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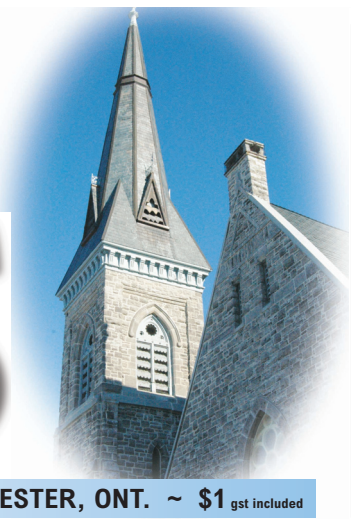

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There wasn't any snow for the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights on Sat., Dec. 5, but that didn't stop spectators from lining the streets of Winchester to enjoy the annual yuletide event. There were roughly 40 floats, bands, and other entries this year. Jared (left) with Esther and Austin Hutchinson were all decked out for the nativity scene on the Discovery Bible Fellowship Church float. For more photos, see pages 15 and 16. *Press Photo — Smith-Millar*

Spirits bright at Parade of Lights

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — If the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights suffered from a lack of volunteer support a few months ago, it certainly didn't show last Saturday.

There were more than 40 entries in Winchester's annual yuletide event on Dec. 5, and organizers said they were more than happy with the size of the crowd lining the streets.

"Everything went off without a hitch — I was really impressed," said Gina Welch, who stepped up to chair the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights Committee for 2009.

"I think it really went well. I heard nothing but positive comments from people on the street," she added.

Welch praised the quality of the floats. She also said it was heartwarming to see how many people lined the streets to watch the parade, which left the Township of North Dundas office parking lot around 6 pm.

"I was proud of our community for coming out," she said.

Welch thanked a core team of volunteers and Township of North Dundas staff members for helping to organize not only the parade, but also the community activities throughout the day. There was a flurry of activity at the Winchester Community Centre (located at the village arena) — including photos with Santa, a vendor fair, an apple pie and chocolate-chip cookie competition, and more.

> More than 40 entries in yuletide event

There was also a toy train ride for kids outside at the arena (although parents could come on board if they received their offspring's consent), a family skating session, an ice sculpting display downtown, and a winter wonderland activity for youth at the Old Town Hall, plus an after-parade party at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 108.

Welch also thanked the sponsors, including local businesses, who made the parade of lights and community fun day possible.

Proceeds are still being counted, but walkers collecting money, canned food, and gifts through the Dundas County Food Bank collected roughly $1,893 in cash. Those funds will be forwarded to the North Dundas Christmas Fund.

While volunteers had been pushing to make the 2010 parade a daytime event, some people want to keep it at night, said Welch.

"As a committee, we haven't decided," said Welch.

But Welch put to rest any fears that the parade wouldn't be back in 2010.

"There is going to be a parade next year, as of now," said Welch.

Mark Guy, the Township of North Dundas' recreation director, praised the efforts of the volunteers.

"It was a brand-new group of volunteers this year, and I thought they did a great job," he said.

New library doors open

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Earlier this year, the proposed South Mountain Library was nothing more than a topic of discussion around the Township of North Dundas council table.

Last Saturday afternoon (Dec. 5), politicians and members of the public gathered for a ribbon-cutting ceremony in front of the finished product: the South Mountain Library and Resource Centre.

> Project currently under $400,000

"I'm sure I speak for all of us who have worked towards this day when I say that this is really thrilling to see our goals realized at last," said Elizabeth Earl, the chair of the Friends of the South Mountain Library.

The public could check out the new facility, which includes the old library's book collection, a kids' corner, a kitchen, and meeting rooms.

"Please take note of the library hours," Earl finished off by saying. "If you have a library card, come back when the library's open and use it. If you don't have a library card, please speak to our wonderful library staffers!"

To date, the library and resource centre project has cost $397,854, according to John Gareau, treasurer for the Township of North Dundas.

"We've budgeted $400,000," Gareau told the *Winchester Press*. He added that more invoices may be coming in, but the project is nonetheless almost finished.

"If a new invoice or two surfaces in the next month or so, we'll be at the $400,000 mark," he said.

In total, the Friends of the South Mountain Library's campaign resulted in more than $108,000 in donations. About $12,000 of that was gifts-in-kind, from a kitchen sink to artwork.

Chesterville Public teacher mourned

by Matthew Uhrig
Press Staff

CHESTERVILLE — Krista Taylor was in just her first year of teaching Grade 3 at Chesterville Public School (CPS) when her life ended tragically in a car accident on Wed., Dec. 2.

"I know she was a very caring teacher," said Terry Simzer, manager of communications for the Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB), noting that Taylor had taught at other schools in the board prior to starting at CPS.

In an interview with the *Winchester Press* on Fri., Dec. 4, Simzer said that as soon as UCDSB staff was notified that Taylor had been killed, "the crisis response team was put into action."

"They [counsellors] will remain on site as required," he said.

Simzer also said Russell Public School's principal, Harold McInnes, was brought in to CPS to temporarily "take care of day-to-day requirements." Meanwhile, CPS' principal, Deborah Black, handled the current situation.

Also, said Simzer, extra custodial staff members were assigned to CPS in an effort to alleviate stresses and "provide extra support for all."

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Cash stolen from TD Bank

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

CHESTERVILLE — A male suspect entered the Chesterville TD Canada Trust bank branch on Queen Street just before closing on Wed., Dec. 2 and made off with an undisclosed quantity of cash, according to the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP.

Officers, along with members of the SD&G OPP Crime Unit, arrived at the scene at approximately 4:06 pm.

Police said a male suspect entered the branch as tellers and other staff were preparing to close for the day. The male demanded cash and, according SD&G OPP, reached into his coat as if he was going to pull out a weapon.

However, both SD&G OPP officers and bank staff told the *Winchester Press* the man did not pull a weapon out of his coat.

Bank manager Bob Goodman said that the robbery took place extremely quickly.

"[He] came and went," said bank manager Bob Goodman. "Most of the staff didn't even know it happened."

Following the robbery, SD&G OPP officers said the suspect fled on foot with the money inside a yellow plastic shopping bag.

In an interview with the *Press*, Goodman said he was not at liberty to discuss the amount of cash taken, and chose instead to talk about how the staff handled the situation.

Employees at the bank, said Goodman, do various role-playing activities in order to prepare for these types of situations.

"We don't take any chances," he said.

Goodman also said bank robberies seem to be more common before the holiday season.

"Unfortunately, these things happen at this time of year," said Goodman.

SD&G OPP reported that the male was seen wearing a red coat and a turtleneck. His stature was small, and he had a thin build. Bank staff said the man spoke English with no accent, and may have been missing teeth.

Anyone with information is asked to contact SD&G OPP at 1-800-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS).

Counselling services offered to students

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"The school is in mourning," said Simzer. "This is a tough one."

The Ottawa Police Service (OPS) said Taylor, 30, was driving her grey Toyota Matrix east along Roger Stevens Drive in the City of Ottawa. According to officials, as she passed the intersection of Rideau Valley Road and headed into the south-veering turn in the road, she lost control of her vehicle.

Police said Taylor clipped a car in front of her and then entered the westbound lane, where her vehicle collided head-on with a Chevrolet pickup truck.

The OPS reported that the force of the impact bent Taylor's car almost in half and left both vehicles crumpled together on the gravel shoulder of the road.

Police also said parts of Taylor's vehicle were strewn along the road and shoulder, including the front bumper, which was ripped completely from the car and came to rest a few feet away.

Paramedics pronounced Taylor dead at the scene just before 7 am.

The male driver of the car Taylor clipped was not injured, while the male driver of the pickup truck sustained a minor leg injury and was treated at the scene.

Ottawa Police Service traffic investigators closed Roger Stevens Drive, between Rideau Valley Road and River Road, for several hours on Dec. 2, while they attempted to reconstruct the movements of the vehicles prior to the crash.

"It is believed the road conditions were wet. It was cool, and there was a little bit of frost in the area," said OPS Sgt. Calvin Goble in an online Sun Media video.

The investigation is ongoing.

Police Blotter

Arson case update

MORRISBURG — Arson suspects Steven Seymour and Beau Breakey were back in Morrisburg court on Tues., Dec. 1.

The two men are charged in connection with a Nation Valley Road fire in the Township of North Dundas on Sun., May 24.

An abandoned house in the Chesterville area was razed during that incident, but Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP reported that no injuries occurred in the blaze.

Nothing was decided at the Dec. 1 hearing, and the two suspects will return to court on Tues., Dec. 15.

Seymour is also facing several charges in connection to unrelated incidents.

Alleged booze cruise

HALLVILLE — A 30-year-old man was accused of driving impaired after Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP conducted a routine traffic stop on Loughlin Ridge Road.

Travis Thompson of Iroquois was arrested on Sat., Dec. 5 around 9 am and charged with impaired driving, as well as operating a motor vehicle while having a blood alcohol concentration exceeding 0.08.

He is scheduled to appear on Tues., Feb. 2 in Morrisburg court.

Cash, cheques stolen

INKERMAN — On Fri., Dec. 4, SD&G OPP officers responded to a report of a break and enter on Van Camp Road.

Unknown suspect(s) attended a residence and removed an unknown amount of cash and cheques. The investigation is ongoing.

Teen trouble

WILLIAMSBURG — When SD&G OPP responded to a family dispute on Mon., Nov. 30 around 4:45 pm, the investigation revealed a 15-year-old female had an altercation with her family at a Henderson Road location.

The teenager was arrested and charged with uttering threats to cause death or bodily harm and assault. She was scheduled to appear in Cornwall court on Tues., Dec. 1.

ATV nabbed

WINCHESTER — On the morning of Wed., Nov. 25, OPP officers responded to a report of an all-terrain vehicle theft.

Police say that sometime overnight, unknown suspects stole a green 2005 Honda ATV from a Main Street residence. The investigation is ongoing.

Vehicle damaged

MOREWOOD — On Sat., Nov. 28 around 9 am, SD&G OPP officers responded to a mischief call on Thibault Court in the Township of North Dundas.

The investigation revealed a 49-year-old North Dundas male had damaged a parked motor vehicle after an argument with his family. He was arrested and charged with mischief under $5,000 and breaching probation.

He was scheduled to appear in Cornwall court on Mon., Nov. 30.

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Marleen Fawcett's gospel CD supports two local charities

MOUNTAIN — Marleen Fawcett has been the lead singer of Ottawa-based classic rock band Conspiracy for the past five years, and before then, a country artist.

She has also sung at church events, Christmas events, and private parties her whole life, which gave her the opportunity to sing one of her favourite music styles: gospel.

With the sales of her newly released gospel CD — *Thank God It's Christmas* — Fawcett hopes to raise money for two local causes close to her heart: the House of Lazarus mission in Mountain and the Winchester Hospital Heelers, who walk annually in the Weekend to End Breast Cancer. A total of $5 from each CD sale will be set aside to support these charities.

Fawcett said she feels that making this CD, and releasing it at this time in her life, is especially gratifying.

In July 2009, when Fawcett sang at her father's 80th birthday celebration, she was again asked by many if she had a CD for sale.

"This got me thinking that perhaps now was the time to make a CD for all, young and old, to enjoy," said Fawcett. "I was thinking of either a Christmas or a gospel album, but didn't know which until someone suggested both on one CD. This is a CD I can feel great about sharing forever — for my kids, their kids and so on."

During the production of this CD, Fawcett's father passed away, but she did get to share four mixed tracks with him and said she now knows he can hear them all.

Al Bragg produced the album, which includes Fawcett singing a duet with her daughter, Melissa.

Thank God It's Christmas will be available in many stores throughout the area. Contact Fawcett at 613-277-8837 or at marleen29@hotmail.com for more information.

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Council pumps $13,000 into truck

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WILLIAMSBURG — In an effort to alleviate water transportation issues with the Iroquois detachment of the newly formed South Dundas Fire Department, Township of South Dundas councillors have agreed to spend $13,000 to repair a faulty tank on one of its pumper trucks.

At the regular Tues., Dec. 1 council meeting, Philip Thompson, the South Dundas Fire Department Iroquois detachment's fire chief, spoke to the politicians about what to do with an out-of-service pumper truck.

Thompson said he is aware the township doesn't have plans to replace the vehicle until 2012, but suggested that if the township were to consider purchasing a new pumper truck before Thurs., Dec. 31, the detachment would be guaranteed to have the new truck available by August 2010.

"The time required for production is three to four months," said Thompson.

He said that the manufacturer has told him that due to high demand for the vehicles, if the township waited until 2012, the pumper truck could potentially not be available until some point in 2013.

"Orders are coming fast," said Thompson.

Township CAO Stephen McDonald estimated that the purchase of a new pumper truck at this time would cost about $300,000.

Knowing that he cannot expect the township to purchase a new truck right away, Thompson said the replacement of the faulty tank on the currently out-of-service pumper truck might be a more viable short-term option.

At a council meeting in November, the councillors agreed that spending $13,000 would only be an interim solution, and directed township staff to approach the Iroquois department.

McDonald told the politicians at that time that Iroquois firefighters could potentially use a similar pumper truck formerly operated by the Williamsburg department.

However, said Thompson, Williamsburg's pumper truck won't fit in the Iroquois fire hall.

"We don't have the room," he said.

Currently, for rural service calls, backup from the Morrisburg and Williamsburg detachments is immediately dispatched, in the event more water is needed, said Thompson.

Deputy-Mayor Steven Byvelds questioned why it is necessary to have two pumper trucks in both Williamsburg and Iroquois.

Thompson said having two vehicles with water is helpful should the Iroquois detachment be called to another incident while out already dealing with one.

Councillor Delbert Jones said he was not "anxious" to make a payment decision at the Dec. 1 meeting, as those things should be sorted out once a new full-time fire chief has been hired to oversee the newly formed South Dundas Fire Department.

But, because of potential insurance infractions, the councillors decided to replace the faulty tank on the 1985 Chevrolet truck. All councillors admitted that they were not sure how, if at all, the lack of a properly functioning pumper truck would affect agreements with the township's insurance provider.

The money will be pooled from unallocated township funds, and Byvelds said $13,000 might be "a fairly cheap fix."

Local company wins port project contract

WILLIAMSBURG — Triple B Structures of Williamsburg has been granted the contract to build the grain storage annex at the Port of Prescott.

The decision was finalized at a special meeting of the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal council in November.

The company's bid of $4,564,855 was the lowest received. The addition at the port will provide an approximate 20,000 metric tonnes of extra storage.

The project had recently been stalled because the township was waiting for joint funding from the provincial and federal governments.

Council concerned about 'aesthetics' of rezoned land

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH DUNDAS

Council notes from
South Dundas

WILLIAMSBURG — At the regular Township of South Dundas council meeting on Tues., Dec. 1, councillors decided to defer a proposed zoning bylaw amendment to a future meeting.

Two township residents, located at 13460 Nudell Bush Road, are requesting permission to store boats, camper trailers, and automobiles on their 1.6 acre property, as well as use 10 shipping containers.

Township manager of planning and enforcement Donald J.W. Lewis told the councillors that if the amendment was passed, the homeowners would be required to screen their property with evergreen trees (not fencing) and vertical stacking of the containers would be prohibited, as per the stipulations implemented by Lewis in the zoning amendment application. As well, any additions to their property would have to be at least 100 feet from the road, all located in their back yard.

Councillor Delbert Jones immediately expressed his disapproval to the idea. Jones' reservations stemmed from the home's proximity to Upper Canada Road and Upper Canada Village.

"I have concerns about the aesthetics," said Jones, noting that the space is not large enough for a storage area. "That [UCV] is our anchor attraction."

During the meeting, the applicants were expected to be present to speak to the matter, Lewis said he had received confirmation earlier in the day that they would be there. However, when the applicants were not present, the politicians expressed their unhappiness.

"I would have really liked to have seen the applicants," said Deputy-Mayor Steven Byvelds. "We need to hear from them. Because [right now], I'm prepared to say no."

All the councillors agreed that the issue would be dealt with at a future meeting, and Mayor Robert Gillard moved for a deferral of the matter.

More cell towers?

Manager of planning and enforcement Donald J.W. Lewis informed the councillors that Bell Mobility Incorporated approached the township about erecting two new communication towers along Highway 401.

Lewis said the applicant is currently working to adhere to the township's telecommunications policy, which, said Lewis, controls the issues of spacing between towers.

Tax write-offs

Township treasurer Shannon Geraghty submitted a recommendation that the councillors approve the 2006 to 2009 Assessment Review Board decisions, as part of the Ontario Municipal Act's write-offs section, and minutes of settlement from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), as well as any tax reductions approved by council in 2009.

Geraghty said that each year, council is provided with a list of all township properties that have had taxes reduced by the assessment review board, minutes of settlement agreements between MPAC and property owners, plus any municipal tax portion reductions and interest charges to be approved by council.

The councillors approved the tax write-offs for the 2009 taxation year.

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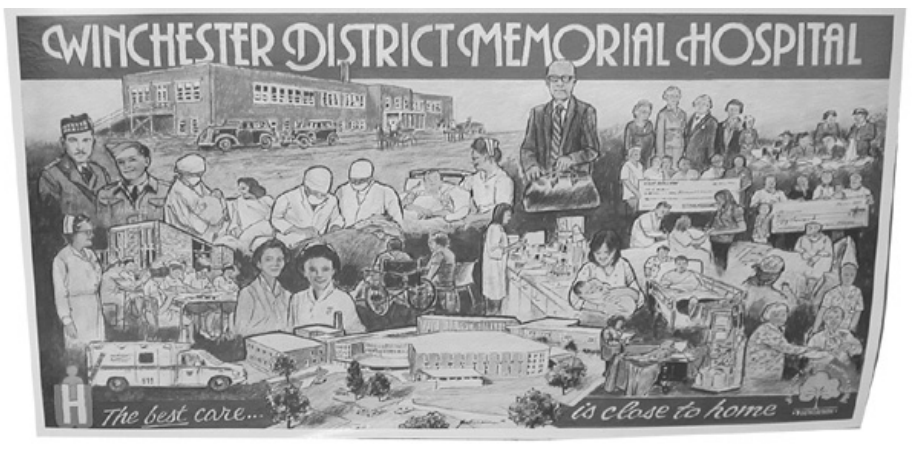

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Larry Bilmer with his two mules.

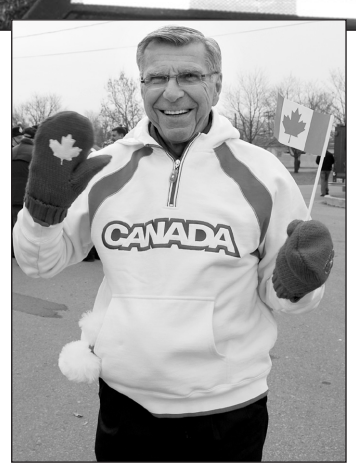
1st Iroquois Scouting members including Riley Markell (front), Jonathan Mayhew (middle, right), Michael Richer (back, left) and Cole English led the parade.

The Lyndon Marshall Auction Services float was accompanied by some walkers in eye-catching costumes, including Morgan Marshall (left), and Tabitha Marshall.

Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon handed out Canadian flags to his constituents.

Robin Butler was all "wrapped up" to withstand the cold.

A giant Christmas tree received plenty of laughs and cheers.





Santa and his fans congregated in Morrisburg on the morning of Sat., Dec. 5 for the village's annual Christmas parade. The relatively mild December weather resulted in high spirits and a sizeable crowd.

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Parade of Lights a magical evening

Not bad for an event that almost didn't happen.

Like this year's Dairyfest, the 2009 North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights seemed to be facing extinction only a couple months before the big day. Long-serving volunteers had given their all and "retired" from the parade committee. It looked as if the popular Winchester event had met its demise.

But, like Dairyfest, a dedicated team of new volunteers stepped up to the plate to save the parade.

What's amazing was, last Saturday's all-day extravaganza didn't look amateurish. It didn't seem like it was organized hastily at the last minute.

It was, perhaps, one of the most magical parades Winchester has enjoyed in years.

The all-day community events at the arena were definitely a hit with families, as were the children's activities at the Old Town Hall, the pastry-baking contest, the community suppers, the ice-carving, and the after-party at the Royal Canadian Legion on Main Street. The parade itself was nothing short of spectacular, and more than 40 floats, bands, and other entries made their way from the Township of North Dundas buildings, through to Winchester's downtown core. Not only that, but the floats were colourful, bright, and creative — and were often blaring popular yuletide tunes.

Despite the lack of snow, it felt — well — like Christmas.

The best part was the crowd itself. Seniors, parents with toddlers, teenagers — you name the demographic, and it was represented along the streets of Winchester on Saturday evening. It certainly didn't look like a community that had turned its back on the ever-popular Winchester parade.

It just proves, yet again, that it may be hard to convince volunteers to join a committee and do the "heavy lifting" to organize community events, but people still care about these traditions. With our busy society, people are willing to donate funds, make a float, or attend an event — but the prospect of joining the committee itself scares many folks off, particularly if they have work or family commitments.

According to Gina Welch, chairperson for the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights Committee, volunteers have yet to formally decide whether or not to switch back to a day parade next year. It seemed like it was time for a change, but the nighttime event received tremendous support this year, and the floats themselves looked great.

Whether there's a daytime or nighttime parade in 2010, the committee is going to need help next year. And the more people get involved, the lighter the workload is for everyone.



Santa Claus dropped by Winchester Public School this week in 1969. Pictured are Burke Boyd (back, left), Santa Claus, and Heather Cameron. Front: Robbie Phillips (left) and Stuart Anderson.

Remember when...

1939

This week in 1939, the decks were being cleared for the manufacturing of airplanes in Canada. Some members of the public were demanding that unemployed British people be allowed to immigrate to Canada to work on military airdromes, which were being built with British money on Canadian soil. The *Winchester Press* reported that there was plenty of work in Canada and that the influx of men would help the Dominion prosper.

1949

Once again, the often disparaged term "Xmas" came under scrutiny. Why, the *Press* asked, is the anniversary of the birth of the Prince of Peace, the Saviour of Mankind known as Christ, shortened to Xmas? The *Press* editorial page allowed that those "in the know" claimed the "X" in Xmas is derived from a Greek spelling of Christ. However, the *Press* said the abbreviation is ugly and would, outside of Greece, tend to distract from the real meaning of the holiday.

1959

Approximately 5,000 people were in Winchester this week to see Santa Claus arrive in town in a helicopter to take part in the annual parade. It was estimated to be the biggest and best-prepared Santa Claus parade in the event's history.

1969

Hospital officials were reporting that snowmobile riders should not operate their noisy vehicles on hospital property. Officials also asked that the riders be considerate of hospital patients. Staff suggested that cruising in the hospital zone was not being done maliciously, but that drivers were simply getting carried away with enthusiasm.

1979

A new and expanded farm section was revealed to *Press* readers this week in 1979. Staff at the time said that, while they always strived to provide full coverage of all rural events, the growth of the agricultural industry and a renewed interest in farming called for more coverage of farm events.

1989

The *Press* reported this week that a man described by police as one of the most dangerous criminals in Canada had walked the streets of Winchester for more than six months, with no incident. Allan Legere, suspected of the grisly beating and murder of a New Brunswick priest earlier in 1989, lived in the area for about half a year between 1978 and 1979.

1999

The *Press* reported this week that within the following six months, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) office in Winchester would be shut down, along with 28 others across the province. The closure was due to a realignment of delivery operations and a specialization of resources, according to then-OMAFRA Minister Ernie Hardeman.

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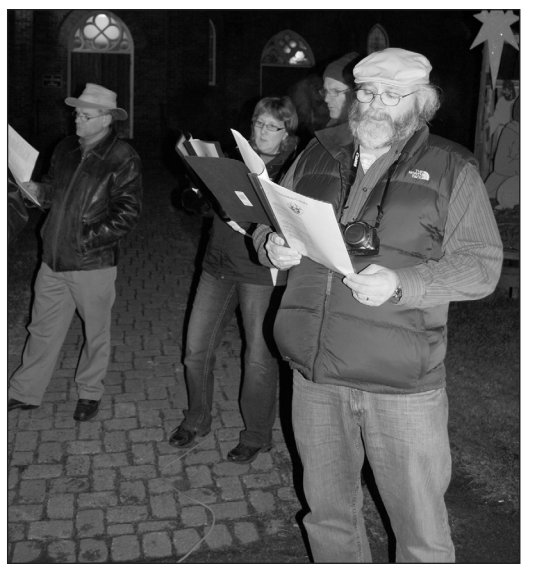
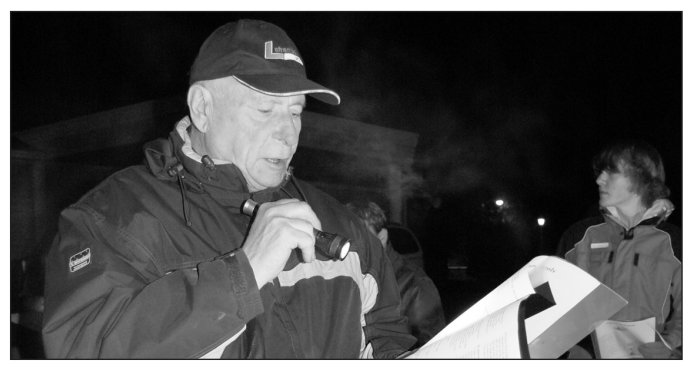
Bounteous breakfast

The Mountain Fire Department's Annual Fundraising Breakfast was a hit on Sun., Dec. 6. Hungry community members gathered for a hot breakfast, family activities, and a visit from Santa. Pictured are: Scott Patterson (above), fire chief, and visitors Halee Preston (below, left) with siblings Tasha, Brooklyn, and Brianna Soltesz. Press Photos — Smith-Millar





"Oh Come All Ye Faithful..."

The sound of yuletide music filled the parking lot of St. Daniel's Roman Catholic Church in South Mountain during a carolling session on Tues., Dec. 1. The St. Daniel Knights of Columbus Council 11725 co-ordinated the event. Phil Labossiere (left) helped organize the evening and Richard Pickard (above) came out to sing. Press Photos — Smith-Millar



SHEPHERD TALK

by Rev. Thurland Brown

Who cares?

WINCHESTER — Q: Which is worse, ignorance or apathy? A: I don't know and I don't care.

In the New Testament story of the birth of Jesus, we often accuse the innkeeper of apathy. We say he didn't care about Mary and Joseph's troubles, and was willing to recklessly relegate them to have their baby born in a barn. We say his life was too full and too busy to care about Jesus. Of course, we say those things with a certain air of superiority, knowing for certain that we are not like the apathetic innkeeper. We take months to prepare for Christmas. As soon as the Thanksgiving gobbler is history, we start to put up the lights, look for the sales, buy gifts, and plan meals. Of one thing we can be certain: in North America we care about Christmas.

But here's the rub. We care about Christmas, but do we care about Christ? A preacher was in a store shortly after the holy day and saw that the crew was busily taking down the decorations. The manager said, "my job is to get rid of Christmas in one day." The preacher replied, "my job is to make it last all year."

We may or may not be right in the accusations about the innkeeper's apathy, but even if we are, I am afraid that there are very few of us who should point fingers. It seems that the nature of humanity is such that unless something affects us directly, or unless it has immediate consequences, we tend to think it is not important. Have you ever driven by a food bank and had negative thoughts about "those people?" Ever heard of a tragedy in the third world and thought, "At least it's over there?"

To care about Christmas means to care about Jesus. To care about Jesus means to care about the people of His creation. To care about Christmas is a year-long — no, a lifelong — adventure of following the invitation of Jesus to "love Him with all our hearts" and to follow the instruction of Jesus to "love our neighbour as we love ourselves."

Merry Christmas. See you in church on Sunday.

This column is provided courtesy of the Dundas Ministerial Association

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Residents enjoy 2009 Parade of Lights

The Editor:

Ten years ago, Winchester's annual Christmas parade boasted over 70 floats representing area businesses and organizations.

This year's Country Christmas Parade of Light had far fewer participants, a testament to tough economic times. But it did shine brightly in a way it hadn't in some years.

A small, but beautifully assembled, float reminded onlookers of the true meaning of Christmas as it rolled along, sandwiched between the much larger, flashier floats. Discovery Bible Fellowship Church's entry paid homage to that family who, so long ago, welcomed the birth of our Lord, a baby who would bring a light to the world far brighter than anything sparkling at Christmas.

How happy I felt as I watched it pass by.

Ann Brady
Winchester

The Editor:

I attended the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights on Saturday (Dec. 5) evening with friends and have to say, it's the best time I have had in a while!

The parade was amazing, and everyone in the parade and the spectators all had so much fun.

There were cries of "Merry Christmas" heard throughout the parade and the floats were all done up beautifully. I had to write this letter, as I want to thank everyone responsible for putting the parade on and making our evening such a wonderful one.

Elissa Ennis
Winchester

Please return wreath: reader

The Editor:

After reading the letter to the editor the *Winchester Press* published last week (Wed., Dec. 2) about a wreath stolen from a grave, I wondered if the stone was near Maple Ridge Senior Public School.

A wreath is also gone from the stone of my late son, Mervyn. I was really upset, as my boy had been sick all his life and passed away due to epilepsy before nine years of age.

Can't I show respect for my son by laying a wreath? Was this a Halloween prank? If so, the wreath should be returned. The name is on the underside.

Elva Collingridge
Winchester

HST will hurt Ontarians

The Editor:

Premier Dalton McGuinty and his provincial government's harmonized sales tax (HST), which is supported by Prime Minister Stephen Harper and the federal Conservative government and the federal Liberals, is a regressive tax increase that will drive up the cost of hundreds of basic items and services for Ontarians who are struggling during the current recession. This unfair tax grab is the wrong tax at the wrong time putting an undue burden on local residents, many of whom are living on low or fixed incomes.

While Ontario consumers will be forced to pay eight per cent more on everyday items such as gasoline, home heating, hydro, natural gas, Internet bills, haircuts, bicycles, magazines, legal fees, accounting fees, real estate commissions, vitamins, Christmas trees, home renovations, funerals, and many more, none of the new revenue will go to local hospitals and schools. Instead, the McGuinty government plans to give away all the new revenue in tax cuts to the big corporations without asking for any guarantees on jobs or environmental protection.

The HST is a real job killer, which will not create new jobs because it will discourage the average consumer from spending more money. Even proponents of the HST, such as the Ontario Chamber of Commerce, say that the HST will stifle employment growth by as many as 40,000 new jobs every year.

The HST will force Ontarians struggling with tough economic times to pay more for daily essentials.

Ontario needs a jobs strategy which creates good jobs in the new green economy.

Brian Lynch
President, Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry provincial NDP riding association
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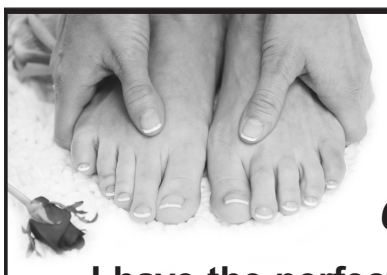

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Junior Achievement Awards: Long honour roll at NDDHS

MAPLE RIDGE — North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) recognized its junior-level students during a Mon., Nov. 30 presentation.

Young people who were in Grade 9, 10, and 11 in the 2008-2009 school year received recognition for their academic achievement and participation in extracurricular activities.

This coverage is continued from last week (Wed., Dec. 2)'s edition of the *Winchester Press*.

Students received recognition as honour students if their averages for the previous school year exceeded 80 per cent. Grade 9 honour roll students included Taylor Ace, Mark Adams, Amanda Allan, Mackenzie Allison, Blythe Armstrong, Shane Barkley, Katie Beach, Reagan Brugmans, Emily Cameron, Craig Christophersen, Nathan Clark, Victor Courarie-Delage, Challis Crawford, John Demers, Kelsey Gauley, Camille Jaquemet, Ashley Larmour, Paige Larmour, William Larmour, Nicholas Maheux, Katherine McMahon, Randi Melenhorst, Bailey Milne, Garrett Milne, Cody Morgan, Christopher Neil, Kelsey O'Connor, Rachel Oosterhof, Marleigh Pemberton, Emily Roberts, Casey Saddlemire, Leslie Schmid, Rebecca Schwerdtfeger, Jordan Sharkey, Gwen Smith, Riley Steele, Warren Steele, Rachel Taylor, Karen Thurler, Hayley Trumper, Erin VanWinden, Jessica VanWinden, Olivia Von Kaenel, and Olivia Wouters.

The students in Grade 10 who made the honour roll last year included Chris Bassindale, Andrea Ceelen, Jade Chupik, Katey Churchill, Mark Cloutier, Elliot Courarie-Delage, Zachary Dawson, Alex dePaiva, Carly Doe, Skye Fougere, Franziska Glen, Celine Jaquemet, Rebecca Johnson, Holly Kerr, Amy Knox, Jacob Luimes, Kristopher McMahon, Hayley Mills, Hayden Moher, Christina O'Connor, Brent Simms, Derek Simms, Stephanie Stewart, Joshua Stubbings, and Ayla Vreman.

NDDHS also recognized the following Grade 11 honour roll students: Darby Ace, Shelby Allison, Curtis Bassindale, Jenna Boje, Jessica Byers, Neil Cameron, James Casselman, Gregg Collins, Dirk Cornelissen, Alexander Dawson, Rebekah DeJong, James Demers, Emma Greenough, Alyson Erwin, Myles Foster, Robbie Haner, Alex Hendsbee, Bradley Holmes, Rebecca Keffer, Madison Koekkoek, Greg Lynch, Tyler McDougall, Shelby McMenomy, Courtney McMillan, Emily McRoberts, Michael Melenhorst, Brittany Melvin, Kelsey Pinhey, Jeannie Rombough, Wayne Schmid, Kaylee Steele, Mellisa VanDellen, Ryan Vandentillaart, Emily Wicks, Amy Winterburn, and Jenna Wouters.

Extracurricular involvement

Meanwhile, the school recognized students for participating in sports, as well as special groups such as band, the improv club, peer helpers, Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving, and more.

The list of students included Darby Ace, Taylor Ace, Mark Adams, Letitia Alcock, Amanda Allan, Lindsy Allen, Cody Allen, Mackenzie Allison, Shelby Allison, Thomas Allison, Alicia Angus, Blythe Armstrong, Cameron Armstrong, Jeff Armstrong, Zac Baker, Warren Ball, Brooke Barkley, Calyssa Barkley, Zac Barkley, Chris Bassindale, Nicholas Batten, Jesse Boone, Devaughn Boston, Laura Breteler, Reagan Brugmans, Justin Buchanan, Saleh Bujra, Ryan Byers, Kurtis Byrd, Emily Cameron, Amanda Carkner, Kaitlin Carruthers, Miranda Carruthers, James Casselman, Andrea Ceelen, Megan Chamberlain, Erin Chambers, Nathan Chambers, Craig Christophersen, Katey Churchill, Nathan Clark, Brittany Clauson, Mark Cloutier, Brittany Cochrane, Jonathan Corkery, Spencer Corkery, Logan Coulter, Elliot Courarie-Delage, Victor Courarie-Delage, Brandon Cousineau, Jodi Crump, Brandon Davis-Cleveland, Zachary Dawson, Dylan DeJong, John Demers, Alex dePaiva, Rebecca dePaiva, Niko Deschamps, Tania Diaz, and Carly Doe.

Other students who participated in extracurricular activities included Alyson Erwin, Travis Faith, Will Fawcett, Sarah Fawcett, Rebecca Forward, Myles Foster, Jason Found, Emma Fraser, Josh Freake, Kelsey Gauley, Paul Gibson, Victoria Gibson-Crowder, Franziska Glen, Megan Godard, Emma Greenough, Megan Gruich, Ashleigh Harris, Jordan Havekes, Jamie Hay, Alex Hendsbee, Emily Hilborn, Chris Hill, Lance Hodgson, Bradley Holmes, Taryn Hoogeveen, Alex Howarth, Derek Hutt, Laura Hutt, Matt Jarvis, Rebecca Johnson, Jimmy Jones, Matt Jose, Andrew Jurgens, Holly Kerr, Peter Klein-Swormink, Amy Knox, Madison Koekkoek, Gillian Korth, Rachel Lacelle, Ally Laneville, Josh Lapensee, Dylan Larabie, Paige Larmour, William Larmour, Sebastien Leclerc, Aaron Lee, James Liboiron, Daniel Lillico, Jacob Luimes, Connor MacDonald, Anja Manuel, Jacqueline Marion, Abbygail McIntosh, Alacia McIntosh, Holly McIntosh, Stewart McKelvie, Coltin McMahon, Katherine McMahon, Kris McMahon, Mackenzie McMillan, Tyler McMillan, Brae McNamara, Devyn McNeill, Emily McRoberts, Randi Melenhorst, Bailey Milne, Garrett Milne, Kirsten Milne, Veronica Minkhorst, Hayden Moher, Kaitlyn Moreau, Cody Morgan, Josh Morgan, Rowan Morkis, Mac Moulson, Cameron Muir, Chris Neil, Sarah Netherwood, Devin Nurse, Christina O'Connor, Kelsey O'Connor, Brandon Oosterhof, Rachel Oosterhof, Brandon Ouderkirk, Richard Overholt, Ashley Pare, Shea-Lynn Pare, Tyler Pellerin-Gagnon, Marleigh Pemberton, Nathan Perry, Jeff Picco, Ashley Pollock, Alex Porteous, and Margaret Prince.

Rounding out the list were Nicholas Read, Emily Roberts, Kyle Robertson, Kaitlyn Rodie, Ryan Romans, Mandi Ross, Jeremy Ruyf, Ahmed Saad, Rachel Saad, Casey Saddlemire, Jennifer Sainsbury, Sarah-Jo Saunders, Leslie Schmid, Wayne Schmid, James Sell, Jordan Sharkey, Jalen Sharpe, Samantha Shelp,

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Christmas concert in the works

MAPLE RIDGE — As the holiday season approaches, students from North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) continue to prepare for the annual Christmas concert. The students have put together skits, songs, videos, and dances that they are fine-tuning for the show. The concert is scheduled for Fri., Dec. 18, the final day before the holidays begin for students.

Today (Wed., Dec. 9) is the second theatre night at the Old Town Hall in Winchester. The second drama class has a selection of shows they are performing starting at 7 pm. Admission is only $2, and all proceeds are going to the Dundas County Food Bank.



NDDHS Notes
by James Casselman

Pie Awareness Week

Next week will be the NDDHS Pie Awareness Week. From Mon., Dec. 14 to Wed., Dec. 16, raffle tickets will be sold. The winner of this raffle gets to choose a type of pie that the Pie Consumption Society will then make. On Thurs., Dec. 17, students will have chance to throw pies at a select number of teachers in the cafeteria. Finally, on Friday, there will be a pie sale, giving students the chance to bring home pies for the holiday season.





Dinner time

Volunteer students and staff at North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) raised roughly $3,500 in proceeds during an annual fall dinner and auction on Thurs., Dec. 3. All proceeds will support special school activities and initiatives.

Above:
Entertainers Christy Chen and James Casselman.



Above:
Server Marleigh Pemberton.

At left:
Kitchen help Rebecca dePaiva and Elliot Courarie-Delage.

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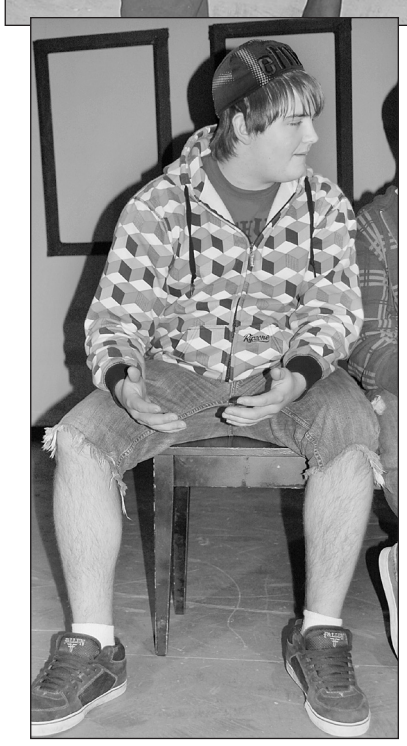

Setting the stage

Winchester's Old Town Hall was filled to capacity (and then some) when the Grade 11 and 12 drama classes from North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) staged five plays on Wed., Dec. 2. By charging a minimum donation of $2 per person, the school raised $360 for the Dundas County Food Bank. Another play series with NDDHS' other senior drama class is scheduled to take place tonight (Wed., Dec. 9) at the Old Town Hall. Proceeds will again go to the food bank.

Above:
In Body Body*, a student played by Veronica Minkhorst (centre) has terrible self-esteem issues, to the point where she's psychologically harassed by her "trouble area" body parts. Pictured with Minkhorst are actors Daniel Marriner (left), Karen Thurler, Amy Knox, Kaitlyn Stoodley, and Aaron Lee.*

At left:
Jeff Picco was one buddy in the two-man production, Diatoms *— a play about the awkward friendship of two teens who, despite appearances, are the best of friends. Other productions included a monologue called* One Beer Too Many*, a futuristic drama* Look Me in the Eye*, as well as* Huge Hands *— a sympathetic comedy about the dreams of the most nerdy boy in school.*

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Honour roll

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Parade time in Osgoode

The Osgoode Christmas in the Village celebration took place on Sat., Dec. 5. Guests could stop by the Osgoode Community Centre for breakfast with Santa in the morning and then watch the parade in the afternoon. Tom Hicks and daughter, Marina, showed off their Ottawa Senators Christmas hats.



Ziva (left) and Maia Ware, along with Sam McDonald, burned off some of their energy by building a snowman in front of the Osgoode Community Centre following breakfast with Santa.



Joe Varner (left) joined his wife, Nepean-Carleton MPP Lisa McLeod, and Nepean-Carleton MP Pierre Poilievre to send greetings to the residents of Osgoode during the Santa Claus parade. *Photos — Morris*



Pancakes, ornaments, and Santa

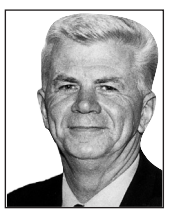
The St. Catherine Catholic School Council held its annual Breakfast with Santa event on Sat., Dec. 5 at the Metcalfe Community Centre, upstairs at the Larry Robinson Arena. Parents could bring their children by for a pancake breakfast, followed by a chance to design a Christmas ornament and have a picture taken with Santa Claus. Mikayla Ford-Delcarmen (above) told Santa exactly what she wanted for Christmas.



Two-year-old Kadence Scrivener added the finishing touches to her Christmas ornament. *Press Photos — Uhrig*

Thompson celebrates 25 years in politics

In and around Osgoode Ward
by Councillor Doug Thompson



METCALFE — On Thurs., Dec. 3, more than 100 friends, neighbours, and family helped me celebrate 25 years of political service to our community. Jim Watson, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, presented me with my 25-year Long-Standing Service Award from the province. However, Tues., Dec. 1, 2009 actually marked the beginning of my 27th year serving the residents of Osgoode Township and Osgoode Ward. My political service has been very enjoyable and rewarding. I look forward to your continued support.

Green bin controversy

The City of Ottawa first approved the Green Bin Organic Program in 2004. Since that time, there have been numerous pilot projects and studies that show a substantial decrease in household garbage output. There has been a flurry of negative opinions recently because of a proposal to charge a user fee for the green bin program. I believe city council will not accept this committee resolution. Although rumours have been circulating, the city will not fine residents who do not use the green bin. It is no different than when we do not put out our black or blue boxes when they are not needed on any given week. The collection of organics will begin the week of Mon., Jan. 4.

City accepts draft budget

Osgoode Ward residents will have a chance to express their views on the 2010 draft budget and other issues during a meeting tomorrow night (Thurs., Dec. 10). The meeting begins at 7 pm at the Metcalfe Client Service Centre.

ITR spring production

Isle in the River Review Theatre Company is currently in the process of choosing a director and producer for their spring production of *Said the Spider to the Spy*, a farce by Fred Carmichael. Production dates are Fri., May 7 to Sat., May 15, 2010. For more information, contact Lynn Jolicoeur by e-mail at fh133@ncf.ca or by phone at 613-821-3362 by Fri., Dec. 18 to schedule an interview.

Santa Claus is coming

On Sun., Dec. 13, starting at 2 pm, the Metcalfe Santa Claus Parade will make its way down Victoria Street en route to the Metcalfe Community Centre. After the parade, children and their parents are asked to come to the community centre for a free picture with Santa and a hot bowl of mushroom soup donated by AJ's Catering and Continental Mushrooms.

Poinsettia sale

The Metcalfe Ringette Tween C players are holding a poinsettia sale. The plants have been supplied by Richmond Nursery at a cost of $10 for a four-inch pot or $15 for a six-inch pot. To place an order, contact 613-821-0308 or any member of the Tween C team. Delivery is scheduled for the first week of December.

Turkey Bingo

The Metcalfe and District Lions Club's annual Turkey Bingo will be held on Fri., Dec. 11 at 7:15 pm at the Lions Den in Metcalfe. For more information, contact any member of the Metcalfe and District Lions Club.



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Pirate navigates rocky seas of radio regulation

by Bev McRae

GREELY — Ottawa's youngest rock jock said he is not expecting the government to shut down his illegal radio station.

Fourteen-year-old Jayhaed Saadé began broadcasting his all-music MIX-FM 91.9 two weeks ago from the Saadé International Inn, his father's motel and strip club on Bank Street in the Greely region. The station's radio antenna towers 40 feet above the building, sending a signal up to 30 km away.

On Tues., Dec. 1, Industry Canada told him to "cease and desist" broadcasting without a licence — or face a $5,000 fine and possible jail time.

Saadé pulled the plug for a day and applied for a broadcasting licence, but then turned his mix of dance music and top 40 hits back on air.

"I can't shut it off," he said. "People are listening and everyone says to keep it open."

"DJ Jay" says his friends think his radio station is cool. They like the music, he said, and the chance to hear their own voices on the radio.

"I play every request," he said. "If you want to talk on air, I'll let you talk — there's no problem."

Saadé claims he gets 100 calls a day.

The station broadcasts all day every day, although the young rock jock is behind the microphone only in the evenings and after 4 p.m. on weekends. A computer programs the music the rest of the time.

When Saadé gets home from school (École secondaire publique De La Salle) he does his homework, then goes to work at MIX-FM.

The teen rock jock says he has dreamed of having his own radio station since he was seven years old. He said he bought the equipment for MIX-FM on the Internet using his inheritance from his grandparents and his savings.

"It's all brand-new," he said. "I didn't want used because I didn't want to have any problems with it."



Greely's number one hit station

Jayhaed Saadé (aka DJ Jay) plays the hits on 91.9 MIX-FM, a pirate radio station he broadcasts from his father's motel on Bank Street, just north of Greely. The 14-year-old has, so far, ignored a cease-and-desist order from Industry Canada.

Photo — Carroccetto

Saadé's father, George — a businessman who ran a distant third for the Ottawa mayor's job in the 2000 municipal election — said he is proud of his son, even though he is running an illegal operation.

"The government should be helping him, not trying to shut him down," he said.

DJ Jay said he is not expecting the government to insist that he stop broadcasting. He said he has already started preparing application forms for a licence and has hired an engineer to fill in the technical data.

In order to be approved for a broadcasting license by the Canadian Radio-television Telecommunications Commission (CRTC), applicants first have to be issued a frequency and technical certification by Industry Canada.

The licensing process usually takes between six months to a year.

"They might speed it up for me," said Saadé, "because they know how much I want it."

Greely students send flag to 2010 Olympic athletes

by Jeffrey Morris

GREELY — As athletes from Ontario get ready to compete at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, they will be getting a special good-luck boost from students at Greely Public School.

Osgoode Ward Councillor Doug Thompson and Ottawa-West Nepean MPP and Minister of Municipal Affairs Jim Watson were special guests of Anne Marie Kirby's Grade 6 class at school on Thurs., Dec. 3. They brought a special flag with them, which was signed by the students. The flag will be hanging at the Ontario Pavilion at the Canadian Olympic Team's complex at the games.

"We have been bringing the flag to different schools for the students to sign," said Watson, who will personally present the flag to Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty. "The flag will be on display at the Ontario Pavilion, and each athlete from Ontario will see that students from different schools are wishing them luck."

Flag to hang at Ontario Pavilion

Watson added that the flag will be the only one at the pavilion with signatures on it.

Thompson, meanwhile, thanked Watson for "thinking of us in Osgoode Ward." He added that Watson played a large role in securing provincial funding for the new library to be built in Greely.

"It is exciting to bring the flag to Greely Public School to be signed," said Thompson. "A couple of my children went to school here."

Thompson told the class with a smile that "Greely Public School is the best school in the whole city, but don't tell the other schools that I said that."

Kirby said that the visit from Thompson and Watson provided an exciting day for her students. They talked with the politicians about the different events at the Olympics, and also talked about national pride and unity, as well as the national Olympic torch relay.

"It's an honour for us to be chosen to sign the flag," said Kirby. "We are very proud to do this."







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Richmond farmer chooses wind turbines, bio-digesters

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

CHESTERVILLE — The installation of a bio-digester system and wind turbines may very well be great sources of energy, but the projects themselves are not necessarily easy.

That was the advice of Rick Schouten, owner and operator of Richmond's Cornerview Farms, who spoke to the crowd at the Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association's 2009 annual meeting on Thurs., Dec. 3. Schouten discussed what it was like to install a bio-digester and plan for a wind farm.

Schouten presented a slide show, entitled "Dreams or Nightmares: Renewable energy on the farm."

Schouten said major projects on a farm can often lead to sleepless nights, and times of constant worry.

"Do any of you have trouble sleeping at night?" Schouten asked the crowd. "I know I do."

Schouten said his farm's bio-digester project started in 2007, following the acquisition of a $400,000 Renewable Energy Standard Offer Program (RESOP) grant from the provincial government.

"We would have had big problems without it," said Schouten, noting that without outside funding, many energy programs come at a great cost to farm owners.

The bio-digester, said Schouten, is a system that takes advantage of an animal's anaerobic digestion and the bacteria that lives in dung, which can be transformed into bio-gas and fertilizer. The energy produced can be used to heat homes, barns, and other buildings, and light various rooms within those structures, too.

Aside from his farm's use of the bio-digester system, Schouten talked about the erection of wind turbines on his farmland.

Currently, Schouten is working to secure wind farm agreements.

"Be prepared for a lot of opposition," he said. "Not everyone supports these projects."

Schouten said neighbours were angry with him after they saw a CTV Ottawa story a few years ago about the potential construction of a wind farm in the area surrounding his farm.

"We were put through hell and back," he said, adding that some neighbours believed hundreds of turbines may be put up.

However, the plan, according to Schouten, is to set up just four or five turbines to make use of wind-powered energy.

During the planning stages, Schouten said he and family, along with co-workers, toured the Wolfe Island Wind Project and some wind farms in the Niagara Falls area.

"We've been researching it to death," said Schouten. "It seems like we get one issue clobbered, and they [opposition] throw another at us."

Schouten showed a list of pros and cons to consider from someone thinking about getting into wind farming.

According to Schouten, the wind turbines could provide an additional revenue stream, but in the early stages he's facing "swift" opposition.

"Will it be worth it? I don't know," he said, noting that projects like a wind farm are "risky" business endeavours.

Although, Schouten said he is confident that in the end, there will be benefits for not only his farm, but neighbouring ones as well.

"We need to put together a good deal for everyone," he said.

During the remaining portions of DSCIA's annual meeting, Dave Hendrick, president of Inkerman's Hendrick Seeds, spoke to the group about the use of switch grass and the construction of a future pelletizing plant inDundas County.



The way the wind blows

Rick Schouten, of Cornerview Farms in Richmond, spoke at the Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association's 2009 annual meeting on Thurs., Dec. 3 at the Royal Canadian Legion Chesterville Branch 434. Schouten talked about the installation of a bio-digester at his farm, as well as future plans to erect four or five wind turbine structures. *Press Photo — Uhrig*



Farmers saluted

Members of the agricultural community were recognized for their contributions to the local farming industry during the Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association's annual general meeting on Thurs., Dec. 3. Pictured are: Nick Thurler (left), Dundas County Farmer of The Year - Eric Casselman Award, with his brother, Oliver; Kathy Hardy, winner of the Innovative Farmer Award; and Leslie Johnson, winner of the Award of Merit. *Press Photo — Smith-Millar*

Farmer of the Year plaque awarded to Thurler Farms

CHESTERVILLE — The Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association (DSCIA) met for its annual general meeting on Thurs., Dec. 3 at the Royal Canadian Legion Chesterville Branch 434 and recognized outstanding local members with various awards.

For the Forage Masters Awards, Tibben Farms Inc. placed first, while Ron Toonders was second and Tom MacGregor was third. Tibben Farms won a trophy from AgriPartners, a $75 gift certificate for lab analysis courtesy of Agri-Food, and a certificate for 25 kilograms of seed — as well as a pair of gloves — from Pickseed. Pickseed also awarded a pair of gloves and a $150 gift certificate for seed to Toonders, as well as a $50 certificate for seed and a hat to MacGregor.

The High-Yield Competition Winners included Charles Farlinger (first place), Norm Tinkler (second place), and Tibben Farms (third place).

Meanwhile, Thurler Farms won the Dundas County Farmer of the Year - Eric Casselman Award.

Leslie Johnson won the Award of Merit, which recognized her work as Dundas County's dairy educator, as well as her other community contributions and volunteer commitments.

Meanwhile, Gerald, John, and Martin Westervelt of Westergreen Farm won the Soil and Water Conservation Award.

Finally, Graham and Kathy Hardy of Hardy Seeds won the Innovative Farmer Award for their work on soil with heavy clay at their farm in Inkerman.

During the meeting, members also listened to special presentations and elected a new board of directors. Brent Vanden Bosch has stepped in to assume the role of president, while Mark Tibben will be the vice-president.

"We were delighted with the day," said Eunice Johnston, secretary-treasurer of the DSCIA. "We were very pleased with the response from our members."

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Rebecca (left) and Kathryn Johnson danced on the Dairy education float to raise awareness for dairy consumption.







Jason Hill with Kailey (centre) and Emma.



Above: *Scott Barkley, with his daughter Leah, represented Guy Fuels in the parade.*

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The toy train was a big hit with kids at the Winchester 100 Club Park.



Impromptu photographer Sebastien LaFrance captured a special yuletide moment when parents Jennifer and Daniel tried out the photo boards, which were created by staff and students at North Dundas District High School.





Santa was able to hear the wishes of plenty of boys and girls, including Cadence McCool, at the Winchester Community Centre. Photographer Margaret Link was on hand to take pictures, and 10 per cent of the funds raised from the photography session is going back to Happy Face Nursery School.

At left:
Dennis and Mackenzie McLaughlin each had their faces painted by Amanda Prusila at the Old Town Hall, a popular place for kids' activities.

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Byrd nails extra end shot, to claim Zone 1 curling title

WINCHESTER — It came down to his last shot, in an extra end, but veteran skip Kurtis Byrd held up under the pressure and made no mistake as he delivered a pin-point takeout that gave him two points and the 2009 Gore Mutual Schoolboy Zone 1A title.

Byrd and his North Dundas District High School team of third Jonathan Thompson, second Zac Baker and lead Bradley Holmes took on Nick Thompson and his team from Perth and District Collegiate Institute in the "A" final at the Winchester Curling Club last week (Fri., Dec. 4) and scratched out an 8-6 victory.

Perth counted two in the third end and tied it up 2-2. Byrd grabbed a 4-2 lead in the fourth and stole one to make it 5-2 in the fifth. He gave up three in the sixth as Perth knotted the score at 5-5. North Dundas went up 6-5 in the seventh and gave up a point in the eighth that tied the game 6-6 and sent it into an extra end. Byrd had the hammer and used it to perfection to capture gold.

North Dundas coach Ian Wilson said he was impressed by the confidence his team showed in the title match.

"They gave up three in the fifth and just shook it off — no problem," said Wilson. "And they didn't look nervous coming home, because they have so much experience."

The coach explained that all four curlers are graduating this year, which will send the school's program, both boys and girls, right back to square one.

"It won't be such a big rebuilding job if I could convince all of the boys to come back for a fifth year," said the coach.

Unfortunately for Wilson and his coaching staff, all four veteran sliders were unanimous in their decision to graduate and move on.

North Dundas opened the competition knocking off Seaway's Cameron McIntosh 9-3 on Thurs., Dec. 3.

Perth defeated Carleton Place to earn the schoolboys' Zone 1B title. In the girls event, Perth's Rebecca McPhee took the Zone 1A and Jennifer Elder (St. Mary's, Brockville) won the Zone 1B berth in the regional event in January in Carleton Place.



North Dundas District High School, skipped by Kurtis Byrd, defeated Nick Thompson and his Perth and District Collegiate Institute rink 8-6 in an extra end and captured the 2009 Gore Mutual Schoolboy Zone 1A title in Winchester last week (Fri., Dec. 4). The champs are: coach Ian Wilson (left), skip Kurtis Byrd, third Jonathan Thompson, second Zac Baker and lead Bradley Holmes. Press Photo — Van Bridger

Armitage, Rangers beat Hitesman and Hawks 6-4

WINCHESTER — Goaltenders Devon Armitage and Michael Hitesman were back in the Winchester Arena for the first time since the opening week of the 2009-2010 Rideau St. Lawrence Junior "B" Hockey League season.

But the former Winchester Hawks teammates weren't sharing the same dressing room or wearing the same uniform.

Armitage, in his final year of junior eligibility, joined the South Grenville Rangers organization when his rights were acquired from Winchester in late October. He was in the Rangers' net for Friday night's (Dec. 4) game against his old team in Winchester.

When the final ice chips had settled Armitage and his new South Grenville mates had trimmed the host Hawks 6-4. Armitage, who sports a 1-4-1 record and a 5.56 GAA, stopped 29 of 33 Winchester shots, while Hitesman gave up six goals on 31 shots.

The loss was a critical one for the Hawks who have struggled in their last 10 games going 3-6-1. The Rangers have been on a similar pace (2-6-2) and hold down last-place in the Rideau Division with a record of 6-17-4-0.

Holding on

Winchester (12-10-1-0) is still hanging on to third place in the St. Lawrence rankings, nine points behind Casselman (16-4-1-1), five back of the Alexandria Glens (13-7-4-0) and just one up on the Char-Lan Rebels (10-8-2-2). But it is the Morrisburg Lions who have Winchester management looking over its shoulder. The Lions (9-13-2-0) have now collected 20 points and are within four points of the fourth and final playoff berth, currently held by Char-Lan (24 points).

"We have a big game Friday (Dec. 11) with Alexandria," said Hawks coach Paul Sheard. "And the next night we go to Akwesasne. They are starting to win games so we have to find a way to win games."

Sheard explained that he would like to finish in second or third place but acknowledges the fact that Char-Lan and Morrisburg will be battling his team for a spot in the post season.

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Collision

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks forward Shane Ramsay (dark jersey) and a South Grenville defender ended up in a heap behind Ranger 'tender Devon Armitage during Friday night's (Dec. 4) Rideau - St. Lawrence Conference inter-locking game in Winchester. Armitage, a former member of the Hawks, and the Rangers ripped the home team 6-4. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

NDDHS midget girls basketball Devils rated top 2009 'AA' squad

MAPLE RIDGE — A 31-17 loss to the undefeated L'Heritage Dragons wasn't enough to prevent the North Dundas District High School Devils from earning the distinction of being the best SD&G "AA" midget girls basketball team during the 2009 season.

Devils coach Jevon Groves explained that L'Heritage is ranked as an "A" School, while NDDHS is an "AA" institution.

"Nobody beat them [L'Heritage] all year. And they were the only team we lost to," he said. "We finished our season with eight wins and two losses and wound up being the first-place "AA" school because L'Heritage is ranked "A".

Semi-final

North Dundas knocked off the Holy Trinity Falcons 18-5 in last week's (Mon., Nov. 30) playoff tournament in Cornwall and qualified for the final against L' Heritage.

The Devils ran up an 11-3 lead over the Falcons in the first half of the semi-final. The North Dundas defence was solid in the final two quarters allowing just one field goal.

Lindsay Chambers drained four points for the Devils. Dana Sullivan, Erin Elliott, Emma Gern, Hannah Greenough, Jenna Warren and Brianna Geertsma all knocked down deuces.

Dragons hot

The Devils out scored the Dragons 13-11 in the second half of the title match but couldn't find enough offence to erase an 18-4 half-time deficit.

Sarah Churchill strained eight points through the onion bag for the Devils. Chambers and Neil each nailed three points. Sullivan drained a deuce and Elliott swished a single point.

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The North Dundas District High School Devils hockey team was backed by solid fan support as they faced-off against the St. Joe's Panthers at the Chesterville Arena last week (Wed., Dec. 2). Unfortunately the Devils weren't able to convert their fans' spirit into a win. They dropped a 3-2 decision to the Panthers in the first SD&G boys high school hockey tournament of the 2009-10 season.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

SD&G season opener

La Citadelle Patriotes perfect in high school hockey tourney

CHESTERVILLE — It was the La Citadelle Patriotes leading the way as the 2009-10 SD&G boys high school hockey season opened with a five team tournament.

The Patriotes fashioned an undefeated record knocking off the CCVS Raiders 5-0 in their opening game in Chesterville last week (Wed., Dec. 2). They followed up by thumping the Glengarry Gaels 7-3 and finished their day outscoring the host North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) Devils 5-3.

North Dundas finished the first of three tournaments with a 1-2-0 record. The St. Joe's Panthers went 2-0 with wins over North Dundas (3-2) and CCVS (5-0). The Glengarry Gaels defeated CCVS 6-1 but lost 3-2 to the Devils and 7-3 to the Patriotes. Teams representing Holy Trinity and Char-Lan District High School won't see action until the new year.

The next tournament is scheduled for Tues., Jan. 12 in Long Sault.

Devils' day

Defenceman Warren Steele pulled the trigger on the game-winning goal as the Devils edged the Glengarry Gaels 3-2 in the opening game of the new season. Dustin Tinkler set up the play three minutes before the final buzzer. Derek Simms and Josh Stubbings counted the other markers. Stubbings, Brent Simms, and Peter Klein-Swormink set up the first two goals.

The St. Joe's Panthers wrapped in three second-half goals in their 3-2 win over NDDHS. Brandon DeJong (assisted by Will Fawcett) gave the Devils a 1-0 lead at the half. Steele (assisted by Tinkler) tied it 2-2 with 5:50 on the clock. The Panthers won it with 3:43 to play.

Game three

North Dundas closed the gap to 4-3 when Ryan Byers finished a play started by Steele with 2:24 left in the game but La Citadelle insured a 5-3 win with an empty net goal nine seconds before the final whistle.

Stubbings and DeJong sniped the other goals. Tinkler, Steele and Oosterhoff earned assists. Spencer Corkery, backed up by Ryan Romans, did all of the goaltending.

Hawks

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Roster rumblings

Sheard knows things are going to get tougher now that injuries and defections have started thinning the Hawks' bench.

"Friday night Mike Dempsey told us that he is quitting and going back to his home in Toronto," said the coach. "We will miss him, he has 10 goals."

Winchester has also lost defenceman Cory Hybergts and rookie forward Brandon Buma to injuries. Defenceman Jon Koopman (injury) couldn't play Friday and Adam Schofield left Friday's game after a first-period injury.

The Hawks had to reduce their roster on Dec. 1 and released rookies Karl Henike, Lance Hodgson and Jeff Picco. Rookie goaltender Ryan Hay had left the team earlier, and has been replaced by former Ottawa Jr. "A" Senator backstop Cory Athaide. Hodgson was immediately signed by South Grenville and helped the Rangers defeat the Hawks Friday night. Picco is now skating with the Maxville Jr. "C" Mustangs. Henike and Hay aren't playing at the present time.

"All of a sudden our 24 man-roster is a 17-man roster," said the coach.

The Hawks did get veteran forward Brandon Kelley back in the fold. The New York resident wore number eight in Friday's tilt.

Wreck by Rangers

"I thought we took the play to them [Rangers] but penalties knocked the wind out of us," noted Sheard. "We took seven penalties in a row. We have to learn to stay out of the box and how to win those kind of games."

South Grenville counted three PPGs in 10 attempts. Winchester's powerplay was two for six.

The score was tied 2-2 after 20 minutes. The Rangers led 4-3 after two periods and were up 5-4 when Travis Leeson iced the win, scoring 39 seconds before the final buzzer.

Dempsey bagged his ninth (PPG) and 10th goals in the first period. Graham Loyst counted his 13th (PPG) in the second stanza and his 14th in the final frame. James Kirkwood collected three assists. Shane Ramsay (2), Loyst, and Taylor Davis also picked up helper points.

Another former Winchester Hawk, Ryan Lesway, scored the fourth South Grenville goal — a crisp two-on-one tap-in set up, by Logan Giesbrecht at 7:13 of the second session.

Basketball

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Final tourney

The Devils knocked off the Holy Trinity Falcons 25-22, the Seaway Spartans 22-14 and the Tagwi Warriors 9-8 in their final regular-season tournament in Iroquois at Seaway District High on Tues., Nov. 24 and finished their regular season in second place out of 10 schools with a 6-1 record.

Churchill led the offence in her team's 22-14 win over Seaway knocking down 12 points. Chambers, Warren, Geertsma, Milne and Gern each dunked a deuce.

North Dundas and Holy Trinity hooked up in a tightly contested game that the Devils won 25-22. The score was tied 13-13 at the half. North Dundas pulled off the win outscoring the Falcons 7-5 in the fourth quarter. Churchill put 11 points through the basket to lead the Devils to victory. Geertsma dropped in eight points, Neil hit for four and Greenough dropped in a field goal.

The Seaway Spartans blanked the Devils 6-0 in the second half but fell by a slim 9-8 margin. Neil (4), Churchill (3) and Greenhough (2) strained all of the Devils points through the string in the first half.

Tourney two

North Dundas played its second tournament of the season at L'Heritage on Mon., Nov. 16 and split their games, losing to the host Dragons and defeating La Citadelle.

North Dundas trailed the Dragons 16-4 at the half and managed just seven points in the second session on their way to a 24-11 loss. Churchill led the way with seven points. Neil and Geertsma each drained a bucket.

North Dundas bounced back by defeating the La Citadelle Patriotes 29-16. Chambers swished six points while Tara DeJong, Warren, Geertsma and Neil also put down points.

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Byrd flying high

North Dundas District High School skip Kurtis Byrd, delivering a shot during last week's Gore Mutual Zone playdown in Winchester last week (Fri., Dec. 4), and his team of Jonathan Thompson, Zac Baker (right), and Bradley Holmes (left) are this year's Gore Zone 1A winners. Byrd is also OCA Zone 2B champion. He and his Rideau Curling Club rink are also the Regional representative for the OCA's Ontario championships that will be played in Teeswater in January. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

North Dundas Atom 'C2' Demons earn five of six points

SMITHS FALLS — Utility man Sheldon Lafortune had to fill in for his team's regular goalie, Samantha Benoit and turned in a perfect performance.

In fact, the host Smiths Falls Atom House "C" Bears netminder also hung up a zero as the two Upper Canada Minor Hockey League opponents battled to a scoreless draw.

Sunday's (Dec. 6) result gave Doug Armstrong's team five of a possible six points for their week's work. The Atom House "C2" Demons own a 7-3-1 record after 11 games.

The coach reported that his regular goalie, Benoit, was sidelined by the flu and Lafortune was called upon to strap on the pads for Sunday's tilt. Jordan Peterkin and Cody Anderson were also unable to play, so affiliates Ben Fingler and Nathan Saari took their spots on the roster.

Two wins

The Demons opened last week's schedule in Spencerville on Wed., Dec. 2. Paced by Lafortune's two-goal effort, they doubled the host South Grenville "C2" Rangers 4-2. Caleb Jaquemet and Eric Armstrong snapped in the singles. The game was tied 1-1 after a period. North Dundas led 3-1 after two sessions. Fingler filled in for Joshua Armstrong.

Joshua Armstrong returned to the line up for Friday's (Dec. 4) game in Kemptville against the Kemptville "C3" Panthers and fired in three goals in the Demons 8-0 victory. Armstrong's first tally, registered at 4:36 of the first period, proved to be the winner. Sam Benoit posted the shutout.

Jaquemet potted a pair of pucks while Lafortune, Fingler, and Eric Armstrong snapped in single shots. Eric Armstrong (2), Lafortune (2), Dylan Martin, and Fingler earned assists.

Three regulars — Bridgit Porteous, Cordel Steele, and Anderson — were out of action. Saari was the "AP".

Bantams take two

CHESTERVILLE — A 3-0 home-ice loss to the South Grenville No. One Rangers snapped the two-game winning string the North Dundas Bantam House "B" Demons had going.

The Rangers rolled into Chesterville last week (Tues., Dec. 1) and blanked their hosts 3-0, netting all three goals in the final 11:31 of the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League contest.

A week earlier (Tues., Nov. 24) the Athens No. One Aeros were in Chesterville where they suffered a 3-2 setback.

Frisco MacMillan tied the score (1-1) at 6:28 of the opening frame when he finished a play started by Shaun Crooke and Brody Collins. Athens led 2-1 heading into the final session prompting North Dundas to mount a comeback. Ryan Gruich came through with the tying goal at 13:04. Dakota Boulanger and Patrick Lebrun set him up. Time had ticked down to 7:24 when MacMillan cashed in his second marker that proved to be the winning goal. Devin Simser and Collins engineered the play.

Demons 3 - Panthers 1

Winning goalie Cam Hedge earned an assist as he and the Demons tamed the visiting Kemptville No. One Panthers 3-1 in Chesterville on Tues., Nov. 17.

Hedge picked up his helper point when he and Josh Beach sent a pass to Gruich who fired the biscuit into an empty net with 35 seconds on the clock.

North Dundas led 1-0 after a period on a goal by Collins who scored from Beach and MacMillan with 3:57 left in period one. Crooke knotted the count at 2-2 when he scored from affiliate player Marc Thurler and Simser at 11:04 of period two.





Winchester Press SPORTS Scoreboard

Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League

RIDEAU - ST. LAWRENCE CONFERENCE

Recent Results

Dec. 2: Brockville 5 - Alexandria 0
Dec. 3: Casselman 8 - Westport 4
Dec. 4: South Grenville 6 - Winchester 4
Morrisburg 4 - Brockville 3
Alexandria 7 - Westport 3
Dec. 5: Alexandria 10 - Akwesasne 4
Casselman 4 - South Grenville 0
Athens 7 - Char-Lan 4
Dec. 6: Morrisburg 6 - Athens 6 OT
Akwesasne 7 - Gananoque 6 OT
Brockville 6 - South Grenville 4

STANDINGS

Rideau	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Westport	17	5	3	134	96	37
Athens	16	6	3	147	103	30
Brockville	11	11	2	109	104	24
Gananoque	8	13	1	91	109	18
S. Grenville	6	17	4	104	140	16

St. Lawrence	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Casselman	16	4	1	146	62	34
Alexandria	13	7	4	127	93	30
Winchester	12	10	1	85	97	25
Char-Lan	10	8	2	93	99	24
Morrisburg	9	13	2	107	156	20
Akwesasne	2	20	1	75	159	6

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

TOP SCORERS Rideau Division	G	A	PTS
Daniel Lacroix, Athens	23	35	58
Kyle Couvieau, West.	28	22	50
Pat Cameron, Athens	10	38	48
Dylan Rodgers, West.	14	23	37
Steve Parker, Athens	23	11	34
Mason Mangan, Gan.	12	22	34

St. Lawrence Division	G	A	PTS
Adam Wensink, Cass.	24	25	49
Marcel Groulx, Cass.	25	20	45
Hugo Pouliotte,Alex.	22	23	45
Joel Adam, Cass.	21	23	44
Curtis Chennette, Cass.	13	30	43
Julien Machabee, Alex.	13	26	39
S. Brochu, Cass.	10	27	37
Nick Douvris, Morris.	12	23	35
Chris Rutley, Morris.	15	19	34
Derek Villeneuve, C-L	17	16	33
J.F. Dubois, Alex.	15	17	32
Emilien Dupont, Alex.	14	18	32
Shane Kitchen, Alex.	13	19	32

Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League

METRO - VALLEY CONFERENCE

Recent Results

Dec. 3: Ottawa West 5 - Metcalfe Jets 2
Dec. 4: Gatineau 6 - Metcalfe Jets 4
Dec. 6: Metcalfe Jets 2 - Arnprior 2 OT

Next Metcalfe Jets home games

Sun., Dec. 13 vs Ottawa Canadians - 2:15 pm
Sun., Dec. 20 vs Almonte Thunder - 2:15 pm

STANDINGS

Metro	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Gatineau	22	5	1	158	85	45
Ottawa Jrs.	20	8	0	138	104	40
Ottawa West	17	6	2	123	67	36
Clarence	11	11	1	120	109	24
Metcalfe Jets	7	14	2	78	108	16

Valley	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Arnprior	12	9	2	94	96	28
Perth	9	8	4	90	80	25
Renfrew	9	13	1	81	93	20
Almonte	9	16	1	78	134	19
Shawville	8	16	1	87	149	17
Stittsville	7	17	1	78	101	16

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

Winchester Town Hockey League

Recent Results

Dec. 1:
Heuff's Howlers 6 - Sherrer's Rockets 2
Morozuk Maulers 5 - McLean's Flyers 3

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Maulers	8	2	0	60	47	16
Flyers	4	5	1	50	57	9
Rockets	3	5	2	48	54	8
Howlers	3	6	1	39	49	7

SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Robyn Sadler, Howlers	19	10	29
Dean Byvelds, Maullers	15	12	27
Nik Paas, Flyers	13	13	26
Chad Valcour, Maulers	11	11	22
Trevor Gilmer, Flyers	11	8	19
Phil Duncan, Maulers	9	10	19
Rob Thurler, Rockets	8	10	18
Justin Morozuk, Rockets	7	10	17
Travis Armstrong, Flyers	6	11	17
Dean Moore, Flyers	10	6	16
Travis Froats, Rockets	9	7	16
Scott Baldwin, Maulers	5	9	14
Will McLean, Rockets	6	7	13

Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

Recent Results

Dec. 6: Country Girls 1 - Andy's Foodland 0
WS Trucking 3 - Double Beauty 3
Cooper Physio 2 - Annable's 1

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
WS Trucking	4	1	4	23	14	12
Cooper Physio	4	1	4	11	6	12
Annable's	4	2	3	21	11	11
Andy's Foodland	2	4	3	12	17	7
Country Girls	2	4	3	12	26	7
Double Beauty	2	6	1	15	21	5

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Edith Dagenais, WST	7	4	11
Isabelle Dagenais, WST	6	5	11
Sandra Clouthier, CG	9	1	10
Sonia Clement, AJ	8	2	10
Jada McNaughton, AF	3	5	8
Christina Luykx, DB	5	2	7
Kelly Zeran, DB	2	5	7
Aline Smith, AJ	1	6	7
Amy Fraser, CP	4	2	6
Veronique Daviault, CP	2	4	6
Jen Manley, AJ	2	4	6
Marg Berry, AF	2	4	6
Natalie Brundige, WST	1	5	6
Jennifer Wilson, AJ	1	5	6

2009-10 EOJHL
St. Lawrence Division

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks

Next Home Games

Fri., Dec. 11
vs Alexandria Glens
8:15 pm

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Fri., Dec. 18
vs Char-Lan Rebels
8:15 pm

HAWKS 50-50 DRAW WINNER
Fri., Dec. 4 Jeff Rennick, Winchester $515.



Ontario champs

The Eastern Thunder rumbled to back-to-back, double overtime victories over the Seaway Valley Devils to clinch the 2009 Ontario Juvenile Women's broomball championship and a berth in the 2010 national championship tournament in Regina. The 2009-10 Thunder are: front - Jessica Norman; middle (left) - Clayton Ouderkirk - trainer, Veronique Cayer, Megan Chamberlain, Laura Butzer, Justine Byers, Sarah Jackson, Lily Moran; back (left) - Terry Barkley - coach, Taryn Hoogeveen, Laura Hutt, Brittany Beckstead, Hannah Jackson, Jennifer Christianson, Janessa Byers, Kelsey Hanes, Jodi Pynenburg, Alex Roach, Steve Norman - ass't coach and Megan MacNaughton.

Off to Nationals

Eastern Thunder wins broomball qualifier, defeats rival Seaway Valley Devils 2-1

BARRIE — Justine Byers slapped home an unassisted goal in the second period of overtime, and the marker lifted the Eastern Thunder to a dramatic 2-1 victory over their long-time rivals, the Seaway Valley Devils.

That decision made the Thunder the number-one juvenile women's broomball team in Ontario and made them the number one seed in the 2009 National Qualifying tournament.

The annual provincial competition was held in Barrie last month (Nov. 27 - 28) and attracted a field of nine teams.

Thanks to solid defence and Jessica Norman's stingy goaltending, the Ontario champs gave up just two goals in four games.

Tourney tales

The Thunder met the Twisted Sisters from Central West in their first game and posted a 2-0 victory. The goals were scored by Justine Byers and Jodi Pynenburg. Brittany Beckstead, Taryn Hoogeveen, and Laura Hutt drew the assists.

Game two pitted the Thunder against the Windsor Riot. The Thunder rolled to a 2-1 win with Justine Byers and Veronique Cayer providing all of the offence. Each shooter registered a goal and an assist.

Game three was against Thunder's eastern Ontario arch rivals, the Seaway Valley Devils. The Thunder came out on top in a fiercely fought game. Jodi Pynenburg, assisted by Janessa Byers and Carr, scored in double overtime to give the Thunder the slim win.

Because of the tournament's double knockout format, the Thunder had to lose twice to be eliminated. Thunder's opponents in playoff game number two were the Seaway Valley Devils who needed two wins to emerge as the Onatrio champions.

It was another close game needing double overtime to decide the winner. Brittany Beckstead finished a play started by Justine Byers and Sarah Jackson in regulation to tie the count and send it to overtime. Justine Byers scored unassisted in double overtime to secure Thunder's win, knock out the Devils, and secure their spot in the National Championships in Regina.

The Thunder will travel to Saskatchewan in March 2010 ranked as Ontario's number one team. The Seaway Valley Devils will be the province's other representative in the national tournament.

The team thanked their parents for their support and the coaching staff — Terry Barkley, Steve Norman and Clayton Ouderkirk — who spent hours preparing the team for the tournament.





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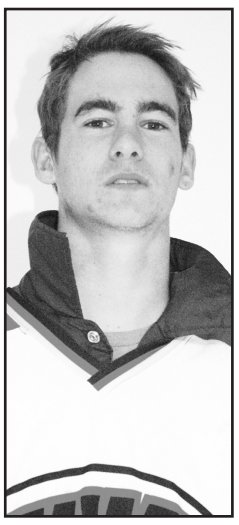

Merrickville native Taylor Davis is in his second year with the Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks. The 19-year-old left winger appeared in 37 games in his rookie season and scored seven goals (one GWG) and assisted on 11 others for 18 points. He drew just 24 minutes in penalties. This season he stands fourth in team scoring with 20 points (5-15-20). Davis is currently enrolled at Algonquin College in police foundations.

Goaltender Colin Giberson unbeatable, Bantam 'B' Demons blank Glens, Bears

SMITHS FALLS — Colin Giberson was flawless in back-to-back games, supporting the North Dundas Bantam "B" Demons who shut out the Alexandria Glens 6-0 and whitewashed the Bears 5-0 in their den in Smiths Falls.

Giberson has now registered four shutouts and surrendered just 21 goals in 13 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League games. The double wins improved the Demons' record to 12-1-0.

The opening stanza of last week's (Wed., Dec. 2) home game in Winchester was scoreless. Second period goals by Mitchell Kirkwood (GWG) and Josh Hodgson gave the Demons a 2-0 edge on the visiting Alexandria Glens.

Mark McRae made it 3-0 at the 14:52 mark when he used a pass provided by Bryden van Kessel and Kirkwood to record his 30th goal of the season.

Goals by Hodgson, Kirkwood, and Nick Fleury followed McRae's milestone marker and drove the final total to 6-0.

Kirkwood (2), Hodgson (2), McRae, and Fleury did the scoring. The set up men were led by van Kessel who drew three helper points. It was the first game back for the Chesterville forward who rejoined the team after a long stint on the injured list. Dylan Comeau (2), Kirk Henike (2), Donnie Gamble, Patrick Gibson, and Brett Bartholomew also collected assists.

Another zero

Giberson and the Demons hung up another zero Sunday (Dec. 6) in Smiths Falls, bombing the Bears 5-0.

North Dundas skated into a 3-0 lead in the first frame and pumped in another pair in the final session.

McRae (unassisted) netted the game winner 45 seconds into the game. Kirkwood opened up a 2-0 lead scoring an unassisted short handed goal at 7:41. Goal number three went to van Kessel 6:59 before the end of the period. Comeau provided the pass.

Gamble made it 5-0, getting help from Comeau and Hodgson 45 seconds into the third period. McRae iced the issue burying a feed from Gamble 21 seconds before the final buzzer.

Howlers put brakes on three-game losing slide

WINCHESTER — Robyn Sadler regained first place in the Winchester Town Hockey league scoring race by leading the Heuff Howlers to a 6-2 victory over the Sherrer Rockets.

Sadler registered two goals and three assists in last Tuesday night's (Dec. 1) twin bill opener. The win improved the Howlers' record to 3-6-1 and left them in fourth place with seven points, one point back of the third place Rockets (3-5-2).

The second half of the double dip saw the top-ranked Morozuk Maulers (8-2-0) shoot down the number-two ranked McLean Flyers (4-5-1) 5-3.

Sadler netted both of his markers in the first half as the Howlers screamed into a 4-1 lead. He also set up Chris "Edgar" Hart in the first half and drew helper points on the second-half tallies by Justin Heuff and Hart.

Sadler (2-3-5), Hart (2-1-3), Ryan Thompson (1-0-1), Billy McRoberts (0-2-2), Heuff (1-0-1), Travis Rowe (0-1-1), Jordan Barkley (0-1-1), and Al Christophersen (0-1-1) producted points for the Howlers. Jesse Whyte posted the win.

Rob Thurler and Justin Morozuk replied for the Rockets. Jeff Lewis and Travis Froats collected assists.

Maulers 5 - Flyers 3

Chad Valcour threaded the needle three times and led the charge as the Morozuk Maulers snapped the McLean Flyers' three-game winning string.

Valcour's three goals (including the winner) inflated his total to 11 and helped the Maulers break a 1-1 first-half tie and roll on to a 5-3 win.

Phil Duncan pumped in the other two goals. Dean Byvelds (2), Trevor Morozuk, Mitch Scott, Scott Baldwin, and Scott Reaney were the set up men. Jesse Whyte posted his third win.

Nik Paas, Travis "Toast" Armstrong, and Dean Moore were the Flyers gunners. Assists went to Paas, Kelly "Rubber" Beckstead, Josh "Champ" McLean, Trevor Gilmer, and Matt VanDelst.



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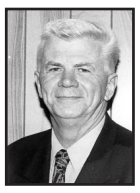

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Broomball's best

The Eastern Ontario Sting will be making a third consecutive appearance at the National Juvenile Men's Broomball Championships after they won this year's Ontario qualifier in Barrie. The Sting finished third at the nationals in 2008 in Windsor and struck silver in 2009 in Terrebonne, Que. In 2010 they hope to garner gold in Saskatchewan. The Ontario champs are: front (left) - Colby Huybregts, Wendel Baker, Paul Norman, Ryan MacNaughton, Colton Robinson, Zachary Leclerc, Cameron Muir; back (left) - Clayton Ouderkirk - trainer, Eli Niederkorn, Kyle Toupin, Matthew Moran, Quinn Ouderkirk, Travis Nixon, Jake Byers, Jake Billingham, Keith Presley - ass't coach, Tyler Hunt, Tyler Leduc, Connor Hanna, Thomas St. Pierre, Steve Norman - coach.

Sting heading back to Nationals

BARRIE — For the third year in a row the Eastern Ontario Sting will represent Ontario at the National Juvenile Men's Broomball Championships. This year's competition will be held March 23-27, 2010 in Balgonie, Saskatchewan.

The Sting composed a perfect record of four wins and no losses at the qualifying tournament in Barrie last month (Nov. 27-29) and successfully defended their title. They outscored their opponents 9-1 and posted three shutouts in those four matches.

The Sting won their first game against the Windsor Devils 2-0. The goal scorers were Wendel Baker and Jake Billingham, with Tyler Leduc and Zachary Leclerc drawing assists. Colby Huybregts worked the nets and registered the shutout.

The Blyth Renegades provided the opposition in game two and the Sting won 4-0. Matt Moran, Kyle Toupin, Baker, and Connor Hanna cracked in the goals while Paul Norman (2), Travis Nixon, and Matt Moran picked up the assists. Huybregts and Cameron Muir shared the shutout.

The tournament's double knockout format dictates that teams have to lose twice to be eliminated, and that meant the Sting ended up playing their old rivals, the Eastern Ontario Ice Dogs in the next two games.

The first encounter was a battle of unbeaten teams which the Sting won by a slim 2-1 margin. The Sting goal scorers were Baker and Norman. Leduc and Baker set up the scoring plays.

The Ice Dogs came back strong in a tight defensive battle in their second meeting with the Sting but fell by a 1-0 count. The one-goal decision handed the Sting the title for the third straight year. Toupin slapped in the tournament-winning goal after taking a feed from Norman. Huybregts turned in another perfect effort guarding the net.

The Sting coaches and players would like to thank the parents and fans who travelled to Barrie to support the team. The players also offered a special thanks to their coaching staff — Steve Norman, Keith Presley, and Clayton Ouderkirk.

Romans edge Demons in tourney title match

Roger Senecal Memorial Minor Midget Tournament

LEITRIM — Cole Kinnear broke up a 3-3 tie when he scored the game winning goal with 1:50 left on the clock. Kinnear's timely tally lifted the Osgoode-Richmond Romans to a 4-3 win over the North Dundas Minor Midget "B" Demons.

The Romans' win enabled them to capture the 2009 Roger Senecal Memorial Minor Midget Tournament championship trophy at the Fred Barrett Arena.

North Dundas led Sunday's (Dec. 6) showdown 2-1 after a period but weren't able to count their third marker until the final frame. Ryan Romans netted the Demons' first goal. Brandon Cousineau cracked in the final two tallies. Ryan Byers, Josh Freake, and Cousineau collected assists.

Dale Murdoch's Demons played their way into the title match by beating the Romans 3-1 on opening day (Fri., Dec. 4). On Saturday (Dec. 5) they doubled MTK 4-2 and crowned the Pembroke Kings 5-2. Sunday morning Matt Picanco shut out the Gloucester Blackhawks 2-0 in a semi-final round game.

Tourney tales

Dan McSheffery (unassisted) booked the winning goal against Gloucester denting twine with 8:35 left in the first period. Colton Stitt sealed the semi-final win when he connected for a 2-0 lead after he took a pass from Stewart McKelvie at 10:01 of the second stanza.

North Dundas and Pembroke were tied 1-1 after a period of their match. The Demons were enjoying a 3-1 lead after two periods. Final frame markers by Paul Gibson and Freake sealed the 5-2 decision. Patrick Speagle, Francis Lebrun, and Cousineau shot in the singles. McKelvie (2), Garrett Milne (2), Byers, and Romans provided the passes.

Cousineau and Freake split the goal scoring in the Demons' 4-2 win over MTK. North Dundas led 1-0 on the strength of Freake's first goal. MTK were up 2-1 after two periods. North Dundas put the win away in the third when Freake found net at 11:37 and Cousineau pumped in the winner and insurance goals in the final 52 seconds of the game. Byers (2), Cousineau (2), and McKelvie collected helper points.

Byers tied the opening game with Osgoode-Richmond when he buried a relay sent to him by Freake and Cousineau with 7:21 left on the clock. Freak cashed in a Gibson feed for the winner at the 54 second mark. Cousineau (unassisted) insured the 3-1 verdict with an unassisted empty-net goal five seconds before the final buzzer.

Cooper moves up to share first place, double Blues 2-1

WINCHESTER — Alicia Jones turned a play created by Colleen Van Turnhout and Veronique Daviault into her first goal of the 2009-10 Winchester District Ladies Hockey League season.

The Jones' tally also proved to be the winning goal in the Cooper Physio Pinks' 2-1 win over the Annable's Jewellery Blues.

Jones scored with 8:33 left in Sunday morning's (Dec. 6) 10 am encounter and opened up a 2-0 lead for the Pinks. The Blues managed to close the gap to 2-1 when Dawn Montgomery ruined Kristie Wade's hopes of a shutout, scoring unassisted 6:44 before the final buzzer.

Amy Fraser finished a play started by Van Turnhout and Eleanor Robinson 4:47 before the half-time intermission and gave the Pinks a 1-0 lead. Carrie McCadden tended goal for the third-place Blues (4-2-3).

The Pinks improved their record to 4-1-4 and moved into a share of first place with the WS Trucking Company (4-1-4) with 12 points.

The Trucking Company and the sixth-place Double Beauty Stylists (2-6-1) played to a 3-3 draw in the 9 am game.

Double Beauty led 3-0 at the half but couldn't beat WS Trucking goalie Roxanne Backes in the second half and had to settle for the tie.

Joanna Gilmer (1-1-2), Christina Luykx (1-1-2), Kaila Beckstead (1-0-1), Heather McDiarmid (0-1-1), and Geraldine Verspeek-Crete (0-1-1) provided the Double Beauty offence. Lorie Casselman tended the nets.

Edith Dagenais (assisted by Isabelle Dagenais) put the Truckers on the board at 19:28 of the second half. Isabelle Dagenais scored from Edith Dagenais and Annik Dagenais and closed the gap to 3-2 at 17:05. The Dagenais struck again at 7:11 and tied the final count at 3-3. Isabelle counted the goal after taking the pass from Annik and Edith.

Girls 1 - Reds 0

Karina Damato registered her second shutout of the season backing the Country Girls (2-4-3) in their 1-0 victory over Andy's Foodland Reds (2-4-3).

Sandra Cloutier's ninth goal of the season was set up by Francine Brisson at 18:39 of the first half and held up for the Girls, who used the two points to move into a share of fourth place with the Reds.

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CARD OF THANKS – We thank all of those who rallied around us following the death of Gordon Baldwin. We appreciated you being there and will never forget your kindness. Thank you to the pallbearers and a very special thank you to Ron Lewis and his family who opened their home and their hearts to provide food and comfort for the family.
– Dorothy Baldwin and Family
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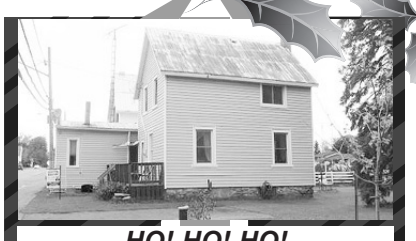

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The Royal Bank of Commerce (RBC) Winchester branch, in partnership with the RBC Foundation, made a significant donation to the Dundas County Food Bank (DCFB) on Mon., Dec. 7. Bank staff members handed over a cheque worth $5,000 to DCFB administrator Donna Quesnel, DCFB chair Brenda Millard, and DCFB director Shirley Coons. Front: Lorrie Munro (left), Quesnel, Meagan Bouder, Liz Pelkey, Rosemary Kavanagh, Steve Gross, and Julie Sloan-Fawcett. Back: Millard, Coons, Paul Bourgeois, Jill Gravelle, and Cassandra Collins. *Photo — Uhrig*

OBITUARY

Clasina Doesburg

Clasina Doesburg, a resident of the Woodland Villa Nursing home in Long Sault for the past two and half years, passed away there on Tues., Dec. 1, 2009. She was 93.



Clasina was born in Holland on Aug. 28, 1916 to her parents, Frans and Jannatje VanderKruk (nee Hofland). She was raised in Holland, and on July 16, 1942 she married Simon Doesburg. Together they immigrated to Canada in 1952 and settled in the Dixons Corners area. In 1955 they purchased their first farm. Clasina was an avid gardener and took great pride in her flower beds. They retired from farming in 1974. She was a member of the church choir and was the co-ordinator for the rummage sales for Timothy Christian School.

Clasina is survived by her children; Jenny Doesburg (Leland Dawson) of Iroquois, Tina Doesburg of Iroquois, and John (Ruth) of Mariatown; her sister Truus Vlieg of Edmonton; her grandchildren, John Doesburg, Steven Doesburg and Melanie (Andrew) McCourt; and her great-grandson Logan McCourt. She was predeceased by sisters Nellie VanderKruk, Janny VanderKruk, Truusje VanderKruk, Gerritje DeVries, and brothers Cor, Gerrit, and Johan VanderKruk. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Thurs., Dec. 3. The funeral service was held at Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church on Fri., Dec. 4 with Rev. John Noordhof and Rev. Clarence Witten officiating followed by interment at New Union Cemetery in Williamsburg. The pallbearers were John Doesburg Jr., Steven Doesburg, Fred Zandbergen, George Hoftyzer, Peter VanVeen, and Glenn Lapier.

Donations to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital or Timothy Christian School would be appreciated by the family.

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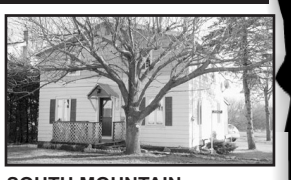
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Former WDMH equipment headed overseas

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Several pieces of medical equipment and office furniture are being held in storage, waiting for a departure date to the Caribbean nation of St. Lucia.

The materials were formerly used at Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH).

WDMH staff member Dr. Patricia Moussette is spearheading the project and "rallying" hospital staff and community volunteers around the St. Lucia project, according to her husband, Aaron Dellah.

Moussette volunteered her services as an anaesthetist at St. Jude Hospital in St. Lucia in 2006.

However, in September of this year, a massive fire destroyed the operating theatre and the surgical ward, while the hospital's sprinkler system caused major flooding in the lab and the pediatric wing. According to reports posted on the hospital's temporary website, staff are now using the local stadium and schools as temporary facilities until a new hospital can be constructed. The blaze also killed three patients.

Six community residents spent the day on Thurs., Dec. 3 and Fri., Dec. 4 hauling the old equipment out of WDMH to its current holding place at All Storage Winchester, located at the intersection of St. Lawrence Street and County Road 31.

"We have filled four 10-by-10 storage bays with medical equipment and office furniture," said Dellah, noting that the bays were donated by All Storage owner Pam Sherrer.

As for the transportation of materials, Dellah said that through communication with the St. Lucia Consulate in Toronto, they have been informed that a partially-filled shipping container — which is waiting in a Toronto harbour — has been specifically designated for medical supplies destined for St. Jude's.

Dellah and Moussette have also received an agreement, in principle, with South Mountain based JED Express and its owner, Ed Duncan, to assist with packaging and possibly transporting the collected equipment to Toronto.

However, said Dellah, exact details of "when and where" have yet to be established.

Dellah also said that clothing and other items may be sent to St. Lucia in the future, but for now, it's strictly necessary medical equipment.

Any community members interested in helping with the project can find more information at www.stjudehospitalslu.org.



Six community members spent the day on Thurs., Dec. 3 and Fri., Dec. 4 transporting used medical equipment and office furniture out of Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) and into four storage bays at All Storage Winchester. The materials are eventually destined for St. Lucia to help the medical community rebuild following a devastating fire at St. Jude Hospital. Tony Glen (left), Bill Steele, Dr. Gabriel Slowey, Aaron Dellah, and Bob Gilroy helped haul the goods from WDMH, while Ross Giles of Dundas Feed and Seed provided a forklift. *Press Photo — Uhrig*

Shoulder surgery leaves MPP out of commission

CORNWALL — After having surgery, Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MPP Jim Brownell has been advised to revise his schedule.

The MPP underwent shoulder surgery in Toronto's Sunnybrook-Holland Hospital last week, and, while recovering, was admitted to the Cornwall Community Hospital for unrelated medical tests and treatment.

Brownell will be out of commission indefinitely. He has asked staff to reschedule meetings and events.

His constituency assistant, Jeremy Gowsell, will represent him at events in the riding, and his executive assistant, Brian Kulick, will continue to handle things at Queen's Park in Toronto.

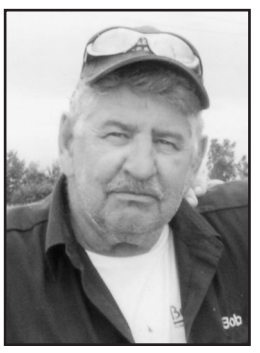
Brownell thanked his friends, family, and staff for their support.

"I find this very difficult, as I love working as the representative at Queen's Park, for the citizens of this riding," said Brownell. "But right now I have to regain my health in order to be there, primarily for my family, but also to be the most effective member possible for Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry."

Golden Years Christmas dinner

WINCHESTER — Dawn Campbell, president of the Winchester Golden Years Society, welcomed 84 members to a Christmas dinner served by the Winchester Lions.

"O Canada" was sung and the Lord's Prayer was said before the meal. Campbell presented a 90th birthday plaque to Mary Hay. After dinner, members were entertained by the Rivermen and joined in for a sing-a-long. Many draws were done, and the Lions were thanked for an enjoyable evening.



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Williamsburg euchre winners

WILLIAMSBURG — The white-card winners at the Wed., Dec. 2 euchre event held at J.W. MacIntosh Seniors' Support Centre were Howard Kennedy, Ruth Casselman, and Mel Byers.

The yellow-card winners were Evelyn Schwerdtfeger, Everrett Froats, and David Brown. Meanwhile, Froats and Audrey McLaren won the door prizes.

The draws were won by Casselman, Lorraine Tupper, Brown, and Matthew Billings.

The group's next euchre event is scheduled for Wed., Dec. 16.



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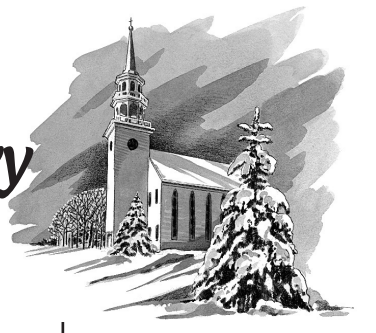

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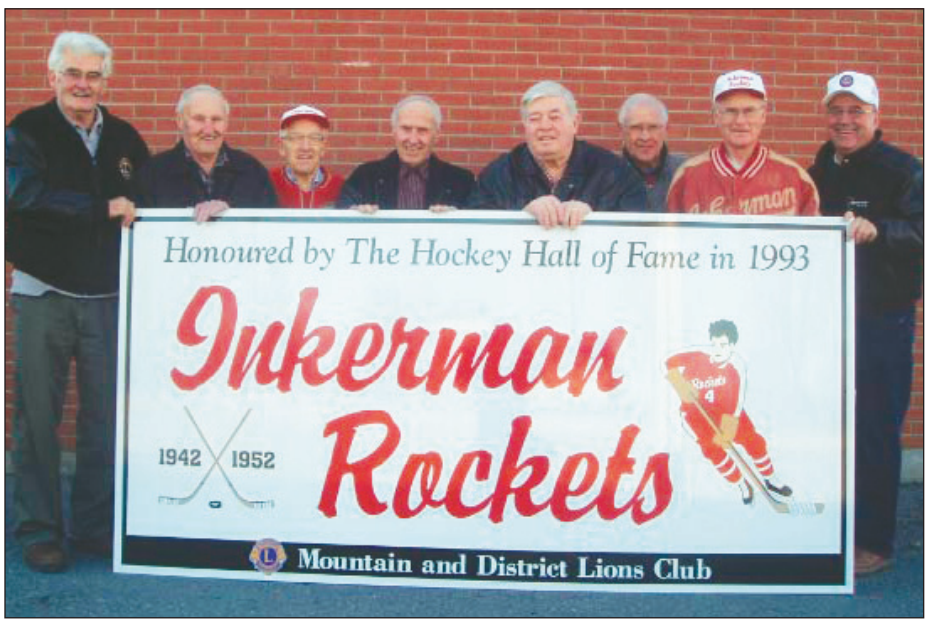

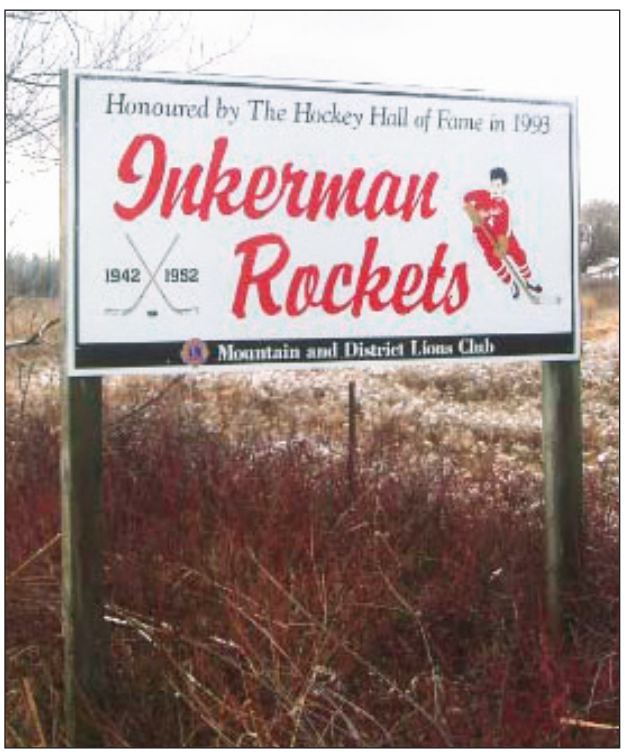

Rocketing replacement

The Mountain and District Lions Club recently replaced Inkerman's roadside sign honouring local legends the Inkerman Rockets hockey team. Pictured above are: Lion Don Johnston (left), former player Edwin Duncan, former player Percy Armstrong, former player Erwin Duncan, former player Ron Timmins, former player John Paul Lafortune, former player Denzel Crowder, and Lion Brian Telford.

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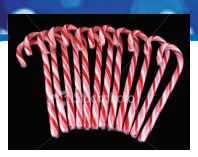

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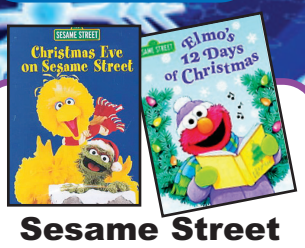

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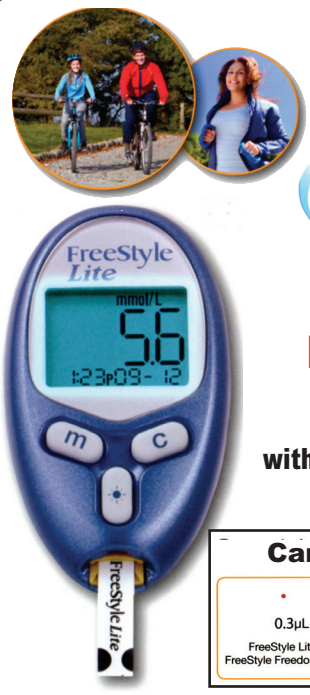

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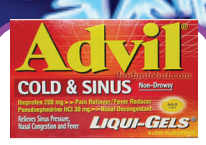

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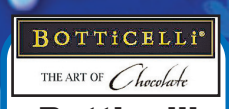

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