

Each one is different

Knitted hats help keep heads warm for cancer patients

By Bill Rea

Losing one's hair because of chemotherapy or radiation treatments for cancer can be devastating, as well as cold.

A woman living in Caledon East is using her love of knitting to try and counteract that.

Joyce Schmidt has been knitting caps, which Caledon Community Services (CCS) and Hospice Caledon are distributing to cancer patients who need them. The patients benefit

from the head covering, and it allows Schmidt to exercise her creative flair, since no two of her caps are alike.

"I like making patterns," she remarked, adding she designs each cap pretty much while it's being knitted. "I've never made two hats the same."

"I can do one a day," she said, although she added her arthritis sometimes slows down her output.

Schmidt has some strong personal motivations for trying to help people dealing

with cancer. Her daughter died of the disease, and three of her four sons have been diagnosed with prostate cancer, although their conditions were spotted early.

"I've lost an awful lot of friends, very dear friends, to cancer," she added. "It's all I can do to help others, if possible."

Schmidt has created about 20 of her caps for distribution. "There'll be more," she declared.

"I hope one of these days, I will meet one of my hats on the street," she added.

Terry Wernath, a case worker with CCS, said they are trying to set up a program to teach high school students how to knit.

Schmidt has been knitting since she was a child, and she still recalls the first sweater she created.

"It was red, with a little bit of white in it," she said. "I didn't make any mistakes on it. It was gorgeous."

She also remembered taking her knitting gear to school, spending lunch hours knitting mittens for classmates who didn't have

any. She also observed the raw material for her caps, namely the wool, has been donated. "Various people have given me bags of wool," she said.

"I have so many clients who are so grateful," Wendy

Graham, coordinator of client care with Hospice Caledon, told her. "You've shared that gift with so many people. That's the best part."

"As long as the head works, I'll see that the hands work," Schmidt replied.

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None of the hats created by Caledon East resident Joyce Schmidt are alike. Wendy Graham, coordinator of client care with Hospice Caledon, told her she has many clients dealing with cancer treatments who are very appreciative of her creativity.

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MAY 8-11 Theatre Orangeville Youth Singers present Happy Days Are Here Again, at the Theatre Orangeville Town Hall Opera House. Tickets \$15 adults; \$12 youth (age 12 and under). For tickets and more info, call 1-800-424-1295 or visit www.theatreorangeville.ca.

THURSDAY, MAY 8 Probus Club of Bolton District meets 9:30 am at the Caledon Seniors Centre (7 Rotarian Way, Bolton). Speaker: Dr Payam Dehghani, Senior Cardiologist with St Michaels Hospital, on "Dispelling the Myths of the Aging Heart". Call David 905-880-7460.
Spring Music Night, 7 pm, at Mayfield Secondary School (Bramalea & Mayfield Rds). A showcase of Mayfield's musical talent. Adults 10; Seniors and Students \$5; Children 10yrs & under free. Tickets available t the door.

FRIDAY, MAY 9 The Caledon Seniors Centre Players present their Third Annual Review "To Make a Living", 7 pm, at 7 Rotarian Way, Bolton. A riotous presentation making fun of all occupations. Tickets \$10/person. Refreshments erved. Call 905-951-6114.

MAY 9 & 10 The Caledon Townhall Players in Caledon Village present "Enchanted April", a light-hearted, romantic comedy. Tickets \$15 for evening shows 8:15 pm; \$12 for Saturday matinee at 2:15 pm; \$28 for supper/theatre on May 10th at 6:30 pm. For tickets, call 519-927-5460 or www.caledontownhallplayers.com.
SATURDAY, MAY 10

Teen Ranch Open House, 10-3 pm, at 20682 Hurontario St, Caledon, just S of Orangeville. Free activities, trail rides, giant swing, ce skating, boating, and \$5/barbecue lunch. Call 519-941-4501 or email info@teenranch.on.ca.
Bazaar and Lawn Sale, 8am-2pm, at Alton United Church 1532 Queen St, Alton). Childrens Penny Auction, treats, silent auction, Mothers Day gifts, clothing, jewellery, bake table, furniture, appliances and lawn sale items.

Annual Yard Sale hosted by Bolton Alliance Church, 8am-1pm, at the Caledon Seniors Centre (7 Rotarian Way, Bolton, behind the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness). All proceeds going to Caledon Community Services' Kidz to Kamp program.
Annual Mothers Day Plant Sale, 8am-12noon, at Palgrave United Church (Pine Ave). Hanging baskets, annuals and perennials.
MAY 10 & 11 Palgrave United Church (34 Pine Ave) Silent Auction open to the public on Saturday (8am-12noon) and Sunday (12noon-4pm) for bidding. Auction ends May 11th at 4:00pm. The auction includes antiques, collectibles, jewellery, lighting, china. Call 905-880-0303.

SUNDAY, MAY 11 The Caledon Concert Band presents its Spring Concert, 2-4 pm, at Christ Church (Nancy St, Bolton). Come and celebrate Mothers Day. ickets adults \$10; students & seniors \$8; Children 12yrs & under free. For more info, call 905-495-0145 or 905-857-7629.
MONDAY, MAY 12 Meeting of the Headwaters Newcomers Club, 7 pm. Open to women who have resided in the Erin/Hillsburg/Caledon area for less than 3 years. For location and more information, call Deanna 519-833-1061 or Joy 519-855-4248.

TUESDAY, MAY 13 Meeting of the Peel North Branch of the Retired Women Teachers of Ontario, 10:15 am,

North Bramalea United Church (363 Howden Blvd). Installation of Officers, Memorial Service, and Speaker on "Personal Emergency Preparedness". RSVP to Karin 905-796-2146.

MS Self Help Group meets 7-9 pm, at Christ Church Anglican (22 Nancy St, Bolton). Support group for those dealing with multiple sclerosis. Location is fully wheelchair accessible. Call Dorothy 905-880-0969.

Meeting of the Orangeville & District Horticultural Society, 7:30 pm, at the Orangeville Seniors Centre (26 Bythia St). Topic: "Healthy Gardening - A Naturopathic Perspective". Refreshments. Visitors welcome.

Wednesday, May 14 Hospice Caledon's Journey's Day Program meets every Wednesday, 1-3 pm, at Christ Church (22 Nancy St, Bolton). This group is for anyone facing a life-challenging illness. Offers information, support and companionship in a caring, confidential setting. Call Hospice Caledon 905-951-3534.

The Old Time Fiddlers meet 6:30-11 pm, in the Albion Bolton Community Centre. Everyone welcome to come out and enjoy the music. \$2/person. Call Scotty 905-451-8057.

THURSDAY, MAY 15 The Bolton North Hill Residents Association (BNHRA) hosts a "North Hill Community Information Meeting", 7-9 pm, in the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness Issues of concern to North Hill residents, will be presented. Call Richard 905-857-3228 or email rich.hunt@sympatico.ca or bhbra@sympatico.ca.

FRIDAY, MAY 16 Caledon Meals on Wheels offers a Gentle Fitness Program for Seniors each Friday, 10-11 am, at St. James Church Senior's Drop-In, Caledon East. This program helps increase muscle strength, flexibility & mobility. Call 905-857-7651 or 905-584-2992.