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It might look messy now...

... but the Winchester downtown beautification project is underway

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — It's hard not to notice big changes are underway in downtown Winchester.

Construction at the corner lot at the intersection of St. Lawrence Street and Main Street has begun, clearing the way for a park.

What were previously just sketches and design drawings for the property have been put into action. Starting last week, township crews roped off the property and started digging.

A ceremony has been scheduled for Sun., May 16 at 12:30 pm — just after church — to unveil a mural that will hang on the bare wall of the adjacent building (home of Crazy Loonies).

A reception will be held in the park afterwards if the weather is good, or at the nearby Old Town Hall if Mother Nature doesn't cooperate.

The mural — designed to honour the role of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital in the village — was funded through a $19,000 grant from the Community Futures Development Corporation.

Before May 16, organizers of the initiative hope to have other parts of the park completed, including the walkway, a podium, and a "legend board" detailing what the final project will look like. Plans call for interlocking brick and a water fountain.

However, volunteers say fundraising dollars have to be in place before these additions come about.

"Nothing will be done without money in hand," said Owen Shortt, president of the North Dundas Chamber of Commerce, through which the Winchester Downtown Revitalization Committee operates. "It's not a project that we're going to dump on the Township of North Dundas with a huge bill."

So far, the township has paid $55,000 for the corner lot, used casually as a parking lot by local shoppers in recent years.

Shortt said there are a number of fundraising initiatives on the horizon.

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Quacktacular!

The St. Daniel Knights of Columbus Council in South Mountain held its 14th annual duck race on the South Nation River on Sat., May 1. A total of 800 ducks were sold for the event, and approximately $2,700 was raised for local charities. Marlyn O'Connor (left), Richard Berube, Robert Orme, and Phil Labossiere had the responsibility of dumping the ducks into the river to start the race. Pictured with the sign is Albert Koekkoek. *Press Photo — Uhrig*

Protect water with management: scientist

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

Study presented to council

WINCHESTER — Farming and other activities on local land could hurt the drinking water — but not if they're managed properly.

That was the key message delivered by a hydrogeologist at a drinking water source protection presentation on Tues., April 27.

As part of the regular Township of North Dundas council meeting that night, Nell van Walsum presented technical study findings for Winchester and Chesterville, and talked about municipalities' role in the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region.

The studies were conducted by the company WESA, of which van Walsum is vice-president.

The hydrogeologist repeatedly stressed that you can have "activities" on most land, as long as safeguards are in place. Things that might (but not necessarily will) affect drinking water include the application or storage of commercial fertilizer, pesticides, or road salt; the storage of snow, fuel, and some chemicals; septic systems and holding tanks; cattle ranching and farming; rail transportation; and more.

Many of these activities (also known as threats) take place in and around both villages.

"If they [activities] are well managed, most of these will not be important at all," said van Walsum.

She also told council and the audience about other factors that are important for source water protection.

The type of land plays a major role, as does the direction of water flow.

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$25,000 more for WDMH

WINCHESTER — The Close to Home Campaign just received a major boost.

The Bank of Montreal has committed $25,000 to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital's efforts to pay for medical equipment.

Their first instalment of $5,000 was handed over last week.

The Close to Home Campaign's goal is to raise $5 million to fund a state-of-the-art CT scanner and other digital diagnostic equipment currently in use. Donations now total $2.1 million.

"It is so important to support our local hospital," said Connie Kirkwood, branch manager for the Winchester BMO. "We are so very lucky to have this excellent health care facility in our community — we all need to keep it the best it can be."

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New fundraisers on horizon

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For example, organizations, businesses, and general members of the public will be invited to buy bricks for the project engraved with the name of the donor, or in honour of a loved one.

The committee also plans to have a table at Winchester's community garage and sidewalk sale on Sat., May 29.

The committee previously raised money by selling ice sculptures during the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights back in December.

As well, "mini-mural" keepsakes replicating the full-scale version are for sale at some merchants' shops.

Shortt said the committee is putting together a comprehensive order form for the public to use for donations.

"We're hoping to be able to have one piece of paper," said Shortt.

"There are lots of opportunities there to contribute."





Gettin' messy

Over the last week, the downtown corner lot in Winchester has totally transformed. The former property, once casually used as a parking lot, will become a park. A walkway (right) is already taking shape. These photos were taken shortly before press time on Tues., May 4. *Press Photos -- Smith-Millar*

Police Blotter

Most folks buckle up

MORRISBURG — The Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP spring seat belt campaign — which took place for a brief period in April — has come to an end.

Officers checked 5,321 vehicles (traffic stops and spot checks), resulting in 28 occupants being issued seat belt-related offence notices.

Woman charged with assault

CHESTERVILLE — On Thurs., April 29 around 7:30 pm, SD&G OPP officers responded to a report of a domestic incident on Harper Street.

According to police, a male and his 31-year-old common-law spouse were involved in a verbal altercation that resulted in the female assaulting the male. She was arrested and faces charges of assault, mischief under $5,000, and breach of probation order. She was held in custody pending an appearance in Cornwall court.

Impaired driving charge

WINCHESTER — On Sat., May 1 around 2:30 am, SD&G OPP officers conducted a traffic stop on County Road 43 in the Township of North Dundas. Steven Irven, 32, of South Dundas was arrested and faces charges of impaired operation of a motor vehicle and driving with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08. He is scheduled to appear on Tues., June 1 in Morrisburg court.

Assault charge

IROQUOIS — On Fri., April 30 around 10 pm, SD&G OPP officers responded to a report of a domestic incident on Dundas Street. The investigation revealed that a female and her 43-year-old husband were involved in a verbal altercation that resulted in the male assaulting the female. He was arrested and faces an assault charge. He is scheduled to appear on Tues., June 22 in Cornwall court.

Source H20 protection

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During the presentation, van Walsum said she wasn't there that night to tell council whether the activities in Winchester and Chesterville are being managed properly. Instead, she identified activities that are taking place on the ground and explained how water can be affected.

The Clean Water Act is part of the fallout from the 2000 E. coli bacteria contamination in Walkerton, in which seven people died and thousands of others became ill.

Depending on the size and type of watershed, the Clean Water Act requires source protection regions to form a committee to gather information about the watershed, assess threats, and assemble this information into a comprehensive source protection plan.

Open house presentations, like the one held last week during North Dundas council, are part of the committee's threat assessment process.

"It's the municipalities that are going to be implementing this plan," said van Walsum.

After some discussion, Deputy-Mayor Estella Rose — who often advocates for environmental causes on council — pointed out that unfortunately, someone still gets stuck with the bill to implement legislation. She said the province seems to pass down financial responsibility to municipalities when big acts are passed.

"Who pays?" she asked, before answering her own question — the taxpayers.

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Council notes from North Dundas

Another paperless election

WINCHESTER — During the upcoming municipal election scheduled for Mon., Oct. 25, the public will only be able to vote by phone or Internet in the Township of North Dundas.

At the latest regular meeting on Tues., April 27, council passed a bylaw to enter into an agreement with the company Intelivote, which will co-ordinate the election.

Like most of its neighbours in Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G), North Dundas moved away from the paper ballot in previous years, partially because it seems that voting online or over the phone increases turnout at the "polls."

In SD&G, only North Glengarry residents will vote with a material ballot. The paper ballot remains an option in South Stormont.

Bill 13 worries Tecumseh

North Dundas politicians aren't the only ones concerned about Bill 13. The Town of Tecumseh has mailed out a resolution asking its fellow municipalities to insist on having their say on a controversial private member's bill.

The proposed legislation, developed by MPP David Caplan, would force all townships serving fewer than 10,000 customers to upload water and sewer services to a provincial board. (North Dundas, with only about 2,000 customers, would almost certainly upload its services to the to-be-formed bureaucracy and lose control over water and sewer.)

Recently, the Township of North Dundas sent out a similar resolution, asking its five fellow SD&G townships to fight the bill. While Tecumseh is only asking for the province to "engage in a consultative manner," it still has similarities to the North Dundas resolution, and the two documents highlight similar concerns.

Shared emergency assistance

The United Counties of SD&G and the Township of North Dundas have entered into an agreement to provide mutual assistance in an emergency. This means that, on request, the different lower-tier townships will help each other out by donating labour, equipment, or expertise when needed.

This kind of "neighbours helping neighbours" has been going on for a while informally. In the Ice Storm of 1998, the townships helped each other out a lot. But now there will be agreements to cover liability and costs.

New hires

It appears the Township of North Dundas Planning, Building, and Bylaw Enforcement Department is getting a summer student this year. At the meeting, council authorized Michael LaPrade to help out during the summer months.

Council has also entered into a contract with C&S Lawn Works to maintain various lawns and cemeteries in the township.

Green Gang lands $15,000 grant

CHESTERVILLE — This North Dundas village is about to get greener.

The TD Friends of the Environment Foundation and Tree Canada have announced that Chesterville is among 20 chosen communities of the 2010 TD Green Streets program.

To obtain the grant, Chesterville's Green Action Gang had to prove it had raised $15,000, which would be matched by Green Streets.

A collective $30,000 in materials and volunteer labour will be used to spruce up the village's waterfront, which is currently under construction as part of a $1.6-million revitalization project.

"It should look nice," said Shirley Coons, treasurer with the Green Action Gang.

If any money is left over, she said, it will go toward improving a nearby property that's currently the site of the condemned Flynn Hotel, which is set to be demolished.

Coons added that the volunteers were excited when they learned their grant application, submitted through the Township of North Dundas, had been approved by Green Streets.

"We were so thrilled when we heard about it," Coons said.

She added that it's too early to tell what kinds of flowers or plants will be purchased for the waterfront.

"At the moment, no plants have been chosen," said Coons.

The selected applications for Green Streets funding touch on a wide range of projects, including removal of invasive species to revitalizing downtown streetscapes and supporting community planting programs. TD Green Streets received applications for funding from 110 municipalities, business improvement areas, and First Nations communities, making it a record year for the program.

"The overwhelming number of innovative ideas we received from communities across the country demonstrates a deep-rooted understanding that trees have a positive impact on our communities," said Mary Desjardins, executive director of the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation. "We're proud to support other community programs to make greener streets a priority where we live and work."

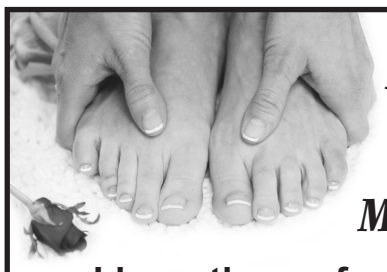
Grad trumps council meeting

WINCHESTER — The date of a council meeting previously scheduled for Tues., June 29 has been changed.

Because the North Dundas District High School is running its graduation that night, councillors decided to move the meeting to the day before — Mon., June 28.

Councillors Al Armstrong and John Thompson have children getting diplomas that night, and Eric Duncan will likely be representing the township to hand out an award.

In fact, at its most recent meeting, council confirmed it would be presenting a scholarship of $250 to a graduating student.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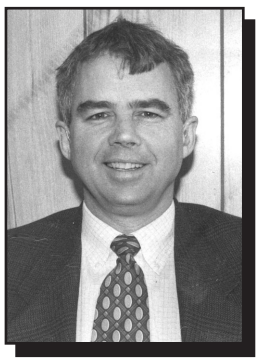
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Brown bag campaign back again

MORRISBURG — Once again this year, Community Living Dundas County in Morrisburg is teaming up with a Winchester-based business to serve lunch.

Andy's Foodland is on board to take part in the annual Brown Bag Day Campaign.

On Tues., May 18, $8 can get you a specialty sandwich, fruit or dessert, and beverage, and to top it off, the meal is delivered straight to your place of employment.

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Tables of treasures

Bargain hunters were out in droves on Sat., May 1 during the Williamsburg Community Association's 19th annual Giant Yard Sale. During the day, village residents were asked to host yard sales at their homes, while the Williamsburg Independent Order of Odd Fellows also ran a pancake breakfast. The Williamsburg United Church also had a bake sale and canteen set up during the morning. Pam French (above), owner of Green Triangle Design, had two tables set up during the sale where she could be heard telling the crowd that 25 cents was her favourite price during the day. (But 10 cents would be good, too.)

At left, top: *These two future entrepreneurs, Darrien Watson and Alexandra Beblo, were two of the youngest salespeople drawing customers from the sidewalks.* ***Bottom:*** *Your Credit Union employees Kelly MacDonald (left) and Bev Beck made use of the front lawn of their business. Press Photos — Uhrig*

Choir sings full gamut at spring concert

WILLIAMSBURG — The Seaway Valley Singers will present their spring concert on Fri., May 7 at 7:30 pm at the Christian Reformed Church in Williamsburg.

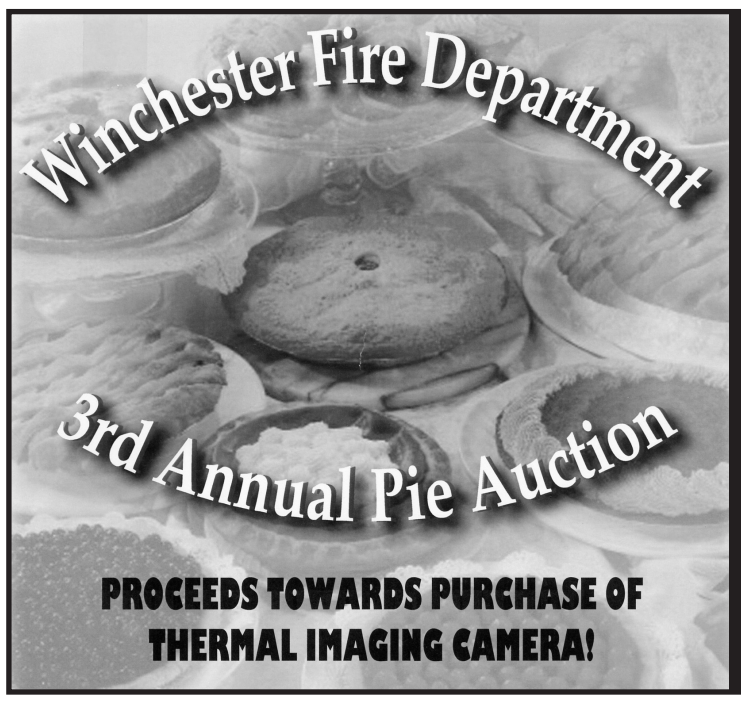
The choir draws its members from throughout the Seaway Valley and is under the direction of Robert Jones, with piano accompaniment provided by Valerie Kilpatrick.

A wide range of repertoire will be performed, including Bach's *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*, a medley from *My Fair Lady*, and *Their Sound is Gone Out* from Handel's famous oratorio, *Messiah*.

Several folk songs will also be on the program: *Song for the Mira* (with tenor Bill Kooistra), *Loch Lomond* (with soprano Rhonda Schneckenburger) and three French Canadian folk songs. Sopranos Rhonda Schneckenburger and Margaret Whisselle will sing Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Memory*.

Tickets for the spring concert are $10 for adults and $5 for students, and will be available at the door.

The church is located at 12436 County Road 18, a half-kilometre east of County Road 31.



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Roar of approval for Leos

Youth group captures district awards, hands over remaining $500 to WDMH

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — What's the secret to winning the district Leo Club of the Year Award four consecutive times?

Hard work, according to Ally Laneville.

As president of the North Dundas Leos, Laneville works with a team of other committed students as they organize poster contests, dog walk-a-thons, and a variety of fundraisers.

The Lions' local youth group beat out similar organizations in District A4 (which, generally speaking, covers eastern Ontario and western Quebec).

"It's exciting," said Laneville. "I'm just really proud of them."

The winners of the District A4 Leo Club of the Year Award in Memory of A.A. (Gus) Peppard are selected based on a points system. Clubs accumulate marks for achievements such as recruiting new members, attending zone meetings, community service, and more. (The North Dundas teens logged about 520 hours of community service for the year.)



Feline fundraisers

Pictured here are some of the North Dundas Leos members. Front row: Emily McRoberts (left), treasurer; Kelsey Pinhey; Alacia McIntosh, secretary and winner of the Leo of the Year Award; Ally Laneville, president; and Challis Crawford. Back row: Sara Ives (left); Jenna Warren, Hayley Trumper, vice-president; Megan Cruich; Leslie Schmid; Karen Thurler; Brittany Cochrane; and Dwayne Holmes, Leo district advisor and co-ordinator. At the right is Alan Muir, fund development associate for Winchester District Memorial Hospital, who has accepted a $500 cheque from the Leos for their contributions.

Press Photo — Smith-Millar

Secretary Alacia McIntosh also earned an honour for the club. The Grade 12 student was named Leo of the Year for her outstanding ongoing commitment to the Leos and other community activities.

The Leos had another reason to celebrate this week. They handed over a $500 cheque to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH). The Leos have now wrapped up their $1,000 commitment to WDMH's ophthalmology clinic.

"I'm obviously thrilled with the support we've received," said Alan Muir, fund development associate for WDMH.

Dwayne Holmes, district advisor and co-ordinator for the North Dundas Leos, explained that eyesight is an important priority for Lions Clubs International.

In the 1920s, sight advocate Helen Keller challenged the Lions to become knights of the blind in the "crusade" against darkness.

Holmes said that area Lions have raised more than $100,000 for WDMH's ophthalmology clinic.

"Our whole thing is sight," said Holmes.

Last Saturday (May 1) the Leos took on the job of sorting through thousands of eyeglasses donated to the Lions. These items will be shipped to impoverished countries and donated to people who can't afford eye wear.

Holmes said there were so many glasses in his van that the entire vehicle was full, before he dropped them off at the Winchester Lions Hall for the Saturday sorting.

"Almost half of [the glasses] get thrown out," explained Holmes. "If they're scratched and so on — there's no sense in giving someone a scratched pair of glasses... They have to be an intact pair of glasses."

Chesterville update

Other clubs are busy fulfilling their commitment to WDMH, too. At a Wed., April 28 meeting, the Chesterville Lions Club handed over its remaining contribution to the hospital's ophthalmology clinic. The group presented a $2,500 cheque — the last instalment of a $5,000 pledge.

Dawn Cooper, managing director of the WDMH Foundation, was at the Wednesday night meeting.

"We are extremely lucky to have [Lions] in our catchment area — and so many of them too," Cooper told the *Winchester Press*.

She agreed that the Lions' prioritization of eyesight has worked out well for WDMH.

"We're better able to care for our aging population, who more and more are requiring eyesight-related treatment and diagnosis," she said.

Early bird gets the limo



Winchester resident Jan Clapp (pictured in the limo) is the winner of the "Come Sail Away" gala early bird prize draw. She will receive a limo ride courtesy of Royalty Limousine Service to the upcoming annual event. Clapp's name was randomly drawn from a pool of about 300. To be eligible for the draw, individuals had to have purchased their tickets by Fri., April 16. Pictured with Clapp are Ed DeJong, (left) co-owner of Royalty Limousine; Alan Muir, fund development associate, WDMH Foundation; and Will Johnson, chair, public relations sub-committee for the gala. The event is taking place on Sat., May 15 at the Winchester Community Centre.

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If it's not your money, give it back

There's a problem with the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G).

Well, perhaps more than one. But a recent decision seems highly unfair. Perhaps even heartless.

The counties and the Township of North Dundas are butting heads over whether to give farmers a break who — due to extenuating circumstances, like a death in the family — forget to re-confirm with the tax man that they are using their property for agricultural purposes. Currently, Ontario farms pay 25 per cent of the municipal residential tax rate. To get that break, though, they have to send in a form every year to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA).

According to North Dundas staff, over the last eight years, three families forgot to submit their oh-so-important paperwork and asked the township for help. The result — several thousand dollars of cash flow are gone, retained by the township and the counties.

The details of these farmers' personal situations remain confidential. However, North Dundas staff tell us that in at least two of these circumstances, property changed hands, or there was a death in the family.

North Dundas council thinks that, on a one-time-only basis, both tiers of municipal governments should use their discretion and cut these farmers some slack. Mayor Alvin Runnalls was going to introduce a resolution at the United Counties of SD&G council to support this concept. However, during preliminary in-camera discussions, the idea was highly unpopular, according to the mayor. The other representatives (except for his fellow North Dundas colleague, Deputy-Mayor Estella Rose) didn't want to open the floodgates, he said. So, according to Runnalls, he never tried to pass the resolution.

Yes, we're all adults, and we need to learn how to meet deadlines and make our payments on time. But how often in business or government practice do we see a situation like this? When we miss a deadline, how often do you lose the full amount in question? Usually, you're penalized (sometimes severely) with a fee. Wouldn't something in the range of $500 be sufficient? Besides, we're not talking about a lot of families here. Three in North Dundas over eight years? Come on.

North Dundas Councillor Al Armstrong has made the most important argument of all. As he pointed out at a Tues., April 27 North Dundas council meeting, the United Counties of SD&G is keeping money that belongs to someone else.

You can understand the counties' position. Why refund these farmers? What a perfectly convenient revenue source for a government that's still suffering from a recent $2-million cutback through the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund.

Our mayor is bang-on with his observation that the upper tier of municipal government is insulated. Unlike the lower levels of government, the upper tier at the counties rarely has to deal with the public screaming in the council chambers when unpopular decisions are made. Their meetings are held during the day. It's just that much farther removed from the taxpayers. The townships collect taxes, and the United Counties of SD&G decides how much its portion will be. The system is somewhat unaccountable.

The counties should re-think its position and support Runnall's resolution. Have a heart, Scrooges.



Sad snowmen

Considering the week they came into the world, these Winchester snowmen didn't have a great life expectancy. Nonetheless, it was sad to see the pair of Christie Lane creations stare at one another across the street last week, as the sun beamed down and returned them to the watery compound from whence they came. A sudden onslaught of sticky, plentiful snow allowed local children to take a final crack at enjoying winter 2010.
Press Photos — Smith-Millar



David Berry, owner and operator of of Berry's Egg Farm, was taking a purchase order when the Winchester Press *dropped by this week in 1970. Berry and his staff were included in a feature piece for the* Press*, which told the story of one of the most successful independent egg producers in eastern Ontario.*

Remember when...

1930

The bootlegging trade across the Detroit River became more daring and spectacular this week when word spread that there were a half-dozen airplanes making liquor runs, according to the *Winchester Press*. However, it was thought that the aerial offensive was bound to collapse because of the expense it incurred. Border running by river craft had already proven so expensive that bootleggers on the Detroit side were being forced out of business. The *Press* thought that to run liquor by air would increase costs further and force the price of beer higher than the average thirsty American could afford.

1940

The *Press'* editorial this week suggested that while the country was at war, strikes in Canada's industrial plants should not be tolerated. It was said that the forces at the root of these strikes were not loyal citizens, but rather friends of the enemy trying to inject a feeling of discontentment among workers. Loyal Canadian subjects were called upon to reject the influence of sinister individuals who came to them as champions of workers' rights, but who really wanted to disrupt national unity.

1950

A Kemptville farmer made an unusual catch in the rat traps he'd set around the feed bin in his henhouse this week when he saw the rat he had caught had a bone collar around its neck. The rat had, allegedly, poked its head through a small marrow bone and couldn't get the bone off. Both the farmer and the *Press* speculated that this rat was possibly considered an aristocrat by his fellow rodents.

1960

Winchester municipal council went on the record this week in 1960, stating that the politicians were "not satisfied" with the proposed site for the new central high school location between Winchester and Chesterville.

1970

A Brockville man was counting his lucky stars this week after the tanker truck he was driving, loaded with 23 tons of liquid calcium chloride, went into the ditch on County Road 31 north of Vernon. The right front tire of the truck blew, sending the vehicle toward a former cheese factory. The driver walked away, although the trees and grass in the area were expected to suffer from the chemical that had been spilled.

1980

Mountain Township council decided against an idea to set up a volunteer fire department in Hallville. The proposal was that a new station could be put in place with an old truck from the South Mountain Fire Department and five volunteers. Council couldn't justify the $9,000 required to begin the new department. (Evidently the opposite decision was finally made, because Hallville now has a sub-station that's part of the Mountain detachment of the North Dundas Fire Department.)

1990

Schools in Dundas County donated six tons of books this week to be sent to Tanzania. Members of the Nepean-Kanata Rotary Club were in the area as part of a plan to fill a 1,300-square-foot container to promote literacy among those people in the African country interested in learning English.

2000

While construction workers were digging on the grounds of the Mac's convenience store on St. Lawrence Street this week, they accidentally punctured a water line that they didn't know was there. It took the workers more than 30 minutes to bring the water leak under control. The soil beneath the gasoline pumps was being replaced because of a gas leak that had occurred several years ago.

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Canada

Methinks thou needeth a mead

From THE OTHER SIDE
by Jeff Morris



Mark the date on your calendar, she said. We're going to a wedding.

A wedding?

Great.

I was just about to launch into my tirade about weddings. I was just about to go on about all the things I would rather do than the chicken dance and the hokey pokey, and watching a cheesy wedding singer ruin the 80s for me as he butchers every song from my favourite Journey CD after I would be standing around in a suit in a non-air conditioned church while we wait for several hours for the photographer to finish capturing the moment.

I was just about to go on a rant about the shiny blue dress that Kim the bridesmaid had to sausage herself into and then spend the evening complaining that the shop messed up the alterations rather than admit that she fell 26 pounds short of her goal of losing 20 pounds when the dresses were fitted.

I was just about to go on a rant about the fact that I would still be hungry after the two-and-a-quarter-ounce piece of dried out chicken breast and four steamed green beans and then have to sit and listen to the lecherous, tacky uncle who... she interrupted me and pulled me back from ADD world.

"By the way," she said. "It's not going to be a normal wedding. It's going to be Wiccan."

Well that sort of makes things interesting, I thought.

I've never been to a Wiccan wedding.

I did know some Wiccans when I lived in the United States.

They, um, weren't like me, but I did form some friendships as I would toss out my love for the Harry Potter books as a conversation starter. Without Harry Potter, I would have felt as out of place as the bottle of shampoo in Roberto Luongo's locker room stall. Then again, since we were in the Bible Belt, I'm sure that the Wiccans felt like a big, cultural cyst deep in the heart of Texas.

The Wiccans where I worked in Seattle were a little more culturally adjusted, other than calling each other My Lord and My Lady all the time. Since we worked in a sports card manufacturing plant, it was pretty easy to get the right answer to "One of these things is not like the other" whenever one of them came into the room. But one day, Cynthia, who had a self-proclaimed title as a Duchess from some made up borough in Middle Earth or Ohio or somewhere like that, told me about the Wiccan wedding she went to.

"It was beautiful," she told us in the lunch room. "They had a handfasting."

I didn't know what that was, so I asked her. A handfasting was a centuries-old rural British tradition. The couple would have their hands tied together. In this case, they would cut each other on the hands and then hold hands, so that their blood would become one.

"After the laws of witchcraft were repealed in Britain in 1951, these sorts of weddings became more popular as an alternative to the traditional Christian wedding," she said.

I had no idea that the laws of witchcraft had been repealed. She looked at me and saw the wheels in motion and the mischievous twinkle in my eye and she knew she was about to regret how our conversation ended up at the intersection of her words and my mind.

I had to ask.

"So, like, you guys have these weddings because the little dude in the Yoda costume who does the Jedi weddings was booked?"

"No, My Lord."

"So, like, do you guys sacrifice a chicken in the ceremony or anything like that?"

"No."

"At the bar, instead of a keg did they have a big cauldron full of beer with lots of dry ice making it look like the stage floor at an Alice Cooper concert?"

"No. We drank mead."

"You drank what?"

"Mead."

"There's no such thing as mead. You just made that word up."

"No, I didn't."

"Then what did you have to eat?"

"We had almond cakes and custard."

"Did you dunk the cakes in the mead like you would dunk an Oreo in milk?"

"No."

"Do they make Mead Light, or maybe Diet Mead with aspartame?" "No."

"Did you all take your glass of mead and get inside an imaginary purple circle and chant a bunch of stuff?"

"Um, no. And we drank mead in a mug."

"Are you sure you didn't sacrifice a chicken?" "No."

"What about betting on cock fights? That could be like sacrificing a chicken. Did you do that?"

"No."

"Did you feed the roosters mead and almond cakes before the cock fights?"

"We didn't have cock fights."

"Oh, sorry. I wasn't listening to your answers because I was thinking about the next question."

Eventually, Cynthia got sick of the questions and went back to work. Chuck the Mormon guy was sitting there, laughing, and said, "And I thought we were freaks!"

"Don't worry," I said to him. "Methinks thou art."

I snapped back to the present and thought about the upcoming wedding.

"Honey, are you sure you can't get us out of this?" "No," she said. "My hands are tied."

Well played, My Lady, well played.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Spreading the word about shopping local

The Editor:

I couldn't let the submission by Douglas Laing in the Wed., April 21 edition of the *Winchester Press* pass without commenting.

Laing has identified an ever-present problem — taking consumer dollars out of our community. There is a belief that every dollar spent locally will recycle itself six times. That dollar that you give to the local merchant goes to pay taxes, employ staff, pay utilities, rent space, and from the basics it then goes to supporting the fundraising efforts for the minor sports teams, the local hospital, community improvement efforts, the service clubs, and on and on.

Our commercial base contributes over 18 per cent in taxes to the municipality.

Not having those businesses paying the taxes would mean shifting them to the residential rate payers.

Each and every one of us have a choice — to either work towards the solution or contribute to the problem.

Hopefully this thought enters into the equation every time you have to make a purchase.

Owen Shortt
President, North Dundas Chamber of Commerce
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Confessions of a Country Convert
by Adele Eyman



I must confess: The best gifts I've ever received did not come from a store. They did, however, come straight from the heart. For example, when I became a single mother some years ago, we had to adjust to a much lower income. That meant having to move into a tiny row house in another community, away from our old neighbours and friends. The first night, one of those friends turned up with bottle of bleach, a portable radio, and two drinks from The Second Cup. "Here," she said, handing me a Mochaccino, "I'm going to do your kitchen cupboards for you. Sit." She plopped the radio on top of my greasy fridge and tuned it to the classic rock station. Then, she wiped down all the cupboards, inside and out, with hot water and bleach. As she worked, we sang with the radio; sometimes she'd drop her cleaning rag and we'd dance. Then she did the fridge and the stove. It was well past midnight when she packed up to leave. "There," she said, hugging me goodbye, "now when you wake up in the morning, you can unpack."

That was the best housewarming gift anyone has ever given to me. I started thinking about it after reading this paper's editorial from several weeks ago. Our gift giving practices are deplorable, it says, because we seem to think that the only gifts worth giving are those that we can buy. Furthermore, we live overcommitted and busy lives, and so often have to rush out shopping, at the last moment, to buy a cheap, useless knick-knack to give for a birthday or other special occasion. People might say, "It's the thought that counts," but really, doesn't this kind of gift giving limit (or, eliminate) our thoughts about the person we are giving it to? Is it not sad that we let ourselves (and, others) skimp on the very time and effort needed for choosing a thoughtful, useful, or meaningful gift?

But I digress. The point is: money does not buy happiness or even a decent birthday gift these days. Maybe we should stop giving each other "presents," and instead, give our "presence" to mark a special occasion. By "presence," I don't mean that people should just show up empty-handed, when gift-giving is in order. But I do think that we could better show our regards and good wishes with a heartfelt, or a handmade, or a sincerely considered personal gift, whose meaning is measured not in money spent, but in the delight, use, and enjoyment received from your offering.

That being said, here are some gift ideas that say, "I've put my heart into this."

• According to www.theydeserveit.com, the website with "Gift Ideas for Every Occasion," the traditional housewarming gifts also embody a blessing for the occupants of a new home. These gifts include: bread (may you never go hungry); wine (may your life always be sweet); salt (may there always be some "spice" in your life;) a candle (may there always be warmth and light in your home); and a broom (to sweep away any evil). For a modern take on these traditional gifts, pack the items into a sturdy cloth shopping bag. Be sure to include a note explaining the symbolic meaning and blessing for each item.

• You will find a unique and personal type of gift that costs very little money in Memory Jars. The website www.ehow.com gives directions on "How to Make a Memory Jar" using plain paper, a canning jar, and a fabric scrap. The idea is simple: write things that you like to remember about someone; cut each "memory" out using scissors (or scrapbooking scissors, if you have them); roll or fold each slip of paper and drop them into a clean and dry canning jar; cover the mouth of the jar with a scrap of fabric tied with string.

This is a great gift for an elderly friend or relative who enjoys reminiscing; it's also a nice gift for the person "who has everything." I gave a Sweet Memories Jar to my own father for his 80th birthday, using 80 slips of paper with a favorite memory of Dad written on each one, and adding 80 pieces of Dad's favorite hard candies. The accompanying card said to have one piece of candy while reading one favorite memory each day, and my father looked forward to this little ritual over the following year.

I'll save the other suggestions for a future column; meanwhile, I'd love to hear your ideas for gifts "with heart." What is the best gift that you have ever given, or received? E-mail them to news@winchesterpress.on.ca.

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Years of service

The Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) honoured its many volunteers with a luncheon and tea on Thurs., April 22. The event also served as an occasion to pay tribute to the 100th anniversary of the Hospital Auxiliaries Association of Ontario (HAAO) and a few long-standing WDMH Auxiliary members' number of years of service. Pictured are Marion Carkner (front, left), 20 years; and Marguerite Fawcett, 35 years. Back row: Margaret Johnstone, 62 years; Evelyn Cowan, 62 years; Joan Farlinger, HAAO president; Doris Cross, 30 years; Betty Holmes, 25 years; Kim Link, incoming WDMH Auxiliary president; Elinor Jordan, 25 years; Hilda VandeKemp, 30 years; and Edith Baker, 60 years.

MP5 to headline Tory fundraiser

CHESTERVILLE — Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG) MP Guy Lauzon and the SD&SG Conservative Association are hosting MP5, a group of singing Conservative MPs led by Chilliwack-Fraser Canyon MP Chuck Strahl, who will be the entertainment for its upcoming annual spring dinner at the Royal Canadian Legion Chesterville Branch 434 on Thurs., May 6.

"Having my five colleagues agree to join us is a great honour," said Lauzon. "We are thrilled to have them in our riding for this different kind of fundraiser."

MP5 have gained national attention from recent performances at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa and churches across Canada. Their range of southern gospel music has received good reviews from audiences.

The evening kicks off with a cash bar at 6:30 pm, followed by dinner at 7 pm.

Tickets are $50 per person and can be purchased by contacting Brian and Jane Cox at 613-543-3567. Those interested should call immediately to get their tickets, as there are only a few left.

Sears franchise changing hands

WINCHESTER — After eight years of ownership, Junk Drawer owner Sheri Francis is handing over the operation of the local Sears franchise.

Since Sat., May 1, local residents wishing to order items from the Sears catalogues will be able to pick up their goods at a new local outlet, at Winchester Video.



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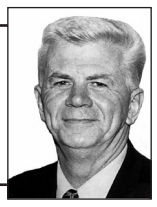


Multi-use pathway coming

METCALFE — I have held two public meetings and set up a multi-use pathway committee to review and to recommend policies on a variety of issues related to this project. Construction of the project is scheduled to begin in July with a completion date of some time in October.

Dalmeny Road

Dalmeny Road, from 2nd Line Road to County Road 31 (Bank Street), will be repaved this year at a cost of approximately $2.3 million. Fortunately, I have been able to secure the money from another project that had been scheduled for construction on Merivale Road.

8th Line Road

This major project, costing nearly $3 million, is expected to be completed by September. Metcalfe Community Association chair Ellen Everson and I have sent out a letter to all village residents with the details of the work. Although there will likely be numerous disruptions, this project, when completed, will certainly enhance the beauty of Metcalfe.

Organics update

Orgaworld has now been operating for nearly four months. The first load of compost was picked up by a group of farmers last week. The entire tonnage of compost that will be produced this year has been pre-sold, and there has been a waiting list established for this product.

A number of people have inquired about the possibility of this compost being sold to the general public. City staff are reviewing this request.

Electronics disposal

As of January 2010, electronic waste (computers, televisions, etcetera) are no longer picked up with our garbage. Locally, electronic waste can be dropped off at: RD Long Computers, 6969 McKeown Drive in Greely. This is extremely convenient for everyone in our ward. Just take note that there may be a small fee.

Pancake breakfast

The Progressive Conservative Riding Association of Nepean-Carleton, along with MPP Lisa MacLeod, are holding a pancake breakfast and meet and greet Sat., May 8 at the Metcalfe Lions Den from 8:30 to 11:30 am. This coincides with the opening day of the 2010 Metcalfe Farmers' Market season.

Prices are $7 per adult and $3.50 per child under 10 and includes pancakes, sausages, juice, tea or coffee, and local maple syrup. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For information, contact Kim Sheldrick at 613-821-3033.

Garage sale

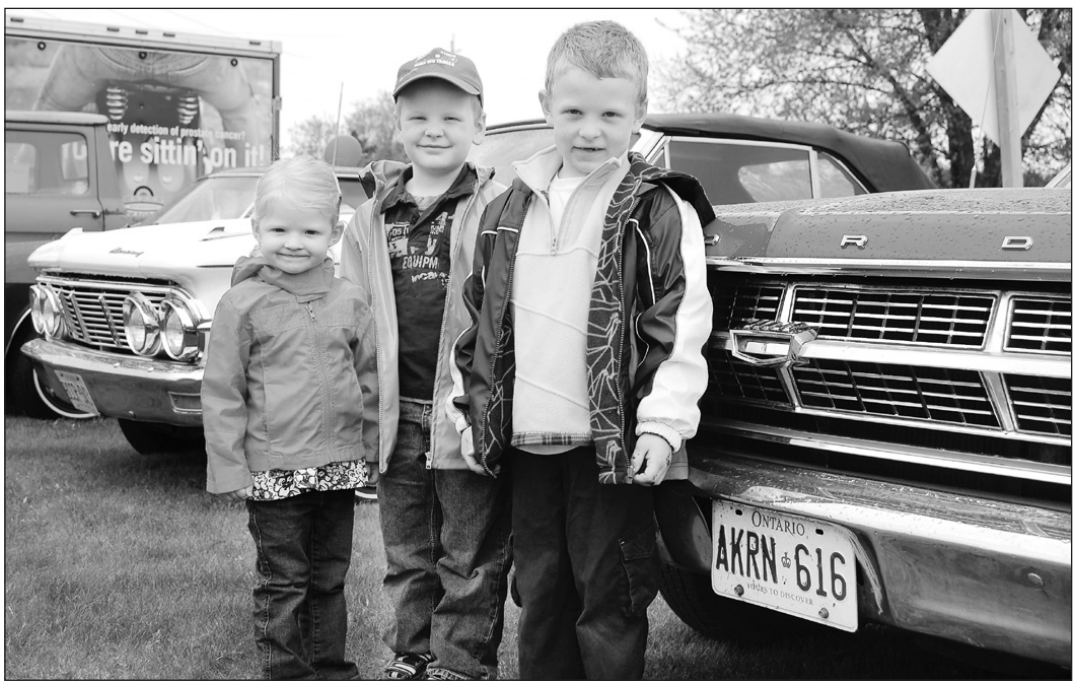
The Kenmore Womens' Institute is having a garage sale on Sat., May 8 at 3228 Fetterly Drive in Kenmore. If you would like to donate to it, call 613-821-2559.

Register now for September

The Osgoode Co-operative Nursery School, located at the Osgoode Public School, is now accepting registrations for children two-and-a-half to four years of age. The program provides a fun and safe environment to learn, play, and grow.

Register your child before Tues., June 15 and your name will be entered in a draw for a waived registration fee.

For more information, call 613-826-2528.



Oh-so-Osgoode

Osgoode Tire Centre was a busy place on Sat., May 1 during an annual fundraising barbecue with proceeds going to the Ride For Dad motorcycle ride to prevent prostate cancer. There was also a classic car show on the grounds. Checking out the old automobiles are Alexis, Devon, and Jacob Morrison of Osgoode.

Photo — Morris

Mellow out for charity with blues series

EDWARDS — If you love live blues music, you're in luck.

There's a blues concert series for charity in the works, set to kick off on Thurs., May 20 at Stanley's Olde Maple Lane Farm in Edwards.

Patterned after the same formula as the successful Blues on the Rideau Series at The Cove Inn in Westport that has been running for the past five years, Blues Down on the Farm will include a full dinner, show, and dancing, featuring some of Canada's best blues artists, and possibly some U.S. acts in the future.

The shows will take place once a month on Thursday nights from 6:30 to 10:30 pm, with proceeds going to different charities.

Choose the Blues Productions of Kenmore is behind the series.

"The level of the talent that's coming is very high," said promoter James Doran.

The first show will feature one of Canada's best award-winning blues bands, Fathead.

With Ottawa so close, Doran said he hopes to draw on the city market.

"We're hopeful that it can grow," he said.

The next show is on Thurs., June 17, featuring one of Canada's hottest young blues singers and guitarists, Gatineau's own Roxanne Potvin.

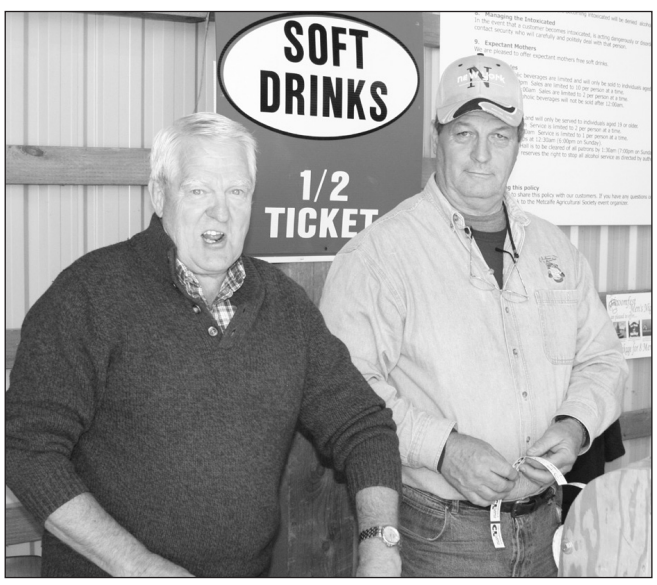
The dinner and shows will be taking place in Stanley's Southlawn Tent, which has a capacity of 170.

Proceeds from the May 20 show are going to the Alzheimer Society of Ottawa and Renfrew County.

"We'd like to support local charities as much as possible," said Doran.

Tickets are $55 per person plus tax for the dinner and show. Advance reservations are required by booking online at www.stanleysfarm.com or by phone at 613-821-2751.

More information is available at www.choosetheblues.ca.



Ted Spack (left) and Bruce Patterson were in charge of selling drink tickets for this year's Shroomfest. According to Spack, at the 2009 event, the beverage table raised more than $17,000.

A fungi fundraiser

More than 600 men from across the local area descended on the Metcalfe Fairgrounds on Thurs., April 29 for the fifth annual Metcalfe Shroomfest. The event, whose prime sponsors are Continental Mushrooms and Carleton Mushroom Farms, has raised approximately $90,000 for local charitable initiatives in its previous four initiatives. This year's night featured dinner provided by AJ's Catering and a performance by comedians from Ottawa's Absolute Comedy.



At left:
Al Graham, owner of AJ's Catering and Shroomfest committee member, emceed at the beginning of the event.

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OVSGA grants distributed to grassroots

OTTAWA — So far this year, the Ottawa Valley Seeds Growers Association (OVSGA) has awarded approximately $10,000 to eastern Ontario 4-H activities as both prize money and as program funding.

The cash will be distributed according to directives made by OVSGA directors at a recent meeting.

Much of the proceeds were collected during the annual Ottawa Valley Farm Show (OVFS), held this past March at Lansdowne Park in Ottawa. The profits are returned to the local agricultural community through various grants.

Following the 2010 OVFS, $2,800 was awarded in 4-H project prize money; $1,500 was allocated to the regional 4-H show to be held at this year's Metcalfe Fair; $200 each will be given to 4-H in 11 eastern counties for general development; each county with a field crops club with get an extra $250; teen farmer competitions at two fairs will receive $300 each; and the 4-H component at this year's Central Canada Exhibition will get $750.

The association's support of young people doesn't end there. Returns from the annual Prestigious Pedigreed Seed Sale at the OVFS have been topped up for a 2010 contribution of $5,000 to CHEO, bringing the total raised over the past several years to $90,000.

Also awarded support at the recent meeting were two soil and crop associations with $500 each.

"We consider it part of our mandate to support these organizations which do so much for the agricultural community," Jim Arbuckle, OVSGA president. "We see it as particularly important to help the young 4-H participants who we hope will be following in our footsteps."



Do it for dad

St. Paul's Ladies Aid and other local fundraising groups are celebrating now that totals are in from a Sat., April 24 breakfast supporting the Prostate Cancer Association of Ottawa (PCAO). The meal and auction — held at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Winchester — raised $2,130, according to organizers. Pictured are: Ron Marsland (left), volunteer co-ordinator, PCAO; Murray Gordon, PCAO volunteer and director of the Canadian Prostate Cancer Network; Bill Dolan, PCAO program planner; and some of the breakfast organizers from St. Paul's Ladies Aid — Jan Clapp; Carol Zubatuk, treasurer; and Doris Baker, president. The next major regional prostate cancer fundraiser is the Do it for Dad family walk and run on Sun., June 20 at Carleton University. For more information, call 613-247-3527 extension 228 or visit www.ottawacancer.ca.

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Bring your drum along to last interactive talk

WINCHESTER — The final instalment of the 2009-2010 speakers' series, Interactive Talks with Interesting People, is set to take place this Friday (May 7) at 7:30 pm.

The topic is drumming, and the guest speaker is Jeanne Ward, a musician and teacher. Ojibway artist Finian Paibomesai will also be talking about the art of the drum.

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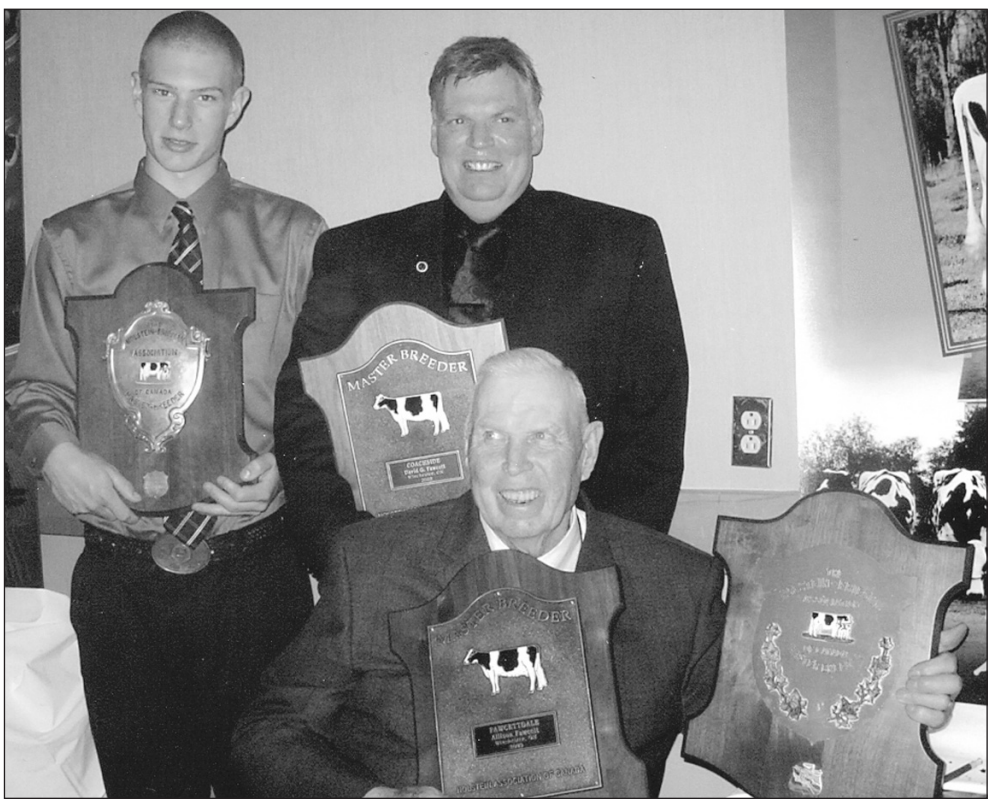
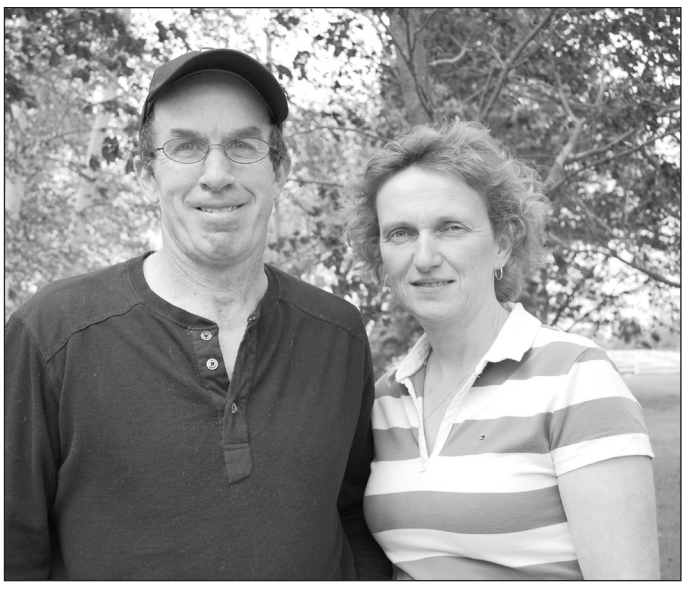


Master Breeders all

Not one, but two local farms have secured the prestigious Master Breeder Award from their respective cattle associations. As reported in the Winchester Press *earlier this year, the Fawcett family of Winchester has won another Master Breeder Award from Holstein Canada. Pictured, at left, is Will Fawcett (left), holding a shield won by his great grandfather, W.J. Fawcett; David, Will's father; and Allison, with his two shields. While the Fawcetts were announced as winners earlier this year, Holstein Canada awarded the plaques in April.*



At left:
Meanwhile, Ken and Shirley Rose of Mountain have won the Master Breeder Award from Ayrshire Canada. Ken follows in his father's footsteps — Donald has also been awarded the same title in the past.

For more coverage about the Master Breeder Awards, watch for the upcoming June is Dairy Month supplement in the Winchester Press.

Counties, township clash over tax refund for farmers

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Two tiers of local government are butting heads over refunding farmers who miss an important tax deadline.

The United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) and the Township of North Dundas are facing off in a debate over whether to give farmers a break who — due to extenuating circumstances, like a death in the family — forget to mail their paperwork in time and lose several thousand dollars.

Currently, Ontario farms pay 25 per cent of the municipal residential tax rate.

To get that break, though, they have to send in a form every year to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) and confirm the property is being used for agriculture.

According to township data, three families in the last eight years have missed the cutoff and asked North Dundas for help. One case from 2005 is currently under review.

Alvin Runnalls, mayor of the Township of North Dundas, planned to introduce a resolution at the meeting of the United Counties of SD&G last month. It would allow the United Counties to have "wiggle room" on a case-by-case basis, and refund farmers — once — who didn't file their papers due to personal trouble.

Because the discussion involved the finances of one person, last month's debate about the refund was held "in camera" (behind closed doors).

Runnalls told the *Winchester Press* it was pretty clear during in-camera talks that nobody supported a potential reimbursement except himself and the only other North Dundas representative at the table — Deputy-Mayor Estella Rose. So, Runnalls said, he didn't see much point in introducing the resolution publicly.

"We could have insisted on the vote," said Runnalls, adding that doing so would've been futile.

A memo from the United Counties of SD&G treasurer Vanessa Bennett suggested county council not support Runnall's resolution. She warned it could become a "very costly tax write-off practice."

"It appears that the resolution is very open-ended and would apply to any farmer who does not submit the required paperwork to OMAFRA due to extenuating circumstances," she wrote.

Bennett added that the OMAFRA website has "an extensive amount of information on all aspects of the Farm Property Class Tax Rebate Program." She added that back in 2004, the paperwork deadline was already extended to December 31 of the tax year to accommodate farmers.

She added that it might be difficult for a municipal office to be sure that a property meets the criteria of a farm, but whose owner just didn't meet the application deadline.

At the latest regular meeting on Tues., April 27, North Dundas politicians slammed county council's attitude.

Councillor Al Armstrong in particular was highly critical, calling the rejection "closed minded."

"I accept that the onus is on the people," he conceded, later adding, "I think it's absolutely ridiculous."

Armstrong said the United Counties of SD&G seemed to be worried about "opening the floodgates" to refund any farmer who forgot to send in their paperwork. But he argued the counties are retaining funds that don't belong to them.

"Open the floodgate of giving back money that isn't yours?" Armstrong remarked. "Something can be done to make this right."

Runnalls speculated that the United Counties of SD&G doesn't face the same public pressure as the townships. Few members of the public attend the daytime meetings, he said.

"We [the townships] collect the taxes," said the mayor. "But the counties are insulated."

Rose remarked that it wasn't fair to penalize farmers for forgetting their paperwork when property changed hands in difficult situations.

The Township of North Dundas has control over one-third of collected taxes. Council may still consider refunding farms under certain circumstances, but it remains to be seen what will unfold.



You dig it?

A Tues., April 27 sod-turning ceremony marked the imminent start of construction on Green Tech's new 18,000-square-foot facility. The site plan has been submitted for approval, and the hope is to start excavation in early May. The plan calls for the facility to be complete by mid-September to early October, at which time Green Tech's operations will move to the new facility along County Road 31, and its present nearby site on Dawley Drive will close. The new digs will have expanded service facilities and is expected to be a state-of-the-art John Deere outlet. Pictured are: Gordon Simmons (left), past president, Green Tech Ag & Turf; Gary Zielke, division sales manager, John Deere Canada; Alvin Runnalls, mayor, Township of North Dundas; Ron Barr, general manager, Green Tech Ag & Turf; and Steve Sorrell, vice-president operations, McDonald Brothers Construction, design/build contractors on the project.

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Trees to be planted in SNC watershed increase by 10,000

FINCH — Forest cover in the South Nation watershed will increase by 160,000 trees this spring, thanks to partnerships between South Nation Conservation (SNC) and more than 90 area landowners.

Tree orders for planting this spring, which are now complete, have increased by about 10,000 over last year's figures. The increase can be attributed to the availability of funding for tree planting, an increased awareness of the importance of trees, and the fact that spring and warm weather arrived early this year.

"There are a number of excellent tree funding programs that landowners can take advantage of," said Ed Kupczyk, senior forestry specialist at SNC. "SNC is the local delivery agent for Trees Ontario, which provides subsidies for sites of five acres or more. The City of Ottawa Green Acres Program contributes a per-tree subsidy for planting, purchasing and tending trees."

SNC assists landowners in applying for funding, and in some cases, can arrange for contractors to plant the trees.

The benefits of tree planting to the environment are well-known. Trees improve wildlife habitats, provide protection from wind for crops, livestock and barns, control snow loading on farms, and establish profitable forest cover crops on idle land. In addition, they provide shelter for fish and wildlife in riparian shelter areas, and improve stream bank stabilization to improve water quality. The increase in tree planting is especially welcome in the South Nation Watershed, where forestry cover is slightly below the recommended level of 30 per cent.

While trees for 2010 planting are no longer available, orders for seedlings for the 2011 season will begin in July. Landowners are advised to order early to take advantage of available funding. When trees are available, order forms can be downloaded from the SNC website at www.nation.on.ca.

For more information on tree planting and funding, contact Kupczyk at 1-877-984-2948 extension 249 or by e-mail at ekupczyk@nation.on.ca.



Moving forward

The expansion at the New Life Mills site in Inkerman is nearing completion. The company has been working toward the addition of several towers, which are part of a new steel structure that will replace an old wooden one. John Toonders, mill manager, told the *Winchester Press* in December that staff should be able to use the new mill by June or July. The improvements will allow the local producer to purchase new equipment and increase production in the future, if necessary. The second step in the advancement of the local facility will be to build a new office — possibly this fall. *Press Photo — Uhrig*

4-H UPDATE

Sew What? meeting May 10

by Patricia Thompson

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — The Dundas County "Sew What" Sewing Club has scheduled its next meeting for this Monday (May 10).

On Mon., April 26, the club had its third meeting at the South Mountain Library Resource Centre. The president opened the meeting, and the group said the 4-H pledge. The secretary read the minutes from the previous meeting, and then everyone went over their patterns, cut them out, and completed some ironing. The group members spread out their fabrics and pinned the patterns on, after which some people were ready to cut out the material.

Scrapbookers meet tonight

by Cassy Mueller

MOUNTAIN — The next meeting of the Dundas County 4-H Scrapbooking Club is set to start at 7 pm tonight (Wed., May 5) at the Mountain Community Hall.

The group held its first meeting on Wed., April 28, also at the hall. They began with nominations for president (Katherine Palmer), vice-president (Lydia Zandbelt), secretary (Christina Lillico), and press reporter (Cassy Mueller). Club leaders include Angela Daly, Carolyn Lillico, and Sandy Palmer.

Daly gave a lesson on different page layouts that can be used. She then introduced the three projects the club would be completing. Free time was available to work on projects.

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Social workers work with clients in many settings such as mental health agencies, family and child welfare agencies, hospitals, group homes, hostels, addiction treatment facilities and social assistance agencies.

A social worker can help families and patients in multiple aspects of non-medical care, including supportive counseling, financial aid, communication with physicians and school issues. A social worker is a person who gives people support, arranges care and helps with claiming financial benefits. Some specialized social workers can support clients and their families in cancer centres, dialysis, medical units and rehabilitation units.

A social worker is one who has specialized training to help individuals of all age groups in social adjustment. When someone is diagnosed with mental illness it may involve counseling of individuals and families in dealing with their emotional and social issues that are the result of the illness. A social worker is a professional who works with patients to help with emotional, financial and other resources that they may need during the course of their care. Social work can also help families manage the changes that may occur as a result of a patient's hospitalization.

Social work research often focuses on areas of individuals, family, therapy, social policy, public administration and development.

Social work is a profession based in bodies of evidence derived from research and practice evaluation including local and knowledge specific to its context. Social work recognizes the complexity of interactions between human beings and their environment and the capacity of people both to be affected by and alter multiple influences upon them including bio- psycho-social factors. The social work profession draws on theories of human development, social theories and the social system to analyze complex situations and to facilitate individual, organizational, social and cultural changes. Social work is used as a framework to assist clients, family and groups.

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To my colleagues in social work, happy belated Social Work Week.

Paule Gauthier, B.S.W., R.S.W., Social Worker, Psychogeriatric Service, Tri-County Mental Health Services

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Bridal show quieter than expected, fashion show a smashing success

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The sights and sounds of the wedding season took over the Winchester Arena on the weekend of Sat., May 1 and Sun., May 2.

For the first time ever, A Timeless Dream Bridal Show set up shop on the arena's now ice-free floor, and welcomed area vendors inside to market their services and products to future brides and bridesmaids. (There was even some stuff for grooms, too.)

With black fabric panels placed around the arena's boards and glass, the place many Township of North Dundas hockey teams call home during the winter was transformed into what appeared to be a big city conference centre, complete with a catwalk for a fashion show each day.

"Crowd wise, it was quieter than anticipated," said Donna Curry, president and CEO of DC & LJ, the wedding planning company behind the first annual event.

Curry said she suspected that the nice weather over the weekend, and the fact that the National Women's Show was taking place at Lansdowne Park in Ottawa at the same time, may have been factors in the somewhat smaller than expected turnout.

"But, it was our official first time in Winchester," she said.



Miss Teen Ontario Alicia Angus accentuated this white wedding dress with an umbrella. *Press Photo — Uhrig*

As for the weekend itself, the feature attraction was the fashion show featuring items from Bridals in Winchester. (There was also a do-it-yourself seminar for brides-to-be; however, only one person signed up for that, said Curry.)

During the Saturday afternoon show, Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG) MP Guy Lauzon was the guest master of ceremonies, while Township of North Dundas Councillor Eric Duncan took the reins on Sunday.

"I want to personally thank them both," said Curry.

As well, Curry thanked Bridals owner Kim Carruthers for her work behind the scenes during both runs of the fashion show.

"It went off without a hitch," she said, adding that she felt it was a bigger hit on Sunday because "we had the routine down."

Curry also said it was a good venue for vendors to network with potential future customers.

"That was vital," she said.

As for next year, Curry said she plans on hosting the event again. For that show, she said she will be working toward getting more people through the doors to see what the different vendors within the local area have to offer.

"Overall, it was successful," she said, adding that more advertisement and local exposure will be used next year to increase the number of people who attend future shows.

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Wedding fashions

During the first ever A Timeless Dream Bridal Show at the Winchester Arena over the weekend of Sat., May 1 and Sun., May 2, two fashion shows headlined the event. With guest hosts Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon on Saturday and Township of North Dundas Councillor Eric Duncan on Sunday, Winchester's Bridals showed off their collection of dresses for brides and bridesmaids, as well as different tuxedos for men. Press Photos — Uhrig

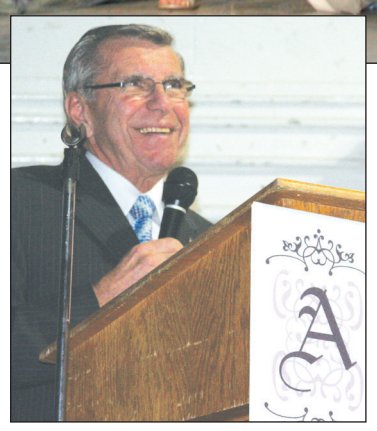






Linda Angus (above) showed off this one-shouldered purple number. Justine Byers (left) strutted down the catwalk in this white and pink gown.





Arwyn Logtens (above left) and Cadence Logtens (right) accompanied Sandy McCadden down the runway. Pam Dejong (above inset) carried a bouquet of white roses.

Pictured, from far left: *Mackenzie Baker struts her stuff; Christina Carruthers walked the runway with Bill Pretty; MP Guy Lauzon warmed up the crowd and acknowledged each model in his role as guest host.*

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North Dundas earns single point in SD&G senior soccer action

MAPLE RIDGE — Another home stand at North Dundas District High School netted the host Devils just a single point in the latest SD&G senior soccer action.

The senior boys managed one tie in the two matches they hosted last week (Thurs., April 29). The same day the senior girls suffered a pair of defeats.

Matt Jose toed in the lone tally for the Devils as they opened last week's (Thurs., April 29) tournament battling the St. Joe's Panthers to a 1-1 draw. Ian Wilson's boys squad finished its day by dropping a 3-1 verdict to the Char-Lan Crusaders.

Jose's goal gave the Devils a 1-0 lead at the half of the match. The Panthers evened the score when they floated a high shot up into the wind and into the top of the North Dundas net.

North Dundas returned the favour in their late game against Char-Lan when Jeff Armstrong cracked a long drive from the opposite 18-yard box, through the Char-Lan keeper's arms and into the net. The score was tied 1-1 at the half and the Crusaders cracked in the winning goal early in the second half. The visitors beat keeper Jimmy Jones on a late penalty kick and sealed their 3-1 victory.

Coach Wilson felt his team played well under the circumstances. Rowan Morkis and Richard Boal couldn't play due to injuries and defender Alex Hendsbee was unable to finish the game against Char-Lan.

"We had chances. Jeff [Armstrong] missed a penalty kick and Matt [Jose] hit the crossbar twice or it might have been a different result," said the coach. "Also it was the only game of the day for Char-Lan. They were well rested and we were tired."

Wilson said the Devils big game is when they challenge La Citadelle Patriotes on their Cornwall turf today (Wed., May 5). North Dundas and La Citadelle are the only two "AA" ranked schools in the league and the winner of today's game will host their playoff game.

North Dundas sports a record of 1-1-2 (5 points) and finish the season on the road.

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Get the ball!

Alex Hendsbee (right) seemed to have destruction on his mind as he chased down the ball during a SD&G senior boys soccer match at North Dundas District High School last week (Thurs., April 29). His Devils teammate, Cam Shaw, and a member of the Char-Lan Crusaders (left) looked on. Char-Lan posted a 3-1 victory over North Dundas. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

Carkner, at home, healing and savouring first NHL campaign

OTTAWA — Before the 2009-2010 NHL season, Matt Carkner's name rarely appeared in the sports sections of Ottawa's daily newspapers.

Carkner's exploits, both on the ice and his work with local charities, had been documented by the media in the American cities of Cleveland, Ohio, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania and Binghamton, New York.

Once he had earned a spot on the Ottawa Senators roster, the former Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks defenceman started to draw the attention of local scribes who routinely interviewed him and called or visited his father Dennis and mother Kathy at the family business, D's Collision, in Winchester.

Carkner's story was that of legend. A 29-year-old, journeyman defenceman who had toiled eight seasons in the American Hockey League and established himself as a reliable and rugged defender through his days with the Cleveland Barons, Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins, and Binghamton Senators. But, still a man who had never been able to establish himself with an NHL team.

That all changed last fall when Carkner inked a two-year, one-way contract, with the Senators. During his journey to becoming an integral part of the team's defensive system, his story became well publicized and he evened earned a nickname with the Ottawa print media — "Big Country."

"I was trying out with Ottawa as a forward and really didn't think I would make the team, so I had moved my family to Binghamton [New York]. I thought I would be back with the baby Sens. I had even thought about going to Europe to play," the Morewood native said. "It was an amazing year, especially when I think that I started out as a forward and made the team as a regular defenceman. I certainly have a lot of things to remember and enjoy."



Ottawa Senator Matt Carkner
Photo — Bruce Bennett, Getty Images

Highlight reel

"Making the team was the biggest surprise and then good things just kept happening. The first month in the NHL was a thrill. My first NHL goal, being picked a first star, and then my [triple] overtime goal in game five against the Penguins to get us into game six — so many great feelings," Carkner said. "But I always told myself that I could play in the NHL. If I got the chance."

Carkner also acknowledged that being selected by the Senators as their candidate for the Masterton Trophy (NHL player best exemplifying perseverance and dedication to hockey) was another highlight, "It was pretty neat to be recognized for a guy that never gave up — that's just what I did," he said.

Battered and bruised

Carkner was resting at his home in Carp when the *Press* spoke to him last week (Wed., April 28).

"I am taking a long break. I have to rest up now and recover. It has been a long season and it has been hard on my body," he said.

The 6'4", 231-pound defenceman, played in 81 of Ottawa's 82 regular season games and scored a pair of goals, and added nine assists for 11 points. He drew 190 minutes in penalties and was an even plus/minus. He then made his first appearance in the NHL playoffs and worked in the Senators six post-season games. He recorded his now famous triple overtime goal, was an even plus/minus and picked up a dozen minutes in penalties.

The former Peterborough Petes captain also played hurt during the post season. He had suffered a deep cut on his leg in the final regular season game and then injured his knee in game five.

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Another local defenceman selected by Peterborough

TORONTO — For the third time in 27 years the Peterborough Petes have selected a Winchester-area defenceman in the annual Ontario Hockey League (OHL) Priority Selection.

Inkerman's Slater Koekkoek, who led the Notre Dame "AAA" Midget Hounds to the gold medal in the 2010 Telus Cup final on Sun., April 25, is the third blueliner with his roots planted in the Township of North Dundas soil to join the Petes, the OHL's oldest franchise.

The 16-year-old was taken in the first round (seventh overall) of Saturday's (May 1) OHL Priority Selection in Toronto. Koekkoek joins defencemen Terry Carkner and his third cousin Matt Carkner as locals who have worn the Petes' famous maroon jersey.

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Winchester Sox opens season against Mudd

WINCHESTER — An old rival will provide the opposition when the Winchester Sox open the 2010 National Capital Baseball League's Tier 2 season.

Eight years ago, in May 2002, the Winchester Sox franchise played its inaugural season in Tier 2. That season they compiled a first-place record of 20-3-1 for 41 points. The Metcalfe Mudd also composed a 20-3-1 mark, but Winchester claimed the pennant because Metcalfe had suffered a 10-5 loss to the Sox in their fourth game of the season. The Sox outscored the Mudd 12-9 in their two meetings.

Metcalfe gained their revenge in the championship series sweeping the Sox in three games (17-6, 16-1 and 11-4). Winchester had eliminated the Sundevils (9-2 and 7-6) in the best-of-three semi-final, while the Mudd buried the Hull Volants in two games (4-1 and 15-2).

Eight years later the Metcalfe Mudd, the 2009 regular season pennant winners, and the Winchester Sox will meet at Morgan Field in Winchester and open the 2010 campaign in an 8 pm game.

Sunday (May 16) the Sox, who moved up from Tier 3 this season, will be at Kinsmen Field in Ottawa for a 3:30 pm start against the 2009 champion Outlaws.

The competition doesn't get easier for the Sox who are slated to take on the Outaouais Tribu (playoff finalists) on Thurs., May 20 and the Athletics (second place finishers) on Thurs., May 27.

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Matt Carkner

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"Matthew played hurt during the playoffs. Most people don't know what the players go through. They play hurt all of the time but the training staff is so good. They sure helped Matt out," said Dennis.

Like most hockey players Matt's reply regarding the state of his health was, "You just learn to play through it."

Unbelievable year

The elder Carkner said he can't quite believe everything he witnessed as his son progressed through his first NHL season.

Matt's goal in the third period of overtime against Pittsburgh was a huge highlight. "I can tell you I couldn't believe that it was my son who scored that goal. I was so proud," said Dennis.

He said that the father-son trip he accompanied the Senators on was also high on his list of first-time experiences — a real eye-opener.

"I didn't have any idea what was involved — the media, trainers, the routine on a game day. What the players have to go through and the interviews they have to do," Dennis said.

As for the attention he and his wife Kathy received during the Pittsburgh series Dennis, a quiet and humble individual said, "Personally I don't like that kind of attention, but when CTV calls and wants to talk, you can't say no."

The Carkners' did appreciate the support of the local community.

"The support was great. So many people, including our staff at D's Collision, called or dropped in. We met so many people, many we didn't know and hadn't been to Winchester before. It was crazy but we enjoyed it,"

Dennis still finds it hard to put it all into perspective. In the past, he and Kathy were able to travel and see their son play four or five times a season. This year they took in more than forty games.

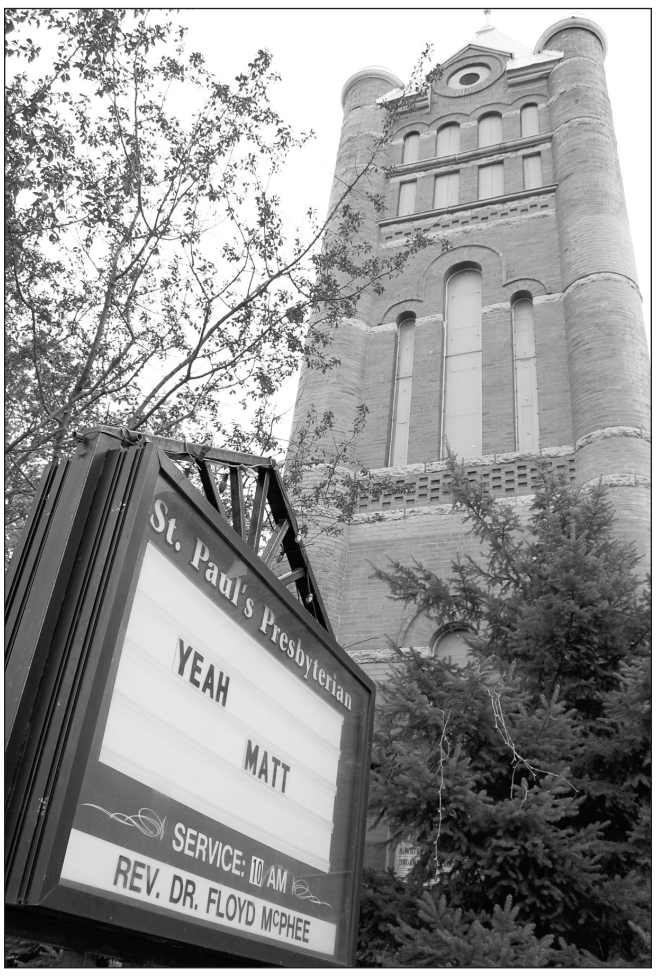
"It is unbelievable to think that we could drive 45 minutes from home and go to a game. It was so convenient. It was unheard of for us — unheard of," he said.

"Good for Matthew. Good that he got the opportunity," Dennis said. "It was a year never to forget and I won't forget it. The year is now and it is to be enjoyed. Who knows what could happen [next season]," said the proud father.

Matt said it was a joy for him to see his father experience the NHL life first hand. To see the day-to-day routine, "he got a good taste of the things I do."

As for next year, Matt is secure in the knowledge that he has another year on his contract and speculated the Senators may not be able to sign Anton Volchenkov, and will probably sign Andy Sutton and a free agent defenceman.

"I'm hopeful that I will be a regular. I love being the local boy playing in my home town. But in this business you never know," he said.



Winchester shows a sign of support for Matt Carkner.
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Sox

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Both games will be 8 pm starts at Morgan Field.

Sox playing coach Chris "Edgar" Hart is urging his players to get serious about attending practice sessions.

"Looks like we could be playing the top four teams out of the chute, should be a great test. I hope everyone thinks practice is important," he said.

Season one - 2002

The Winchester Sox roster in their first National Capital Baseball League season — 2002: Scott Adams (ODS*), Glen Annand, Darryl Beck, Jeff Beck (ODS), Tyler Dukelow (ODS), Gregg Griffith (ODS), Justin Heuff, Josh McLean, Robin Langille, Justin Morozuk, Nik Paas (ODS), Shawn Smail (ODS), David Summers (ODS), Cory Tatarciuc (ODS), Chris Van Bridger (ODS), Chris Young, Kent Young, Chris Williams; coaches - Owen Shortt and Kevin Smail, manager - John Adams.

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Season's first senior scramble played

The Row Report

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — Despite the snow and a cold wind last week, the first Senior Scramble was played at Sandy Row Golf Course.

Last week's (Thurs., April 29) inaugural session was one of the earliest starts for the event. In order to speed up play, in the windy conditions, groups went off in threesomes. Benefiting from a birdie on No. 7 the team of Rolf Kuhn, Jack McCarger, and John Torrance finished first ahead of the team of Lillian Blair, Lorne Buchart, and Don Stephen. Phil Watson, John Potvin, and Andy Sabourin finished third.

The Senior Scramble continues each Tuesday morning for the season, weather permitting. New participants are always welcome.

Players are still getting used to No. 7, which has been lengthened this spring. One golfer has suggested that the closest to the pin prize should become the prize for the biggest splash.

OHL draft

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Winchester's Terry Carkner was drafted by the Petes in 1983 (second-round, 28th overall) and played 66 games in his first OHL season (1983-84). He skated with Peterborough for three years before being selected in the first round (14th overall) by the New York Rangers in 1984. The 6' 3", 200-pound defenceman went on to play 858 games with five NHL teams.

Matt Carkner, born in Winchester and raised in Morewood, was taken in the second round (33rd overall) by Peterborough 14 years later (1997). The 6" 4", 231-pound defender played in the Lift Lock City for four seasons (1997-2001) and was the team captain for two terms (1999-00 and 2000-01). He was drafted 58th overall by the Montreal Canadiens in the 1999 NHL draft. After eight years in the American Hockey League and one game with the San Jose Sharks, Matt signed a two-year deal with the Ottawa Senators this season.

Both Carkners played one season with their home town Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks, something the 6' 2", 190-pound Koekkoek isn't likely to do.

Steele a Frontenac

Another area defenceman, Warren Steele, who hails from Winchester Springs, was also picked up in the 2010 OHL draft. Steele, 16, was selected by the Kingston Frontenacs in the fourth round (64th overall). The 5' 11', 190-pound rear guard was a member of the Upper Canada "AAA" Cyclones in 2009-2010 and also anchored the North Dundas District High School Blue Devils' blueline in their SD&G championship season.

Winchester native Derek Froats, 18, is currently a left winger on the Kingston Frontenacs.

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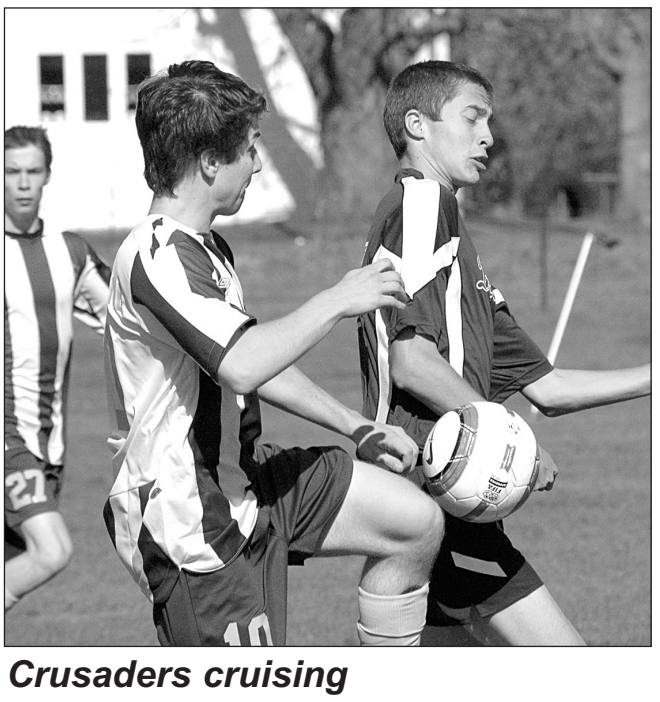

Crusaders cruising

The Char-Lan Crusaders broke up a 1-1 half-time stalemate with the host North Dundas District High School Devils cracking in a pair of second half goals, one on a late penalty kick, and registered a 3-1 victory in a senior boys match played last week (Thurs., April 29). Devils outside full back Jon Corkery (right) and a Char-Lan forward battled for the control of the ball late in the game.

Press Photos – Van Bridger

NDDHS soccer

Senior girls squad lose to Panthers, Crusaders

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Lady Devils

The same afternoon coach Kevin Bell and the senior girls lost two games. They came up empty losing 1-nil to the St. Joe's Panthers and were on the wrong end of 3-1 count against the Char-Lan Crusaders.

Tasha Vanderveen sent a long drive into the back of the Char-Lan net at the 15-minute mark of the match, but the Crusaders answered three minutes later when the ball appeared to be going wide of the net but a gust of wind changed its course and suddenly the ball bounced over keeper Laura Breteler and into the mesh to make it 1-1.

There was about a minute left in the half when Vanderveen ran up the left side, broke on the Char-Lan net and booted a low drive on target. Unfortunately for the Devils the Crusader keeper made a sprawling save at the last possible second and preserved the 1-1 score.

"Unfortunately, Char-Lan was able to score with seven minutes to play," said Bell. "We then jumped a couple of players up to try and tie the game but Char-Lan was able to net another one just before time expired. The team played very well again, but like before, came up short."

The Devils will face the only other "AA" school in SD&G today (Wed., May 5) in Cornwall. But will be without five players, who will be on the SEVEC trip to Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, when they face the La Citadelle Patriotes.



Double teamed

NDDHS Devils faced the Char-Lan Crusaders in one of two SD&G senior girls soccer matches they hosted last week (Thurs., April 29) at Maple Ridge Senior Elementary School. The Crusaders netted a pair of second-half goals and went on to record a 3-1 win. Earlier in the day, the St. Joe's Panthers blanked the Devils 1-nil. North Dundas centre-midfielder Andrea Ceelen (left) had to battle a pair of Char-Lan attackers on this play in the Devils' 18-yard box.

SD&G high school soccer

Rough week for Junior Devils, snow stalls season opener

WILLIAMSTOWN — Their week started off playing a twin bill in a snow storm and finished with an unproductive trip to the home of SD&G's high school soccer powers — Glengarry County.

The North Dundas District High School Junior Devils launched their season last week (Tues., April 27) hosting the Seaway Spartans, La Citadelle Patriotes and Tagwi Warriors. The regular season tournament was played in spite of a brutal snow storm.

The temperature continued to drop during the afternoon and the matches were played on snow-covered fields. The conditions deteriorated to the point that the North Dundas/La Citadelle girls game at 4 pm was shortened because of the adverse weather.

North Dundas coach Mike Deighton reported that the cold conditions were making it difficult for the girls. That's when both teams, along with the referee, agreed that they didn't want to be on the field any longer. La Citadelle, leading 2-nil, got the win.

The Devils opened the season dropping a 2-1 decision to the Tagwi Warriors.

"We had three penalty kicks in the first 10 minutes," said Deighton. "The snow stopped the ball on the goal line twice. Those shots were going in for sure. Their keeper stopped the third shot."

Marissa Imrie marked the lone Devils goal.

"We outplayed them for most of the game. But it was impossible to pass or dribble — back to Grade 7, kick, run and swarm like bees," said the coach.

The same day the boys squad, under the direction of coach Mario Ivanic, defeated La Citadelle 4-1 and lost 2-1 to Tagwi.

La Citadelle played Seaway to a 2-2 draw and Seaway trimmed Tagwi 5-2 in the tournament's other games.

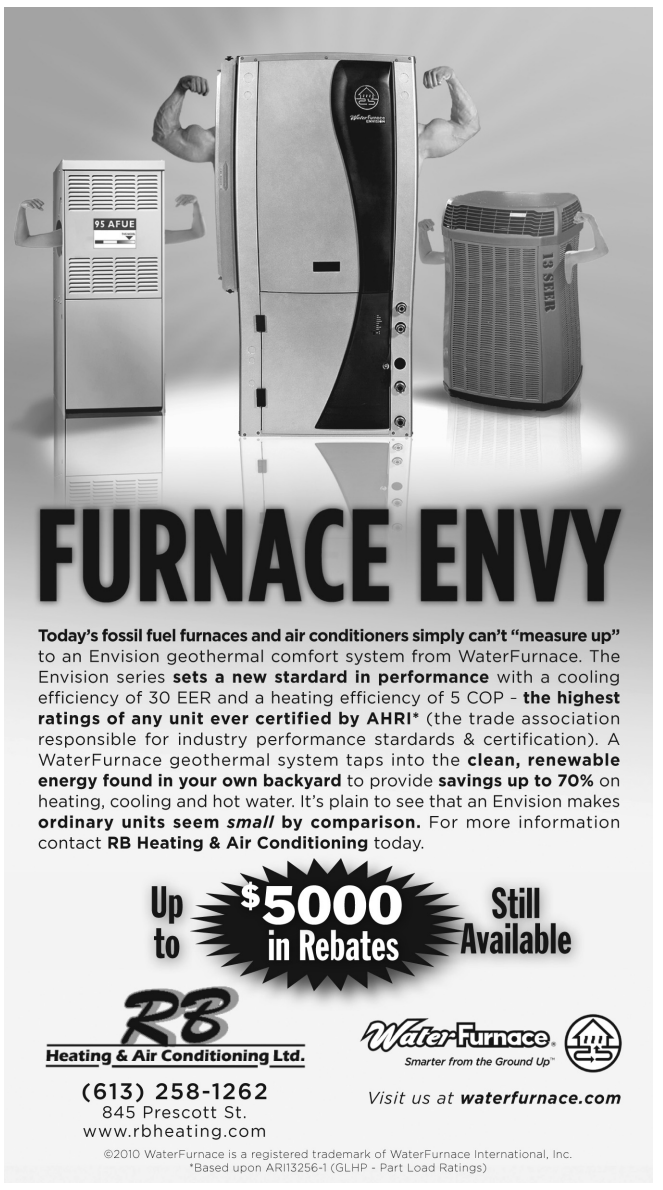
Road trip

The Devils were on the road for a trip to Char-Lan District High School in Williamstown on Friday (April 30) and were faced with the task of challenging the Char-Lan Crusaders and Glengarry Gaels on their turf.

The results were two losses for the girls, 5-nil to the Crusaders and 3-nil to the Gaels. The Devils record dropped to 0-4-0 following the shutouts.

The boys earned a point battling the Crusaders to a 1-1 draw. Victor Courarie-Delage booted in the lone North Dundas tally. Unfortunately for the Devils, their day ended with a 1-nil loss to Glengarry. North Dundas sports a 1-2-1 record prior to this week's action.

Yesterday (Tues., May 4) the junior squads were at General Vanier in Cornwall where they were scheduled to take on the host Vikings and Seaway Spartans. Friday (May 7) the St. Joe's Panthers, Seaway and L' Heritage Dragons will visit North Dundas District High School where a slate of eight matches (boys and girls) will be played.



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Girls ball hockey teams tied

WINCHESTER — All four Chesterville Girls Ball Hockey League teams have split their first two games leaving the group tied with two points each.

Week number two on the schedule was played Monday (May 3) at the Winchester Arena. The Snots smothered the Smurfettes 3-1 in game one and the Greyhounds nipped the Erasers 3-2 in the late game. Those results left everyone sporting a 1-1-0 record.

Next week's twin bill will be played at the Chesterville Arena on Mon., May 10. The opening face-offs are set for 7 and 8 pm.



She scores

Smurfette goalie Lindsay Chambers looks behind her and watches as the shot fired by Haley Geertsma rolls into her net. Geertsma's goal held up as the winner as the Snots knocked off the Smurfettes 3-1. The Greyhounds nipped the Erasers 3-2 in the other half of the Monday night (May 3) Chesterville Girls Ball Hockey League twin bill. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

Game one

The Snots had to play most of their second game of the season with just two forwards, a defenceman and a goalie but still managed to defeat the Smurfettes 3-1. Leanne Geertsma gave the Snots a 1-0 lead and Haley Geertsma opened up a 2-0 lead before the period was over. Geena Rose scored her third goal of the season to complete the scoring.

Anna Stubbings netted the Smurfettes marker late in the game to avoid the shutout.

Game two

Janis Hall's second period goal proved to be the difference in game two as the Greyhounds slipped by the Erasers 3-2.

Chelsey Romans pegged the other two Hound tallies, one at 6:40 of the first period and the other with 2:30 left on the clock.

Mackenzie Johnston opened the scoring for the Erasers notching her third goal in two games at 14:36 of period one. Sydney Landry took a feed from Katie Dingemans and tied the count at 2-2 with 3:17 left in the game, only to have the Hounds come back and grab the 3-2 win.

Ashby, DeJong finish first at Dome

OTTAWA — Freshman Tim Ashby and senior Dylan DeJong earned first-place points representing the North Dundas District High School Devils in the fifth instalment of the Ottawa Lions Track and Field Club sponsored Dome High School Series of indoor track meets.

Ashby, a rookie on the Devils squad, finished first in the midget boys' triple jump, marking a distance of 10.08m at last week's (Thurs., April 29) event.

DeJong gained his first-place status covering the 100m hurdles in a time of 15.14 seconds.

Aaron Burns finished second in the midget boys' shot put.

Junior Olivia Wouters gained third-place points, heaving the shot put 8.61m.

The Devils will extend their preparation for the SD&G championships (Tues., May 11 in Cornwall) by participating in the TISS Invitational in Brockville this week (Fri., May 7 and Sat., May 8).

Devils' results

Midgets: triple jump - Tim Ashby - 1st - 10.08m; 100m - Tim Ashby - 16th - 13.22; shot put - Aaron Burns - 2nd - 11.03m.

Juniors: shot put - Olivia Wouters - 3rd - 8.61m; 100m - Olivia Wouters 19th - 16.55; 400m - Isabel Schmid - 9th - 1:21.47; shot put - Alex Ladouceur - 6th - 8.60m.

Seniors: 110m hurdles - Dylan DeJong - 1st - 15.14; 100m - Dylan DeJong - 8th - 11.82; 400m - Christina O'Connor - 13th - 1:13.35; triple jump - Kirsten Milne - 5th - 9.86m.

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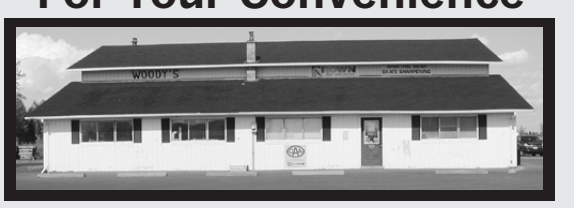

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Regional champs

The Russell Rockets showed off their gold medals following their one-point (53-52) victory over the Goulbourn Hornets victory on Sun., April 25. With the win the Rockets were declared 2009-2010 Eastern Ontario Regional Major Bantam Girls Basketball champions.

Capture gold

Russell Rockets claim regional championship

RUSSELL — The Russell Rockets finished the 2009-2010 campaign on a winning note capturing the gold medal in the Eastern Ontario Regional Major Bantam Girls Basketball Championship tournament.

The Rockets kicked off the competition (Fri., April 23 to Sun., April 25) posting a decisive 50-37 win against the Capital Xelles. Russell improved to 2-0 registering a 55-43 decision over the Gloucester Wolverines on day two. Game three finished the round robin and resulted in a 47-40 victory over Ottawa South (Bedrock) Basketball.

Cornwall provided Russell's opposition in the semi-final round and the two regular-season adversaries battled through a low-scoring defensive game that the Rockets won by a 10-point margin (38-28).

With Cornwall eliminated, the Rockets faced the Goulbourn Hornets in the gold medal game. The Hornets took an early lead, but the score was tied at quarter time. Russell led for most of the rest of the game, but the difference in the score was never more than a few points. Goulbourn pulled into a one-point lead draining a three-pointer in the final minutes, but they weren't able to defend that slim lead. In the final seven seconds, Julia Wouters received an inbound pass and drove to the bucket for a perfect lay-up and gave the Rockets a slim 53-52 victory and the eastern Ontario title.

According to team officials, Crista Dodd, Andreanne Ennis and Sarah Shewan provided strong rebound and post play in the Rockets' trek to the championship. Effective play making by point guards Beth Hayton, Allison Marsland and Julia Wouters and the shooting and defence provided by Tia Baker, Sarah Giles, Theresa James, Chandler Nowak and Libby Witteveen contributed to the teams success.

The Rockets thanked head coach Lucie Ennis, assistant coach Trish Wouters, manager Chris Todd and the Russell Basketball Association for their commitment to providing a fun and exciting opportunity for local players.

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North Dundas Devils play exhibition rugby matches, season opens this week

MAPLE RIDGE — The fine tuning has been completed and the North Dundas District High School Devils are about to embark on the 2010 SD&G rugby campaign.

The Tagwi Warriors will provide the opposition for the Devils tomorrow (Thurs., May 6) when they play a girls varsity game, as well as both a junior and senior boys match.

North Dundas took part in a pre-season tournament at Tagwi High School last week (Thurs., April 29) featuring Vankleek Hill Collegiate, the St. Joe's Panthers, the Tagwi Warriors and CCVS Raiders.

The senior boys team lost 8-0 to CCVS and were also defeated by Tagwi (score N/A). The Junior Devils saw action against Tagwi and also suffered a loss.

North Dundas manager Gilles Lepage speculated that because many of the Devils have to play both senior and junior fatigue was a factor in the results.

"Most of the guys played three games. That's just too much rugby for one day," he said.

Lady Devils

Coach Scott Reaney reported the girls squad continued to improve despite losing 25-5 to the St. Joe's Panthers and 10-5 to the CCVS Raiders.

Kelsey O'Connor scored the North Dundas try against St. Joe's on a good run and a pass by Ashley Tilley, the number eight who ran the ball from the back of the scrum.

CCVS scored on their first try on the opening kick off, 10 seconds into the game. But coach Reaney said the girls, after trailing 10-0 at the intermission, bounced back and won the second half 5-0.

Tilley recorded the North Dundas try on a tap and go penalty.

"The girls are doing very well for a brand new team, mostly Grade 9 and 10s and three inexperienced seniors," said the coach. "They just need more experience. They learn a lot with each game."



The North Dundas District High School Devils dropped a 10-5 decision to the CCVS Raiders in the Tagwi Warriors annual pre-season rugby tournament last week (Thurs., April 29). The Devils outscored the Raiders 5-0 in the second half. Rebecca dePaiva (right) booted the ball away from a Raider during the game.

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FOR RENT – Heated 40' x 60' warehouse/shop. Cement floor, loading/unloading door, 14' electric overhead door. Available immediately. Forklift available, water pressure. Call anytime 613-989-2330 leave message.
7-8c

FOR RENT – 915 sq. ft. store in East End Promenade, Morrisburg, for retail or offices. Phone 613-237-1431.
8-11c

FOR RENT – Trailer at Caravan Camp, sleeps 4, available by the week or month. Phone 613-543-2493.
8-9

Accommodation

FOR RENT – In Winchester, 2-bedroom apartment in clean, quiet building. Call 613-229-1653.
45tfc

FOR RENT – 43 Moffat Street, Morewood, 2-bedroom apartment, $575 monthly, utilities extra, on-site laundry facility, ample parking, high speed internet access, includes appliances. Call 819-771-6433.
48tfc

FOR RENT – Apartment at 487 Main Street, Winchester. Available June 1. To view call 613-774-2205. 7tfc

Accommodation

FOR RENT – 2-bedroom $600; 3-bedroom $650; both freshly painted. Heated, large yard. No pets. South of Chesterville (Dunbar). 613-220-1936, 613-774-3408.
5tfc

FOR RENT – 1-bedroom and 2-bedroom mobile home in Morrisburg Trailer Park. No pets please. $600 monthly plus utilities. Vacant. 613-774-3408 or 613-220-1936.
3tfc

FOR RENT – Morrisburg, modern 2+1 bedrooms, semi-detached with family room. Available May 1. $775 per month plus utilities. First, last and references. Phone 613-543-2897.
4tfc

FOR RENT – Large 2-bedroom apartment non-smoking, secure adult building. Supportive care services available, laundry facilities, parking. $630 plus hydro. 613-853-6592.
4tfc

PARK PLACE
2-bedroom townhouse, fridge and stove. Phone 613-774-3832.
8tfc

FOR RENT – One bedroom apartment in Winchester, available May 1, new stove and fridge, heat and hydro included in $660 per month. Parking included. Call Mark at 613-850-6275.
7tfc

FOR RENT – Victoria Apartments, Winchester. 2-bedroom with balcony. Senior preferred, no pets, no smoking. Call 613-543-2184.
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7tfc

FOR RENT – Village of Hallville: 2-bedroom home with large backyard, utilities extra. References required, along with first and last month's rent. Phone 613-989-1323 or 613-223-9154 for appointment to view.
8-11c

FOR RENT – Recently renovated small bachelor or commercial office, Winchester. References required. Available June 1. Call 613-774-2358.
8

WANTED TO RENT – 3-4 bedroom house, Winchester area, with yard, required for July or August. Phone Jeff or Joanne at 613-774-3426.
8-9

For Sale

PRESS PHOTO REPRINTS
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7stf

FOR SALE – Local and naturally grown Black Angus ground beef. Extra lean, government inspected. $2.50 per pound. Phone 613-652-4906, Iroquois. Delivery available.
52-10

FOR SALE – Yardworks 24 volt battery operated reel mower with two 24 volt batteries and charger. Best offer. Call 613-774-1774.
5stf

For Sale

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5tfc

FOR SALE – Collectors ... one 1950 Underwood portable typewriter with case, in good working order; also, red Bell rotary Princess telephone in mint condition. Best offer. Please call 613-774-1774.
5stf

FOR SALE – Did you know that some of your local TV channels are now broadcasting in high definition with a picture quality that is even better than your satellite dish? We sell and install antennas, rotors, boosters, and towers. Neil's Radio and TV, 4672 Flagg Road, Iroquois, 613-652-4024.
6-9c

FOR SALE – 24' round A/G pool, used, needs liner and some parts, complete safety fence. Retired pool installer will help/supervise disassembly and installation, $1,000. 613-925-0081.
7tfc

FOR SALE – Asparagus, fresh daily available at Dentz Orchards and Berry Farm, 4766 County Road 16, Iroquois. 613-652-2397. Open Monday-Saturday, 8:30 am-5:30 pm.
8-11c

FOR SALE – 2004 Newmac oil furnace, 80,000/110,000 BTU; 2000 oil fired hot water tank, 50 gallon; 2000 oil tank, 200 gallon; Selkirk chimney; $1,500 for all. Fisher woodstove, $75. 2 steel gates, $40 each. Phone 613-448-1577.
8-11

RETIREMENT SALE
Nursery items and household goods. May 14 to 30, 9 am-4 pm. Cash only. Glen Becker Nursery, 5013 County Road 31, Morrisburg.
8c

FOR SALE – Lean, grain fed freezer beef. Sides, quarters (side split, approximately 300 lb) cut and wrapped. $2.85 per pound. Call 613-826-2581.
8c

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8c

Automotive

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9tfc

FOR SALE – 2006 Sebring convertible, 110,000 km, E-tested and safetied. Asking $10,900, firm. Call 613-774-2506.
8-9c

FOR SALE – 1996 halfton GMC pickup with air conditioning, as is. Phone 613-821-5141 or 613-293-0407.
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FOR SALE – 3 silo unloaders, Valmetal, 14', 16', 18', all with automatic lowering machine, very good condition. Phone 613-448-3275.
7-8

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7-8c

FOR SALE – Pick seed seeding corn, 2-1/2 bushels, $50. Switched to Round-Up ready seeding. 613-445-2124.
8-9

FOR SALE – International 454 diesel tractor, 2 WD with International 1850 loader, runs well, $4,000. Call 613-774-3418.
8-9

Household

RBS APPLIANCE SALES AND SERVICE
Used appliances: fridges, stoves, washers, dryers, etc. 258-2613, 1-800-465-0874.
15tfc

FOR SALE – Oak end table $25; sofa, beige floral, from Sears, $300; VHS video storage plus 200 videos, classics, $150; computer armoire and chair, $75; air conditioner $50; maple entertainment unit, 2 doors on bottom, up to 32" TV, $75. 613-774-5332.
8-9

Pets & Livestock

FOR SALE – Day old meat chicks, turkeys, Pekin ducks and specialty birds. Rooney Feeds Ltd. NO DELIVER FEES. www.equistation.com 613-652-4382 Iroquois, 613-258-1567 Kemptville.
2-18c

FOR SALE – Beagle pups, 8 weeks old. Phone 613-826-2800.
8c

Birth Notice

CARKNER / GIORNO – Pamela and Guy welcome the birth of Liliana (Lily) Alexandra, 6 lbs., 6 oz. at 10:50 pm, Tuesday, April 27, 2010. A sister for Nathan and a grand-daughter for Janet and David Carkner and Michele and Aldo Giorno. We look forward to introducing Lily to her uncles, aunts, cousins, great-aunts and great-uncles and the rest of the family. Thanks to RN Cathy Anderson for delivering her and Dr. Lucyna Anderson, Dr. Susan Thorne and the wonderful team at the Childbirth Unit of Queensway-Carleton Hospital, Nepean. 8

Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS – We would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for the cards, flowers, and calls which we received on the occasion of our 65th Wedding Anniversary. Your kindness will always be remembered.
– Leonard and Rosemary Moriarity
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CARD OF THANKS– The family of David Lyle Berry would like to sincerely thank relatives and friends for their expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers, charitable donations, visits at the funeral home and for their support and acts of kindness during our recent loss. Special thanks to Rev. Janet Evans for her consoling words and to the Byers Funeral Home Staff for their assistance, understanding and compassion in helping us through this difficult time. Your kindness and thoughtfulness will always be remembered.
– Mrs. Freda Berry and family 8

In Memoriam

LEVERE – In memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather, Bob, who passed away May 4, 1995.
Those we love, we never lose
For always they will be,
Loved, remembered, treasured
Forever in our memory.
– Always remembered, Mary, Grant, Wanda, Darren and Justin 8

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In Memoriam

BANNING – In loving memory of Muriel, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, who passed away May 3, 2009.
A special smile, a special face,
A part of our family we cannot replace.
Our hearts are full of memories,
We treasure them with care,
The way you had to leave us,
Will always seem unfair.
The years we had with you,
Are worth their weight in gold,
The love and joy you gave us,
Are ours to have and hold.
We think of you in silence,
We do it every day,
But missing you is a heartache,
That never goes away.
– Sadly missed and forever in our hearts,
– Husband Lorne, children Murray, Ken, Eleanor, Angus, and all their families
8

SAUNDERS – In memory of Doris, who passed away May 7, 2008.
In our hearts your memory lingers,
Sweetly, tender, fond and true
There is not a day dear mother
That we do not think of you.
– Fondly remembered by Linda, Brian, Richard and Jeff
8

LEVERE – In memory of a dear grandfather, Cecil, who passed away May 6, 1998.
We hold you close within our hearts
And there you will remain,
To walk with us throughout our lives,
Until we meet again.
– Always remembered, Mary, Grant, Wanda, Darren and Justin
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Coming Events

WINCHESTER LIONS CLUB
515 Albert St., 613-774-2630
BINGO
Every Monday
HALL RENTAL
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Main St., Winchester
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Monday - Friday 9 am-3 pm;
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Call Betty Beckstead 613-535-2877, Connie Hart 613-448-3227 or drop into the Winchester Press. **Deadline to Purchase Tickets: Friday, May 7, 2010.** Advance tickets only. 4-8

Coming Events

SPRING SUPPER
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Mill St., Chesterville, Fri., April 30, 5-7 pm. Roast turkey supper with all the trimmings and dessert. Adults $12; Children (6-12 years) $6; under 5 free. Takeouts available starting at 4:30 pm. To have takeouts delivered call 613-448-3636 or 613-448-2564. Everyone welcome.
5-7c

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6-8c

"NOTHIN' BUT LOVE"
Presented by Village Voices Women's Choir, Sat., May 8 at 7:30 pm, Metcalfe United Church, 12677 Eighth Line Road, Metcalfe. Tickets $10. Children 12 and under free. Refreshments and draws for gift baskets. Information contact: 613-821-2174 or www.freewebs.com/villagevoices or catgraham_59@yahoo.com
7-8c

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SPRING CONCERT
Presented by Seaway Valley Singers at Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church, Fri., May 7, 7:30 pm. Conductor: Robert Jones of Chesterville. Accompanist Valerie Filpatrick of Ottawa. Variety of music guaranteed to please all tastes. Tickets $10 available at the door.
7-8c

INTERACTIVE TALKS WITH INTERESTING PEOPLE
Last Talk of the Season
Fri., May 7 at 7:30 pm at the Winchester Old Town Hall. Topic: Drumming by Jeanne Ward, musician and teacher. Bring your drum along. Refreshments. Donations to Stephen Lewis Foundation (Grannies). Contact 613-448-3439 for more information.
7-8



BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

PORTEOUS – Trevor, Suzie and big brother Darcy Porteous would like to announce the arrival of Marshall Arden Porteous, born March 5, 2010, weighing 7 lb., 3 oz. at Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Thanks to the doctors and nurses involved.

Coming Events

GIANT RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE
Sat., May 8, 9-11 am, Morewood Community Centre. Clothing, housewares, games/CDs/DVDs, kids and sports items, toys, baking. Proceeds to Morewood Presbyterian Church.
7-8

CALLING ALL SINGERS!
Seaway Singers are holding a Hymn Sing, Wed., May 26 at 7;30 pm at Iroquois United Church. All interested in joining us for this occasion are asked to come to practice with us at Iroquois United Church at 7:30 pm, Wed., May 12 and 19.
7-9c

ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST
Sun., May 9, 8:30 am-12 noon, South Mountain Ag Hall, sponsored by the Anglican Parish of North Dundas. Adults $5, children $3, family $20.
7-8c

YE OLDE BARGAIN SHOPPE
A great place to shop! Open Wednesdays from 1-3 pm and Thursdays from 1-3 pm and 6-8 pm. Holy Trinity Anglican Church Hall basement, Queen Street, Chesterville. Come in and browse!
8c

LOOK YOUR BEST FOR PROM!
Professional Make-up Artist available on the 28th. $30 per make-up with all funds going to the Week-end to End Women's Cancers. Call Joanne Notman 613-543-3251.
8-9

MIXED PARTY
In honour of Amanda Lewin and Jason Van Oers on Sat., May 15, 8 pm-1 am, Chesterville Legion . Tickets $5 each available at the door. DJ, light lunch served. Age of Majority.
8-9

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
Township of North Dundas
A Special Meeting of Council to consider five zoning amendment applications will be held, Tues., May 18, 2010 at 7 pm in Council Chambers.
8-9c

SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY TEA AND BAKE SALE
Sat., May 8, 9 am-1 pm, St. Mary's Parish Hall, Chesterville. Tea only $4. Sponsored by St. Mary's Helping Hands.
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COMING EVENTS continued on next page

MINI MONSTER BINGO



$5,500 Prize Board
SAT., MAY 8
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Coming Events

WILLIAMSBURG ODDFELLOWS COMING EVENTS FOR MAY

Sat., May 8: This Old Heart and the Country Comrades, 8 pm-12 midnight, light lunch, admission $7. **Sat., May 22:** WRD, 8 pm-12 midnight, light lunch, admission $7. **Sat., May 29:** Chinese Supper and Dance. Dance and Supper, advance tickets, $18. Dance, This Old Heart and the Country Comrades. $7. Supper 7 pm, dance 8 pm-12 midnight. For tickets call 613-535-2917.

8

GYS EUCHRE

Will be held Thurs., May 13, 7:30 pm, Lions Hall, Winchester. Lunch and Prizes. All welcome. For information 613-774-2134.

8

HAVING A PARTY?

Winchester Curling Club is LLBO licenced for 130 people. Info: Louis Gaal 613-774-6628.

8c

VENDOR MEETING
Chesterville Farmers' Market

Tue., May 11, 6:30 pm at the Chesterville Fairgrounds. Opening Day: Sat., May 22 from 8 am-1 pm. Cheryl Beasley 613-774-2224.

8c

MOTHER'S DAY TEA

Sat., May 8, 1 pm at the Nor-Dun Seniors' Centre, Winchester. Entertainment provided. Proceeds to Winchester Heelers. Tickets $20. Call Diane at 613-989-2061. 8

Yard Sales

WINCHESTER HOSPITAL HEELERS FUND RAISING GARAGE SALE

Sat., May 15, 8 am, Henderson Hall, 518 Church Street, Winchester. **One Day Only**. Lots to choose from, get there early!

8-9

KENMORE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE GARAGE SALE

3228 Fetterly Drive, Kenmore, Sat., May 8, 8 am-2 pm. Something for everyone.

8

YARD SALE

Sat., May 8, 8 am-2 pm, 544 Louise St., Winchester. Desk, small bikes, books, pine cupboard and other household items.

8c

GIANT FAMILY GARAGE SALE

Sat., May 8, 7 am start, 12260 County Road 43 (corner of County Road 31 and 43) south of Winchester.

8

GARAGE SALE

Sat., May 8, 59 Eric Ave (Eric Thompson subdivision) Chesterville. Many items including Lionel train track 0-27 gauge and accessories.

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YARD SALE

542 Louise St., Winchester, Sat., May 8 (rain date May 15)

8

GARAGE SALE

Sat., May 8, 8 am-12 noon, 531 Victoria Street, Winchester. Something for everyone.

8

PERENNIALS / GARAGE SALE

Sat. and Sun., May 15 and 16, 8 am-4 pm, 11517 Levere Road (just off Inkerman Road). Hosta, peony, daylily, iris, many more, many varieties, some unusual, great prices; toys, baby supplies, books and housewares. Come early, the good stuff goes fast! 8-9

Auction Sales

ESTATE AUCTION SALE
WOODWORKING TOOLS AND ACCESSORIES
To be held on site at #8 Alexander Street in the village of Maxville (straight east of Post Office)
SATURDAY, MAY 8
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Auction Sales

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Civic #13865 County Road 9 (Berwick Road). From the village of Berwick travel straight west on County Road 9 approximately 9 k m – OR – from the village of Chesterville travel north on County Road 7 approximately 1-1/2 km to County Road 9, turn east onto County Road 9 and travel approximately 2km. Watch for signs!

SATURDAY, MAY 15
commencing at 10 am

Husqvarna model #Z5426 zero turn 54", 26 hp riding lawn mower, as new, only 120 hours; Kubota model #G5200 13 hp 3-cylinder diesel tractor with 48" mower deck and 48" front mount snowblower with chains and wheel weights, 1700 hours; lawn roller; lawn sweeper; 3-pt. hitch Ford blade; 2 chain saws; small scraper; small garden trailer; dethatcher; 35,000 watt pto-driven generator, never used, as new; small electric stone grinder for milling flour, like new, paid $1,500; IH walking plow; approximately 800 new interlocking brick; aluminum extension ladder; approximately 50 lead glass antique windows; quantity of lawn and garden tools; antique pine cupboard.

Excellent assortment of woodworking tools and related articles: Rockwell 4' solid cast wood lathe; Ridgid orbital sander; Craftex drill press; 2 Craftsman HD radial arm saws; Craftex 15" band saw; Rockwell table saw, 220; 9" belt/disc sander; King compound miter saw on stand; Dewalt 12" box planer; CII 6" jointer; Air Pro portable air compressor; lathe chisels; assortment of various blades and bits; quantity of hardware related to woodworking; large assortment of other hand and power tools; approximately 1000 board feet of 1" lumber in various species including walnut, oak, pine and ash; good assortment of woodworking books; many other articles too numerous to mention.

Reason for Auction: Farm has been sold.

PROPRIETORS
Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. McIntosh
SELLING ON BEHALF OF
Murray Manley

MF #175 tractor with front end loader; 6' rotary cutter; 6' single auger snowblower; 3-pt. hitch blade; 3-pt. hitch bush trailer; MF #200 harvester; NH tandem manure spreader, needs work; Kverneland 3-furrow 3-pt. hitch competition plow complete with skimmers; HD 3-pt. hitch wood splitter.

Reason for selling this Machinery: Mr. Manley's property is for sale and he is relocating to the village.

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HOUSE SALE
Mary Bueley
5522 Meadowbrook Drive
Meadowbrook Subdivision
Iroquois "east"
THURSDAY, MAY 6
8:30 am - 5 pm

Sofa and matching chair; occasional tables; upholstered occasional chairs; silverware table; maple double pedestal harvest table with 4 side chairs and 2 armchairs; large glass-top coffee table; lamps; crystals; china including Royal Doulton "Ravenwood" for 6 with platters; collector plates including Hummel "Little Companions"; in the shadow of Giants train plates; series of 4 Joan Healy "The Canadian Dream"; prints by James Lumber "If Only", Peter Synder "The Apple Seller", Snowgeese; Ken Westman "Sandout"; Kierstead; Kalvert; vanity and stool; mirrors; hall table; entertainment centre; maple desk; bookcases; wicker chairs; rocking chairs; 3-piece bedroom set; small kitchen appliances; kitchenware; drafting table with drafting machine; Christmas decorations; Vivid speakers, 250 watts; crocks; baskets; books; other miscellaneous articles.

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Auction Sales

ESTATE AUCTION SALE
ANTIQUES, HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, DISHES, FARM TRACTOR, AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

12645 Maple Ridge Road, RR 4, Winchester. From Winchester travel south on County Road 31, turn left on County Road 43, and travel east 4 kms, turn left on Belanger Road and then right on Maple Ridge Road – OR – from Chesterville travel west on County Road 43, past North Dundas District High School, and turn right on Maple Ridge Road. Watch for Auction signs.

SATURDAY, MAY 15
commencing at 10 am
Tractor selling at 1 pm

570 Belarus diesel tractor with cab, 65 hp, 700 hours, 1992 model

As Mrs. Helmer has moved to a nursing home, and is selling her property, the following will be sold: Antique combination oak curved glass china cabinet with drop front desk and beveled mirror, a quality piece; ash Chatham kitchen cabinet; wooden spooled settle bench; bonnet chest with leaf style pulls; matching ash bow front dresser with mirror and washstand with towel rack; 3-piece waterfall bedroom set; child's press back highchair; 5 hoop-back chairs; oak dining room table with 5 leaves and 9 chairs; dresser with mirror; washstand with towel rack; single bed; parlour tables; plant stand; wooden cupboard; 7-piece wash set; Aladdin oil lamp; antique lamps; matching wicker rocker and chair; pine blanket box; maple highchair; Lowrey electric organ; sewing box; antique toys; chesterfield and chair; upholstered chairs; Sanyo 27" TV; oak TV stand; old records; linens; blankets; quilts; Moffat 30" stove; McLeary washer; Moffat dryer; Gibson freezer; bread maker; blender; antique razor; cups and saucers; china bells; old dishes; china plates; salt and pepper shakers; many unlisted items.

Note: As this home has been in the same family name for well over 100 years, there are several very interesting antique pieces and collectibles up for sale.

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AUCTION SALE
FOR THE ESTATE OF
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Travel north of Prescott to Domville, then west on the Fourth Concession to the first road on the right.

SATURDAY, MAY 8
commencing at 10 am
selling at 1 pm
Truck, Tractors, Woodsplitter, and Blade

Truck, Tractors and Equipment: 1992 Dodge Ram LE 150 pick-up, loaded, 30,176 km; White 1270 2 WD diesel tractor; AC D12 Series 111 gas tractor and loader; grader blade; Brave 24 ton trail woodsplitter with 8 hp engine; Craftsman air compressor; Forney electric welder; good assortment of hand and power tools; quantity of small shop related items; DeLaval vacuum pump and four pipeline milkers.

Antiques and Household Effects: One Edison and one RCA gramophone in working order; Heintzman piano, excellent condition; modern grandfather clock; two combination china cabinets; assorted good dishes and silverware; coal oil lamps; old schoolbooks; stereoscope; tin toy airplane; variety of nice small wooden tables and chairs; modern oak pedestal table and chairs; two antique dressers with mirrors; other bedroom and living room furniture; refrigerator; stove; Maytag washer; additional household effects.

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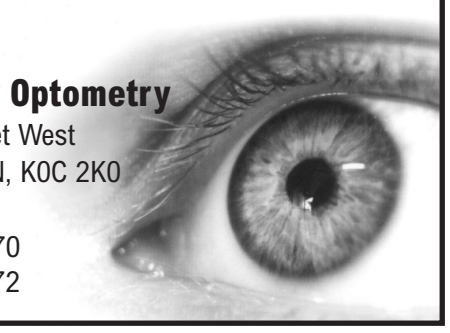

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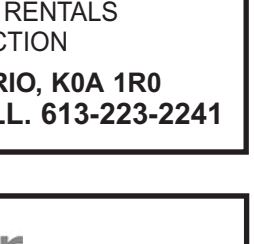

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Sixth Place: King's Pizza gift certificate, Duck #316, **John Pinhey** (South Mountain)
Seventh Place: Mountain Station Medium Combo Pizza, Duck #709, **Manford Wallace** (Winchester)
Eighth Place: Mountain Station Medium Combo Pizza, Duck #364, **Rhonda Holmes** (South Mountain)
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Tenth Place: Rick's Gas Combo Pizza & Pepsi, Duck #361, **Jacob Holmes** (South Mountain)

LIONS INTERNATIONAL

Thank You

The Winchester Lions Club, members and volunteers, held a ditch and roadway cleanup along Highway 31, Wednesday evening, April 28.

Thanks to Challis Crawford, Brittany Cochrane, Jenny Warren, Sara Ives, Casey Saddlemire, Chris Gibson, Brett Bartholomew, Dakota Boulanger, Beau Baldwin, Marc Clouthier, Rob Carkner, Garry Carkner, John Pyper and to any volunteer we may have missed.

Your help was greatly appreciated by all Winchester Lions Club members!

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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

Quotations clearly marked as to contents, to supply and install a Natural Gas Hot Water Boiler at the Chesterville Pool, located at 1 William St., Chesterville, will be received at the Township of North Dundas Municipal Office located at 636 St. Lawrence St., Winchester ON, until 12:00 noon, **Thursday May 20th, 2010. Quotations may also be sent by fax.** Quotation forms are available from the Township office or on our website www.northdundas.com.

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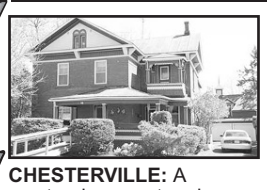

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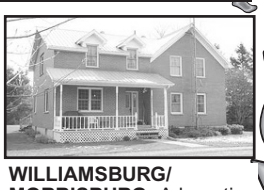

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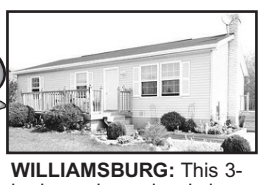

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To prepare volunteers who want to help at the building site, Habitat for Humanity will be conducting a safety, health, and environment workshop at the Winchester branch of the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry County Library at 7 pm on Tues., May 11.

The workshop emphasizes the importance of safety on the job and is mandatory for anyone wishing to volunteer to help build this home.



Thanks for everything

The Cedar Brae-Newington Women's Institute held their annual meeting at the Ingleside Seniors' Support Centre on Wed., April 28. Following the business meeting, president Bonnie MacIntosh presented a service pin to Pauline Flegg for 20 years of service, while MacIntosh received the 10-year pin for her service as president for most of that decade. Unable to attend were Marion Clement, who will receive the 10-year pin, and Ruby Presley, who will receive the 60-year pin. Front row: Inez Simpson (left), MacIntosh, Leona St. John, and Joyce Dingwall. Back row: Shirley Aitken (left), Beth Short, Iva Wylie, Flegg, Donna Loewen, and Elaine Hutchinson.

OBITUARY

Donna Grace Merkley



Donna Merkley (nee McMillan) of Iroquois, formerly of Chesterville, passed away peacefully at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Mon., April 19, 2010, in her 67th year.

She was the beloved daughter of the late Wilfred and Marjorie McMillan. She was the loving mother of Kimberley (Jason) Brown of Chesterville, Vicki Merkley (Richard Taillefer) of Iroquois, and Corinne Merkley (Chris Kelly) of Chesterville. She was the dear sister to Vern McMillan (Sue), Debbie DeCooman (Ed), all of Chesterville, and Gail McMillan of Ottawa. She was predeceased by two sisters, Heather and Diana. She will be sadly missed by three grandchildren, Rylie and Nolan Brown, and McKenna Kelly. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville on Sat., April 24.

The funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Chesterville (613-448-2120).

Donations to Winchester District Memorial Hospital or the Canadian Cancer Society would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

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