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Raising readers

Dr. Brian Devin of Winchester District Memorial Hospital served as one of the Nationview Public School volunteer readers during National Family Literacy Day on Thurs., Jan. 27. A host of community representatives dropped by to read to students and tell the pupils about the importance of literacy in their careers.

Press Photo — Smith-Millar

Winchester Tory seeks Ontario PC nomination

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — There are now two candidates vying for the local provincial Progressive Conservative nomination in Ontario's general election this October.

On Fri., Jan. 28, David Guy informed the *Winchester Press* that he wants to be the party's candidate in his home riding of Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG).

He joins current Township of South Glengarry Mayor Jim McDonnell as the only two confirmed for contention.

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David Guy

Heelers to walk off pressure?

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The Winchester Hospital Heelers have always put the "fun" in fundraising, and 2011 will be no different.

That's the thinking of Christina Enright, long-time captain of the walking team.

The Heelers have collected about $427,000 throughout the years to support the annual 60-kilometre Weekend to End Women's Cancers walk.

But the local ladies (and men) who have topped Ottawa's fundraising charts shouldn't pressure themselves to repeat past successes, Enright said during a Wed., Jan. 26 info session that coincided with National Wear it Pink Day in honour of women's cancer research.

"Whatever we raise is more than we had before," Enright told a room of rosily clad Heelers at the Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre. "But, it has got to be fun."

The Heelers have left a legacy in the area. In recent years, through a special arrangement with the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation, 75 per cent of funds raised for the walk return to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH). The remaining 25 per cent stays with the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation.

In 2011, Winchester remains team to beat

The Heelers have subsidized about $222,000 of WDMH's roughly $1-million digital mammography machine, Enright noted. The equipment allows breast cancer care to occur at WDMH, so that local rural women receive treatment close to home. The Heelers plan to continue subsidizing the bill until it's paid off — and it's time for a new challenge.

"We will talk to the Winchester hospital, and say, 'what's next?'" said Enright.

Half-million mark on horizon

The next Weekend to End Women's Cancers is scheduled for Sat., June 4 and Sun., June 5.

Last year's team tally was a record — $156,000. If the Heelers make at least $73,000 in 2011, they'll have collected half a million dollars for cancer research.

According to the Weekend to End Women's Cancers website, the Heelers are in third place with $17,855 listed under their name as of press time. One team member — Suzanne Keeler — is the top-ranked individual walker in Ottawa, with $8,420 registered.

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Zumba, bake sale kick off fundraising season

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So far, about 20 women have signed up for the Winchester team. Although the Heelers' delegation to Ottawa has ballooned to 50 walkers strong in the past, Enright said 20 is an average team size for this time of year.

At the planning session last week, Enright consistently stressed the importance of keeping the fundraising process, and walk itself, enjoyable.

"It's whatever you want it to be," she said.

Despite the heavy subject matter, the walk aims to be light-hearted in spirit. Many group names in Ottawa are straightforward (such as the Kemptville District Hospital Auxiliary Breast Cancer Walkers) incorporate word play (like Winchester's own Heelers), or aim to amuse (such as Cougars Conquering Cancer, Walkers for Knockers, and the long-time Heelers rivals, Saving our Ta-ta's).

Curious potential participants are sometimes deterred by two challenges: the 60-kilometre journey, and the $2,000 in fundraising necessary to walk.

The Heelers encourage walking a little bit every day, and have optional monthly group training sessions starting in March. The team hikes start with a 12-kilometre trek, leading up to 20 kilometres in May. These are typically followed by a pot luck meal.

They also have group fundraisers to "top up" the totals of walkers who don't meet the $2,000 minimum.

In order to receive a top-up from the general account, participants need to have helped out at least one group activity.

Co-captain system

Enright is arguably the most recognizable captain of the Winchester Hospital Heelers — partly due to her participation as a "face" of WDMH in its $5-million Close to Home Campaign.

Her leadership role is divided among a roster of co-captains. Those leaders include Cheryl Lynch, Marlene Pyper, Tanya Keats, Heather Harper, and Doris Baker.

The Heelers team consists of cancer survivors, supporters, friends, family members, and community-minded individuals. Some people join as supporting crew members, rather than walkers.

Enright herself underwent breast cancer treatment at WDMH.

At last week's meeting, she told the group her prognosis wasn't good when she learned the bad news in 2004. Not expected to live five years, Enright is still going strong.

"I was kind of shocked, but kind of not [...] Everybody has something in their lives they have to deal with," she said. "I don't know why I'm still here — other than, this is what it was for."



Pretty in pink

The Winchester Hospital Heelers kicked off their season on Wed., Jan. 26, which coincided with National Wear it Pink Day in honour of women's cancer research. Back row: Jake Naylor (left), representative from the Weekend to End Women's Cancers, with Doris Baker, Isabel Hale, Tanya Keats, Christina Enright, Karen Salaj-Krajcovic, and Melissa Dow. Middle row: Janet Hutt (left), Judy Simser, Tammy Konink, Cheryl Lynch, and Marlene Pyper. Front row: Janice Carkner, Sue Keeler, Christina Luykx, and Heather Harper.
Press Photo — Smith-Millar

Plotting and planning

Their schedule is still in its planning stages, but the Winchester Hospital Heelers have several events scheduled for the year. A Zumba class at the Winchester Community Centre, with a suggested $5 admission donation, kicked off the season on Mon., Jan 31.

A Valentine's Day-themed bake sale at WDMH on Fri., Feb. 11, starting at 8 am. Donations in the form of baked goods will be gratefully accepted and can be left on the table in the nursing lounge on Thurs., Feb. 10, or the day of the sale starting at 6:30 am.

Check out future editions of the *Winchester Press* for more Heelers events.

New LHIN CEO takes over

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — A significant change has been made at the helm of the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN).

Alex Munter has replaced Dr. Robert Cushman as the local health organization's CEO.

In October 2010, Cushman announced he would be retiring, and a search for his replacement commenced.

Munter was selected following a national search. Most recently, he served as executive director of the Youth Services Bureau, an accredited children's mental health agency serving roughly 19,000 people annually at approximately 20 locations throughout Ottawa.

"Locally, it's about the delivery of services, and I think my experience in the nitty-gritty work and my knowledge of the local health system will help me," Munter said in a prepared media statement at the time of his hiring announcement last fall.

At the moment, Munter will be taking over a system that Ontario Progressive Conservative leader Tim Hudak has said he will eliminate should his party be elected to lead the province following the general election this October.

The Champlain LHIN has also been working toward the regionalization of healthcare services. That move could see the elimination or drawing back of services at Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH), one of more than 200 agencies, including long-term care homes and community health centres, overseen by the local health network.



Alex Munter

In related news, the LHIN announced on Fri., Jan. 28 that Dr. Wilbert Keon would take over as chair of the board of directors.

Foundation hires executive director

WINCHESTER — The Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) Foundation has hired three new staff members, including an executive director.

Troy Cross started last Monday (Jan. 31) as the foundation's lead employee, replacing Linda McGreevy, who served as interim executive director for the past several months.

In a release from the hospital, WDMH stated that Cross recently left the Canadian National Institute for the Blind as the director of development for the eastern region. Prior to that role, he worked for several years at the National Arts Centre in both marketing and fundraising. He was born at WDMH and grew up in the local area community.

Joining Cross will be two more office hires: Chelsea Dunn (who will start in April) and Kristen Casselman, who is already on the job.

Survey deadline extended

In other news, the Local Health Integration Network is considering making changes to WDMH, and the hospital has posted a survey at www.wdmh.on.ca to get public input. The deadline to participate in the survey has been extended to Fri., Feb. 11.

Correction notice

In the Wed., Jan. 26 edition, the WDMH website was incorrectly identified and should have been listed as www.wdmh.on.ca. The *Press* regrets the error. Readers should also note the deadline to participate in a survey regarding changes at WDMH has been extended to Fri., Feb. 11.







Chillin' with the chamber

The North Dundas Chamber of Commerce assigned positions to its new executive at a Mon., Jan. 31 breakfast meeting at the Country Kitchen Restaurant in Winchester. Front row: Butch Oldford (left), first vice-president; Pam Sherrer, co-registrar/second vice-president; and Owen Shortt, president. Back row: Danny McMahon, Chris Hart, and Bill Smirle, directors; and Colin Pring, treasurer. Press Photo — Smith-Millar

Bracing for threat?

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — A box store locally nicknamed "the 'W' word" can be ignored no more.

Walmart officially opened its doors in Kemptville last week, and it remains to be seen what effect the international retailer will have on businesses in neighbouring Dundas County.

Owen Shortt, president of the North Dundas Chamber of Commerce, acknowledged Walmart could steal away local shoppers.

However, he said the North Dundas community should work hard to promote its existing assets and attractions.

"There's lots of opportunity here," Shortt said to the *Winchester Press*.

Shortt noted that more North Dundas businesses in communities like Winchester may have to think about staying open on Sundays.

During a breakfast meeting on Mon., Jan. 31 at the Country Kitchen Restaurant, Shortt agreed to stay on as president of the chamber for another two-year term. Monday's selection of executive members served as part two of a Wed., Jan. 19 annual general meeting, during which business owners and representatives volunteered to serve on the chamber's executive.

The chamber has been busy lately. Last summer, a sub-committee of the organization worked with the Township of North Dundas, service groups, and other interested parties to construct Sweet Corner Park to beautify downtown Winchester and potentially attract entrepreneurs to the area.

In January, Shortt and his fellow chamber members presented township council with a priority list from their organization, based on a survey completed in December. Among other suggestions, the chamber recommended the township hire an economic development officer, just like its neighbour, South Dundas.

Meet the chamber leaders

- President: Owen Shortt, Winchester Travel
- First vice-president: Butch Oldford, Royal LePage Gale Real Estate
- Registrar/second vice-president: John Van Bruinessen, Durant's Flowers and Pam Sherrer, All Storage Winchester
- Treasurer: Colin Pring, Royal Bank of Canada
- Directors, as of press time, include: Ken and Louise Arsenault, The Village Bin; Chris Hart, Allied Associates LLP; Ed Puddephatt, Winchester Video/Paddletales; Danny and Heather McMahon, D&H Fencing/Belle Flower Gifts; Roy Glassford, Investors Group; Annette Angus, Terrace Green Bed & Breakfast; and Bill Smirle, Smirlholm Farms.

Local gym set to close

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Rob Steele has decided to close his downtown gym, SteeleWorks.

He confirmed to the *Winchester Press* on Mon., Jan. 31 that by March, he hopes to have vacated the ground floor at 490 Main Street.

"It's just been one thing after another for me," he said, adding that he has had electrical issues within the building, among other problems.

When the *Press* dropped by before publication time on Jan. 31, the gym was closed to customers as a technician worked on the facility's furnace system inside.

At the moment, Steele said he is working out a payment plan to return the money owing to a number of his clients who paid for memberships.

He told the *Press* he must wait until the gym equipment is sold before he'll know how much money he will have available.

As well, for some of his regular clientele, he said he plans to continue operation by providing in-home personal training sessions.

SteeleWorks opened on Winchester's Main Street in March 2009.



Closing shop

Rob Steele, owner of the Main Street gym SteeleWorks, has decided to close the facility this coming March. Press Photo — Uhrig

POLICE BLOTTER

Fire Marshal investigates restaurant blaze

IROQUOIS — On Fri., Jan. 28 around 12:15 am, Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry OPP officers joined firefighters in responding to a fire at a restaurant (Monte Cristo) on Dundas Street in Iroquois.

No injuries resulted.

An investigator from the Office of the Ontario Fire Marshal has been called in to investigate.

Details published in the police blotter are provided by the OPP. The Winchester Press *publishes information about alleged crimes occurring in Dundas County, as well as other information of interest to our readership. All suspects are considered innocent in the eyes of the law unless proven otherwise in court.*

New VP

MAPLE RIDGE — A new vice-principal is scheduled to start at North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) on Thurs., Feb. 3.

Derek Cole, the current vice-principal (VP) at Rothwell-Osnabruck School in Ingleside, is transferring to NDDHS. Meanwhile, the current VP at NDDHS — Doug Searle — will transfer to St. Lawrence Intermediate School in Cornwall. Both Searle and Cole were listed in a recent Upper Canada District School Board release.

Strong local ecomony important, says Guy

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"It is my belief that the PC Party of Ontario will pave the way for growth by breaking down barriers and opening up opportunities for our constituents," said Guy. "We deserve representation that is representative of our community."

Guy said he understands the importance of a strong local economy, as well as successful businesses and services. He pointed to his employer, Hendrick Seeds, as proof of what's possible locally.

"This is just one example of the great ingenuity of our people," he said. "SD&G is blessed with incredible people, possessing great ideas."

Guy said his skills as an entrepreneur and networker will allow him to represent such a large riding successfully.

Presently, Guy is an active member of the SD&SG PC Riding Association, while also serving as the organization's past president and area director.

As well, he is the fundraising chair of the Blue Bird Campaign, the association's holiday-season fundraiser to generate election funds.

Current Liberal MPP Jim Brownell announced in November 2010 that, due to health-related issues, he would not be seeking re-election in the fall of 2011.

At this time, only former City of Cornwall Councillor Mark MacDonald has filed to seek the SD&SG Liberal nomination.

The 2011 Ontario general election is scheduled for Thurs., Oct. 6.

New candidate?

WINCHESTER — The Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG) riding association for the NDP is in the midst of searching for a new federal candidate.

Darlene Jalbert announced her resignation as the party's top choice last month.

The search for Jalbert's replacement is underway.

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$1,000+ per fire in North Dundas?

Conservative estimate doesn't include equipment, OPP, ambulance

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Every time a building goes up in smoke, so do tax dollars.

The average blaze immediately costs North Dundas $1,000, estimated Arden Carruthers, chief of the township's Morewood detachment.

However, Carruthers explained that calculating a per-fire price tag isn't a straightforward process because the total fluctuates depending on which variables you include.

First, there's the gasoline consumed by firetrucks as crews rush to an emergency.

Then, there's the flame-suppressing foam.

"[Each fire costs] maybe $200, $300 in foam," said Carruthers.

The hourly wage of firefighters is also a significant expense. (North Dundas has a volunteer department, which means the members are on call and respond to emergencies when they can, but are remunerated for their time.)

Carruthers estimated that wages add up to $600 a fire, on average.

So, the bill reaches the $1,000 mark quickly.



Wages and foam are just a few immediate expenses of firefighting. *Press Photo – Uhrig*

Don't forget maintenance, equipment

North Dundas' ongoing firefighting expenses are just the tip of the iceberg.

The township owns about $2.5 million in fire vehicles alone, said Carruthers — never mind maintenance and major repairs for the fleet.

Plus, there's roughly $70,000 in protective suits, helmets, and boots to outfit firefighters from all four detachments.

The taxpayer ultimately foots the bill for fires, regardless of whether North Dundas or another level of government pays. The involvement of the OPP and paramedics is also pricey. If a fire investigator is summoned to the scene, more cash is drained from the provincial purse.

Does prevention save lives, money?

About 90 per cent of residential blazes are preventable, according to statistics from the Ontario Fire Marshal.

Information from Fire Prevention Canada paints an even bleaker picture. Fire kills eight Canadians each week. Residential blazes account for 73 per cent of those deaths.

That's one of the reasons why most municipalities set aside prevention funding in their budgets.

Chris Helmer, fire prevention captain for the Winchester detachment, agreed that blazes are expensive — both in terms of tax dollars and potential loss of life.

Initiatives to increase public awareness in North Dundas include Fire Prevention Week in October, a safety calendar featuring children's drawings, and outreach to public schools and seniors.

Helmer said students pass the awareness on to their parents.

"We get [the message] to them; they take it home," said Helmer.



Fire prevention: a hot topic

Check out the Winchester Press *next week (Wed., Feb. 9) for part four of our feature regarding fire prevention and safety in the area.*

North Dundas council to introduce monthly fire reports

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The North Dundas Fire Department will be in the public eye more than ever.

At regular Tuesday night council meetings, the volunteer service will now be treated more like its fellow professional departments at the Township of North Dundas.

Every month, the heads of each department (like finance, planning, and waste management) must present summary reports.

Now, a fire write-up will be among them.

"Council just felt it would be nice to [stay updated on] fire info and happenings monthly," said North Dundas Councillor Al Armstrong, who is continuing his role from the previous term as fire commissioner. "It will give added transparency and updates to council and the public."

The details scheduled to be included are still tentative at this point. But the document will likely list the number of calls firefighters responded to — including structure fires, grass or brush blazes, public hazards (for example, carbon dioxide alarms and gas leaks), rescues (such as car fires or collisions), and medical-related assistance.

> ***"[The reports] will help educate council and the public as to what fire departments do on a monthly basis."***
>
> *— Councillor Al Armstrong, fire commissioner*

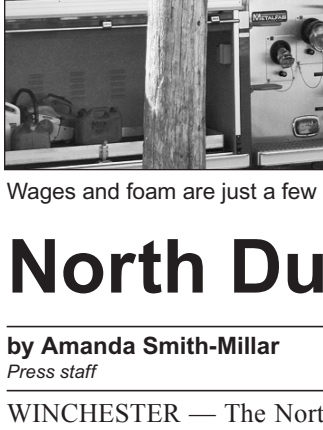
Updates about training and fire prevention campaigns will also be included in the report.

"It will help educate council and the public as to what fire departments do on a monthly basis," Armstrong said.

At this point, it appears that Mike Gruich — the captain of Chesterville's detachment — will have the responsibility of writing the reports.

The North Dundas Fire Department is well represented at the council table this political term, beyond Armstrong's role as commissioner. Councillor Tony Fraser is the deputy-chief of the Winchester detachment. Meanwhile, John Thompson is a member of the Chesterville branch. Deputy-Mayor Gerry Boyce no longer volunteers with Mountain's detachment, but did so for many years.

Incidentally, roads director Arden Carruthers is chief of the Morewood detachment. Like all departmental heads, Carruthers will be present at township meetings — so the fire service will have plenty of representation in the council chambers.



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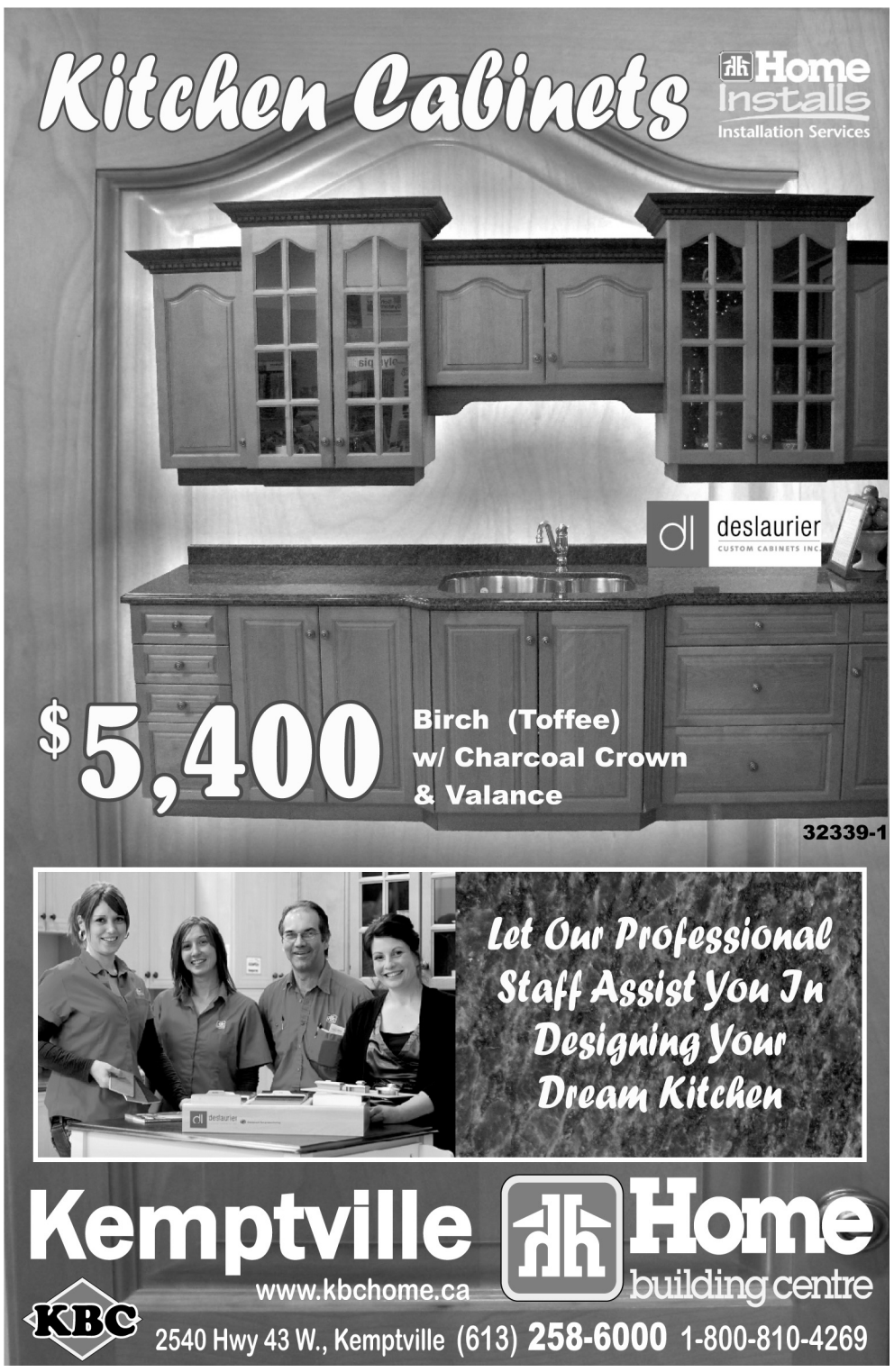

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Silent majority leaves politicians in the dark



Cartoon – Bradford-Lea

We've decided to let our readers in on a well-kept secret this week.

Be warned — it's a shocking allegation.

Contrary to popular belief, most MPs and MPPs do take their role as constituency representatives very seriously.

That is to say, politicians sincerely care about what you think. Even when it's not election season.

Canadians drastically underestimate their ability to influence policy throughout a term.

Consider this: The loyalties of Canada's elected officials are, inherently, divided. They must tow the party line, or take the lonely martyr's route as an independent (code for "resource starved") representative. To make matters more confusing and discouraging, half their adult constituents don't give two hoots about politics — if the abysmal 58.8 per cent turnout in the 2008 federal election is any indication.

Yes, some politicians are primarily motivated by fame, power, a celebrity-like craving for attention, or fierce loyalty to a particular party. But, cynicism aside, most MPs and MPPs are honoured the majority of voters chose them to fulfil (what's supposed to be, anyway) a noble and vital role in the democratic process.

Unfortunately, just how to go about properly representing one's constituents is a daunting — and sometimes impossible — challenge.

Politicians subsist on sparse and inconsistent feedback until election day. A lone MP doesn't have the budget to regularly commission expensive polls through Harris/Decima or Ipsos Reid. She can't rely exclusively on letters to the editor in local newspapers. Nor should she pay too much attention to the same 10 enraged callers who harass their constituency offices (often to relieve boredom).

There's no statistical, objective way for most MPs, MPPs, or municipal politicians to know what voters in their area think throughout any given term. They must rely on anecdotal feedback and a general "gut" feeling after speaking with as many individuals, businesses, and special interest groups as possible.

With such vague and inconsistent direction from their bosses — you, the constituents — is it any wonder the media and political parties run the circus in this country?

The bulk of Canadians form the "silent majority." They are not inclined to publicly oppose or support a bill, attend an all-candidates debate, verse themselves well on local and national issues, or let their MP or MPP know what's on their mind. It's easy to dismiss citizens' apathy as a product of our busy modern society. Indeed, who has time to change the world when work, housekeeping, finances, and childrearing trump a host of other priorities?

However, time and focus may not be the problem here. Many people figure it's pointless to contact riding representatives.

Sadly, Canadians drastically underestimate their ability to influence policy throughout a term. They wait until it's time to cast their ballot to issue their MPs and MPPs a job performance review. Or, they don't vote at all.

The solution? Our silent majority should speak up.

It also wouldn't hurt to support Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon's efforts to solicit your opinion through his regular mail-in surveys. Some accuse his mail-outs of being biased toward Tory policies. Well, there's space on those feedback forms to let Lauzon know that, too.

It's useful to note that the squeaky wheel doesn't always get the grease. A moderate, respectful, and reasonable tone will get your political representative's attention, while differentiating you from the aforementioned harassing callers.

Both Lauzon's offices, and those of his provincial counterpart, Liberal MPP Jim Brownell, assure us feedback is taken seriously. (And don't be shy to forward letters to the *Winchester Press*. We love mail, and a healthy opinion section is a sign of an active community.)

As the old researcher's saying goes, the plural of anecdote is data.

Please help our politicians. They are your staff. Your taxes pay their salary. Let them know what's on your mind.

Believe it or not, they really want to know.

Remember when...

1921

It was noted in this week's *Winchester Press* that in tropical climates, white men often lost their initiative, "go," and efficiency, and too many actually degenerated morally and physically, probably due to the unchanging climate with its lack of stimulating atmospheric conditions.

1931

During the winter months, one depended so largely on potatoes as a vegetable that the cooking of them was given serious attention, the *Press* said this week. For variety's sake, they could be boiled in milk, mashed, a little parsley or mint added, formed into balls, dipped in egg and breadcrumbs, and then fried until golden brown. Also, potatoes baked in their jackets could be splendid.

1941

A total of 71 out of 74 prospective non-commissioned officers of the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry Highlanders were successful in recent qualification exams. The candidates underwent an instruction course from October to January.

1951

The new Ontario licence plates, although presenting a fresh, white appearance, were "conspicuously naked" in respect to the absence of the crown, which had graced the provincial marker for 14 years, the *Press* said. A rather pleasant identifying feature of the Ontario plates, it seemed a shame that this royal symbol should disappear, the paper lamented.

1961

Any weather was "Corvair weather." The Corvair was described as the car designed and built to handle the extremes of Canada's climate and weather conditions. Designed to keep drivers "snug as a bug" in February and "cool as a cucumber" in June, the Corvair "started with lively cockiness and the rear-engine design gave it perfect balance for all road conditions," the advertisement read.

1971

Enrolment in Ontario elementary and secondary schools exceeded the two-million mark for the first time, the *Press* said. Statistics showed that more than one in every four Ontario residents was attending elementary or secondary schools. Statistics also showed that the number of schools in the province had decreased for three years running.

1981

A fight in the bathroom of Ken Reid's pinball arcade in Winchester sent one local boy to hospital and gave the village's council cause to refuse the business a pool hall licence, the *Press* reported. Council deferred Reid's application for two pool tables at its regular meeting and planned to further investigate charges of lack of supervision at the arcade. Objections to the pool tables were raised for fear that cues could be used as weapons in future scuffles.

1991

SD&G firefighters were taught how to respond to accidents involving hazardous materials at a meeting in Chesterville this week. One of the scenarios studied was how to respond if a propane truck overturned on the highway. Nearby residents were to be evacuated because propane tanks would probably explode if there was a fire.

2001

Former Olympic silver medallist Elizabeth Manley was in Winchester this week to skate with members of the village's figure skating club. While in town, Manley held a development and coaching clinic. The stop was part of Manley's tour of eastern Ontario.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Board disagrees with LHIN direction

The Editor:
The Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH)'s board of directors would like to thank our local communities for participating in WDMH's community consultation process over the past several weeks. Through community forums and an online survey, we are hearing from many of you regarding the importance of rural health care and WDMH's role in providing care close to home.

So it was disappointing to read some of the comments by Dr. Robert Cushman, outgoing CEO of the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), regarding the limited services available in rural areas. While Cushman is accurate in saying that 24/7 coverage is a challenge, the WDMH board feels that the bigger issue is that the LHIN is developing a framework based on an urban-centric population model that does not address the unique needs of rural communities. We believe there are ways to do so.

We know that regionalization is coming and have always agreed that there are benefits to working together to provide the very best care. Our message is simply that rural health care needs are unique and must be addressed.

The experts seem to agree, judging from the conclusions of a number of studies, including the current Rural and Northern Health Care Framework commissioned by the provincial Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, which can be found at www.health.gov.on.ca/en/public/programs/ruralnorthern/feedback.aspx.

WDMH is proud to be establishing itself as a centre for rural health and education, and our communities tell us that we are on the right track. We are leveraging the substantial investments (by the province and our donors) in infrastructure, technology, clinical services, education, and research to create something unique that meets rural health care needs and offers an enhanced range of service close to home.

As a board, we have shown due diligence and carefully reviewed the ever-changing health care environment. WDMH is in the enviable position of having a balanced budget with no staffing vacancies and a full physician roster. We are a teaching hospital and have developed strong affiliations with many other hospitals such as the Ottawa Hospital, CHEO, and the University of Ottawa Heart Institute, and have plans for more.

We believe WDMH is the "exception to the rule" and is worth looking at a little more carefully. We have worked with our communities to create a rural health care facility that can meet the needs of the local population, and even help with the challenges faced in the urban setting.

There are many options for the future — whether we continue in our current form or offer a special rural focus within a broader solution.

Don't underestimate the expertise and commitment of our staff, physicians, and volunteers — and perhaps most importantly, the communities we serve.

Lisa Little
Vice-chair, WDMH board
Winchester



Recently, the Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH)'s board of directors has been soliciting public input through an online survey and public consultations as a means to plan for possible changes to Ontario's health care network. Any directives from the province or the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) could mean significant restructuring at our local hospital. One change could see the reduction of WDMH's emergency department's hours, and that fact has caused worry among many local residents. On this page are four letters to the editor addressing the matter.

LHINs making the wrong decisions

The Editor:
Having read the disturbing news in last week's (Wed., Jan. 26) paper of the potential reduction in hours for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) emergency department, life is not so comfortable for most people, including me. If I — and this is just me, one person — have a heart attack or asthma attack in the night, I am not going to fare well.

I am sorry, but this hospital belongs to the people. We are the people who have worked and given our time and money to get where we are. How dare the powers that be, making salaries we as common people can only dream of, make decisions that make no sense? What you take in a year, takes us a lifetime to collect, and then we would be short.

Just remember, people, there is always someone younger and smarter than you waiting in the wings, and guess what, they were trained for your position. If you want to pick up a few extra bucks, try cutting those big salaries at the top, and you all know who that is.

Another suggestion is the parking. The two dollars are a joke! The people who won't pay more and head for a side street would never have paid the two dollars anyway. I am suggesting five dollars. It is easier to find a five-dollar bill than a toonie in your wallet or purse. This is just my opinion, but I think that's why we have so many city people coming out. Five dollars is still a joke compared to the city.

We sat back and let the government put the gas up to an unreasonable amount. We sat back and let them make up a new tax that we are struggling with. We have been taken advantage of long enough. Let's stand up for ourselves and say, "no more."

Leave our hospital alone. Let the doctors and nurses do their jobs.

Gloria Byers
South Mountain

Limited wait times at local hospital drew me to Winchester, reader says

The Editor:
It was with great concern that I read the Wed., Jan. 26 article in the *Winchester Press* stating that the board of directors of the WDMH may have to consider shortening the hours of our emergency ward. The article stated: "According to John Polak, board chair, the Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) has determined that many WDMH patients are close enough to be serviced by emergency departments in Ottawa or Cornwall."

Apparently the members of the LHIN have never had an emergency occur in their families. Or, they may not realize that an hour-long drive to Ottawa or Cornwall (at least, for those of us in the Winchester/Chesterville region) in the middle of the night with an ill or injured family member is not a viable option.

I would further take exception to the phrase "serviced by emergency departments in Ottawa." Though I understand this was not a direct quote, as a recent resident of Ottawa, I can paint a fairly grim picture of my own experience with the service in Ottawa emergency rooms the last five years I was living there. I waited 36 hours to have a severely injured ankle attended to at the Ottawa General's emergency ward. I was not even given an icepack to alleviate my pain or a glass of water. I was placed in a side-room for the entire time, and not once did anyone come to check on me.

My elderly mother, who has a documented heart condition, waited 26 hours to be seen by a cardiologist. My father, suffering from advanced Parkinson's, languished in a hallway for two days and two nights at the Queensway Carleton without so much as a bedpan or a glass of water being offered. I was told, sorry, we seem to have run out of your father's Parkinson's medication. He was sent home without treatment or attention.

This is the "level of care" we chose to escape when we left Ottawa and settled in the Winchester area.

This is the "level of care" that would await us after a harrowing one-hour drive to Ottawa. One of the biggest selling points of the Winchester area for us, when we relocated here a year ago, was access to a full-service hospital, including a 24/7 emergency ward.

Considering that our Township of North Dundas council is encouraging economic development in our region, I would think that everyone would want to steer clear of reduced medical services. Access to medical services ties in closely with the overall "health" and viability of the community as a whole. We are already facing empty storefronts on Main Street.

The possibility of cutting local medical services spells a downturn which, I believe, could put off new residents who are seeking a community with complete services including healthcare, drive away existing residents who counted on having full medical services available in their own community, and overall, make the community a less likely choice for new businesses and the employment opportunities that may bring.

I would request that any service cuts in our WDMH hospital be reconsidered. Redirecting Winchester residents to Ottawa or Cornwall hospitals is not viable. Ottawa wards are already overcrowded, understaffed, and under-funded.

While it may save a little money in the short term, this approach is extremely short-sighted and, I believe, will cost the community of Winchester a much higher price in the long run.

I hope everyone will take the opportunity to provide input so that our emergency ward can continue to provide the 24/7 services that we have come to count on, and that our hospital maintains its high level of services to keep our community safe and strong.

Complete the survey on the WDMH website at www.wdmh.on.ca. The hospital has graciously agreed to extend the survey deadline until Fri., Feb. 11. Contact the WDMH board of directors through Sue Jeakins at 613-774-2422, extension 6350, or sjeakins@wdmh.on.ca. And don't forget to include the LHIN in your letters and emails, as they seem to think that an hour drive is reasonable in an emergency.

Janice Atkey Videto
Winchester

Local patients helped build hospital

The Editor:
John Polak, WDMH board chair, said: "We have a marvellous facility, with lots of flexibility. We do have options, and we can't wait to explore those options" (Wed., Jan. 26 edition). I do believe we do have all these. I hope we do not explore them at the expense of patients and the people of the area who have worked so hard and given so much to have a great hospital.

I am one of the workers who remember when we were a caring, compassionate hospital, also being a patient many times. Management board members, nurses, doctors, and other staff respected each other. Our job was to help the people of the community. It seems as if now, management and the board are interested in being bigger and better. Sure, we are bigger than we were a few years ago. At what cost to people?

There are long wait times in emergency and other problems. Our doctors have no say in matters, as well as many more things of which the public is not aware.

After all, we the public do raise the funds to continue the quest. I believe we all appreciate that we do have the hospital here and are glad of it.

We really should have a say, and just not be told after the decisions are already made!

Our community raised money in order to get the level of care that we have come to expect here in Winchester, not to go to Ottawa or Cornwall with problems our hospital can easily take care of any time of day. Ottawa and Cornwall emergency departments are already full and running over.

Members of the LHIN: Would you be happy driving to Ottawa or Cornwall with your sick family member?

Lillian Johnston
Winchester

Squabbling over Hill 70 discouraging

The Editor:
It saddens me to read of the squabbling among residents over the refurbishment of the Battle of Hill 70 memorial, located in Mountain, where I lived until recently. This project is worthy of the entire community's support, regardless of personal views. What eventually is located at the site is secondary to cooperation and agreement among all residents. The refurbishment will be informative and attractive. It is a definitive form of respect and admiration for the young men who lost their lives.

In addition to showing our respect, there are other reasons to support this project.

Firstly, there is so little important Canadian History taught in our schools today that our young residents know next to nothing about the two world wars. This project, when completed, will provide a significant location for teachers to take students to have lessons *in situ*, conveniently in their back yard. Perhaps there will be maps, photos, and charts of the Battle of Vimy Ridge in April 1917, as well as explanations of the Hill 70 battle, fought in August 1917, where there was a huge loss of young Canadian soldiers. It was an amazing feat for our young men. Information boards will be imperative at the site.

Secondly, there is a push for the economic development of North Dundas, and we need to have destination points to attract and interest city folk.

When city people come in the fall to pick apples at Mountain Orchards, the close location of this memorial will be another reason for a visit. There is no other known location in the world with a memorial honouring Hill 70.

I congratulate the Mountain and District Lions Club for undertaking this project and giving Hill 70 the attention it so sorely needs.

Lest we forget.

Penny Barr
Morrisburg

Private members' bills cornerstone of system



From Queen's Park

by MPP Jim Brownell

TORONTO — As the MPP for Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG), I am constantly seeking opportunities, while in the legislature, to profile the riding, whether through statements, petitions, private members' bills, questions in question period, or debate.

While at Queen's Park, I have been fortunate to help influence some of the laws that govern this wonderful province, and this report will outline the processes and development of private members' bills, from dream to reality.

In our system of government, all members of the legislature have opportunities to present private members' bills that we hope will one day pass into law. The bills that I have tabled represent issues that are important to me, and I believe, important to the citizens of our riding and our province. These bills go through first and second readings, which include all party debates and votes, get assigned to one of the standing committees for scrutiny, and, provided they are voted through, go to a third reading, and finally royal assent, which passes them into law.

While it is rare that these bills become law, I believe that just by presenting them, and going through the debates and procedures, much-needed awareness of various issues is brought to the attention of our government.

During my time at Queen's Park, I have been fortunate to table eight private members' bills: an act to proclaim British Home Child Day (twice), Bill 241 and Bill 12; an act to protect Ontario's inactive cemeteries (twice), Bill 149 and Bill 126; an act to amend the Land Transfer Tax Act, Bill 127; an act to preserve the gravesites of former premiers of Ontario, Bill 25; an act respecting the Ontario Recreation Facilities Association, Bill 4; an act to proclaim Ontario Heritage Day and to amend other acts to include Ontario Heritage Day as a holiday, Bill 16.

While these have not passed into law, I am very pleased that two of them have resulted in changes to the fabric of our province, while the others have made people conscious of issues that affect them. I will never forget the day when Premier Dalton McGuinty came to my desk in the legislature and told me that while my Bill 25, an act to preserve the gravesites of former premiers, would not pass into law. But, under his order, a program would be established through the Ontario Heritage Trust to commemorate these sites. To date, plaques and Ontario flags have been placed at 12 of our former premiers' final resting places, including the Honourable Sir James Pliny Whitney in Riverside Heights, Township of South Dundas, and the Honourable John Sandfield Macdonald in St. Andrews West, Township of South Stormont.

Occasionally, certain private members' bills will be adopted by cabinet and become government bills. While they may be altered somewhat, these bills are much more likely to pass into law. I am proud to say that my Bill 16, an act to proclaim Ontario Heritage Day as a holiday, is the precursor to what we now know as Family Day.

Currently, my Bill 126, an act to protect Ontario's inactive cemeteries has passed first reading and is awaiting assignment for a second reading. Bill 12, an act to proclaim British Home Child Day, has passed through second reading and is currently in the standing committee on justice policy. I plan to table a ninth private members' bill, regarding the closing of loopholes currently in the Pesticides Act, when the house resumes in February.

Private members' bills provide opportunities for MPPs to not only serve our constituents, but to make our mark on the governments in which we sit. These bills, whether they become law or not, are forever written into the records of the Ontario legislature. I am proud of the mark I have left with my contributions, and I can only hope that the constituents of SD&SG can look back at my time in office with pride as well.

Conservatives celebrate fifth year of governance



From Parliament Hill

by MP Guy Lauzon

OTTAWA — On Jan. 23, 2006, Canadians from coast to coast to coast chose the Conservative Party of Canada to govern this great country. What an honour.

Political pundits of the day said that the Canadian public wanted to give the Liberal party of the day a "time out" due to the sponsorship scandal. Voters were not prepared to give the new untested Conservative party, led by Stephen Harper, a majority government, but they were prepared to give us a chance to prove ourselves.

They voted for a minority Conservative government. The feeling amongst the political elite at the time was that after a brief period on the opposition benches, the Liberal party would be returned to power.

How wrong they were.

On Sun., Jan. 23, 2011, we celebrated our fifth anniversary of power.

Harper formed a cabinet, rolled up his sleeves, and went to work. He encouraged all 125 elected Conservative MPs to do the same. We took his advice. Being grateful to be in government after so many long years in opposition, we worked night and day to prove to Canadians that they made the right decision when they elected us — and we did.

In October 2008, the good people of Canada again saw fit to return our Conservative party to government with an increase to 143 seats. Grateful for the confidence the Canadian electorate placed in us, we went about dealing with the worst economic global recession since the Second World War. In spite of the fact we have a minority government, we are dealing with this devastating global recession while fighting the war in Afghanistan. I must admit, we are not getting much co-operation from the opposition on either issue.

The feedback I get from the constituents of Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry indicates that you feel we are doing OK. As the prime minister has said, we are not a perfect government, but our country is the envy of the world due to the actions we took to create jobs and recover the economy. With the opposition parties threatening to defeat us in the near future, we may be going to the polls soon.

I hope we have again earned your trust, and that this time we, will form a majority government.

The Winchester Press *regularly publishes columns from Conservative MP Guy Lauzon and Liberal MPP Jim Brownell. Lauzon has made a commitment to a shorter weekly column, while Brownell submits a longer piece about once per month.*

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Willie O'Ree is a Canadian hero

From
THE OTHER SIDE
by Jeff Morris



When Willie O'Ree broke the NHL colour barrier and skated for the Boston Bruins against the Montreal Canadiens more than 50 years ago, a reporter in Montreal wrote that the event came with no emotion, no applause, and above all, no animosity.

"Colour wasn't really an issue most of the time," said O'Ree, who grew up in Fredericton, NB, when I interviewed him in Dallas three years ago. "I was like any other kid. I learned to skate when I was two and I even skated to school in the winter. I grew up playing hockey with the other kids.

When we were playing, it didn't matter what colour we were. The other kids always accepted me and I didn't face a lot of racial problems — not like the kids growing up in the [United] States would have."

For years, O'Ree played hockey for the Quebec Aces in the Quebec Senior League. At the time, the league was considered the world's second best hockey league, next to the NHL.

"Nobody really made a big deal of it at the time," said O'Ree. "I had just played in Montreal, and I'm sure the people there just kind of figured, 'Oh, there's that black hockey player Willie O'Ree. He must have been called up by the Bruins.' I think people made more of a deal out of the fact that we beat the Montreal Canadiens 3-0, because it was during their dynasty of five straight Cups."

After two games with Boston, O'Ree, who had been called up to replace an injured player, returned to the Aces. Three years later, he would get another call-up.

"I had almost given up hope of being called up again," said O'Ree. "I had a taste of the NHL, and I wanted to be an everyday player. I worked hard in the minors and kept myself in shape, just in case I got that call. Then, one day out of the blue, I got the call. I was going back to Boston. I finished the season with them."

"Nobody really made a big deal of it at the time," O'Ree said. "I'm sure people just figured, 'Oh, there's that black hockey player.'"

Although he had rarely heard anything racist in Canada or even in Boston, he got more than his fair share of it in the U.S. cities when he was a visiting team player. His older brother Coot, also an exceptional hockey player, used to slam him into the boards to get him used to the physical pounding he would take in the NHL.

"I never got in a fight over something that was said," said O'Ree. "If I would have fought over things people said, fighting is all I ever would have done. I was never a fighter, but I sure learned to stand up for myself."

There was one incident in particular that was ugly. Eric Nesterenko delivered a vicious butt end to O'Ree's face. As O'Ree was bent over in pain, picking up the two teeth that were knocked out off the ice, the Chicago tough guy taunted O'Ree. It was the grin on his face, O'Ree said, not anything he said, that set him off. O'Ree would deliver a blow to Nesterenko's head with his stick. A bench-clearing brawl and a near riot would ensue. O'Ree was kept in the Bruins locker room after the game for his own safety and would need a police escort when he eventually left the building.

But not everything was about racism and violence. O'Ree was a dynamic player who scored four goals and had 10 assists during his time with the Bruins.

His most cherished memory is scoring his first NHL goal, which came on New Year's Day, 1961.

"Charlie Hodge was in goal for Montreal," recalled O'Ree. "Before the game, Bronco Horvath came up to me and said that if I had a chance, to shoot low. Hodge was weak on low shots.

"So as the game went on, I was breaking down the left wing and Leo Boivin hit me with a perfect pass. I had a lot of speed and I got around Tom Johnson, and I found myself coming in on Hodge.

All I could think was, 'shoot low, shoot low.' So I took a low hard shot that went just inside the post.

I got the puck, and gave it to our coach, Milt Schmidt."

O'Ree got to keep the puck after the game, and he still has it.

O'Ree fully expected to be back in Boston, but when he was back in New Brunswick for the summer, he got a call from a reporter asking about his being traded to Montreal.

The Bruins had not even informed O'Ree of the deal yet. O'Ree knew that he did not have much of a chance to crack the Montreal line-up. He would play for their minor league team in Ottawa, and spend the better part of the next two decades toiling in the minors.

The worst incident of racism he endured happened in the 1972-73 season while he played with the New Haven Nighthawks of the American Hockey League. Fans in Virginia tossed cotton balls onto the ice along with a black cat.

O'Ree, 73, now works with the NHL's Diversity Task Force. Some will refer to him as the Jackie Robinson of hockey.

O'Ree actually met Robinson as a 14-year-old during a trip to New York. Robinson, surprised, said, "you mean black kids play hockey?"

O'Ree would meet Robinson again in 1962.

"He remembered me," said O'Ree with a wall-to-wall smile. "That's when I realized that what I had done was special to so many people. I hope some day I can inspire someone like Jackie Robinson did."

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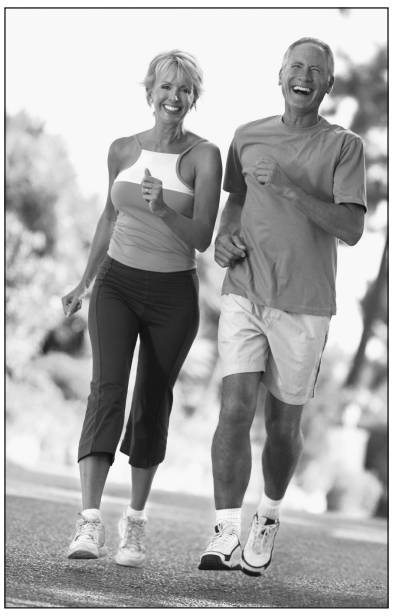

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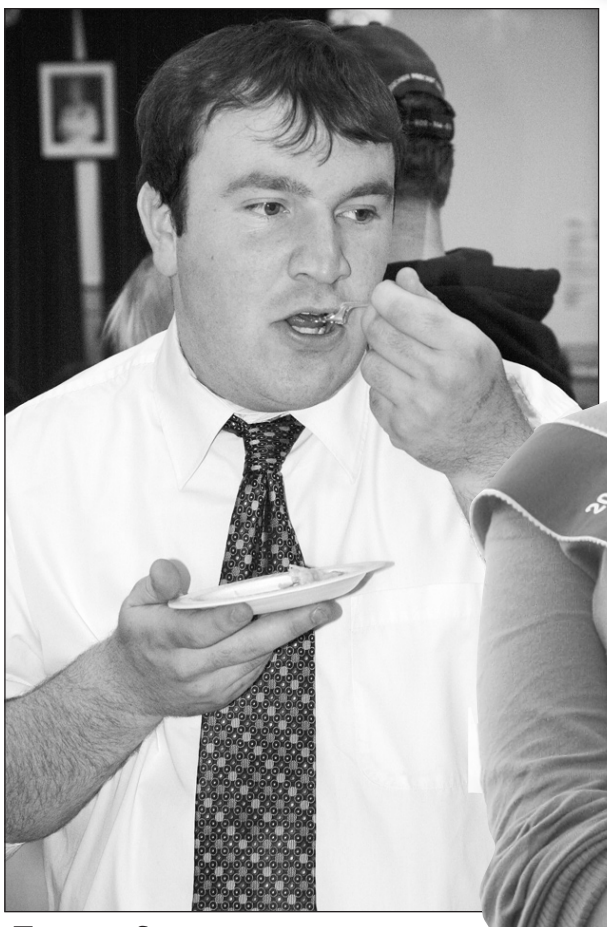





Frosty fun

The 2011 IceBreaker Winter Carnival took place in Chesterville over the weekend of Fri., Jan. 28 to Sun., Jan. 30. Throughout the three days, the cold village was a hotbed of winter-related activities. Above, North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan tested an entry in the pie portion of the first annual chili and apple pie cook-off.

At right: *Justine Erdelyi, 2011 carnival queen.*

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Doug Watt and his daughter, Grace, skated during the free hour of public skating Saturday.



Carnival puck drop

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks captain Graham Loyst (left) and Morrisburg Lions winger Jarrett Racine took part in the ceremonial face-off prior to the Hawks Friday night game in Chesterville. The game was moved to the village to kick-start the carnival, and Justine Erdelyi (second from left), carnival queen, and Makayla Thompson, carnival princess, dropped the puck. *Press Photo — VanBridger*



Township of North Dundas Councillor Tony Fraser (left) and Deputy-Mayor Gerry Boyce were judges during the first annual chili and apple pie cook-off.

Natunola teams up for flax research

WINCHESTER — Natunola Health Biosciences is teaming up with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) to develop new flaxseed processing technology.

"This project will enable Natunola and AAFC research scientists to further research and develop the pilot-scale processing for the production of high-value functional ingredients from flaxseed hull," said Dr. Nam Fong Han, president and CEO of Natunola, in a prepared media statement. "The project's main objective is to develop an economic and feasible yet comprehensive processing technology to process flaxseed hulls into lignan concentrates, flaxseed dietary fibre, and omega-3 oil components."

Natunola is providing $60,000 to conduct the research. Meanwhile, AAFC is investing $150,000 under the Growing Canadian Agri-Innovations program / Developing Innovative Agri-Products Initiative (DIAP).

The DIAP initiative encourages the agricultural-based products sector to develop innovation opportunities, or expand existing ones, by providing access to the scientific and technical resources to enhance profitability and competitiveness.

Natunola has licensed the flaxseed hull processing technology from AAFC.

Natunola and its manufacturing plant are located in Winchester. Natunola is a manufacturer and researcher in the field of flaxseed derived omega-3 fatty acids, flax protein, flax lignans, specialty natural products, bio-nutrients, and functional supplements for human and animal care markets.

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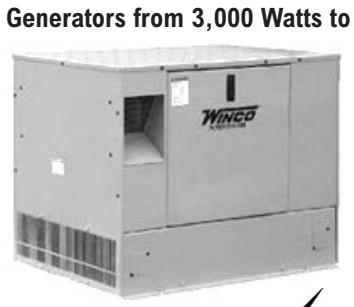

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Donations galore!

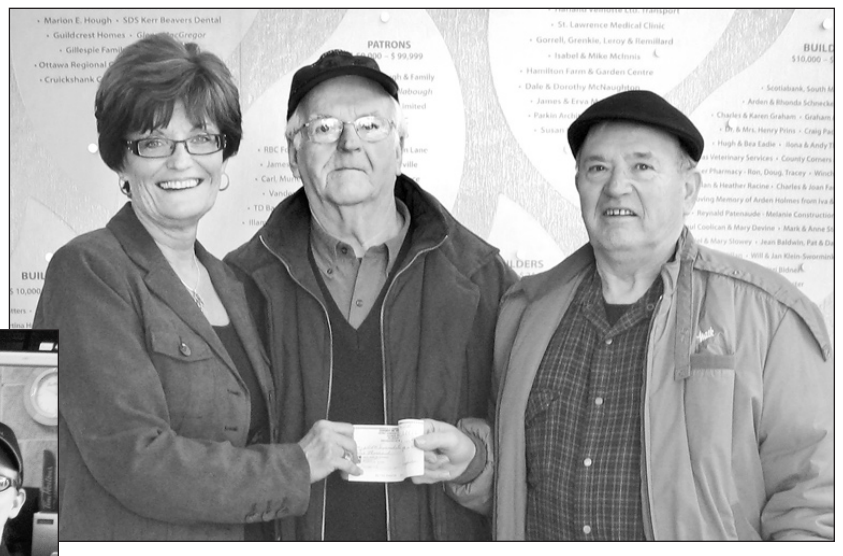
The local area has been in overdrive recently, with cheque presentations happening left, right, and centre. The photos on this page and the next represent cash donations made to area charities and fundraising campaigns.

Here, a number of groups donated to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) recently.

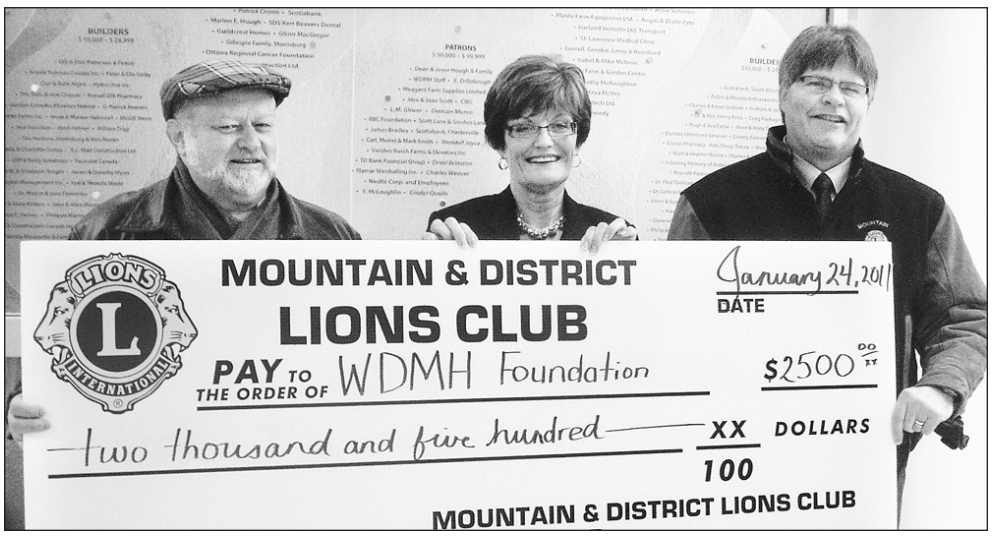




Tim Hortons presented $6,600 to Linda McGreevy, interim executive director of the WDMH Foundation (left). The donation was the result of sales of smile cookies during one week in September in both Winchester and Morrisburg locations. Tim Hortons owner Robert St. Denis and his staff have raised "an incredible $30,950" to date for the WDMH, according to a release from the hospital. Representing Tim Hortons in this photo are employees Sharon Nicol (second from left), Angie Danis, and Chantelle Marcellus.



At left: *Diane Crummy, chair of the WDMH Foundation, accepted a $1,000 cheque raised through an annual raffle co-ordinated by the Knights of Columbus Council 7676 of Chesterville. Pictured with Crummy are Hector Patenaude (middle) and Cory Van Delst (right).*



The Mountain and District Lions Club presented a $2,500 cheque to Crummy (centre). This donation represents the final payment towards the club's pledge of $10,000 directed to the ophthalmology unit at Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Lions in the local region have joined together and raised $100,000 to support the unit. Pictured with Crummy are Terry Triskle (left) and Gary Ruyf (right), representatives from the Mountain club.



The Marionville Donut Volunteers pooled their resources to make 300 dozen donuts prior to Christmas. The group — pictured here with some of their members — raised $1,000 for the WDMH Foundation. Front row: Rachelle Drouin (left) and Shirley Racine, board member of the WDMH Foundation. Back row: Colombe Lafrance (left), Adrienne Dagenais, Rachelle Grégoire, Antoinette Marion, and Robert Lafrance.



At left: *Dinners held in Toyes Hill produced $2,066 in recent years. Pictured are: Oebele Hansma (left), Toyes Hill representative; McGreevy; and Herman Devries, Toyes Hill representative.*



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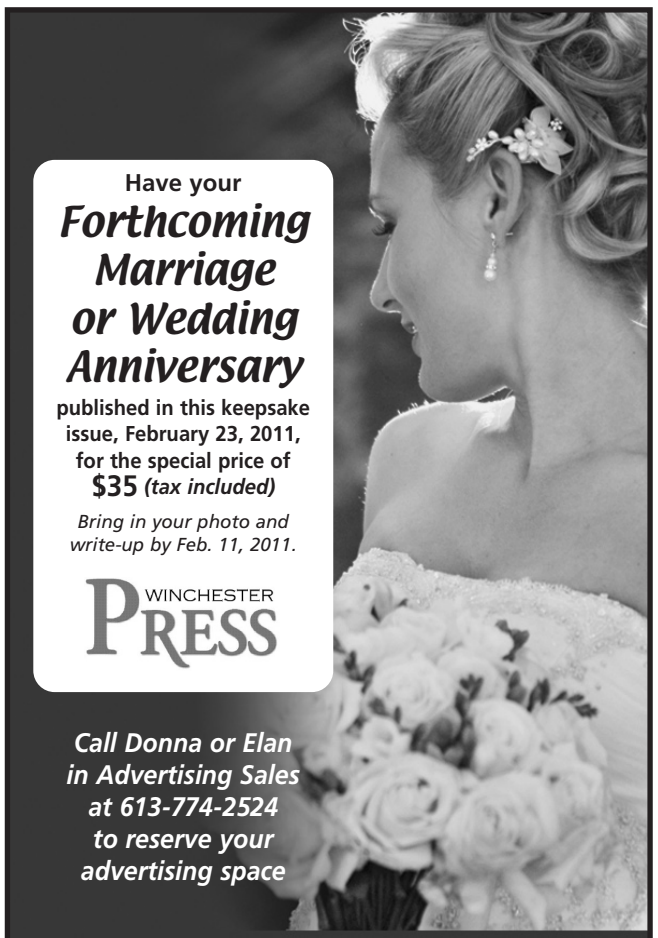
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Sweetheart Dance to subsidize playground

Board support for Nationview structure uncertain

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — The council at Nationview Public School (NPS) is hosting a dance next Saturday to subsidize new playground equipment.

On Feb. 12, the public is invited to party the night away at an age-of-majority Sweetheart Dance. Party band Ambush is scheduled to entertain the crowd at the nearby agricultural hall in South Mountain, starting at 8 pm. Tickets will cost $20.

"We're selling tickets at the door only," explained Mandy Armer, playground fundraising chair of NPS's school council.

Besides tickets, a raffle and a portion from alcohol sales at the bar will subsidize the new structure.

The proceeds also may get a boost from the South Mountain branch of Scotiabank, explained Armer. The bank regularly matches proceeds raised at approved local community events through a corporate program.

Will board pitch in?

Nationview's school council has picked out a model for the play structure, which will be used by students in Grade 1 through Grade 6.

While there's a prominent, enclosed play structure situated in front of NPS, it's mostly for daycare students and Kindergartners. Nationview's new equipment is scheduled to be installed on the south side of the school, beside Sandy Row Road, Armer noted.

Students in Grade 7 and Grade 8 only have swings on the north side of the school. However, NPS is scheduled to close its intermediate division at the end of this academic year anyway, as North Dundas District High School will transform into a Grade 7 to Grade 12 facility.

After the Ambush dance next Saturday, said Armer, about three-quarters of the funds to purchase the $30,000 structure should be collected.

Architectural designs (pictured at right) illustrate what the final project may look like. However, the design — and accompanying price tag — may change.

When contacted by the *Winchester Press*, NPS principal Laurie McElheran confirmed that the Upper Canada District School Board hadn't committed any financial support to the NPS play structure.

She noted that traditionally, schools are expected to fundraise for equipment, although boards have subsidized the bills in the past.

"We don't have it finalized yet," said McElheran.

Talk at township?

The Nationview parents have tentative plans to approach the Township of North Dundas to request financial assistance.

The politicians heard about the tentative plans during a preliminary budget brainstorming session on Tues., Jan. 18, when Deputy-Mayor Gerry Boyce brought up the issue.

"I don't know whether you're aware of it or not, but there's a fundraising effort going on at Nationview," Boyce told his four colleagues on council. "They haven't approached council. I think they will be. And they're trying to raise money — quite an amount of money — to build a play structure at the school. The school board won't buy it, [Nationview volunteers] have to buy it themselves, and the school board has to install it."

Boyce made the comment after council discussed the importance of prioritizing playground equipment in township parks.

After Boyce mentioned the initiative, his fellow council members didn't comment.

It remains unclear how the politicians will react to a funding request for a structure that's situated on school board property, and is not the township's financial responsibility.





The Mountain and District Lions Club has presented a $2,500 cheque to Nationview Public School's council to support its campaign to raise funds for new playground equipment. Pictured are: Terry Triskle (left), Mountain and District Lions Club member; Jeremy Armer, school council chair; Brian Telford, club member; Laurie McElheran, Nationview's principal; Mandy Armer, playground fundraising chair; Jason Ouellette, playground fundraising co-chair; and Ralph Spears, club member. At left: An architectural rendering of the structure.



Hardware helpers

Money raised through the sale of the Food Bank Friends Christmas tree ornaments was earmarked for both the House of Lazarus and the Dundas County Food Bank (DCFB) once again this year. On Fri., Jan. 28, $957 was handed over to the Mountain-based ecumenical outreach mission, while $762 went to the DCFB's Winchester branch. The higher total to the House of Lazarus included $195 raised during the photography session with Santa Claus prior to the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights in December. Pictured are Doug Beards (left), DCFB board chair; Ken Boje, Winchester Home Hardware owner; Pauline Pratt, House of Lazarus executive director; and Robert Carkner, DCFB board member.
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Idol competition heats up carnival

GREELY — As part of the 2011 Greely Winter Carnival, the annual Greely Idol competition lent a stage to local aspiring singers.

Held over two days (Sat., Jan. 29 and Sun., Jan. 30), more than 30 songbirds in two divisions (junior and senior) filed through the Greely Community Centre to belt out hits and attempt to impress judges.

The five finalists in the junior division were Katie Colbert, Eleanor Ritchie, Savannah Elder, Brooke Hagerman, and Isabella Munevar-Pelton. On the seniors' side, the finalists were Emily Ana De Los Santos, Sophie Esslinger, Amy Rousson, Kristy Marie Hagerman, and Kristen Fenn.

In the end, Munevar-Pelton won over the judges to claim the top prize for the juniors, while Kristy Hagerman was the senior winner.

The judges for this year's event were Kayla Hanes, Di Nolan, Ben Albrecht, and Bruce Valeriani of Blue Bear Studio. Pamela Dans, pastor at Parkway Road Pentecostal Church was the show's host.



The Greely Community Centre was the scene of the 2011 Greely Winter Carnival. The event took place from Wed., Jan. 26 to Sun., Jan. 30. Emma Gilmore was one of a number of competitors in the 2011 Greely Idol competition.

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Sparky the Fire Dog was swarmed by admirers when he arrived at the community breakfast on Sat., Jan. 29.



Brownrigg honoured

Osgoode resident Dorothy Brownrigg was presented with a Silver Cross medal from the Department of Veteran Affairs during a ceremony at the Royal Canadian Legion Osgoode Branch 589 on Sun., Jan. 30. Initially, the honour was bestowed upon her mother, Mary Ellen Lewis, after Brownrigg's brother, Gordon, was killed in action during the Second World War. However, after some years, the piece had gone missing. Brownrigg worked with Nepean-Carleton MP Pierre Poilievre's office to secure a replacement.

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For more information, contact 613-596-5626.

Gardeners meeting

The Greely Gardeners Group monthly meeting will be held on Thurs., Feb. 3 at 7 pm at the Greely Community Centre with guest speakers from Peter Knippel Nursery.

For more information, visit www.greelygardeners.org or call Phyllis at 613-574-0214.

Carnival fun

The 2011 Osgoode Winter Carnival is scheduled to take place over three weekends, beginning this weekend on Sat., Feb. 5 and continuing until Sun., Feb. 13. Visit www.osgoodevillage.com for information on all the scheduled events.

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Chessell paces Hawks to 8-4 win over Lions

CHESTERVILLE — Dylan Chessell potted a pair of goals and drew three assists as the Winchester Hawks doubled the Morrisburg Jr. "B" Lions 8-4 on Chesterville ice.

Last week's (Fri., Jan. 28) St. Lawrence Division encounter was moved to Chesterville and incorporated into that village's annual Ice-Breaker Winter Carnival program.

The game attracted what Hawks' fundraising committee member Joel Steele described as a great crowd.

"I think the team should do something like this again next year," said Steele.

John Adams, Hawks treasurer, reported the club was pleased with the evening's gate receipts and will be making a donation to the carnival committee.

Winchester's win over the Lions gave them a 6-0-0 season sweep in which they outscored Morrisburg 39-17. The win also snapped a two-game losing skid the third-place Hawks (25-11-1-1) had been in.

The contest wasn't a classic, but Winchester coach Tom Kirkwood said the team did what it had to do to win.

"We rolled the lines as far as the PP and PK were concerned, which gave everyone a chance to play those roles," he said.

Kirkwood also noted the five-point (2-3-5) effort of newcomer Dylan Chessell, who, in his eight games with the Hawks, has (6-7-13) piled up 13 points.

"Chessell is fitting in nicely," said the coach.

Chessell (5, 6), Graham Loyst (19), Josh Stubbings (18), Evan Walker (15), Brock Burge (11), Ramsey Wheeler (16) and Sebastien Last (3 PPG) scored for the Hawks. Chessell (3), Stubbings (2), Josh Morgan (2), Loyst, Walker, winning goaltender Adam Laderoute, Jordan Moran, Lucas Richardson, Brett Ashton and Paul Hennesey collected assists.



Good times

Hawks' forwards Dylan Chessell (No. 20) and Josh Stubbings (No. 13) celebrated Stubbings' 18th goal during the first period of Friday night's (Jan. 28) St. Lawrence Division game in Chesterville. Chessell (2-3-5) and Stubbings (1-2-3) led the Hawks to an 8-4 win over the visiting Morrisburg Jr. "B" Lions.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

Huge weekend

The Hawks are hosting a pair of home games this weekend, with the Awkesasne Wolves (12-21-1-4) in town on Friday (Feb. 4) at 8:15 pm and the second-place Alexandria Glens (26-9-0-3) here on Saturday (Feb. 5) at 7:30 pm.

"If Casselman can defeat the Glens on Friday night it would set up a huge game on Saturday — a game that could mean second place and home ice for us in the playoffs," said Kirkwood.

Saturday night's tilt will also feature a Hawks Alumni gathering that will take place in the arena hall and the Winchester Curling Club.

Vikings 8 - Hawks 5

Coach Kirkwood felt that there wasn't much control shown by the officials as the two squads were whistled for a total of 14 penalties in a wild melee at the end of the second period of last Thursday's (Jan. 27) game in Casselman.

He also noted that his squad had to kill five three-on-five situations in the 8-5 loss to the top-ranked Vikings (34-3-1-0).

Casselman held period leads of 2-1 and 5-4 before the scrum.

Stubbings (16 PPG, 17 PPG), Brodie Boulanger (13), Burge (10) and Chessell (4) were the Winchester marksmen. Wheeler (2), Loyst (2), Dickenson, Walker, Chessell and Boulanger earned helper points. Logan Gunn suffered the loss, stopping 43 of 51 shots.

Scott, Cloutier steer Truckers to 3-2 victory

WINCHESTER — Sandra Cloutier was the architect setting up three scoring plays for Stephanie Scott in the W.S. Trucking Company's 3-2 victory over the Double Beauty Stylists.

Scott's hat trick in the opening game of Sunday morning's (Jan. 30) Winchester District Ladies Hockey League triple bill improved the Truckers record to 6-8-1 and was enough to shift them from sixth place in the standings ito sole possession of fourth, a point better than both Double Beauty (4-7-4) and the Cooper Physio Pinks (3-6-6).

Susan Marsden completed a play set up by Amber Theiner and Kelly Verhoeven into a 1-0 lead for the Stylists at 15:01 of the first period. Monkia St. Louis then buried a feed from Sylvie Marcoux and made it 2-0 at 12:33. That play set the stage for the Scott-Cloutier show.

Scott scored from Cloutier at 11:47 and the duo teamed up again with 7:47 left in the session, tying the score at 2-2. The trifecta was completed at 10:47 when Scott finished the hat trick with help provided by Cloutier.

Scott was named the player of the game as she increased her scoring stats to 5-5-10. Cloutier moved into second place in the scoring race with 10 goals, five helpers and 15 points. Roxanne Backes posted the win and Karina Damato suffered the one-goal set back.



Another zero

CountryGirls goaltender Kristie Wade turned a shot by Andy's Reds forward Trish Leduc away on this play during Sunday morning's (Jan. 30) Winchester District Ladies Hockey League game. Wade was named player of the game as she posted her third consecutive shutout and fifth of the season in a 2-0 win. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

Girls 2 - Reds 0

Kristie Wade registered her third consecutive shutout and fifth of the season in the 9 am encounter. Wade's 2-0 decision over the league leading Andy's Foodland Reds (7-3-5) earned her player of the game honours and moved the CountryGirls (7-5-3) to within two points of top spot.

Vania Boulet (unassisted) snapped in the winning goal with 6:40 left on the clock. She then teamed up with Toni Labossiere and engineered Dawn Montgomery's marker that made it a 2-0 final 4:12 before the final buzzer.

Blues 1 - Pinks 0

Carrie McCadden's sixth shutout of the season staked the Annable's Jewellery Blues (6-4-5) to a 1-0 win over the Cooper Physio Pinks and a share of second place with the CountryGirls.

Jada McNaughton's unassisted tally came with 1:47 left in the opening stanza of the 10 am game. The name of the player of the game award winner was not announced.

Still time to curl in Funspiel

WINCHESTER — There is still time to register for the Winchester Curling Club's Funspiel.

The club is holding the fun event on Saturday (Feb. 5) and encourage, anyone interested in trying the roaring game to sign up. Individual or teams of four are welcome to join in for a day of curling and instruction.

Registration is $20 per person ($80 per team) and the price covers two games and a hot lunch.

First-time curlers don't need any special equipment, just a clean pair of running shoes, a pair of gloves and warm clothes. Brooms will be supplied.

For more information or to register, call Janet Levere at 613-774-5491 or email Doreen Lamarche at Doreen.lamarche@ontario.ca

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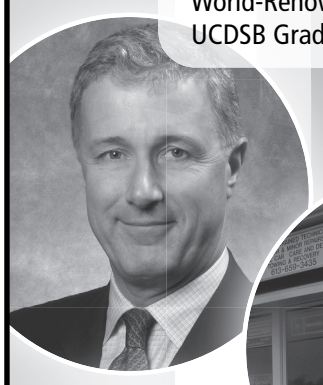

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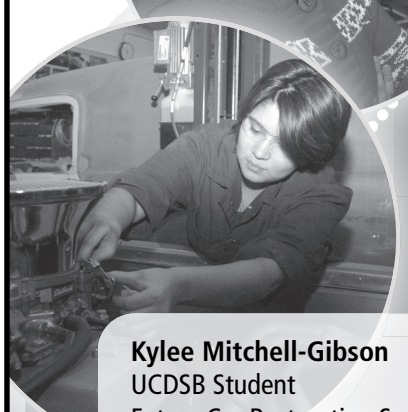

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Rideau - St. Lawrence Conference

Recent Results

Jan. 26: Casselman 10 - Akwesasne 3
South Grenville 4 - Brockville 1
Jan. 27: Casselman 8 - Winchester 5
Jan. 28: Winchester 8 - Morrisburg 4
Alexandria 5 - Char-Lan 4
Westport 17 - Gananoque 0
Jan. 29: Athens 6 - South Grenville 2
Char-Lan 3 - Akwesasne 2 SO
Jan. 30: Morrisburg 4 - Alexandria 3
Casselman 4 - Akwesasne 1
Athens 6 - Wesport 2
Gananoque 8 - Brockville 4

STANDINGS

Rideau	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Athens	35	5	0	249	121	71
Westport	26	16	0	230	161	52
Brockville	13	26	0	142	214	28
Gananoque	13	29	0	151	2240	27
S. Grenville	12	29	0	139	223	26

St. Lawrence	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Casselman	34	3	1	233	101	69
Alexandria	26	9	0	180	133	55
Winchester	25	11	1	189	125	52
Akwesasne	12	21	1	149	187	28
Morrisburg	9	25	0	123	208	21
Char-Lan	8	27	0	118	220	18

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Rideau Division			
Nathan Slack, Athens	30	72	102
Steve Parker, Athens	46	43	89
Ben Blasko, Gan.	31	48	79
Kyle Couvieau, West.	41	33	74
Shane Melcher, West.	29	29	58
Dustin Sinclair, West.	24	31	55
Brett Costello, Athens	22	33	55
Cameron McNutt, West.	23	30	53
Josh Rusk, Gan.	21	28	49
Daniel Lacroix, Athens	16	32	48
Max Ming, West.	17	31	48
St. Lawrence Division	G	A	PTS
Curtis Chennette, Cass.	35	53	88
Adam Wensink, Cass.	46	38	84
J.F. Dubois, Alex.	30	41	71
Marcel Groulx, Cass.	24	36	60
Dillan Barr, Akwe.	22	29	51
Graham Loyst, Win.	19	30	49
Shane Kitchen, Alex.	25	22	47
Dominic Coyle, Akwe.	19	28	47
Grant McDougall, Cass.	24	22	46
Michel Lefebvre, Morris.	29	16	45
Brett Ashton, Win.	22	22	44

Metro - Valley Conference

Recent Results

Jan. 25: Clarence 4 - Ottawa Jrs. 2
Shawville 8 - Arnprior 4
Jan. 27: Ottawa West 6 - Ottawa Jrs. 2
Jan. 28: Almonte 4 - Arnprior 2
Renfrew 5 - Perth 2
Stittsville 7 - Shawville 2
Ottawa West 4 - Metcalfe 2
Jan. 29: Metcalfe 3 - Renfrew 3
Almonte 5 - Stittsville 3
Jan. 30: Shawville 6 - Stittsville 3
Perth 8 - Almonte 2
Clarence 4 - Ottawa West 3

STANDINGS

Metro	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Clarence	27	8	2	186	110	57
Ottawa West	25	13	2	177	137	50
Ottawa Jrs.	23	13	2	147	119	49
Metcalfe Jets	12	20	4	116	151	29
Gatineau	14	23	0	132	145	29

Valley	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Perth	29	8	1	195	127	58
Arnprior	18	15	3	150	134	39
Renfrew	17	17	3	145	141	37
Almonte	15	16	1	130	137	32
Stittsville	11	20	1	108	154	25
Shawville	6	27	1	102	199	15

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

Jan. 30 Results

WS Trucking 3 - Double Beauty 2
CountryGirls 2 - Andy's Reds 0
Annable's Blues 1 - Cooper Physio 0

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Andy's Reds	7	3	5	30	24	19
CountryGirls	7	5	3	22	23	17
Annable's Jewellery	6	4	5	19	16	17
W.S. Trucking	6	8	1	24	28	13
Double Beauty	4	7	4	22	26	12
Cooper Physio	3	6	6	19	24	12

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Trisha Leduc, Reds	8	8	16
Sandra Cloutier, WST	10	5	15
Sonia Clement, CG	8	6	14
Kaitlin Hay, DB	3	11	14
Edith Dagenais, DB	6	6	12
Kelly Zeran, Pinks	6	5	11
A, Rylaarsdam, Reds	6	4	10
Stephanie Scott, WST	5	5	10
Jada McNaughton, Blues	2	6	8
Joanna Gilmer, Reds	4	5	9
Veronique, Daviault, Pinks	5	3	8
Amy Darling, Blues	3	5	8

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks Home Games

Fri., Feb. 4 vs Akwesasne Wolves
8:15 pm

Sat., Feb. 5 - Alexandria Glens
7:30pm

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Winchester Town Hockey League

Jan. 25 Results

Has Beens 6 - McLean Flyers 5
Green Berets 7 - Chesterville Maulers 6

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Maulers	11	4	3	131	89	25
Has Beens	9	9	0	106	118	18
Flyers	8	9	1	117	120	17
Green Berets	5	11	2	98	120	12

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Nik Paas, MF	41	34	75
Dean Byvelds, HB	31	25	56
Robyn Sadler, GB	24	29	53
Rob Thurler, CM	18	33	51
Trevor Gilmer, CM	28	21	49
Tyler Jones, CM	27	22	49
Chad Valcour, HB	23	16	39
Josh McLean, MF	8	27	35
Scott Baldwin, MF	16	17	33
Will McLean, GB	15	17	32



Pete Klein-Swormink cashed in a feed from Dustin Tinkler to give the North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons a 2-1 win over the Kemptville Panthers.



Demons captain Dustin Tinkler scored once and set up the game-winning marker in the North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons 2-1 win over the Kemptville Panthers. *Press Photos — Van Bridger*

Klein-Swormink ices Major Midgets' win

WINCHESTER — North Dundas Midget "B" Demons captain Dustin Tinkler scored once and engineered Peter Klein-Swormink's game-winning goal in a 2-1 victory over the Kemptville Panthers.

Last week's (Mon., Jan. 24) victory in Winchester improved the first-place Demons' West Division record to 16-0-2, good enough for 34 points, and dropped the Panthers' third-place mark to 10-7-3. Smiths Falls (11-5-1) holds down second with 23 points.

The South Stormont Selects (16-1-3) top the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's East Division rankings with 35 points.

Captain Tinkler earns three points

Tinkler handed his squad a 1-0 lead at 13:26 of the first frame, burying a pass provided by Ryan Romans in the back of the Panther's cage.

Pete Klein-Swormink then opened up a 2-0 gap when he finished a play generated by Tinkler at 10:55 of the second session.

Kemptville's Dustin Vandentillaart broke up Colin Giberson's shutout bid when he sliced the final deficit to 2-1 with 4:11 left in period two.

The final frame was scoreless.

The North Dundas Demons are hosting the South Stormont squad in Chesterville tonight (Wed., Feb. 2) at 8 pm.

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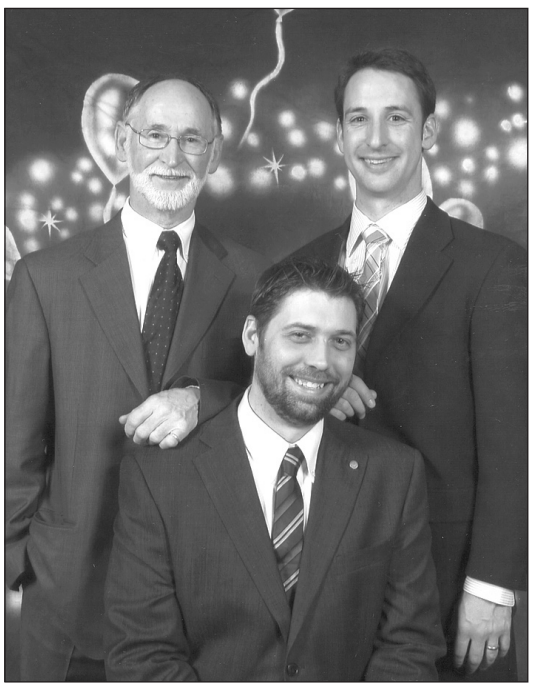

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Timberwolves battle Metcalfe Jets to 3-3 tie

RENFREW — Jimmy MacMillan's third-period goal enabled the home town Renfrew Timberwolves to earn a point in a 3-3 tie with the Metcalfe Jr. "B" Jets.

MacMillan's marker came 4:56 into the final frame of Saturday's (Jan. 29) Metro-Valley Conference game and enriched both the Jets (12-20-4-1) fourth-place record and the Timberwolves (18-17-4-0) second place mark by a point.

Scott Flemming (7) handed the Jets a 1-0 lead on an unassisted play at 5:29 of the first frame but Renfrew's Dave Hobbs equalled the tally scoring unassisted at 13:30.

Curtis Sernoskie put the Timberwolves up 2-1 with a second-period goal. But the Jets roared back when Mike Miller (1, SHG) tied it (2-2) with help from Ryan Pike and Kyle Downey 2:02 into the third period. Flemming (8) netted his second shot at 3:23 and put the visitors into a 3-2 lead. Devin Desnoyers and Eric Witzel engineered the play. MacMillan then quickly knotted the count at 3-3.

Metcalfe outshot the 'Wolves 39-32. Adam Renaud was the winning 'tender.

Five games left

The Jets have five games left on their regular-season schedule and share fourth place with the Gatineau Mustangs. Each team has 29 points, but the Mustangs have played one more game.

Metcalfe must face the second-place Ottawa West Golden Knights (25-13-0-0), the Metro Division-leading Clarence Beavers (27-8-2-1) twice, the Valley Division's first-place Blue Wings (29-8-1-1) in Perth and the Packers (18-17-3-0) in Arnprior as they attempt to lock up a fourth-place finish.

Friday night (Feb. 4) the top-ranked Beavers visit the Jets at Larry Robinson Arena. Game time is 8:15 pm.

Knights 4 - Jets 2

The second-place Ottawa Golden Knights doubled the Jets 4-2 in Metcalfe on Friday night (Jan. 28).

The opening 20 minutes were scoreless, but the second session featured four goals, three by the Knights. Desnoyers (6) converted a feed from Russell Hinch and JF Sylvester into a 1-0 Metcalfe lead at the 4:08 mark.

Unfortunately for the home team, Ryan Sterling, Josh Colley and Ryley Egan whipped in the next three shots and boosted the Knights into a 3-1 lead. Brett Nooyen (18) used a relay sent to him by Sylvestre to cut Metcalfe's deficit to 3-2 at 4:09 of the final session only to have Neil Clarke seal Ottawa West's win with an empty net goal 69 seconds before the final buzzer.

The Knights outshot the Jets 42-28. Steve Carrey posted the win and Ryan Mulder took the loss.

Green Berets nip Maulers 7-6, Valcour gets hat for Has Beens

WINCHESTER — Mike Thompson's second goal of the game held up as the deciding shot fired in the number-four ranked Green Berets' 7-6 victory over the first-place Chesterville Maulers.

Last week's decision was posted in the second game on the Tuesday night (Jan. 25) twin bill and was the third win in four games for the Berets (5-11-2) who moved to within five points of the third-place McLean Flyers (8-9-1). With just three games left on the regular schedule, the Maulers (11-4-3) have clinched first place. However, the second-place Has Beens (9-9-0) with 18 points and the Flyers with 17 could change positions before the playoffs get underway.

Robyn Sadler led the Berets to victory, collecting five points (2-3-5). Thompson potted a pair, while Mitch Scott, Al Christophersen and Barrett Brundige sniped the singles. Aron Sherrer (2), Brundige (2), Scott Reaney, Rick Hall, and Scott earned assists. Jason Chambers posted the win.

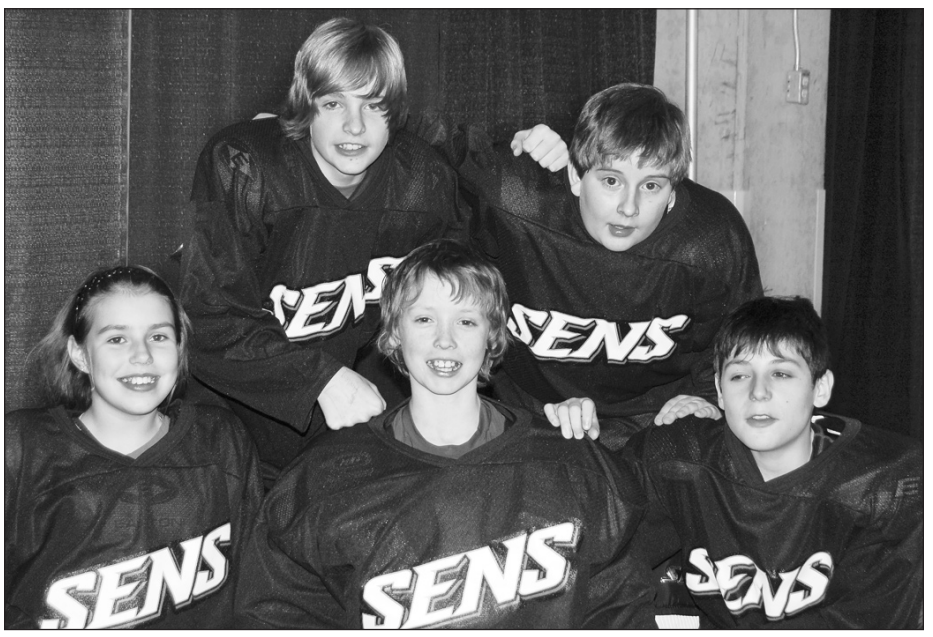
Trevor Gilmer scored a deuce for the Maulers. Dana Schofield, Jon Chambers, Justin "Footer" Morozuk, and Tyler Jones shot the singles. Jeff Lewis (2), Schofield (2), Rob Thurler (2), Jones and Trevor Gilmer provided the passes. Chris Currie suffered the one-goal setback.

Beens 6 - Flyers 5

Paced by Chad Valcour's three goals — including the winner — the Has Beens moved one point ahead of the Flyers and took over sole possession of second place by virtue of their 6-5 win.

Goals by Dean Byvelds, Ryan Thompson and Justin Heuff completed the scoring. Bill McRoberts (2), Kyle Dearing (2), Matt VanDelst and Thompson set up the scoring plays. Colin Ion was the winning 'tender.

Josh "Champ" McLean, Derek Vingerhoeds, Nik Paas and Travis Rowe were the Flyers' marksmen. Paas (2), Vingerhoeds, Rowe and Adam Guy picked up the helper points.



Sens country relay participants

The Metcalfe Pee Wee "B" Jets got the chance to take part in the Ottawa Senators Hockey Country Relay against the Brockville Braves during the first intermission of the Ottawa Senators-Anaheim Ducks NHL game at Scotiabank Place on Tues., Jan. 25. The Jets are: front (left) - Stoney McMurray, Nic Smiley, Dalton Duraj; back (left) - Trevor Beaudette and Dylan Martin. *Jeff Morris photo*

Devils, Spartans capitalize on friendly rivalry for good cause

MAPLE RIDGE — Two of Dundas County's oldest rivals are about to face off in the first annual battle for the Dundas Cup.

The North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) Blue Devils and the Seaway District High School Spartans are about square off in a four-game exhibition series to raise money for their respective SD&G hockey teams and build up the friendly rivalry between the neighbouring schools.

The first of the encounters is scheduled for tomorrow (Thurs., Feb. 3) at the Chesterville Arena. The girls will take to the ice at 11:30 am and the boys will tangle at 12:30 pm. The final two games will be played in Morrisburg on Fri., Feb 18.

Dundas Cup

Brandon DeJong, a student in the NDDHS welding/manufacturing class, has fabricated the series' ultimate prize — the Dundas Cup.

The cup will be presented to the school accumulating the most wins in the four game summit. If the series is tied at two wins a piece, there will be a combination three-girl, three-boy shootout to determine the champion.

Support the cause

In order to generate school spirit and support the cause at tomorrow's (Thurs., Feb. 2) opening games NDDHS students are able to buy their way out of class.

Organizers are creating a carnival-like atmosphere by having a popcorn machine popping, operating a 50/50 draw, holding a chuck-a-puck competition and player introductions.

They are also hoping that both school principals will go head-to-head in a rink-long shooting accuracy challenge, similar to the TSN's "Shoot for $1 Million."

Minor Midgets fall 8-3 to Bears

WINCHESTER — On the prowl in Winchester, the Smiths Falls Bears pounced on the host North Dundas Minor Midget Demons.

The Bears skated to an 8-3 Upper Canada Hockey League victory over the Demons last week (Thurs., Jan. 27) after opening up period leads of 2-0 and 6-1.

Dundas got on the board when Andrew Findlay netted his ninth goal of the campaign after taking a pass from Mitchell Kirkwood with 2:42 left in period two. Dylan Comeau pegged his 10th finishing a play set up by Findlay with 5:04 to play in the final frame. Kirkwood's 30th marker (unassisted and shorthanded) completed the scoring 46 seconds before the final buzzer.

The loss lowered the Demons record to 4-16-2.

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Cup champs

Team Porkos claimed the seventh annual Hallville Cup in the 16 and over division championship. More than 95 players took part in the competition held on Sat. Jan. 22 and Sun., Jan 23. The Porkos are (not in order): Parker Havekes, Jordan Havekes, MacKenzie MacMillan, Brandon Buma, Chris Embury, Tyler Jones, Michel Thurler, Kyle Sobering and Michel Lefebvre.

Team Porkos claims coveted Hallville Cup

HALLVILLE — Captain Parker Havekes lead Team Porkos to victory in the seventh annual Hallville Cup outdoor hockey tournament.

Gary Coburn, one of the events organizers, described the two day event, held Sat., Jan. 22 and Sun., Jan 23, as one of the most successful ever.

Coburn reported there were more than 95 hockey players, four organizers and 15 volunteers involved and those numbers seemed to triple the population of Hallville.

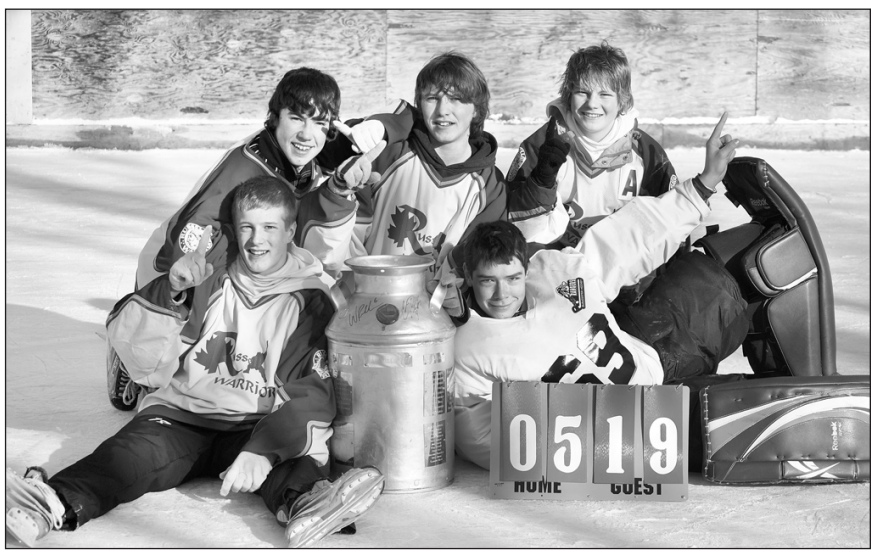
The under 15 category went to the Outdoor Rink Bandits, lead by Nathan Bols of Russell. The Bandits defeated Dylan Comeau's Wild Bunch 19-5 in the title match.

In past years the Hallville Recreational Association has split the entry fee 50/50 with the winning teams. This year committee members Brooke Barkley, Brae McNamara and Coburn decided to give the tournament a different flavour and donated one-third of the proceeds to Darrin Stitt and his family. Team Porkos donated their $210 prize to the cause — making the donation worth $500.

Coburn explained that over the past few years, the Hallville hockey tournament was the only fundraiser used to improve the rink and facilities.

"This year, what started out as a fundraiser for the rink, ended up going for a much better cause," he said.

The committee would like to thank all of the people who made the event a success.



The Outdoor Rink Bandits defeated Dylan Comeau's Wild Bunch 19-5 in the U15 division final of the 2011 Hallville Cup hockey tournament (Sat. Jan. 22 and Sun., Jan. 23). The Bandits are (not in order): Nathan Bols, captain, Cody Lavictoire, Donnie Gamble, Nick Rowan and Trevor Dubois.

Meet the Hawks

Michael Evelyn



No. 51, Left Wing

Michael Evelyn is an 18-year-old, 210-pound forward who resides in Barrhaven. The 6'4" winger started the 2010-2011 campaign playing 19 games with the Nepean Jr. "A" Raiders and is still an affiliated player with that club. Last season, he skated with the Ottawa "AAA" Midget Senators. He joined the Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks in December and in his eight games has scored three goals (1 PPG, 1 GWG) and earned five assists for eight points. His No. 51 jersey is sponsored by Ben's Pioneer Gas Bar.

Novice 'C2' Demons finish regular season with impressive stats

CHESTERVILLE — It was an all-North Dundas match as the Novice House "C2" Demons hosted the Novice House "C1" Demons at the Chesterville Arena.

Last week's (Thurs., Jan. 27) encounter marked the end of the regular Upper Canada Minor Hockey League season for the House "C2" squad and their 3-0 victory left them with first-place in the East Division and a record of 22-1-1.

Period one of the meeting was scoreless. Curtis Bowman was finally able to open the scoring when he completed a play started by Kelly Forrester with 8:18 left in the second stanza. The Bowman marker proved to be the winning goal.

Curtis Bell expanded the "C2" lead to 2-0 when he fired home a feed from Maxime Paquette with 4:08 left in the same session. Bell concluded the scoring 9:02 before the final buzzer making it a 3-0 final after taking a pass from Owen Carkner-Pocock.

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#8	TJ Dorn	Left Wing
#9	Brodie Boulanger	Right Wing
#10	Ramsey Wheeler	Left Wing
#11	Josh Morgan	Left Wing
#12	Brock Burge	Centre
#13	Josh Stubbings	Left Wing
#15	Evan Walker	Centre
#17	Graham Loyst	Centre
#18	Paul Hennesey	Defence
#19	Jordan Moran	Centre
#20	Dylan Chessell	Left Wing
#24	Aaron Dickenson	Defence
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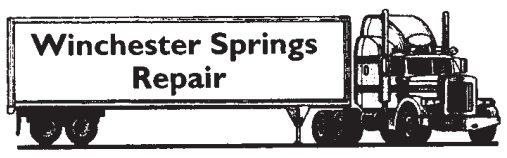

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Cream of the crop

Marc LeBlanc's rink collected 33 1/2 points and took top prize in Saturday's (Jan. 29) Parmalat Dairy Bonspiel at the Winchester Curling Club. A field of 10 teams took part in the 45th annual event. Susan McKercher (left), Wayne LaPrade, Glen Cleland and skip Marc LeBlanc accepted congratulations from event convenor Greg Chamberlain.

Susan Sloane Photo



Dairy's runner up

Skip John Sloane and his foursome settled into second place with 23 1/2 points in the 45th annual Parmalat Dairy Bonspiel. Saturday's (Jan. 29) event, played at the Winchester Curling Club, attracted 10 teams. This year's runners up were: Lisa DiBello (left), Allison Wheeler, Michel St. Marseille and John Sloane.

Susan Sloane Photo



Pictured are some of the community members involved in the Skate and Helmet Lending Libraries expansion: Terry Triskle (left), Mountain and District Lions Club representative; Danny Roy, Chesterville Lions Club representative; Meaghan Meerburg, North Dundas community development programmer; Ken Boje, Winchester Home Hardware owner; John Cinnamon, Winchester Lions Club rep; and Gary Ruyf, Mountain Lions Club representative.

New helmets, cages for rec libraries

WINCHESTER — The North Dundas recreation libraries have expanded due to support from local service clubs and a major hardware retailer.

The Mountain and District, Chesterville, and Winchester Lions have donated $500 each to the Township of North Dundas Recreation and Culture Department. The funds paid for nine new helmets with cages, 26 helmet cages for the library's existing helmets, and two helmet repair kits.

Winchester Home Hardware owner Ken Boje sourced and obtained the required equipment, then provided a discount for the community project.

"None of this would have been possible without the Lions and our local hardware store," said Meaghan Meerburg, community development programmer, in a prepared media statement.

Both arenas in North Dundas (Winchester and Chesterville) house skate and helmet lending libraries that are available to the public for the duration of the ice season, which typically lasts from September until late March.

Residents and visitors can borrow helmets and skates in different sizes, free of charge, when they go skating or play hockey.

All skates and helmets must not leave the arena from which they are borrowed.

"In an effort to keep up with the continuous usage of the library items, additional helmets were required," said Meerburg.

She added that the program is now in its third year of operation, and demand has increased.

"It makes me overjoyed to know that this kind of community support is a reality in our small, rural municipality of North Dundas," said Meerburg. "These are our community partners coming together to aid in the goal of breaking down the barriers that are commonly faced to participating in recreational activities. This is a prime example of why our residents have equal opportunities and this is why, as residents and as a municipality, we have a reason to be proud of where we live and work, and what we have built. North Dundas is a shining example of what can be."

For more information on the North Dundas Skate and Helmet Lending Libraries, speak with an arena staff member or call Meerburg at the municipal offices (613-774-2105 extension 236).

Meerburg added that financial aids and subsidies are also available to North Dundas residents for sports programs, camps, and other recreational opportunities. Interested parties should contact her to find out more.

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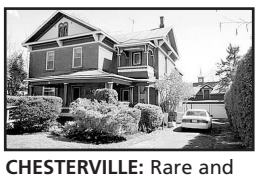
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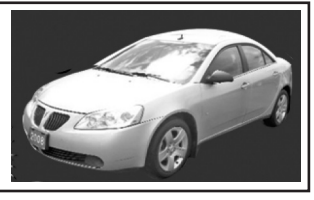

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Coming Events

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Coming Events

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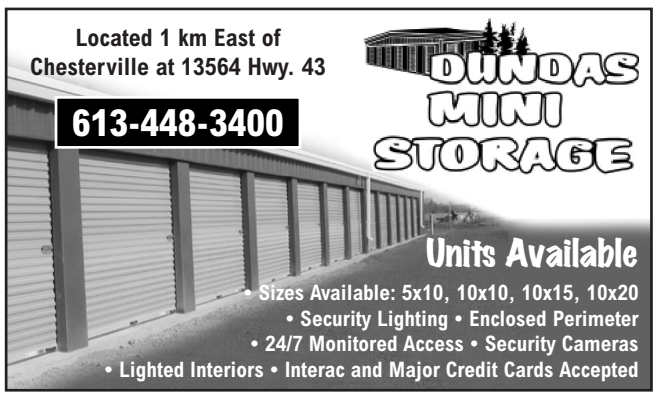
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Your absence has caused us such grief and pain, sometimes we laugh and smile but no one can see how we feel inside.
Now we must turn to memories of our beautiful wife, mother and friend to help heal our broken hearts.

Sandra, Mama, you may be gone, but will never be forgotten and will always hold a special place in our hearts.

Love you forever, Alfred, Kevin, Larissa, and Dominic

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our neighbours, relatives, friends and co-workers for their expressions of sympathy during the recent loss of our mother and grandmother, Lera Jones.

Our family deeply appreciates the many acts of kindness, floral tributes, cards, memorial donations, food brought to our homes and the thoughtful words of support as well as the efforts of those who braved the weather and attended the graveside service.

A very special thank you to Dr. Burke for his constant care, concern and respect; and to the staff of Dundas Manor for the love, compassion and laughter shared with Mom and our family.

Thanks to Rev. Robert Martin for conducting the service and our sincere appreciation and gratitude to the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Ladies for providing the delicious hot luncheon following the service.

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The Jones Family

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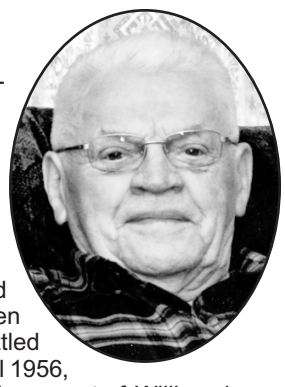
OBITUARIES

Arnold Centen



Arnold Centen, a resident of Morrisburg for the past 27 years, passed away suddenly at home on Sun., Jan. 23, 2011. He was 88.

Arnold was born in Wanroy, The Netherlands, on Dec. 17, 1922, to his parents, Arnoldus and Johanna Centen (nee Arts), and lived there until July of 1952, when he immigrated to Canada and settled in Brooklyn, Ont. He lived there until 1956, when he and Grace purchased a farm west of Williamsburg. They farmed until 1983, when they sold the farm and moved to Morrisburg.

During his retirement, Arnold enjoyed the company of his grandchildren, curling, fishing, watching the Toronto Maple Leafs and Toronto Blue Jays, and caring for his birds.

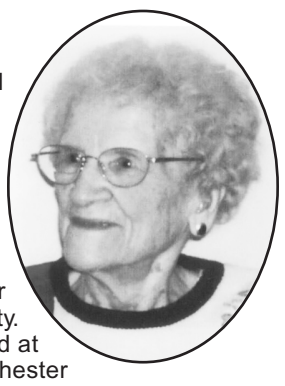
He was a faithful member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Morrisburg, and was a member of the Morrisburg curling club for the past 27 years. The highlight of his curling career came in 1994, when he was a member of the team that had an "eight ender" at a bonspiel in Lancaster.

Arnold is survived by Grace, his wife of 59 years, by his children, Martin (Susan) of Winchester, Peggy (Richard) Levac of Glen Walter, Joan (Nat) Polito of Scarborough, and Ron (Nicole) of Morewood, and his siblings, John (Mina) of Holland, Diny Van der Ligt of Weslock, Alta., and Miet Willems of Holland. Arnold will be fondly remembered by 10 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by a son, Arnold, two stillborn daughters, Mary and Joanne, and a sister Johanna Cornelissen. He is also survived by nieces and nephews.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Tues., Jan. 25. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Morrisburg on Wed., Jan. 26, with Father Chisholm officiating. During the service the eulogy was given by Patrick Tillaart, the readings were done by Tammy Hollywood and Danielle Shoniker, and the prayers of the faithful were done by Jason Centen. Interment followed at St. Mary's Cemetery in Morrisburg. The pallbearers were Chris Tillaart, Sean Levac, Patrick Tillaart, Jason Centen, James Levac, and Michel Centen. The honourary pallbearers were Tammy Hollywood, Vicky-Ann Centen, Danielle Shoniker, Melissa Tillaart, Nicholas Polito, and Jacob Centen.

Donations to the Ottawa Regional Cancer Centre or the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario would be appreciated by the family.

Edna Mae Smirle



After an incredible full, successful and healthy life, Edna Mae Smirle (nee Nephew) passed away peacefully at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Mon., Jan. 24, 2011 in her 99th year.

Edna belonged to the Morewood United Church, and was, for many years, a very active member of both her church and community. During the past 10 years, she lived at the Millview Apartments in Winchester and was so grateful for the friendship she found there.

Her family was the very joy of her life. She never tired of speaking to or about each and every one of her four children, eight grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. Her dedication to family was exceptional.

She was an amazing role model who will be loved and remembered always by her son, Bill (Nancy Wilson), daughters Betty Barkley (the late Ken), Kaye Hanna (Garry), Nancy Logtens (Tony), and the rest of her large family including many nieces, nephews, and cousins from throughout the area and around Canada.

Edna is survived by her sister, Irene, who is in her 107th year, sister-in-law Janet Rutley, and brother-in-law, Donn Smirl. She was predeceased by her husband Millan, nine siblings, four brothers-in-law and a sister-in-law.

Visitation was held at the Daniels Funeral Chapels Inc. in Winchester on Wed., Jan. 26. A service in celebration of Edna's life was held in the Morewood United Church on Thurs., Jan. 27, and was officiated by Rev. Wendy Wright-MacKenzie. Interment was at Morewood Presbyterian Cemetery followed by a reception at the Morewood R.A. hall.

The pallbearers were grandsons Terry Barkley, Greg Hanna, Sean Hanna, Glenn Smirle, grandson-in-law Glendon Shay, and nephew George Kavanaugh.

Words of remembrance were shared by her son, Bill, granddaughter Debi Shay, and friend Rietta Hillis. Grandson Greg played guitar and sang her favourite hymn "The Little Brown Church in the Vale," and granddaughter Corinne Smirle provided bible readings.

Memorial donations may be made to the Morewood United Church, the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, or other charities of choice. All will be sincerely appreciated by the family.

Edna will be terribly missed and forever remembered by each person whose life she touched — family, friends, and neighbours alike. She was loved by us all.

~ Death Notice ~

Evelyn Ruth Francis

Evelyn Ruth Francis of South Mountain died at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Sun., Jan. 30, 2011.

She was born August 1, 1922 in Winchester to T.W. Holmes and the former Luella McMillan. She was raised in Winchester and educated at the public and high school there, and at Ottawa Normal School. At Winchester on April 20, 1946, she married Don Francis, who predeceased her on Dec. 20, 1993. After their marriage, the couple lived in the South Mountain area where Evelyn taught in local schools for more than 35 years.

Although she taught all grades in country schools for many terms, she really enjoyed helping the small pupils at Shanly Public School. Evelyn enjoyed sewing, knitting, crocheting, and crafts, and made many quilts for her family. Her vegetable and flower gardens were a keen interest, and she enjoyed exhibiting and received special honours in local fairs for many years. She enjoyed her church where, over the years, she was Sunday school teacher, elder, secretary and U.C.W. president, and secretary and treasurer. Another keen interest was her Seniors' Club where she held many jobs. She also enjoyed and worked for her retired teachers' group.

Evelyn is survived by two sons and one daughter: Ron (Maria Pak) of Pointe Claire, Que., Roger (Joyce) of Winchester, and Rhonda (Michael Patenaude) of Ottawa; four grandchildren, Lisa (Nick), Mike (Chantal), Rod, and Julien Francis, and three great-grandsons, Landon, Henry, and Desmond. She is survived by one sister, Irene Crowder (Garfield) of South Mountain, and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by one brother, Glenn (Norma).

Evelyn rested at the Byers Funeral Home, 2990 Church Street, South Mountain (613-989-3836) on Tues., Feb 1. A funeral service will be held at the South Mountain United Church on Main Street today, Wed., Feb. 2 at 11 am. Interment will be held in the spring at South Gower Cemetery.

By Evelyn's request, donations may be made to the South Mountain United Church.

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The family of the late Edna Smirle wishes to extend our sincere thanks to relatives, friends and neighbours for their many thoughtful kindnesses and support. Thanks also to Mom's neighbours at Millview, especially Anne, Wally and to each of you who visited her every day. You are true friends.

Thanks to the WDMH staff, Dr. Heymans and Dr. Flowers for their kind, professional support. Special thanks to Laurie, Muriel and Sharon for the extra care they gave to Mom over the past several weeks, and to all who were involved with the 'meals on wheels' programme.

Thanks to Rev. Wendy Wright-MacKenzie for her knowledgeable thoughtfulness and understanding as we planned, discussed and completed the details.

Thanks as well to everyone at the Daniels Funeral Chapel in Winchester for the professional assistance with final arrangements.

Finally, thanks to each one of you who was so kind and thoughtful with very generous donations of food and your donations to the Morewood United Church, our hospital and other charities of your choice.

Your support in so many ways has really been appreciated!

Nancy, Kaye, Betty, Bill and Families



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Keeping Health In Mind

"Keeping Health in Mind" is a monthly newspaper column made possible with the help of the Mental Health Programs of the Cornwall Community Hospital and the Winchester Press.

Being Active Means Being Healthier!

One of the biggest challenges in our long, cold Canadian winters is keeping active. Ice, snow and cold make regular exercise a challenge. Despite this, there is growing evidence that regular exercise is an important component to a healthy lifestyle.

What is 'Regular Exercise'?
A moderate but healthy exercise would be walking 20 minutes three to five times per week. The rate of walking is different depending on your fitness level. If you are mildly short of breath while talking and walking, this indicates that you are exercising at the right level. Pushing yourself to exercise more vigorously or for longer periods will increase the risk of injury or strain and is not recommended.

What are the Benefits of Regular Exercise?
Exercise will help to keep your heart and lungs working at their best. It also helps keep up muscle strength and tone and promotes a healthy weight. Bone density is improved/maintained by weight-bearing exercises like walking. Regular exercise has been proven to improve mood, sleep and memory; to help stave off the winter blues, the sluggish feeling that comes from inactivity or feeling a little out of sorts. Exercise could help improve what ails you.

How Do I Get Started?
Talk to your doctor about any restrictions or limitations you may have. **Start SLOWLY:** Walking for five minutes three times a week may be a good starting place. Increase gradually by five minutes three times per week until you reach 20 minutes three times per week. If you start too quickly there is an increased risk of injury. Getting 'fit' will take several months to achieve, and starting too fast will not be helpful in the long run. Find a place to exercise indoors in the winter if you are unable to walk safely in ice and snow. Many malls have walking programs. Check out community centres for winter exercise programs that you would enjoy. Many people keep fit by walking the halls in their apartment building and using the stairs instead of elevators. Check with your doctor about local programs that meet your needs.

How Do I Get Motivated?
Exercise with a friend. Exercise to music or audio books. Schedule your exercise sessions into your weekly routine, e.g. from 10:00 to 10:20 every Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Keep track of your accomplishments and take note of how much better you feel!

Special Circumstances
Some people have medical conditions that make certain types of exercise difficult. If your doctor has indicated that walking or weight-bearing exercise is not for you, you may consider water exercises. 'Aqua fitness' in a regular or therapeutically warmed pool is a good alternative for people with arthritis, difficulties with circulation or with low energy levels. Supervision by a physiotherapist or personal trainer may be necessary to set up an exercise routine that would be safe and well-suited to your needs.

Have a Happy and Healthy 2011!

Monique McElheran, Community Mental Health Nurse, Psychogeriatric Service, Tri-County Mental Health Services

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The Mental Health Programs
of the Cornwall Community Hospital

Refugee from Zimbabwe tells Presbyterial his story

by Donna Wilson

MORRISBURG — The Brockville Presbyterial Women's Missionary Society met at the Knox Presbyterian Church in Morrisburg on Tues., Jan. 25.

Catherine Blatch, president, welcomed everyone. The Morrisburg group lead worship. The theme for the day was "refugees and strangers." The group presented a skit to illustrate lessons from the lives of similar people from the Bible. Bette Crerar of the Vernon group lead a Bible study, based on the theme.

It was decided to donate $200 to the Gracefield Christian Camp and Retreat Centre in Quebec. The annual meeting of the Synodical in Île-Perrot is scheduled to take place on Sat., April 16.

Following lunch, Janelle Wood and Leslie Claxton sang two beautiful selections. Rev. Ed Charleton installed the 2011 executive.

Guest speaker Keith Smith, refugee sponsor, spoke of his involvement in bringing a family from Zimbabwe to Canada. He introduced Ray and Thelma Pugeni, as well as their baby, born in Canada a year ago. (Their young son was in school.) Ray found employment and a family home in Greely with the help of another sponsor, Gib Patterson.

Smith and the Pugenis connected through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank's exposure tour in Zimbabwe. Ray was a guide, and later enquired about the process of receiving refugee status to come to Canada. The process began with the help of Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon, and his assistant, Eric Duncan, now Township of North Dundas mayor.

Ray spoke of his gratitude to his benefactors and the people here who readily accepted the family. For Ray, leaving family behind for a better life was very difficult. However, leaving a country with hunger, poverty, inflation, uncontrolled and rampant cholera, HIV-AIDS, and virtually no employment opportunities under the government of Robert Mugabe was not.

He credits Doctors Without Borders, churches, and the efforts made by the Canadian Foodgrains Bank for improving the lives of millions of people there. He said joy and hope was brought to the people based on the teachings of the Bible, which imparts the basic principles of life.

UofG March break camp will offer up dinosaurs, pirates

KEMPTVILLE — The University of Guelph, Kemptville Campus has announced that registration for its outdoor March break camp is now open.

This camp will be located on campus and will allow kids to be outside and active while having fun, exploring the outdoors, and learning about a variety of interesting subjects.

Camp attractions include: going back to the age of the dinosaur; becoming a pirate for a day; learning about the sugar bush (and having pancakes with maple syrup); competing for one's country in the Olympics; and becoming one of the characters in the kids' TV show *The Magic School Bus* while stuck inside a hurricane with Ms. Frizzle.

Children aged eight to 12 are welcome. The cost is $150 for the week, which includes two snacks, or $185 to also enjoy a nutritious hot lunch each day. (Yes, moms and dads, that means not having to pack a lunch or any snacks all week.)

For more information and to register, contact Stephanie Neville at steph@kemptvillecampus.ca or 613-258-8336 extension 61444.

Nationview student CanSpell

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — Karlee Ouellette outlasted 14 other elementary school students to win the fifth annual Nationview Public School Spelling Bee.

Now, the Grade 5 student will attempt to qualify for the CanWest CanSpell regional competition to be held in Ottawa next month.

Ouellette was the only competitor to spell a word correctly in the seventh round of the oral competition. Her final word was "necessity." Grade 7 student Sarah McFarlane finished second this year. She was the only other speller to make it to the seventh round. Zack Frawley, a Grade 8 student, finished third in the open competition.

Earlier in the day, Ouellette finished third in the Junior Bee for students in Grades 4 to 6. Grade 6 student Morgan Douglas finished first in the junior competition. She topped 17 other spellers in the competition. Douglas was the only speller to correctly spell her word "ultramarine" in the seventh round.

Three students went into a tiebreaker to determine second and third place. Emily Harbers, a Grade 5 student, was second. Ouellette finished third. All three advanced to the open competition to compete against the top spellers in Grade 7 and Grade 8.

Grade 3 student Spencer Zollinger won the primary bee for students in Grade 1 to Grade 3. Zollinger battled another Grade 3 student, April Constapel, head-to-head for 10 rounds. He won in the 21st round after spelling "civics" correctly. Constapel finished second. Carley Milne-Servage finished in the third-place spot.



Karlee Ouellette

Presbyterial to meet Tuesday

WILLIAMSBURG — Seaway Valley Presbyterial United Church Women are scheduled to meet on Tues., Feb. 8 at the Williamsburg United Church.

Registration is set for 10 am. Coffee and muffins are to be provided, and there will be time to visit the book room.

The guest speakers, Karen and Bill Butt, will share stories about their missionary work.

Participants are asked to bring a bag lunch, and mealtime is set for noon.

Winchester euchre

WINCHESTER — The pink-card winners at the latest Winchester Seniors' euchre event on Thurs., Jan. 27 were Marjorie Lougheed, Grace Erratt, and Fay Hanes.

The blue-card winners were Marie Rosehart, Gerry Crowder, and Joan MacIntosh.

Manford Wallace, Doris Wylie, and Bill Cinnamon took home the door prizes, while Allan McMahon and Betty Holmes won share the wealth.

The next euchre event is scheduled for Thurs., Feb. 10.

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