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Clarington: A Maritime Municipality? Part II

by Charles Taws
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(Part I of this story appeared in the October edition of the Clarington Promoter and is available online..... visit claringtonpromoter.ca)

In Part I of this story I wrote about the cultural clashes which often occurred between the early pioneers and native peoples and how our lakeshore lands were first settled.

In the early 1800's the growing population increased the need for transportation and I provided some historical information about the Port Newcastle.

In this edition I am providing you with more historical information about the other harbours which helped to shape the settlements of our community.

Port Darlington
Port Darlington was the oldest and largest of Clarington's three ports. The Port Darlington Harbour Company was formed to create a harbour to stimulate immigration and trade. On March 4th 1837 they received their Charter, but it wasn't until it became a joint stock company in 1839 that things got going. By 1841 a pier had been built to facilitate the shipment of goods. Prior to this schooners had to anchor off shore and trans-ship cargo and people by small boats. Also a customs house was opened to curb the then rampant smuggling.

Business boomed for the first few decades. All exports and imports came by boat and people preferred to travel by the new steamers rather than take the rough and unsafe roads of the time. Much money was



November is a month for reflection and remembrance.

made selling cordwood to steamers while the local supply lasted. A ship was even built here. The schooner "David Fisher" was launched in 1847 and was named after the local customs official and the man who built the house that is now the Bowmanville Museum. The pier was eventually extended to become the longest on the north shore of Lake Ontario (1,180 feet long). A lighthouse was built on the end of the pier. Large Royal Mail Line steamers stopped regularly and you could travel anywhere on the Great Lakes or the St. Lawrence River by ship in those days. Schooners which once carried passengers and freight became relegated to bulk cargoes. They brought in coal from Oswego and Rochester and left carrying barley destined for American breweries.

Some of the most familiar to schooners to call here were the "Oliver Mowat" (actually owned by the Harbour Company), "William Jamieson", "Trade Wind", "Pioneer", "Highland Chief" and the "Ariadne". Popular steamers were the "Gar-

den City", "Argyle", "Hamilton", "Algerian", "Corsican" and the "Turbinia". In 1900 you could board the steamer "Garden City" at Bowmanville at 7:00am and be in Toronto by 11:15am. The cost one way was fifty cents.

Behind the pier with its lighthouse and customs office were two high grain elevators and a large coal shed. For many years successful fishing businesses were conducted from the port. Fred Depew was one of the last hanging on into the 1950's. His entire catch was packed in ice and shipped to New York. A bustling summer community grew up around the port and at one time boasted two dance halls, two stores, its own church and a post office. In 1897 the McKinley Tariff put a tax on Canadian Barley and that was the death knell of the harbour. It limped along for a few more years but eventually Port Darlington became just a summer resort but even that began to fade in the 1960's.

Port Granby
This was the smallest of the three ports and never lived up to the expectations of its first board

of directors. The Port Granby Harbour Company was formed in 1847 and like the other two ports had several prosperous decades. Mr. Snider writes in a August 18th 1936 Toronto Mail and Empire newspaper article that in 1862-63 Port Granby had a population of 250 and boasted three grain elevators, a gristmill, a sawmill, a distillery, a malt house, a schoolhouse, a Methodist Church and two taverns. If indeed Port Granby ever attained these heights of prosperity it was short lived. For accounts in other contemporary sources usually fail to mention Port Granby. Other sources feel a population of about 60 is more realistic and that the village only had a hotel, store, church (known as Trelawney Church), post office and a school. However, by the 1890's the shine had gone out of this community's star and a long decline in trade and development began. Its large pier was slowly dismantled by stone hookers (cut down schooners)

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Year End Planning



by Peter Hobb

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As we approach December 31 it is time to review your personal financial situation and implement strategies to improve your personal financial well being. One important aspect to improving your personal financial situation is to take steps to minimize the amount of income taxes that you will be paying for 2012. I will only touch on some of the strategies that you might consider implementing to reduce your per-

sonal income tax liability. If you feel one or more of these strategies apply to you I would suggest reviewing them with your accountant or financial advisor.

Tax Loss Selling

If you realized a capital gain in the current year or you reported capital gains for tax purposes in one or more of the three previous years you should consider selling investments that would give rise to a capital loss that could be claimed for tax purposes. These losses can be used to offset any capital gains that you might be required to report for 2012. If these capital losses exceed the capital gains you realized in the current year you can carry the excess back to any of the three previous years to apply against capital gains reported in those years. The income tax originally paid in prior years on the portion of the capital gain to which the losses are applied will be refunded.

To implement this strategy the investments should be sold on or before December 23 of this year. This is because it takes most bond and stock transaction three days to settle. If you sell in December but the transaction does not settle until January 2013 you will not be able to claim the capital losses for 2012. When making a trade it is recommended that you confirm the settlement date with your broker.

When tax loss selling you need to be aware of the superficial loss rules. For example, a capital loss will be disallowed if you own or buy a similar property thirty days before or after the sale and if you, your spouse or a corporation you control still holds a similar property thirty days after the tax loss selling.

Split income by locking in low interest family loans

If you are in a situation where

most or all of your non-registered investments are registered in one spouse's name and the other spouse is in a lower tax bracket, the current low interest rate environment presents a good opportunity to split income with the lower income spouse. Non-registered investments are investments that are not held in plans such as a Registered Retirement Savings Plan. The income earned on non-registered plans must be reported for tax purposes in the year earned. The spouse holding the investments can make a loan to their spouse at an interest rate of 1%, the current rate prescribed by Canada Revenue Agency. The funds from the loan would be invested and the income earned on the amount invested would be reported on the income tax return of the spouse receiving the loan. If the return on the investments

exceeds 1% you have been successful in shifting income from one spouse to the other. Also, the 1% charged on the loan is tax deductible. You can also use this strategy to shift income to another family member other than your spouse. It should be noted that this low interest rate environment will not last. As interest rates move higher Canada Revenue Agency's prescribed rate will also move higher.

You may be asking why I couldn't just give the money to my spouse. If the funds are just given to your spouse the attribution rules under the Income Tax Act come into play to attribute the income earned on those funds back to you. There should be a loan agreement that documents the rate of interest and terms of repayment and the interest accruing on the loan must be paid by the following January 30 of each year, otherwise the at-

tribution rules will kick in.

Payments due by December 31, 2012

To receive the tax benefit in 2012 the following items must be paid by December 31: charitable donations; medical expenses; union and professional membership dues; investment counsel fees; interest and other investment expenses; political contributions; deductible legal expenses; interest on student loans; contributions to your RRSP if you turned 71 during 2012; and payments eligible for the children's fitness and arts tax credits.

Not all strategies have been covered in this article. There are others. This is the time to sit down with your accountant and financial advisor to determine if there are any strategies that you should be considering. You may miss an opportunity to reduce your tax bill for 2012 if you wait until January 2013.

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A Message to All of Our Veterans



by Jim Abernethy, Editor
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Here in Canada November 11th is dedicated to officially honour all of the men and women who served this country and gave the supreme sacrifice.

Those sacrifices of one generation were made for the next, so that we and generations to follow may live in peace and hope and renewal.

We all understand that the difficult part of remembering means thinking of comrades and

evoking memories of men and women who never returned home.

For without their sacrifice and the hardships of those who did return..... we Canadians, and many people all around the world would not have the opportunity to experience the quality of life that we enjoy today.

I am sure everyone would agree that here in Clarington we do have a wonderful quality of life.

Remembrance Day is also a time when you may reflect on some of the great friendships that developed during some very difficult times..... and some of those friendships you may still enjoy today.

It is a time when you may catch yourself reflecting on what was..... or what could have been.

Most of us living in this community are part of the "Post War" generation.... a generation living in a free country that you.... the



men and women who served this country have truly helped to define..... and we thank you for that.

To the Veterans that are with us today, and those who are not, can we say to you.... we enjoy our quality of life because of what your generation did so many years ago.... and what our armed forces continue to do..... preserving our Canadian values and way of life.

I think it is important for all of our Veterans to know that we understand that they made sacrifices and endured hardships during some very difficult times.

To everyone who reads this editorial, I encourage you to attend one of the numerous Remembrance Day Ceremonies taking place across Clarington.

When you do attend, before you return to your homes and places of work..... take a moment to search out some of our veterans that are with us today..... take them by the hand, look into their eyes and say thank you.

For a complete list of dates, times and locations of Remembrance Day Ceremonies taking place in Clarington - turn to the Community Events Calendar in the centrefold of this edition of the ClaringtonPromoter.

On another note, there is an important upcoming community event that could use your support.

This is the time of year when Food Banks need assistance to build their inventories of dry goods and cash donations which are used make bulk purchases of staple goods.

How can you help? Drop off your donations to one of the Clarington Food Banks..... or make attend the 4th Annual Community Dance & Fundraiser hosted by Royal Service on FRIDAY NOVEMBER 23rd, 2012 at the Newcastle Townhall. See advertisement in this edition on page 8 for more details.

To contact the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank call 905-623-6371

To contact the Clarington East Food Bank call 905-987-1418

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A few months ago I finally broke down and opened social media accounts with "Facebook" and "LinkedIn."

Yes, I have found it to be an amazing and powerful communication tool. Please feel free to connect and join my personal net-



work for each or either of these networking groups.

If you already have a LinkedIn account you will need my personal email address to send your request to join my network. jimabernethy@hotmail.com

I would like to make a correction from last month's paper as the website for Bella Body in Bowmanville was incorrect in the Grand Opening information. The correct website is www.bellabodyfitness.ca.



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who removed the stones from the piers cribs and sold it to Toronto for landfill. By this time it

ahead of the storm. For many years afterwards wood from the wreck would wash up on Port Granby's shore. Snider reported in his 1936 article that Port

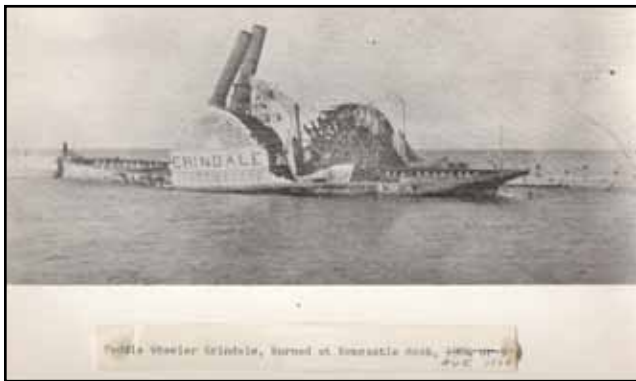
highway nor on the railway- so leave it in its peace." Such a description still fits today.

The Grand Trunk Railway opened the first line in this area in 1856. It is today's CN line although the original track bed was closer to the lake. In fact if you travel east of Bond Head, at certain sections, along Lakeshore Road you'll notice a rise in the land as it slopes to the lake. That is the remains on the original track bed now almost washed into the lake itself. Railways were

cheaper, faster and more efficient than either schooner or steamer. The introduction of the railway heralded in a new age, but it also marked the end of the old. Steamships lasted into the 1950's with the excursion trade. When steamers came on the scene in the 1840's people predicted the end of the sailing ship was nigh, but they survived another 60 years. It was cheaper to run a sailing ship than a steamer. They had no engine to maintain and no fuel to buy. With no engine it meant they



This picture, taken in the 1890's by Newtonville photographer G.W. Jones, shows the Port Granby Wharf. Even by this time there was little left to show that Port Granby had once been a busy port. From left: Mrs. Willie Thompson, her daughter Helen, Minnie Elliott, Emma Thompson, Ted Lockhart, Birdie Hancock, Mrs. Col. John Hughes, Mrs. S.R. Jones, Miss E.A. Thompson, Mrs. Samuel Jones Sr., Mrs. Charles Thompson and _____ Thompson (names taken from "Out of the Mists").



Ruin of the Steamer Erindale
The "Erindale" was on the local run to Toronto. In 1906 she caught fire at Newcastle Harbour and damaged the western pier. The harbour's best days were behind her and the pier was never repaired.

was the only work an old sailing ship could get. According to the book "Out of the Mists" in 1880 the schooner "Bermuda" was wrecked on Peach Stone boulder east of Newcastle. She had been hastily loaded with barley at Port Oshawa and tried to run

Granby was still a village with a post office and had 4 year-round families living there and 10 in the summer. He ended the article with a plea, "[Port Granby] is so pretty, so unspoiled by service stations, hot-dog stands and tourist cabins...It is not on the



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had room to carry larger cargoes. Steamers did relegate them to bulk cargoes in the end but a very few last hold-outs were sailing the lake until the end of the 1930's.

Today, many Clarington residents are giving more thought to the waterfront. In the early 1990's less than 3% of the lakeshore was accessible to the public. But, that is changing. The Municipality has been actively acquiring waterfront property to establish several lakeshore

parks. The lovely park at Bond Head is a good example of what the Municipality intends to do at Port Darlington. Similar parks may appear in Courtice and even perhaps near Port Granby in the future. If you found this article interesting and want to learn more about Clarington's storied past check out my blog on the museum web-site. Just go to www.claringtonmuseums.com and click on the blog icon.

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- Clarington Older Adult Centre Remembrance Service-Tues, Nov.6/12-11:45am



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- Bowmanville Hospital Remembrance Service-Wed, Nov.7/12-1pm
- Newtonville Remembrance Service-Sat, Nov.10/12-10:30 am
- Newcastle Remembrance Service-Sun, Nov.11/12-10:30am
- Bowmanville Parade & Remembrance Service-Sun,Nov.11/12 -10:30am (Parade forms up at Legion Hall-Sun Nov 11/12-10am)



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4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Bowmanville Dollhouse & Miniature Show 10 am - 4 pm Garnet. B Rickard Recreation Complex 2440 Regional Highway 2, Bowmanville 	5	6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> COAA REMEMBRANCE DAY LUNCHEON 11 am - 1 pm Clarington Beech Centre, 26 Beech Ave. Bowmanville, ON L1C 3Z2 Email: coaa@bellnet.ca Phone: 905-697-2856 	
11 REMEMBRANCE DAY See PG.5 for services & events 	12	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family Bookmaking Fun 11 am - 11:45 am Clarington Public Library, Bowmanville Blood Donor Clinic 1 pm - 7:30 pm Scugog Community Centre, 1650 Scugog Rd. Scugog Festive Outdoor Foliage Urm... 6:30 pm - 11 pm Van Belles Greenhouse & Garden 	
18	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn to Square/Round Dance 8 pm - 9:30 pm Baseline Community Centre, 2444 Baseline Rd. 	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Literacy, Early Math 1 pm - 2 pm Clarington Public Library, Courtice Branch, 2950 Courtice Rd. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Centerpiece Clas... 6:30 pm - 9 pm Van Belles Greenhouse & Garden
 25	26	27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Literacy, Early Math 1 pm - 2 pm Clarington Public Library, Courtice Branch, 2950 Courtice Rd. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blood Donor Clinic 1 pm - 7:30 pm Blood, it's in you to give! To book your appointment call... visit www.blood.ca today. Location: Garnet B. Rickard Recreation COAA SMILE THEATRE "Fire" 1:30 pm - 3 pm Featuring: Smile performers. (Spon... Clarington Beech Centre, 26 Beech Ave. Email: coaa@bellnet.ca Phon

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarington Pumpkin Parade 6 - 9 pm Rosswell Park, Courtice, 132 Roswell Dr., Courtice • Clarington Toastmasters 7:30 - 9 pm Kingsway Arms: 65 Clarington Blvd., Bowmanville 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Crafts and More Sale 9 - 2 pm Crossroads Christian Assembly: Newcastle 978 North Street (Regional Road 17) • St. Therese Christmas Bazaar 10 - 2 pm St. Therese Parish: Courtice, 3800 Courtice Road North • St. John's Anglican Church SNOWFLAKE BAZAAR 10 - 2 pm St. John's Anglican Church: Bowmanville, 11 Temperance Street • Kirby Church Book Sale 10-3 pm Kirby United Church, 6966 Highway 35-115
7	8	9	10
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd Annual Jacqui Kent Shopping Extravaganza & Fundraiser. 6 pm to 9 pm Newcastle Community Town Hall, 20 King Ave. West, Newcastle <i>Proceeds to support the Newcastle Community Hall Refurbishment Project</i> • Christmas Open House 12 pm - 9 pm Van Belles Greenhouse & Garden Centre, 1979 Hwy 2 Courtice • Friday Night Drop-In Fun 6 pm - 8 pm Orono Town Hall, 5315 Main St., Orono 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COAA Euchre Extravaganza 1 pm - 3 pm Clarington Beech Centre, 26 Beech Ave., Bowmanville, ON L1C 3Z2 Email: coaa@bellnet.ca Phone: 905-697-2856 • Ready to Read to Read: Sensory Storytime 10:30 am - 11:30 am <i>Presented in partnership with Autism Ontario Durham, Ontario Early Years, and Bowmanville YMCA Ontario Early Years Centre.</i> Advance registration required for each class. Call Information Services at 905-623-7322, ext. 2712 to register. Classes are no charge.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Food Handling 9 am - 4 pm Bowmanville Employment Services, 219 King Street East • Readers' Circle 7 pm - 8:30 pm Clarington Public Library, Bowmanville Branch, 163 Church St. • VOS Presents A Christmas Carol the Musical 8 pm - 11 pm Victoria Hall, 55 King St. W. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newcastle Lions Club Millionaires' Nite Refreshments: 5:30 pm, Dinner: 7pm Newcastle Community Hall (tickets \$25.00 each) For more info contact Murray Patterson at 905-987-4628 • Nativity Scenes from Around the World 4 pm - 6 pm Presented by Hampton United Church <i>Friday Free Will Offering - Light Refreshments.</i> For more information, contact 905-263-2040. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bowmanville Santa Claus Parade Parade begins at 10:30 am at the corner of Temperance St. & Church St. Visit: bowmanvillesantaclausparade.com/parade_day.htm for complete parade route. Please bring non-perishable food, toys and clothing to be collected along the parade route. • Newcastle Santa Claus Parade Evening Parade Downtown Newcastle beginning with fireworks at 5:30 pm. Contact Karen Bastas: Phone: 905-987-3747
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Thursday December 6 at 7 pm Free will offering only
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- In-School mentoring- provides girls and boys with a role model and a friend to talk to and share the experiences of growing up with, within school grounds, during the school year
- Big Bunch Group Mentoring – provides monthly activities that challenge our children socially, physically and cognitively while providing a fun filled experience
- Summer Camps – not all Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies offer this great program. It is in high demand here in Clarington
- After School Programs - provide children with the opportunity to drop in and enjoy a few hours with others, in a safe social environment, engaging in fun and educational activities
- Self-esteem programs (Go Girls! & Game On!) include topics such as Self-Image, Wellness, Physical Activity, Nutrition, Relationships and so much more

Through these programs we witness a child's transformation into a concerned, motivated and responsible member of our community.

Second, and the biggest surprise for most people, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Clarington is NOT funded by the government. In order to maintain this profound impact on our youth BBBSC needs to raise funds every year and to do so we depend heavily on community support. We do not receive any annualized funding from the government, and The United Way funding has been severely limited.

There is no greater investment you can make in this community's future than a gift of time or money to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Clarington. With your help and generosity, we have the potential to facilitate life-changing relationships for every single child who needs us. Unlocking a child's true potential creates a future where anything is possible.

What we do today makes a difference tomorrow.

Darlene Brown
 Executive Director
 Big Brothers Big Sisters of Clarington
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Event by Doug Danter

Guide Dogs Leading The Way

Last month, the Newcastle Lions hosted their 18th Walk for Dog Guides where all proceeds of the money pledged go to the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides. They have raised over \$300,000 over the years. The dogs are trained to help with vision, hearing, seizure alert and autistic children. A great day followed by a great BBQ!

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF CLARINGTON? WE THINK YOU WILL BE SURPRISED!!!

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Clarington (BBBSC) is a non-profit, charitable organization. We have the privilege of providing mentors to hundreds of children in Clarington every year. In fact, BBBSC served over 400 children in 2011 and that number is growing.

You may be surprised by two things about BBBSC:

First, in addition to the traditional mentoring programs, BBBSC provides so many more valuable programs and activities. The demand and cost for these programs continues to climb every year.

These valuable programs and activities include:

- Traditional one-to-one mentoring- provides boys and girls with a role model and a friend to talk to and share experiences with. It is a life changing relationship built on friendship, trust and empowerment



Welcome Aboard Doug

The Clarington Promoter would like to introduce Doug Danter to the team. Specializing in Events/Photographer, we are very excited to have Doug as part of the team.



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HOME COOKING *with Cathy*

Hello there..... the weather we have had lately really makes me feel like comfort food. The following recipes are both great for a cold fall day.

The lentil casserole is a borrowed recipe from a good friend. I have made it at least a dozen times and always enjoy this dish.

The potato leek soup is also delicious. I liked the fact that it wasn't completely pureed. Sorry- no desserts this month. I will make sure I include some next month!! Enjoy!

by Cathy Abernethy

HOME PROMOTER CONTRIBUTOR

Potato & Leek Soup

Ingredients:

- 2 dried bay leaves
- 6 sprigs fresh rosemary, or 2 teaspoons crushed dried rosemary
- 4 sprigs fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 1 teaspoon whole black peppercorns
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 4 stalks celery, cut into 1/4-inch dice
- 6 leeks, white parts only, washed well, thinly sliced
- 4 shallots, diced
- 6 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 1/2 pounds Yukon gold potatoes, peeled and cut into 1-inch pieces
- 8 cups Homemade Chicken Stock Homemade Chicken Stock, or canned low-sodium chicken broth, skimmed of fat
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper



Preparation:

- Make a bouquet garni: First wrap bay leaves, rosemary, parsley, and peppercorns in a piece of cheesecloth.... tie with a piece of kitchen twine, and set aside.
- Heat olive oil and butter in a medium stockpot adding celery, leeks, shallots, and garlic. Cook on medium-low heat until very soft, about 45 minutes, stirring only occasionally.... very important - do not brown.
- Add potatoes, stock, and reserved bouquet garni. Bring mixture to a boil, and then reduce to a gentle simmer. Cook until potatoes are very tender, about 40 minutes. Remove bouquet garni, and discard.
- Pass half of the soup through a food mill (1 cup at a time), fitted with a medium disk, into a large saucepan. Then add remaining chunky soup. Place the saucepan on medium-low heat to warm soup. Slowly stir in milk and cream, and season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve hot.

Lentil and Brown Rice Casserole

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup dry red or white wine
- 1 1/2 cups vegetable or chicken stock
- 1/2 cup dried lentils, washed
- 1/2 cup uncooked brown rice
- 1 cup mashed canned tomatoes
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1/4 tsp. dried thyme
- 1 small bay leaf
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- Pinch of pepper
- 1 tsp. dried basil
- 1/2- 1 cup grated cheese (cheddar or swiss)



Preparation:

- In a 6 cup casserole dish, combine wine, stock, lentils, rice, tomatoes, onion, garlic, thyme, bay leaf, salt, pepper and basil. Mix lightly but thoroughly. Cover tightly with lid or foil. Bake in 350 F. oven for 1 1/2 hours or until lentils are tender and liquid is absorbed, stirring 2 or 3 times during baking.
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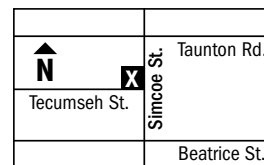
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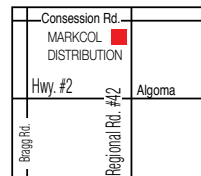
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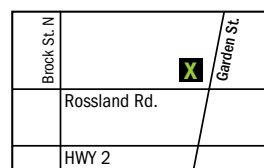
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by Tom Coleman

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As consumers, we tend to

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Or you can visit these markets that source their meat locally: Clark Meats in Newcastle, Country Market Garden Centre in Bowmanville, and The



Egg Shack in Orono.

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Hawk Full Of Life

by Sandra McBride
B.A. Practice Manager

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On June 5, 2012, the Bowmanville Veterinary Clinic received a call from the Clarington Animal Services that a Red Tailed Hawk had been found by the Durham Regional Police dangling from a tree, completely trussed up in nylon netting on Port Darlington Blvd. As part of their community services programs, the Bowmanville Veterinary Clinic will take in injured wildlife for assessment and treatment. Once the animal is stable, arrangements are then made to have the animal transferred to a licensed wildlife rehabilitation centre.

This hawk was suspended in the netting approximately 10 feet above the ground, and with the assistance of the Durham Regional Police the bird was carefully cut down from the tree. Animal Services then quickly transported the bird to the Bowmanville Veterinary Clinic.

On the initial assessment at the vet clinic the bird was found to be profoundly dehydrated and in shock. Under her feather

coverage, she was completely ensconced in nylon netting which was wrapped around both wings and legs, and across her back, cutting into the skin there. The left foot was so wrapped up that it was swelling up from having the circulation cut off. Flies had laid eggs in the wounds and maggots were starting to hatch. If the bird had not been found at the time that she was, there is no doubt that she would have died by the next day.

The bird was assessed for permanent tendon damage which would have made her unrealisable back to the wild. The Ministry of Natural Resources does not allow for native wildlife to be kept in captivity, except by special dispensation, and if damage to the bird had been permanent, then the only choice would have been euthanasia. Luckily, although seriously injured, this hawk appeared to have wing and leg function still intact.

The bird was carefully untangled from the netting, and was treated with pain management medication, antibiotics and fluids at the Bowmanville Veterinary Clinic. By the next day the bird was starting to stand on her own, and was showing a remarkable improvement. She



was then transported by a volunteer to the Sandy Pines Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre in Napanee for further care. Here the bird had several setbacks during the healing process, but due to the dedication of the veterinarians and volunteers there, she has managed to make a full, if somewhat slow recovery. She also received a vaccine to protect her against West Nile Virus while at the centre since numerous crows and birds of prey had died from this virus over the summer.

Three months later, this Red Tailed Hawk was ready to be released back into the wild. She was picked up from Sandy

Pines by another volunteer and was brought back to Bowmanville Veterinary Clinic in order that she could be released at the same location where she was found. This allowed her to orient herself more readily within her original territory.

Although a careless human allowed a stray piece of nylon netting to almost cause the demise of this bird, it is heartwarming to see how so many different caring humans worked together to be able to successfully release of this magnificent hawk back into the wild.

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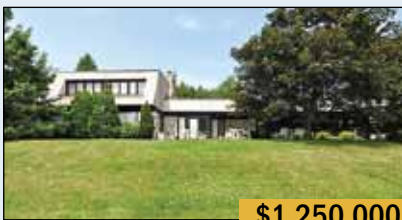


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