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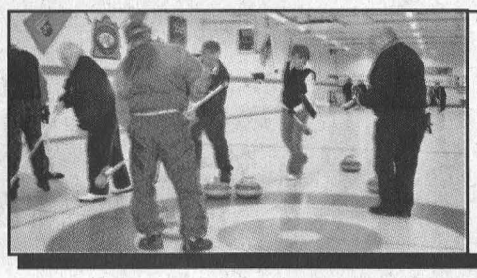

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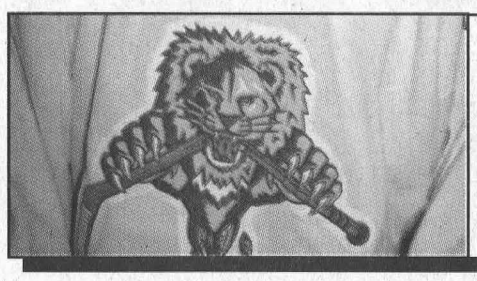

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Work-related fall claims a man's life

IROQUOIS – A Montreal man died in hospital following an industrial accident at the former St. Lawrence Corporation building in Iroquois.

According to Pete Robertson, community services officer for the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police, at about 3:30 p.m. last Thursday, January 4, two men were removing scrap metal pipes from the ceiling of the building, located along Bath Road, when one of the men fell from a forklift.

The man, later identified as 51-year-old Claude Venne, was airlifted to the Ottawa Hospital - Civic Campus suffering from serious head injuries.

He succumbed to those injuries, January 5, at 9:30 a.m.

The Ministry of Labour was advised of the incident and is continuing the investigation.

The building was purchased by Marimac Inc., of Cornwall, in November.

Since then, work crews have been on site preparing the building for Marimac's expansion to Iroquois as a comforter finish plant.

$287,679 reduction in property tax levies

WILLIAMSBURG – Every year property owners across the province appeal their property assessments to the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation and the Assessment Review Board.

As a result of those successful reassessment requests and reviews, individual property owners receive reductions in their assessments, which ultimately affects their property tax levies.

At the December 19, South Dundas council meeting, those tax reductions received by South Dundas property owners were written off by the municipality.

This year a total of $287,679 were written off, $84,679 of which is the municipal portion of tax levies, the remainder being the counties and school board portions.

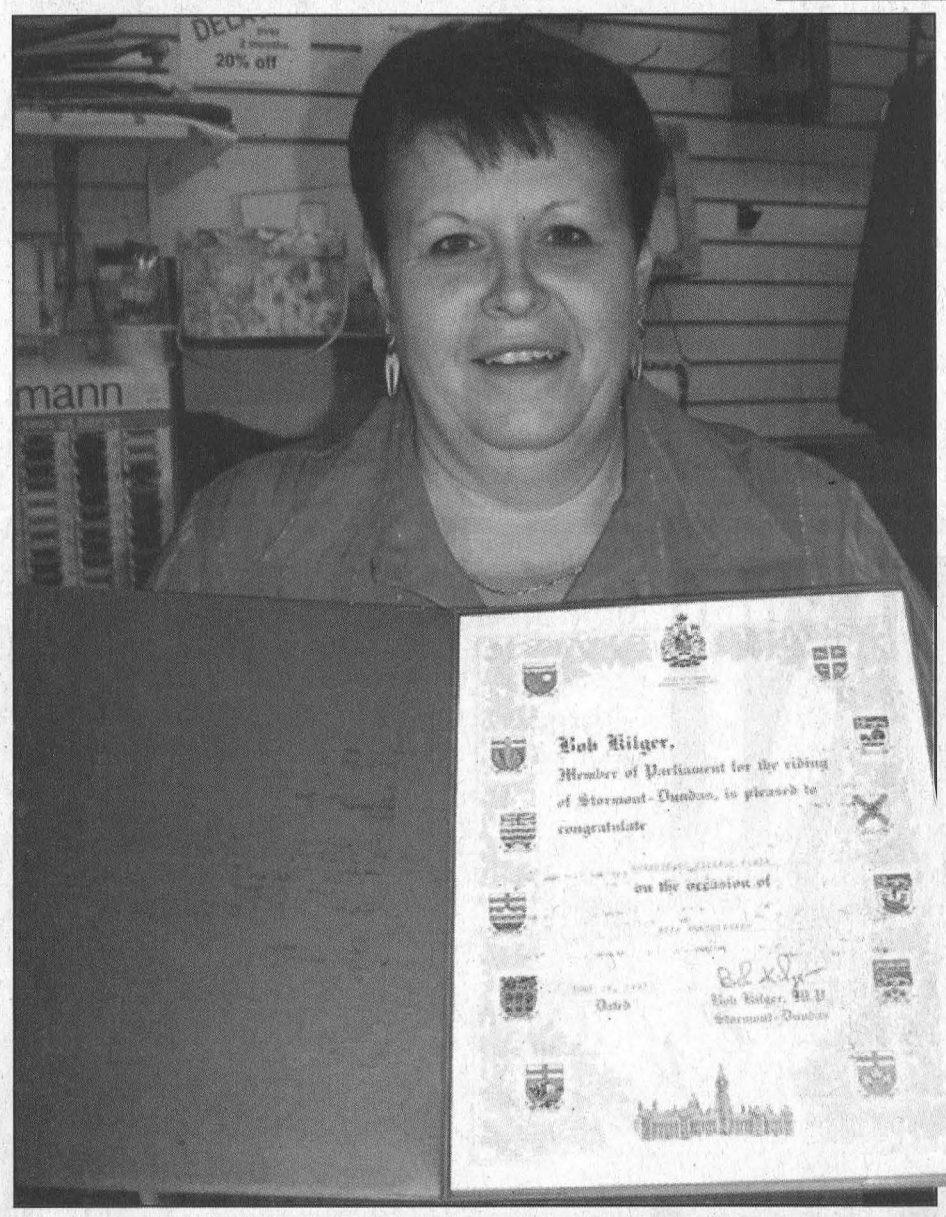
These write-offs resulted from roughly 50 successful reassessment requests or appeals here in South Dundas.



10-year-old releases first CD of original music

Valarie Hartry, a 10-year-old girl from the Williamsburg area, has just released a three song collection of original music. She wrote the songs when she was nine years old, and as a 10th birthday present her parents gave her some recording time. Her father Michael has been making copies of the CD for Valarie's friends and family. "When you listen to my songs I just want you to feel happy," says Valarie. In addition to writing the lyrics and music for the song Valarie also sings the songs on her CD. Pictured above Valarie sits at the piano in her family's home with the new guitar she got for Christmas. See story page three.

Comfort photo



BIA preparing 50th anniversary celebrations **Comfort photo**

The Morrisburg BIA is working up to celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first shopping centre in Canada. They are currently seeking ideas and interest from volunteers and organizations willing to contribute to the festivities slated for June 29 and 30, 2007. Pictured above, event contact, Jane Ewing, holds the certificate given to the BIA 10 years ago to commemorate the 40th anniversary of "Canada's first shopping centre."

Two arrested in connection with Mac's Milk robbery

LONG SAULT – Nearly four months after the Mac's Milk store in Iroquois was robbed by a man brandishing a knife, police made two arrests in connection with the crime.

January 8, at 8:30 p.m. Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry OPP officers arrested two suspects that they believe were involved with the September 17, 2006, robbery, when a lone male, with a knife, entered the store, at about 6 a.m., and robbed the female employee of an undisclosed amount of cash. He fled the scene in a dark coloured vehicle, and was not located when police searched the area.

Believed to be involved with the crime and arrested last week at the Long Sault OPP detachment, were a 17-year-old female from South Stormont and a 20-year-old man from Cornwall.

The female was charged with conspiracy to commit an indictable offence and public mischief. The 20-year-old man faces charges of robbery with a weapon and conspiracy to commit an indictable offence.

The female was released and will appear in Cornwall court February 8, 2007. The man was held in custody pending a bail hearing.

Constable D. Ferguson is the investigating officer.

BIA planning big event

50th anniversary of Canada's first shopping centre

MORRISBURG – "Canada's First Shopping Centre," the Morrisburg Village Plaza is preparing to celebrate its 50th anniversary, and the BIA wants every business in the plaza and every community member who can, to get a little nostalgic and help them go big with the celebration.

So far, the BIA has a number of ideas and a date.

The two day 50th anniversary celebration will take place June 29 and 30, 2007.

All aspects of the celebration will be centred around the plaza, which was designated Canada's First Shopping Centre by the Federal Government when the plaza celebrated its 40th anniversary in 1997.

The theme of the celebrations will be 1950's nostalgia, and the Morrisburg BIA, which is coordinating the event, has arranged a huge street dance to take place in front of the plaza, near the information booth, Friday, June 29. Eddie and the Stingrays have already been booked to provide the entertainment and admission will be free.

Last week the BIA hosted a special meeting to discuss the event and share their ideas.

Organizers would like to get all plaza business owners involved in re-creating the "Friday night shopping" experience that it once was where people came to town to socialize as much as to shop.

A parade and activities for children, teenagers and adults have all been suggested, as have Seaway Project related memorabilia and displays.

The BIA is hoping that community organizations will come on board to run some of the events, and that anyone interested in helping out with the celebration, physically or financially, will come forward by contacting Jane Ewing by phone 613-543-4384 or via email bia@morrisburg.ca

Anyone wishing to participate in the event or who has ideas to share is welcome to attend the next event meeting which is scheduled for Thursday, March 1, 2007. The meetings take place at the BIA office which is located on the second floor of the old high school in Morrisburg.

Midget B girls roar in win

PERTH–The Perth Wings took an early lead when the Lions came to town Friday night, but the single goal didn't hold up when the Lions roared back with a vengeance to claim a 6-1 win in Ontario Women's Hockey Association Midget B play.

Aynsley Rous put the Wings on the scoreboard at 6:56 of the first period, and the 1-0 lead held until late in the frame when Sarah Myers tied it with help from Ali Tait and Cobie Wells.

Three goals in just over four minutes in the second period put the Lions in command giving them a 4-1 advantage heading into the final frame.

Ali Tait kicked it off, followed by goals from Jill Kirkwood and Melissa Primeau. Earning assists were Kelly Velthuis, Jessica Goulet, Wells, Chantal Thurler and Lisa Hey.

The Lions finished it off in the third with a pair of goals scored within six seconds of each other. Primeau got her second goal of the game at 11:11 and Tait hers at 11:17. Myers and Hey assisted Primeau, and Primeau chalked up an assist on the Tait counter.

The Wings sat out eight minor penalties and the Lions were assessed four.

On December 18 in Chesterville, the Lions were held to a 3-3 draw by visiting Brockville. They led 1-0 after the first period, but Brockville tied the game in the second.

Sarah Myers led the Lions' scoring with a pair of goals, including the tying goal with just over one minute left in the game, and Cobie Wells connected for a single. Ali Tait assisted on all three goals and Wells provided a pair of assists.

Scoring for Brockville were Jessica Jonkman, Chelsea Richer and Cheryl Osso.



Community Connection

When the Morrisburg and District Lions Club drew the name of the grand prize winner of the annual holiday season raffle, and ended up with the name Marilyn McLaren. She won $300 in gift certificates from Mike's Valumart. McLaren is the coordinator of the Community Christmas Dinner held annually at the Morrisburg Legion and hosted by St. James Anglican Church. She is also involved with Martha's Kitchen. McLaren was pleased with the win and pleased to talk about what a great supporter Mike Vrab of Mike's Valumart is to these charities, and added that she will donate some of her winnings to the charities she supports. Carl Casselman was the winner of first prize in the draw, which is one night's accommodation at the McIntosh Inn's Jacuzzi Suite. Casselman complimented McLaren on the Community Christmas Dinner which he attended and enjoyed. On accepting his prize, Casselman, who is an avid supporter of the Morrisburg Junior B Lions hockey team, took the time to remind everyone how important the team is, especially to the young people who come out and enjoy the games. Other prize winners were Charlotte Duncan who won a 20" television donated by Canadian Tire and Keith Baldwin who won a $100 gift certificate from Giant Tiger. Carl Robinson, president of the Morrisburg and District Lions Club, said that the prizes were generously donated by the aforementioned local businesses and that the proceeds of the raffle will benefit the Williamsburg Girl Guides. Pictured above, left to right, are Vrab, McLaren, Casselman and Robinson.

Comfort photo

New record set in St. Lawrence Seaway's 48th navigation season

CORNWALL – The St. Lawrence Seaway closed for the season December 30, 2006, with the passage of the vessel Kathryn Spirit through the St. Lambert Lock at 12:50 a.m.

The Seaway's 48th navigation season commenced March 23, 2006, with the system remaining open for a record of 283 days, exceeding by two days the previous record set in 2004.

The Welland Canal section closed at 8:39 a.m. on December 30, with the transit of the articulated tug and barge Sea Eagle II.

"We are very pleased to report that Seaway traffic for the 2006 navigation season is projected to amount to a total of 48 million tonnes, a 10 percent increase over the 2005 results.

This achievement bodes well for the future of our Seaway, as a strong performance within our traditional bulk and break bulk staples was contemplated by a series of new and diversified cargo movements," said Richard Corfe, president and CEO of the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC).

"Our market development efforts, centred on the Hwy H20 campaign, brought in over 500,000 tonnes of new cargo movements over the course of 2006, adding over $1.2 million in incremental revenue to our top line," continued Corfe. "As these results represent an approximate 100 percent year over year increase in the volume of new cargoes coming into our system, momentum is clearly on our side."

The Seaway is also forging ahead with a number of technological initiatives, including vessel 'self-spotting' technology, a prototype of "hands free" mooring system that will be installed this winter, and a "walk through" procedure at the Iroquois Lock which will allow vessels to transit the facility without coming to a full stop. The hydraulic drive conversion program also continues in earnest, as a key means of reinforcing the system's stellar 99.5 percent 'up time' record.

Corfe also said, "Within the existing locks and channels, the Seaway can accommodate a further increase of over 60 percent in cargo volumes.

The technological initiatives that we are undertaking, backed by consistent investments in our employees, prepare us for a future where the Great Lakes / Seaway System - Hwy H20 - will play a key role as a complement to heavily congested road and rail links within the inter modal cargo network."

On the environment front, the SLSMC and the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC) are working in concert with marine stake holders to advance ballast water treatment solutions, while, with its partners, implementing the most stringent ballast water inspection and shipboard management practices currently available.

SLSDC administrator Collister "Terry" Johson Jr., said that 2007 will be a pivotal year in addressing the ballast water challenge. "The SLSDC is planning to work closely with its U.S. and Canadian stake holders, including the new U.S. Congress, to forge a practical solution to this important issue," he said.

Johnson also noted the importance of working together collaboratively with U.S. and Canadian counterparts in industry and government on the Green Marine Initiative.

"Leaders of both Seaway Corporations sit on the steering committee of this important group that represents more than 500 maritime companies and, consistent with our "blue is green" theme, we want to deliver the message that moving more cargo volume via the marine mode provides a ready answer to increasing the energy efficiency and lowering greenhouse gas emissions," said Johnson.

The Seaway is now closed for the winter to accommodate annual maintenance on its infrastructure and equipment, which will encompass some $28 million in expenditures.

Police service

DUNDAS COUNTY – The SD&G OPP responded to 97 calls for service in Dundas County last week. Of those calls for service 46 were to South Dundas, 10 were along the 410 Highway and 41 were in North Dundas Township.

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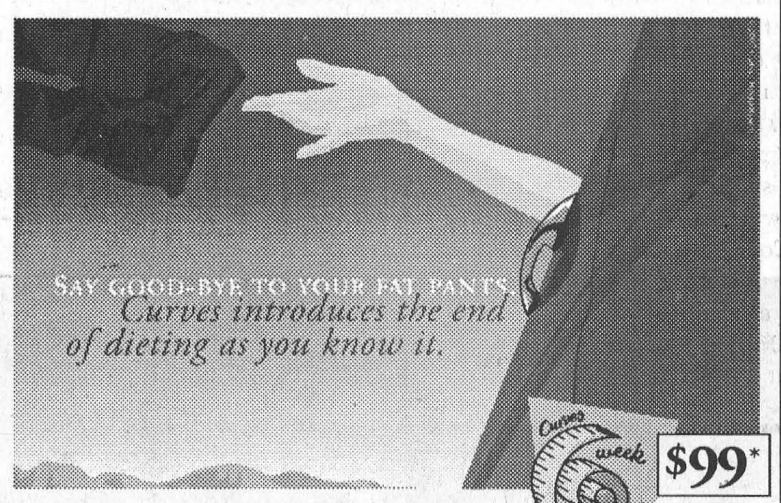

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Local 10-year-old girl records original music

WILLIAMSBURG – Ten-year-old Valarie Hartry has a natural talent when it comes to music, and with that talent, she has been putting pen to paper for the last two years writing songs.

Valarie first started playing the violin because a friend was playing and she picked it up quickly. Last year she started playing guitar too. "My mom inspired me to play guitar," says Valarie.

"I taught her some chords on the guitar and when she came back she had songs to play for us," says Valarie's mom Ann.

According to Valarie, she has been writing songs since she was about eight years old.

Her songs are based on fiction, basically stories that she makes up in her head, she explains.

"I start with thinking what I want to write about - then I write the words about it and then think up a tune," says Valarie.

When Valarie kept coming to her parents with new songs, they decided on a unique gift for her 10th birthday.

They gave her some recording time at Nancy Beaudette's BackShed Studio.

Valarie spent about five hours, in October, at the studio, recording the three songs which are now available on her first CD.

"It was fun to record my songs," says Valarie. "It was really exciting and different," she says of the overall experience.

The three songs on the CD are called *Magic*, *Thinking About You* and *How Do I Feel?*

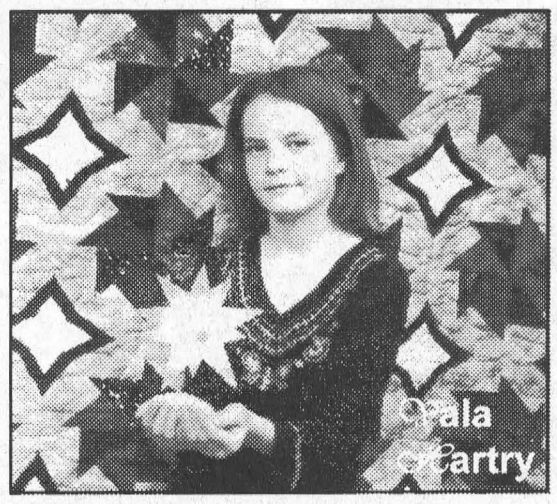
The songs range in length from two minutes and 31 seconds to three minutes and two seconds, and they are all sung by Valarie herself.

Of the songs that she has written, *Magic* is her favourite. "It has a pretty nice tune and I really like the lyrics," she says.

When her CD was finished she told her teacher about it and she was asked to play it for her grade five class at St. George's Catholic School in Long Sault.

"I'm pretty happy with the CD but sometimes I am shy to show it to other people." She says showing it to her class, "was scary at first until I got used to it."

Looking back on the experience she says, "I am happy that I could show people my voice. I'm usually shy."



Of her future in music, Valarie says, "Everybody thinks about being famous once in a while." She is thinking about a career singing and acting.

"I've decided that I want to do this for a lifetime," says Valarie, adding that she doesn't want to do it alone, so she has "partnered up" with her friend Mieke Westenbroek. The two are now working on a song called *Opposites*.

So far Valarie has written about eight pop songs.

She listens to all kinds of music, but rock is her favourite. "It's harder to write rock songs," she says, adding that maybe after some more practice writing she will try to write a soft rock song.

She is a fan of the American and Canadian Idol television shows and her favourite singers are Kelly Clarkson from American Idol and Eva Avila from Canadian Idol.

She may try out for Canadian Idol one day, but is not really sure because she has never performed her music in front of anyone yet.

Valarie is the daughter of Michael and Ann Hartry who have lived in the Williamsburg area for the last six years.

Valarie's younger sister Sam is her number one fan and backup singer.

Copies of Valarie's three song CD are available by calling 543-0021 or by e-mail ann@newmorningmanor.ca

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IROQUOIS – A belated "Happy New Year" to each and everyone of you. May you and your family reap great health and prosperity, not just for now, but always.

I took a short break from my newsletter, but I will give you an update. On December 23, there were 12 cribbage players for an afternoon of playing doubles. Finishing in first place was Art Ault with a 1064 total. Andre Gravel was second with 1041 and Noella Kirkwood third with 1023. The bridesmaid's honours went to Ken Palmer with a 1015 total. Ten skunks were dished out with two each going to Karl Kirkwood, Janice Warner and Dennis Wright.

The Pot of Gold winner was Don Thompson who was not signed in.

On December 30, Bernie Montroy finished first amongst 15 cribbage players with a 1069 score. Two points back in second place was Karl Kirkwood, and Patricia Casselman was third with a 1051 score. Bridesmaid honours went to Andy Acelvari with his 1046 total. Seven skunks made an appearance and picking up two each were Glen Mattice and Art Ault. Art even managed to get one of the double striped variety.

The Pot of Gold winner was Pat Hart who was not signed in.

On Saturday, January 6, 19 cribbage players were on hand in the lounge. Duane Kirker finished first with his 1073 score, and Ted Grattan was second with 1071. Roger Coulter trailed along with his 1060 total. Janice Warner proudly claimed the bridesmaid spot with her score of 1047. During the afternoon, 10 little pole cats were caught and Andy Acelvari, unfortunately, picked up three of them. At this point, the league has reached the half way point of regular play for this season.

The Pot of Golf winner was Stanley Moore who was not signed in.

This Friday's meal will be home made beef stew with pie and ice cream for dessert.

All activities have now resumed at our Branch after the Christmas break, so I'll have more to report later.

Comrade Willis Douglas is slowly recovering at home, and Willis, we miss seeing you around the Branch. Hurry and get well.

Until next week–Take Care–Aloha!

Continuous concern over MPAC assessment method

WILLIAMSBURG – Overall, discontent over property assessment methods have continued to grow despite the Ontario Ombudsman review of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation and its fair market system.

On a monthly basis resolutions concerning MPAC and its methods cross the council table for support, and December was no different.

At the December 19, South Dundas council meeting two such resolutions were review by council, one from the Corporation of the Township of Chisholm and one from Prince Edward County.

Council supported the Prince Edward County's move to "freeze payments to MPAC at the 2006 rate until it is determined that MPAC has implemented changes that will result in an improved and strong, functioning system that is fair to all Ontarians."

South Dundas CAO Steve McDonald explained that the County would eventually have to pay the levy, which is set by MPAC and paid through the county level of government.

South Dundas councillor Delbert Jones expressed some concern over the move.

Council supported Prince Edward County. "Something has to be done," said South Dundas mayor Charles Barkley.

Even though they supported Prince Edward County's actions, they did not move to take similar action here.

The Township of Chisholm resolution, also pertaining to the MPAC proposed the idea that, "future property assessments increase only upon the sale of a property thus protecting all ratepayers and, in particular vulnerable ratepayers, from unfair taxation."

Council deferred voting on this resolution because of the possible implication that they support this alternate property assessment method.

"If we support this it could imply that we support that position," said South Dundas councillor Steven Byvelds. "We don't have enough information to make that decision."

"This may increase unfairness of another type," said councillor Jones.

In deciding to defer the motion, mayor Barkley suggested that council write a resolution of their own expressing their concerns about MPAC and property assessments.

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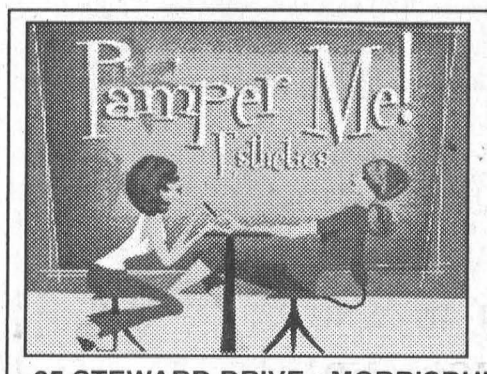

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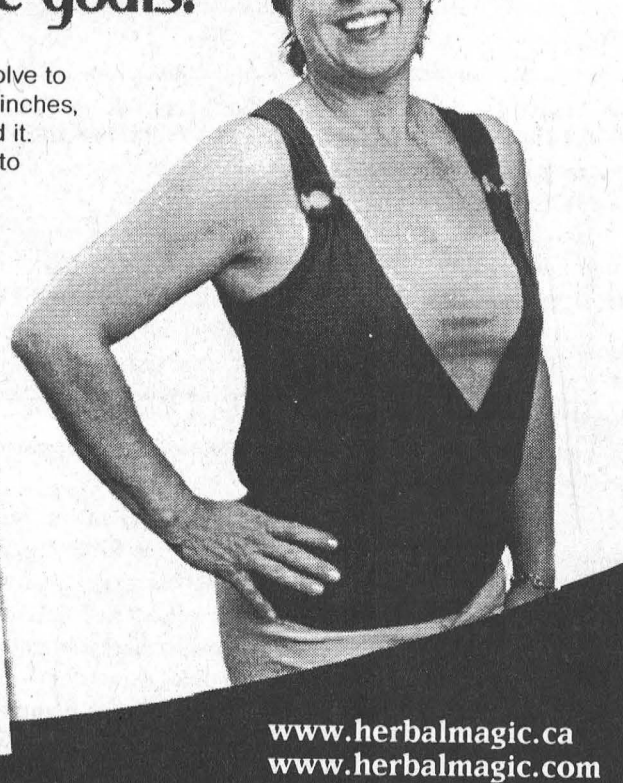

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Location, location

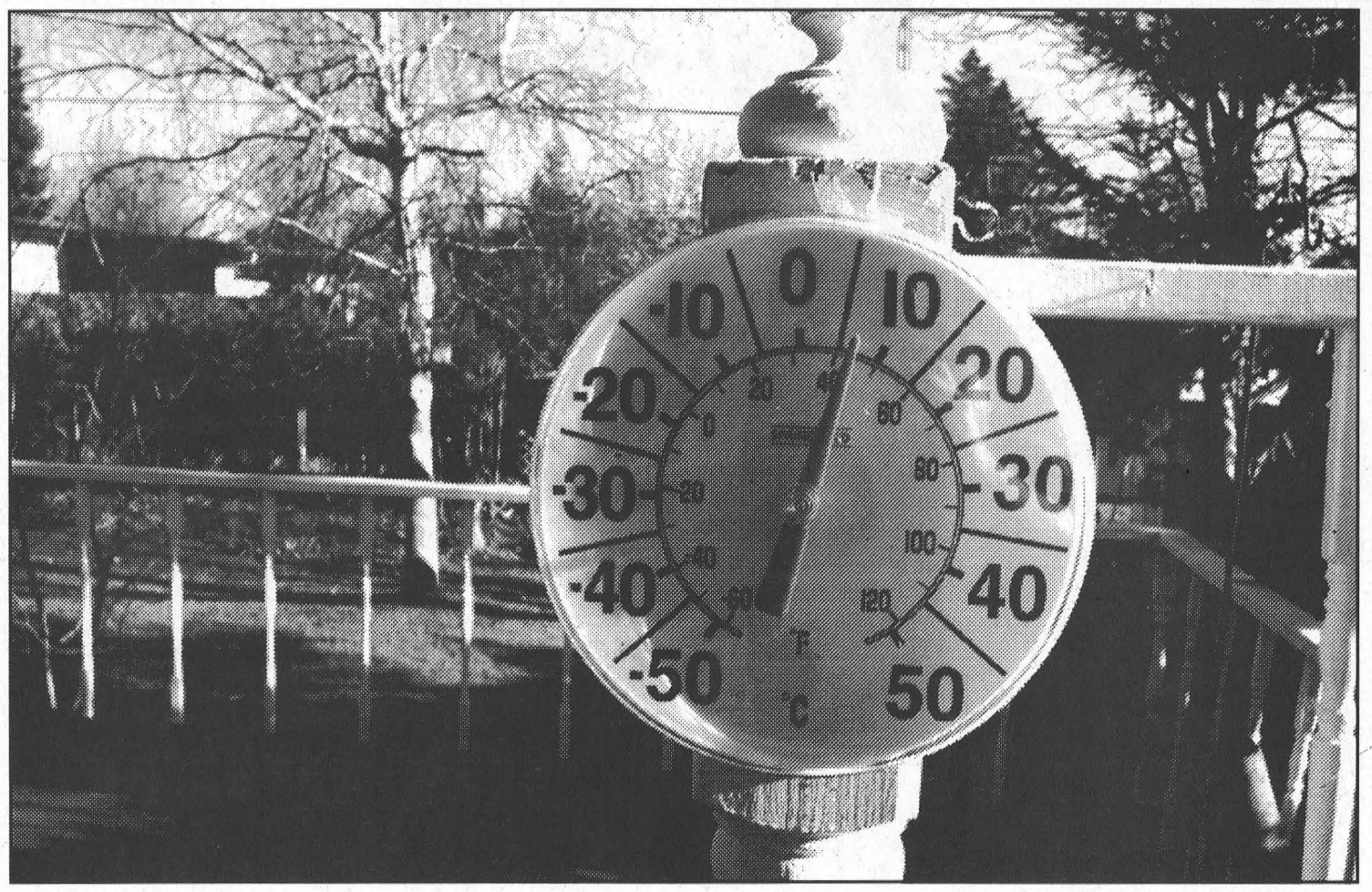
What goes in must come out. That's a given. The question now apparently is "where should it come out?".

We are of course talking about the location of a new waste water treatment plant for the Village of Morrisburg. There is no question of the need for a new waste water treatment plant for the village of Morrisburg. What is currently in place isn't adequate and hasn't been adequate for many years.

With the project now in the planning stages, South Dundas deputy-mayor Rowdy Gillard, prompted by public opinion, has suggested council take a look at possible locations other than the current one which takes up a beautiful section of waterfront property. This is probably one of the few, and maybe even the only, hunks of waterfront property this municipality has any control over from Morrisburg to South Dundas' east boundary.

For those unaware, the current water treatment plant is located at the south east end of Allison Drive which is the road that runs along the east boundary of the Morrisburg Golf Club. In this area (south of Eckels) there are a couple of buildings (a municipal storage building, a Hydro storage building) in addition to the treatment plant and the lagoon. To the north of the buildings the property is largely unused. It is an open area that some people suggest could hold the new treatment plant, (settlement ponds are apparently no longer required) effectively freeing up the currently used land that affords the fabulous view of the St. Lawrence.

It has long been talked about the need for new business and industry in South Dundas and for the infrastructure to accommodate this new business and industry. With the new water plant now in operation and the waste water treatment project now getting started, the municipality will soon be prepared to accommodate growth in the Morrisburg area. However, what we don't often talk about is the lack of land for residential growth within close proximity of the village. Freeing up this waterfront property could well be a good idea and we wait with interest to learn if it is feasible...physically...and most especially financially.



The Weather Outside is...Delightful *McNairn Photo*

Sunday, January 7 was just another unusually warm and sunny day with the temperature approaching the 10° C mark. It followed on the heels of several days of record setting mild temperatures which quickly melted the sprinkle of snow which was on the ground from light snowfalls that occurred just before the new year. The unseasonably mild weather has so far squashed the snowmobile and outdoor skating season, but has allowed golfers to get out and swing their clubs.

Seen 'n Heard

Around the Township

We heard on Monday night's weather forecast that we can expect the arrival of winter today (Wednesday) with much colder temperatures and some snow. Like many others we have been enjoying the unseasonably mild weather, all the while realizing that it is not good for winter retail sales or plant life both of which count on winter weather.

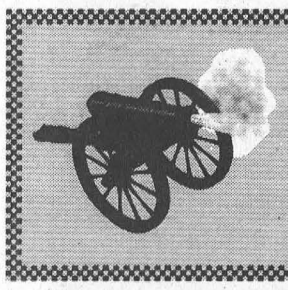
While outdoors on Sunday, we had the occasion to eliminate a mosquito and after a quick examination of the flower beds we pushed our lily bulbs back into the ground where they will be protected from the coming cold weather.

Just to say we did, we grabbed the new driver we received for Christmas and headed down to the Morrisburg Golf Course on Sunday to hit a few balls. While not one of those golfers to throw on the long underwear and gloves to play, we did want to experience the rare January opportunity. The experience was great, even though the shots weren't!!!

We remind everyone that the Matilda Winter Carnival is just around the corner on the weekend of January 19-21. Organizers are listing a car/ATV rally in this year's event, obviously not taking a chance on trying to run a snowmobile rally. Probably a wise decision.

A reminder that the Community Christian Reformed Church in Dixon's Corners is beginning its 11 week Alpha meetings tonight (Wednesday, January 10). This is a wonderful ministry blessing people around the world, and the community is invited to take part. Each evening will begin with a meal followed by the Alpha meeting. For more information you can phone Pieter at 652-4118, Walter at 652-2540 or the church at 652-2400.

The Canadian Cancer Society informs us it is looking for people in the Morrisburg area to volunteer. They are looking for volunteers who can spare just three hours of their time to help raise money for life-saving research and vital support services for people living with cancer in communities across Ontario. Anyone interested in finding out more is invited to attend an information night on Monday, January 29 from 7-8 p.m. at the Morrisburg Meeting Centre. For more information you can call the SD&G Prescott-Russell Unit at 613-932-1283.



Blast from the The Leader Past

Compiled from The Leader's files

1997

The January 8 issue reported seven contestants were seeking the Matilda Carnival Queen title including Rebecca Cooper, Lisa Adlington, Erin McDonell, Megan Swerdfeger, Angie Thompson, Sherri Shaver and Marla Duvall.

Fire of unknown origin gutted the Treasure Island restaurant in Ingleside. The restaurant had been a landmark in the community since 1960.

Founded by George Beavers in 1947, Beavers Dental Products was celebrating its 50th anniversary. Beavers was a salesman when he came to town in the mid 1930s, and met George Challies from whom he purchased his patent medicine business.

1987

The January 7 issue reported that a group of angry citizens attended Williamsburg Township Council demanding that Hess Road become the traditional Saving Street. Council had opted for the Hess Road name previously when a delegation claiming to represent 98 percent of the residents, asked it be named Hess Road. This new group said it represented most residents on the road.

The official sod-turning for the new North Williamsburg Recreation Association building in Williamsburg was carried out on January 5. The recreation association had been aiming for a new facility since vandals burned the washroom facilities at the township ball park to the ground on Halloween night in 1985. The new building would replace the current rink shack built in the late 1940s in the old ball park and moved to its site in 1958-59. Half the cost of the $90,000 facility was covered by a Wintario grant.

1977

The January 14 issue reported that two deaths were attributed to the January 10 snowstorm that hit eastern Ontario with howling winds, subzero temperatures and tons and tons of snow.

Doug McNairn and Bryan Rutley scored the Morrisburg Junior B Lions' goals in a 4-2 loss to Kemptville. The Lions were in first place in the St. Lawrence Division with 29 points, and Prescott was second with 19.

Reeve J.C. Whitteker, Deputy-Reeve Glen Cunningham and councillors Dwight Crowder, Robert Gillard and D.H. Kyle took the oath of office at the inaugural meeting of the 1977-78 Williamsburg Township council.

A $6,000 reward was still unclaimed and available to any person having any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person(s) who murdered Mrs. Lillian Tousant (82) of Glen Stewart on September 24, 1975.

John Allison Real Estate had a three bedroom home on Lakeshore Drive listed for $29,800. Taxes on the property which overlooked the St. Lawrence were $215 a year.

1967

The January 13 issue reported Morrisburg's Centennial project, the beautification and improvement of the park had yet to be officially organized and hinged on permission from Ontario Hydro which owned the land.

Cardinal's rail and road bridge across the Galop Canal, which had been in use for 50 years, was being dismantled to be replaced by a rail track across the new causeway.

The Morrisburg-Williamsburg Intermediate Combines lost 5-4 to Prescott in St. Lawrence Intermediate B play. Scoring for the Combines were Brian VanAllen, Bob Schell, Little Doug Casselman and Bill (Shack) Jarvis.

Featured in the issue was Fred H. Broder, reeve of the village for 13 years, and banker and businessman, who was born at Morrisburg in 1880. An arts graduate of Toronto University (class of 1902), he was the first teller in the local Molson's Bank. In 1915, he enlisted with the 148th Battalion. He was severely injured near Lans, France and returned to Morrisburg in 1919. He then formed a partnership with Richard M. Morash, purchasing the business known as the Morash Foundry. The partnership continued for 30 years until the business was sold to the Brown brothers in 1948.

1957

The January 11 issue reported Morrisburg's municipal council members were sworn in at the inaugural meeting on Monday, January 7. They included Reeve George Beavers and councillors Mac Wilson, A.E. Edgerton, W. Guay and Harry Duval.

The East Williamsburg Subdivision parcel and plan was ready for the sale of lots to the public. The subdivision was firstly for the placement of residents of the township who were forced to move from their homes due to the St. Lawrence Power Project. Thirty-two lots had now been spoken for and information could be obtained on those remaining by phoning George Jowett.

The installation of dial switching equipment was now under way in Morrisburg's new exchange building. This was a vital step in the conversion to dial operation.

The Morrisburg Merchants defeated Finch Juniors, 7-3 to move into a first place tie in the Lower Ottawa Valley loop. Lawrence Wells led the scoring and Ray Baker was in net.

1937

Headlines in the January 15 issue read: Dundas County Loses Fine Citizen. Aaron Sweet passed away at his home in Winchester on January 8 at the age of 83. He attended grammar school in Morrisburg in 1868, and after a brief apprenticeship here he entered the general store of his uncle Andrew Broder of Winchester. In 1876, he became a partner and finally the owner of the business which was known in 1937, as "Big Store" which had operated under the name of A. Sweet & Co. since 1881. In 1876, Mr. Sweet was elected reeve of the newly incorporated village of Winchester. In 1923, he ran under the Conservative banner and was elected to the Ontario legislature. He was associated with the building of Winchester's Community Hotel, the skating arena, the organization of the Agricultural Society and the Horticultural Organization.

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Saturdays - 7:30 p.m.
Sundays - 11:00 a.m.
St. Cecilia's, Iroquois
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.
Confessions before weekend masses

South Dundas Evangelical Lutheran Parish
Sunday, January 14, 2007
ST. PAUL'S, Morrisburg
9:30 a.m. – Service of Word and Prayer
Sunday School & Coffee Hour
ST. PETER'S, Williamsburg
11:15 a.m. – Service of Word and Prayer & Sunday School
The Rev. Norine Gullons
Office: 543-3154

Williamsburg United Church
Organists – Susan Barkley, Lynn Gilmour, Joanne Walsh
Minister - Rev. Isabel Black
Sunday, January 14, 2007
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
Sunday School & Nursery available

The United Church of Canada
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Morrisburg, Ontario
Rev. Jean Udall, Minister
Office Telephone 543-3079
Sunday, January 14, 2007
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
Children's Chatter & Sunday School

Christian Reformed Church
Williamsburg, Ontario
Minister Rev. John Noordhof
Office: 535-1882 Church: 535-2227
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6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship Service
Tuesday –7:00 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer
Thursday – 7:00 p.m.
Youth Service
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Evangelical Lutheran Churches
Sunday, January 14, 2007
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ST. JOHN'S, Riverside Heights
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MP enthusiastic about Harper's cabinet shuffle

OTTAWA – Local MP Guy Lauzon says he is enthused by Prime Minister Stephen Harper's cabinet shuffle, which took place last week.

"In particular, I am encouraged that the new conservative government recognizes the importance of areas relating to agriculture, seniors, small business, tourism, the environment and immigrants, and that the expansion of the cabinet will ensure that those areas get particular attention," says Lauzon in an update from Parliament Hill.

"Prime Minister Stephen Harper has presented a strengthened ministerial team that will continue to deliver on the government's commitments to Canadians."

According to Lauzon, the government plans to pursue a focused and active agenda for 2007 that will include:

- More action to protect the environment and the health of Canadians;
- Presentation of a budget that controls spending, lowers taxes and offers the provinces a fair deal to restore fiscal and jurisdictional balance in Canada;
- Continued efforts to make our streets and communities safer;
- Making Canada's institutions more democratic and more accountable; and
- Standing up for Canada's interests and values on the world stage.

"A fresh face on government shows dedication to moving forward and ensuring even better results than the first year," says Lauzon. "As your Member of Parliament, I am happy to continue in my role as Deputy Whip of the new conservative government, however, serving the constituents in Stormont, Dundas and South Glengarry remains my priority."

Back to Nature

IRENA – Four playful chickadees have been enjoying the unseasonably warm weather and lack of snow so far.

Local bird watcher, Sheila Scarbo says the group of them is having a grand time playing around her bird feeder.

Other birds spotted around her property have included one white-breasted nuthatch and three tree sparrows.

She is also reporting a robin sighting. "I didn't know they were still here but I saw one in my neighbour's tree," says Scarbo.

In her travels this week she saw a small red squirrel on top of a control box at the Flagg Road railway crossing and down by the salt pile along the river, estimates about 200 Canada Geese on site.

Euchre winners

WILLIAMSBURG – Winners at the Williamsburg Seniors Euchre on January 3 were as follows:
White: Everett Froats, Sheila Scarbo, Annie Parsons.
Yellow: Ray Casselman, Hubert LaPierre, Lorraine Tupper.
Door Prizes: Peggie Thompson and Gladys Kyle.
Draw: Gladys Kyle, Muriel Miller, Lorretta Crowder and Gladys Kyle.

Speeder arrested

SOUTH DUNDAS – At 2 a.m., January 5, SD&G OPP Constable C. Ward stopped a vehicle eastbound on Highway 401 for speeding. A small amount of drugs were seized from the 29-year-old driver and the male passenger. Both men, from the Toronto area, were arrested and charged with possession for the purpose. They were held in custody pending bail hearings in Cornwall court.

NEWSLETTER

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
Seaway Branch #48
10 Legion Street, Morrisburg, ON

We wish you all a Happy New Year and have great news. The next Steak BBQ Night is January 26th and The Real Deal will be playing in the lounge.

On January 20th in the lounge from 2-5 we will have our first members' birthday party. All are welcome to enjoy cake and goodies.

The last two weeks at the Legion were very busy. Friday we were "run off our feet" with all the tables full, a birthday bash with entertainment by Easy Pickins. Last Friday, John Mason played and this Friday's entertainment is Paul Smith, so come out relax and enjoy free entertainment.

The News Year's Eve Bash was a wonderful evening. There was lots of dancing, good food and entertainment by The Cowboy Way.

The Early Bird membership draw winners were Darlene Gore - a Legion golf shirt, Pete Bourret - membership dues returned, John Vaughan - News Year's Eve tickets.

Sunday's Cribbage had 2 tables and the winners were: Glen M., Evelyn S. and Patricia C. Skunk pot was won by Goldie D. Euchre will be this Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Meat draw was won by Krista Boyce and Donna Dillabough. The meat draw proceeds are now being donated to the "Raise the Roof campaign.

The Monthly Calendar of Events will return in February.

Until next time – ***Comrade Janice***

United Way agencies may face cutbacks

CORNWALL – The United Way of S.D.&G is still facing a $175,000 shortfall to its campaign.

"If we do not reach our campaign goal, we may need to make some major cutbacks to our agencies who are already over stressed," says executive director, Karen Turchetto.

"This is not something we want to do when the community has worked so hard to ensure the goal is reached. Exceptional support has put our campaign $100,000 over last years total already," says, Turchetto, "but to ensure our 18 agencies and 32 programs and services get what they need we also need to reach our goal.

"It is hard for us at this time of year to keep asking when so many people in the community have already been so generous through the Christmas holidays," she adds.

According to Turchetto, some community members who normally give have yet to send in their donations. United Way volunteers are out there working hard trying to get everything in. "If you have not yet made your donation please do so," she urges.

"The campaign will be officially closed in a few days and it would be the biggest story ever in the history of this United Way if we were to reach our goal of $857,000."

To make a donation call the United Way at 613-932-2051.

Tools taken

IROQUOIS – A break and enter along the Seibert Road in South Dundas was reported to police January 4. Sometime overnight, unknown suspects removed a number of power tools from a residence under construction. Constable J. Knier is officer investigating the incident.

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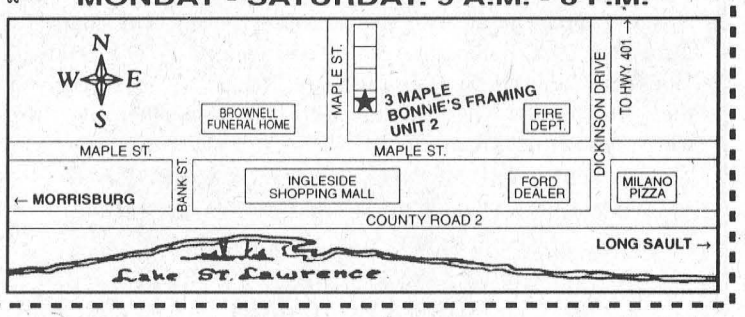

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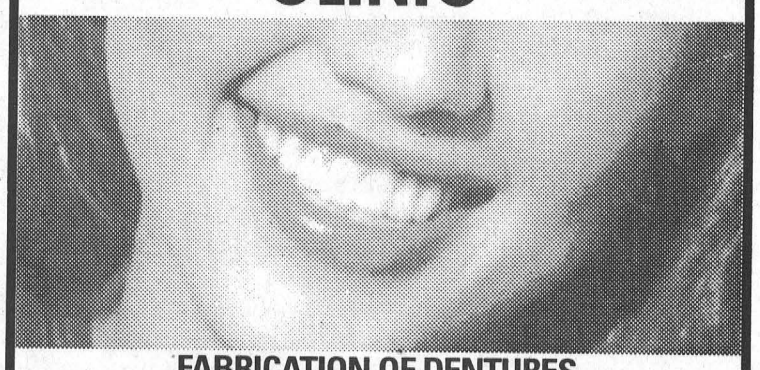
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Month of December misses that winter weather factor

OTTAWA–Could this be the year without winter?

December is typically the start of the winter season with cold temperatures and snow, but this year warmer temperatures made it seem more like fall or spring.

Record breaking temperatures for the month were recorded throughout the province. In many areas of Ontario, it was the warmest December on record, and in those places where temperatures were not the warmest, they were the second warmest.

It was so warm that only a few communities in Northern and Northwestern Ontario had a white Christmas.

The ski and snowmobile areas didn't have a great start to the season. Even though precipitation in December was within normal values, warmer temperatures meant that most of the precipitation fell as rain rather than snow.

While winter sports enthusiasts weren't happy with the lack of snow, others were pleased that it was costing them less to heat their homes and office buildings.

December 1 was heralded in by a major winter storm. Strong winds, rain, freezing rain, ice pellets and snow were the order of the day.

By December 2, Windsor and Trenton had received 44 and 52 mm of rain respectively.

After this winter-like start, the rest of December was very mild. On December 7, lake effect snow squalls dumped 47 cm of snow on London. On December 22 and 23, freezing rain made travelling difficult for those in eastern Ontario, particularly the Ottawa River Valley, trying to get home for Christmas.

The mean temperature for Ottawa for the month of December was -1.7 while the normal mean is -7.1. It was the warmest December for Ottawa since 2001.

Youths charged in break and enter

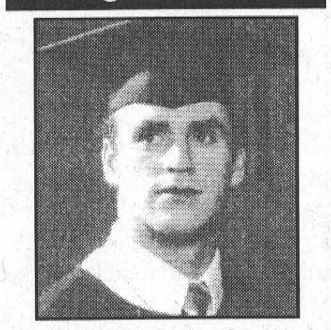
MORRISBURG – Two youths, aged 14 and 15 were arrested and charged with break and enter after they were found at the scene of a Maud Street residence.

Police were called to investigate the reported break and enter at 3:30 p.m., January 3.

According to police, the two suspects entered the residence through the rear door. The 14 and 15 year old were found at the scene and arrested. They were later released and are scheduled to appear in Cornwall court February 8, 2007.

Constable J. Moores is the investigating officer.

Congratulations



Bradley Casselman

Barry and Janice Casselman of Williamsburg congratulate their son Brad on his post-secondary achievements. Brad graduated from Carleton University with a Bachelor of Commerce degree with high honours and also recently was successful in passing the Uniform Final Exam (UFE) to become a Chartered Accountant.

Brad is currently employed with Collins Barrow, Ottawa, Chartered Accountants.

We're so proud of you and wish you continued success in your CA career.

Love Mom, Dad and Carissa

Obituaries

Dorothy McQuaig



A lifetime resident of the area, Dorothy McQuaig finished her earthly journey suddenly on Thursday, December 28, 2006, at the Ottawa Civic Hospital. She was 97.

Dorothy was born February 21, 1909, at Brinston, daughter of the late Ancil and Annie Thompson (nee Ault).

Dorothy lived with her uncle Orrin Strader and Aunt Jennie Strader (nee McIntosh) from the age of eight years old. She attended the local Payne School and later Iroquois High School.

She remained with the Strader Family until 1931, when she met Percy Henry McQuaig whom she married on March 11, 1931.

Together they had twin daughters Loreen Mae and Doreen Marie in 1936; however, the girls died in infancy.

She and Percy farmed at Brinston until the mid 1940's when they returned to Hulbert taking over the McQuaig farm from Mr. and Mrs Herbert McQuaig. They retired in 1960 and moved back to Brinston.

After Percy's death in 1973, Dorothy moved to Iroquois into the Senior's Apartments on Dundas Street where she served as treasurer of the seniors, Helping Hands and received the honour of Senior Citizen of the Year in 1997.

Dorothy moved from Iroquois to apartment living at Bayfield Manor in Kemptville in 2001, and was transferred to assisted living (nursing care) November 1, 2004, because of ill health.

While at the Bayfield Manor she received compassionate and competent care.

Due to her strong determination and making all her own decisions, she lived a long life with no complaints or discontent. She would make her decision and then say "whatever".

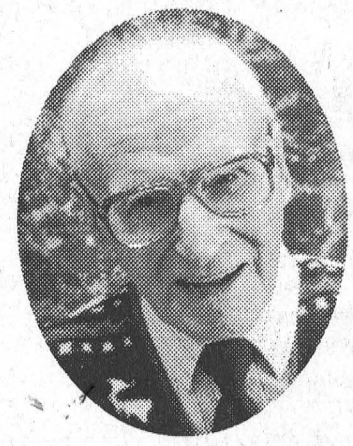
Visitation was at the Marsden & McLaughlin Funeral Home, in Iroquois, on Tuesday, January 2, from 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday January 3, from 10 a.m. until the funeral at 11 a.m. with Yvonne Willis minister at Dorothy's home church Brinston United officiating. Sandra Barkley-Probst provided the music and solos, *How Great Thou Art, Because He Lives, One Day at a Time* and *When the Roll is Called Up Yonder*.

Service of interment took place immediately at Spruce Haven Cemetery, Brinston. Pallbearers were Gordon Cooper, Henry Geurkink, Hubert Lapierre, Bill Zandbergen, Jim Kerrio and Neil Strader.

A time of fellowship and refreshment followed at the Brinston Church Hall, provided by the Ladies of the Church.

Dorothy left us with these thoughts. "Somebody cares and loves you still and God is the someone who always will."

Cecil James Waddell



Cecil James Waddell passed away suddenly and very peacefully at the Township of Osgoode Care Centre on Thursday, December 28, 2006, in his 95th year.

He was the fifth of six children born to Ernest and Ethel (Peterkin) Waddell.

Born October 21, 1912, into the farming community of Osgoode Township, Cecil and his beloved wife Nelda (Carkner) built a top-notch pure bred Holstein herd over the years that won prizes at the local fairs and earned recognition for their milk production.

Cecil was a founding member of the Cooperative Medical Insurance and served for many years as a board member. He was one of the first 4-H members in the county and served on the Milk Marketing Board for many years. He also helped found the Crop and Soil Improvement Board.

He was a faithful and proud member of the Osgoode Baptist and United Church congregation and a member of the Osgoode Male Choir for some years.

After his herd was dispersed in 1992, and with time on his hands, Cecil happily grew, harvested and prepared vegetables from his garden for the annual Church Harvest supper. He devoted time and energy to his family and indulged in his passion for watching hockey games as well as curling.

Cecil moved to Riverside Heights in 1998, and lived with his daughter, Neila Fowler and her family. He became a treasured and much loved resident of the Township of Osgoode Care Centre in early 2005.

Cecil leaves behind daughters Judy (Garry) Charette of Iroquois, Linda (Keith) Robinson of Riverside Heights, Ruth Doyle of Surrey, British Columbia, Karen (Gary) Marshall of Carp, Neila (Jeff) Fowler and Sherry Waddell (Ron Grisdale) of Cambridge as well as one son Brian (Brenda) Waddell of Chesterville.

He will be sadly missed by his adoring grandchildren Marilyn Collins, Scott Robinson, Heather Prater, Valerie Besignano, Jamie Robinson, Mike Doyle, Jennifer Marshall, Curtis Fowler, Cory Fowler and Cole Fowler, five great-grandchildren, one great-great grandson and many nieces and nephews who fondly remember "helping" their uncle on his farm.

Friends and relatives called at the Daley Family Funeral Home on Monday, January 1, 2007, from 2-4 and 7-9. The funeral service was held in the chapel of the funeral home on Tuesday January 2, 2007, with Reverend Kathy Petrie officiating. Interment was at Springhill. The Osgoode Baptist and United Church hosted a reception following the service. His family gratefully acknowledged donations for the Township of Osgoode Care Centre or the Osgoode Baptist and United Church in memory of Cecil.

William "Bill" Chater



Following an illness of 18 months, William "Bill" Chater of 12-B Louden Terrace in Morrisburg, passed away at the Ottawa General Hospital on Monday, January 1. He was 70 years old.

Born on May 14, 1936, in Montreal, Bill was the son of the late Arthur and Kathleen (nee Austen) Chater. He is survived by his wife Diane (nee Lachance) whom he married March 15, 1988, in Oakville.

Bill lived in Toronto, Montreal, Pickering and Oakville and was a resident of Morrisburg for the last 17 years. He worked as an ambulance attendant, truck driver and school bus driver.

He was a member of Royal Canadian Legion Branch #48 in Morrisburg and the Riverside Mixed Dart League. In addition to playing darts, he enjoyed bowling, woodworking and listening to good tunes.

He will be lovingly remembered by his dear wife Diane and by his children William (Daphne) Chater of Bradford, Lana (Albert) Sweeney of Bradford, Robert (Sue) Chater of Pickering, Sharon Chater (Hubert Merkley) of Morrisburg, David Svendsen (Sherry Wereley) of RR1 Morrisburg and Michael Svendsen of Morrisburg.

He will be missed by his brothers and sisters Evelyn Fallon of Montreal, Edward (Cairlyn) of Morrisburg and Rolland (Rose) of Lake Utopia, New Brunswick.

Bill will be fondly remembered by his grandchildren Shane, Sheena, Tabetha, Tiffany, Shelby, Jessica, Katie, Amy, Zoe and Nathan and by his nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his brother John.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Thursday, January 4 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. A Legion service was held on Thursday evening at 7 p.m.

The funeral service, followed by cremation, was given by Rev. Craig Bowers at the home on Friday, January 5. Pallbearers were Derek Leishman, Gerald Chater, William Fallon, Tony Hubert, Bernard Fallon, Tommy Chater and Rolland Chater.

Donations to the Ottawa Eye Institute or the Kidney Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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Two wins on the weekend

Jr. B Lions within striking distance of 73s

MORRISBURG–Thanks to an overtime goal from Cory Gove, the Morrisburg Junior B Lions claimed a huge (overtime) win against the Rideaus in Westport Friday night, and that, combined with a 7-0 victory over Char-Lan on Sunday, puts them within striking distance of the third place Kemptville 73s.

The Rideaus were first on the scoreboard in Friday night's game with a Steve Biscaro goal just 17 seconds into the action.

Justin Elliott evened it off with a power-play goal at 7:28 (from Chad Galipeau and Ryne Gove) and from that point on the Lions never fell behind.

"We never got behind, but we just couldn't put it away," says coach Gove.

At 8:28 Kyle Lagace gave the Lions a 2-1 advantage, and at 16:27, the Rideaus evened it when Biscaro struck for his second goal on the power play.

It required less than one minute into the second period for the Lions to again go ahead, this time with a Chris Ayotte goal assisted by Lagace. But again the Rideaus came charging back when Kody O'Connor beat Lions' goaltender Andrew Pearson to make it 3-3.

The Lions finally looked as if they were going to pull away when Justin Elliott counted his second power-play goal at 2:38 and Kyle Lagace scored while the Lions were short-handed at 3:53. The Lions' 5-3 lead was short-lived when Nick Held scored on the Rideaus' power play at 4:55.

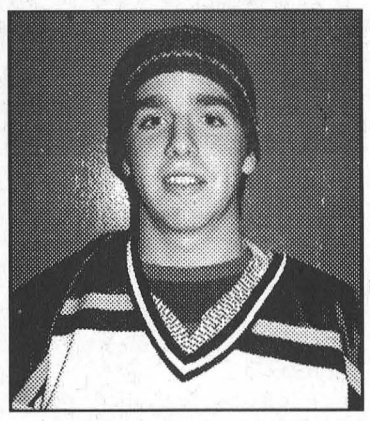
With five goals scored in the first five minutes of the second period, the game settled down and Pearson and Tyler Kenny, in net for the Rideaus, would not be beaten again in the frame.

The Lions headed into the third period still guarding their one goal advantage, but at 8:20 Vincent Ouellette broke through and evened it at 5-5.

For eight intense minutes the tie held and then at 17:11 Cory Gove (from Ayotte) found the spot for a 6-5 Lions' advantage.

The Lions held on and were just 27 seconds away from the win when Held counted to send the game into overtime.

Neither team would give an inch in the overtime, until finally the Lions were able to take advantage of a face off in the Rideaus' end.



Cory Gove scores overtime winner against Westport.

"It was a little face off play we have been working on and it worked at a great time," says coach Gove. "Chad (Galipeau) took the face off and slid it to Chris (Ayotte). A quick pass to Cory (Gove) and it was in the net."

Gove says injuries continue to plague the Lions. For Friday night's game they plugged one hole with Seaway AA midget affiliate Daniel Viau, "who played really well."

Tyler Lafortune remains out of the lineup but is expected to return soon. and defenceman Travis Baldwin is out indefinitely, although Gove is hoping he'll be ready for the playoffs.

Gove says the recent signing of defenceman Cody Casselman was a major boost on the blueline, but then along came the injury to Baldwin.

"We plug a hole with Casselman and then we lose Baldwin. We are really hoping to get everyone healthy before playoffs."

"Cody has played three games for us and he is making a big difference," says Gove. "He is a big factor on the power play and during our penalty kills."

"He and Mainville (Pat) will be very key in the playoffs."

Casselman, who comes from Morrisburg, has a huge amount of experience at the Junior A level and most recently has been playing college hockey in the United States.

Drafted in 2002 by the Nepean Raiders, he played a full season (2002/03) with the Lions while still midget age. He was called up by the Raiders for the playoffs in the spring of 2003 (after the Lions hung up their blades) and was part of the Raiders' championship experience when they won the Central League.

Gove is confident his defence is coming along. "McKay and Conway are playing good hockey, and Kyle Jarvis is really adjusting. He has always played forward, and he is adjusting very well to defence."

Sunday, the Lions were at home to the Char-Lan Rebels, and, with Andrew Pearson unbeatable in net, they went to work on a 7-0 shut out victory.

Chris Ayotte led the scoring with a hat trick performance in the first period. Kyle Lagace added two goals and Chad Galipeau and Ryne Gove produced singles.

The Lions led 4-0 after the first period and 7-0 after two.

Weekend action also was unique in that the Lions kept their penalties to a minimum. Friday night in Westport, they were nabbed for just 11 minors and a checking from behind and game misconduct to Chris Sommers and Sunday they committed only seven minor infractions.

"We are hoping we are getting them into playoff no-penalty mode," says Gove. "We are especially trying to eliminate the lazy penalties like hooking."

"If we can play five on five, we can be there with any team."

Gove says the Lions' fans can expect a really good game this Friday night when the Rideau division's third place Gananoque Islanders come to town. Sunday night they are on the road to Kemptville for what he points out "is a really big game" against the 73s.

The Lions now trail the third place 73s by just two points and with just 10 games (plus a makeup) left in the regular season schedule it is time to jockey for a playoff position.

JR. B SCOREBOARD

St. Lawrence Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Alexandria	28	20	4	4	44
Winchester	27	20	7	0	40
Kemptville	28	16	9	3	35
Morrisburg	27	16	10	1	33
Akwesasne	27	7	17	3	17
Char-Lan	28	6	20	2	14

Rideau Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts
Brockville	33	19	8	6	44
Westport	32	16	12	4	36
Gananoque	31	15	13	3	33
Athens	31	12	17	2	26
Sth. Grenville	32	6	24	2	14

OT- Ties & Teams losing in overtime one point

Results

Thursday, January 4–
Alexandria 6 at Kemptville 3
Friday, January 5–
Athens 3 at Kemptville 8
Morrisburg 7 at Westport 6 OT
Gananoque 3 at Alexandria 5
Saturday, January 6–
Winchester 10 at Sth. Grenville 3
Alexandria 10 at Akwesasne 3
Brockville 3 at Char-Lan 2
Sunday, January 7–
Char-Lan 0 at Morrisburg 7
Kemptville 2 at Gananoque 6
Sth. Grenville 3 at Athens 7

Coming up:

Friday, January 12–Gananoque at Morrisburg 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, January 13–All-Star games at Athens
Sunday, January 14–Morrisburg at Kemptville 7:15 p.m.

St. Lawrence Scoring Leaders

	G	A	Pts.
Ben Collins, Win.	30	46	76
Cory Gove, Mor.	30	43	73
Mike Moher, Kemp.	28	44	72
Chad Galipeau, Mor.	31	36	67
Bryan Vaughan, Kemp.	35	31	66

Lucas Stewart unbeatable

MORRISBURG – With an unbeatable Lucas Stewart in net here Saturday, the South Dundas Minor Midget B Rep Lions went to work on the visiting NGS Braves to carve out an 8-0 victory.

The Lions dominated the entire game going up 3-0 after one period and carrying a 5-0 advantage into the third period.

Kris Quirouette led the Lions attack with three goals and Jay Keller backed him up with a pair. Connor Hodgson, Andrew Hutt and Michel Thurler all provided one goal and helped out on another two.

Thomas Corden, Spencer Peters and Daniel Stevens were credited with single assists.

The Week In Curling

MORRISBURG – One of the most enjoyable bonspiels of the year is history again, with the concluding of the annual Heart and Stroke Bonspiel on Saturday.

Organizer Bob Ruddock, in his "thank you" to the participants, reported that over $2,600 was raised for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Dundas County. His committee did an excellent job once again, from bartenders to ice maintenance crew, to cooks, and kitchen staff. Though the curlers would have competed anyway, they delighted in their visits to the prize table and all hope to be back next year.

In the first draw, the mixed team of Steve and Alice Thompson, Walter Reid and Sharon Van Allen were lucky enough to win over two talented foursomes and finish in first place. Second was the team of Gary Gallinger, Sam Laurin, Diane Gallinger, and Gord Hawn. In third place were John Phillips, Cheryl Lowe, Sandra O'Neil and Dorothy Culkin.

In the second draw, Martin Schneckenburger, Nancy Skakum, Susan McIntosh and Betty Locke were the winners, with the highest point total in either half of the event. Close behind were Gary and Barb Mabee, Suzanne Brunet, and Tony Large. Third place went to Ivan Downie, Margaret Reynolds, Fran Aird and Peter Ross.

One participant rightly pointed out, as he introduced his team and thanked the organizers, that advances, partly financed with research money raised by the Heart and Stroke Foundation, made it possible for people like the ones on his quartet to keep on curling, and to maintain a high quality of life. Well put!

MORRISBURG CURLING CLUB
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NON-MEMBERS WELCOME

Margaret Reynolds wanted to remind people of the Easter Seal Bonspiel at the club on Saturday, March 3rd. To avoid disappointment, call her and put your name in early (we did) so that you aren't shut out.

The Tuesday Night Men's League winner of the MacLennan Trophy was decided in a nail-biter of a playoff, with Steve Boucher, John Allison, Jack Barkley and Dave King edging out Joe McCooeye, Bob Bergland, Paul Dobry and Josh Laurin by one point.

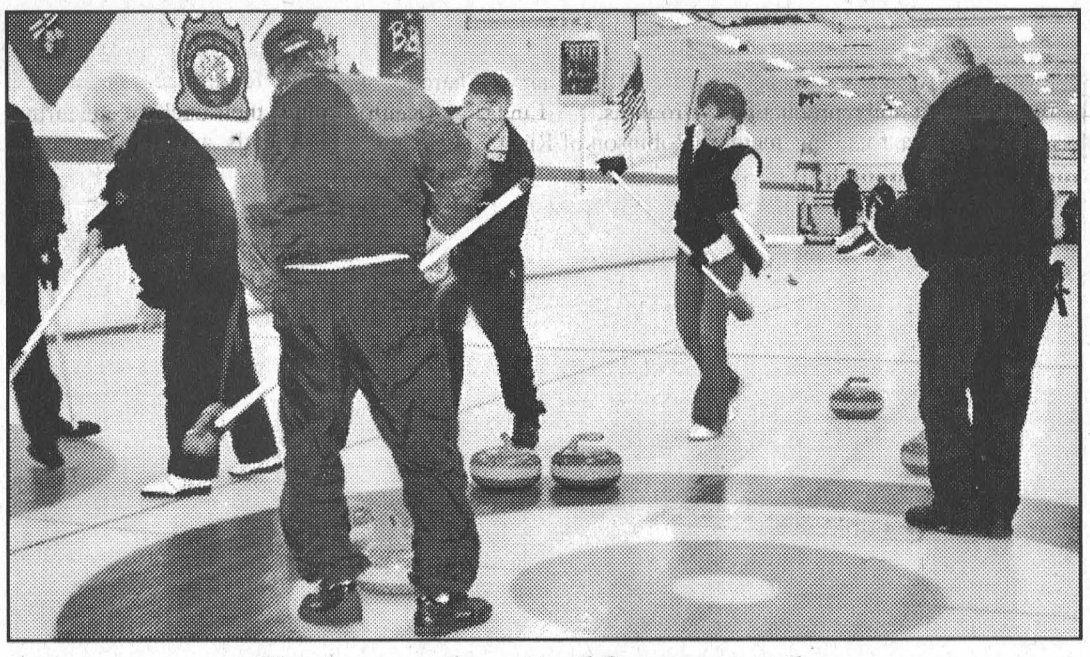
The Thursday Daytime Mixed League winner of the Bradford Trophy is the team of Don O'Brien, Len Bellamy, Bob Fortin and Cheryl Thompson. The league will have two short draws in the final half of the season to accommodate a large number of snowbirds and other travelers who will be away.

Wendy Casselman is looking after the Wednesday Night Women's League. There was a large number of new and returning curlers this year, and in the first draw, skill sessions were the order of the day each time, followed by team selection and casual play. The numbers and skills kept growing, and in this second half of the year, there are three full sheets of curlers playing every night, competing for the trophy to be awarded, likely on the first Wednesday in April. Congratulations, Wendy. Thanks for all of your organization and hard work!

Bob Bedingfield, Pete Zeran, Karl Duncan and Earl Jeacle had to relinquish their Parnell Trophy last Friday in Cornwall. Our other team, Sid Morrell, Don O'Brien, Neil Williams and Raymond Benoit came close, but a perfect shot by the opposition on last rock meant only one win for them, and a Lancaster foursome claimed the trophy.

Good curling to all!

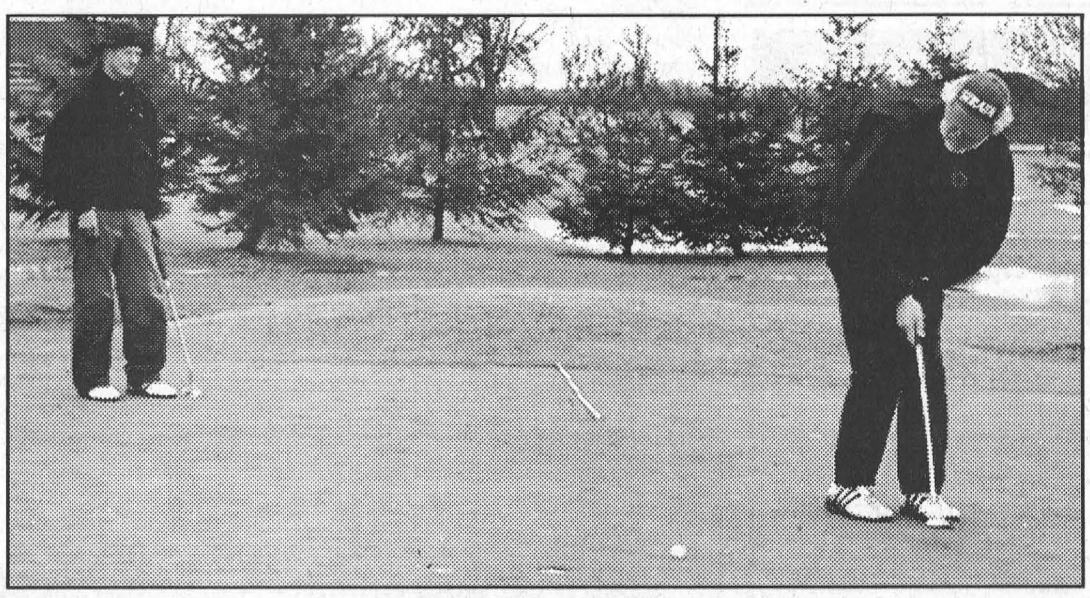
According to the calendar, it's winter...

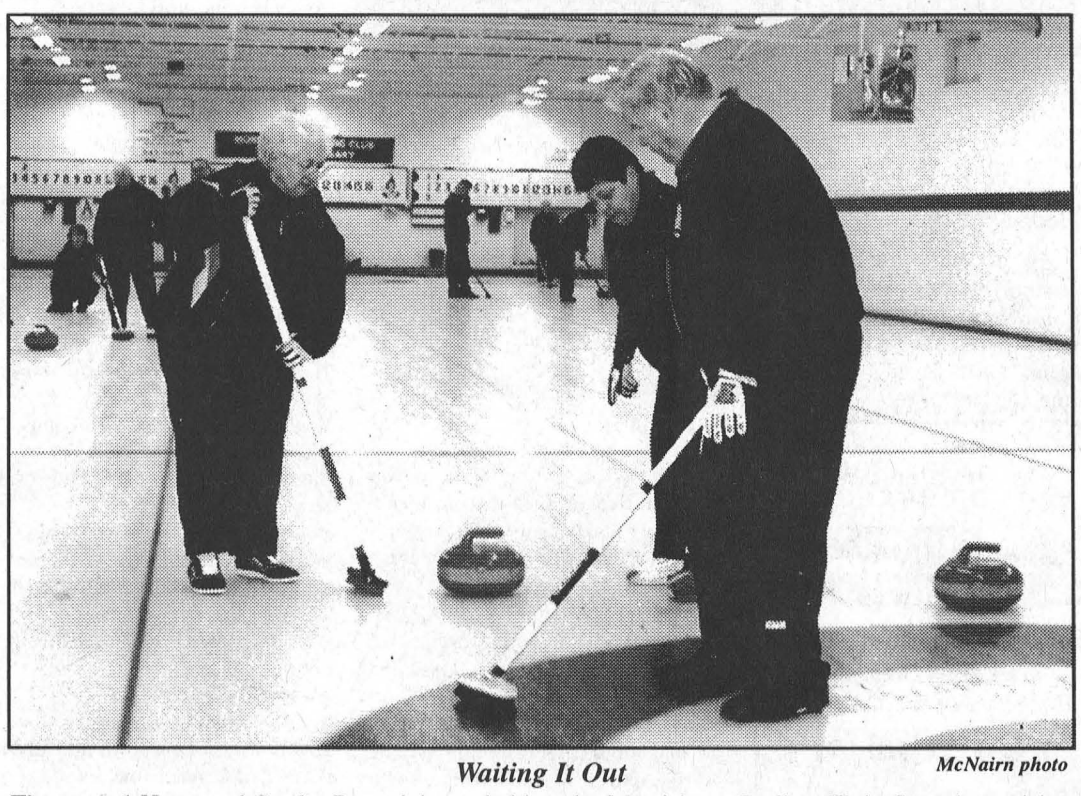


but according to the golfers... who cares



Winters sports and activities are well underway, as long as they are played indoors where they aren't affected by the unseasonably mild temperatures. That's okay for area golfers who have very rarely had the opportunity to play in January, and a few were out to do just that on the weekend. The photos above (taken Saturday, January 6) show the contrast, so far of the winter of 2006/07. At the top skip Gary Gallinger (back to photographer) watches a rock slide into the house as his sweepers, Sam Laurin and Diane Gallinger, complete their work. Opposing skip, Steve Thompson is pictured on the right. In the centre photo, Brian McNairn tees of on the 15th hole at the Morrisburg Golf Course, while members of his foursome, l-r, Charlie Moore, Rev. Joe Barkley-Probst and Russell Cameron look on. In the bottom photo Rev. Joe Barkley-Probst sinks a putt. ***McNairn photos***





Waiting It Out ***McNairn photo***

The annual Heart and Stroke Bonspiel was held at the Morrisburg Curling Club, Saturday, raising over $2,600 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Dundas County. Pictured above, are members of the winning first draw team, l-r, Alice Thompson, Sharon Van Allen and Steve Thompson. Walter Reid has just thrown the rock that his teammates are watching carefully.

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–Arie and Janny Geurkink 2p

BOUCK–We would like to take this opportunity to thank all who sent flowers, cards, made phone calls and visited while Lorne was in the hospital. Special thanks to residents and staff at Hartford for care and concern shown. These acts of kindness will always be remembered.
–Helen and family 2p

KNIGHT–We would like to thank the doctors and all the nurses at Winchester Hospital. Special thanks to all our home care workers, Yvonne Willis and family and friends who have kept us in their prayers. Thanks for the donations, cards and all the food. Special thanks to Dr. Houze and David Lapier.
–Elsie, Russ and Sandi Knight 2p

CARD OF THANKS

CASTLEMAN–We would like to thank friends and relatives for all the acts of kindness in the loss of family member, Len Castleman. Also a special thanks to the Shands Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida, David Lapier of Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, the staff of IOOF, Williamsburg. Last, but not least, Pastor Jo Barkley-Probst for the special memorial service.
–The Castleman family 2p

BECKSTEAD–Many thanks to the staff of the emergency and I.C.U. at the Winchester Memorial Hospital and the Heart Institute for their swift and professional care during my sudden illness. Your care and kindness helped me through a difficult time. I also thank the clergy, my family and friends for prayers, cards, gifts and calls. They gave me encouragement in my recovery. All these were greatly appreciated. Your love and concern will be remembered. God bless all.
–Betty Beckstead 2p

McQUAIG–The family of the late Dorothy McQuaig extend their thanks and appreciation to everyone who helped. Warmest and heartfelt thanks to all the doctors, nurses and caring staff members at Bayfield Manor for their compassionate and competent care that Dorothy received while she was a resident. A very special thank you to Yvonne Willis, officiating minister, for her warm and caring thoughts of Dorothy, to Sandra Barkley-Probst for the music and solos - "How Great Thou Art", "Because He Lives", "One Day At A Time" and "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder" and to David Lapier and his staff for their professional services, understanding and kindness. Thanks also to pallbearers Gordon Cooper, Henry Geurkink, Hubert Lapierre, Bill Zandbergen, Jim Kerrio and Neil Strader. All these acts of kindness will long be remembered. 2c

IN MEMORIAM

BARKLEY–RADFORD–In loving memory of a dear aunt, Nellie, January 6, 2001.
A special smile, a special face,
And in our hearts, a special place.
–Alberta, Douglas and family 2c

HILL–In loving memory of a wonderful daughter and sister, Tanya, January 17, 2006.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we love you still,
In our hearts you hold a special place,
That no one else can fill.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you did not go alone,
Because most of our life went with you,
The day God called you home.
I hold you tight within my heart,
And there you will remain,
But missing you is the heartache,
That never goes away.
–Love you, Jason and family

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Wondering why God took you,
To that golden mansion in the sky,
God must have needed a special angel,
The kind that's hard to find.
Our hearts are aching sorely,
But we know you're out of pain,
But there's an ache within our hearts,
That will never go away.
So if lilies grow in heaven,
Lord, please pick one for me,
Place it in my daughter's hand,
And tell her it's from me.
Tell her that I love her.
And when she turns to smile,
Place a kiss upon her cheek,
And hold her for awhile.
Remembering her is easy,
I do it every day,
But there's an ache within my heart,
That will never go away.
–Sadly missed but never forgotten,
Mom, Dave and family 2p

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TO A SPECIAL NIECE
The many wonderful friends that came,
To see you, had many things to say,
They told of all the wonderful things,
You did each and every day.
You were like an angel to all of us,
We'll miss you one and all,
But we all know that God needed you,
So you, he had to call.
You'll spend the rest of your days,
In God's wonderful, beautiful land,
While we're down here on earth,
We'll try hard to understand.
We'll try to live like you had done,
Before you were to go,
We try to be and live like you,
But, I'm afraid we're learning slow.
So now as you look down from above,
Upon your former home,
You'll know that we'll be thinking of you,
No matter where we roam.
–Always in our hearts, the McMillan family 2p

IN MEMORIAM

SHELDRICK–In loving memory of Bill (December 7, 2002) and Joan (January 25, 2004).
In our home they are fondly remembered,
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Our thanks goes out to the Morrisburg Branch 48 Legion for the use of James Fraser Hall, to Jack Notman and the members of the Morrisburg and District Lions Club, and to Sandra Johnston of Iroquois, for co-ordinating the Angel Tree Programs, to Canadian Tire for their generous support, to Mike's Valu-Mart for successfully running the "top-up program", to Craig Packaging for providing the custom boxes, to the Municipal employees who ran the special garbage collection, to all the Church groups and community organizations and businesses who donated food and funds, and to all the many volunteers who generously gave of their time to help with the sorting and packing, as well as the planning and organization.

And a special thank you to the students and staff of Morrisburg Public School - for the generous donation from their penny drive, and for their amazing demonstration of "caring", when the entire school body walked to the Morrisburg Legion to deliver the items collected for the food hampers. What an impressive show of community spirit! Thanks and congratulations to both students and staff for a job well done!

To everyone who supported this project with generous donations of food, toys, time, money, expertise, prayers and good will, our sincere thanks. Without you, none of this would be possible. We hope that we can again count on your support to continue this project in 2007!

SOUTH DUNDAS CHRISTMAS EXCHANGE

Junior B All-Star games Saturday

MORRISBURG–A total of eight Morrisburg Junior B Lions' players will participate in this year's Rideau versus St. Lawrence Division all-star games to be played this Saturday, January 13 at the Athens Community Centre.

This year's annual all-star games will feature three matches between the two local divisions beginning with the Alumni Game (for former players over 30 years old) at noon, followed by the Veterans game (19-21 year olds) at 1:30 p.m. and the Prospects game (16-18 year olds) at 3:30 p.m.

Four forwards and one Lions' defenceman were named to this years Veterans' lineup.

Getting the nod on defence was Travis Baldwin who unfortunately will not be in the lineup due to an injury. Dressing for the veterans will be Chad Galipeau, Cory Gove, Ryne Gove and Justin Elliott all of whom enjoy top spots in the St. Lawrence Division's scoring race.

Andrew Beverage of Kemptville, Kyle Neville of Winchester and Jessi Labrecque of Akwesasne were named to the goaltender positions.

Kemptville, Alexandria and Winchester all had two players named to the St. Lawrence Veterans defensive line-up and Char-Lan and Morrisburg had one.

Morrisburg had the most players in the forward positions at four while Kemptville and Winchester both had three named. Akwesasne and Alexandria have one skater each.

The team will be coached by the Winchester contingent which includes head coach Todd Marcellus, assistant Dale Murdock, trainer Arron Douma and manager Craig Smith.

Goaltending for the St. Lawrence Division Prospects team will be handled by Joel Grills of Winchester, Marc-Andre Boucher of Alexandria and Gage Gonyou of Akwesasne.

The Lions had two defencemen named to the lineup including rookie Brett Conway and second-year player Pat Mainville. They are joined by two players from Akwesasne and one each from Kemptville and Char-Lan.

The Lions also had two players named to forward positions, second year player Devon Brunet and rookie Ryan Wong.

The Prospects team is being coached by the Kemptville head coach Steve Sundin, assistant Jason Winters, trainer Dave Stephenson and manager Mike Valcour.

Girls claim two wins

MORRISBURG – The South Dundas Peewee C girls were busy over the past weekend playing three games in as many days and producing two out of three wins.

The Peewee C Lions kicked it off in Chesterville on Friday night with a 4-0 win over the Carleton Place Cyclone Thrashers.

With Megan Van Allen unbeatable in net throughout the game, the Lions took a one goal lead late in the first period, and held their slim advantage until the third when they turned it on for another three unanswered counters.

Breanna Peters put the Lions on the scoreboard with help from Lindsay Chambers late in the first period. That was it until five minutes into the third when Geena Rose counted from Randi Melenhorst to push the Lions to a 2-0 advantage. Less than one minute later Peters counted for her second goal of the game and she polished it off with goal number three in the last minute of play.

Lily Streit assisted on both Peters' goals and Chambers added her help on the final.

The Lions ran into their lone glitch of the weekend in the Clarence-Rockland Lightning's barn on Saturday, January 5 when they were blanked 5-0.

The Lightning counted three times in the first period and added singles in each of the second and third periods for the victory.

Sunday, on Morrisburg ice, the Lions ran up three third period goals to come from behind a 2-1 deficit and claim a 4-2 victory over the Gloucester Stars.

Gloucester went up 2-0 late in the first period on goals by Claudia Decoeur and Kathleen Gwozdecky, but Breanna Peters got one back with help from Michaela Morrow and Leah Wells with 50 seconds left in the frame.

The Stars maintained their 2-1 lead throughout the second period, but at 5:55 of the third Peters struck for her second goal to tie it 2-2.

She completed her hat trick for the winning goal at 11:33 of the frame with Geena Rose and Wells providing the assist.

Twenty-one seconds later Rose found the spot, with Peters helping, for the 4-2 Lions' win.

Midget House lose two

MORRISBURG –The Morrisburg Midget House B Lions came up with only two goals in two games as they were handed a pair of 3-1 losses by Alexandria in Upper Canada Minor Hockey League play last week.

Alexandria turned it on in the second period of last Wednesday's game to count two unanswered goals as they headed for their first of two 3-1 victories against the Lions.

After a scoreless first period, Alexandria connected for a pair of goals in the last five minutes of the second period. C. Gallant got it rolling with 4:39 showing on the clock and J. Collard pushed it 2-0 with just over two minutes remaining in the frame.

Early in the third period P. Hamelin pushed the Alexandria lead to 3-0.

Brad Munro, with help from Joe Streit, put the Lions on the scoreboard late in the period to spoil Matt Collard's shutout.

The Lions were assessed five minor penalties and Alexandria sat out four.

Saturday, January 6 in Alexandria, the Glens took a 1-0 first period lead on a J. Gareau goal. Ryan Swank struck unassisted for the Lions at 3:32 of the second period and the 1-1 tie held until the midway mark of the third period.

That's when M. Stones stepped to the plate to produce back-to-back counters giving the Glens the 3-1 win.

The Glens were assessed 14 minor penalties and two misconducts while the Lions sat out four minors.

Major Midgets on track

MORRISBURG–Thursday the Major Midget B Lions hosted NGS looking to get back on track after a huge 7-5 upset loss to Akwesasne.

With many regulars out of the line-up, the Lions called up forwards Bret Avery, Ryan Swank and Conner Hodgson, goalie Mitch McDonald and 'D' Man Michel Thurler.

Realizing that a quick start was needed to regain lost momentum after the Sasne loss, the Lions came out of the gate hard looking for the early lead.

Nick McCaslin took the NGS goalie to school finishing a beautiful passing play with assists going to Chris Tindal and Ty Keicks.

McCaslin was not through breaking in on the NGS net and three minutes later, while doing so, he was hauled down. This resulted in a penalty shot opportunity and he promptly buried the puck into the net for a 2-0 lead.

With the Lions carrying a 2-0 advantage into the second, McCaslin tallied once again for his hat trick and a 3-0 Lions' lead. Assisting on McCaslin's third goal was Tindal with his second assist and Brandon Elliott.

NGS finally solved the stifling Lion defence and solid goaltending of Graham Peters to make it a two goal game going into the third.

In his first game back after coming off a shoulder injury, Scott Summers threw a huge neutral zone body check and later in the same shift broke in from the left point to drill a laser shot past the beleaguered NGS keeper to restore the three goal lead. Helping on the play was Noah VanMoorsel and call-up Conner Hodgson.

NGS slipped one more past Peters, and Tindal finished the scoring late in the third icing the Lions 5-2 victory. Assisting on the Tindal goal was Keicks with his second of the game.

Peters continued his stellar goaltending while the defence corps and forwards shut down NGS for an impressive and dominant home victory which brings the Lions' record to eight wins, four losses and three ties.

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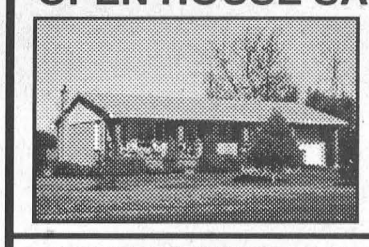
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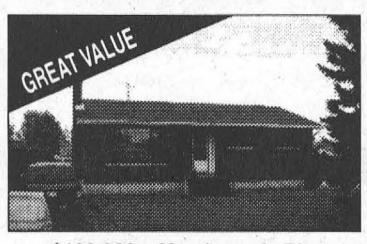
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