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A Sunday morning fire destroyed a shed/barn belonging to Bill Cassidy and Wendy Moore of Dundela. Iroquois and Williamsburg Volunteer Firefighters doused the flames which claimed the lives of a pot-bellied pig and several ducks and chickens. CHIEFTAIN PHOTO - A. CARTIER

Money trickles in from users

BY JOSEPH MORIN
THE CHIEFTAIN

Water bill letters were sent out last week to South Dundas water users in Morrisburg and in Iroquois.

The November 20 South Dundas council meeting was an opportune time for the Township's treasurer Lorna Seibert to give an update to the council about the water plant capital levy.

Her report to the council stated, "Letters and bills were mailed out on November 9, to all properties connected to the system in the amount of $2,000 per property regardless of the property class."

Ms. Seibert told the council that after sending out the letters she has had a good response from water users who are paying their $2000 immediately.

"We are hoping that at least half of the water users will want to pay the entire bill now," she said.

There were few complaints from water users about how the Township had decided to pay off the bill for the new regional water treatment plant in Morrisburg, however, the treasurer mentioned that there were some complaints about the 0.75 cent per cubic metre water charge that has been added to the bill.

Apparently there had been some confusion about what part of the water consumption bill was connected to the 0.75 per cubic litre charge.

The charge applies to all water consumed and is added to the existing minimum charge per month that water users have to pay.

The treasurer said that the Township will be preparing an insert to be sent to with all of the December utility bills to inform water users of the new charge being levied.

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Morrisburg resident appeals to the OMB

BY JOSEPH MORIN
THE CHIEFTAIN

James Smith's bid to have his property in Morrisburg rezoned failed in August.

In January or February of 2008 he will get a second chance to have his zoning request approved when an Ontario Municipal Board, (OMB) planner assigned to his case will arrive in South Dundas to conduct a hearing on Mr. Smith's application.

Mr. John Norris is the planner and he will be coming to South Dundas to find out if mediation or a pre-hearing might be a better way to resolve the issue than a full-blown OMB hearing.

In August Mr. Smith, who lives on Farlinger Street in Morrisburg asked the South Dundas Council if the could have his property rezoned to allow for a business operation. He wanted to wash and wax cars from his home. The council, after listening to the concerns about the operation from people who live in his neighborhood, decided not to grant Mr. James the rezoning.

As a result Mr. James files an appeal with the OMB, the body that is the final arbitrator for zoning issues. Mr. James had been quoted as stating that, "The specific intent is only to wash and clean the interior and exterior of automobiles and wax the exterior of automobiles."

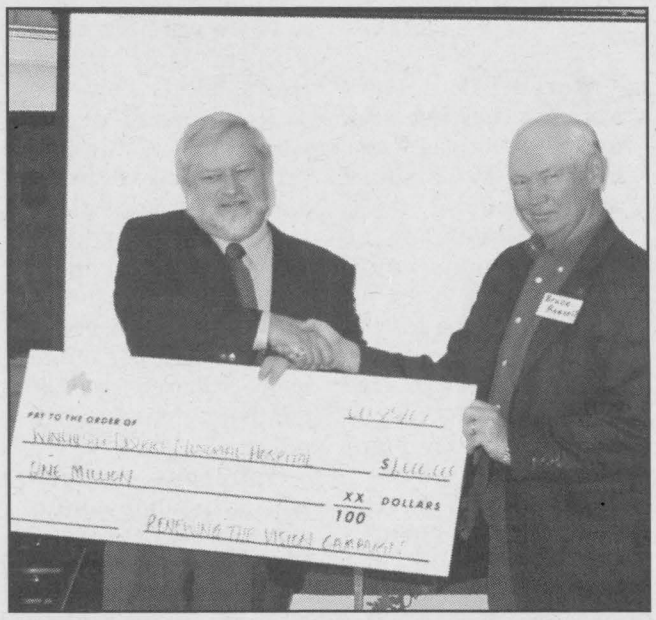
Originally, at the time of the request in August, the South Dundas manager of planning and enforcement, Donald Lewis, had asked the council to defer their final decision on what turned out to be the zoning amendment request until he had more time to examine all of the complaints about the proposed change in the zoning. The change would have made the current residential setting one called residential special exemption 13. Mr. Lewis, at that time commented that in 19 years of doing his job he had never encountered so many positive and negative feelings about a zoning amendment request. The council went ahead and turned the request down.

Critics of the request, people from Mr. James' neighborhood told the council that they were afraid that if the request was allowed then at some time Mr. James could expend his business. Despite assurances from Mr. Lewis that Mr. James would only be allowed to conduct the kind of business that was stated in any amendment, councillors tended to side with the residents.

In the end, the vote to refuse the request was turned down by four councillors with the sole supporter being Mayor Barkley.

Mr. Smith had built a large garage on his property with the express purpose of using it as a location for car washing and detailing. He has regular customers in Morrisburg and the surrounding area who supported his efforts to continue with his business.

Community funds begin to flow as Foundation Chair Terry Triskle hands over $1,000,000 to WDMH



Recently the hospital hosted a Community Leaders' Breakfast at Emerald Links Golf Club. Terry Triskle, Chair of the Foundation presented a cheque for $1 million to Bruce Rowsell, Chair of WDMH – the first instalment of the funds raised from the community for the Capital Development project.

A Community Leaders' Breakfast hosted by WDMH at Emerald Links recently was attended by a number of community members anxious to hear the latest developments of the hospital capital redevelopment plan.

The presentation of a cheque for $1 million to WDMH Chair Bruce Rowsell from the Foundation Chair Terry Triskle was a momentous occasion, marking the beginning of the flow of funds which was raised through the Renewing the Vision Campaign for this monumental project. "This is money that people have given so generously for this very purpose," stated Triskle. "We are pleased to make this first installment of many, and know that our donors are proud to have supported this very valuable cause. We are very much looking forward to our new state-of-the-art hospital." Funds donated through the campaign have been prudently invested until needed.

The construction schedule has been received and was identified in 3 phases: Phase 1 includes site work; the addition of rooms and offices in the Lab; re-locating the Foundation, the Gift Shop and the Physicians' lounge; and decommissioning and building new visitors' and ambulance entrances – all to be completed by February, 2008. Phase 2 will cover new construction and renovations, resulting in taking the hospital from its current 84,000 square feet to 132,000 square feet of new or revitalized space. Phase 3 is the final phase of demolition and completion, with February, 2010 as the anticipated completion date.

News about these topics as well as each stage of construction can be found on the website: www.wdmh.on.ca. Public forums will continue to update and inform the community.

Former Kars Orange Lodge moving to UCV

BY PETER KOVESSY
METROLAND NEWSPAPERS

The last Orange Hall still intact in the former Carleton County will be moved to Upper Canada Village in Morrisburg this Saturday morning.

Located next to the Anglican Church in Kars, the hall has stood in the village for the past 145 years.

Orange Halls were built by members of the Orange Order, a Protestant fraternal organization with Irish roots, but also often served as meeting halls for other faiths and community organizations.

Built in 1863, the hall in Kars was donated to the former Rideau Township in the 1970s and has sat empty for more than 25 years, says Georgina Tupper of the Rideau Archives.

In the past, the hall was used for Sunday school and small Euchre tournaments, but Tupper says the community has struggled for years to try to find a use for the building. In 2003, the Masonic Association of Eastern District (MEAD) approached the St. Lawrence Parks Commission, which overseas Upper Canada Village, about relocating the hall.

Now, after several years of preparations, which Tupper says included removing the building's municipal heritage designation so it could be relocated, the hall will be moved this Saturday following a ceremony at 10:30 a.m. at the Anglican Church hall.

The Orange Hall's roof will have to be removed so the building can fit below utility wires as it rides on a flatbed truck, says Tupper.

Once it arrives in Morrisburg, it will be restored to a 19th century Masonic Lodge, providing a window into an important part of Canadian history.

"By the time of Confederation, most cities and towns had a Masonic Lodge on the Main Street with the familiar square and compass symbol above the door. In those lodges, men from all levels of society met together as fraternal equals, bound by a belief in God and a desire to help all those in need," sais MEAD honorary vice-president Len Fourney in a statement.

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The Township of South Dundas will consider a by-law on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 to establish fees and charges and to establish a retention period for files and records.

Water Capital Cost Recovery

The water capital cost recovery letters have been mailed; please contact the Township Office if you have not received your letter. If payment is not received by 12:00 noon December 31, 2007 it is acknowledged that the financing option has been selected. If you no longer own this property or all information is incorrect please contact the Township office.

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A look back at the history of the Caldwell Linen Mill

After sixteen years, the Ruti B looms became outdated. They needed to be replaced as the styling was limited to lower priced goods, inhibiting the flexibility of the plant. In July 1982, a 4.6 million dollar project was started. The Ruti B's were replaced with 42 Saurer Terrymatic Shuttleless looms. The project was completed in 1982 and would enable the production of better quality, higher priced towels.

Over 1985 and 1986, a major restructuring of the Caldwell facility took place. The plant capacity of 90,000 kilograms/week was reduced to 60,000 kilograms/week.

To facilitate this, all fly shuttle looms were stopped and the plant came to an agreement with the union to operate a seven day, four shift operation in the Weave room. This resulted in a staffing reduction of 150.

Wabasso product lines were acquired and the Dunnville and Iroquois manufacturing facilities were consolidated. This necessitated specific processes to be modernized. Twelve Sulzer looms were transferred from the Dunville Plant and an additional two were purchased. This was necessary to preserve the Wabasso market. Terry production was estimated to increase by 30,000 kilograms per week. There was now a 56 loom complement, consisting of 42 Saurers and 14 Sulzers.

Since plant technology was kept up to date in the weaving end, the manual finishing methods were in need of updating. In 1986, the heart of the change was the installation of 6 automatic cut and end-hem machines capable of handling approximately 70% of the products. From linear goods, the BEST III machines performed the cutting, end-hemming, and label insertion in one process. A total employee reduction of 19 was to result from this investment and this reduction would be in the labour intensive Sewing Department.

One half million dollars was spent in the spring of 1986 to reduce the sulphite concentration and phosphorous levels in the effluent discharge to the village pollution control plant. This expenditure resulted in the village being able to meet the acceptable levels of contaminants on Great Lakes water quality, since Caldwell contributed 45-50% of total effluent flow to the village plant. The lagoon measured approximately 400,000 cubic feet in volume, allowing for a daily pumping rate of 430,000 IMP, GPD, with a minimum retention of 6 days.

After 38 years with Dominion Textile, in 1989 the Caldwell Plant experienced change of ownership to C.S. Brooks Corporation, a firm with corporate offices in Greenwich, Connecticut.

Sears Quality Partnership was attained on September 10, 1991. Sears' commitment to their customers is to supply superior products and superior service. This program awards formal certification when a supplier's Quality Control system meets Sears standards for quality. Quality improvements are a never ending focus and this certification was proof that CALDWELL MEANS QUALITY.

On March 5,1993 the marketing arm and trade names were obtained by Fieldcrest Cannon Inc. U.S. and C.S. Brooks remains as a contract supplier to F.C.C. Canada Inc. And is a Canadian distributor of a broad range of products for the boutique trade. Fieldcrest decorative beddings, rugs, sheets, ceramics and towels are distributed to Fieldcrest customers across Canada from the Iroquois facility.

97C.S. Brooks Corporation, Caldwell Plant achieved one of the most important milestones in their history in the Fall of 1995. ISO 9002-01994 Certification was attained, very important for the company in obtaining an edge in the marketplace. This quality system tells the customer that the quality products promised will be delivered.

Today, the finest quality cotton is used to produce a complete line of luxurious terry towels. The collage of colour seen when walking through our facility confirms the wide variety of fashion styles, sizes and colours available to our customers.

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Compiled by Cindy Ault

Alight At Night

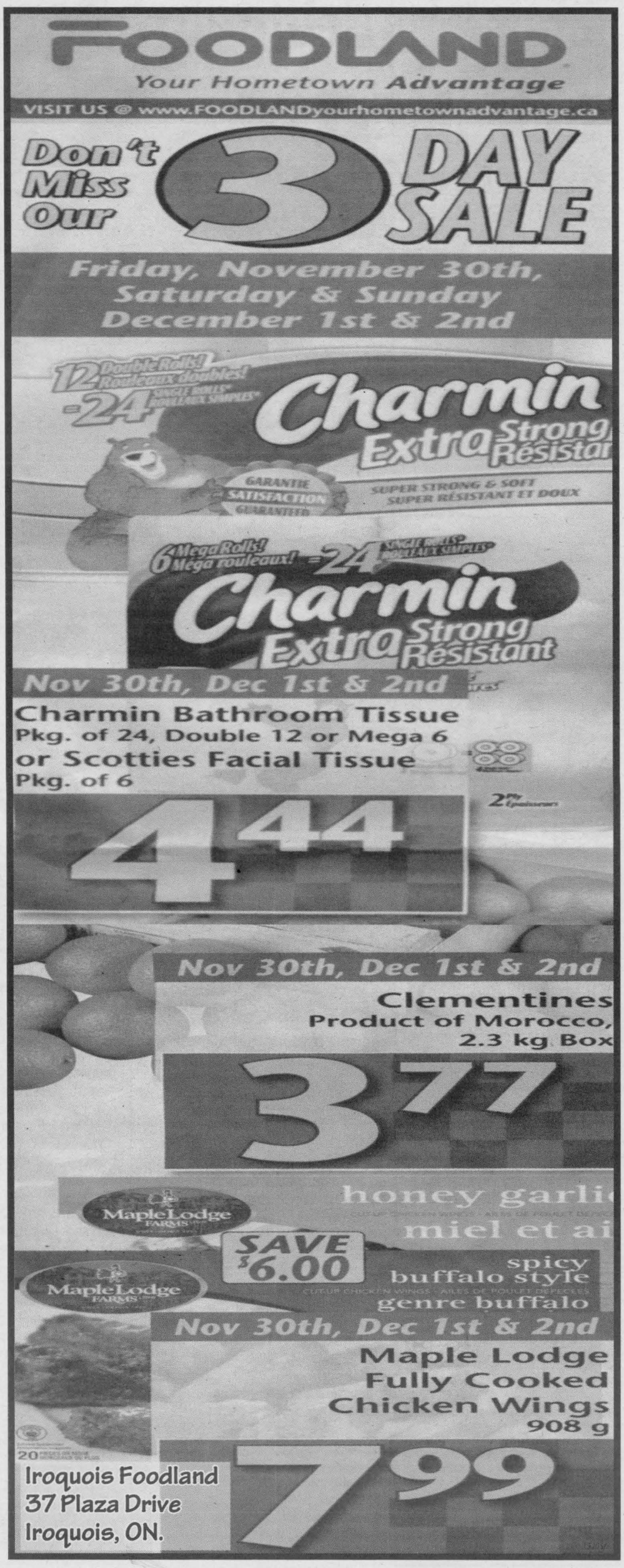
Stroll around the streets of Upper Canada Village to see the picturesque village "Alight at Night".

Over 200,000 lights will decorate the buildings, trees and fences throughout the Village. Regularly scheduled night-time horse-drawn wagon rides will also be available to take visitors for an old-fashioned tour around the site, and the Toy Train will be offering rides around Crysler Park to view a delightful display of lights along the way.

The Village Store will be open for Christmas shopping (plus photos with Santa on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings until December 23, 2007). The Village Bakery will be making fresh bread on select nights, also for sale at the Village Store.

Warm-you-up food and beverages will be available at both The Harvest Barn Restaurant and Village Café located on site.

Romantic Horse-drawn Carriage Rides for Two on the Village's Pommier Carriage will also be available (by advance reservation only at 1-800-437-2233). General admission fees: adults $4 / children (ages 5 to 12) $3. (Wagon rides and Toy Train rides are extra.) 613-543-4328 or 1-800-437-2233 www.uppercanada-village.com



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Editorial Page



This photo of a Heron was taken last week before the snow and ice arrived. What a difference a few days make.

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Bring on the heat

Sometimes looking forward to a global predicament is something to savor.

Coming down the Brinston Road earlier in the week I had to remind myself that winter was truly here. The Brinston Road is a nice road to travel on in the summer but during the winter months it can be very unforgiving.

The only thing that could possibly make that stretch of rural South Dundas safer would be the onset of global warming.

According to the experts on the global weather crises, Canada will do well when it is all over.

Our climate will change dramatically from what you see from outside your kitchen window now to a gentler more heated view.

Animals, birds and plants will flourish as never before as the warm part of the world slides further north.

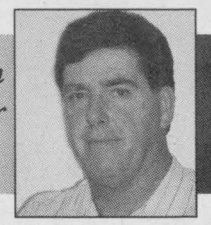
Gardeners are already talking about how climate change will affect what they will be planting in the years to come so that makes global warming a fact.

I can't wait to see the warming trend hit South Dundas and the Brinston Road. Just ten to twenty more years to wait.

A thought...

From me to you

by Joseph Morin
Editor



The world keeps spinning more or less as it always has for the past several million years.

Each days news reports from around the world hint at several opportunities for countries to go over the edge and start something that all of us will have to finish, however we all manage to survive another day and then another week until current world disasters fade to be replaced by another one. We end up being accidently in a constant state of stress.

In an odd way, the constant outcome of the escalation of hostilities around the world is reassuring because they always seem to reach a boiling point and then work themselves back down to a simmer for a few months before boiling over once more.

At some point it is easy to forget all about them until the next newscast.

The recent admission by government and the medical profession that stress is at an all time high has been a long time in coming.

Missing the news in the evening after supper is a great way of cutting back on that daily stress. If the lights are still on and the refrigerator is still stocked with food then you have to be doing alright regardless of what is happening in the middle east or at home in Canada.

At some time in the future the "experts" will declare that cancer is not only related to how many cigarettes you can smoke but also to stress. Stress has to be the number one cause of so much grief, yet we have been trained to consider stress as simply background noise in our lives. It isn't and never will be.

A few years ago the former member of Parliament for Leeds and Granville, Joe Jordan was part of a small group trying to get the government to include happiness as part of the equation for calculating Canada's gross national product. Insurance companies, apparently, were not happy with ideas as it enshrined stress as a very real factor in the country's wealth. Nothing much happened and stress remained an orphan, with no where to go.

Stress is very difficult to quantify. Usually stress turns up as an afterthought at somebody's funeral where relatives comment on how hard the diseased loved one worked or how much he or she worried about everything. Naturally we blame the stressed-out person for whatever fate arrived at their door step.

We all have to chose to keep events around the world and at home in a proper perspective. I read the other day a passage from a book that said that giving up on something is not a sign of failure but rather the admission that you no longer have to get everything in your life right. Wise words to live by, if you can, and a great way to cut back on all of that stress.

There is a theory that when confronted with a negative situation the average human being looks at the situation and then decides if their coping skills are up to the task of solving the problem. Apparently if you feel that your coping skills are not adequate, then you push the bright red stress button.

The trick must be to avoid situations that cause you to push the stress button or if that cannot be done, then upgrade the stress mechanism.

Good luck doing that. Stress is supposed to be a warning that you are in trouble but often the trouble does not belong to you at all. You get the stress but no control over the problem.

So, have a good laugh and be assured that the sun will rise again tomorrow at around the same time, but that will not be on the news at six.

Iroquois Legion Branch 370 Newsletter

By Dar

Aloha! From the land of paradise and back to the land of reality I've returned. The glorious 85 degree Fahrenheit to 4 degrees Celsius was some jolt to the system. Now it's back to catching up on daily routine. More on this wonderful trip later.

I am not quite sure of any cribbage league play at the Branch on Saturday past as a good majority of the regulars were participating at Zone cribbage at Russell. And the results of that were very good. We had three teams entered and two teams came in the finals. The team of Bernie Montroy and Ted Grattan and Roger Coulter and Ken Palmer came in first having thirteen wins out of eighteen. The second team consisting of Willis Douglas and Art Ault and Andy Acelvari and Wilf Summers came in second having twelve wins out of eighteen. Now the team (so I'm told) were so far out in left field that the remark I heard was (we came in fifty and there was only twenty-four teams. Figure that out!!! They will competing at the District level at our Branch in February. This should be a good day. And while I am on the subject of winning – how's this? Our Ladies Auxiliary had two teams entered in Zone darts and the team of Sharon Lewis, Sheila Holmes, Joyce Murphy and Lorraine Robertson managed to come in third place giving them the chance to compete at District Darts at a later date in Almonte. By the way, the Zone Darts were hosted by Prescott Ladies Auxiliary. The Cornwall Ladies Auxiliary came in first followed by Prescott taking the second spot honors.

I am not going to give the cribbage results of the league or the euchre results of the past couple of weeks for it would take up too much space. But I'll give the Pot of Gold results and they are like this. For November 9 the Pot of Gold winner was Joel Adams, not signed in. For November 16 the Pot of Gold winner was Francis Barkley, not signed in. And for November 23 the winner was Gary Simzer, not signed in. Now the "Pot" is getting quite interesting (if I must say). So don't take any chances and think your name will not be picked, just take a few minutes, drop a toonie in the "Pot" and sign your name. You just might be lucky that you did.

On Saturday, December 1 the 6th Annual Joe McDonald Memorial Cribbage Tournament will be taking place at our Legion with play starting at 1 pm Sharp!. The entry fee is $5 and the winner takes all. Sure hope you can make it for this event.

The Friday meal is to be beef stew and dumplings and dessert is to be banana cream cake with pineapple sauce.

The turkey dinner for the public is planned for Friday December 14, starting at noon till the food all goes. The price is $7 per person and take out is available. If you haven't paid your membership dues yet, why not make a note of this and take a few minutes and do it before you get too busy and forget to.

The $1,000 cash draw tickets are out and are available at several businesses, at the Legion and from the members as well. The draw date is December 20 and it certainly would come in handy before Xmas.

I'd like to take a few minutes and thank the special members of my Branch who managed the Remembrance Day Services at Matilda and at the Legion doing the various duties that was needed to be done in my absence so that I could take a Hawaiian cruise which happened to take place during our most important campaign of the year. Your support was greatly appreciated. You know who you all are and I don't think it's necessary to mention names. Again many many thanks.

Before closing, our thoughts and prayers are extended to one of our veterans, Comrade Len Roberts who is presently in the Winchester Memorial hospital. If any of you happen to be in that area drop in and see Len and perhaps you will brighten his day for him. Take your time Len, don't push the pressure to come home, we are thinking of you.

Until next week-take care.



Iroquois Foodland is under new management. Last week the Iroquois grocery store held a contest for a $500 shopping spree. The winner was Lila Lapier of Iroquois. In this photo, store manager Mike Easton and winner Lila Lapier enjoy the moment.

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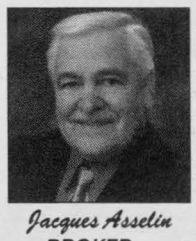
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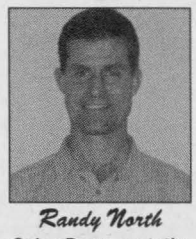
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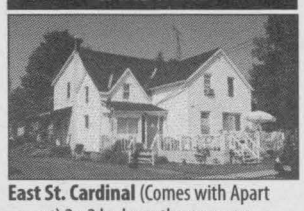

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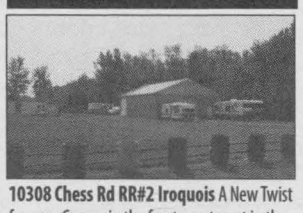

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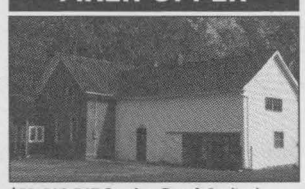

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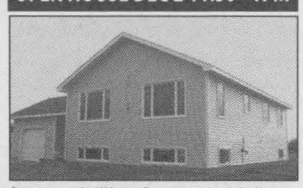

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Councillor votes against Waterloo resolution on pesticides

ANDREA CARTIER
THE CHIEFTAIN

At the last meeting of Council held on Tuesday, November 20, a resolution from the Council of the Corporation of the City of Waterloo was presented for endorsement. The South Dundas Council passed a motion of support for the resolution which calls for a review of cosmetic pesticides at the federal and provincial level. All members of the Council were in favour of the resolution with the exception of Councillor Steven Byvelds who voted against it.

The wording of the resolution passed by the City of Waterloo on November 5, 2007 states that a number of the city's citizens have concerns about the use of cosmetic pesticides for a number of reasons. These citizens believe that pesticides pose a health risk, particularly related to respiratory illness. They further believe that the use of pesticides jeopardizes the integrity of drinking water. The resolution also points out that the present Liberal government was elected on a promise to legislate some sort of ban on the use of chemical pesticides in the Province of Ontario.

The resolution states that Waterloo City Council calls on the Federal government to immediately review and confirm the safety and efficacy of all chemical pesticides that have been approved for use in Canada by the federal government or federal agencies; that the Ontario Provincial government immediately review and verify the safety of all chemical pesticides that the provincial government or provincial agencies have approved for sale and use in the province of Ontario; and reminds the Ontario Provincial government of its promise to legislate on the use and sale of cosmetic chemical pesticides in the province of Ontario.

Although the resolution stated that a comprehensive province wide approach should address exemptions such as those for agriculture, Council Byvelds was not in favour of supporting the resolution. "My concerns are two-fold. There are already bodies that regulate pesticides at the federal and provincial level. As a farmer I know how this type of legislation can lead to a slippery slope." Although he is in favour of the correct usage of pesticides he is concerned about a push from society in general and urban society in particular towards a total ban on pesticides.

Councillor Byvelds pointed out that the use of Round-Up Ready crops facilitates a reduction in the use of pesticides, and that farmers are diligent in their use of pesticides as a matter of course.



Seaway Referral Network sponsors speech contest

ANDREA CARTIER
THE CHIEFTAIN

Grade 7 & 8 students from 5 local schools are being given the opportunity to demonstrate their speaking abilities in an event sponsored by the Seaway Referral Network. The contest, which will take place on the evening of Wednesday, November 28 at St. Mary/St. Cecilia reflects the SRN's desire to encourage young people to appreciate the importance of public speaking in all career choices. The event will begin at 7:30 pm.

The 5 schools taking part in the inaugural year of this contest are St. Mary/St. Cecilia, Rothwell-Osnabruck, Timothy Christian, Iroquois Public, and Long Sault Public. Each school will be represented by two finalists and a spare as determined by in-school competition. All contestants will present a prepared speech of 3 to 5 minutes in length on the topic of 'Shape Your World'. In addition, each speaker will be given one minute to speak ad lib on a randomly draw topic related to the main topic of 'Shape Your World'.

Margaret Benke, the principal of St. Mary/St. Cecilia, is looking forward to her school hosting the event. "A program like this benefits the students on many levels. The prize money is significant and incentive for students to take part. The students are also encouraged to participate and take up the challenge of speaking publicly." The topic serves to generate a discussion of the environment and the value of personal action.

In past years, the Seaway Referral Network, based in South Dundas and celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, awarded a bursary to a student at the Seaway District High School for excellence in networking and community-relations skills. The idea of creating a public-speaking award was prompted in part by concern at the state of civility in the House of Commons during recent sessions of Parliament. The originator of the idea of the bursary, first as a networking award and now as a public-speaking award, is Rosalind Robertson of Morrisburg, who taught Communications for many years at all three campuses (Kingston, Brockville, and Cornwall) of St. Lawrence College.

P.J. Robertson, a member of SRN, stated that the idea of a speaking event of this kind was "very positively received by the schools." The SRN hopes to make this a yearly event in order to encourage a strong appreciation of public speaking in the young.

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December 2 – Silver Bells. The Seaway Valley Singers present their annual Christmas concert at the United Church in Iroquois. For information contact Sydney Snith at 613-543-2353.

December 6 – Bereavement Support Evening. Dundas County Hospice is hosting a Bereavement Support Evening "The Grief Journey Through the Christmas Season". Starting at 7:00 pm at the J.W. MacIntosh Seniors' Support Centre, 4324 Villa Drive, Williamsburg. Guest speaker is Verna Nuttall. Light refreshments will be provided. Everyone welcome.

December 15 – Ham & Turkey Supper. Iroquois Woodland Metis Tribe 2007 Annual Christmas ham and turkey supper. Matilda Hall, Dixon's Corners starting at 5:00 pm. Cost $6.00, advance tickets contact Linda Richardson at 613-652-2959.

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Every Wednesday 1 – 3 PM, Friends of St Cecilia's & St Mary's invite everyone to participate in Cards, Crafts, Games, or even a Gab session. Come out and make new friends, and enjoy the refreshments at St. Cecilia's Hall (school) in Iroquois. For info call Carole 652-1771 or Margaret 652-1645.



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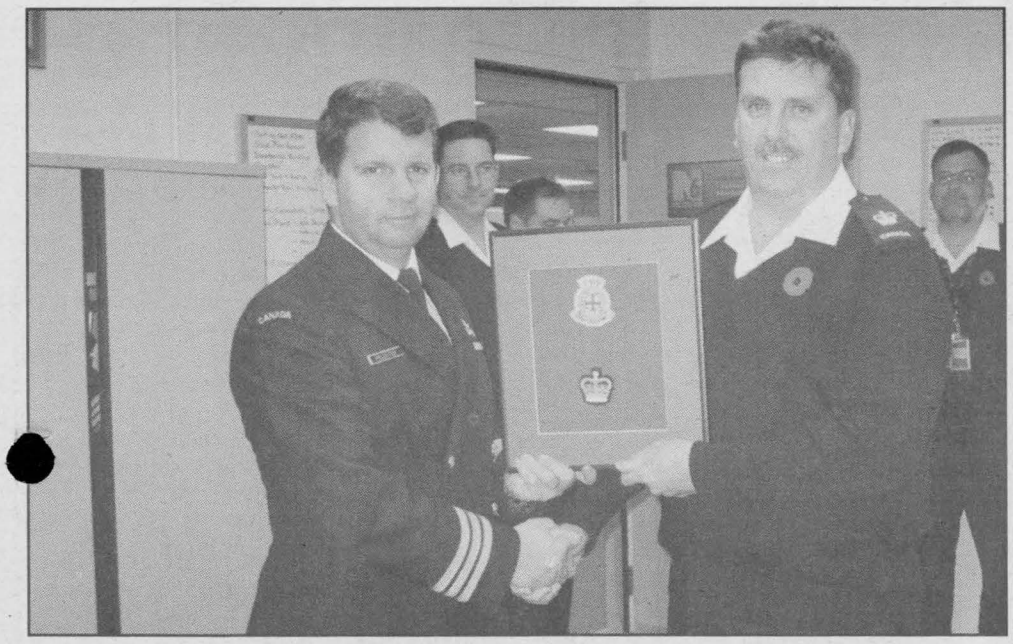
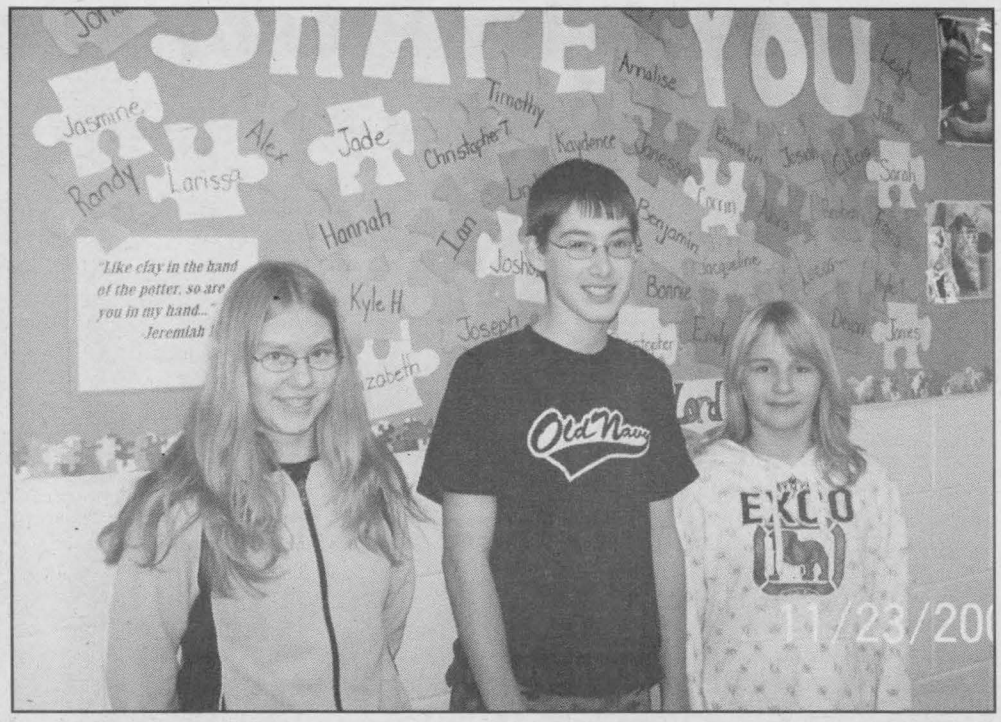


Presenting Perry DeBellefeuille his promotion is Cdr Pelletier of Marlant N6. (in the background over his left shoulder is Perry's direct supervisor - CPO2 Chuck Dickens) "Perry DeBellefeuille was promoted to Petty Officer First Class in Halifax on Nov 8th 2007. Perry graduated from his QL6B trades course on Nov 7 and was called to the Cdr's office the following day for his much anticipated promotion. He is currently posted at NRS Halifax as the watch supervisor for the 4th watch. PO1 DeBellefeuille left Iroquois 22 years ago to join the Navy and has enjoyed a very rewarding career that has taken him all over the world. He has seen many postings on ships which include HMC ships Fraser, Cormorant, Gatineau, Halifax, Iroquois, St. Johns, Charlottetown, and Athabaskan. His favourite deployment to date was in 1997 when he traveled to Capetown South Africa and several countries on the coastline of South America. Perry plans to continue serving his country in the Navy and says that he wants to serve 10 more years before retiring to a life of leisure which will include a golf membership somewhere. He would like to thank all his friends who have continued to support him over the last 22 years while he has sailed around the world defending Canadian missions."



Three students from Timothy Christian School will be participating in the local school's Public Speaking Contest Wednesday evening in Morrisburg. Featured here are: Rachel Oosterhof, Christopher Tibben and Leigh Zandbergen will be representing Timothy Christian School in the local schools' Public Speaking Contest tonight in Morrisburg.

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Ontario trucking industry expects another tough year

Bellwether for economy says action needed on dollar, competitiveness and borders

Trucking is as good a leading indicator of economic activity as there is. Trucks haul 90% of all consumer products and foodstuffs and move about three-quarters of Ontario's trade with the United States. "If you got it, a truck brought it" as the saying goes, is as true today as it ever it was.

"Whatever the state of the Ontario economy, or sectors within that economy, it will be reflected in the business levels of the trucking industry," says David Bradley, president of the Ontario Trucking Association which kicked off its 81st annual convention in Toronto last week. And he says, "the impact of the appreciation in the value of the Canadian dollar, combined with slowing US economic activity and the resultant impact on Ontario's manufacturing and export-based economy will continue to exert a drag on freight volumes and create challenges for motor carriers in 2008."

"There is an over-capacity of supply of trucking service, certainly in the general freight sector, and until that situation is resolved, either through improvement in the amount of freight being generated by the economy, or through industry attrition and rationalization it will continue to be tough sledding," he said.

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FACT OR FALLACY?

Fish Oil Prevents Heart Disease

Do fish oil tablets prevent heart disease?

FACT: No one knows for certain about the effects of fish oil on heart disease, but it's a question worth investigating. Research is underway to determine if eating fish or fish oil capsules will have an effect. Everyone agrees, however, that what you eat is important to your cardiovascular health. Reducing the amount of fat, salt and alcohol in your diet while increasing the amount of fibre, vitamins and minerals will reduce your risk of heart disease.



Obituary for Audrey Morrow

Audrey Theresa Morrow (nee Eggens) was born Feb. 3, 1933 to John and Gladys Eggens of Manotick Station. She passed away Nov. 8, 2007 after a long and difficult battle with cancer. She was the third eldest of eight children: Paul Turpin, Bella Menard (Paul), Jack Eggens (Pat), Phyllis Sigouin (Gerald), Lois Bumstead (Harold), Bill Eggens (Pat), and Susan Rosettani (Joseph).

She was deaf as a child and did not hear until the use of a hearing aid in her early teens. She persevered and managed to successfully complete her studies at Willis Business College. She was the loving mother of seven devoted children: David Mulligan of South Mountain, Linda Mulligan (Keith Cartmell) of Calgary,Kelly McKinnon (Bruce) of Brinston, Kim Morrow (Chris Kayuk) of Ottawa, Angie Morrow (Donald Johnson) of Dixon's Corners, Gerald Morrow (Karen) of Stampville, and Mary Morrow (Scott Kitson) of Brockville. Affectionately known as "Mom" to Cheryl Graham of Mountain.

Audrey had many hobbies including cross stitch, sewing, knitting, crochet,quilting and gardening. Her love of the outdoors and all things in it were very important to her. Her dog, Sport, was her faithful and loving companion, always at her side. Audrey also loved to cook, and many people were welcomed to her happy table over the years.

She made friends easily and was known for her happy smile, giving temperament, and thoughtful ways. Her work at the Mayfield Retirement Home in Prescott introduced her to Joanne and Pierrette, and they became affectionately known as the "The Three Musketeers". She was an active member of "The Mermaids", a swim group she joined whose members quickly became dear lifetime friends.

Audrey was resourceful, never wasteful, and a strong conservationist. She believed in the seeing the good in everyone and she had admirable qualities too numerous to mention. Cherished by her sixteen grandchildren: Donnie Johnson, Jason McKinnon (Shelley), Johnnie Johnson (Joann), Jennifer Mulligan (Christian Salmaso), Jimmy Johnson, Matthew McKinnon, Derrick Johnson, Brooke Kitson, Zacchary Kayuk, Amber Morrow, Dillan Johnson, Taylor Kitson, Kiersten Kayuk, Austin Morrow, Joshua Kayuk, and Sarah Johnson. Loved by two great grandchildren Destiny and Shianne.

She will always be remembered for her laughter and her smile.

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Admission to browse and buy is free.

This venue will be the perfect place to display your crafts, baked goods, etc as well as to buy early Christmas presents.

There is still space available. Vendor costs - $10 for an 8 foot space.

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Seaway Valley Presbyterial Meeting in Morewood

The fall meeting of the Seaway Valley Presbyterial was held at the Morewood United Church November 13/07. Approximately fifty –five ladies attended.

President Janice Reynolds opened the day with a warm welcome and a reading Psalm for Today "Peace and Love" The UCW purpose was recited in unison.

Doris Stevens welcomed everyone to their Church . Rietta Hillis gave a brief history from the past to the present.

Worship service entitled "United for Peace" was provided by Kim Baird and Grace Andress from Cornwall UCW. A reflection by Kim entitled "The Egg" reminded everyone "plain or not" all things are beautiful in their own way. The Peace commitment was repeated in unison and closing prayer.

The guest speaker was Ruth Pollack, Aids advocate. Observing the Women of Malawi Helping those Help Themselves. Her slides showed the devastation caused by aids and the lack of good water, food and medicine .She also hosted a group from Malawi at her home , they came to learn more about helping each other and were amazed at the resources we have that are so often are taken for granted. So Little means so Much to them.

Jan McEwen again had a large number of new books for Christmas. She read excerpts from one book in particular "Spirituality of Grand Parenting" .

Lois Johnson also had a interesting collection of books for Christmas for young and old.

Wonderful selection for resources and programmes for our meetings.

Thanks to the Morewood ladies for providing delicious soups and muffins to enhance our bag lunch. Our appreciation was a donation to Presbyterian World Development presented by President Janice to Ruth Pollack.

The afternoon consisted of various reports.

Louise Shaw thanked everyone for their support to House Of Lazarus. They are busy collecting for the Christmas season.

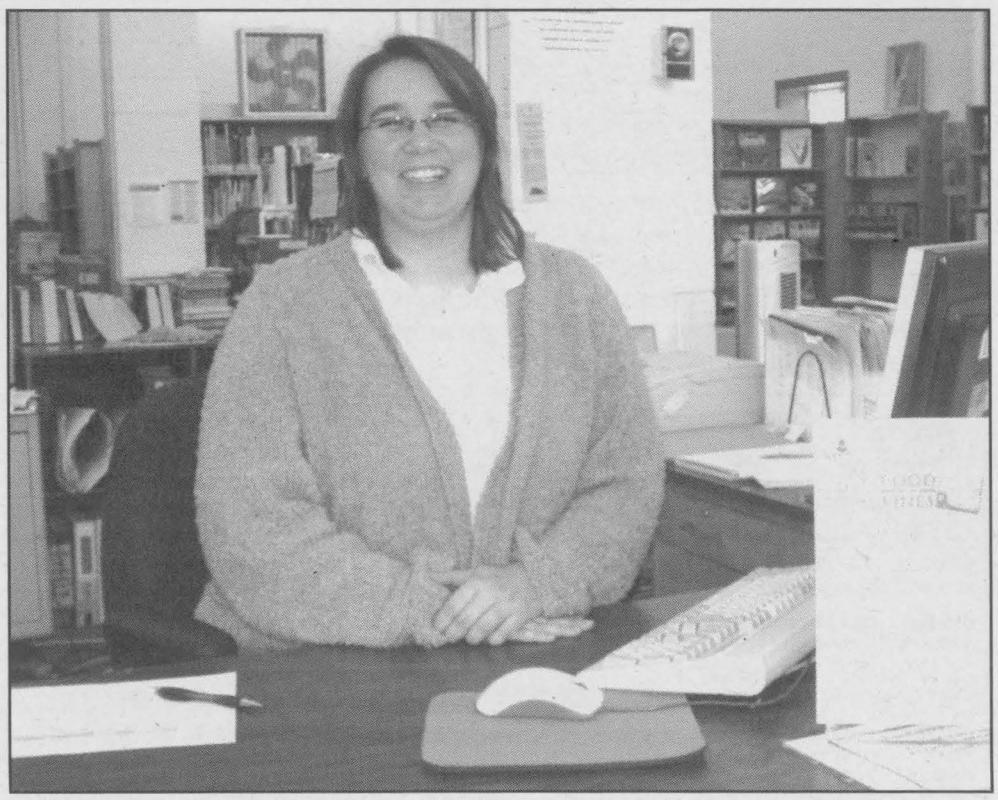
Church in Society-Carole McDermott thanked everyone for the blankets etc; for the children .

World Outreach-Rietta Hillis provided insight into the Global Warming! What we can do to help ! There is a video available titled "Inconvenient truth".

Summer Event 2009 executive has been formed and anyone interested in being on the committee will be appreciated. Next meeting April 22, 2008.

The February 12, 2008 Presbyterial meeting is [redacted] Winchester. Registrati[redacted] at 10 am.

Guest speaker Keith Smith-Canadian Foodgrains.



Cheryl Servais, the new Dundas Reference Technician, is pictured here at the circulation desk in Morrisburg. All branches of the SD&G Library are accepting canned goods until mid December. For patrons with overdue fines, each donation reduces fines by $2 to a maximum of $10 with all goods being donated to the Food Bank.

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UCDSB Prepares Parents for Winter's Nasty Weather

Ever wonder what prompts an Education Director to cancel the daily run of a bus fleet preparing to carry thousands of students to school?

Now you can find out – directly from the Director.

An on-line video produced for the Upper Canada District School Board and posted on its Web site features Education Director David Thomas and other Board officials explaining the mechanics of determining whether buses should be cancelled due to bad weather. School bus runs are halted on days when snow, icy road conditions or other bad weather makes traveling area roads unsafe. Board officials may cancel some or all routes on a given day, depending on how bad the weather is and how wide an area it affects.

"While the Board does issue press releases outlining the cancellation process, this video is a helpful tool to inform parents about what goes into the decision," said Ron Cotnam, UCDSB Transportation Manager. "We believe this video, that features real people talking about the reasons buses are cancelled, will establish a greater connection with the people the Board serves."

The video, entitled ***How does the Board handle bus cancellations?*** can be accessed through the Upper Canada District School Board's Transportation Web site at www.ucdsb.on.ca/transportation. The video answers a variety of questions such as how the decision is made, resources used to weigh the call to cancel runs, and how early the decision to cancel must be made.



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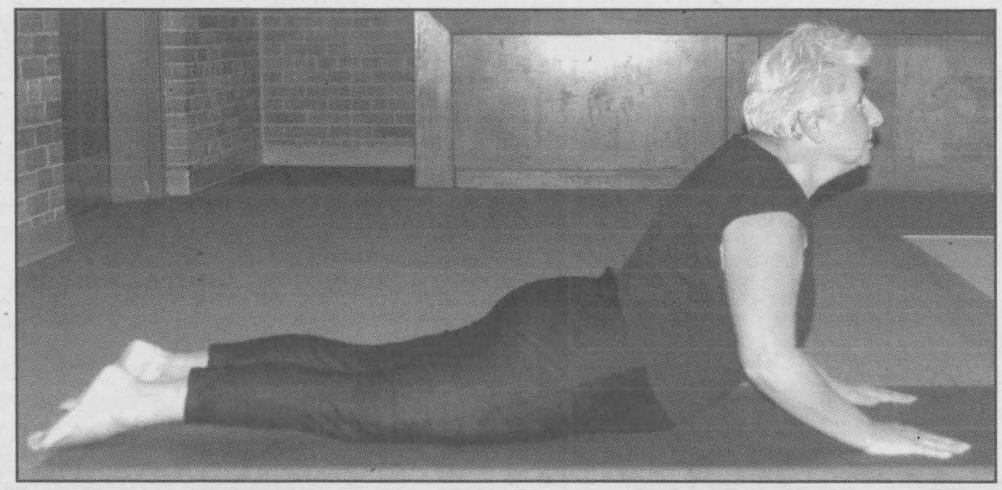
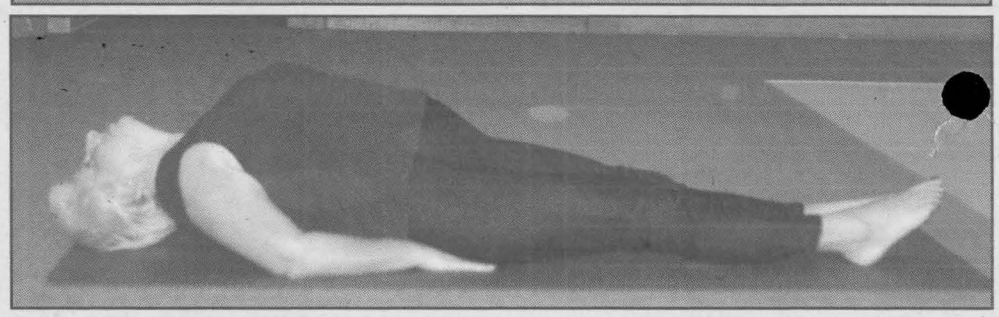
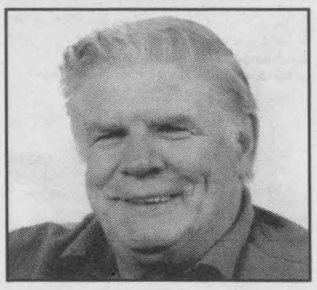




Grace Paulino, a participant in the Iroquois Yoga group, demonstrates the FISH (Matsyasana in Sandscript) a good counter pose to forward bends, as it opens the chest and strengthens neck muscles. The COBRA (Bhujangasana) further increases flexibility of the spine and can help relieve back pain. For info contact Flo at 613 654-1980.

Steve Thompson Writes...

'The codfish lays ten thousand eggs,
The homely hen lays one.
The codfish never cackles
To tell you what she's done.
And so we scorn the codfish,
While the humble hen we prize,
Which only goes to show you
That it pays to advertise."
—It Pays to Advertise



Steve Thompson

The Egg War

Chores! They were always with us when we were growing up on our family farm. Being one of seven tended to divide the tasks, although I felt the older ones carried too heavy a burden. My parents explained the error in my thinking. Treating work as a game made it more interesting, but occasionally problem-filled, as happened one day when we were sent to gather eggs.

Our family had a number of range hens laying eggs in a variety of interesting places. We were to collect these on a regular basis, but one summer morning our mother commented that the numbers from this flock had been down for the last few days.

"Maybe they've stopped laying, Mom," I suggested.

"All of them at once?" She snorted at my implied laziness. "Take the rest of the boys and search that shed. The hens go in there at night and in bad weather. Check the loft, too. With all the straw up there, they'll have made nests all over the place. I'm going off for a couple of hours to pick blueberries with Aunt Bess. When I get back I want to see at least two dozen eggs."

Mom liked to give us goals and we did our best to meet them. We found success kept her happy, and a happy mother made for better meals—and less retribution. We did love eating—and our freedom!

Aunt Bess's Chrysler had barely left the yard when my work crew and I marched to the shed, baskets in hand. I was fourteen, and the others ranged downward in age. They should have been easy to handle, but any good general expects some soldiers to be difficult, and keeps a stern eye on his troops. I liked to think I was no exception.

"All right, Doug. You take Mike and Paul and check up in the mow. I'll stay down here with Erik, Dave and Carolyn." The three clambered up the ladder and set to work, while the rest of us checked for nests on the main floor.

There was no shortage of hiding places, and the air was rent with triumphant shouts when discoveries were made. I sighed in relief. We'd be able to get more eggs than Mom had told us we had to find. She'd be so proud!

"Phew! This really stinks!"

I called up above. "What's the matter, Doug?"

"Rotten egg!"

I considered the problem. "All right. Put any rotten ones in one basket. They must have been there a really long time."

Just then we heard an expletive on the ground floor as well. I emptied one basket for the problem eggs on our floor, and we carried on, too. After about ten minutes we could find no more, and from the giggles in the loft I figured the boys upstairs were finished as well.

"All done fellows?"

"Yep!" The chorus was quite definite.

"Okay, come on down."

Eagerly they scaled the ladder and we examined the collection. We had four dozen eggs, a fine haul, plus another dozen that smelled terrible. "What should we do with these?" Erik asked.



"I guess we'd better throw them away."

"Let me do it," Doug offered. Mike leaped to the front. "Me too!"

"All right, take them out behind the barn." I gave each of them a basket and they set out. I was just picking up one of the baskets of good eggs when a piercing scream rattled me. The rest of us rushed outside, and there was Doug, his hand on the back of his head, swearing at his little brother. The crime was clear, and the punishment was swift. An egg from Doug's basket struck Mike in the face. I rushed to try to quell the outbreak, but mutiny impended when an egg caught me full in the chest. The smell was incredible, and the runny rotten mess dribbled down over my new blue overalls.

Well, you couldn't allow your troops to show such disrespect. Unfortunately, they had all the rotten eggs. In a second I had solved the problem by lobbing an egg in the direction of the evil mutineer. Thus ended any decorum among my siblings. I retreated to the shed and defended it against the two miscreants with our larger store of eggs. My other brothers, barricaded in the shed with me, fired at will, and even managed a few direct hits.

The eggs Mike and Doug hurled were really ripe. They splattered against the side of the shed and made an incredible stink. We fired back from windows, hastily opened doors, and even slits where boards had come loose.

None of us heard the car drive up but we all heard Mike and Doug as Mom got hold of them. Hurrying to the door, we had to admire the speed Mom managed as she dragged them by the ears over to the concrete water tank by our barn. "There! Wash that mess off yourselves and then get upstairs till your father gets home. He'll deal with you."

She returned to face the rest of us, lined up by the shed door. Hopefully, I held out our remaining basket. "We got two dozen eggs for you, Mom."

"There were a lot more than that before you started this ridiculous war. Now all of you get some soap and water, and clean every inch of the mess off the side of this shed. Then you pick up every broken eggshell. When that's finished, the lot of you wash yourselves and your clothes and sit down against that shed wall. I don't want to hear a peep out of you till your father gets home. If there's one word I'll take a harness tug to you. Is that clear?"

We nodded. When Mom was in a bad humour it was better to keep silent. The battle was over, and we had lost the war.

From Steve Thompson's book of short stories called "Doesn't That Hurt the Cow's Back".

The stories are courtesy of the General Store Publishing House.

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He said to them, 'go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.'- Mark 16:15



'A Gift to Last' reflects the true spirit of Christmas

ANDREA CARTIER
THE CHIEFTAIN

This year's Christmas offering at the Upper Canada Playhouse, 'A Gift to Last', is a nostalgic trip to Christmas past that reveals the true meaning of the holiday.

The play opens in the present with the Sturgess children, Melanie and Evan, eager to open gifts and get the celebrations underway.

The refusal of the grandfather, Clement Sturgess, to join in the festivities saddens the family, and young Evan tries to share the Christmas spirit with him. Together they investigate the contents of old Clement's trunk. A bugle, a pencil box and a dirty dress take Clement and the audience on a trip into the past.

Together, old Clement and young Evan watch a Christmas day unfold from Clement's youth. Young Clement, tucked in bed on Christmas Eve, eagerly awaits the arrival of his flamboyant Uncle Edgar who is the very opposite of his rather staid and uncommunicative father.

With Edgar's arrival, the barrier between young Clement and his father becomes more apparent.

A pencil box, a Christmas pageant, and a loving Irish maid all help to bring father and son together and discover the true 'gift' of the season.

'A Gift to Last' is directed by Donnie Bowes. Along with some professional actors, the play features a number of local acting enthusiasts. A familiar face at the playhouse is John Weir who plays grandfather Clement.

Brian Young acts the roles of Geoff & Harrison Sturgess. AnnaMarie Frances Lea is Christie & Clara Sturgess. Edgar Sturgess is played by Richard Bauer.

Regan Thiel is Irish Sheila. James Lea is young Clement and Matilda Lea is Claire Sturgess. Evan Sturgess is played alternatively by Tanner Hummel and William Wallace.

The role of Melanie Sturgess is shared by Erin Gilmer and Ellen Wallace.

Shawna van Omme is Aunt Chloe, Chelsea Johnson is Aunt Emily, Ann Hartry is Aunt Elizabeth, Tracey Veinotte is Aunt Winifred and Michael Pearson is Uncle James. The play runs until December 16.



The photos on the right give just a small glimspe of the fun in "A Gift to Last".





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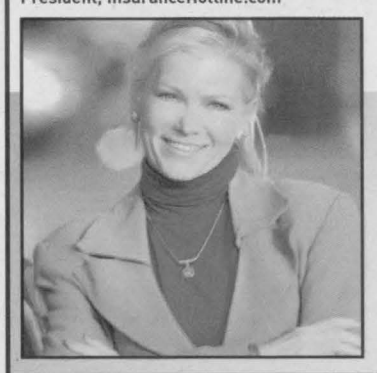

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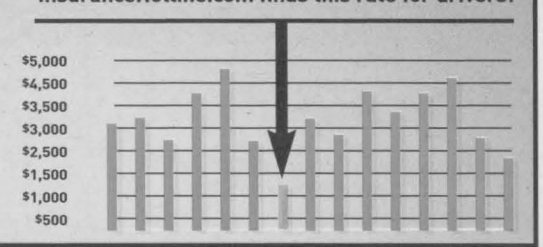

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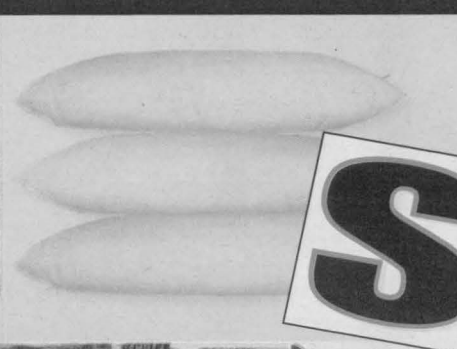




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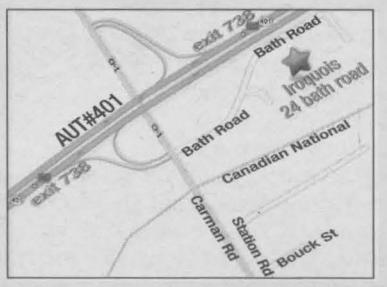

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Sports

Atom B House 1 bring home championship



The Atom House B 1 South Dundas Lions travelled to Perth and came away with the championship trophy. Pictured above is the winning team. In no particular order are: Drew Dedekker, Andy Dalrymple, Kody Arsenault, Elese St. Louis, Drew Minish, Spencer Heldens, Drew Gillard, Aaron Smith, Quinn Bennis, Evan Mullin, Logan Merpaw, Cole Fowler, Ben Michels, and Randy Fawcett. In the back are Coach Jamie Smith, Manager Cheryl Alexander and Trainer Larry Heldens.

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GAME ONE

Saturday we left on a sunny morning to Perth to play our first game against Ottawa South End at 11am. The first period at 9:18 Evan Mullin scored unassisted. At 6:56 Cole Fowler scored another goal to make it 2-0. In the second period Ottawa scored at 7:27. However at 6:28 Spencer Heldens scored assisted by Cole Fowler, followed by an unassisted goal by Evan Mullin at 5:00. To end the second period at 2:50 Spencer Heldens scored assisted by Aaron Smith for a score of 4 – 1. Aaron Smith started the third period, unassisted at 9:30. Logan Merpaw scored at 6:17 followed by another goal at 6:09 by Evan Mullin for a hat trick. Ottawa rallied back with their second goal at 5:58 and their last goal at 3:15, however it was not enough. The final score Lions 8 Ottawa 3.

GAME TWO

The second game was played against Brockville at 1pm. The Lions fought hard to scoring the first goal at 5:01, scored by Evan Mullin assisted by Cole Fowler, for the only goal in the first period. Both teams skated well with the second goal coming at 5:17 with an unassisted goal by Cole Fowler. Ben Michels scored at 4:03 in the third period to end the game. Goalie Kris Alexander worked hard for the shutout. Lions win 3 to 0.

GAME THREE - A FINALS

The home team of Perth faced off with the Lions for the A final at 4pm. The Lions came out strong in the first period. Quinn Bennis scoring the first goal at 6:13 assisted by Evan Mullin. Spencer Heldens scored at 5:30 assisted by Drew Minish. Kody Arsenault scored at 0:17 assisted by Logan Merpaw to end the period. The second period Perth scored at 8:40 to get on the board. However Evan Mullin assisted by Aaron Smith scored at 6:30 and Logan Merpaw assisted by Ben Michels scored at 3:15 to end the second period 5 – 1. The third period the Lions rallied to score at 6:09. Scored by Logan Merpaw assisted by Drew Gillard and Ben Michels. Perth came back with a goal 4:09, it was not enough. To end the scoring Spencer Heldens scored the last goal at 0:09 assisted by Drew Minish and Cole Fowler to end the Period. The Lions win 7 to 2 to take the Championship.

Bantam C House Lions win defeat Athens & Brockville

ANDREA CARTIER

THE CHIEFTAIN

In two league games played last week, the Bantam C House Lions defeated Athens and Brockville in their home arenas. On Wednesday, November 21 the Lions travelled to Athens where they defeated their opponents by a score of 7 – 2. Andrew Beatson opened the scoring in the first period with an unassisted goal. Athens managed to tie the game half way through the period, but Eric Saddlemire capitalized on a pass from Andrew Beatson to put the Lions up 2 – 1 at 5:49 of the first. Before the period was over, the game was tied up again as the Athens team beat the Lions' goaltender, Hunter Jones. In the second, Eric Saddlemire scored from Andrew Beatson and Andrew Morris got an unassisted goal. Phil German scored from Luc Plamondon early in the third to put the Lions up 5 – 1. Andrew Morris then scored from Eric Saddlemire and Brendan Gallivan. Andrew Beatson scored the last goal of the game on passes from Eric Saddlemire and Brendan Gallivan.

On Saturday, November 24 the team travelled to Brockville where they defeated the Braves by a score of 5 – 3. Brockville opened the scoring in the first but the Lions evened up the game when Phil German scored from Zack Lalonde and Jason Gallinger. In the second, the Lions scored two quick goals to put the South Dundas team up 3 to 1. Andrew Beatson scored from Eric Saddlemire, and Jason Gallinger scored from Zack Lalonde and Luc Plamondon. The Braves tied the game before the period was over, but Phil German scored the winning goal in the third on a pass from Zack Lalonde and Luc Plamondon. The final goal of the game was scored by Brendan Gallivan on a pass from Luc Plamondon. Matthew Picanco was in nets for the Lions.

Novice B News

In a game played on Sunday, November 18 the Novice B House Lions lost a game played against the North Dundas Demons by a score of 3 –2. The 2 Lions goals were scored in the first period with Griffin Patterson putting the Lions on the board with the assistance of William Dejong, and Calahan Bilmer scoring an unassisted goal. On Monday, November 19 the team lost against South Grenville by a score of 3 –1. The lone Lions goal was scored by Matthew Woolsey and came in the second period.

Minor Midgets B Finalists

On Sunday, November 25, the Minor Midget Lions took part in a tournament in South Grenville and made it to the B Finals.

At 8 am the Lions played their first game of the tournament against South Grenville in what turned into an officiating fiasco. Two members of the Lions coaching staff were ejected from the game and at some points during the match there were more players in the penalty box than on the players' bench. The Lions lost the game 4 – 1, with Austin Marcellus scoring the only Lions' goal. Kyle Gallinger was in nets.

The second game of the day was played at noon and saw the Lions taking on a team from Athens. The game was tied 1 – 1 at the end of regulation time with both teams scoring in the second period. Riley Nicolaassen got the South Dundas goal on a pass from Samuel Plamondon. In order to break the tie a shoot out was held with Riley Nicolaassen and Eric Heldens scoring for the Lions and giving the team the win they needed to be sent to the B Finals. Tyler Gallinger was in nets for the Lions.

The Lions met up against North Dundas in the B Championship game. In what proved to be an evenly matched game, the Demons managed to defeat the Lions by a score of 2 – 1. Robert Zandbergen scored the Lions only goal with Kyle Saunders and Zach Dowson getting the assists. Kyle Gallinger was in nets for the Lions.

Speed Skating demonstration held in Cardinal

ANDREA CARTIER
THE CHIEFTAIN

The St. Lawrence "Rapids" Speed Skating Club took advantage of last Friday's PD day to invite children of all ages out to see what the fastest growing winter sport in Canada is all about.

The Skating Club set up an information booth at the arena in Cardinal and put on a demonstration of the sport. Children who showed up with helmets, gloves and a neck guard were then given the opportunity to strap on the long blades and give the sport a try.

Some club members who participated in the demonstration explained what they found appealing about the sport. Anelie Norton, a 13 year old from Prescott, is in her second year with the club. "I love it" she said adding that she is a speed skating fan.

Connor Elliott, 15 years old, has been a member of the club for 5 years. He is also a member of the Ottawa Pacers and helps the club out with coaching. Connor said that the people he has met in the club are wonderful and that "I just like going fast."

Brodie Somerville, whose father founded the club after his son became involved in the sport, admitted, "Speed skating is pretty much my life." Connor has been speed skating for 5 years. Jeremy Vandervalk is 14 years old and in his 4th year with the club. "I like how smooth it is and how you can go so fast while using very little energy."

The St. Lawrence Speed Skating Club holds practices on a weekly basis in both Cardinal and Brockville and provides both recreational and competitive programs.

The Club was founded in 2004 and is registered with and governed by the Ontario Speed Skating Association and Speed Skating Canada. Now in its fourth year of operation, the club has 58 members.

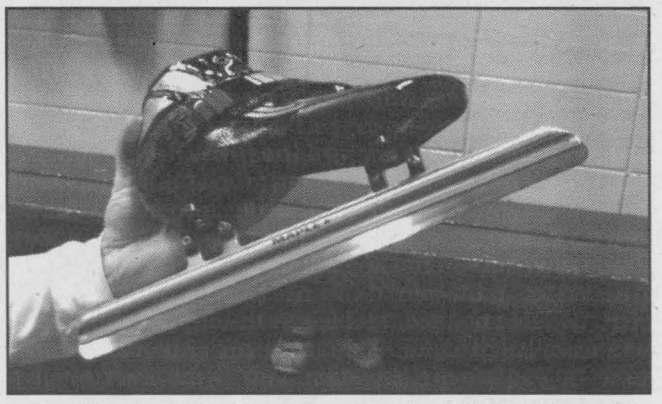
On its informational brochure, the SLSSC highlights some of the benefits of joining this growing sport: "An activity for all ages. We welcome young and old, male/female. An activity for a lifetime. An activity for the whole family. An activity where you will meet fun and dynamic people. An opportunity to be part of the fastest growing winter sport in Canada. An opportunity to be an Olympian."

The SLSSC offers participants a chance to learn the sport of speed skating with certified instructors and structured training programs. Skate rentals are available and membership includes insurance.

The speed skating season lasts from October to March and the Club also provides coaching and access to the Brewer Park Oval in Ottawa during the Long Track season from December to February.



These members of the St. Lawrence "Rapids" Speed skating Club are all set for a quick start. Pictured here are, from front to back: Corinne Schonewille, Jeremy Vandervalk, Anelie Norton, Abagael and Bryony Schonewille.



Leon Vandervalk, Vice President of the club, holds up a typical speed skating skate.

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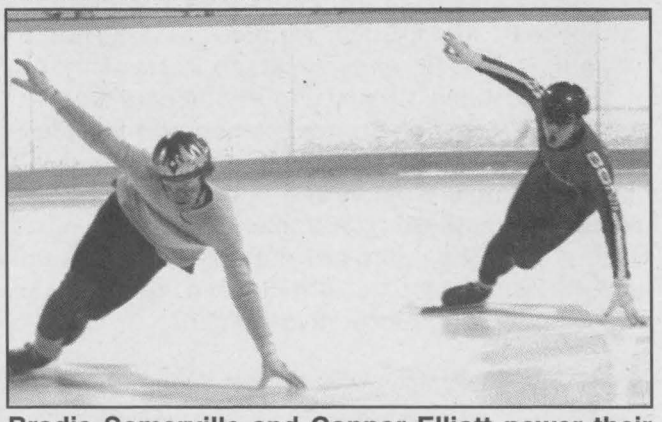


Brodie Somerville and Connor Elliott power their way around a corner on the short track at the Cardinal Community Centre during practice.

EOJBHL Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League

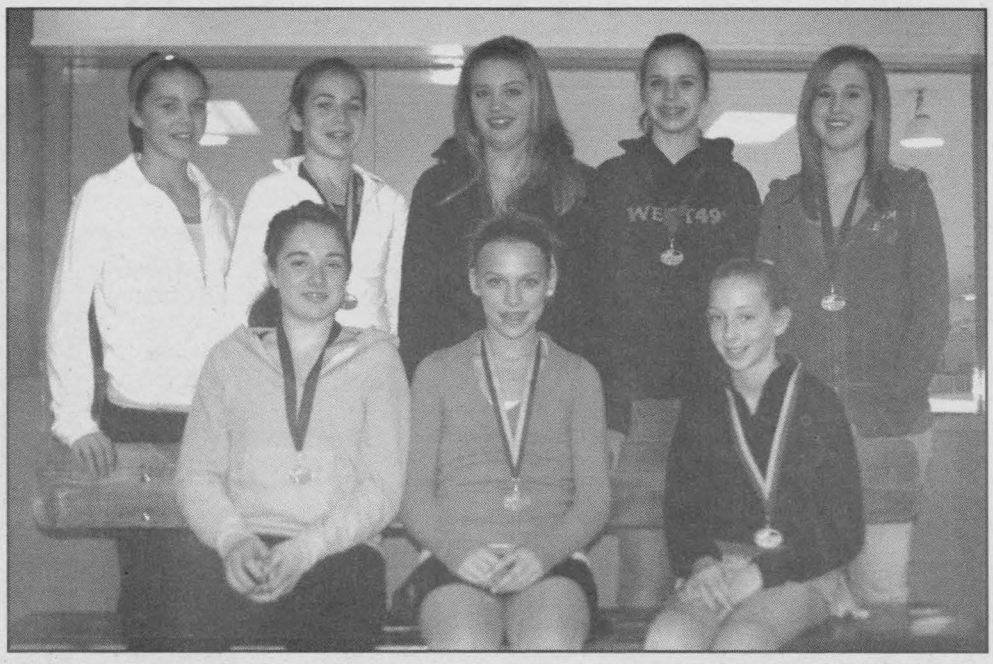
Team	GP	W	L	T	OTL	GF	GA	PTS
Winchester Hawks	19	15	4	0	0	99	50	30
Alexandria Glens	19	10	8	0	1	78	71	21
Char-Lan Rebels	19	8	9	1	1	79	97	18
Morrisburg Lions	20	7	11	0	2	93	113	16
Akwesasne Wolves	19	4	14	1	0	59	74	9



South Dundas Minor Hockey weekly schedule

SOUTH DUNDAS MINOR HOCKEY SCHEDULE
NOVEMBER 28-DECEMBER 4

DATE	TIME	ARENA	HOME	VISITOR
Novice B House				
Thu. Nov. 29	6:00 pm	Cardinal	South Grenville 3	South Dundas
Novice C House				
Sun. Dec. 2	1:00 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	South Grenville 1
Atom B House				
Sat. Dec. 1	2:30 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas 1	North Dundas 2
Sat. Dec. 1	3:30 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas 2	Kemptville
Peewee B Rep				
Sat. Dec. 1	11:30 am	Morrisburg	South Dundas	NGS
Peewee C House				
Sat. Dec. 1	4:30 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	Kemptville
Bantam B Rep				
Mon. Dec. 3	8:00 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	Char-Lan
Bantam C House				
Sat. Dec. 1	1:00 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	North Dundas
Mon. Dec. 3	6:30 pm	Community	Smiths Falls	South Dundas
Minor Midget				
Sat. Dec. 1	8:00 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	Alexandria
Major Midget B Rep				
Thu. Nov. 29	8:00 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	Cornwall
Major Midget House				
Wed. Nov. 28	8:00 pm	Morrisburg	South Dundas	Kemptville 2



The Morrisburg Skating Club hosted an invitational Tournament last weekend. At least twenty figure skating clubs competed. The winner of the Highest Point Score Trophy, sponsored by Gilmer's Pharmacy in Iroquois was won by the Gloucester club. In this photo are members of the Starskate B/ Competitive team from Morrisburg. Back row, left to right: Gillian Beatson 4th place in Junior Silver Women, Jessica Thompson 2nd place in Pre-Novice Women Short, Bryanna Hickman-Korac 4th spot in Junior Bronze Women, Kristen McMillan 4th place in Preliminary Women C. Front row: Katherine Lee 1st place in Junior Bronze Women and 8th place in Senior Bronze Women,, Janice Stevens 2nd place in Preliminary Women C, Alisha VanHoof 3rd place in Pre-Juvenile Women and 6th place in Juvenile Women, Hayley Mills 1st place in Junior Bronze Women B and 5th place in Senior Bronze Women. Absent from the photo are: Meghan Adams 3rd place in Novice Women Short and Jannah Vanderlaan, 6th place in Junior Bronze Women A and 5th place in Pre-Introductory Interpretive Women.

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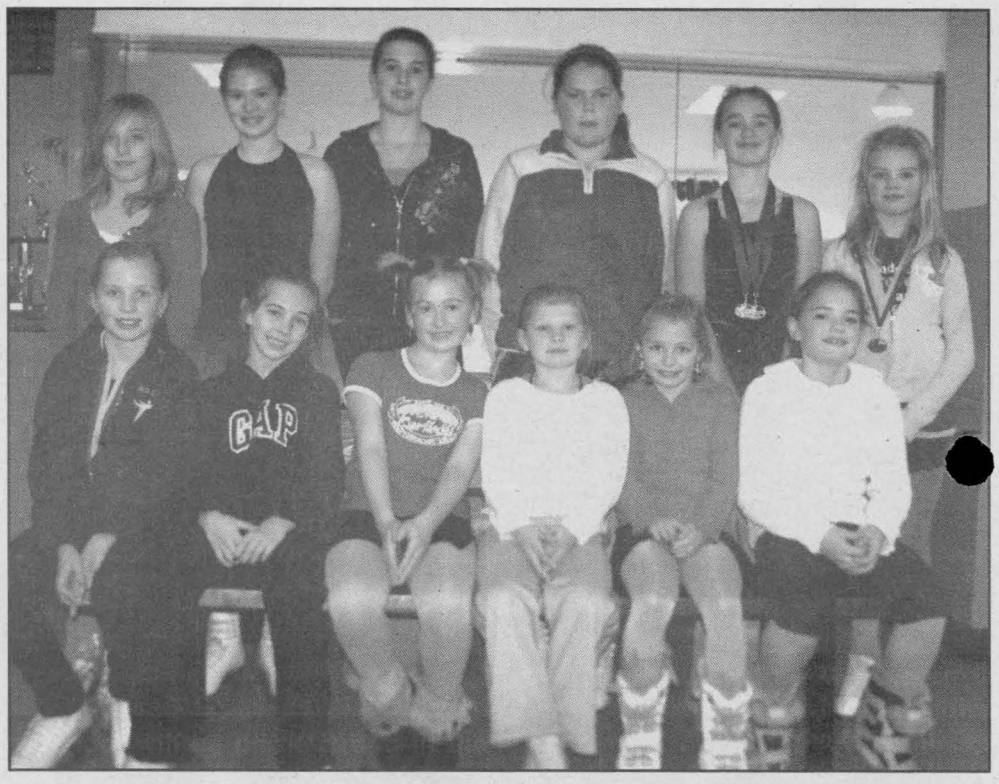

Members of the Morrsiburg Skating Club in the Starskate A group, Back row, left to right are: Allison Lee 3rd place in Preliminary Women, Jessica Bass 6th spot in Preliminary Women C, Brianna Stewart (Senior) 7th place in Senior Bronze Women, Natalie Beatson 6th place in Preliminary Women C, Logan Patterson 3rd place in Preliminary Women C and 1st place in Introductory Interpretive Women, Paige Morris 2nd place in Pre-Preliminary Women B. Front row: Alyssa MacMillan 3rd Preliminary Women B, Peyton Bradford 3rd place in Pre-Preliminary Women C, Nicole Giles 7th place in Pre-Preliminary Women A, Teisha Mullin 6th place in Pre-Preliminary Women A, Abby MacMillan 5th place in Pre-Preliminary Women A, Samantha Hartry 5th place in Preliminary Women A and 6th place in Junior Bronze Women A.

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I.M.D.L. Standings
November 23, 2007

Place	Teams	
1	#1 Fantastic Four	43
2	#6 Ya Ur Right	40
3	#2 Trevor's Heffties	38
4	#3 Missfits	35
5	#10 Get R Done	33
6	#5 Bull Hitters	32.5
7	#7 Go Go's	31
8	#11 Teddy Bears	25.5
9	#9 The Short Ones	25
10	#4 The Power of Four	24
11	#12 BC Islanders	20.5
12	#8 Go Getters	19.5

This Week's High Scores

Name	Score
Mike Osbourne	180
Bill Wilson	140
Trevor Easter	140
Bunny Bennett	140
Eric Sypes	125
Roger Trudeau	121
Linda O'Neil	121
Amanda Baker	120
Glen Easter	112
Jean Greenough	111
Lloyd Greenough	105
Delaine Greenough	104



On November 8, 2007 six minor hockey players from the ODMHA were given the opportunity to stand along side the Senators on the blue line during the playing of the National Anthems. Lucas Stewart of the South Dundas Minor Hockey Association was pleased to represent this area and enjoyed the Sens match up against Washington after his on-ice experience. (He is pictured on the far left)

Morrisburg Curling Club News

Two of the year's premiere Morrisburg invitational bonspiels were held here last week. In the Women's Invitational, clubs from Prescott, Ottawa's R.A. Centre, Cornwall, Navan, Lancaster, Russell, and Richmond visited, and Morrisburg put in two local entries. For the record, Navan and Richmond were the big winners on the day. With top ice conditions and the women's usual delicious home-cooked meal, the club earned rave reviews from the participants. Thanks to Alice Thompson and her committee for an excellent bonspiel. The two local teams were Barb Rabideau, Susan McIntosh, Yvonne Mabo, and Kathy Gurnhill, and Alice Thompson, Betty Locke, Sharon Van Allen and Dorothy Culkin. With all sheets filled for both draws, the day was a financial as well as an artistic success.

On Saturday, the men took over in the Founders Bonspiel, and Jack Barkley and his committee did a fine job. The Founders' organizers provided lunch and dinner, and then announced the standings of the two combined draws, for order of approach to the prize table. Jim Cochrane of Russell got his team's names engraved on the trophy, with Tony Gilson a close second, and Garry Wright of Prescott only half a point behind him.

Our first local team included Sid Morrell, Don O'Brien, Raymond Benoit and Neil Williamson. They split their games, while Joe McCooeye, Larry Cooper, Wally Baker and Matt McCooeye did likewise. Our third team, Sam Laurin, Bob Bergland, Josh Laurin and Allan Black, also played well. Other teams were from Brockville and Rideau, with several clubs sending more than one entry. It was a very good week for our curling club.

The senior men's first draw is complete, and although there were some close finishes, the winners of the Jim Fraser Trophy are Pete Zeran, Raymond Benoit, Eric Johnson and Bud Perry. The second draw begins on Monday, and will finish on January 13th.

Two senior men's teams competed in the Winchester bonspiel last week. Sid Morrell, Don O'Brien, Raymond Benoit and Neil Williams lost a tight one to a Kingston foursome, and won another close game against Winchester. Bob Bedingfield, Pete Zeran, Gerry Thompson and Karl Duncan defeated a Prescott team and lost to a Maxville quartet. With the results mentioned, the men came home with the traditional Winchester consolation prize, cheese. It's a popular prize, and one wife met her husband at the door for the first taste.

In the Parnell playdowns, Sid Morrell, Don O'Brien, Raymond Benoit and Neil Williams, defending champions, beat John Lyon, Gerry Thompson, Len Bellamy and Eric Johnson. In the other match, Wally McDonald, Al Gowanlock, Martin Schneckenburger and Ken Wilson defeated Bob Bedingfield, Peter Zeran, Karl Duncan and Earl Jeacle. We are allowed only one team for this Friday's bonspiel here, and Wally's quartet won that right in Monday morning's extra end final against Sid. It was possibly the best match of the young season. There will be representatives from Cornwall, Prescott and Lancaster trying to win the cup back on our ice Friday.

Two of our senior mixed teams competed in a Kemptville bonspiel on Friday. Gerry and Cheryl Thompson and Betty and Jim Locke split their games. Wally McDonald, Susan McIntosh, Raymond Benoit, and Dorothy Culkin were our other reps. With some clever use of dice after their games, Dorothy won a package of John Deere napkins. Does she plan to trade in her riding mower for a matching John Deere machine? Stay tuned.

EOJBHL Scores

Sunday Nov. 25
Alexandria 5 at Akwesasne 0

Westport 3 at Athens 1

Saturday Nov. 24
Gananoque 5 at South Grenville 2

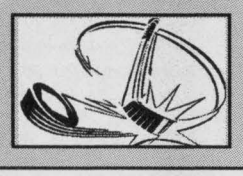
Morrisburg 3 at Winchester 11

Akwesasne 3 at Char-Lan 4

Friday Nov. 23
Winchester 5 at Alexandria 3

Char-Lan 7 at Morrisburg 5

Brockville 2 at Westport 6



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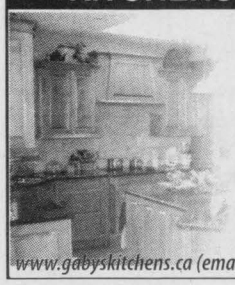

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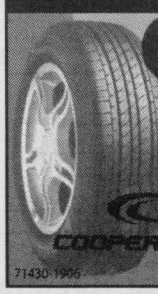

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DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT

ANSLOW, Margaret

Margaret Hope Anslow (nee Smith) of Kemptville passed away in hospital in Ottawa on Monday, November 12, 2007. Margaret was predeceased by her husband Philip Anslow. She was the beloved mother of Mary (Ray) of Ottawa and Cathy of Toronto; loving grandmother of Emily and Michael. Visitation was held at Grant Brown Funeral Home Rolston Chapel, Kemptville on Thursday, November 15 from 7 to 9pm. Funeral Service was held in the Chapel of the Funeral Home on Friday, November 16 at 11am with Reverend Lynda Harrison officiating. Beth VanderMeer was the organist and a reception followed at St. John's United Church in Kemptville. Interment was held at Cobden Union Cemetery, Cobden, Ontario. Memorial donations to Kemptville District Hospital Foundation and Queensway Carleton Hospital Foundation were gratefully acknowledged.

HOLMES, Elizabeth G. (Betty)

March 11, 1912 - November 22, 2007

After 95 years of a life well-lived, Betty passed away peacefully at her residence in Carleton Lodge on Thursday, November 22, 2007. Betty was predeceased by her loving husband, Douglas in 1991; by her younger brother Richard (Dick) Ebinger in 2006; and by her younger sister Vida Hopson in 2007. She was born in Staunton, Indiana and came to Ottawa with her parents, Rev. Leo and Gertrude Ebinger in 1916. Left to carry on her legacy are her two sons, Robert (Barbara) and David (Heather). Betty will be missed by her four grandchildren, Donald Holmes, Catherine Delorme (Denis), Heather Delle Monache (Joe) and Ian Holmes (Mellissa) and also her five great-grandchildren Michelle and Eric Delorme, Mitchell and Alex Delle Monache and Oliver Holmes. Many relatives, including the Hopson, Ebinger and Perrin families (in Canada and the U.S.A.) mourn her death. A private service is planned for the spring with burial of cremated remains at South Gower Cemetery. Those who wish may make memorial donations to the Carleton Lodge, 55 Lodge Road, Ottawa, Ontario K2C 3H1. Arrangements under the care of Grant Brown Funeral Home Rolston Chapel, Kemptville 613-258-2435. For condolences and on-line guest book please visit: www.grantbrownfuneralhome.com

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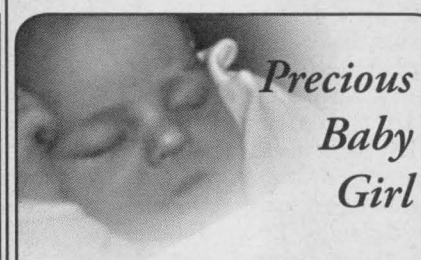

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank my friends and neighbours for all their get well wishes and cards during my illness. Also my special thanks to my nieces and nephews for their help and care during my move. Special thanks to my daughter, who came home during my surgery.
Wilena McFarlane

GEISEL

The family of Walter Geisel would like to extend our thanks. To our families for all you have done for us. There are no words to express our gratitude. The love and support you have shown us will never be forgotten. To mom, Fabiola Seguin, brothers Lionel and John Lamoureux, sister Helen and brother-in-law Roger Dubeau, Norma Hill, Susan Geisel and Allen and Sylvia Geisel. To Joe Hopkins for all his help in getting Walter to his medical appointments throughout his battle. To the Sandy Row golfers for the competitive friendship that made his last years worth living. A special mention to Mel Welcher for his comforting morning and evening talks with Walter. The staff at the Kemptville District Hospital with a special thanks to Dr. Blaine. Doctors and staff, especially Dr. Jonker at the Ottawa Hospital Cancer Clinic. The nursing staff from St. Elizabeth Health Care agency. To all our good friends, thank you for all your kind words, all the food, flowers and gifts. Special thanks to Maria Selleck. Your presence in our time of sorrow lifted our spirits as we remembered Walter's journey through life. As you know my home is always open to you all.
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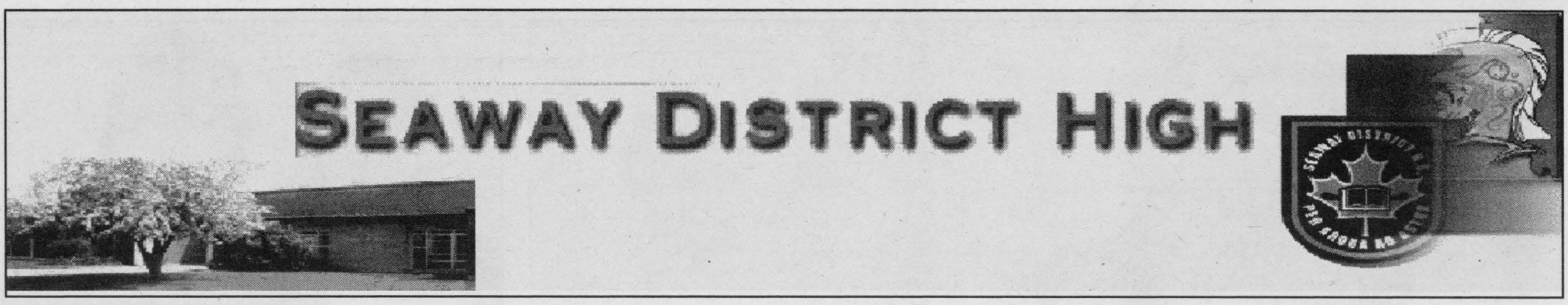


Cell phones forbidden on school grounds

BY MARYAM HAMADI

As students heard principal, Roy Lalonde, utter these fatal words on the school intercom, many of them felt outraged. Cell phones have become a huge issue at Seaway D.H.S. The rule concerning the use of cell phones was made more solid at the beginning of the year; it was only restated because it has become such a huge concern.

When cell phones first came out a couple years ago, only government agencies and officials had the opportunity to use them. But now, after the succession of many years, it is quite shocking to see a single person without a cell phone in their purse or in their pocket. Two weeks ago I was at a party in Ottawa and I had no way of getting home; I did not own a car and I had no money on me to take the OC Transpo bus. Thus, I decided to ask my friend if she would let me use her cell phone so I could call my father and get him to come pick me up. She looked me up and down and portrayed such a shocking expression on her face, as if I had asked her to jump from the ultimate heights of Mount Everest. "What?" I had demanded. "Oh, umm nothing," she replied, as she slowly handed me her cell phone.

Eventually, I got home safe and sound, but my soul was not as safe as I desired it to be, for that night had truly been a mysterious event for me. Up till this point, I had never realized how much we humans are dependant upon cell phones and this new era of arising technology. It had never occurred to me that children as young as 12 years old possessed a highly complicated entity such as that of a cell phone. I had always thought that cell phones were second-hand, that they were not as important as some people put forth, that we could fully live our lives without these physically and mentally harmful devices. Yet, after I have seen how human beings praise and look up to their cell phones, I have realized something: that once you get used to something, it is very difficult to suddenly break all contact with it. Students use their cell phones on a day-to-day basis. Perhaps they spend more time "texting" and "chatting" then they normally should; it is appropriate to say that these greatly addicting devices have become a part of their lives. It is only now that I comprehend how the students of Seaway D.H.S must feel about this new rule.

Although I find that the students' reactions to this new rule are highly acceptable, I still believe that their argument is simply useless. I notice students pulling out their cell phones in the middle of class to check their messages or perhaps even send one of their own; this technological device has become a distraction to students and even to their teachers – the popular ring tone of the song "Hips Don't Lie" emerges from a student's pocket interrupting the teacher's lesson. What is more important: going to school to learn, or to occupy yourself with the task of sending useless messages to your friends who are in the same class as you?

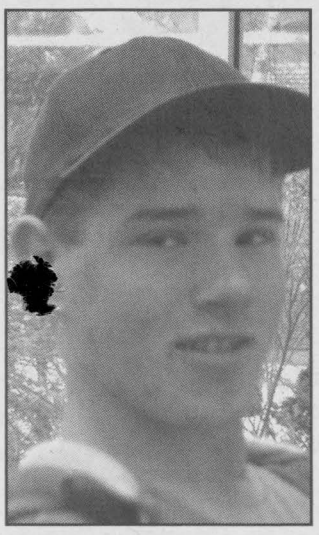
Cell phones have been proven to create a distraction on the road too. They do not allow a driver to focus on what is ahead of him, but rather on his conversation. Now, this problem has risen to such great heights that it is becoming an issue in classes. Further research has proven that the constant use of cell phones emits a form of cancer radiation because it attracts radioactive signals around the globe. This gives all you cell phone obsessed maniacs something to think about. It is rather true that cell phones provide a form of entertainment, but would you put your career and your life on the line for a mere technological device? I agree with you that cell phones are useful in an emergency, but would school be labelled as an emergency? Can you not live without a cell phone for even a mere six hours? School is a place in which we are educated; we are taught right from wrong and how to communicate with others. We spend more time at school than we do at home, thus, it is only correct to say that school truly does have an impact on our lives. Everything has a limit, and it seems appropriate that cell phones are limited from school grounds.

If such commotion has risen over the use of cell phones at school, I fear the commotion which may arise if cell phones, computers, and Ipods were unable to function for a day. I am sure that many people would find it utterly impossible to survive.

It's time to overcome this technological obsession for we never know when technology may fail us, and mark my words: *it will.*

SEAWAY SPEAKS

What is your favourite hockey team?



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Spartan of the month

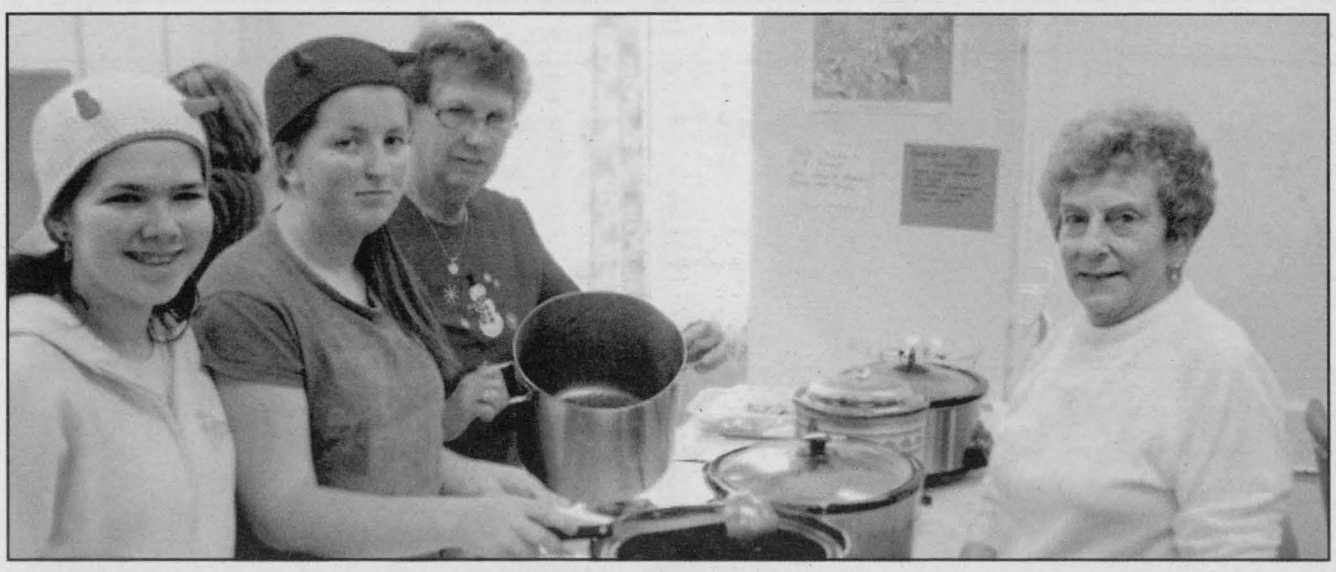


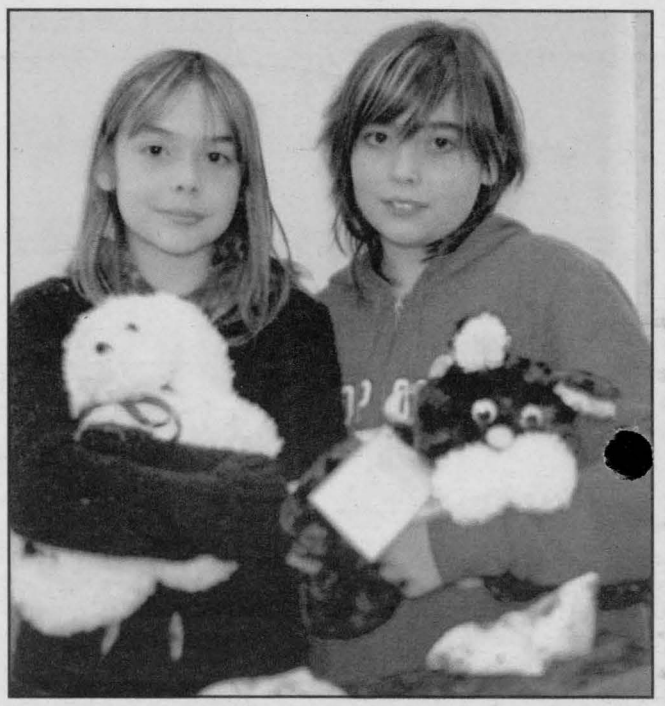
Maryam Hamadi

Maryam Hamadi has been selected as the our student of the month. Maryam works extremely hard on an ongoing basis. She is always ready and willing to offer an extra hand. This month in particular, she has demonstrated outstanding commitment to her studies as well as to her school. "Her project in English class was far beyond anything I've ever seen" said teacher Mary lewis. "I have goals," said Maryam adding, "I try to push myself forward as much as I can." Maryam is a strong leader in both the classroom and in the school. She is a dedicated and respectful member of our Peer Advisory and Leadership Team (PALs). After receiving training, she helped to organize and deliver the grade 9 MSIP workshops on healthy lifestyles, body image, and relationships (the last one is next week). She is also a member of our Writing Club who submits weekly articles to the Chieftain for publication. She is also a member of Global Outreach and Reach. By looking at the list of clubs that Maryam belongs to, it is clear that she demonstrates empathy and commitment to her community, peers, and society at large. In addition to clubs, she has chosen to work in helping students with French as her Coop placement. Maryam is considered to be an excellent role model for these students.

"My advice to other students," said Maryam, "is to always try to do your best, always ask for help and never give up even if you fail."

Maryam's demonstration of commitment, honesty, empathy, respect, and leadership is nothing new. Last year, she delivered workshops at Iroquois Public School on bullying and acceptance. She continues to make this part of her mission as a member of our PALs team. On numerous occasions, her projects in English class have involved addressing these issues, as well as issues of stereotypes and racism. She assisted the grade 9 class, on her own time, last year in producing a video on acceptance of oneself and of others. The video will be showed to grade 9 classes during MSIP in the next month.





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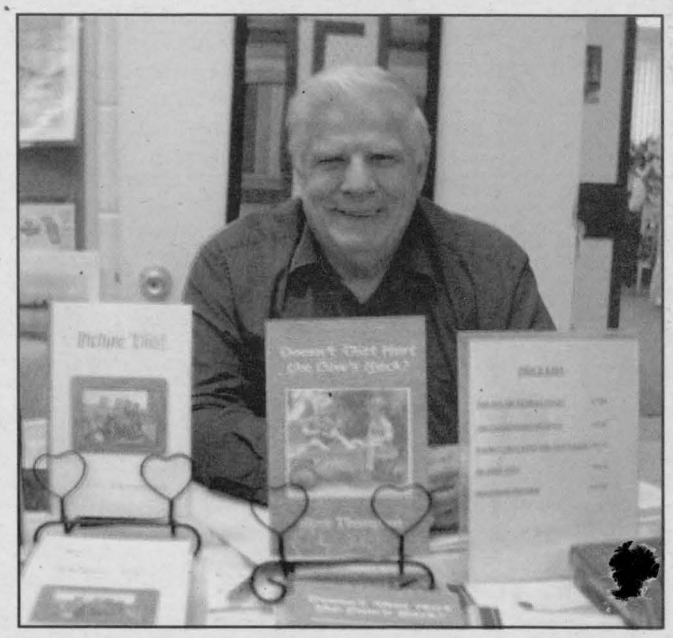

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