



UG secondary schools superintendent resigns

At its regular monthly meeting held Tuesday, **Photo/WES KELLER**
RUNCIMAN HON- OURED: Music teacher Mary Runciman is joined, left, by her aunt Anita Hurd, mother Jean Jenkins and husband, Steven, as she displays the award she received at Island Lake Public School Tuesday afternoon from the Dufferin Youth Festival of the Arts in honour of her contributions to what has become an outstanding annual event in the county.

May 26, the Upper Grand District School Board was told that its Secondary Superintendent of Schools has announced his resignation, effective August 31.
 David Euale started his career in 1974 as a teacher, and has spent 21 of his 35 years in education as a vice principal, principal, and superintendent of schools. He was also responsible for Continuing Education and at one point in his career, for Information Technology for Dufferin's schools. During his teaching career he served as chief negotiator and then president of the local secondary school teachers' federation (now OSSSTF District 18). Trustees thanked him for his years of dedicated service and wished him well in retirement.
 Mr. Euale has been appointed Director of the Student Success and Learning to 18 Branch of

the Ministry of Education. Trustees Jennifer Waterston, Susan Moziar, Linda Busuttill and Ralph Edwards were appointed to serve on the Superintendent of Education Selection Committee.
 The board confirmed that, due to the decision to move the French Immersion students from Dufferin County who currently attend Brisbane Public School to Princess Elizabeth PS in Orangeville in September, overcrowding at Brisbane PS will be alleviated, and the proposed Erin Boundary Review recommended in the Long Term Accommodation Plan will no longer be required.
 The board is currently in the process of renewing its Education Development Charges (EDC) bylaws for Wellington and Dufferin Counties, which are levied on new residential devel-

opment to pay for school site acquisitions. As required in the EDC legislation, the board approved two policy statements. The first states that the board, after a review of its operating budget for the year ending August 31, 2009, has no surplus operating funds to apply to reduce growth-related net education land costs. The second confirms that the board will continue to consider any future proposed opportunities to imple-

ment alternative accommodation opportunities, such as lease buy-backs, site exchanges and joint venture partnerships. The new by-laws will be considered at public meetings on June 16 and August 17 at 7 p.m. in the Wellington County offices in Guelph.
 The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 23, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Board Office at 500 Victoria Road North, Guelph. Everyone is welcome to attend.



Photo/WES KELLER
MAJOR JAMIE HOPKINS, followed by Warrant Officer K. Fenn-White, inspects Alpha Platoon, 1849 Lorne Scots Royal Canadian Army Cadets at its 31st annual ceremonial review Sunday at Tony Rose Arena. Major Hopkins, a former Orangeville cadet who chose a regular military career, praised the value of the cadet experience and the high standards of the local Corps. He spoke of the confidence it gives "a 15-year-old placed in charge of 10 people; most people never get to be in charge of anyone but themselves."

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Upper Grand board lists appointments, transfers

The Upper Grand District School Board has announced appointments and transfers of several principals and vice-principals in Dufferin schools, effective Sept. 1.
 Among the secondary school appointments, Deidre Wilson, currently vice-principal of Centre

Wellington District High School in Fergus, has been appointed principal of Centre Dufferin District High School in Shelburne, and Jennifer Meeker, a teacher at Orangeville District Secondary School, will become vice-principal

Studio III dance and music expanding

Orangeville's Studio III Dance and Music is expanding their music program next fall.
 The studio has hired Melanie Steenburgh, who is moving back to Ontario from London, England, where she was heading up a music program in the school system implementing African Dancing and Drumming ensembles and orchestral and choral festival entries, including an engagement at the Royal Albert Hall.
 Some of her education includes graduating from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Music with Honors, being accepted into the award-winning choir The MacMillan Singers under the baton of Dr Doreen Rao, and becoming a specialist in teaching early

childhood music using Orff, Kodaly and Dalcroze methods. Melanie then went on to the Ontario Studies of Education to complete a Bachelor's of Primary Junior Education.

Ms Steenburgh will be implementing an Early Childhood Music Program, Choral Program and African Dancing and Drumming program. She will be instructing Orff Ensembles using xylophones, metallophones and glockenspiels to create layers of sound and preparing students for private woodwind instruction. Piano and vocal private lessons are already filing up.
 For more information and registration, call 519-940-3840, or visit the website www.studio3dance.net

Fiery meeting expected

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 but indicated he would not be "barking up the wrong tree" by pressing for a stop-work order.
 Instead, he would be bringing forth several other demands.
 Those demands might prove to be as volatile as asking for a discriminatory stop-work order.
 Mr. Cosack said he would be asking the committee to force Highland to

replant the fence rows it had removed, asking for a ruling that cutting a wide swath through a woodlot does not create two by an act of dissection, and asking that all future tree cutting permits and exemptions be posted in the same fashion as zoning changes.
 He said that NDACT just wants to know specifically what Highland is planning "as the largest farming operation in Dufferin."

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