Colton Kropf, 11... Cole Stock is 11 March 13th; Samuel Barker, 11... March 14 Natalee Wilhelm is 10; Liam Moore, 13; Dana Hogg, 15; Kaitlin Kienapple, 19; Amelia Wilson, 20; Calvin Thomson, 20; birthdays also for Joshua Zehr and Jarrett Mogk... and Taylor Rempel is 13 March 15; Michael Matresky, 17.

Congratulations to all!

Royals eliminated; Braves set to play Delhi

The Tavistock Royals fell to the Tillsonburg Thunder in five games, ending their 2010-2011 season in the W.O.A.A. Senior AA hockey league. The Royals were first overall and eliminated the Goderich Pirates in four straight before coming up against the Thunder who finished in fourth place in the south division.

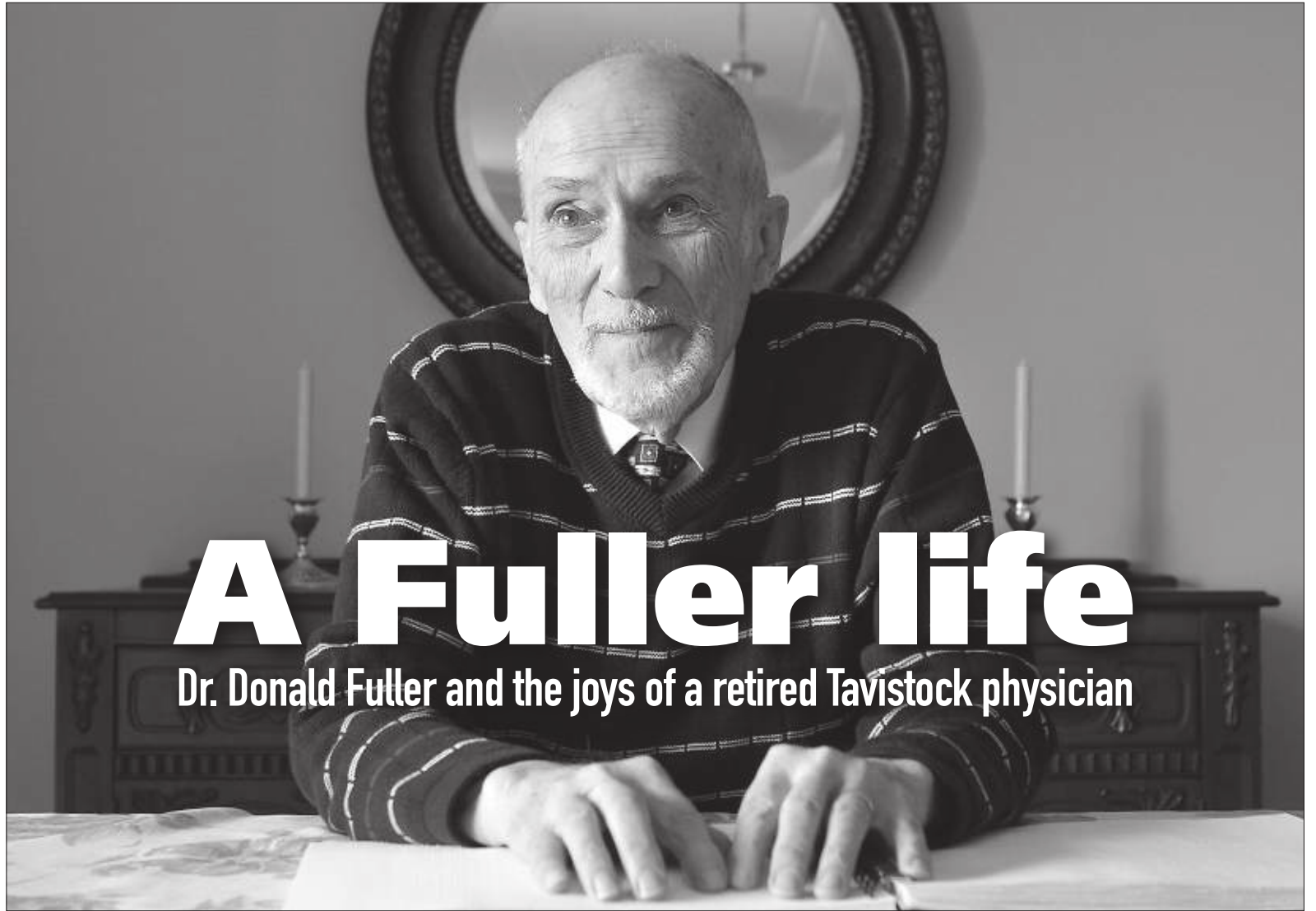
The teams played three games this past weekend. The Royals were down two games to none when they were edged 7-6 Friday night in Tillsonburg. They returned home for a 6-1 win Saturday night, but were eliminated Sunday in a 7-4 match in Tavistock.

The Tavistock Braves earned first place in the Southern Ontario Junior Hockey League and also knocked off their first round opponents, Port Dover, in just four games.

They now face Delhi Travellers in their second round of play. The Braves host Delhi Friday night, March 11 in Tavistock at 7:30 p.m. then travel to Delhi for a Saturday night, March 12 match at 7:30 p.m. Both teams face off again Tuesday night, March 15 in Tavistock at 7:45 p.m.

Delhi eliminated the St. George Dukes in six games to move on to meet the Braves.

The Braves held a successful Perch Fry fundraiser last week with 735 meals served in the Memorial Hall. They thank everyone for their ongoing support.



A Fuller life

Dr. Donald Fuller and the joys of a retired Tavistock physician

BILL GLADDING / TAVISTOCK GAZETTE

Dr. Donald Fuller studies Braille in his London apartment. He was a family physician in Tavistock, 1959-1977, and a cardiologist in Stratford, 1981-1998.

Dr. Donald R. Fuller graduated from the University of Toronto School of Medicine in 1958. While the family was getting dressed for the graduation ceremony, three-year-old son John started crying. His mother, Laurene, asked what was wrong. He replied, "I don't want him to be a doctor; I want him to be my daddy."

Thus began the life of a family doctor who spent his early career in Tavistock (1959-1977), then went on to specialize in cardiology in Stratford (1981-1998). "Our lifestyle was around medicine," Dr. Fuller said. But he always looked on the bright side. Even though he sometimes worked 90 hours a week, and worked half the weekends of his life, "I got half the weekends off," he countered.

So it's amazing to see that eldest son John and youngest son Donald have each followed in their father's footsteps. John is an anesthetist and critical care intensivist at St. Joseph's and London Health Sciences Centre while Donald spends his time in addiction medicine between clinics in Woodstock and London as well as practising part-time private family medicine.

As an only child, growing up in Toronto, Dr. Fuller's mother suggested that she may have selected his name (D.R. - Donald Ralph) to encourage him to one day become a doctor. Whenever he would mix things together, she would tell him he was going to be a chemist or scientist. "I guess she programmed me," he admitted.

Donald Fuller was born in Brooklyn, New York, on Hallowe'en night, 1927. His father was a petroleum company executive. He was told that at two years of age, his mother, Grace, and father, who spoke Spanish, travelled to Columbia to do business for the

company. Upon return, his father was transferred to offices in North Toronto, Ontario, Canada, where they lived until he died when Donald was only 14 years of age. His mother took a factory job so that Donald could get an education and they moved to North York where he attended Earl Haig Secondary School.

"That's when I met this young lady," he said, nodding to his wife of 61 years. He met Laurene Elliott in high school and the couple was married on April 29, 1950, on the last day of his pharmacy exams. "We wrote 3-hour exams each day, Monday to Saturday, and we were married Saturday night," he said.

Through high school, Donald worked at the local pharmacy, first delivering by bicycle, then driving a truck making deliveries and working in the store as a clerk. He was making \$30 a week. He then became a pharmacy apprentice at the pay of \$14 a week at the same drugstore, Cross Town Pharmacy, located on the corner of Bathurst and Eglinton. He graduated from the College of Pharmacy in 1950, but continued on there for one year as a lab assistant and demonstrator.

Laurene's father owned a pharmacy in Willowdale and needed help so Donald spent the next three years working there. He and Laurene lived in an upstairs flat in the Davisville/Yonge Street area, close to the subway.

The next few years were a challenge to say the least. In July of 1954 Laurene, who was working in an office, was advised by her doctor to quit work. In September, Donald quit his job and enrolled in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto. Son John

was born in 1955, followed by Joan in 1958, and Mark in 1959. During his undergraduate days he attained a standing which qualified him to become a member of the Honour Medical Society. He graduated in 1958 and interned at Toronto General Hospital in psychiatry, geriatrics, emergency, obstetrics and gynecology, as well as family medicine.

Although Toronto was a big city, he had grown up in a small suburb and enjoyed the small town atmosphere. While searching for a place to practice his profession, he travelled to Orillia, Weston, and Milton before driving to Tavistock on a foggy Boxing Day evening. He met with Tavistock partners Dr. Harold Taylor and Dr. Bruce Halliday and thought they were just great. "I knew I wanted a smaller area, but it was because of their attitudes and personalities," that he chose Tavistock. "I knew right away," he said. He recalls

"Tavistock was a wonderful experience for me."

- Dr. Donald R. Fuller, London

returning home, driving with his head out the window to see through the fog.

Dr. Fuller credits his wife Laurene with taking care of every move they had to make. "She did all the arranging," he said. "I was always on duty at the hospital."

The Tavistock doctors had purchased a house at 45 William Street North for their new associate to rent, but Don and Laurene went ahead and purchased the property. "All our neighbours were wonderful," he recalled. But he wanted to especially thank those tradespeople who helped his wife and family when he wasn't able to be around all those years ago.

People like plumber Fred Weicker, electrician Heinz Riedel, home handyman and painter Ron Wettlaufer, are just a few. "They did their work in a friendly way. It was great to have people like that to deal with," he added. He also recalls all the farmers who, from time to time, helped him out of the ditch on a snow-drifted country road.

The Tavistock medical practice covered a large area, about 400 square miles (1,000 square kilometers). "The people of Tavistock and area inspired us," he said. "They were, and are, generous, welcoming, compassionate, industrious, and charitable to their neighbours."

The three doctors added Dr. Gibson to the practice a few months later, and about a year later, added another partner before making the medical group official. It gradually expanded to six doctors with Dr. Taylor specializing in surgery, Dr. Halliday in anaesthesia, and Dr. Fuller in cardiology. "Some people started calling me the heart doctor," he recalls.

With that in mind, and because more than half the people he was seeing on a regular basis were suffering some kind of heart problem, he began to investigate cardiology further. His father and grandfather had also died in their mid 50's from heart attacks, so "I thought it was something I should know about." In 1966 he was awarded a Study Fellowship in General Practice, provided by the Province of Ontario. Through this Fellowship, Dr. Fuller was enabled to attend classes for six months, studying cardiology under Dr. Jules Constant at Buffalo General Hospital, affiliated with the State University of New York at Buffalo.

(see "Dr. Fuller..." on page 3)

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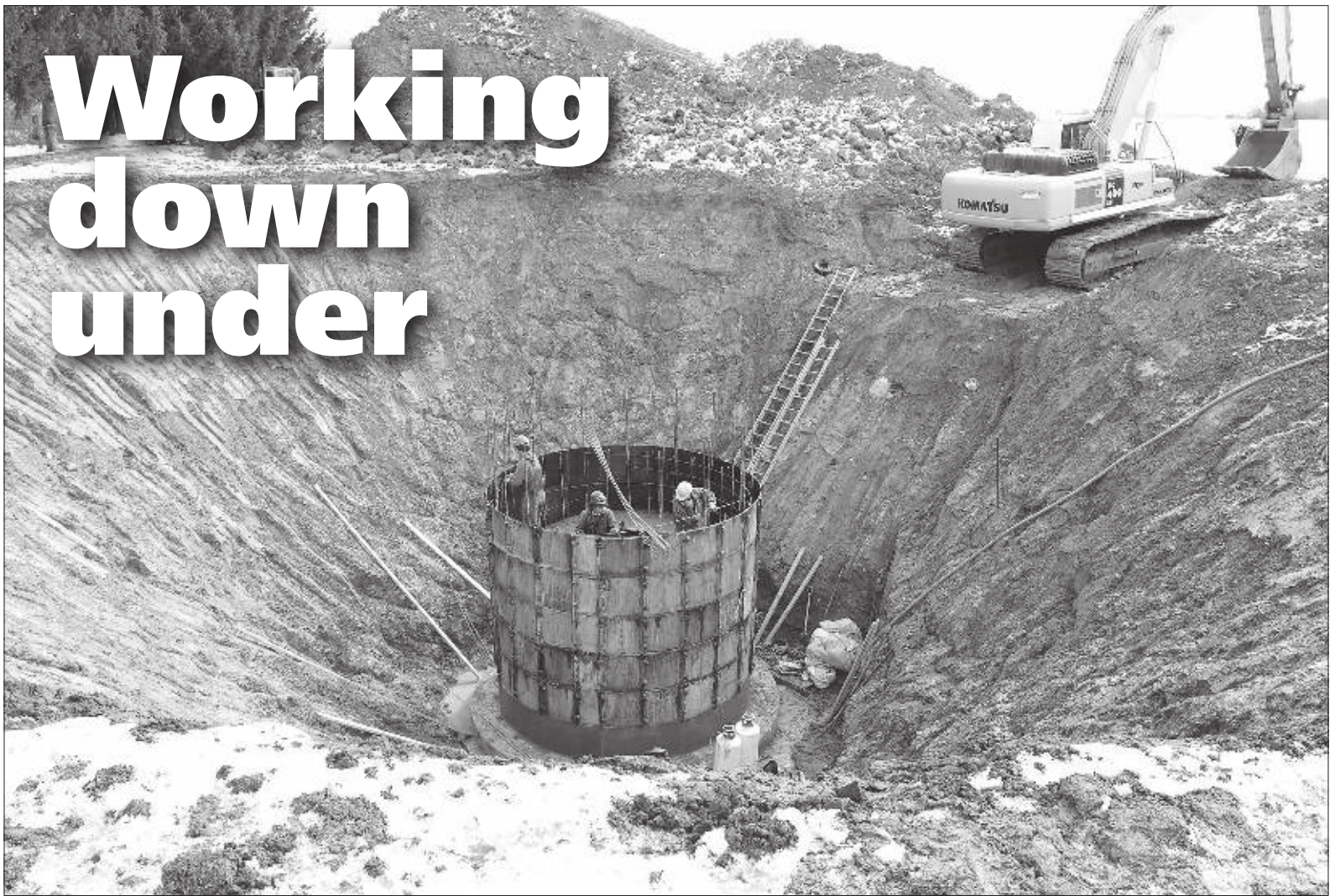
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A crew from Wilhem Concrete puts up forms for a pumping station at the south end of Wellington Street in Tavistock.

The Wellington Street Sewage Pump Station construction is well underway. Consultant R.J. Burnside and Associates awarded the County of Oxford contract to Elgin Construction at an estimated cost of \$842,947.38 plus HST. The completion date is scheduled for June 30, 2011. Subcontractor for this portion of the project also

includes DeJong Construction.

The new Wellington St. Sewage Pump Station (SPS) is designed to redirect a portion of the sewage flows that normally flow through the two existing SPSs (Hope St. and William St.) to the wastewater treatment lagoons.

Mr. Peter Winn, P. Eng., Project Engineer for the County of Oxford said the pumping station receives sewage flows from the underground collection system (gravity flow sanitary sewers) and the sewer

age flow enters into an underground concrete chamber called the wet well. When the sewage reaches a predetermined elevation in the wet well, it is pumped via (3) three submersible pumps from the wet well under a pressurized system called the forcemain to the sewage lagoons. In heavy sewage inflow events (i.e. peak flow conditions and wet weather events), all three pumps may be used to pump the flow to the treatment lagoons.

The new sewage pumping station will have a capacity of 108 L/s. The new facility will be located adjacent to the existing lagoons. The work also includes the supply and installation of a valve chamber, control building, standby power, yard piping, and other associated appurtenances.

Other crews continue to do the earthworks for the new cell on the east side of William Street south of the village limits.

February at the Village Manor

by Gordon Bauman

On Wednesday, February 9, twenty-two residents of the Village Manor and guests convened at lunch time. After singing grace we enjoyed the tasty chili prepared by Florence Schlegel. We enjoyed generous amounts of cheese, crackers and fresh bread. The helpers for the meal were Evelyn Youngblut, Helen McGregor and Lavone Gascho. Desserts were supplied by first floor residents.

On February 27th the Friendship Club enjoyed an abundant

potluck meal in the Common Room with 35 residents and staff attending. A welcome was offered to all attending by Dorothy Reibling, who then led us in a sung table grace. We were happy to welcome Joyce McDonald back after a lengthy stay in hospital.

After the meal President Arvilla Leis called the group to order for a short business meeting. Minutes of previous activities including the January potluck were read by Gordon Bauman and accepted. Treasurer Pearl Riley gave the

financial report which was then accepted.

Shirley Brunk reported the only birthday in January was Nelda Yantzie Kropf. We sang Happy Birthday for her. Nelda then read a humorous story entitled "The Cow's Tail".

After the business was completed, a number of people moved to the tables set up for an evening of crokinole, hosted by Dorothy Reibling while several preferred to play other table games.

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Sunday, March 13, 2011
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Sacrament of Holy Communion
Sunday School (JK-Gr. 8).

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10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
JAM - Sunday Church School
11:00 a.m. - Coffee Time.

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Pastor Paul Adams
Associate Pastor: Patricia Wagler
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www.tavistockmennonitechurch.ca

Sunday, March 13, 2011
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service
11:00 a.m. - Sunday School
for all ages.

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Weekly Services - Sunday
9:30 a.m. - Worship Meeting.
11 a.m. - Family Bible Hour.
7 p.m. - Evening Service.

Each Thursday
7:00 p.m. - Prayer & Bible Study

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

Rev. Daniel Kitsch / Wellington St, Tavistock

Sunday, March 13, 2011
9:30 a.m. - Worship Service.
Everyone welcome!

Wednesday, March 16, 2011
7:30 p.m. - Lenten Service.

EAST ZORRA MENNONITE

(16th Line Road, East Zorra) Pastors -
Ray Martin & Tanya Dyck Steinmann

Sunday, March 13, 2011
9:45 a.m. - Worship Service
11:00 a.m. - Sunday School
for all ages.

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11:00 a.m. - Sunday School

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Pastor Everett Mossman 519-655-3943
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Sunday, March 13, 2011
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service.

Dr. Fuller...

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Two more children were born to Don and Laurene during their time in Tavistock; Mary in 1962 and Donald in 1964.

It was about the same time also that Tavistock had condemned their old arena and were building a new one. When finished, there was no artificial ice-making equipment so the skating season was brief. Roller skating was paying the bills, but people like Dr. Fuller and others were discouraged at having a new building with no ice, and had to resort to taking their children to Plattsville to play hockey. With Dr. Fuller as chairman, and school principal Doug Hilderley as secretary, a committee was formed to raise funds for artificial ice-making equipment in the summer of 1968. "We got help from all kinds of people," Dr. Fuller said, "especially Lorne Yausie." Funds were pledged and a lot of physical labour was donated to help keep the costs down. Dr. Fuller was among several residents who signed promis-

sory notes to see the project through. By the end of December 1968, residents were skating.

In 1977, Dr. Fuller left the Tavistock group and went back to school for a four-year residency at the University of Western Ontario to study internal medicine. Dr. Phil McCabe took his place here in Tavistock. Years earlier Dr. Fuller had wanted to become a "fellow" and study at Toronto, but the pay at that time was well below the poverty line, and with a family, he couldn't afford to do it. Mrs. Fuller always knew he wanted to return to school, so she supported his decision. "It was a great privilege," he admitted.

Upon graduation in 1981, he began as an internal medicine consultant at Stratford General Hospital taking only referrals as well as working on call to the emergency room. He opened an office in the Cambria Medical Building and he and Laurene moved to Stratford in 1983. They lived at 40 Dawson Street for the first 2 years, then moved to 61 Braemar Crescent. Dr. Fuller continued in his Stratford office until 1994, then worked part-time until 1998.

Looking back at his years in Tavistock, he recalls being on as many as ten different committees at one time. He was on and off as a Tavistock town councillor, a member of the Tavistock School Board, a former Rotarian, a Sunday School teacher and superintendent at St. James Anglican Church in Stratford, past president of the Perth County Medical Society, a former member and delegate for the Council of the Ontario Medical Association, Chair of the Department of Medicine at Stratford General Hospital, and a Federal Drug Committee advisor in Ottawa. "It was to the ridiculous stage," he said.

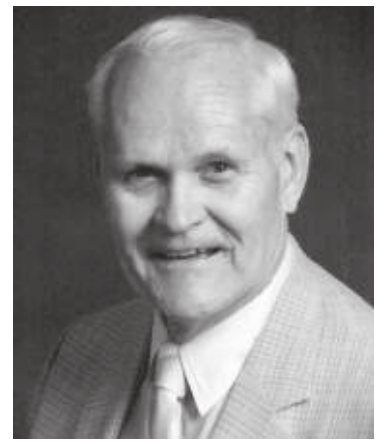
Just about a year ago, Don and Laurene moved to a spacious seniors' apartment in London. This time their children helped them make the move. John and his wife, Mary Alison Eisenhower, live nearby. She is a former emergency room physician now working in the breast cancer clinic. They have two children, Ross, 16, and Katherine, 13. Mark and his wife, Pat, live in Toronto with their two children, Sara, 12, and Michael, 9. Mary and her husband, Chris Woolf live in St. Marys where they operate a restaurant, Woolfy's at Wildwood. They have three children, Jade Roth, 29; Leah Roth, 26; and Riley Woolf, 18. Donald and his wife, Connie, a nurse, live in London. They have three sons, Corben, 16; Graydon, 11; and Jack, 9.

Sadly, Don and Laurene's eldest daughter Joan, who was beloved by her family and the families of many of the patients she helped at the Bonnie Brae Nursing Home, committed suicide in 1984.

Today, while Laurene busies herself in the kitchen, baking trays of cookies for the family, most days Don can be found sitting at the dining room table teaching himself to read Braille. He has macular degeneration in one eye. "I don't want to be whining," he said, if he loses sight in the other. He has also played bridge for the past 60 years, but is "learning to play a little better". His father had collected stamps and Don inherited the hobby of collecting used stamps. Don is on the culinary committee for the residence and is trying to promote more healthy eating with more fresh fruits and vegetables. He is also studying the Bible and plans to read the Koran in the future. "I've got more reading than I can handle," he admits.

Since moving to their fourth floor apartment, Don and Laurene have also been trying to attract birds to their south-facing balcony. It reminds them of their years in the rural community they still refer to as home.

"Tavistock was a wonderful experience for me," he said. "It was a great place to raise a family. I was never sorry that I made the decision to go to Tavistock."



THE DEPARTED: John Simpson Holley

John Simpson Holley passed away in Toronto, February 28, 2011 in 89th year, at Vermont Square Long-Term Care Home.

He was the younger son of the late George Franklin Holley and the late Rachel (Jarrett) Holley. Predeceased by his older brother Franklin, he is survived by his loving and beloved wife Marion (Cosford) Holley, his cherished sister Doris (Holley) Rudy of Tavistock, Ontario and her sons and their wives, Robert and Joan of Tavistock and John and Sylvia of Paris, Ontario. He will be missed also by their families, his friends and his other relatives.

John's business career began with the CNR in Hamilton then Toronto following which he moved to SHELL Canada's head office in Toronto for 28 years before his retirement in 1983.

John was a craftsman in stained glass and needlepoint. He was an enthusiastic traveller before and during his 36 year marriage to Marion. Their favourite expression at take-off was "on the road again!"

Special thanks go to Care 2000 nurses, Wenny, Vangie, Gina, Teresita, Tess and to the caring staff at Vermont Square Long-Term Care Home.

Respecting John's wishes, there will be no funeral service or visitation. Cremation arrangements are with the Morley Bedford Funeral Home, Toronto. Interment will be attended by family at a later date at Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Toronto.

Condolences may be sent to the Holley residence in Toronto, or to the Rudy Family, Box 578, Tavistock, Ontario N0B 2R0 or to www.morleybedford.ca

In John's memory, donations to the Salvation Army, PO Box 185, Toronto, Ontario M4G 3Z9 would be greatly appreciated.

BIRTH

MOHR: Meagan, Ava and Caleb have a new baby brother. **Declan William** was born on Thursday, February 24, 2011, weighing 8 lbs. 10 oz. Proud parents are Steve and Angela.

Proud grandparents are Gerry and Johanna Jurjens, Marge Mohr and Doug Moulton and Bob Mohr.

BRAVES' 400 CLUB DRAW GRAND PRIZE WINNER



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Keith Matresky (left) of Tavistock accepts a cheque for \$1,000 from seller and Tavistock Braves' treasurer Ron Hill. It was the first prize in the Hockey Club's annual 400 Club Draw held on Friday, February 25, 2011.

REGISTRATION

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- March 17 - Caiaphas
- March 24 - Judas
- March 31 - Pontius Pilate
- April 7 - Barabbas
- April 14 - Mary
- April 21 - Jesus

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Lavender farm founder has Stratford area roots

Perhaps it was providence that Suzanne Steed started her lavender farm in Sparta, Ontario for the Quakers brought lavender to North America and it was the Quakers that established the historic community of Sparta.

Suzanne Steed, originally from the Stratford area, established the lavender farm as part of a 45-acre horse farm nestled at the edge of a Carolinian forest on the north shore of Lake Erie. Recently renamed Steed & Co. Lavender, the company is one of the premier growers of several varieties of English lavender with more than 10,000 plants on site. Visitors are welcome to stroll through the fields and gardens to experience the wonderful scent and calming powers of lavender.

Ms. Steed spoke to members of the Tavistock and Area Horticultural Society on Tuesday evening, March 1, 2011. She first took them on a trip back in time to discover the history of lavender which dates back over 2,500 years. The ancient Egyptians used it for perfume and mummification. Romans were known to use lavender for bathing, cooking, relaxation and as an insect repellent. Around 600 BC lavender spread across Europe from Greece to France, Spain, Italy and England. By the 1600's lavender was being grown in Europe commercially. Many noted Royals indulged in lavender use. Queen Elizabeth I of England drank lavender tea and favoured lavender preserves at the royal table. Louis XIV of France had lavender scented baths. However, it was Queen Victoria who brought lavender into fashion as a perfume for English ladies.

The English Quakers brought lavender to North America and began to grow and sell it commercially. Today growing lavender in England has diminished, but it is still reputed to have the sweetest smelling lavender oils. Although the Provence region of France is still famous for its lavender, the flower is also grown in Australia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Japan and North America.

Suzanne began her working career as a public health nurse in Toronto and Michigan. At one point she took a landscaping course at the University of Guelph. Under the encouragement of a mentor in London, she studied the use of wellness gardens and decided to put her two careers together. In 1998, she moved to Germany for a time, and with a previous fine arts degree to her credit, completed correspondence courses while touring gardens in England and France. Upon returning home, she furthered her education with a course in floral design from Fanshawe College.

After moving to Sparta and finding the growing conditions quite different from this area, she realized it was perfect for growing lavender. Summers were dry and hot and the soil was quite sandy.

"It's a wonderful plant to play with in the garden," she said. She recommended sharing landscape space with peonies and roses. There are different textures and colours of lavender with over 15 species that span the colour range from pale violet to deep indigo including pink and white cultivars.

Suzanne explained that lavender oil comes from the pressed flower buds, not from the seed.



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Suzanne Steed, at her Steed & Co. Lavender display in the Stratford Garden Festival, was the guest speaker at the Tavistock & Area Horticultural Society March meeting.

Their lavender is harvested by hand and is quite labour intensive. Weeding is carried out daily with students helping in the process. The lavender is hung upside down for about 6 to 8 weeks to dry in a well-ventilated space. A copper still is used to extract the oil through steam pressure.

The lavender grown at the farm is used in as many of the products as possible. Soaps, body products, kids' shampoo, natural insect repellent, bug balm, and pillow spray are all part of the dozens of products sold in the Lavender Shop. Because it takes 8 to 16 pounds of lavender to get one ounce of oil, Suzanne imports oil from France to use in products that use a lot of oil.

Jams and jellies that feature lavender ingredients are made locally and recipes are all tried beforehand and created in Suzanne's kitchen. They also make salad dressing, chocolate and coffee.

If unable to get to Sparta, many of her products are available in Stratford at Anything Grows and the Buzz Stop. Suzanne was introduced and thanked by chairperson Suzanne Brocklebank.

Business for the evening included announcements for the Children's Garden Workshop to be held on Thursday, March 17 at

Tavistock Mennonite Church. See ad on page 3. The Ontario Horticultural Society district annual meeting is scheduled for April 9 in Thorndale. Canada Blooms is also later this month in Toronto. The Society's fundraiser this year will be a Plant and Bake Sale in front of the Memorial Hall on Saturday, May 14, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Members are asked to bring their unique plants. There will be no May meeting.

The April 5 meeting theme will be "The Buzz About Bees".

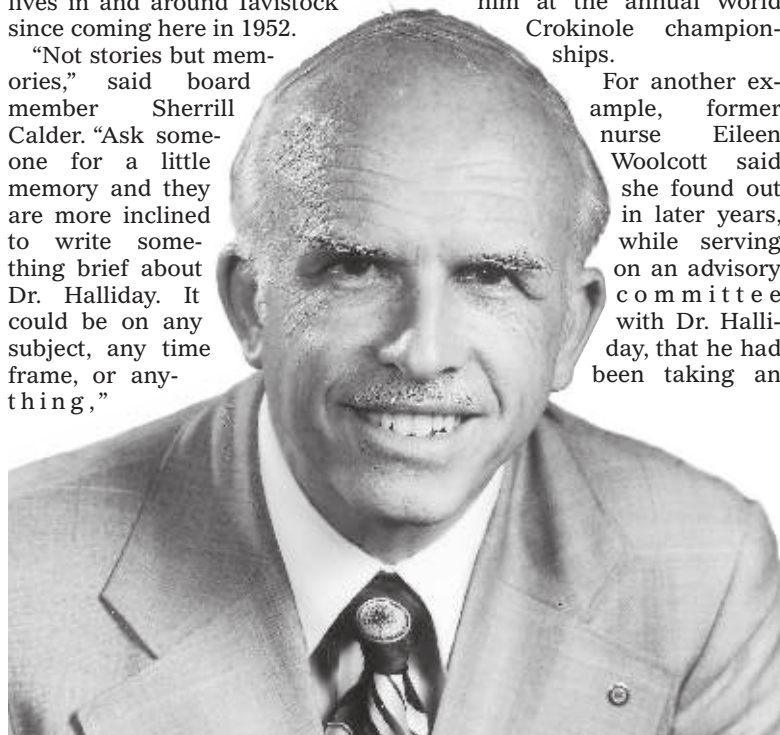
A book of memories

Historical Society looking for stories about Bruce Halliday

At the funeral service of Dr. Bruce Halliday, his friend and campaign manager Doug Puddicombe said something in his eulogy that has resonated with members of the Tavistock and District Historical Society. Speaking on behalf of the family, Doug said, Bruce "loved meeting the 'babies' he delivered and we love hearing stories about him and the impact he had on the community ... please continue to tell us your cherished stories."

With this in mind and with the blessing of the Halliday family, the Society is compiling a "Book of Memories" about the Tavistock doctor who touched many, many lives in and around Tavistock since coming here in 1952.

"Not stories but memories," said board member Sherrill Calder. "Ask someone for a little memory and they are more inclined to write something brief about Dr. Halliday. It could be on any subject, any time frame, or anything,"



she added.

One could simply say he/she is one of Bruce's babies, and for example, as the editor, I am: "Bill Gladding, born on August 19, 1953 at Stratford General Hospital, living in Tavistock, editor/publisher of the Tavistock Gazette; Bruce (as I was later privileged to call him) was one of my life mentors."

Maybe you served on a board or committee with Bruce during a certain year or number of years. Maybe you bumped into Bruce when you were travelling or attending a Toronto Maple Leafs home game where he held season's tickets. Maybe you played pick-up hockey with him or with him at the annual World Crokinole championships.

For another example, former nurse Eileen Woolcott said she found out in later years, while serving on an advisory committee with Dr. Halliday, that he had been taking an

anaesthesia course in Chicago during the years she was living there.

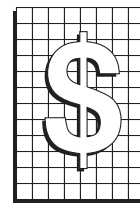
Whatever your memory of Dr. Halliday may be, the Society would like you to share it; to be put into a "Book of Memories" and handed to the Halliday family as a remembrance of Dr. Bruce and the respect and love this community and the world shared for him.

Stamp collecting, gardening, the cottage, Rotary events, health care; there is no limit to the many possibilities.

If you would like to share your memories, there are many ways to do so. You can e-mail your memory to the Society at info@tavistockhistory.ca or write a memory on the wall of their Facebook page accessible from their new web site: www.tavistockhistory.ca

You can also jot something on a slip of paper and mail it to the Tavistock and District Historical Society, Box 280, Tavistock, ON N0B 2R0.

As Doug stated in his address, "Most of you have known him much longer than the family did and have many stories to share. Please, continue to share those stories so we can be reminded again and again how special a man he was."



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Tom Temming, as the Mesopotamian King, stands with (clockwise from left) Ashley Sebben, Alex Beehler, Noah Heinbuch, Terissa Chalmers, and Kody Koomb.

Students of Sprucedale Public School in Shakespeare staged their own musical history lesson last week with Grades 4 to 8 performing "Dig It!: A Musical Tale of Ancient Civilizations" in the Shakespeare Optimist Community Centre.

The program challenged the audience to travel back in time to join inquisitive archeologists, Sammy Lindner, Christopher O'Toole, Cody Steinman, Brandon Campbell, and their fossil friend, Lucy, played by Isabelle Danen, as they explore the wonders of the ancient civilizations.

From the farm labourers of early Mesopotamia and Egyptian mummies who rap to a chorus of ancient Greeks, and Romulus and

Remus who dream of building a great city, it wasn't difficult for students to discover and participate in the archeological mysteries of the past.

Beginning with the song, So Long Ago, the young archeologists discuss past cultures and what has endured to the present day. The production included original words and music by John Jacobson and Roger Emerson along with current hits from many favourite movies adapted by the students under the directions of Mrs. Chris Thrasher.

The song, The Land Between Two Rivers, introduced everyone to Mesopotamia featuring a dance number, The Mesopotamians by They Might Be Giants by

the Grade 3/4 class of Ms. Lippai and Ms. Goebel.

In My Tomb, the song for Egypt, also featured Thriller by Michael Jackson with dancing mummies with the Grade 4/5 class of Ms. Yantzi and Ms. McIntosh.

Travelling through Asia with Empires of the East and the Grade 6 class of Ms. Johnson, Rafiki Drummers played and the Dragon Dance performed with lots of colourful banners.

The song, Greece is the Word, took the Grade 7 class of Mrs. Bardens across the peninsula to finish with a hit from Grease: The Movie.

Up to Rome with toga-wearing politicians and fiesty Roman soldiers, the Grade 8 class of Ms.

Brockman and Ms. Ellison danced to Roam by the B52's.

The finale included Here's To The Future, including the entire cast followed by a final rendition of So Long Ago.

While Mrs. Thrasher accompanied on the electric piano and the sound crew played recorded tracks under the direction of Mr. MacLennan, a live band included drummer Ryan Kuepfer, and guitarists Tate Zehr and Lee Bale. Rafiki drummers were Autumn, Tim, Nicole and Alexie.

The presentation was directed by Mrs. Thrasher, Mrs. Bardens, and Ms. Brockman with two performances, a matinee on Wednesday and again Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m.



Hayden Ankenman as an Egyptian King.



Cohen Myers is the Greek playwright Sophocles



Kim Temming plays the Roman god Jupiter.

■ **NOVICE REPS**

The Bluemont Farms Novice Rep team played game 7 in their best of 5 series with Twin Centre. This series has been a battle from the beginning with a 2-2 tie the first game; Tavistock winning the next two games (4-3, 2-1); Twin Centre winning the following two games (3-2, 2-1); game six resulted in another tie (1-1). This resulted in Tavistock travelling to Twin Centre for game 7 on Thursday, March 3.

It was another exciting game! The score was 0-0 after the first period. At 7:55 in the second period Cole Hartman scored, assisted by Tom Stolk resulted in a 1-0 lead heading into the third period. At 7:42 in the third period Twin Centre answered back with a goal. With only 7 seconds left in the game, Twin Centre scored another goal, resulting in a 2-1 loss for Tavistock. Carter Roth made some miraculous saves throughout the game. The Novice Reps had some fantastic games throughout this series and have really developed as a team. Good work Titans and good luck in your next series!

■ **NOVICE #1**

The E and L Collision Novice #1 earned a silver medal at a tournament in Arthur this past weekend. They blanked Fergus 5-0 in the opening game and followed that up with a 4-0 drubbing of the host team. Marc Dionne, Luke Hyde

and Brady Griffi each scored twice in the two games with singles going to Megan and Sarah Bailey, Carter McKay. Drew Brenneman chipped in with a pair of assists. Dylan Haight earned the shutout in both games. Tavistock ran into a hot Woolwich team in the final and dropped a 4-1 decision. Dionne scored the lone goal, assisted by Hyde.

In league playoff action the Titans defeated Woolwich 3-0 (the same team who defeated them just a day earlier in Arthur) to put themselves in position to play in the league final series. Haight made a number of spectacular saves to help the offense which was led by Kyle Stock's pair of unassisted goals. Luke Hyde added a single marker with assists going to Clayton Gerber and Morgan Stock. In other recent playoff action: Tavistock 8 Woolwich 1, and Ayr 3, Tavistock 1.

■ **ATOM REPS IN SEMI-FINALS**

The Tavistock Saputo Atom Reps went up against Campbellford in the semi-finals of OMHA. They started the series with game 1 on home ice. The Titans had a challenge ahead of them, as Campbellford proved to be a strong and fast team. Campbellford took the win 5-2. Scoring for Tavistock were Tye Boyd 1, Jack Holdsworth 1(1), and Ben Smith (1). Colton Kropf made some remarkable saves in net.

Game 2 they travelled to Campbellford. Tavistock played a very strong game and almost came out with the win, but unfortunately Campbellford scored with a heart-breaking 4 seconds left tying it at 3-3 and sending the game into overtime. Campbellford quickly scored for a 4-3 win.

Scoring for the Titans were Ben Smith 2, Mitchell McKay 1, Jack Holdsworth (2), Tye Boyd (1). Braedon Roth had an outstanding game in net.

Game 3 back at home, the Titans fought hard in another well-played game and despite this Campbellford came out on top and took the win of 6-1.

Scoring for Tavistock was Jack Holdsworth, assisted by Mitchell McKay.

The team would like to thank Tavistock for all their support!

■ **MIDGET REPS IN LEAGUE PLAYOFFS**

The Tavistock Midget Reps have won five games and lost only one in their round robin league playoff series to date in a home and home

series.

Tavistock defeated Embro 6-2 in their first match, Tavistock led 1-0 after one period and scored 4 in the second period while Embro countered with 2. There was no scoring in the third. Tavistock goal scorers were Jordan Ritsma 4, Deven Kropf 1(1), Mackenzie Gingerich 1, assists Quin Kropf, Brett Steckle, Alex Taylor, Christopher Newcombe and Terran Rogers.

In their second outing, Twin Centre managed a 4-1 win. The game was tied at 1-1 after two periods, but Twin Centre scored 3 unanswered goals in the third to win. Deven Kropf from Gingerich got the only Tavistock goal.

On to St. George, Tavistock scored an 8-3 win. St George led 2-1 after the opening period but the Titans scored 6 in second to lead 7-2 after two periods, and one each in the third, in a penalty free game. Scorers were Quin Kropf 2 (2), Alex Taylor 2, Tyson Zehr 2, Zach Johnson 1(2), Tommy Habel, Deven Kropf (3), Mackenzie Gingerich (3), Christopher Newcombe

(2) and Ryan Schultz (2).

In the return game, Tavistock got another win over St. George, 4-1. It was tied at 1-1 after the first period and the Titans scored 2 in the second and one in the third. Tavistock goals were Deven Kropf 2, Mackenzie Gingerich 1(1), Tyson Zehr, Christopher Newcombe (1) and Tristan Hohl (1).

Tavistock scored a 3-1 win over Twin Centre in their next meeting. All scoring was done in the 2nd period. Tavistock goals came from Alex Taylor assisted by Chris Newcombe; Deven Kropf from Tyson Zehr; Mackenzie Gingerich unassisted.

Their final win was 5-2 over the New Hamburg team. It was a scoreless opening period, then Tavistock scored 4 in the second and one in the third for the win. New Hamburg scored both their goals in the third. Tavistock goals were by Deven Kropf 2(1), Jordan Ritsma 1(2), Terran Rogers, Tyson Zehr, Mackenzie Gingerich (1) and Tristan Hohl (1) in another penalty-free game for the Titans.



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Braves earn league awards



Devin Berg



Braden Van Nynatten



Luke Zehr

Three Tavistock Braves earned awards at the Southern Ontario Junior Hockey League banquet held on Monday, February 14, 2011 in Lucan.

Right Defenceman Devin Berg was named to the McConnell Con-

ference All Stars along with left defenceman Neil Crandall, Delhi; Hagersville centre Derek Meeiros and goalie Jordan Ironside; Delhi left winger Jake Legein; Ayr right winger Andrew Tapsell.

Tavistock goaltenders Braden

Van Nynatten and Luke Zehr shared the team goaltending award for the Braves in the McConnell Conference. Van Nynatten had a 2.39 goals against average in 19 games while Zehr had a 2.69 average in 17 games.

Timberwolves edged by Goderich

The Tavistock Timberwolves completed their first season of play in the Huron Perth basketball league with an exciting four point loss to the Goderich Thunder.

Tavistock fell behind early in the first half but used strong rebounding by Gavin Klatecki and Chris Millar, coupled with strong

outside shooting from Tyler Leasa and Brandon Parkes to narrow the lead. Parkes hit a trio of three point shots.

The loss to Goderich marked the final game of the season and the year end tournament for the league. The tournament took place at DCVI in St. Marys and included

Wingham, two teams from St. Marys, and Mitchell. The Tavistock lineup included local players Millar, Klatecki, Allan Smith, Devin Kaufmann, Josh Hubbs and Austin Bergsma. Bergsma and Millar were hold overs from the Steve Nash Youth program run each of the last two years by Danny Millar. Grade five student Sean Daniel Millar also made one appearance, in a game against Mitchell.

The Wolves played a total of six games over a two month season. This was the first year of the league, managed by St. Marys resident Gregg Blackler. Millar has committed to running another team next season. It will be made up of grade 5 - 8 students.

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As a part of the Excellent Care for All Act (ECFAA), which ensures Ontarians receive healthcare of the highest quality possible, hospitals across Ontario are required to develop, with public consultation, a Patient Declaration of Values. As outlined by the ECFAA, these values will ensure hospitals put patients first and support patient-centred care by clearly stating what Ontarians can expect when receiving healthcare services.

We invite you to review the Draft Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance Patient Declaration of Values below and provide feedback in one of the following ways:

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All feedback will be reviewed and considered until **April 1, 2011**. The final version of the Patient Declaration of Values will be available on our website in June 2011.

Patient Declaration of Values for the Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance DRAFT

I believe I have a right to the best care the organization can deliver. As a patient or client, I value that...

- I have access to the care I need when I need it.
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- my family and I are treated with respect, fairness and compassion.
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- I am given reliable, current information about my healthcare condition, including proposed courses of care as well as options so that I can make informed decisions.
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