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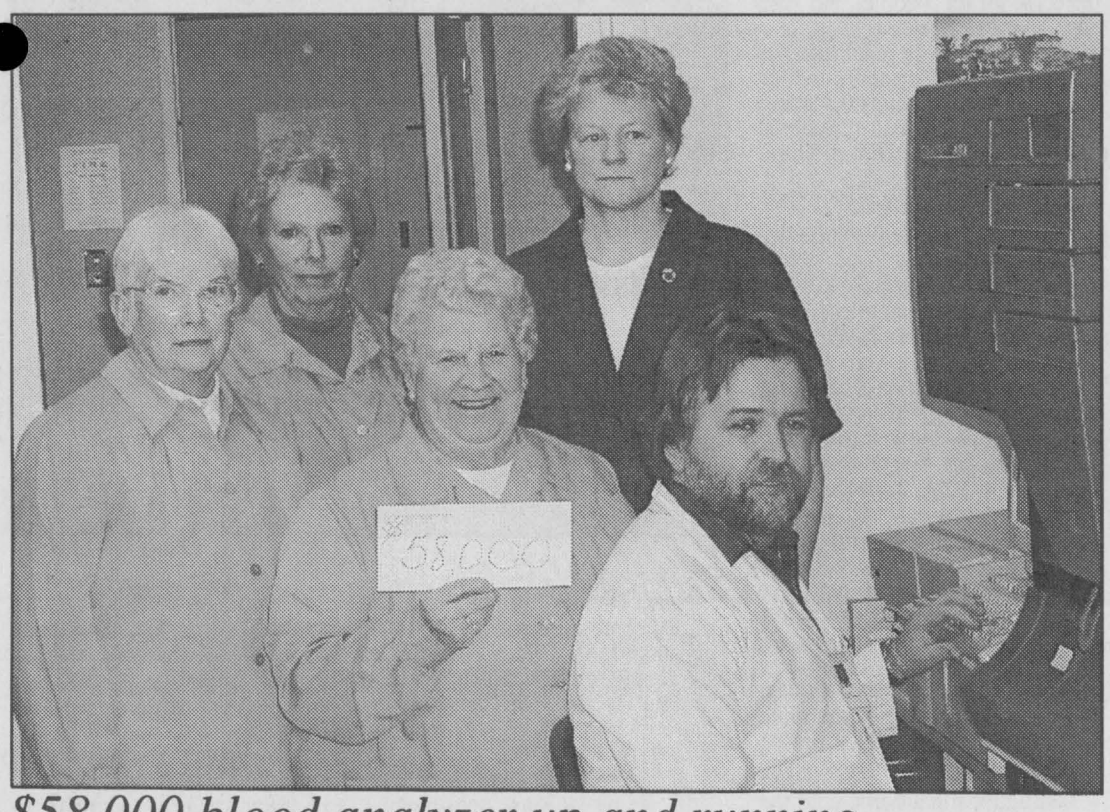

$58,000 blood analyzer up and running

The lab at Winchester Memorial District Hospital received a new hematology analyzer two weeks ago, courtesy of $58,000 from the hospital's In-Memoriam Fund. Gary Gates, the lab's Clinical Leader (seated) says the Coulter Max M unit is much faster at producing blood-test results than the 10-year-old machine it replaced. With Gates are, in front, Marion Carkner, President of the hospital Auxiliary, and the In-Memoriam Fund's Rita Bray. In back are Joan Farlinger, Treasurer of the In-Memoriam Fund, and Edi Baker, in charge of purchasing for the Auxiliary. Also noted were donations by the Auxiliary's General Fund in 1999: a $1,695 biopsy system for the emergency department; three electric beds at $4,000 each; and four oxymeters at $895 each. *Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen.*

South Dundas Council struggling to come to grips with Hydro issue

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

South Dundas Council continues to grapple with the options for South Dundas Hydro. Under provincial legislation intended to bring competition to the electrical sector in Ontario, the local public utility, which serves the hamlets of Iroquois, Morrisburg and Williamsburg, becomes a township-owned corporation on Nov. 7, 2000.

The question is, should the township sell it, keep it, lease out the utility's assets to another company, or amalgamate the utility with those of surrounding municipalities? And does it matter that competing suppliers can already sign up South Dundas Hydro's customers to contracts beginning in November, as of this month?

At its last meeting, council members hashed out some of these issues while deciding to send a township staffer to a Toronto conference concerning the impending changes.

Councillor Audrey Rooney said she hoped that by sending staff member Lorna Siebert, the township would receive back some clear-cut information.

There seems to be lack of solid information at the moment, even as the approaching November deadline creates increasing pressure for a decision from the local politicians during this election year.

"Nobody's ever given me the same answer twice," commented Councillor Rowdy Gillard. "I've been to five conferences and I'm no further ahead."

Gillard said he had heard some Morrisburg businesses had already been scouted by competing electricity suppliers. He added that his own employer, Nestle's in Chesterville, which is served by neighbouring North Dundas Hydro, "has been approached."

Rooney wanted to know why there hasn't been more talk of the leasing option, or of amalgamating the utility with others. Cardinal, Prescott and Brockville have already held discussions on looking at amalgamating the hydro companies under their jurisdictions.

She added, "South Dundas Hydro has never said 'lease' in front of me."

South Dundas Hydro Commission Chairman John Allison told The Chieftain last week that the utility is indeed taking a hard look at leasing out the company as an alternative. Allison recently attended a Toronto meeting of the Municipal Electric Association, at which the leasing option was high on the agenda.

"Maybe there are some things there of benefit," Allison conceeded.

As for amalgamating South Dundas Hydro with some of its neighbours, Allison predicted exploratory meetings between the various parties will take place soon. If council likes the idea of amalgamating and can find willing partners, there will be even more decisions to make. Utility amalgamations can involve joint ownership, the partial sale of shares, or amalgamation (full or partial) by the joint passing of bylaws.

The commissioner also explained that the loss of customers to other electricity retailers really doesn't matter. In November, South Dundas Hydro, technically speaking, will instantly lose all of its customers anyway. Even those customers who don't switch to other power retailers will, by default, become the customers of the Independent Market Operator — one of the companies sliced out of the former Ontario Hydro, which was broken up by government edict last year. Invoices, however, will still be handled by South Dundas Hydro, no matter who supplies power to the consumer.

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Community involvement is now required to graduate

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Any student who begins secondary school in the province of Ontario after September 1, 1999 is now required to complete 40 hours of community involvement in order to receive a diploma. The program requirements were not circulated in time for the schools to move on this program until the new year began. The grade 9 and 10 students next year will be the first classes to put the program into effect. The reasoning behind this is to encourage students to develop an understanding of the various roles they can play in their community and also to help them develop a greater sense of civic responsibility and belonging within the community. They will learn respect for others, punctuality, cooperation, adaptability to change, pride in work, appropriate dress and good use of time. The development of strong ties between the students and their community, thus fostering valuable and long-term relationships.

Students will not be paid for performing any of the community involvement activities. These activities must take place outside of scheduled instructional time; at lunch time, during spares, in the evening, on weekends, during school holidays or in the summer months. They cannot be part of a credit course including work experiences related to credits, they must total a minimum of forty hours and must be completed by the end of grade twelve.

Students are responsible for selecting appropriate activities to fulfil the requirement and everything will be documented.

Parents or guardians will assist in identifying and selecting activities appropriate for the student and that also meet the requirements of the program. They are encouraged to communicate with the community sponsor or their principal if questions or concerns crop up. Parental consent is required as well.

The safety of the student is vital and so before selecting a community sponsor, students and parents should consider the age and maturity match between the student and the activity. Parents are responsible for transportation if necessary for their child to accomplish the activity. Health and safety training are important factors to consider. Protection from hazardous materials and substances is vital for the student. There may be a requirement for a police check, policies, procedures and orientation may need to be provided on the site (by the sponsor) and personal accident insurance may be required.

School principals have the necessary forms and will ensure a list of eligible activities for the students to check into. Therefore Principal Larry Poirier at Seaway High is seeking community sponsors, who can provide the opportunities needed for students to obtain their 40 hours. These hours once completed will be entered on the students OSR (Ontario Student Record) and the Official Student Transcript. Students will be able to enter hours on January 15 and June 1 each year.

"We need community sponsors, where students can do legitimate volunteer work," says Poirier. He can be reached at 652-4878 so a list of activities can be compiled with sponsors names alongside. For instance, Elma Public School is looking for help with a Soccer FunDay...a good volunteer activity for a couple students to gets started on their hours," says Principal Poirier. He suggests that community events like parades, fairs, environmental projects and committee work are good ideas. Working to help the SPCA, food drives, fundraising for an organization, sports and recreational programs, Saturday Basketball, religious activities (Sunday School etc.), helping out at local hospitals (serving juice, delivering mail etc.) Meals on Wheels, youth programs, cleanups, community groups and volunteering to assist elderly folks (Shopping for them etc.) and even tasks at school like Student Government work, helping coach a team,helping others (no power tools can be used), assisting with

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Future of Ontario Hydro's Winchester facility to be discussed

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A township purchase of the Hydro building on St. Lawrence Street in Winchester could be a topic of discussion at a forthcoming meeting between representatives of North Dundas Township and the Ontario Hydro Services Company.

Mayor Claude Cousineau said Monday that OHSC officials had contacted the township last week, and a meeting had been subsequently set up for "the near future."

Exactly what will be discussed and proposed at the meeting is still "up in the air," said Cousineau, who was reluctant to go into detail because of the uncertainty. "We're not sure yet."

OHSC presently owns the building, which was built by its corporate predecessor, Ontario Hydro, in the 1980s.

However, the company is now looking at unloading some of the square footage it maintains across the province, possibly including the Winchester site.

"All we've determined is there's more space for our line operations in Winchester than we need," said Al Manchee, in the media relations department at OHSC's Toronto headquarters. "No decision's been made.

"This is part of a province-wide program to look at what our needs are, and to reduce our costs."

Manchee added the company intends to have power-line crews based in Winchester, whatever the future holds for the facility itself.

OHSC is looking at a number of options for slimming down its real estate portfolio. In Winchester, speculation has it the company will pitch the township on buying the building. OHSC would then lease back the space it needed, leaving North Dundas to do what it wanted with the rest of the building.

Manchee could not confirm or deny that idea. "I don't know," he said, adding again: "They said no decision's been made."

But the mayor predicted council would soon face a difficult decision with regard to the Hydro building.

Right now, township administration is comfortably housed in

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Cardinal explores Power options

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Bill 35 is intended to deregulate all hydroelectric business in Ontario and incorporate them by November 7,2000. Cardinal Council is leaning towards a merger with others in the area, (easiest route, no risk, no competition, but the costs are unknown presently and the level of service is questionable as well) but will make no decision until a study they have requested is complete. "We need to know the ramifications of all options before we decide and there will need to be public meetings to keep the taxpayers up to speed on this issue," said Councillor Pakeman at the regular monthly meeting. This report should be ready by April, at which time Council will discuss in detail and then provide ample opportunity for the residents to meet on the issue before anything if finalized.

Other options include selling Cardinal Hydro, leasing it or keeping the status quo. Cardinal Hydro buys power from Ontario Hydro which sends it out to Village homes, charging residents for the service. Cardinal Hydro has no line crew (Prescott PU provides this service), does take care of maintenance and replacement of meters etc. but are not making a lot of profit.

There are many questions to be addressed including that of job losses within the municipality.

The merger option provides for Cardinal to join South Dundas to the east; Mississippi Mills, Westport and Prescott to the west; and Kemptville to the north. Among the reasons why this is perhaps the best route are the sharing of resources as a cost saving to all involved. Keeping control at the local level is a factor as well, as creating purchasing power for the utility.

By joining forces with another area, there would be a value increase, as well as raising the level of service provided.

In the final analysis, it would be the new municipality of Edwardsburgh-Cardinal that would be the owner of the utility unless Cardinal does anything other than sell. This will make the utility responsible for rural services as well. Council will be kept updated at regular meetings and as Councillor Pakeman noted, "We are on track and will keep the public informed before anything is final."

Bird Sanctuary, upcoming events

Friends of the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary are holding two March Break Children's Days on Tuesday, March 14, and Thursday, March 16, from 1 p.m. 'til 4 p.m. All children must be accompanied by an adult, and there is no admission fee, although donations are kindly appreciated. Snack bar will be open. For more information on how the young ones can enjoy March Break at the Sanctuary, call 543-2547 for more information.

Then on Saturday, March 18, the Sanctuary will be the site of another Moonlight Event for hikers and skiers. Hikers hit the trails at 7:30 p.m., and if conditions allow, skiers move out at 8 p.m. A reminder from the Friends: Warm attire and good boots are essential. Call 537-8230, after 6 p.m., for more information.

And on Sunday, March 26 at 1 p.m., visitors to the Sanctuary can participate in a Welcome Folk Art Sign Workshop. Beginners techniques will be used to create a primitive welcome sign with a birdhouse theme. A $20 fee to do this one, including all paints and cutouts needed to complete the afternoon project. You are asked to bring a half-inch wash and a #3 round brush, and you must call 537-9428 to preregister by March 22.



Christian education week

photo by N. Zandbergen.

Week before last was Christian education week at Timothy Christian School in Williamsburg, an opportunity for parents and supporters to drop by and see what the school's all about. A science fair in the gym was part of the activities that week. Here, Lindsay Bergsma poses with her model village.



CWL St. Patty's Tea and Bazaar a wunderful success on Saturday.

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South Dundas Township voters might go postal

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

After dumping his endorsement of telephone voting because of sudden cost increases, South Dundas Township Clerk Bill Horner recommended another alternative to council: vote by mail.

Horner delivered a full report on the voting by mail system on Thursday, and council promised to make a decision on whether to go with all mail-in ballots in 30 days.

"I'm not prepared to pass this today," Mayor Johnny Whitteker said.

Councillor Audrey Rooney commented, "I think it's going to upset a lot of people, but you have to move forward."

Canada Post is offering the vote by mail system, which would cost the township about the same amount as a traditional ballot-box election. Horner's preferred choice, telephone voting, has since skyrocketed to double the price of the old-fashioned method, placing it firmly out of the running.

Twenty municipalities used mail voting in November 1997.

With the Vote by Mail system, the voter receives a pre-addressed 'voter's kit' containing a voter declaration form, voter instructions and two envelopes.

After marking the ballot, the voter seals it in an inner secrecy envelope and places it in a pre-paid yellow return envelope. The declaration form is also placed in the yellow envelope, with the municipal address appearing through the envelope window.

The kits go back to the election returning office via the mail, and anonymity is assured during the ballot-counting process.

Instructions that come with the voter's kit tell the voter to mail by a certain date and time. If that instruction is followed, Horner told council, the ballot would get to the returning office before the election closes. Voting will take place over a maximum of ten days.

Responding to council's questions about procrastinators, Horner said those who wait until the ninth day would be better off to deliver it to the muncipal office themselves, at that point.

"There have been times when it takes 23 days for mail to go from Williamsburg to Iroquois," the mayor commented.

"If the post office is pushing to have vote by mail, then I think they'll make sure it gets there on time," Councillor Rooney said.

Administrator Mike Waddell noted potential votes can also be lost during traditional elections. "There's no guarantee you won't get a snow storm on voting day and nobody gets out to the polls."

The upcoming election may be the last in which municipalities can use ballot boxes. A new Municipal Act, expected sometime before the 2003 election, will likely require mail or telephone voting, Horner said.

"I see this as an enhancement to the process," Councillor Cam Martel said.



Trust fund recipients

North Dundas Councillor Estella Rose (front, centre) is the Dundas County representative on the John Stewart Estate Memorial Trust Fund board. On Friday, she delivered cheques on behalf of the Fund to: (clockwise, from Rose) Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre ($750, Caroline Rooney, assistant coordinator); Park Lane Seniors' Support Centre ($300, Janet Levere, coordinator); Matilda Senior Citizens Helping Hands ($100, Joan Zandbergen, president); Dundas Manor ($100, Jennifer Hill, activities director); Dundas County Hospice ($150, Reina DeJong, coordinator); and Iroquois Good Companions ($100, Clare Dunbar, president.). *Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen*

Fun time at the St. Patrick's Tea & Bazaar

The Morrisburg and Iroquois Catholic Women's League annual St. Patrick's Tea and Bazaar on Saturday was a wonderful success.

Many, great homemade, handmade and various other times were available for purchase. A delightful lunch was ready as well. The large number who came out were not disappointed at all.

Thankfully the weather was cooperative, enabling 166 visitors to attend and thus become eligible for the donated door prizes. Local businesses were most generous this year again. Winners included; Anna Wynands (A Christmas pine cone basket), Doug Armstrong (A decorated bathroom towel), Norma Wheeler (A crafty clock and large basket of groceries), Lucille Beriault (A Tupperware Fridgesmart sc..., Mary Strader (An angel craft), Cathy Lortie (2 tickets to UCO), Yvonne Lortie (A Scooby-Doo gift basket) Linda tyo (a toy stuffed tractor), Linda Casselman (A toy workbench), Guy DePuyjalon (A paper mache bowl and pitcher) and Barbara Thompson (An afghan).

All donators and visitors deserve the heartfelt appreciation of the CWL for making this not only an enjoyable but most successful fundraiser for the charitable endeavours of the Women's Leagues.



Boarding for Italy

A group of Seaway students and a few staff members were headed for Ottawa to board a plane and fly to Italy for the March Break. The Chieftain caught them as they loaded gear into the shuttle bus enroute to the airport. Mama Mia!. This would be quite an experience for all concerned. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Plaque process beginning for McIntosh Committee

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The McIntosh Heritage Committee plans to hear from a representative of the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board at its next meeting, March 21 at the McIntosh Inn.

Doug Stewart, Eastern Ontario Field Unit Superintendent, Parks Canada, is expected to gather ideas from committee members as to what they would like to see on a new plaque for the McIntosh property in Dundela.

Those ideas will go back to Parks Canada, which will come up with a final text, subject to the approval the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board. Government wheels move slowly, and it could be up to two years before the new plaque goes in the ground.

The location of the plaque was the subject of some discussion at a previous Committee meeting, and it is expected Stewart will shed some light on that issue.

Some have suggested the new plaque be located across the street from the McIntosh property, in Matilda Heritage Park.

The National Historic Sites and Monuments Board recognized the discovery of the McIntosh apple as an event of national historic significance this past January.

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This survey is also available in electronic form at **www.ceonet.on.ca.**

Business and organizations such as schools, hospitals, government will have the opportunity to participate in a survey oriented towards business applications.

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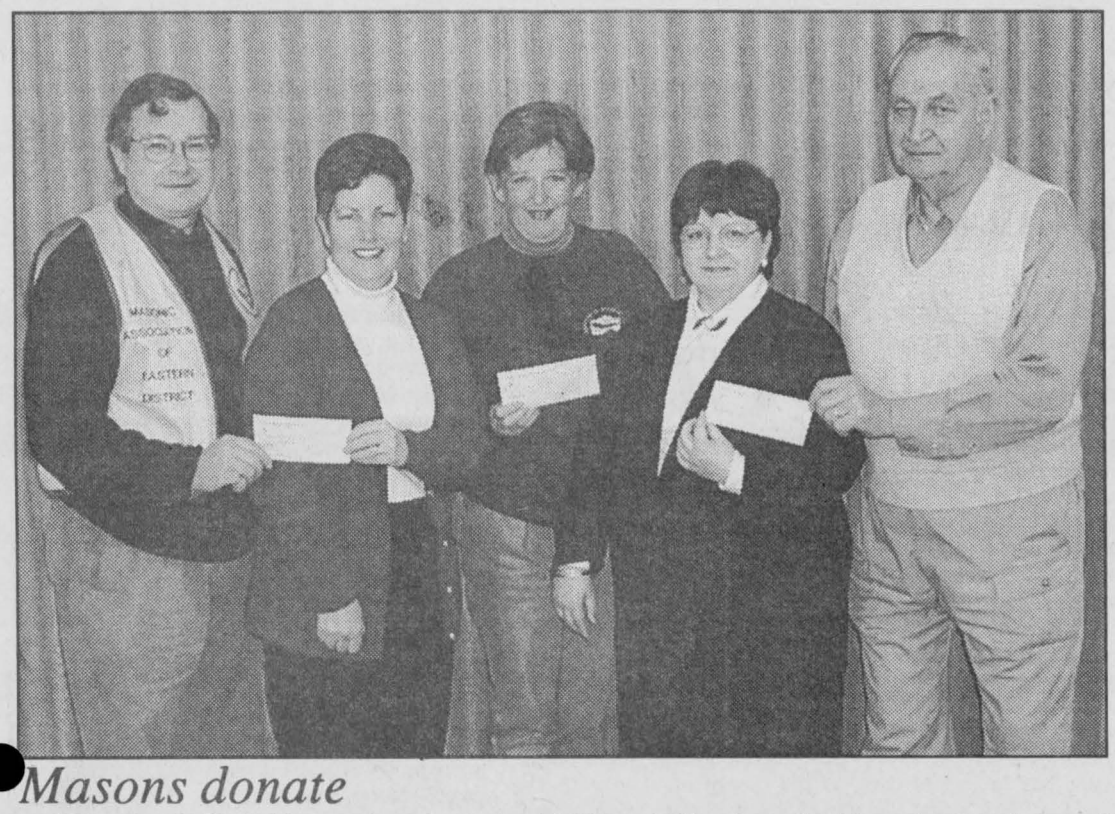

Masons donate

Three local charitable causes each received $500 on Friday from the Masonic Association of Eastern District. The money came out of funds generated by last summer's Duck Race. Pictured: Wes Libbey, Second VP of Eastern District, far left, and Jim Styles, Secretary for the Friendly Brothers Lodge in Iroquois, far right. Between them are recipients (l-r) Janet Levere, Park Lane Seniors' Support Centre Coordinator; Diana Pethick, president of the Dundas County Food Bank; and Verna Leger, acting executive director for Naomi Family Resource Centre.

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Historical groups finding their roles in front of council

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Representatives from two historical groups each brought concerns related to the work of other historical groups to the council table on Thursday.

First up was South Dundas Museum Committee Chair Gordon McGregor, who updated council on the committee's continuing plans to open a township museum in the former council chambers in the Iroquois Civic Centre and received approval to have the chamber's locking door moved out to the end of the hallway.

His first request on behalf of the committee, however, was to ask for clarification about the Tindale house, purchased last year by the township for $1. The DIAMONDS Land Trust, which persuaded the township to save the house from a date with a wrecker's ball, plans to use the site as a museum and display area dedicated to the Seaway project.

McGregror expressed concern the Tindale house could siphon attention away from a new museum at the Civic Centre. "The committee would like assurance from council any operation of the Tindale house will not interfere with the proposed museum for South Dundas and that there would be no drain on grants available for museums in the municipality," he said, reading from a prepared letter. "We feel that it is not feasible to have three museums in the townships. If the Tindale house is intended to be a museum of sorts, then that would mean the Carman House, the Tindale House and the proposed museum in the Civic Centre in Iroquois."

It was quickly pointed out to McGregor that DIAMONDS plans to operate the Tindale house without municipal tax dollars. And Councillor Audrey Rooney said she was under the impression the former lock master's house would focus "strictly" on the Seaway project.

McGregor indicated his satisfaction with those explanations and went away assured that the Museum Committee wasn't having its toes stepped upon.

Shortly after resolving that matter, council heard from Jim Jordan of Mariatown, coordinator of a newly formed group of volunteers who call themselves the South Dundas Historical Society.

"Contrary to what Mr. McGregor has said, things do happen overnight, and we've been getting at it," Jordan said, indirectly referring to the Museum Committee's two-year stretch without setting up a museum.

The group had intended to collect, borrow and catalogue historically important documents and photographs in South Dundas, with the blessing of council.

However, Jordan withdrew a letter outlining the Society's plans as soon as he stepped forward.

McGregor had stated earlier that the museum planned to get to work on performing a similar function and was calling on 12 more volunteers to help with that.

"There's no point in two people knocking on the same door," Jordan told council when it was his turn at the table.

That prompted some uncomprehending looks from council members, who asked Jordan if he might consider joining McGregor's effort instead.

"Not personally," he responded.

He added the committee would now focus on cataloging the photographs and records of Morrisburg.

Jordan told *The Chieftain* on Monday that the Society is particularly interested in photographs and pictures of Morrisburg which pre-date the Seaway.

"I have big interest in the history of this area, and much of this stuff is still going to the dump at the moment."

When asked, he denied any rivalry between the two groups and said he thought either the Iroquois Civic Centre or the Tindale house on the Point would make a good spot for a South Dundas Township museum. "My choice might have been out on Iroquois Point," he added.

One former member of McGregor's Musem Committee is known to have quit and has since joined the Society.

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Casselman Reunion

Dear Editor,

This summer in Morrisburg, Ontario, Canada on July 7,8 and 9, 2000 descendants of the Casselman family are planning a major "international" family reunion.

All Casselmans, descendents and friends are invited to attend. The organizing committee for this event has been searching the world over for descendents of the Casselman family. At present there are 22 variations of the Casselman name found in the records in the Mohawk Valley, N.Y. The three common spellings are Casselman, Castleman and Casselmann. Others include: Caselman, Cassalman, Cassellman, Casselmannin, Casselmans, Cassleman, Castleman, Cosselman, Kaselman, Kasselman, Kassleman, Kassiman, Kasslmen, Kastelman, Keaselman, Keasselman, Kossiman and Kosselman.

The first major Casselman Family Reunion was held in Morrisburg in 1984. Upwards of 2000 people representing 601 families attended this event from Canada, Germany, the United States and France. This year, the attendance is expected to be even greater and attendees are coming from as far as Australia. The Reunion events will consist of genealogy, an old time dance, a picnic, childrens' activities, group pictures, activities for bored spouses, an evening of speakers and genealogy, church services and other events.

The Canadian Casselmans are descended from several Loyalist families were granted land in Eastern Ontario. These Loyalists were the descendents of two Casselman Families who migrated from Adelshofen Germany in 1709 via England to West Camp, New York.

One of the primary purposes of the Casselman Ancestral Society is producing an accurate and extensive family genealogical record. If you are a maternal or a paternal descendent, our Casselman genealogists want to be sure to include you in the family tree. The genealogists will also be interested in other family information or pictures you might have. Register early to be included.

For registration and or information: **CASSELMAN FAMILY REUNION 2000, BOX 607, TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH DUNDAS, MORRISBURG, ONTARIO, CANADA, KOC 1XO**, or visit our website at **http:/www.glen-net.ca/casselman.**

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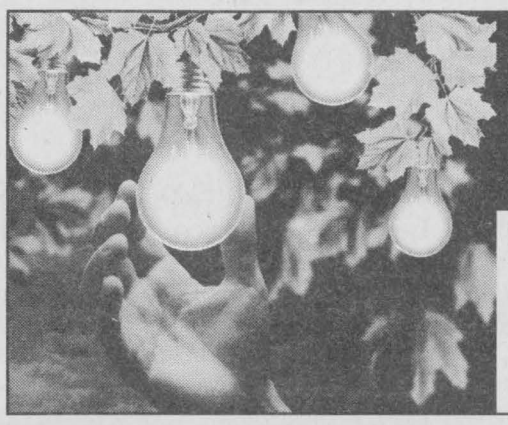

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There are two types of firearms licenses for adults. The first is a Possession and Acquisition License which allows you to acquire additional firearms as well as possess any they already owned. This is very similar to the previous FAC. It requires proof and satisfactorily completing the test related to the Canadian Firearms Safety Course. It also requires proof of satisfactorily completing the Canadian Restricted Firearms Safety Course if the holder wants to acquire restricted firearms. The applicant must provide two references, a photo and proof their spouse is aware of the application. The fee is $60 for non-restricted and $80 for restricted acquisition licenses, valid for 5 years.

The Possession Only License allows individuals to possess firearms they already owned as of December 1, 1998. There are NO requirements for proof of the Canadian Firearms Safety Course, No references or spousal notification for this license. New Possession Only Licenses will not be issued after December 31, 2000. After this time, all new applicants will have to apply for a Possession and Acquisition License. The fee is $45 and the license is valid for 5 years.

The changes also require that all non-restricted firearms are registered by December 31, 2002. This includes all rifles and shotguns that may have been owned for many years are subject to registration

Remember to get your application in early!!!

I may not agree with the law, but there seems to be no choice but to comply. If you are a gun owner or user, take note this is for you! Time is running out and courses are few and far between. I took the safety courses, but the restricted firearms course results were not provided due to the instructor's death...this one will have to be repeated.

The law if pitted with holes, flaws that will show up later once everyone has complied. We have no choice but to do as ordered. I believe that by registering my firearms I am only providing those who would commit a crime with fodder for their resource list...the government will grab the funds paid and no one will ever see any fruit from this vine. Registration will not cut down the crime rate, nor will it deter criminal types, it will help them to locate firearms and possibly get those law-abiding citizens who shoot recreationally in hot water.

Did you hear about the man who had his home broken into?... The thieves were not apprehended, but they stole his firearm that was illegally stored in the front closet and he has been charged! Where did the good sense of the leaders of this country go? A person is not entitled to defend their own personal property, either!!

This government , the same that legislated this law demands that everyone take the courses...even retired OPP officers who have worked with firearms all their lives, taken all kinds of special training to do so and now have to take a civy course in order to keep their firearms. Tell me this is not a money grab!! **S.L.J.**

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Memories of a lifetime at the family garage for Jack Fetterly

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by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The name Fetterly is synomymous with the corner garage in the Village of Iroquois. It was an everyday occurance to call for parts or to set up an appointment to have the oil changed and hear that familiar voice at the other end, "Fetterly's, Jack speaking."

Stopping by for a tank of gas or a chat, the Fetterly brothers were always ready to oblige. They had learned their trade well. Courteous and always business with a smile, they were well known in the area.

Retirement has not been entirely kind to Jack. His health is fine and he looks great. His mind is sharp and he keeps busy. He lost his first wife, then his brother and lastly his sister-in-law is not well. He has his son and daughter and their families and a new wife to share things with, but he cannot travel as he had once hoped to..."We can't leave Ruth (Mrs. Mack) right now." His tone is not one of regret, for he knows what has to be done and he will do it. Taking care of family is first and foremost. The view from the living room window displays a marvellous stretch of the mighty St. Lawrence River and the wide expanse of the golf course, nothing to obstruct the eyesighting of the water as the ice breaks up and begins to flow. The sun dances off the waves as the current keeps the surface moving and the earth prepares to explode into rebirth as spring approaches. A good place to settle and a wonderful spot for retirement, among friends and family where memories remain alive.

As his wife Irene notes, "Our lives are wound around our automobiles."

How automobiles and the auto industry affected Jack Fetterly's life could fill volumes. He is a man who is definitely proud of his heritage and the town where his life was molded.

His father started in the garage business in "old Iroquois" and moved to the new village when it was being created by Ontario Hydro. He brought his two sons, John (Jack) and Malcolm (Mack) along for the ride. Growing up with the smell of gasoline fumes, oil and grease, both Fetterly lads could not help but step in to fill their father's shoes when he retired. Now, the only one left is Jack. Just prior to his brother's passing the garage that stands at the corner of Highway 2 and Carman Road today, in testiment to the business the Fetterly family fueled, was sold. The day of the auction was one of mixed emotions as a era passed and another began. Then the brothers entered the next phase of their lives, that of being retired...

When Jack shows this reporter the painting on the wall of the dining room, the original garage that sat perched along the bank of the St. Lawrence River, pride swells. He points out a clock presented to him for service and it is evident he recalls why he received such an award.

He has created his own museum of his life in the basement...and this reporter is anxious to see what he has done with things. Many of the pictures etc. have been seen previously at the garage years back.

Moving to the basement, it is with awe that we notice the walls are covered with old photos, and various other memorabilia that makes it seem like yesterday that Jack was in his blues with his name embroidered above the pocket ready to serve customers. The shelves along the east wall are loaded with "Parts Books" on cars from a time now passed. "We had manuals, but they have all been picked up by people restoring old cars and trucks," notes Jack as we browse through his memories. A cloth from an oil company, photos of accidents and new cars, people who have influenced his life and the family snaps that provide the foundation for his later life...the moving of the town, the various stages of his father's garages as the business grew...all documented here. His life as it evolved through the years can be traced on the walls of his basement.

Fetterly's was a prominent business in Old Iroquois. Hanging on the bank of the River, the stone presented a strong and lasting facade which foretold of the longevity of the Fetterly business in this town.

When the new structure was built it was a showplace for all to admire, for it included a showroom which was state of the art as Chrysler dictated the need for their dealers to have such a display area. Photos show the grand events that were held when the new models came out each year. Employees were recognized and the latest features emphasized as potential buyers came out to check out the new Dodges and Chryslers.

Jack smiles as he notes, "Pleasant memories are wonderful"...how true!

He points to various photos that show horrendous accidents. The OPP used to take photos and always provided one for Fetterly's as well since their job was to tow away the wreckage. "I chose to work in the truck end of things. It was a busy, busy life, but we specialized in the truck field and I

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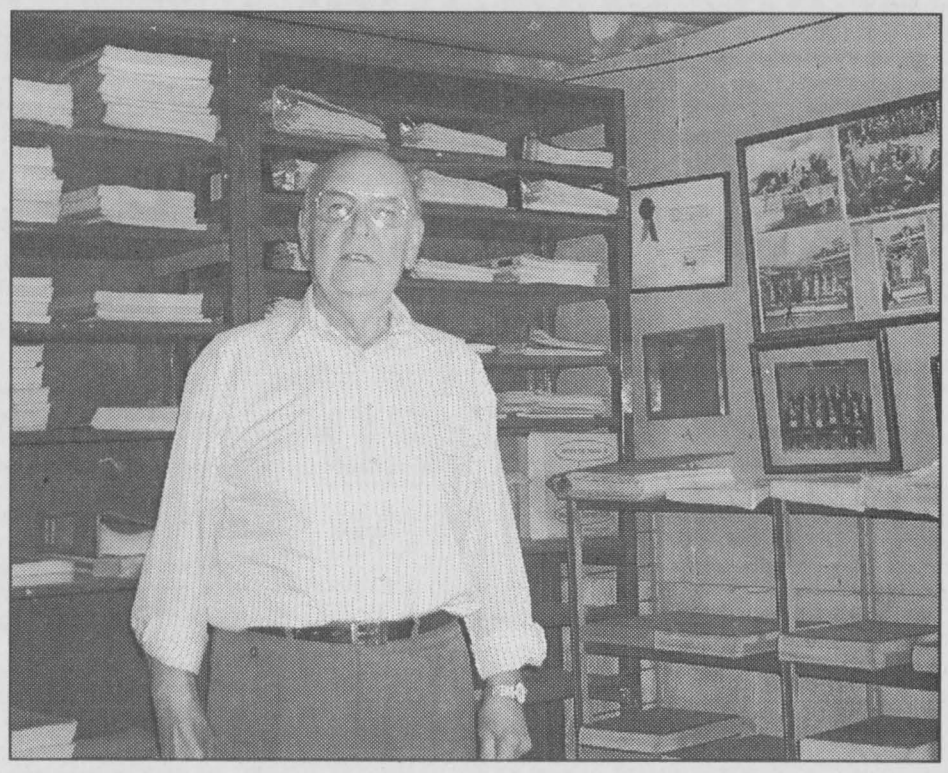

Jack Fetterly and his memories in his homegrown museum.
Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

New born brings "GREAT" excitement

Just Plain Livin'
with Sandra Lee

Cough! Hackkk!! Gag!!! Choke!!!! Yea, the bug runs rampant yet. Some folks have gone so far as to suggest that it will cling for months-ouch! Buckley's mixture allows sleep to come, (That is how devastating this this! I have retorted to that stuff that tastes like nothing else on earth) and the chest muscles are happy not to be pulled and torn any more. The sinuses are still painful and as this is being typed the entire face is in pain.

The sojgrens is affected in direct porportion to the immune system and when a bug hits with any amount of force, things just go haywire. The face has ached all day long and the jaw, teeth and glands are wild with agony, but other than take some more meds there is nothing for it but to continue as before and move ever forward...and that is exactly what I am trying to do. This is the most annoying part of this disease, the painful days and the aches that seem to be the main side effect.Nothing like a hurting face! The arthritis acts up as if not wanting to be forgotten and the joints scream. Perhaps the weather contributes to the painful movement, no matter, another tylenol and I will be able continue with my tasks.

This has been a real family week for us around the ranch. Firstly the cuzzin from across the ocean called and we had a wonderful visit. Her young son had been reluctant to leave the last time they were over to our side of the pond and he was determined to do his very best in school when he returned so they could come again soon. The money situation had finances tied up since his schooling was costing a bit. He has been attending private school, at a pretty high price to his folks and if he attained a certain percentage he would be able to attend school at no charge like our children do here. Well, he did it! He was hoping to come for Christmas some year, see snow and do all those winter type things, but now his maw is talking about New York City and the eastern USA, so we will see. We would only see them for a short period of time then, and that would be too bad since we see them only every few years.

Then the niece and her hubby made the big guy and the writer a Great Aunt and Uncle as they welcomed a wee lad to make their home complete. We were more excited than we thought once we found out he had been born. The phone chain did not work well and we were a bit late in getting the news, but better late then never! This is probably the only way we will get the title "Great" as a label, and we will take it. He is as cute as a button and is just about perfect in every detail, there is no doubt we will keep him!! The cuzzins from the west stopped by enroute from Montreal/Ottawa to home for a cuppa and a photo or two. They have an Explorer and we were pleased as this time they were in the female's vehicle, a Mustang GT, 3" pipes smokin out the back and a throaty sounding engine under the black hood...a five-speed and a CD player, almost like going to car heaven!

Now, how about this crazy mixed up weather. One day we are running about in shirt sleeves, wearing broad smiles and the next we are bundled up, shovelling snow again. What is that? There was that rain filtering down one day last week also, just so that we could experience the varied items Mother Nature is capable of tossing at us all within the same week. The lawn was a soupy mess and then we awaken on Sunday morning and the entire thing is shining, sparkling and pristine white. It will melt and the muddy mess will take over the front yard once again, no doubt. We will be setting things straight as soon as the sun dries the mud up and the snow is gone for good. We should have no trouble staying busy this spring and summer.

We drove to Maxville on Saturday to grab our tickets to the Maxville Highland Games later this summer. We have wanted to attend for some years and it looks like this year we will actually make it. The countryside was looking like spring as we headed eastward. Catching the names of places like Warina and Northfield as we cruised along and seeing where the Games take place was cool. This marked out first time to visit this part of the country too.

Enjoying supper with friends is always good. BBQing despite the cooler temps, hamburgs and ceasar salad were terrific and then the cake smothered in hot sauce, wow! A fun movie and then at midnight we were cleaning ice and snow from the car windows...what a country!

Upon our arrival home the snow was pelting down and the old mother was worried since the college kid was supposed to be at school and would, we imagined be driving home in this storm. Well, we are surprised to find him playing Nintendo 64. A small snowman greeted us as we hit the steps, an artful wee fellow welcoming us home, one of us was relieved that the gold Tempo

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the bottom line

NOMINEES FOR THE "GILLETTE WORLD CHAMPIONS AWARD" WILL see more than $100,000 donated to charities of choice on their behalf. In the running this year are Brunt Surin, Jean-Luc Brassard and Wade Reddin. These men are all first-class role models who have excelled in both their sport and the community. The awards are presented annually to Canada's top athlete who demonstrates outstanding athletic ability combined with a strong committment to charity work. Past recipients include Curtis Joseph, Elvis Stojko and Trevor Linden. The winner will be annouced next Tuesday at Skydome and will have $50,000 donated to his charity of choice. The others receive $25,000 each for their charities.

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ONE THOUSAND HEINZ BABY FOOD LABELS, TWO BOXES FULL OF THE labels from Baby Food jars have been collected. Each label garners 10 cents for CHEO. The box for your labels is situated inside the S&F Foodland store window in Iroquois and your contributions are gratefully appreciated. Such a small thing for such a great cause. We are fortunate to have the Childrens' Hospital of Eastern Ontario close by. The wonderful work that is done there is well worth our support. Rather than tossing those labels when you wash up the jars, put them in an envelop and drop them by the grocery store when you come to shop. Thanks to all who have donated thus far...keep up the good work!!

THE DIABETIC EDUCATION PROGRAM AT WINCHESTER DISTRICT Memorial Hospital support Group Meeting this month is centered on Artificial Sweeteners. The guest speaker is Deidre Cooke and it promises to be informative and entertaining as well. Not only those suffering from Diabetes can attend, the hour and a half meeting which gets underway in the Conference Room at 7pm, but any interested persons. Well worth the trip to learn about things like this.

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THE DUNDAS DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE EDUCATIONAL WORK-shop will be held on Saturday, March 25 at Park Lane Seniors' Support Centre in Williamsburg. Registration begins at 9am and is only $8.00 including lunch! At 9:30 Koran Brown will take everyone "Container Gardening" for an hour and then Kathy Cappola says, "You Are What You Eat"...and asks, " What do Food Labels Really Say?" an hour break for lunch will provide time to chat as well and then Fred Duval will teach how to decorate a cake with ease and professional strokes. The last workshop will be presented by Annette Devette who will have everyone making a Pine Cone Basket. Sounds like a fun-filled day of creativity.

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Livin'

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was in the yard. He instead went to school on Sunday to accomplish his latest project. Some will wonder why he has to go to school to do this when we did get the Apple computer, well we have not yet gotten the program. They too are on backorder as is something very usual nowadays, he has his name on a list and hopefully soon he will get it and the trips to school will become fewer.

The other son is spending his March Break in Daytona, Florida on a trip with friends. His old mum was not completely in agreement with this journey, but what can I say? He left Saturday for a fun filled week in the sun and we can only hope he has a great time and comes home ready to really buckle down in school. A phone call reassured the folks that all is well and he understands the dangers with being alone in a strange place and so will take the necessary precautions. The weather is warm, the ocean close by and judging from the tone of his voice he is already having fun.

A city cuzzin and his missus, as well as a cuzzin's daughter winged their way to Italy for the same period of time. This should be an awesome holiday and we look forward to their return and the stories they will have about Venice and Rome and all. Word is that they arrived safely and are enjoying things immensely...why not?

The snow afforded some opportunity for snapshots and as the sun rose and the snow began to sparkle. The snowremoval crews were out in force and the roads were passable in short order. The birds are unsure of what they are doing back here when we have these piles of snow. The wires are filled, the roadsides are covered adn the songs of various of our feathered friends can be heard drifting across the open spaces. The car was washed and shined, and then the snow piled high and the salt trucks and the sanders were out, it was the old editor's turn to work the weekend and so the car is no longer clean.

The big guy will get the income tax returns in the mail this week and we also hope he is able to find some time to just kick back and do nothing as he enjoys his March Break. A trip to the city is planned to accomplish some window looking and perhaps even a few purchases and a night or two out for dinner as well.

Watching the Junos was fun. When Paul Brandt won it was neat that I have had my photo taken with him.

Now that the Junior B Lions have wound up their season, I enjoyed some Novice hockey on the weekend. These little superstars do a great job. While on the subject, I won a gift certificate while listening to CISD The Storm, Community Radio 107.7-fm right here in Iroquois. I was listening while at work and as I drove home a contest quizz was on. When I got home, I decided to call in since I knew the answer to the question being asked. What are the odds? I was the winning caller and got my name announced. Then towards the end of the week the little girl in the front office was an winner on Country 105. She had faxed our company letterhead to the radio station and after considerable time it was chosen and so she will be inviting ten of her closest friends to eat at the Lone Star on Baseline Road. A winning trend at The Chieftain it seems!!

A brief mention here of neighbours, Happy 50th Noel and Brenda Risk, and many more happy years!!

Driving home after a meeting on Thursday night it was difficult to see and the ice pellets on the windshield were not what I expected. It makes it worse when you figure that winter has all but spent herself.

Speaking with Rita Bray on Saturday the writer learned that Tommy Tiger is doing much better having been diagnosed with the worst case of animal asthma ever seen by his veteranarian. This is one special feline for sure and we understand he is taking his meals in the living room until further notice. Hang tough Tommy!!

Lunch is a hardly ever occurrance for the writer, but this week we will try to get home and share with the big guy and the college kid.

Shovelling the snow on Monday morning was not exactly the best way to start a week, but what can one do? The wee snowman is hangin' tough as the snow melts off the roof and the water drips on him, he is almost crystalized, but still remains intact. The mud mounds began to show through the snow as it slowly melts and we know what will happen as it receeds even further. Not a pleasant picture for sure!

Take care and enjoy the topsy turvey weather. March is like a crazy mixed up bag of all seasons. Dress properly and smell spring as it comes on the very air we share. The wisdom this week comes from Mme de Stael who said, "Tolerance is the virtue of the weak."

Focus

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found it was where I was happiest. We worked for the Ontario Motor League (Like the CAA today) and were responsible for the corridor from Cornwall to Brockville. We had 3 trucks ready to roll at a moments notice. We also took care of the Gliden Tour...where older automobiles, which fit a specific criteria cruised the corridor...and he points to a line of cars followed by the Fetterly wrecker and service truck driving Highway 2, along the Cardinal Canal. "Packards, Stanley Steamers along with Dodges, Fords and Plymouths...-old gals for sure," remarks Jack."All the work was done by hand, there were no power tools then. We worked for the Transport Companies...Smith, Kingsway, Direct Winters (DW) and Direct Motor Express (DME)...-why we had 2800 tires mounted on wheels ready for DW and DME alone! They'd sit against the shop wall until needed. We'd get a call from one of their drivers and out we'd go to change a tire, wheel and all. Men, all good workers like Jimmy Duncan, Art Sloan, Murray Storey, Carm Caldwell and Carl Robinson along with Mack and myself would head out to get the job done no matter the weather or the conditions, to manhandle those big fellows into place and get the truck on the way to their destination."

Showing photos of accidents that made the headlines of the day, Jack recalls every detail as soon as he locates the year of the truck or car, he is off with a complete commentary of the incident, like it was yesterday rather than fifty years ago. "Mack and I pulled many transports apart and saved some lives in the process I guess. There were no ambulances to call when we were first on the scene. Mr. Fitzsimmons acted as undertaker and coroner all in one."

"This one was near where the cabins are at Bill Robertson's place east of town. A transport was stuck along Highway 2 and burned. He points to body parts and tells us he knew the driver through the garage. Another he explains was a car-truck accident where the driver received more fractures than anyone who ever went to the Brockville Hospital. "She was hurt in the winter time and left the hospital in June!"

He makes us aware of the time when the railway was on strike in 1950, every truck taht would move and a driver could handle was on the road. "Why it was absolute chaos...every local delivery truck and every driver with a license was called into service. We worked accidents that resulted in 8 fatalities from Gananoque to the Quebec border...not good news for sure."

He shows one of an Allied Van on Highway 2 where the Coast Guard Road meets it..."Jim Brouse worked for us then. We had to pick the tractor up and square it with the trailer before pulling the entire thing back out the way it came into the ditch. It took a lot of time, usually in cramped quarters and with a lot of spectators in the way. It was difficult pulling accident pieces apart." He turns the page in the album now and we see another bad one..."The driver was pinned, and we could not seem to get him loose no matter what we did. I was pulling and every time I winched a bit he cried out in pain. Mack was trying to lift him as I pulled the cable tighter. I went back to help Mack and see what was happening...We located a broken bottle piece that was pushing farther into his back every time I pulled the cable tighter...no wonder he cried in pain. We removed it and pulled the steering wheel away from his chest and he was out.

The fondness for his chosen profession is clear in his eyes as he looks at and describes each and every photo. Hanging prominently on the wall is his registration as a Motor Vehicle Mechanic, validated each year with a sticker from the Ministry. "I kept this up even after I quit working on vehicles, although Mack used to tell me I was foolish to bother, it just seemed right to do it."

An accident on a stretch of Highway 2 coming East from Cardinal, on Sawmill Hill, when the roadway was changing its path, the mud from the new road to the old route was balmed for the accident. "It took a bunch of men with 4 dump trucks to clean up the mess after we got the trucks pulled apart,"says Jack. "The Mack tractor was only 3 weeks old the day of the collision, it ended up going right through the trailer of the truck it struck. The driver was of course pinned in the cab. A doctor came from Prescott and administered a shot to deaden the pain for the poor fellow . Mack lifted him while I yanked the seat cushion from under him and we were able to free him then when I tugged with the winch and pulled the steering column away from his body."

He recalls the time when the bus went through the guardrail along what is now Lakeshore Drive, down near Loyalist Park today. He points to a young sailor who dove down time after time to save passengers and finally was trapped and drowned himself. "This was an awful one. We wrapped the cable around through the bus windows and I drew it up the bank, which at the time was about 35 feet steep, not like it is now."

He shows another which happened right in front of Margaret Hamilton's home in the Village of Iroquois. "It was about 4am when we got the call, cables and wires all over." Mrs. Hamilton is shown in the picture sweeping things up on her front walkway. "She was an extremely neat person," says Jack.

In every photo are the Police and he remembers their names like he spoke to them yesterday. The year of the vehicle always identifies the year of the accident and he has no difficulty recalling very minute details of each and every one. It must have surely been a tough life, but as he speaks about each incident and the people he got to know, there is no doubt in my mind he was in a profession he was suited for and admirably enjoyed to the fullest.

Mack was the Parts Man in the the garage and Jack shows a very clear photo of his brother behind the counter. "He knew what you needed by any description at all, he knew his stuff for sure." He turns to another picture of the garage showroom and a grin spreads across his face..."We had four engines that covered the entire field of vehicles, they used the same one in numerous models, from trucks to cars"...he points to the floor in the showroom photo,"The cars are on sawdust which we got from Thompsons Lumber Yard and dyed green to cover the oil stains and such! A lot of work but somehow it all seemed worth the trouble then."

He comes to a picture of himself and the Sunoco representative. "He told me if I could pump one million gallons of gas through my new pumps at the new garage in the new town of Iroquois, I could have the pumps...and I did!" says Jack proudly.

He has a photo with a group of men seated in a group."This was when we were trying to get a Garage Operators Association off the ground. This fellow (as he points to a gentleman) was Bill Brownly the Chrysler dealer in Finch. He was the undertaker as well!!"

On the walls staring down at us are pictures of various town groups, celebrations at the garage, accidents, stories written about the family in local papers and family collages...sitting in the centre of the room is Jack's office desk from the garage and as he settles into the familiar chair it is easy to let the mind travel back to a time when his life was filled to the brim with the auto industry...thanks for sharing with us Jack, we'll do it again soon!!

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Novice "B" Action

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Hosting an eight team tourney on Sunday the Novice "B" Lions were on the ice against the Brockville Warriors. This shot is of the action around the Warriors net. The man in the pipes for the visitors from the west was kept busy as the Lions kept the pressure on throughout the entire game. Ryan Swank did a great job in the Lions' net at the other end of the ice. Some very pretty plays were executed by the Lions, especially those solo efforts.

Novice B Lions playing good hockey as season ends

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Novice B Lions were back on the ice Saturday to face the South Grenville Rangers in an exhibition game. The Lions led by Chris Tindal's hat trick skated to a convincing 8-0 victory over the Rangers. Other markers went to Pat Bongers and Scott Douma with two each and to Jay Keller with a solo. Assists went to Allan Waddell (40, Pat Bongers (2) and Alix Tait and Jane Moss each with one to their credit. Ryan Swank was in the pipes for the Lions recording the shutout.

On Sunday, March 12, the Novice B Lions hosted an eight-team tournament. The arena was filled with excited players and their families.

In the first game of the day, the Lions faced the Brockville Warriors. This game featured outstanding goaltending at both ends of the ice. The Warriors hit the scoreboard at the 2-minute mark of the third period. The Lions pressed and were able to knot the game at 1 with only 3 minutes remaining on a fine individual effort by Chris Tindal. The game was decided by a shootout that saw the Warriors come out on top. Player of the Game for the Lions was Chris Tindal.

Game two saw the Lions facing the Bears from Smiths Falls. The Lions were determined and hit the scoreboard early on goals from Chris Tindal and Jay Keller to give Morrisburg a 2-0 lead entering the second period. The pesky Bears came back and added two of their own to knot the game at 2. In the third, the Lions took control and found the net 4 times to skate away with a 6-2 victory. Other goals came off the sticks of Alix Tait, Pat Bongers, Tindal and Jay Keller. Player of the Game for the Lions was Alix Tait.

With the win, the Lions advanced to the "B" finals against the Kingston Township Titans. The Lions struck first and bulged the twine for the counter as Alex Whelan assisted by Pat Bongers. Halfway through the second, the Titans scored their first of five, to skate away with a 5-2 win. Alex Whelan added the other marker for the Lions and also came away with the Player of the Game award for the Lions.

Highlight for the day was featured in a 7-6 win for the Kingston Cougars over the South Stormont Selects. The Selects, Sean Rudy scored all six goals with four coming on one shift. Kingston overcame a 6-1 deficit to tie the game and then win the shootout in overtime.

Special thanks to all the sponsors, volunteers, parents and rink staff who made the day a great success. Honourable mention goes to Darryl McDonell who spent 12 hours in the time "out" box keeping everything running on time! Next action for the Lions is today, Wednesday, March 15 when they travel to Kemptville for a tourney.

Atom Kings ousted from Ottawa District Hockey League Playoffs

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Minor Atom Kings were ousted from the Ottawa District Minor Hockey League Minor Atom AA playoffs on Saturday, March 11 in Spencerville. The fourth game of the first round playoffs saw the Kings face the second place Gloucester Rangers and come out way behind when the final buzzer sounded.

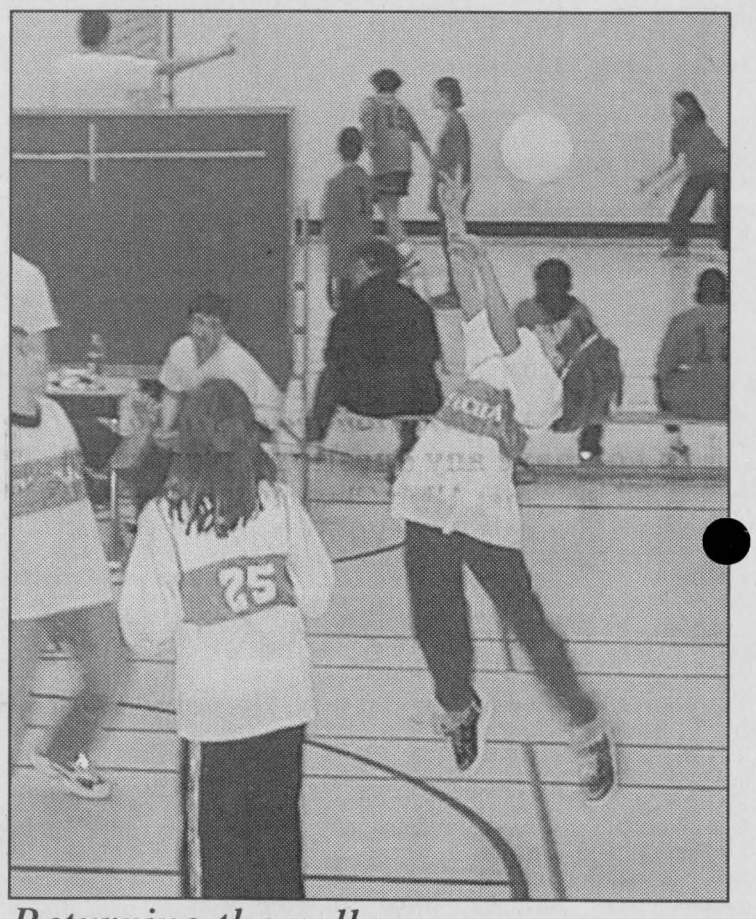
The Kings came out strong scoring at 7:25 of the first period on a quick, low shot by Bobby Little assisted by Matt Lajoie. The Rangers came back and knotted the score thirteen seconds later. They never looked back, adding eight more unanswered goals to win 9-1. Thus the Rangers took this first round to advance to the semi-finals.

Manager Barry Elliott of Iroquois wanted to express his thanks to the players for their efforts as well as their good sportsmanship throughout the entire season. He continued saying thank yous to the coaching staff and the parents for a most enjoyable season. "Parents help out with so much; from working the time clock to recording the stats, fundraising to just being supportive fans," says Barry. "The arena staff in Spencerville, Prescott and Athens for the great ice all year long...thanks to all!" He then added, "I tip my hat to the Sports Editors of the local newspapers who covered our schedule all year long with pictures and columns each week, thank you ever so much! Finally a hearty thanks to the brothers, sisters, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends who travelled, cheered and showed great support to us all year long, THANKS!" says a grateful guy. See you all at the rink next year.



Now Listen Up!

Coach Jim Whelan of the Morrisburg Novice "B" Lions gives his team some advice during a lull in the action on Sunday. The team has two girls who show they have the necessary skills to play good hockey. Here are #4, Ali Tait and #9, Jane Moss. Ryan Swank the goalie is listening as the coach explains a fine point to this terrific little group. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*



Returning the volley

St. Cecilia's Chelsea Kelly returns Nationview's fire at a volleyball tournament in South Mountain on Wednesday. The Iroquois squad went on to win the B championship at the co-ed volleyball tournament. The Nationview team came out the winner in this particular match. *Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen.*

Another successful Mixed Bonspiel held Saturday

with Steve Thompson

Congratulations to Greg McAulay's B.C. rink for winning the Brier, the Canadian Men's Championship, over the weekend.

At our own club, another very successful mixed bonspiel was played on Saturday. The overall winner was the Mark Moulton rink from Prescott, followed by the Lester McInnis foursome from Winchester.



Just a point-and-a-half back were Morrisburg's Larry Cooper, Nancy Barkley, Robert Delegarde and Anita Cooper. Fourth place went to Mary Maynes from the R.A., with a second Morrisburg team of Robert Houze, Sydney Schnurr, Gary Gallinger and Carolyn Beckstead tied.

The final prize position was taken by Yvan Dubeau of Navan, who saw the bonspiel advertised on our website. Curling well but finishing out of the money were Harry and Gail McCallam, with Bob Bergland and Donna Dillabough, Don O'Brien, Barb Rabideau, Gerry Thompson and Alice Thompson, just a half point back. John and Brenda Lyon, with John Vanderspank and Betty Locke, who was just back from Las Vegas, were next.

The final Morrisburg team was Doug Tupper, Jan Craig, Derek Tupper and Tracy Docksteader, who finished assembling their team nine hours before the bonspiel began.

Thanks to Ian McGillis of McGillis Home Hardware for planning the bonspiel and for arranging for an excellent prize table again as well. Our thanks to all the sponsors of this annual competition, to Donna Dillabough for the meals, and to the volunteers who make it possible to hold these entertaining and money-making curling events.

This week we have several teams out at different competitions, including the huge City of Ottawa Bonspiel. We will have local results from those events next Wednesday. The Beavers Spiel will be moved from Saturday, March 18 to 25 because of a conflict with that City of Ottawa Bonspiel.

At the executive meeting March 15 at 7:30 we will be discussing our roof, among other matters. Watch for notice of our Annual Meeting. Also remember our closing bonspiel April 1, our awards banquet later and the fundraising golf tourney and banquet as well as the club's annual yard sale.

Victory is our cry!

The Seaway Spartan Boys Junior Basketball Champs show off their silverware. Capping off a marvellous season, the boys brought home EOSSAA gold as the "best in the east"...pictured with Coach Irv Francis are Zach Murphy, Bryan Groniger, Ben Byvelds, Casey Strong, Jon Biladeau and Trevor Hanes. Matt Peters, Neil Edwards and Scott Hodgson. Missing are Brian Law and Brian Verhoeven. Well done men!! *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

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Iroquois and District Community Calendar

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The Iroquois Women's Institute will hold their March meeting in the Civic Centre on March 16th at 7:30 p.m. The program consists of a talk on Norway, Sweden and Denmark by Mrs. Marion Gilmer. Everyone welcome.

Spring Tea & Luncheon held at the Knox Pres. Church, Iroquois, Saturday, March 18, 2000 from 11 am to 2 p.m.

Iroquois Public School Parents' Council Meeting, Tuesday, March 21 at 7:15 p.m. in staff room, everyone welcome.

Brockville Figure Skating Club presents "Time Warp" featuring Katrina Baker. Saturday, March 25th at the Brockville Memorial Centre at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tickets $5 each. Call Barbara Sharpe at 498-0236 for more info.

Dundas District Women's Institute Education Workshop on Saturday, March 25 at the Park Lane Senior Support Centre, Williamsbug. Registration is $8 including lunch.

Iroquois United Church presents "An evening with Roy Bonisteel" Friday, April 7, 2000 at the Iroquois United Church. Tickets are $15 each, advanced tickets only, dinner included & book signing.

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Royal Canadian Legion Newsletter

by Dar

Cribbage League play was hotly contested this past Saturday by sixteen players enjoying DOUBLES competition. The Top Score of the day was 1057, posted by Lynn Leavitt of Picton, who was in town visiting with the Head family. Willis Douglas pegged 1037 points to squeeze by Ron Perrin and grab second place. Ron settled for third with 1036 to his credit.. Walter Reid snagged 1030 points to put him in the "bridesmaid" category. Skunks were delivered left and right with pairs going to Bunny Bennett, Roger Coulter, Joe MacDonald, Linda McKee and Bob McKee, while Linda Head grabbed triplets! With six weeks of regular play remaining, the top three positions have really tightened up as the two front runners eased back this last Saturday.

By the way...On April 7th at 1pm, Ontario Senior Cribbage is to be played at Branch 370. The preliminary rounds are open to any person who resides in Stormont, Dundas or Glengarry, so please keep this date in mind if you are planning to attend.

At Euchre there were twelve tables being played. First prize went to Lynne Seely and second went to Neil Tompkins. Nina Seely ended up with the Door Prize. A touch of spring must have been in the air as Shirley Cooper and Marie Kelly managed to attract a skunk each.

At Bridge, there were five tables busy and at the end of the day, the winners were Frank Bickerdike and Brooke Leightizer.

Comrade Percy Price, the Service Officer will be visiting our Branch the week of April 13th. Should anyone need to see him, please contact Willis Douglas at 652-4087 and he will make sure of an appointment with Mr. Price.

This coming Saturday, March 18 there will be a St. Patty's Day celebration at the Branch all afternoon, with great music and fine food. Now I owe some fantastic people an apology for not mentioning their names last week. In the beginning when the St. Patty's Day celebrations started at Branch 370, Pat Strader, Jerry Henophy and Maddy MacDonald travelled to Montreal for the greatest Corned Beef this side of Heaven. They started this tradition at their own expense too! Now, this year, they along with others have donated money and food for this festive occasion and I'd like to say many thanks to all of you for your thoughtfulness. If any one, any of the general public care to stop in for some great Corned Beef and cabbage with all the trimmings, feel free to do so. Everyone is welcome and I believe serving begins at about 4pm. It should be a great day.

Activities this week include:
Monday Bingo at the Johnstown Bingo Hall at 1pm.
Tuesday evening Euchre and bridge.
Wednesday is Line Dancing time.
Thursday evening has the Legion General Meeting and **Friday** evening is Mixed Dart League.
Saturday at 1pm, Cribbage resumes and St. Patty's Day celebrations begin.



Dundas Seed and Forage Show

Kathy Hardy of Inkerman and Steven Byvelds of Williamsburg, working through the Dundas Soil and Crop Association, were the organizers of last Thursday's Dundas Seed and Forage Show at the Matilda Hall. From across the county, 98 entries went into the judged seed and forage competitions. Prior to this year, seed and forage competitions in SD&G were centralized at a show in Crysler. The switch back to individual county shows seems to have encouraged more participation, Hardy said. The successful event also drew 36 agri-business exhibitors to the show, filling the Hall and parking lot. *Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen.*

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North Dundas

two-year-old office space on St. Lawrence Street. The acquisition of more floor-space just down the road could create some possibilities, as well as a decision-maker's headache.

"We'll have to do a lot of soul searching," Cousineau commented on any potential deal for the OHSC building.

North Dundas Council, which will make the final decision at some point in the future, has given the OK for talks to proceed.

The OHSC building became emptier several years ago when the former Ontario Hydro spun off customer billing positions. Those jobs disappeared into telephone call-in centres.

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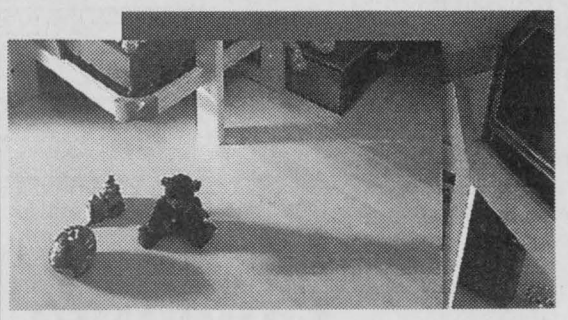
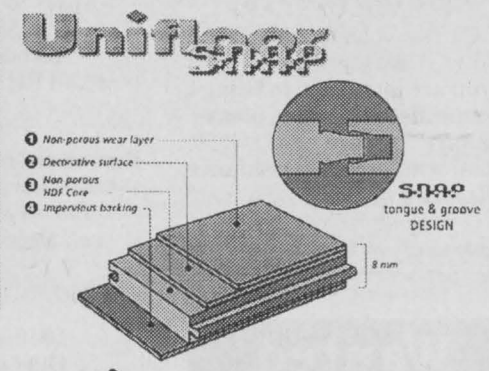

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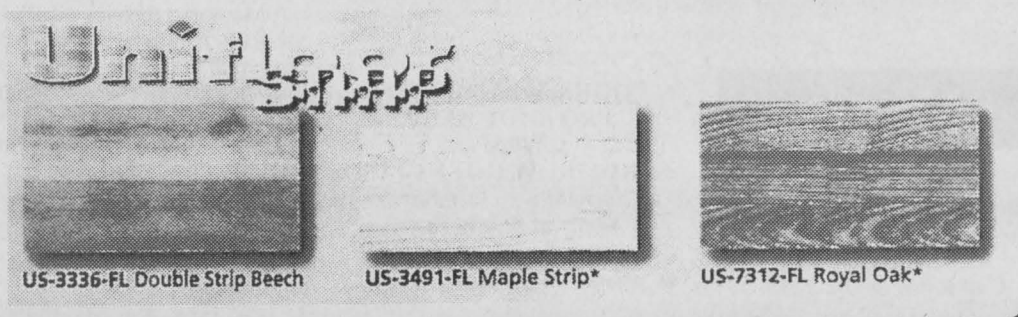

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Sincerely, Mary Lou, Michael & Kim, Stephen & Nancy, Nichole & Ken and grandchildren.
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HUTT: I would like to thank my family and friends for the cards and flowers for my 90th Birthday Party on Saturday, March 11, 2000. Thanks to Johnny Whitteker and Audrey Rooney for presenting the plaques.
Mae Hutt
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JONES: I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Iroquois School Council, especially Isobel Tuttle, Marianna Petre and Helen Tupper, for their successful hard work to keep the "Design Technology Program" for the Grade 7 & 8 students at Iroquois Public School. I am sure all the students are grateful that this program **will** continue.
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OBITUARY

Bernie Coleman

On Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at Kingston Hospital, Jean Bernard "Bernie" Coleman of King Street east in Kingston.

Born in Montreal, Quebec, on January 5, 1961, he was 39 years of age.

Predeceased by his parents; Angus Daniel and Ruth (nee Sauve) Coleman, Bernie leaves to mourn several brothers and sisters.

A Memorial Service was held at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg, after cremation, with Pastor Duncan Perry officiating on March 11. Interment followed at Notre-Dame-Des-Neiges Cimeiere, Montreal, Quebec.

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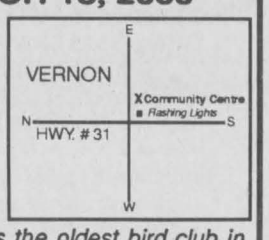

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OBITUARY

Lyle Casselman

Suddenly at Brockville General Hospital, Lyle Stewart Casselman of RR1, Iroquois. Born in Matilda Township on February 13, 1924, he was 76 years of age.

A lifetime resident in Matilda, Lyle farmed all his life.

Predeceased by his parents; William and Oral (nee Merkley) Casselman; brothers; Gordon, Carl and Ellery and a sister, Addie Henry, Lyle was a member of Lakeshore United Church in Morrisburg.

He leaves to mourn the loss, his beloved wife, Doreen (nee Shaver) whom he married on May 29, 1948 in Morrisburg; sons, Dave (Diane) and Gerald (Marlene) all of RR1, Iroquois and Doug (Mary) of Williamsburg. Daughters, Donna (Lyall) of Cardinal and Gilda (Murray) Shay of RR1, Iroquois as well as 9 grandchildren and numerous nieces adn nephews are saddened by the loss.

Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Diabetes Association or the Lakeshore United Church were appreciated by the family.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois where service was conducted by Rev. Don Smith. Interment followed at Sprucehaven Cemetery in Brinston. Pallbearers were Robert Thompson, Gordon Empey, Charles Farlinger, Peter Pepers, John Groniger and Bev Young.

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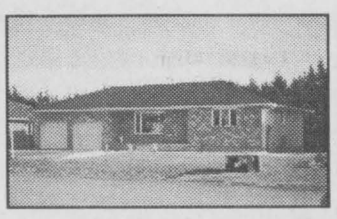

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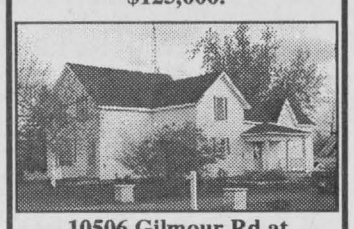

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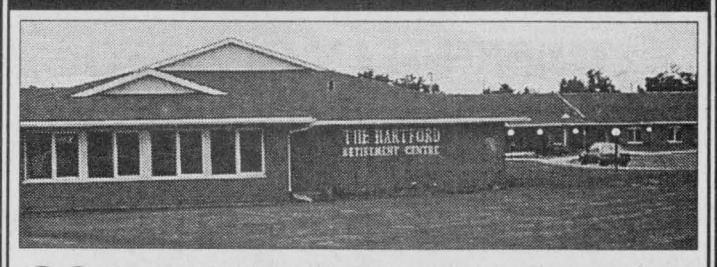

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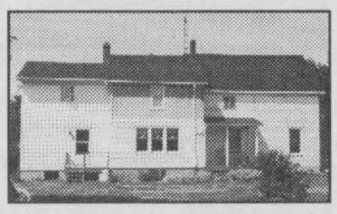

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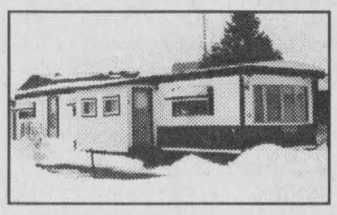

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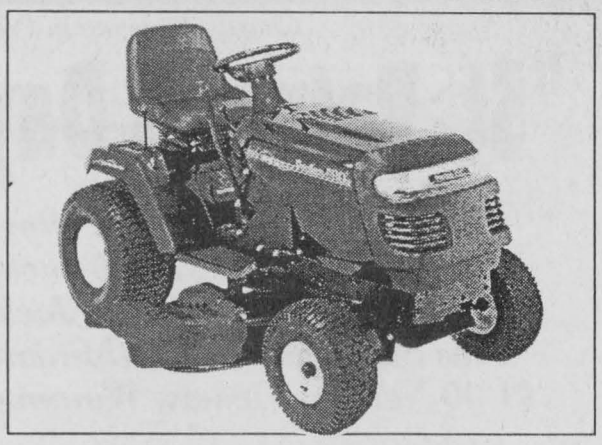

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~ New Minister In Town
~ Bird Watchers Keep Informed
~ New Series On Grief Being held

We need Revival

Let me introduce to you at this time, Reverand and Mrs. Allison Levitt, a new minister to Iroquois.

Reverand Levitt has come to this area from Grand Prairie, Alberta. A minister of the Gospel for thirty years.

Services are on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday evening at 7 p.m. Weekly Bible Studies take place in the home of Golda Beckstead and Yvonne Cowan at 11644 Smail Road, Brinston.

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God Bless You,
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by Marjorie Hamilton

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No battle gun.
Let your word reign Lord,
Thru' the blood of your son.
Heaven to gain Lord,
Hell there to shun.
Heaven our goal Lord,
When the battle is done!



Bar opens

Marion Ryan, formerly of Alliston, Ontario, opened the Between Friends restaurant in Cardinal last December. This past Saturday, she officially opened the bar in the back half of the building. Reg Carkner performed at the opening, in tribute to local citizen, Donny Adams. Ryan says she is still taking suggestions for the as yet unnamed bar. She plans to pick the new moniker by April.

Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen.

St.Lawrence Area Birdwatching

by Linda Anderson



Extremes of weather continue to declare that this is the month of March and a variable month it has been. In one day, temperatures rose to over 15 degrees Celsius, then plunged to -8 degrees Celsius overnight. No matter the temperature, the birds know it's spring and the migration has begun.

Robins are more numerous now and hungry! We had one on our front lawn trying to tug a worm out of frozen ground. Saturday's snow storm covered all the seed and the cedar hedges were hiding places for the robins as they sheltered from the snow. To help these songbirds survive, place fruit such as tiny pieces of apple, cranberries or grapes and protein in the form of dry kibble or canned cat food on the ground.

Cowbirds, redwinged blackbirds, grackles and **starlings** are all back in large numbers and devoured the food at the feeders during the snow storm.

Killdeer have returned and I finally heard one. These are my favourite spring migrant...I love their wild calls. Another resident called in a sighting too.

A regular caller from Cardinal has reported the first **Great Blue Heron** of this season. It was seen on Sunday, March 5th just west of Mariatown in the bay at the park there.

On Sunday, March 12th, the same Cardinal resident had a very good look at a small flock of **snow geese**. There were 8-10 geese flying over just at the bend of Lakeshore Drive as it heads east to Morrisburg. Thousands of **Canada Geese** are on the river. Just east of Iroquois on the Canal, she also spotted a couple of dozen **bufflehead ducks**. The male bufflehead has a large, white patch on a green puffy head.

Our local retired Conservation Officer saw three **tundra swans** off the Shanly Road.

Some winter birds are still here and some are leaving. The Cardinal resident mentioned earlier had a **red-breasted nuthatch**, quite tame, which arrived at their feeder on January 10th and departed on February 9th. **Snow buntings** are still around. We saw an immature **snow bunting** at our feeder on the weekend. It had a very orange throat and upper breast and was feeding with the blackbirds. **Redpolls** are still here, confusing some of us as they mingle with House and Purple Finches. Redpolls are smaller anmd have the distinctive cherry red caps and black chins.

A resident off the Saver Road had a large flock of **Bohemian Waxwings**.

A Hoary Redpoll, perhaps the same bird that was here all winter was seen at a feeder near Brinston. It will be making its was to its northern breeding grounds, the Arctic tundra. A **wild turkey** was spotted along Highway 2. We shall keep the location of turkeys secret since it seems that someone maybe hunting them after we mention the location!

Thank you to all who called this past week. Please call 652-2555 for reports, observations and anecdotes.

COMING EVENTS

WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION
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Refreshments and Cash Bar
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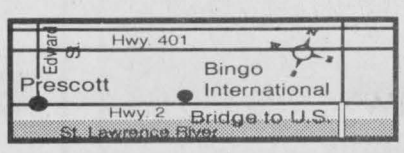

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OPP Youth Camp builds skills and character

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

For a week in July and one in August some 84 young people attend OPP Youth Summer Camp at Orillia, the OPP Academy .

Stephanie Hoffman of Benson Public School was one of two local youth to take part last summer in this adventure. The Spencerville Optimist Club sponsored the full amount for Stephanie to attend camp. She was chosen Top Camper for the July 4-10 week (one of six to have such a distinction!). Her work and effort were further rewarded when a cheque for $100 came to be used at her school for whatever project deemed fitting, where the school can focus on something for her classroom or the school in general; many will share in the bounty, thanks to Stephanie.

Principal Hough was on hand to offer his congratulations along with OPP Sgt. R.S. Martin, Community Relations Officer Cindy MacDonald and Mr. Woodland, a teacher at Benson and Optimist Club member. Mr. Hough noted, "Stephanie has demonstrated skills that will be useful as she heads into adulthood. She is a wonderful role model for the rest of the school. It was a great way to spend a vacation. She is very confident and carries herself well. We have lots of needs at our school and we will use this money wisely. Stephanie will speak to her classmates and together we will all come up with an idea."

Stephanie spoke about the dog demonstrations, the Academy barracks, the day trips, the trip to Wonderland and the horse- back riding. "I met a lot of new friends, learned a lot of social skills (compared to the DARE and the VEP programs taught in Grade 6 at the school by the OPP) and learned to make good choices and wise decisions."



Stephanie Hoffman a grade 7 student at Benson receives bursary.
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Wish Tree Record

The Christmas Wish Tree Fund is up this year by over $3000. The third annual fundraiser garnered $45,242...pretty nice! Cheryl Lecuyer, Chairperson of the Community Relations Committee for the Board of Governors at WDMH presents the sizable cheque to Dwayne Holmes, Chair of the WDMH Foundation. Well done everyone!!

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FROM THE FRONT

South Dundas

South Dundas Hydro will generate revenue not by retailing electricity, but by collecting a toll from companies that use its lines to deliver power to consumers.

BDO Dunwoody has been hired by South Dundas Hydro, as well as North Dundas Hydro and others, to appraise the utility's worth on the open market. Allison said the utility still intends to test the market and will advertise for purchase proposals within weeks or months.

Ontario Hydro Services Company, the distribution network of the former Ontario Hydro, is expected to be among the companies that respond to a call for purchase proposals. OHSC is also expected to make a pitch to the utility's soon-to-be owner, South Dundas Council, in the near future.

At the council meeting, Councillor Cam Martel cautioned his colleagues against making a hasty decision to sell.

"How often do you say 'gee, I wish I kept that '57 Ford?'" he asked.

According to Mayor Johnny Whitteker, a colleague on Counties' Council told him a particular township in SD&G had recently decided to take the plunge and sell its public hydro utility — the first in the three United Counties to commit to the idea. Whitteker didn't know if it was public knowledge yet and declined to name the township on the record.

Graduate

music ...anything as long as it is not peer tutoring which is a credit course.

Ineligible activities include any that would displace a salaried worker, logging or mining activities, factory work, provide direct financial benefit for the student or his/her immediate family; anything that involves swapping of regular chores by two students; any that endanger the physical or mental well-being of students or those in their charge; any association with an organization or activity that does not comply with policies, procedures and regulations of both the Upper Canada District School Board and the Ministry of Education.

An important issue in this requirement is Insurance... It is suggested that parents purchase Student Accident Insurance just to be on the safe side. It is expected that all community sponsors will provide students with appropriate instructions, out safety precautions in place and supervise student volunteers. In addition the Board advises the community sponsors that students who do the volunteer activities are protected by the School Board's liability insurance while performing the 40 hours of required community involvement. Community sponsors are protected as well by the Board's liability insurance for claims that arise out of students' volunteer activities for organizations. (eg.-if a student in the course of volunteering cause damage or injuries to a third party, resulting in a lawsuit against the student and the sponsor, the Board's insurance will protect both the student and the sponsor.) There is however, no accident insurance nor Workplace Safety Insurance coverage through the Board.

Principal Poirier explains, "I see a lot of positive things in this program, including the growth of school partnerships and students gaining skills and expertise that may well benefit them later in life." He continues, "OAC students will have a head start on a resume, and their applications to university and college will improve. The students will have a realistic view of the real world as they will deal with people. There will be a more positive view of students by the community at large. There are so many good kids out there, who do so much already, this will allow more to be recognized."

While we speak abut the program, it comes to light that the idea is for students to work in areas close to home and that way the workforce of some 600 students will be spread across a wide geographical area across the Board and not concentrated in one area. "It will be good for the kids and the groups in the various communities we draw students from will get a hand free of charge. If the students work 10 hours each year until they graduate, they will have the needed hours," says Poirier.

He adds, "I see a lot of students who are so involved in homelife that they lead isolated existences, which is not a bad thing, but this will give them the chance to organize and find time to fit it in. The onus will be on the students to get out and volunteer...they will have to check what is available and talk to sponsors to get involved and meet the requirement."

The late graduation exercises at Seaway will allow anyone who lacks the 40 hours to complete their total up until the time they will get their diploma in October of their graduating year. "We will do all we can to facilitate opportunities for the students. Each student has a teacher they meet with regularly to discuss issues and express concerns; these teachers will have lists and help where they can."

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