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Midnight barn fire rekindles fears



Gaining ground

Scrums, rucks, tackles, and line outs were the name of the game as the North Dundas District High School boys rugby team took to the field for a practice on April 11. Above, Mbarak Bujra encounters some solid resistence. The Devils have been working with coaches Scott Reaney and Andrew Whitton preparing for exhibition games this week. The regular season home opener at NDDHS will take place on Mon., April 23. See more spring sports action in this week's sports section — page 17.
Press Photo — Van Bridger

Cause of blaze still unknown

by Meghan Duncan
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The Ontario Fire Marshal has yet to determine the cause of a fire that destroyed Russell and Doreen Marcellus's barn on Sun., April 15.

"It happens to others and you never think it's going to happen to you," Doreen Marcellus, 81, told the *Press* on Tues., April 16. "It was certainly a shock to us. We're fortunate the house didn't go up (in flames) because they're so close together."

OPP officers responded to the fire at the 13410 County Road 3 property at about 12:30 am. The 911 call came from neighbour Carl Hutchinson, who woke up to a knock on the door from a passerby who noticed the flames. Fire departments from Chesterville, Winchester, and Morewood attended the scene and battled the blaze for over three hours.

The Marcelluses retired from dairy farming 25 years ago.

"That barn couldn't be replaced," Marcellus said, noting that there are a lot of memories in it — this coming July will mark her 60th summer on the farm, while her husband was born and raised on the property.

The Marcellus fire marks another midnight barn blaze in an ever-growing list since last June. While the OPP are not connecting the fires, area residents are concerned that an arsonist is to blame.

Fires in the area subsided last October when North Dundas, South Dundas, and North Stormont teamed with the United Counties of SD&G to offer a $25,000 reward for information leading to an arrest in the case.

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$738,254 for Winchester's 100 Club Park

by Bonnie James
Press staff

WINCHESTER — North Dundas Township will receive $738,254 in provincial cash to revitalize the 100 Club Park in Winchester. MPP Jim Brownell and David Caplan, minister of public infrastructure renewal, were in Winchester on Thurs., April 12 to formally announce the funding, which is part of $4.1 million that will be invested in Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh through the government's $140-million Rural Infrastructure Investment Initiative.

"This funding will allow us to enhance the existing components of the 100 Club Park, and construct new amenities to increase utilization that will provide long-term positive economic development results for North Dundas," said director of recreation and culture Mark Guy. "This funding impacts all communities in North Dundas as reserved dollars raised for recreation infrastructure can now be allocated to upgrade facilities in other villages in the municipality."

Guy explained that repairs to the pool and the patio beside it and work to revamp the parking lots around the arena to make them safer will begin this summer. More trees will be planted, there will be repairs to the Winchester Arena ceiling, and potentially new lighting in the arena. He noted that some of the money will likely be transferred into reserves for next year, as the work will take some time to complete.

"100 Club Park provides wonderful fitness opportunities to the residents of North Dundas Township," said Brownell. "This investment will help the park to expand these opportunities to the benefit of the whole community."

The township previously secured a $10,590 grant from Community Futures Development Corporation toward the consultant fee to provide a detailed design for improvements to the park. The total fee for the design was $14,375. Landscape architects David Lashley and Associates are completing the plan.

"The Rural Infrastructure Investment Initiative reflects our government's commitment to strengthen small and rural communities," said Caplan, adding that more provincial funding has been earmarked for the development and renewal of infrastructure. "Not only does Jim get it and I get it, but all our colleagues get it — that we need to do even more."

Caplan noted he was pleased that the 100 Club Park was one of the projects selected to receive funding. He said that parks and gathering spaces are "the real vibrancy, the lifeblood of the community."

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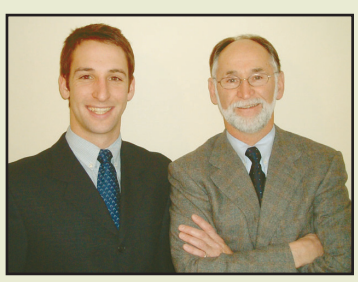
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Fire

But fears were reignited on March 21 when the barn on Jos and Francine Melenhorst's Nesbitt Road farm went up in flames, killing 100 cattle. Arson was ruled out, but the cause of the Melenhorst fire is still unknown.

"There's no reason for this one," Marcellus said of the fire in relation to other barn fires in the area. "The barn's been closed up for 22 years, and there hasn't been anybody in it since the fall. There's no electricity in the barn, and (the night of the fire) there was no lightning — it was calm."

The barn was completely destroyed in the fire. There were no injuries or loss of livestock.

"There's not too much else I can say about it," Marcellus said, noting that clean up from the fire has already begun, and that she plans to stay at her home for now. Her husband currently resides at Dundas Manor Nursing Home.

She said that OPP were on scene for two days following the fire, and she feels safe knowing that officers are patrolling the area.

Recreation

He also noted that the purpose of the funding initiative was not just to build new infrastructure, but "also to repair and rehabilitate those assets our parents and grandparents so wisely invested in."

Caplan joked that, "Every time I see Jim Brownell it costs me $5 million," adding that the needs of the municipalities in the riding are very legitimate and Brownell is a tireless advocate.

"I am very pleased that we have received this grant from the Province of Ontario," said Mayor Alvin Runnalls. "I would especially like to thank MPP Brownell for his excellent service and strong advocacy for our community."

Other local municipalities that have received funding under the Rural Infrastructure Investment Initiative include South Dundas — $612,900 for Henderson Road reconstruction; South Glengarry — $579,400 for 26 bridge and culvert improvements; South Stormont — $335,332 for the North Lunenburg Bridge replacement; North Stormont — $125,000 for upgrades to the Finch arena; and United Counties of SD&G — $1.75 million for reconstruction of the County Road 41 Side Road.

"This is fantastic news for our communities," said Brownell. "Our communities' prosperity and high quality of life depends on revitalized public facilities and infrastructure. This funding will mean safer bridges and roads and improved sports, recreational, and cultural facilities."

Brownell noted that it's important that taxpayers see this type of cash infusion — "That they know that the money (that they pay in taxes) is coming back."

The Rural Infrastructure Investment Initiative is a one-time, application-based program. Funding was allocated through a competitive process, with applications evaluated against a set of criteria established to ensure projects meet provincial priorities and have a positive economic impact on the local community.

"We got an incredible array of projects," said Caplan, noting that they totalled $330 million in requests. He explained that the recent provincial budget boosted the program from $70 million to $140 million as a result.

Representatives from all the municipalities in Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh receiving funding were in Winchester to meet with Caplan. They all had the same message for him: we're thankful for the financial support, but keep it coming.



Renewal for riding

Ontario Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal David Caplan (front, left) and MPP Jim Brownell were in Winchester on Thurs., April 12 to formally announce $4.1 million that will be invested in Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh through the government's $140 million Rural Infrastructure Investment Initiative, including $738,254 for the revitalization of the 100 Club Park in Winchester. On hand to receive the good news were North Stormont Mayor Dennis Fife (back, left), South Dundas Mayor Charles Barkley, South Stormont Mayor Brian McGillis, South Glengarry general manager of infrastructure services Ewen MacDonald, and North Dundas Mayor Alvin Runnalls.

Press Photo — James

Correction

Austin Markell was misidentified in our Dixon's Corners Spring Festival photo spread on page 12 of last week's edition. Markell appears in the bottom right hand of the page. The Press *regrets the error.*

South Dundas plans to improve Henderson Road

by Meghan Duncan
Press staff

WILLIAMSBURG — The Township of South Dundas received $612,900 under the $140-million province-wide Rural Infrastructure Investment Initiative. The money will be used for a complete paving job — including rebuilding the base — on 5.4 kilometres of Henderson Road, a municipal road north west of Williamsburg, south of Toyes Hill.

"We're really pleased with the financial support we've received," said South Dundas Mayor Charles Barkley at the official funding announcement in Winchester on Thurs., April 12. "We kind of feel bad going with our hat in hand asking for what's really ours to come back (to us)."

Township CAO Steve McDonald said he is very happy with the funding announcement, noting that he originally thought the township would receive less.

"We're always pleased when the government provides funding, and this will certainly help us as we work through our 2007 budget," McDonald told the *Press*, noting this will lighten the burden and will allow the township to invest in other capital projects.

He said that the project will provide residents in the area easier access to County Roads 16 and 31.

In January, McDonald had short-listed a few construction-ready projects and presented the list to council for discussion, noting that the municipality should look at applying for a project worth at least $500,000.

Council agreed to apply for funding for a bundled project including the resurfacing of Henderson Road, Toyes Hill Road, and Heritage Road, for a total of 10.7 kilometres, at an estimated cost of $1.2 million.

"It's an all or nothing program," he told council at the Feb. 20 meeting. "So it's unlikely we'll get that much ($1.2 million)."

Though the deadline for application was Feb. 5, the province allowed the township a chance to amend and scale back its application.

Council decided to amend the application to only include Henderson Road.

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Coalition meeting allows community to sound off

by Meghan Duncan
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Local residents and health care workers had a chance to speak their mind about the Winchester District Memorial Hospital at an Ontario Health Coalition town hall meeting on Tues., April 10.

The meeting, to address issues about the provincial health strategy and how it will affect small community hospitals, took place at the Lions Hall, where about 10 people turned out.

The meeting was chaired by Ontario Health Coalition board member Ross Sutherland. He and other coalition board members are conducting similar meetings across the province, in a process to evaluate community hospitals, the services they offer, and what people want from a small hospital.

"This is a chance for us to hear from you what's going on in your community," said Sutherland, noting that the meetings are all about open and democratic community involvement.

First vice-president of CUPE Ontario, Michael Hurley, was on hand to voice the union's point of view. Hurley said he is concerned about what will happen with our hospital system when changes occur through the Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs).

Through the LHIN system, Hurley explained that hospitals may have to bid to determine who can and will deliver services or surgeries at a certain price each, which creates an internal market within the healthcare system and forces institutions to drive down costs to offer services. Hurley said that one concern is that small rural communities will lose the tender and therefore lose services.

"That's a major concern — that small hospitals won't be able to compete," Hurley said. "We do know that wherever communities have mobilized, they have protected the services they've wanted to protect. That is key."

Sutherland said that a provincial report on small community access to care, which included several recommendations, has not been released to the public, and will not be released until the provincial election in the fall of this year.

"We have no access to these documents — at this point, that's where it stands," Sutherland said, explaining that with no understanding of the master plan, it's hard to know what will happen in the months or years to come.

He explained that reports like these are very important because the LHINs are now taking effect with service directives from Toronto, and that the communities affected have no control or input.

"We're trying to redress that," Sutherland said. "We think the process of what goes on in small communities (with hospitals) should be more open. I think we have the right to be involved in the discussion — they're our hospitals — we built them."

The LHINs assumed full responsibilities on April 1, but Sutherland said that there isn't a system-wide model to go by, and everyone is waiting for the next change to take place.

"Hospitals are working very hard to get what they can out of the government right now — their thinking is it will be harder to take the services away after they've been given out," said Sutherland, noting that capital funding decisions are being made in one place (Queen's Park) laboratories another place, and other services are decided by LHIN boards.

Hospital CEO Trudy Reid spoke to the *Press* on Tues., April 17, and disagreed with the concerns raised about the LHIN boards, especially in reference to the hospital capital development project. "Winchester Hospital developed its plans knowing that the LHINs were coming into being," she said. "You can't plan... in isolation from what's going on around you in the region."

Myrna Doornwaard, vice-president of CUPE local 3000, noted that as hospitals move into the LHIN governing, there seems to be little detail. "I think it's selective information that they're giving out," Doornwaard said of the hospital management staff as the Renewing the Vision expansion approaches. "I don't think they've got a clue what's going to happen."

But she said, WDMH seems to be in a good position.

"I think people in our community are quite happy with what we have with our hospital," she said.

Hurley noted that the LHIN boards are appointed and responsible to Ministry of Health for their jobs — therefore it's not a democratic system.

"I have no major concerns that what came out in our strategic plan is not the best for this community," Reid said, noting that recommendations made in the planning process were based on the needs of the population. "And that's the same approach the LHINs take."

She said that the Champlain LHIN board, including chair Dr. Robert Kushman, is supportive of plans at WDMH.

"We've been very connected with the LHIN," Reid said. "It's not a we-they situation — it's win-win."

About 19 similar meetings will occur in communities across the province in March and April. A report on the findings will be published in June.

New park pavilion for Lions' 50th

by Bonnie James
Press staff

WINCHESTER — North Dundas council welcomed a proposal from the Winchester Lions Club at the Tues., April 10 meeting that will see a new pavilion constructed in Winchester's 100 Club Park in honour of the service group's 50th anniversary.

"Next year we're celebrating 50 years of serving the community, and we're looking for a major project (to mark the anniversary)," said Lion Dwayne Holmes to council on behalf of the Lions' delegation.

Holmes explained that the Lions have been working with director of recreation and culture Mark Guy to find a project that would fit in with the revitalization of the park, and have settled on a 40-foot pavilion to be located along the south side of the swimming pool. While one of the play structures will have to be moved to accommodate the shelter, the new park plan calls for the consolidation of the play area, anyway.

"This pavilion would meet a variety of needs as far as we're concerned," said Holmes, explaining that the shelter will have power and can be used for Dairyfest, swim meets, and other organized events, as well as by the picnicking public.

The Lions have investigated the construction cost of the structure to be between $34,000 and $46,000 depending on whether it is built with wood, wood and steel, or entirely of steel.

"We'll commit up to $40,000," said Holmes. "We'd like to have it done by next May (which is the club's official anniversary)."

Council was pleased with the proposal.

"I think it's a great idea," said Mayor Alvin Runnalls.

It was agreed that construction would need to begin this fall to meet the May completion target. A cement pad will be poured this year. Guy indicated that he's willing to work with the Lions to make sure the project can be finished on time.

"I think we're all more than happy with your proposal, and we'll do our part," said Runnalls.

The Lions intend to raise funds for the pavilion by conducting a 60-40 raffle, with 60 per cent of the proceeds going toward the construction and 40 per cent to the raffle winner. More information on tickets will be forthcoming.



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Calls for service

During the past week, police officers in Dundas County responded to 104 calls for service. Of those, 51 were in South Dundas, 44 were in North Dundas, and nine were on Highway 401.

Drugs seized

SOUTH DUNDAS — SD&G OPP Const. Canham conducted a traffic stop on Highway 401 in South Dundas Township on April 16 at approximately 11 pm. The stop resulted in the seizure of a quantity of suspected cocaine and marijuana. The 17-year-old youth was arrested and faces two charges of possession for the purpose of trafficking and one count of failing to comply with a place of detention or undertaking. He was held in custody pending an appearance in Cornwall court.

Mischief

WINCHESTER — SD&G OPP officers responded to a report of damage done to a business on Albert Street in Winchester on April 14 at approximately 11 am. Investigation revealed that sometime overnight unknown suspects attended the business and smashed two light globes in front of the building. Const. P. Greer is investigating.

Local group pursues recreational pathway

by Bonnie James
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The North Dundas Trail Association appeared before North Dundas council at the Tues., April 10 meeting to update council on its efforts to create a recreational trail between Winchester and Chesterville, appeal for further support, and invite council members to walk the future trail on June 2, as part of a public awareness campaign.

"We want council's general endorsement of our goals and planned activity," said association president George Hollingdrake. "We want to lay the basis for an ongoing relationship with the municipality."

Hollingdrake, treasurer Carolyn Duncan, and member Murray Inch explained that the group is making progress in its effort to build a trail that could be used for walking and cycling.

"We've found it extremely enjoyable," said Hollingdrake about preliminary walks and ski trips over the planned trail, which the association hopes will eventually extend from Gypsy Lane in Winchester east to the Chesterville fair grounds.

Hollingdrake pointed out that the North Dundas Parks and Recreation Master Plan that was completed in 2005 included trail development within its recommendations.

The association has been meeting about once a month since last September with between eight and 10 people attending. A constitution for the group has been drawn up and members have been working with township staff to plan the best trail route. The group has also been in contact with other area municipalities that have trails, including Russell and Cornwall, other local groups such as the Dundas Federation of Agriculture, snowmobile clubs, and South Nation Conservation, and has become a member of the Ontario Trails Council (OTC).

"The OTC has been very helpful," said Hollingdrake, noting that the council has provided information on pursuing grants and other funding.

Hollingdrake said that the initial trail should consist of a rock bed, covered with stone dust and calcium. It packs down nicely for cycling or strollers and is less costly than asphalt, which could be added at a later time if needed. The cost for the trail construction is estimated at $20,000 per kilometre and the association is looking at 13 kilometres of trail all together.

"If we get (from Gypsy Lane) to Kittle Road as our first step we will be quite happy," said Hollingdrake.

He explained that the association is hopeful that money will be available from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the ministry of health promotion, Farm Credit Canada, and other sources.

"Trails in Ontario are getting lots of grant money," he said, noting that Brampton got $2 million from the province and Tamiskaming received $600,000 for trail construction.

"We met with (MPP) Jim Brownell and he was very, very keen on our project," said Hollingdrake, adding that Brownell committed to setting up a meeting with Jim Watson, minister of health promotion. Township director of recreation and culture Mark Guy is preparing a package for Brownell to take to Toronto to pass along.

"That's super to have staff jumping in," said Mayor Alvin Runnalls, noting that director of planning Calvin Pol has also been involved in supporting the association. Runnalls has attended some of the group's meetings as well.

The other members of council were also supportive.

"I think this is very worthwhile," said councillor Al Armstrong. "I think this is something we can all endorse."

Hollingdrake outlined that the association wants council's support in the use and improvement of unopened road allowances, as well as favourable consideration when it asks to establish a committee of council to operate the trail.

"I'm glad that you're supporting that project," said Guy to council later in the evening. "They're going about it the right way."

Guy reported on Tues., April 17 that he and trail association members met with landowners along Gypsy Lane last Thursday to find out their concerns and see how they could be addressed.

Hollingdrake said that the group has been working quietly, doing all the background research, but is ready to talk to the wider public about its trail project. The association is holding a trail walk on June 2, and inviting everyone to come out and see where the trail will be.

"We'll have an opportunity to promote the trail," he said.

The association and the township are running a logo contest for the trail, as well. All residents of North Dundas are welcome to submit a design — black marker on white paper — to the township office by May 11. The logo design should reflect the four seasons, walking, cycling, and rural and nature themes. There is a cash award for the winner and the logo will be officially unveiled on June 2 during the public trail walk.

Grits to hold Trillium Dinner

CORNWALL — The Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry Provincial Liberal Riding Association's annual Trillium Dinner will be held on Thurs., April 19 at the Best Western Parkway Inn (1515 Vincent Massey Dr.) in Cornwall.

"Our special invited guest speaker for the evening will be the honourable John Gerretsen, minister of municipal affairs and housing," said event chair Dianne Poirier. "MPP Jim Brownell, host for the evening, will be introducing the guest speaker."

The program will include a presentation by Brownell to recipients of his annual "Trillium Award," who will be guests at the dinner.

For more information, contact Poirier at 613-938-6832.

Pair raising funds for cancer walk

WINCHESTER — In this season of renewal, Winchester residents Janice Carkner and Melina Myers are planning to raise hopes — and a lot of money — for cancer victims by hosting a fundraising dance at the Winchester Lions Hall on Sat., April 28. Live entertainment will be provided by Ottawa band Red Tape, with all proceeds going to The Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation.

The dance is just one of the ways Carkner and Myers's team, Just Beat It, is generating funds for the fight against cancer. In June, the pair will participate in The Weekend to End Breast Cancer, joining thousands of other women and men in a two-day, 60-kilometre walk through Ottawa. Just Beat It hopes to raise $7,500.

"My mother-in-law was recently diagnosed with breast cancer," Carkner explained. "I'm doing this for her, and for the one in nine Canadian women who will be diagnosed with this terrible disease in their lifetime."

Just Beat It has so far received tremendous support from the community, especially from their families. In particular, Matt Carkner, Janice's brother-in-law and defenseman for the American Hockey League's Wilkes-Barre-Scranton Penguins, has thrown his support behind the cause. At a recent home game in Wilkes-Barre, Penn., he raffled off the opportunity to shave his head at centre ice. He also donated a one-of-a-kind warm-up jersey, which featured pink numbering, lettering, and a ribbon to symbolize the fight against cancer. His sweater — and his hair — fetched more than $8,200 for the American Cancer Society.

A jersey signed by the entire Penguins team will be auctioned off at the dance on April 28. Other items to be included in the silent auction are: a team-autographed jersey from the AHL's San Antonio Rampage donated by Bryan Helmer, an Ottawa Senators ball cap and player card autographed by Wade Redden, a free weekend car rental from Discount Car and Truck Rental in Winchester, a gift certificate for a massage from Janice Casselman of Winchester Physiotherapy and Acupuncture, a gift package from Vibrance Esthetics and Hairstyling in Finch, and many other items. A 50-50 raffle will also be held.

Tickets for the dance are $5 each and are available at D's Collision Centre in Winchester, or by contacting Janice Carkner (613-774-5628) or Melina Myers (613-774-6962) directly. The dance is from 8 pm to 1 am at the Winchester Lions Hall. Members of the Amy Lynch-Amy Collins-Cheryl Lynch Chesterville-area team, Just Do Tit, are joining with Meyers and Carkner for the fundraising initiative.

For more info, or to make a donation please visit www.endcancer.ca or call 613-722-7224. To sponsor team Just Beat It please quote participant numbers 610798-1 (Janice) or 610959-2 (Melina).

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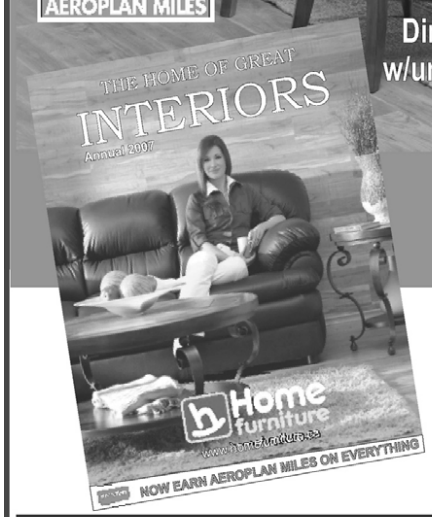

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This week (April 15 to 21) is National Volunteer Week, so we thought we should offer up some thanks to those who donate their time to better our community. You can see them everywhere you look – and it's important that we don't overlook them and take them for granted.

Thanks to those who volunteer to improve life for children, here and around the world. Those on school councils, sports team coaches and officials, and those involved in 4-H are just a few examples of people who give their time and effort to make our area family friendly.

Thank you to those whose volunteer efforts focus on health. We have an active volunteer community in and around Winchester District Memorial Hospital. The hospital wouldn't exist without the work of those who took it upon themselves to see that it was built. It wouldn't be what it is today and what it will be in the future without the constant efforts of volunteers.

Those who canvass for various good causes, such as the Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Canadian Cancer Society, the National Kidney Foundation, and the Easter Seal Society, are also to be commended. As are those who work with the Dundas County Hospice. While we hope to never need you, many of us will, and a compassionate voice and helping hand make those times easier to bear.

Thanks to those who volunteer with seniors through the Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre or the J.W. MacIntosh Seniors Support Centre or any of the area's nursing homes. Meals on Wheels and home support programs are also important services for seniors that are largely supported by volunteers.

Thanks to all the service clubs, church groups, recreation associations, community groups, and event committees that contribute to our community in so many ways. We enjoy a better life because of you.

Volunteers and their work fill a significant portion of this paper every week. In this edition alone, you will find information about the Winchester Lions Club, 4-H, Chesterville Rotary Club, high school volunteerism (through the 30-Hour Famine), St. Paul's Ladies Aid, Inkerman United Church's commitment to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, and individuals raising funds to take part in the Weekend to End Breast Cancer. The spirit of volunteerism is alive and well in the *Winchester Press* coverage area.

Whether you volunteer through a service group, a church group, or on your own, we thank you and wouldn't want to imagine life without you.

B.J.

Every day should be Earth Day

Earth Day is Sun., April 22. While it is wonderful to have a day set aside to focus on environmentalism and working toward a healthier planet, we think these concerns should have a more prominent focus in our daily life. Every day should be Earth Day.

For every action we take — or our municipality, province, or country takes on our behalf — we should ask the question: How does this affect our world? Too often we forget to consider the big picture.

We're pleased to see local initiatives such as the municipally-sponsored spring clean-up day on Sat., April 21 in South Dundas and the City of Ottawa. We're also pleased to see that Mike Dean's Super Food Stores are now offering re-useable canvas bags at an excellent price — and charging extra for plastic ones.

Make sure you do your bit — every day.

B.J.



Grace McKercher of Winchester, 2, had a ball at the Happy Face Nursery School's indoor carnival on Saturday (Apr. 14). The event ran from 10 am to 2 pm at North Dundas District High School and raised money for the school's four programs in Winchester, Chesterville, South Mountain, and Avonmore.

Photo – Barbour

Remember when...

1947

The Village of Winchester council approved a bylaw to force dog owners to be responsible for their pets. The law stated: "any dog running at large, being vicious, or doing damage to person or property, may be killed by the village constable." As a safeguard to sheep in the area, owners were instructed to tie their dogs up from sunset to sunrise.

Lowell Craig, Jean Paul Lafortune, and Harry Bennett — all Inkerman Rockets hockey players — were selected to be part of an all-star team to play in a series of exhibition games at Wembly Stadium in London, England during the month of May.

1957

Joy Corry of Winchester won the Winchester Christian Temperance Union's annual public speaking contest when she defeated seven opponents and was presented with the coveted union medal by Mrs. Eldon Fennell.

1967

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anderson were the first-ever husband and wife team to serve as joint presidents of the Winchester Curling Club. The couple were elected to share the chief executive duties involved in running the club by fellow board members.

North Dundas District High School's debating club won 18 of 20 debates at a provincial competition. The team — which had garnered the reputation of toughest to beat — included Elaine Sauve, Christine Brown, Sue Boyd, Urmas Vilmansen, Elaine Clarke, Judy Pringle, Brian Racine, Debbie Gray, and Pam Anderson.

1977

Accusations laid against Ault Foods that the Winchester plant was accepting poor quality milk from Quebec sources were termed "unfounded" by plant officials. General manager Keith Henry denied that the plant was accepting 750,000 pounds a week of "dark milk" from the Huntington, Que. area. The charge arose when an Ontario Milk Marketing Board official reported that milk being shipped into the province did not meet Ontario standards.

1987

Steven Barkley became the first Winchester resident to receive the SD&G Public School Board of Education's Terry Fox Award, presented annually to a student who, while working with a physical disability, demonstrated achievement, perseverance, and community involvement. The 14-year-old with cerebral palsy was a former Winchester Public School student who was enrolled in classes at Riverside Heights Public School.

1997

Vernon resident Jean-Paul Trudel, 11, had the title role in the Greely Players' production of *Peter Pan* opposite Peter Cleland, who was poised to take on the role of Captain Hook. The cast included 22 children and 13 adults.



Winchester Public School student Gillian Erickson, 9, earned a first-place ribbon for her balance beam routine during the Dundas County elementary gymanstics meet this week in 1997. This snapshot, taken by Press co-publisher Al Van Bridger, went on to win top spot in the Ontario Community Newspaper Association Awards best sports photo category.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dundas County Food Bank spring appeal

The Editor:

It's that time of year when we have a look around to find ways to refill the shelves that were filled with a generous dollop of seasonal giving that got us through the winter.

Right now the Dundas County Food Bank is in need of basic foodstuffs and personal care items for the spring and summer season — often a slow period for donations. We do have growth again in the numbers of families using the food bank.

A trend that is happening throughout Ontario is an increase in numbers of children, and in the working poor who need to use food banks. In this county, we are proud that we pay special attention to needs of families with children.

This happens in our basic food program with its frequent availability of milk and eggs, and in our school snacks program. The food is either donated by you, or purchased locally using your donations.

We are reaching out for personal donations and we are also asking for food drives from the organizations that are always there for us. Schools and church organizations have been contacted.

Please use any of the donation boxes provided by local organizations or bring food items to our Winchester location at 596 St. Lawrence St., which is open Monday 10 am to noon, Wednesday 7 to 9 pm, and Thursday 1 to 3 pm. Call us at 613-774-0188.

The following is a list of non-perishables needed: soup, 19-ounce cans of vegetables, pork and beans, juice, canned fruit, pasta sauce, toiletries (toothpaste, hand soap, disposable razors, and tooth brushes), snacks (juice boxes, fruit or pudding cups, cereal or granola bars), and baby items (diapers, baby wipes, baby food).

Lawrence Doolan
Dundas County Food Bank administrator

Local cancer patient needs your support

The Editor:

Lila Gibeault (nee Shay) — mother of three and wife of Gerald — was diagnosed with liver cancer in 2006. After extensive radiation, chemotherapy, and operations, she is faced with the option of taking a form of chemical cocktail chemotherapy. If she takes this form of chemotherapy, she has with very good odds of eradicating her cancer. If she doesn't, her odds of survival are poor.

This form of chemical cocktail is not presently covered by our provincial health care, but it is covered in the western provinces. The cost of each of Lila's treatments is going to exceed $20,000.

OHIP sent the family to the Trillium Drug Plan, which will only cover $400 of each treatment. Lila went for the first treatment on April 3 and was informed she will need 12 treatments in total.

The Chesterville Legion held a fundraising euchre tournament for Lila. The Chesterville Lions Club and Chesterville Rotary Club have made donations to help with the cost.

The Heritage Restaurant and Catering Hall will host a benefit dance for Lila on Fri., April 27. There will also be a silent auction that night.

I have tried dealing with politicians to get them to help with her cause, only to find that it is easier for them to pass us off to the next person. I have sent over 500 faxes, made over 300 phone calls, sent endless letters, distributed donation jars, put up posters, and have gone in person to beg for people to help out.

I cannot understand how some people can just stand by and not do something. I am not trying to get $1 million for research or to expand a hospital. These are noble causes, but I am trying to raise funds to save one person's life. It could have been you or me just as easily.

Having to go through cancer, the treatments, and everything else is tough enough. I cannot imagine having the added stress of "How am I going to pay for it?" hovering over my head.

The last time I looked out the window I thought I was in Canada. Lila's fight to pay for her cancer treatment tells me otherwise. Hello U.S.A., goodbye Canada.

If you can think of anything that would help me "push the right buttons" to get some help for Lila, it would be greatly appreciated.

Janet Smith
Chesterville

Editor's note: *Smith can be reached at 613-448-3814.*

My evening with Il Divo

From the Other Side
by Jeffrey Morris



The following events took place Fri., April 13…

5:17 pm — Leave office, get in Honda POS and start heading home.

5:19 pm — Call Pizza Pizza, go through an endless exchange with a computer-automated male voice, screw the whole thing up at the end, and then "hold for representative" to start all over.

5:47 pm — Arrive at Pizza Pizza. Pick up my order. On my way out the door, yell at the top of my lungs, "It's 5:47… And the Leafs still suck!" I thought it would get a laugh. It didn't. They all just looked at me funny.

6:53 pm — Parking guy is waving me into the first parking lot. I don't park there. He's waving me in. I drive by him. He's freaking out, waving his little flashlight thingy around like he's a Jedi Master with a light sabre or something. Dude, sorry, I park in Lot 7. His Jedi parking mind trick failed. OCD 1, Luke Skyparker 0.

7:03 pm — We're walking up to the front of Scotiabank Place. People are walking on the Senators logo. I'm trying to hold it together. You don't walk on the logo. Bad karma. Sure enough, Bling Crosby beats our boys the next day.

7:14 pm — I'm in line behind two women at the souvenir kiosk. They proceed to look at every size of every t-shirt. "Can I try it on?" Come on, lady. You're about five-foot-minus-two and about three hundred pounds. Ask for the t-shirt with the most Xs in the size, pay, and move along. Nope. This woman figured that the little kiosk was her own personal Penningtons and tried on t-shirt after t-shirt while I waited in line. She picked a black t-shirt with "IL DIVO" printed in sequins. Nice, I thought. The black will go well with whatever the hell that colour is you dyed your hair. What is that colour anyway? I've only ever seen it in Quebec. Crayola doesn't even have that colour. What would they call it? Orangurgundyurple?

7:29 pm — My turn. I buy a program and t-shirt for my wife. I pay. I go.

7:35 pm — We have a drama queen. There's this woman sitting to my left. She's holding a SARS mask over her face and creating a spectacle. Is she going to make it? Air! Air! Where's her puffer!?! Oh no, she's going to faint! I'm guessing she's a frustrated Canterbury graduate without an outlet for her creative side.

7:38 pm — Pianist William Joseph comes on stage. He is amazing. Okay, something you don't know about me. I love soft, classical music. It calms me. I know, you're shocked that even I need calming once in a while.

7:41 pm — The mother and daughter in front of me won't shut up. I know they're from Gatineau, not because they're speaking French, but because the mother had spiky orangurgundyurple hair. I wish she'd shut her Jos. Louis hole and let us enjoy the music. The Junior Samples-looking guy beside her with the denim overalls and white flat top brush cut — he was English, just so you know that all cultural groups annoy me equally — kept popping out of his seat to take pictures with his camera phone. Yeah, bud, like they'll really turn out.

7:53 pm — As William Joseph finishes, I actually think other people are rude and distracting. Wow. That's ironic.

8:04 pm — Drama Queen is continuing to cling to her last breath in her Shakespearean brilliance.

8:11 pm — I force myself to cough. I aimed it right at her and made a loud comment that I had Hepititis G, which is four levels more serious than Hep C.

8:28 pm — The orchestra finally takes the stage, followed by this cocky and arrogant conductor. I giggle, and blurt out, "Leopold! Leopold!" Everyone around me just looks at me. Surely I can't be the only one there that learned to appreciate the fine arts through Bugs Bunny reruns.

8:30 pm — Il Divo takes the stage and every woman in the place is screeching like Yoko Ono. I'm glad Ottawa is classy, artsy, and sophisticated.

8:42 pm — Drama Queen with SARS has suddenly forgotten about the air quality and spends the next 45 minutes actually leaning on the trash can taking photos.

8:49 pm — Carlos the Spanish guy is getting on my nerves. He is handsome and confident and charming and the women are going crazy. He's the opposite of me. He's Bizarro Jeff.

8:52 pm — Look at the size of Carlos's head. Last time I saw a melon like that it was when Stoney Curtis and Carey Granite made cameos on the Flintstones. It's a good thing Urs is holding his cordless mike or the thing might start orbiting around Carlos's head.

9:26 pm — Daydreaming. You know what would be really funny? If Carlos had a third nipple. Mike in our fantasy baseball league had to have a nipplectomy to have his third nipple removed. I'm sure Carlos doesn't have a third nipple, but imagining it while he sang made the show more fun.

9:51 pm — Realize that no women have ever screamed or threw their underwear at me because they love my column.

10:27 pm — Il Divo comes out for their encore and a tsunami of cougars rushes the stage. Carlos is trying to be smooth with his ginormous square head, but I'm sure he's thinking, "What the hell is that colour?"

10:31 pm — It's over and we're leaving. I want to yell "It's 10:31 and the Leafs still suck!" But I don't. Hey, stay off the logo!

Jeff Morris is the publisher of the Manotick Messenger, *a sister paper to the* Winchester Press.

Seaway documentary now available on DVD

IROQUOIS — Scotiabank and David Jones Productions have teamed up with the Galop Canal Revitalization Project to raise funds for additional mooring docks at the Iroquois Marina.

David Jones, who produced the documentary *A River Lost*, is offering his DVD for sale at Morrisburg Scotiabank for a limited time. Jones will contribute $5 from each sale to the canal revitalization project, and Scotiabank will match the contribution resulting in a $10 donation for each DVD sold.

"We are very excited about this initiative," said Geraldine Fitzsimmons of the Galop committee. "David's DVD is wonderful, very professional, and in the words of one long-time resident of Iroquois, 'a must see.'"

The 60-minute documentary was created in honor of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Seaway. Jones, a Seaway District High School student, received $1,500 from the provincial government's Young Entrepreneurs Program to start up his company, David Jones Productions, as a summer business in 2006.

"Our project is a good fit for the DVD, which encourages residents to help restore 'A River Lost,'" Fitzimmons said.

The Galop committee has raised over $17,000 toward its goal of approximately $22,000, and the Township of South Dundas has offered matching funds. Jones and Fitzsimmons expressed appreciation for the support of Scotiabank.

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National Volunteer Week 2007, from April 15 to 21, is therefore characterized by a tree. A symbol of leadership and vitality, the tree represents a society that grows by drawing equally on the strength and diversity of volunteer activities. It clearly expresses the dynamic leadership and the mission of volunteer organizations. This image reinforces the idea of solidarity and dynamic action by highlighting all the unsuspected richness that is hidden "under the tree", and mirrors the true but seldom noticed importance of volunteering.

The slogan "Volunteers Grow Community" suggests all the strength of a multitude of small acts, accomplished through gentle determination, quietly and without fanfare, by the thousands of volunteers that have the well-being of society at heart. When the impact of all these individual acts are evaluated, it's obvious that volunteerism definitely contributes to building a better world.

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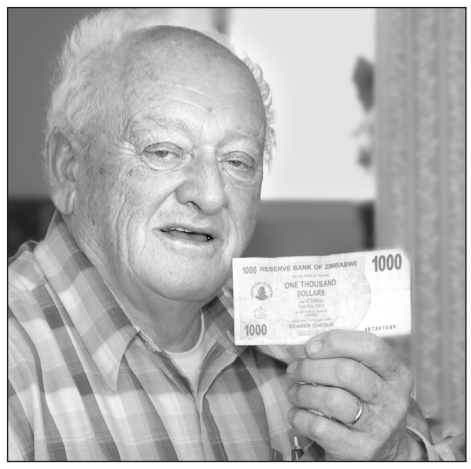
Local resident sees efforts pay off in Africa

by Meghan Duncan
Press staff



Keith Smith recently returned from a study tour to Malawi and Zimbabwe through the Canadian Foodgrains bank, where he could see first-hand the efforts of Inkerman United Church paying off. Here he is pictured with $1,000 in Malawian kwacha.

Press Photo — Duncan

INKERMAN — "Tell me, your wife, did you have to pay for her?" asked a Zimbabwe farmer to a Canadian visitor in his home. "I had to pay for mine — four cows and 12 chickens."

The visitor in the small farming village was Inkerman resident Keith Smith, who recently returned from a Canadian Foodgrains Bank study tour to Malawi and Zimbabwe with a new perspective on life.

It was in 2004 that Smith spearheaded Inkerman United Church's own Canadian Foodgrains Bank initiative, which last year was a 27-acre plot on Barry Thompson's Heckston-area farm. By obtaining free seed and fertilizer, the grain grown is sold to the local elevator — the proceeds forwarded to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank in Winnipeg.

"We're in some of the best crop growing districts in Ontario — we should be doing something," Smith said of his original aspiration. "If you do a little bit, it's a lot of help."

Rev. Blair Paterson, who is in charge of the four-point United Church charge — South Mountain, Hallville, Heckston, and Inkerman — agreed.

"This is what farmers know something about," he said. "This is something that people in rural areas can do — and can do it well. It speaks to their own spirituality; they know the land and they're tied to it."

Paterson said that the initiative just clicked from the very beginning. "We may not be able to solve world hunger, but we can play our part, and this is a good way of doing it," he said.

Trip of a lifetime

Last spring, Smith was sent information regarding the study tour to South-east Africa, and put his name on the list to take part.

"I put my name down, not knowing what would come of it," he said.

Smith found out in September 2006 that he would be taking part, and had until February 2007 to prepare for the 19-day excursion.

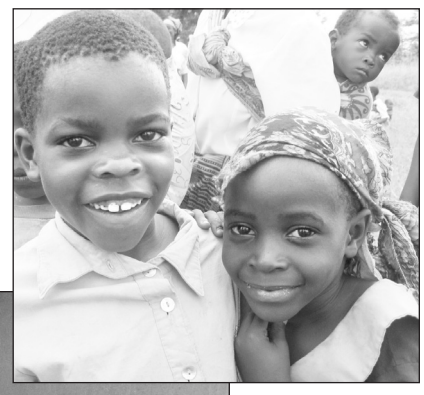
A group of 13 participants from across Canada were all taking the tour for different reasons. For Smith, it was to see what the money Inkerman United Church raised was going toward.

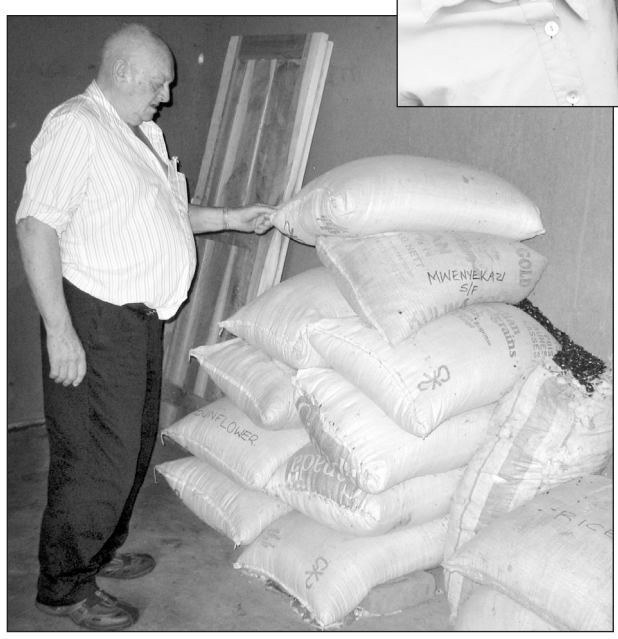
The tour was a partnership between the Foodgrains Bank, Christian Reformed World Relief Committee, and Christian Care, as well as the United Church of Canada.

Relief initiatives set up in the areas Smith was visiting teach and encourage better farming practices. Smith explained that each farmer had around three acres — some more, some less — all of which was tended by hand.

"Everything was done with a hoe — they had no equipment whatsoever," Smith said, noting that two of the families he stayed with had a simple outlook: "Their biggest wish was that someday, they would have electricity."

Another farmer's wish was to own a tractor. "If he used it for his crops that would be secondary," Smith said. "He wanted it to transport his goods to town."





Smith explained that throughout the entire tour, he saw only three tractors — one of which wasn't working.

Farmers were growing maize (corn), ground nuts, and other root crops. Relief organizations are trying to get the farmers to plant soybeans to help improve the soil.

"There's no question — I still think I'm living a dream when I think about it," Smith said. "Everyone was so hospitable — they were very honoured to have us in their homes. They just couldn't do enough for you."

Participants each stayed with a family in farming villages in the two countries.

"People from Canada are very warmly received," he said, noting that the national language of Zimbabwe is English, so there were no language barriers to overcome, and it was easy to speak with the family members.

Most of the farmers that Smith and his group visited with were able to grow enough food to sustain themselves for seven months of the year, but relied on relief efforts for the other five.

"There were always lots of kids," Smith said. "They'd gather around you like you were from outer space."

He said the children were perhaps the highlight of the trip, speaking of one night when the family gathered to pray before going to bed. "You've never heard anything like it," he said of the children's voices singing a traditional song — in harmonies and rounds. "I was so moved by that."



No safari

Smith said his recent trip to Africa changed his perspective on the world, and made him realize just how ungrateful most Canadians are.

But it was at the Canadian Foodgrains Bank warehouse that Smith was introduced to the distribution process — he could see the efforts of Inkerman United Church included in the more than 650 tonnes of grains waiting to be handed out. "They give out 10 kilograms per person, per month," Smith explained. "The administration costs are very low."

He said that 97 per cent of money goes toward the cause. The number becomes even more significant when quadrupled by the federal government — every $1 raised become $5.

"Zimbabwe is in shambles," he explained, noting that the inflation rate is currently about 1,200 per cent a year.

"The people in the city are suffering the most from the government upheaval," he went on. "While we were there, people were starting to just not go to work because it cost too much."

He said he felt a lot of empathy toward the people he met.

"They're god-fearing, compassionate people," Smith said. "There's most likely going to be a conflict sometime soon in Zimbabwe, and I hope these people don't get drawn into it. They don't deserve that."

As he sits at his kitchen table in the home he shares with his wife Donna — whom he didn't have to pay for — Smith said his entire perspective has changed. He said he is more thankful for what he has, and realizes just how ungrateful many Canadians are.

"It was a wonderful experience," he said. "Like they always say, 'one half of the world doesn't know how the other half lives.' I just couldn't believe that with so little material wealth they were so extremely happy."

But one thing hasn't changed — his desire to see the Inkerman United Church contribution to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank progress.

"It's extremely important," he said of the 27-acre contribution. "We're not doing much, but boy, to the people there (in Africa) it's certainly (a lot)."

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Spring cleaning of community off to running start

METCALFE — The City of Ottawa started the Spring Cleaning the Capital program a few years ago. It has met with considerable success.

Osgoode Ward, in 2007, will be much cleaner. Our community police officer and I talked about garbage strewn along our streets, rural roads, and pathways. Const. Finniss, being an enthusiastic, energetic, and positive person, has taken this on as a challenge. She has now over 700 students and other volunteers poised to start this Fri., April 20 and Sat., April 21 to clean up the mess. Both Const. Finniss and I encourage everyone to take up the challenge and spend time cleaning up debris in your neighbourhood.



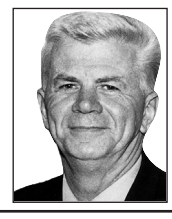
Picture perfect

Russell Johnston, vice-president of the Osgoode Township Historical Society and Museum, adjusted one of the photographs he had on display during the art show and tea at the museum in Vernon on Sat., April 14, where there were about a dozen artists showing their work.

Photo — Barbour

Cat and Dog Registration

It's that time of year again. Cat and dog registration and renewal is due by April 30. To register your dog or cat, print and complete the application form from the City's website and forward it to the City, along with any required proof of microchipping and sterilization, as well as the registration fee. Owners can also complete the registration or renewal at any of the City's Client Service Centres. Visit ottawa.ca or call 3-1-1 for more information.



In and around Osgoode Ward

by councillor Doug Thompson

Household Hazardous Waste

The City of Ottawa is hosting a one-day household hazardous waste collection depot from 9 am to 4 pm on Sat., April 21 at Drain-All Environmental Services Ltd. (2705 Stevenage Dr., between Hawthorne Road and Russell Road, south of Walkley Road). Some examples of household hazardous waste are energy efficient light bulbs, turpentine, aerosol containers, fire extinguishers, pool chemicals, insecticides, stains, wood preservatives, barbecue starters, propane tanks, oven cleaners, disinfectants, herbicides, fungicides, furniture stripper, gasoline, and window cleaner.

Waste oil can be brought back to a Take it Back! partner retailer. Check the City's website at ottawa.ca under Recycling and Garbage for a list of 100 retailers that take back oil.

Latex paint can be hardened at home with clumping kitty litter or a commercial paint hardener and the hardened paint put out in a regular garbage bag. Recycle the empty, cleaned paint can (with the lid removed) in your blue box.

Lion Al Page — vice-district governor

Al Page, a Greely resident for over 25 years and a Greely Lion for over 19 years, was elected as vice-district governor of District A-4. This district stretches from the Quebec border to Gananoque, Chalk River, and over into Western Quebec with over 73 clubs in total. Lion Al Page, one of the founding members of the Greely Lions, is a truly dedicated member of the Lions Club and of our community. As a Lion, Al has been a huge supporter of the Blind Anglers Fishing Tournament. He has been an active member of the Greely Players and is a past chair of the Greely Community Centre Board. We wish Canada's number one "Santa Claus" all the best as he takes on this major role.

Osgoode Trade and Home Show

One of the best of its kind, the 19th annual Osgoode Home and Trade Show starts this Fri., April 20 at the Osgoode Community Centre. On Friday the Trade and Home Show runs from 5 to 9 pm, while Saturday the hours are 10 am to 4 pm. Come on out and see a tremendous collection of local entrepreneurs showing their stuff.

Osgoode Village clean-up

The Osgoode Village Clean-up Campaign will begin at 10 am on Sat., April 21, at the O-YA Centre. The rain date is Sun., April 22. We are hoping for a decent turnout of Osgoode residents to help with the cleanup of Main Street between Nixon Drive and Second Line. This will be our third semi-annual cleaning of Main Street. For more information, contact Richard and Linda Fisher at 613-826-3072.

Charity auction

Our Lady of the Visitation Church on Bank Street will hold its sixth annual Charity Auction on Sat., April 21 from 10 am to 3 pm at the Greely Community Centre. There will be over 200 live and silent auction items plus a special Mother's Day and Father's Day Gift Table. Proceeds to the Family Centre Building Fund. For info or to donate an item call Marie at 613-526-2366 or e-mail marie.trojan@sympatico.ca.

GST auction

Community Christian School in Metcalfe is holding its Goods, Services, and Talents sale again this year at the Metcalfe Fire Hall (8011 Victoria St.) on April 21: viewing at 9:30 am, auction at 10 am. All proceeds to support Community Christian School. Please see our amazing list of items to auction off at www.communitychristianschool.ca under News and Events. Just in: a barbecue and a riding lawn tractor. To donate an item or service, please contact Dave Wyngaarden at 613-612-3739 or by e-mail: thewyngaardens@sympatico.ca.

Kenmore Euchre Party

The next euchre party will take place on Sat., April 21 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall.

Church Ham Dinner

All Saints Ham Dinner, sponsored by the All Saints Greely Anglican Church, will be held on Sun., April 22 at 5:30 pm (one sitting) in the Greely Community Centre. Adults $10 and children under 10, $5. For information or tickets, call Lynda 613-822-0884 or e-mail gvm@rogers.com.

RWBN Spring Dinner and Trade Show

The Rural Women's Business Network spring dinner and trade show will take place Tues., April 24 at the Metcalfe Golf and Country Club (1956 8th Line Rd.). Trade show begins at 4 pm; dinner at 6:15 pm. For more information, contact Marg at mnewsome@cogeco.ca or Lynn at 613-258-3112 or visit www.rwbn.ca.

Community policing

This week we are keeping our community clean and green. If you wish to take part on April 21, please contact your community associations: Metcalfe - Ellen Everson at 613-821-4446; Greely - William Ney at 613-821-1960; Osgoode - Joe Banks at 613-826-1868; Vernon - Kim Bates at 613-821-3033; Kenmore - Ed Blais at 613-821-2392.

We almost have 900 students taking part on Fri., April 20 to help clean up school yards, churches, and community centers. Thank you to all those who have volunteered.

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Peter Wake (left) as Joseph, Georgia Ruyter as the auctioneer, Rebeka Lubbers as the Pharoah, and Brianne Gledhill are just some of the youth taking to the stage in the Parkway Community Kids Choir production of *Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace* on May 5 and 6 at the Parkway Road Pentecostal Church near Greely.

Kids choir performs musical

GREELY — Parkway Community Kids Choir is presenting the musical *Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace* on Sat., May 5 and Sun., May 6 at the Parkway Road Pentecostal Church near Greely.

"It's a fun show — it's cute," said the choir's director-general Bonnie Lubbers, explaining that the musical is presented as a game show. "These kids are awesome. We have a lot of fun."

This show marks the choir's eighth season. There are 35 children involved from Vernon, Metcalfe, Greely, Ottawa South, and Embrun. They have been practicing every Tuesday night since January.

Lubbers noted that there are 11 adults helping to stage the production and that all the details are coming together. She pointed out that the kids have been working really hard.

"It's a family night out," said Lubbers about the show. "It's appropriate for all ages."

Seating is general admission and by donation. Shows begin at 7 pm. For further information, call Lubbers at 613-821-1069 or the church office at 613-821-1056.

Opal's Baby a natural fit for Cow Patti Theatre troupe

CORNWALL — The Cow Patti Theatre Company's spring production will be a pig-squealing, hay-hoppin' good time. *Opal's Baby*, written by John Patrick, will open on Thurs., April 26 and run until Sun., May 13 at the Glen Building on Water Street in Cornwall.

"It's slated as a comedy and guaranteed to leave our audiences with belly aches from laughing too hard," said head cow AnnaMarie Lea.

Opal Kronkie lives in a tumble-down home on the edge of a municipal garbage dump. A visitor looking for a tire for his 1927 Reo truck becomes convinced that Opal is a rich eccentric and announces that he too is Kronkie kin in an effort to relieve Opal of her supposed fortune. Warm-hearted Opal takes his family in and the mayhem begins. Throw in a mistrusting friend of Opal's, a granny that likes to sit under the table singing and eating tootsie rolls, Verna the Hollywood starlet and her husband Spencer, as well as some pig calls and a baby on the way and you've got the fixin' for a heck of a time.

Though the play was written 35 years ago, many of Opal's points of view about things such as taxes and the "governmint" will strike a chord with audiences today.

The cast includes Patti Kazmer as Opal, AnnaMarie Lea as Rosie, Victor Cornfoot as Norman, Jonas Elliot as Spencer, Estelle Denis as Granny, and Jennifer Robertson as Verna.

Opal's Baby opens on Thurs., April 26 and runs until Sun., May 13. Most shows will include a pig roast dinner. Tickets are $47. The moonshine will be served at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm, and the show begins at 8:15 pm.

There are also four weekend brunch dates ($35), two evening Moonshine Mingle Cabaret shows ($22), and five Moonshine Mingle Afternoon Cabaret shows ($22).

There will be a benefit performance for World Youth Day on Thurs., April 26 and a benefit performance for Care for Health and Community Services on Thurs., May 3. There will be a special Mother's Day show on Sun., May 13.

For tickets, call 613-938-4748 or 613-938-8068.



The Cow Patti Theatre Company's production of *Opal's Baby* opens on Thurs., April 26 at the Glen Building on Water Street in Cornwall. The cast includes: Victor Cornfoot (back, left), Jonas Elliot, Estelle Denis (front, left), Jennifer Robertson, Patti Kazmer, and AnnaMarie Lea.



South Mountain Library offers diverse agenda

The Friends of the South Mountain Library held a well attended gardening program at the library on Tues., April 10 that featured Michele White, a garden designer from Mountain. Coming up next is a Mother's Day program for children ages three to five on Wed., May 2 at 10:30 am. Parents are asked to pre-register for this program. As well, the Friends are sponsoring a program called "Before the Barenaked Ladies there were Bach and Beethoven" on Tues., May 8, at 6:30 pm at the library. Rachel Desrosiers, from the Hallville area, will provide an overview of classical music, aimed at ages 12 to adult.

Seaway Valley Singers set concert dates

CHESTERVILLE — The Seaway Valley Singers will present their spring concert in two locations — Trinity United Church in Chesterville on Fri., May 4 at 7:30 pm, and Lakeshore Drive United Church in Morrisburg on Fri., May 11 at 7:30 pm.

The 35-voice choir, under the direction of Chesterville resident Robert Jones has Valerie Kilpatrick providing piano accompaniment. Repertoire will include music from 18th century composers to the present, including medleys from *The Phantom of the Opera* and *Camelot*.

Tickets, which are $10 (adults) and $8 (seniors or students) are available from choir members, or at the door. More info can be obtained from choir president Sydney Smith at 613-543-2353 or on the website (www.seawayvalleysingers.com).

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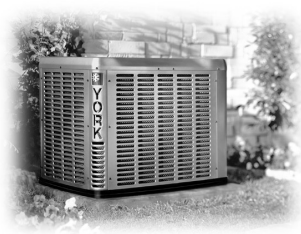

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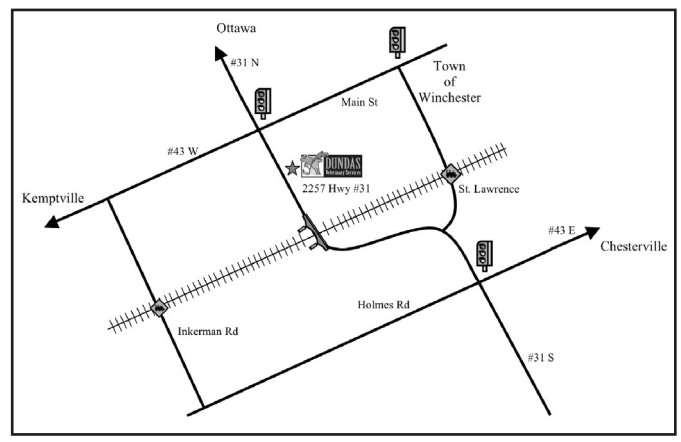


Feast ends famine at NDDHS

MAPLE RIDGE — "Believe it or not, you're supposed to eat slowly," cautioned teacher organizer Johanne Leduc as 140 students at North Dundas District High School completed World Vision's 30-Hour Famine by digging into a huge potluck feast in the cafeteria on Fri., April 13.

"It's tough, but I'd do it again," said Grade 10 student Lee Hutten, who noted she was tempted by Easter chocolate during the fast.

The students fasted for 30 hours to raise money for World Vision. The numbers were still coming in, but Leduc said on Mon., April 16, the total will reach over $8,100 — well above the group's goal of $7,000.

During the last few minutes of the famine, Leduc reminded students that in some places in the world, children eat clay cookies or ground up tree bark to fill their stomachs and that there are one billion people worldwide who do not have access to clean water.

Leduc wished to thank Chartwells for donating popsicles and Mike Dean's Super Food Stores for donating water and juice for the students taking part.

"We could also have a bowl of rice if we wanted, but that's all," explained Grade 10 student Emily Allison.

An inspirational video featuring U2 frontman Bono kicked off the event.

"It showed you where your money would go," explained Marissa Merkley.

Famine organizers declared Friday "Bono Day." U2 tunes blasted and a slide show featuring the anti-poverty activist played on the wall of the cafeteria during the feast. A number of students sported wrap-around sunglasses and cowboy hats in recognition of the singer.

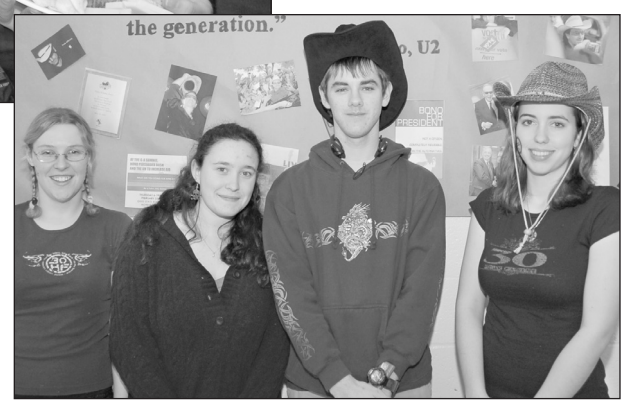
As the students broke their fast, some went for an all-chocolate approach, while others included some fruit and veggies in their celebratory meal.



Chips and anything chocolate were popular choices as NDDHS students concluded their 30-Hour Famine to raise money for World Vision on Fri., April 13.

At right: *Chelsea Hunter (left), Leigh Keffer, Adam Joyce, and Frances Reid were some of the student organizers behind this year's 30-Hour Famine in support of World Vision at the high school.*





Above: *Grade 12 student Mbarak Bujra (left) and Steffanie Pinch, Grade 11, included some healthy items as they broke their fast.*

Press Photos — James

UCW plans congregational potluck Sunday

by Norma Wylie

WINCHESTER — Clara Edwardson welcomed the United Church Women to the April meeting by reading a short story on faith, and everyone repeated the UCW purpose and vision.

Bea Warren lead the Easter worship service using the theme "Easter People," interspersed with Scriptures and prayer. The March minutes were read and the reports were heard.

Edwardson thanked the units for supplying the lenten lunches held at Winchester United Church. Mrs. Byrne offered to buy bibles to be presented to those being confirmed, when they join the congregation in May.

A few ladies planned to attend the presbyterial meeting held in Merrickville on April 10.

The UCW catered dinner is to be held on May 14, and all members are asked to notify their unit leaders or Debbie Annable by May 1 if they're going to attend.

The annual UCW Strawberry Social will take place June 24 — hoping the strawberries are ready.

A potluck congregational dinner will be held on Sun., April 22 after the morning service. Hot or cold food will be accepted.

The three units will meet on April 23 — unit 1 will meet at 2 pm at Dundas Manor, unit 2 at 1:30 pm at June Armstrong's home, and unit 4 at 7:30 pm at Faye Robinson's home.

The April meeting closed with members singing "Go Now in Peace."

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Five generations

At Holly and Jack Hebert's 25th anniversary surprise party on Sun., April 1 in Morewood, relatives included five generations of women. The mothers and daughters from youngest to wisest are: six-week-old Kylie Lesage, Katie Lesage (back, left), Kathy Carkner, Betty Stewart, and Luella Gilmer (sitting), who are all residents of Dundas County. This is the second time there have been five generations of women in the family. The first was when Katie was a baby and Luella's mother — Myrtle Darling — was part of the picture.

Country Music Hall of Fame dance in Vernon

VERNON — It's time to kick up your heels and make some noise in Vernon. The annual Ottawa Valley Country Music Hall of Fame dance, sponsored by the Vernon Community Association, is just around the corner.

Hosted by Jim Long, hall of fame members Howard Hayes and John Henry Lacasse will headline with Eugene Gorgichuk and Marleen Fawcett also performing. Unwound, consisting of Rodger Coulombe, Dale Ducharme, Mike Hamelin, Brian Hebert, and Buddy McCann, will round out the back-up band.

This All-Star Country Dance will be held Sat., April 21 at the Vernon Recreation Centre. Doors will open at 7 pm for the 8 pm to 12:30 am show. Tickets are $10 and are available at the Vernon Variety Store, Seaway Valley Pharmacy in Winchester, or by calling Larry at 613-821-2057.

"Once you have been, you'll keep coming back for more," said long-time fan Daisy Robinson about the OVCMHF dances.

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Welcome aboard

Chesterville Rotary president Joe Cass, in his persona of Edward J. Smith, captain of the Titanic, greeted visitors and dinner guests at the Titanic Tour and Tea on Sat., April 14. Cass is seen here in front of a nine-foot high mural of the Titanic's grand staircase. The event was held at the Chesterville Legion hall and Cass reported that tickets were sold out.

Below left:
Michael Walters of Stittsville recently returned from an Hawaiian cruise, which gave him a deeper appreciation of the Titanic memorabilia.

Below:
Caroline Roberts of Chesterville was one of the afternoon visitors at the Chesterville Legion.

Photos — Barbour



Titanic event makes waves

by Matthew Barbour

CHESTERVILLE — The Rotary Club of Chesterville went all out in its presentation of a Titanic Tour and Tea on Sat., April 14. From linen-draped tables and chairs to a nine-foot high mural of the Titanic's grand staircase, the Chesterville Legion hall was decorated in a style befitting the original upscale dining room of the ill-fated passenger vessel.

Down the hall from the dining room, visitors and dinner guests were able to view hundreds of items — Titanic-era artifacts and movie memorabilia — to further set the mood. Visitors enjoyed tea and perusing the mini-museum, as well as taking a bus tour that highlighted the life of a local family that was aboard Titanic. Hudson Allison of Chesterville, his wife Bess, and daughter Loraine went down with the ship, but their young son Trevor survived. This April marks the 95th anniversary of the ship's sinking.

For Isabel and Michael Walters of Stittsville, the event was of particular interest, as they had just returned from an Hawaiian cruise 10 days earlier.



"It was just coincidence, but we purchased the tickets for this dinner and booked the cruise at about the same time," said Michael Walters. "Now, it's exciting to come down here and see this — it's very impressive."

One of the first things to draw his interest was the size of the Titanic. "It was 49,000 tons and that was the same size as the ship we were on," he said.

He indicated that as a result of his 11-day cruise, he had a deeper understanding of the Titanic disaster.

"It's awesome and at the same time sobering when you're at sea — you look around and see nothing but water in every direction," he said.

Rotary president Joe Cass reported that the Titanic Tour and Tea was a sold-out event, as was the Titanic Gala held Saturday evening. Proceeds will be used to purchase equipment for the Chesterville Community Park.

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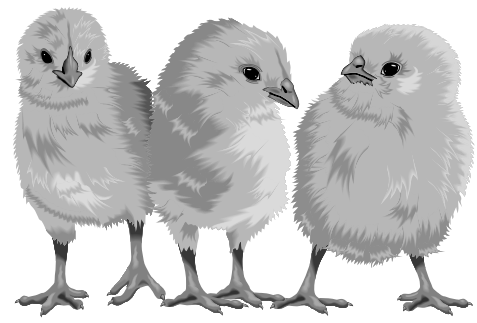

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Farm safety focus of workshop

RUSSELL — The Russell 4-H Calf Club put on a Farm Safety Workshop on Sat., April 14. The event was made possible by a $1,000 grant received from Sears Canada and the Canadian 4-H Council.

"We are very grateful to have the support of Sears Canada and the Canadian 4-H Council to assist at the grass roots level," said 4-h leader Wendy Molenaar. "The workshop was quite educational. Thanks to all the volunteers, who helped make it run smoothly."

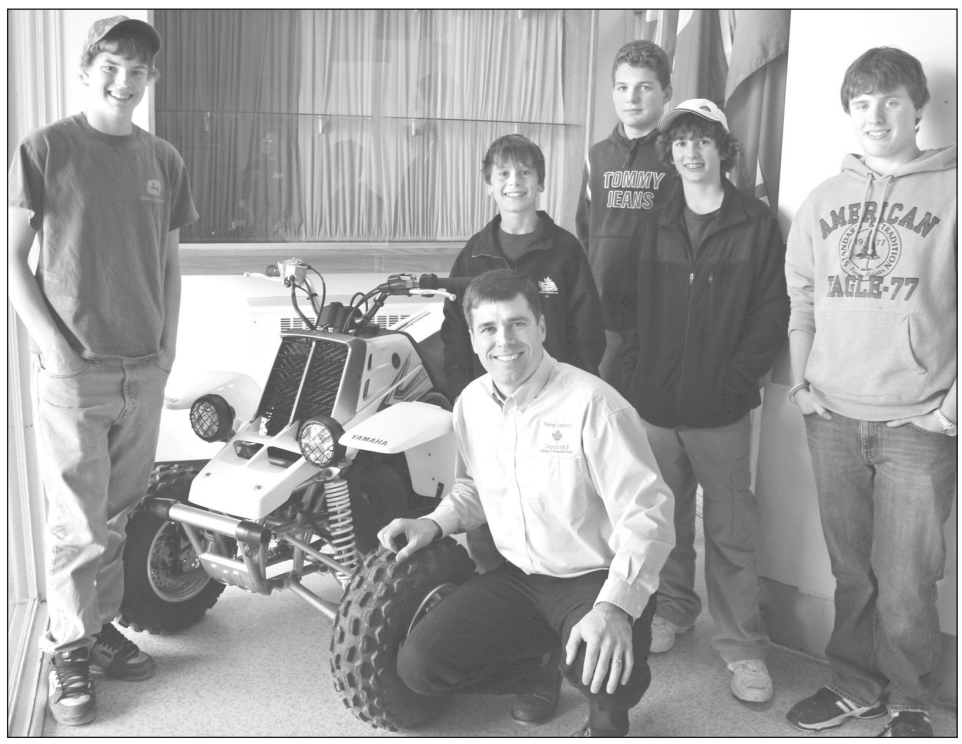
The workshop involved rotations between five stations: lawn mower safety with Sheila James, Eastern Ontario Consultant for the Farm Safety Association; chemical awareness and safety with Rejean Pomainville, secretary for the Russell Farm Safety Association; what to do when first on the scene of an accident with Len Porquet, a medic with the Canadian Armed Forces; "Find the Hazards" poster with Wanda Williams, Russell County Dairy Educator; and ATV rules and safety with Officer Michel Prud'homme, from the Ottawa Police.

James also ran a safety Jeopardy game with questions pertaining to information learned throughout the day.

The workshop finished with a presentation from Capt. Lyle Kinsella and Lieut. Nicolina Kingston from the Vars Fire Station, and Eric Rollin from the Cumberland Fire Station. The firefighters demonstrated how to use a fire extinguisher and 4-H club members had a chance to use an extinguisher.

Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MP Pierre Lemieux joined the group and took time to speak with everyone.

The Russell Farm Safety Association provided information packages with CDs, safety signs and a St. John Ambulance first aid kit.



Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MP Pierre Lemieux (front) joined 4-H club members Jordan Molenaar (back, left), Elias Meyerhans, Trevor Perrault, Sam Menard, and Kyle Thompson, who were taking part in a Farm Safety Workshop hosted by the Russell 4-H Calf Club on Sat., April 14.

Golden anniversary sale results impress

WINCHESTER — "Pure quality, refreshing numbers, highlight year" — these are just a few of the words that Eastern Ontario Holstein Clubs are using to describe their 50th annual calf sale, which took place on Sat., April 7 at Hugh Fawcett Auctions Inc. in Winchester.

The largest crowd in the sale's history bid with energy for the auctioneer and pedigree team of Hugh Fawcett and Don Johnston, following a complimentary pancake breakfast provided by Eastern Breeders Inc.

To celebrate the 50th year, consignments from Master Breeder herds were featured, which made up more than one third of the total consignments. Sixty head commanded a strong average of $2,567 — the second highest average in history.

Topping the sale at $7,750 was Glengarry Jordan Angel Amy, a Roylane Jordan-ET daughter from three Excellent dams. This fancy summer yearling heifer was consigned by Robert D. MacIntosh of Apple Hill, Ont. and purchased by Robert D. MacDonald of Dalkeith, Ont.

The second highest price of the day was $7,000, consigned by Ferme Gillette Inc. of Embrun. Gillette Talent Jamaica, a VG-86 two-year-old, and sired by Ladino Park Talent-Imp-ET, is from the Sunnylodge Prelude Spottie family and was sold to Ferme Shady Lane Swiss of Shawville, Que.

The third and fourth toppers sold for $6,250 and $6,200. Velthuis Goldwyn Elita from Velthuis Farms Ltd. in Osgoode made a silky presence in the ring. The September 2006 Braedale Goldwyn daughter was purchased by Robert Booth of Wisconsin. Following closely was the stylish December 2006 Innwood Terrason daughter from David J. MacMillan of Alexandria. Lochdale Terrason Tahiti was purchased by Bob Hoogenveen of Blackstock and will go on to be a 2007 4-H project in Durham County.

Eastern Ontario Holstein Clubs have been co-operating on this event since its origination. Profits from the sale are distributed among the nine Holstein Clubs to help finance their individual initiatives.

First aid course coming

WINCHESTER — The standard first-aid course still has spots available. The course takes place Sat., April 21 and 28 at the Chesterville Community Hall from 8 am to 5 pm. The cost is $120. The course will be instructed by St. John Ambulance. A manual is provided and you are asked to bring a lunch. Please register through the township office.



Remarks

by Mark Guy, director of recreation

The deadline for summer employment with the township has passed. Individuals who will be selected for interviews will be notified in the next couple of weeks.

The recreation department is hosting a meeting at the South Mountain United Church on Mon., April 23 at 7 pm for anyone who has an interest in joining a newly formed recreation association for South Mountain. This new group would primarily oversee the activities at the park and have the opportunity to organize other events within the village.

Have a great week!

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NDDHS Notes
by Jennifer Honders

In close relation to the upcoming blood donor clinic, graduating students have the opportunity to qualify for bursaries for post secondary education through Canadian Blood Services. Awards are valued at $1,000. Numerous other scholarships are also available under multiple requirements, and are all accessible in the guidance department at NDDHS.

Magazine fundraiser

In other North Dundas news, the magazine fundraiser is well underway. This is one of the highlights for the school to gain money for needs that government funding does not cover, like prom, trips, and sporting equipment.

It is essential that order forms are returned as quickly as possible to fundraising during period three because of all the great prizes offered. Included among these are huge chocolate bars, and a pair of prom tickets. The more that the students are able to sell, the more benefits the students receive because of it.

Fashion show

One minor change has been made to the fashion show. Instead of it being held April 19, it has now been moved to April 26 because of unforeseen circumstances. Arrangements are the same with three shows being held. An early morning start for Maple Ridge students, followed by NDDHS students in the afternoon, and best of all, the public is able to come out in the evening. Sorry for any inconvenience.

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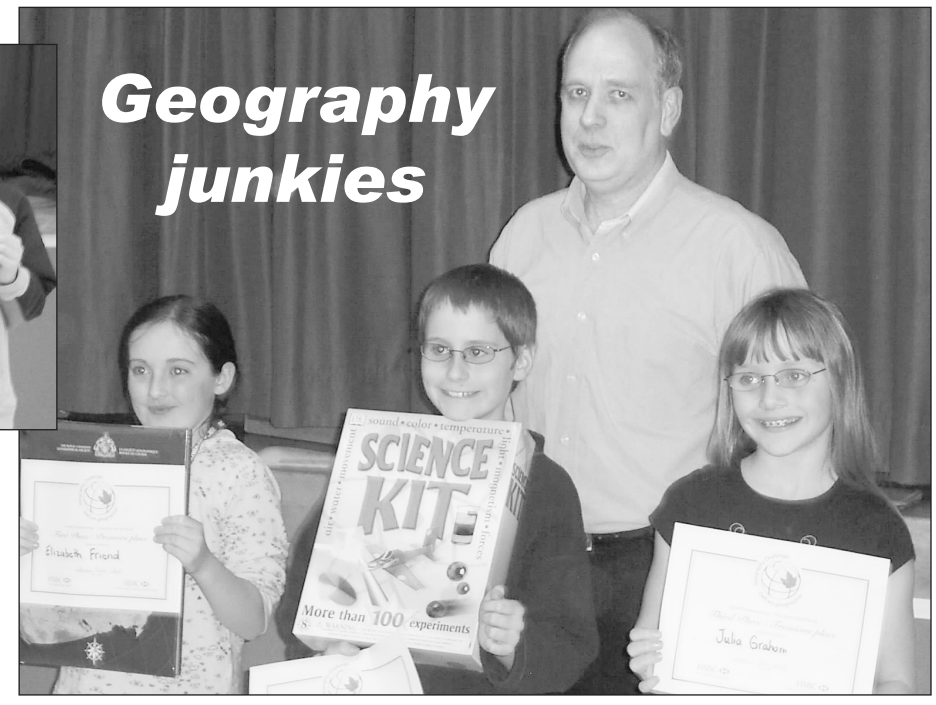

Inkerman Public School held its annual Geography Challenge on Wed., March 28. With Ian McKelvie of Canadian Geographic acting as the moderator, it was an exciting competition. Lorna Driscoll played the Jeopardy theme song on the piano with every question. The Grade 4-5-6 winners were Elizabeth Friend — first (left), Andre Lemieux — second, and Julia Graham — third. Inset: The Grade 2 and 3 winners were Aaron Turcotte — third (left), Gillian Zollinger — first, and Kyle Findlay second. Both groups had to go into tie breakers for second and third place.

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They had a ball...





Five-year-old Chantalyne Leonhardts, above, of Chesterville couldn't get enough of the air bounce slide while Amanda Shay, right, of Chesterville, 4, enjoyed the ups and downs of the rodeo air bounce. Benjamin Dellah, 3, of Winchester, below, tested his pitching skills at the Tic Tac Toe game.





Martin McLeod, 13 months, seemed to get a kick out of throwing basketballs into the hoop.



Life was a ball for four-year-old Caleb Archer of South Mountain at the Happy Face Nursery School's indoor carnival on Sat., April 14. The event was held at North Dundas District High School and according to Melissa Cooper, a director at the nursery school, it attracted at least 250 children. The Lions Club provided some seed money and Scotiabank pledged matching funds. Admission was $5 per child and funds raised will go toward operating costs of the nursery school's four programs in Winchester, Chesterville, South Mountain, and Avonmore.

At left:
Kennedy Scheepers, 10, of Chesterville savoured the cotton candy.

At right:
Frankie Moss-Nafekh of Chesterville, 8, had some colourful decorations applied by Elaine Smith of the Girl Guides of Canada. Smith and three Pathfinders volunteered their time for the event. Josh Cameron volunteered to serve up cotton candy.

Photos — Barbour







Mason Carr of Chesterville, 4, had a blast.

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On the land

Last week's ideal weather conditions allowed the North Dundas District High School Devils to get back on the land. Coach Troy Smith has four veterans returning to the lacrosse squad and is looking for some financial support for the team (left) which begins play in Ottawa tomorrow (April 19). Senior Devils soccer coach Ian Wilson and junior mentor Kevin Bell have been fine tuning their rosters for the SD&G opening tournament on May 2. Sam Behm and Teal Gove chased down the ball (middle) while Taylor Shelp cut off Christine Stewart (right) during a scrimmage on April 10. *Press Photos — Van Bridger*

First-place in 300-metre hurdles

Fawcett hurdles to second victory at Ottawa Lions Dome indoor meet

MAPLE RIDGE — Tyler Fawcett continued to prepare for his final year as a member of the North Dundas District High School Devils track team competing in the Ottawa Lions Dome indoor meets. For a second consecutive week he posted a first-place finish winning the senior boys 300-metre hurdles in a sub 40 second time of 38.78. He also clocked a time of 23.18 seconds finishing the 200-metre sprint in second place.



Tyler Fawcett

Fawcett was one of a team of 15 North Dundas Devils to take part in the event held on April 5. Madison Koekkoek was the only other member of the squad to garner a first-place finish, doing so in the midget girls 300-metre hurdles winning in a time of 53.98 seconds.

Devils coach Julie Green reported the team didn't take part in the Dome Meet on April 12, but will send a contingent to the TISS Relay Meet in Brockville tomorrow (Thurs., April 19). The Devils are slated to take part in three events before they will defend their championship at the 2007 SD&G championships in Cornwall on May 15.

Devils details

North Dundas results posted at the April 5 Dome Meet

MIDGETS: GIRLS - Madison Koekkoek - first - 300m hurdles - 53.98 and 11th - 800m - 3:04; Shelby Allison - third - 300m hurdles - 57.36 and 17th - long jump - 2.71m; Tania Diaz - fourth 300m hurdles - 58.47; Jenna Wouters - fifth - 300m hurdles - 58.67; Kaylee Steele - sixth - 300m hurdles - 1:10; Tasha Vanderveen - fourth - long jump - 4.03m and sixth - 200m - 30.75; BOYS - Dylan DeJong - third - 300m hurdles - 51.22 and 12th - 200m - 28.01; Curtis Vanderheen - eighth - 200m - 28.01.

JUNIORS: BOYS - Justin Comeau - second - long jump - 5.38; Cassidy Wattie - sixth - long jump - 4.47m and ninth - 200m - 27.21; Stephen Moore - seventh - 300m hurdles - 51.73 and 16th - 200m - 28.82; Tom Henbest - 12th - 800m - 2:25.

SENIORS: GIRLS - Kelsey Hilborn - second - 300m hurdles - 56.71; Jenna Simms - third - 3,000m - 13:42. BOYS - Tyler Fawcett - first - 300m hurdles - 38.78 and second - 200m - 23.18.

Umpire clinic April 28

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — Philip Labossiere, assistant umpire-in-chief with the Upper Canada Little League, has announced that the league will hold its annual spring umpire clinic at the Agricultural Hall in South Mountain. Registration will be held between 8:15 and 9 am on Sat., April 28.

Senior umpire instructor Albert Smith will lead the clinic, which will run from 9 am until 3 pm. Labossiere will then conduct a session on UCLL rules from 3 until 4 pm.

"The level one course is open to all individuals from 12 to 99 years of age who intend on umpiring either baseball or softball this season," said Labossiere.

Anyone interested in attending the clinic can do so through their respective minor ball associations or by contacting Labossiere at 613-989-2229.

Team Murton secures SD&G badminton silver

CORNWALL — Sara and Rose Murton combined to win a silver medal for the North Dundas District High School Devils badminton team.

Team Murton claimed the silver medal in the junior ladies doubles event at the 2007 SD&G high school badminton championships in Cornwall on April 11.

Dara Bowie and Nathalie Gibson also competed in the ladies doubles. North Dundas entered a pair of men's doubles teams with Kurtis Byrd and Zac Baker forming one team and Richard Boal and Logan Fournier making up the other unit.

Aaron Lee and Meagan Froats took part in the mixed doubles bracket.

Two other Devils played themselves into the quarter finals – Carly Crump in the ladies singles and Sean Bufton in the mens singles. Curtis Bassindale also played in the mens singles competition.

This year's junior tournament featured 150 matches while the tri-county midget playdown featured 120 matches.

Today (Wed., April 18) Holy Trinity and L'Heritage will host the senior championships. Next week (Tues., April 24) the same schools will welcome the top senior players from around Eastern Ontario to the 2007 EOSSAA tournament.

Midget Devils

The following athletes represented NDDHS in the SD&G midget championships in Cornwall on April 11: ladies doubles – Emma Greenough and Kaylee Steele, Laura Bretteler and Tania Diaz; mens doubles – Jordan havekes and Wade Hetherington, Jesse Boone and Cam Armstrong; mixed doubles – Mackenzie McMillan and Jenna Wouters; ladies singles – Lindsay Allen and Taryn Hoogeveen; mens singles – Greg Collins.

The Devils are coached by Cindy Steele and Aaron Banford.

Kicking off

The North Dundas District High School Devils rugby squads are about to kick off the 2007 season. This week coaches Scott Reaney and Andrew Whitton have scheduled exhibition games in preparation for the opening of the regular season at NDDHS on Monday (April 23). Coach Reaney estimates 72 students (boys and girls) are involved in rugby this year. Veteran James Kirkwood booted the ball away during a practice on April 11. Press Photo — Van Bridger



Final event of 2006-7

Ace rink wins WCC Closing Bonspiel

WINCHESTER — Maddison Koekkoek joined the Ace family – Jack, Darby, and Taylor – for the annual Closing Bonspiel at the Winchester Curling Club and helped the Aces earn top spot in the 10-team competition.

Phil Klein-Swormink, Crystal Lillico, Carolyn Lillico and Marcel Soucie settled into second place in Saturday's (April 14) final event of 2006-07.

Following the on-ice portion of the program, awards were presented and the year's event winners reviewed.

Linda Laverie, WCC bantam - junior convenor, announced that Geoff Spruit had been named Junior Curler of the Year and Jordan Mark the club's Top Novice Curler.



Last action

Robert Porteous and his grandson Gerritt Wichers-Schreur of Winchester were among 40 curlers who took part in the Winchester Curling Club's annual Closing Bonspiel on Saturday (April 14). Team Ace trumped the field claiming top spot in the end-of-season funspiel.

Photo — Barbour

Junior program roaring

Laverie reported a very successful year with 50 curlers taking part in the bantam - junior program.

"We had 40 curlers out on our last night, including four Little Rockers, who are moving to Big Rocks next season," she said. "We had 30 kids take part on Monday nights and may have to look at two time slots next year."

Laverie thanked Mandy Peddle, Janet Levere, Shane Latimer, Ken Alcock, Tim Mark, Dan Found, Laurie Wichers-Scheuer, Kelsey Erwin, Geoff Spruit, Kurtis Byrd and Christina Lillico for assisting with the Monday night junior program.

"I had a lot of help this year and I very much appreciate having them out," she said. "Janet Levere has decided to step back from the junior program but will still help out when needed. I want to thank her for the help and support she has given over the years."

The convenor noted that Shane Latimer, Bill Doornwaard, Bill Lillico, Dan Found, Laurie Wichers-Scheuer, Liz Waterfall and Tim Mark had attended a Level 1 coaching clinic and are working on their practical hours.

"These people have helped with the young curlers on both Wednesdays and Thursdays as well as coaching teams or helping run the new clinics that Bill (Doornwaard) set up," explained Laverie.

It was also reported that 20 individuals had coached or assisted coaching the WCC's competitive teams including the North Dundas District High School SD&G, EOSSAA, OFSAA and Gore Mutual rinks as well as the local elementary school taking part in the Ontario Timbit spiel.

Speaking on behalf of the Gore Mutual School Boy - Girl group, the Branch and OCA, Laverie thanked the club for the use of the ice.

"Thanks to Mika Adams for the wonderful ice we had for all of our zone events we hosted," she said. "I was at a lot of events this year and we had some of the best ice around. Lots of good comments from coaches."

See next week's *Press* for more WCC awards and information.

Atom "B" Demons even up at tourney

BARRY'S BAY — A win, a loss and a tie isn't a bad record, but it wasn't quite enough to qualify the North Dundas Atom "B" Demons for a berth in the play-off round at the 2007 ODMHA Tournament of Champions.

The competition held in Barry's Bay on April 7 and 8 featured the top 10 teams in the Ottawa District and resulted in the Barry's Bay Valley Storm doubling the Loyalist Jets 6-3 in the championship game. The Jets eliminated the Alexandria Glens 5-2 in one semi-final while the Storm sent the Kingston Cougars home after administering a 5-0 verdict.

The host Valley Storm squad whitewashed the Demons 6-0 in game one netting a pair of first-period markers and four more in the final frame.

Goaltender Jason Buma and his defensive crew were unbeatable in game two backing their offence in a 6-0 decision over the Embrun Panthers.

Shawn Simms cracked in the winning goal at 7:10 of the first period after taking a feed from Chelsey Romans and Dayton Kelly. Romans then made it 2-0 completing a play started by Dawson Fawcett and Bryden van Kessel with 3:52 left in the same frame.

Period two was scoreless, but period three featured a four-goal outburst by North Dundas as van Kessel scored at 10:09, Dakota Boulanger connected at 8:38 and Simms finished it off firing in a pair at 6:31 and 27 seconds to complete his hat trick. Kelly (2), Buma, Boulanger, Fawcett, Simms, Romans and Mitchell Melenhorst collected third-period assists.

Game three was an end-to-end battle, a defensive struggle between the West Carleton Warriors and the Demons which finished as a 0-0 tie.

The game remained scoreless thanks to a late defensive play by Demon Patrick Gibson who broke up a Warrior breakaway on the empty North Dundas net with 14 seconds left on the clock. Gibson's diving check salvaged the tie and prevented West Carleton from gaining a point in the round-robin standings. Gibson was handed a minor penalty for tripping but time had run out and the tie was recorded.

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Canoe the Nation challenge marks 60th year of SNC

BERWICK — Canoeists are invited to take part in South Nation Conservation's 60th anniversary celebrations. The "Canoe the Nation Challenge" initiative will offer participants the chance to take a close look at the Nation River and its tributaries.

"The time is right with the water at a high point on the main river and its tributaries, making for easier paddling and access to more points of interest," said SNC general manager Dennis O'Grady, who is co-ordinating 60th events.

O'Grady said canoeists are invited to keep a log of their travels through the watershed in coming months and report to SNC headquarters in Berwick before Sept. 28.

"We're planning to give some recognition and a prize to whoever paddles the full 180 kilometres of South Nation canoe routes before the end of September," he said, explaining the winner will be picked according to the honour system and a draw will be held if several entrants complete the course. "To the surprise of some, we have a diverse series of established canoe routes through a varied ecosystem."

Potential participants can visit www.nation.on.ca for maps and information on the 4,000 square-kilometre South Nation watershed, including a detailed listing of some of the more popular canoe routes. A colourful brochure describing the routes is available for a recommended donation of $2 by contacting SNC.

The canoe routes competition is one of several anniversary events. Among others are a wine and cheese reception at Spencerville Mill in May, the official opening of McIntosh Park in Berwick in June, a golf tournament in Casselman in August and a banquet in rural Ottawa in October.

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St. Pierre solid backing Jr. "B" Alexandria Glens in championship game

ALEXANDRIA — Josselin St. Pierre launched his career with the Winchester Hawks. The 21-year-old goaltender then returned to his home town Embrun and played nets for the Eastern Ontario Junior "C" Hockey League champion Panthers. This fall, he stepped up and made the roster of the Alexandria Junior "B" Glens. Sunday (April 15) he was front and centre at the Glengarry Sports Palace starring in the Glens 4-0 victory over the Gatineau Mustangs.

It was a historical win for the Glens, who have been working for 40 years to secure the coveted Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League championship.

Sunday was "mission accomplished" for the Rideau - St. Lawrence Conference champion Glens as they grabbed the D. Arnold Carson memorial Trophy in the seventh and final game against the Metro - Valley Conference champion Mustangs.

Pat Brunet, Jamie-Jean Louis, Mathieu Pilon and Alain Michaud scored the Glens goals in that order as the home team carried a 4-0 lead into the final frame. St. Pierre did the rest.

Joining his teammates in the post-game celebrations was Morewood's James Kirkwood. The former Morrisburg Lions defenceman joined the Glens after he started the season with the campaign with the Orleans Jr. "A" Blues.

The Mustangs had the opportunity to wrap up the title Friday (April 13) night in Gatineau, but were hammered 8-2 and forced to return to Glengarry County for Sunday's final tilt.

Alexandria won the opener 5-2 on April 3 but were outgunned 9-7 two days later in Gatineau. The Glens took game three 6-4 but dropped the next two 4-2 and 5-4 in OT to fall behind three games to two.

Alexandria first claimed the St. Lawrence Division title eliminating the Kemptville 73's (4-1) and Morrisburg Lions (4-1) in the final set. They then took the Rideau - St. Lawrence flag defeating the Westport Rideaus in seven games.

Gatineau knocked off the South Ottawa Canadians (4-1) and the Clarence Creek Beavers (4-2) in that order to secure the Metro Division crown. They then sidelined the Stittsville Royals in six games to become the 2006-07 Metro - Valley champs.

This year's victory by Alexandria marks just the seventh time since 1967 that a team from what is now know as the Rideau - St. Lawrence Division has captured the EOJBHL silverware. The Kemptville 73's did it twice winning in 1999 and 1997. The Westport Rideaus took it in 1998. The preceeding champions were the Char-Lan Rebels (1986) and the Morrisburg Lions (1978 and 1976).

The Glens were making their third appearance in the final in four years having lost to the Metcalfe Jets in 2004 and the Ottawa West Golden Knights in 2005.

The Metcalfe Jets (six), Ottawa West Golden Knights (five), Renfrew (Timberwolves and Lions — five) and South Ottawa Canadians (four) lead the list of past EOJBHL champions.

Ladies ball hockey teams selected

CHESTERVILLE — Team captains Laura Melenhorst, Heather Erwin, Shaelynn McCadden and Jessica Lynch have drafted their teams and the schedule for the 2007 Chesterville/Winchester Ladies Ball Hockey League has been drawn up.

Opening night at the Chesterville Arena is set for Thurs., April 26 at 7 pm when Melenhorst and her Green Team will take on Erwin's Yellow squad. The tail end of the double dip will pit McCadden's Reds against Lynch's Blues at 8 pm.

The regular season is 15 games in length and will be followed by the playoffs which open on Aug. 9 and conclude on Aug. 23.

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TEAM TWO: Yellow — Heather Erwin - captain, Kaitlin Beckstead, Brittany Beckstead, Kelly Francis, Courtney Durant, Emma Guy, Bea Stewart, Amanda Whitteker, Trish Moussette, Mary Lynn Plummer, Carolyn Ross.

TEAM THREE: Red — Shaelynn McCadden - captain, Stephanie Servage, Natalie Levasseur, Leanne Dearing, Jackie Morris, Janice Casselman, Kate Stanley, Kerry Kennedy, Tanya Gibson, Kara-Lee Young.

TEAM FOUR: Blue — Jessica Lynch - captain, Brittany McMillan, Monique Rutley, Cheryl Williams, Kelsey Ball, Brittany Moriarty, Jenny VanGurp, Kelly Verhoeven, Karen Ball, Lindsay Feeley, Karin Verhoeven



Golden Hornets

The Metcalfe Tween "B" Hornets capped their 2006-07 National Capital Region Ringette League (NCRRL) season striking gold in their divisional championship game in Navan on March 31. The Hornets blanked the Clarence-Rockland Falcons 2-0 in the title match. Metcalfe lost just two NCRRL games all season and went undefeated in the second half of the campaign. The Hornets also won the gold medal at the Ottawa West tournament and the silver in the Beaconsfield competition. Celebrating their championship are: Front (left) - Christel Jencz-Green - ass't coach, Chelsea Taylor, Brittany Bekkers, Heather MacKenzie, Sophie Guilbeault, Megan Branchaoud, Leia Abramson, Paula Cote - manager, Marc Branchaud - ass't coach; Back (left) - Jennifer Lyon - trainer, Sara Myers, Katie Adamson, Kayleigh Green, Sheridan Cote, Michelle Farr, Emy VanKoppen, Doug Adamson - head coach.



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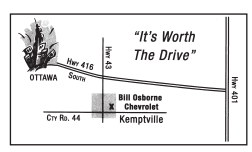

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Russell Rockets tame Lions for bronze medal

MANOTICK — An aggressive attack propelled the Russell Major Atom Rockets to three consecutive opening-round victories and eventually to a victory over the Cornwall Lions in the bronze-medal game of the 2006-07 Eastern Ontario Basketball Association championship tournament.

The competition, which featured a field of 12 teams, was hosted by the Osgoode Bedrock organization at St. Mark Catholic School in Manotick from March 30 to April 1.

Eastern Ontario Basketball Association championship tournament

During their first three games, the Rockets outscored the opposition 88-54 knocking off the Brockville Blazers 25-18, the Kemptville Warriors 30-19 and the Osgoode Bedrock 33-17.

Russell's run to the gold was derailed by the Barrhaven Blue Devils, who posted a five-point victory, moved into the gold-medal match and forced the Rockets into the bronze-medal game against the Cornwall Lions. Russell eventually tamed the Lions and the win posting a one-basket 31-29 victory.

TOURNEY TALES

First tip-off for Russell took place on Friday night (March 30) against the Brockville Blazers. The Rockets came out strong and held an advantage throughout the entire game, finishing with a 25–18 win. Fans witnessed a rarity in atom-level basketball — three-point baskets from Tess Hergel and Darby Thatcher. Andreanne Ennis was a key contributor to the win with her accurate passing and play making. Kasey Boisvenue received the player-of-the-game certificate.

Saturday, the Rockets competed against the Kemptville Warriors in the morning and came away with a 30-19 win that featured strong rebounding by Emily Pidgeon and Erika Ennis. Player of the game special mention went to Hergel.

During the afternoon game against the Osgoode Bedrock, the Rockets qualified for the final round thanks to the ball control supplied by Camille Gougeon and Julia Wouters, who powered their team to a 33-17 win. Hergel's long, well-timed passes set up Wouters and Erika Ennis for lay-ups. Player-of-the-game nominations went to Emily Pidgeon, Rachel Hayton and Chloe Park.

The Barrhaven Blue Devils spoiled the Rockets' run dealing them a five-point loss on Sunday (April 1). Sara Shewan and Rachel Hayton fuelled the Rockets attack while Park emerged as the highest scorer. Erika Ennis and Wouters came away with player-of-the-game certificates.

The parents and players of the Russell Major Atom Rockets basketball team thank their sponsors: Advance Drywall Ltd.; Amtech Power Systems Ltd.; and Arnon Development Corporation Ltd. Thank yous also went to coaches — Cory Warner, Trish Wouters and Brian Thatcher.



EOBA bronze medallists

Russell's Major Atom Rockets have added the 2006-07 EOBA bronze medal to the Division 3 gold they captured at the 2007 Ontario Cup Provincial Championships. The Rockets claimed the bronze defeating the Cornwall Lions 31-29 at Manotick on April 1. The Rockets are: front (left) – Emily Pidgeon, Chloe Park, Rachel Hayton, Tess Hergel, Darby Thatcher, Beth Hayton, Andreanne Ennis, Erika Ennis, Sarah Shewan, Trish Wouters – coach, Brian Thatcher – coach; back (left) – Cory Warner - coach, Julia Wouters, Camille Gougeon, Kasey Boisvenue.

Brockville Speedway ready to rumble

BROCKVILLE — The countdown is well underway for the opening of the 2007 DIRT racing season at the Brockville Ontario Speedway.

The fast quarter mile clay oval just north of Brockville recently released its 2007 racing schedule, which indicates fans will be admitted for free on May 12 to watch the test and tune in all classes from 1 to 4 pm.

The opening event on the slate is set for Sat., May 19 when Mulder's Machine and Welding presents a full program and a meet and greet with the drivers from 4 to 5 pm.

The schedule includes visits by both the Advance Auto Parts Super DIRT series Big Block Modified tour in July and the DIRT 358 Modified tour in September, in addition to another 100-lap small block event as part of the Lucas Oil Canadian DIRT Challenge.

For the small blocks, the event on Sept. 15 will be the only double-point race on the tour this season. Sprint car fans will be treated to a pair of runs by the ASCS Sprint Car tour along with an appearance by the always popular Empire Super Sprints.

The regular Saturday night programs will feature 358 DIRT Modifieds, DIRT Sportsman, Street Stocks and Rookies along with fairly regular appearances by the McNamee Concrete Vintage Cars. Some new sponsors have come on board for 2007 as the BOS welcomes Jiffy Auto Service and Goodyear as the backers of the Rookie, or four-cylinder division. Street Stock drivers will be encouraged that their rule book has been aligned closely with Cornwall Motor Speedway, so they can run both tracks with nearly the same rules this season. Riverside Pontiac Buick have taken over as the crate engine supplier to Brockville's DIRT Sportsman division.

Enduro fans will be treated to some Saturday night appearances by their favourite kind of racing in addition to the traditional two major enduros in June and September presented by Kanes Towing. Go Kart racing will again be the order of the day on Wednesday's on the inside track. Kart racing gets underway on May 30 this year.

"AA" Kings currently recruiting coaches

SPENCERVILLE — The Rideau St. Lawrence "AA" Kings are currently recruiting coaches for the 2007-08 Ottawa District Minor Hockey Association season.

Candidates wishing to coach at the "AA" level can apply for positions with the major atom, minor pee wee, major pee wee, minor bantam, major bantam, minor midget and major midget Kings. There are also openings at the "A" level with the major atom, minor pee wee and major pee wee squads.

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WCC Awards Night



Top novice

Jordan Mark (left) was named the 2006-07 Winchester Curling Club's Top Novice Curler. She accepted the trophy from coach Mandy Peddle during the WCC's awards presentations Saturday (April 14) evening. Mark was a member of Winchester's Big 4 team that captured the "A" side title this year.

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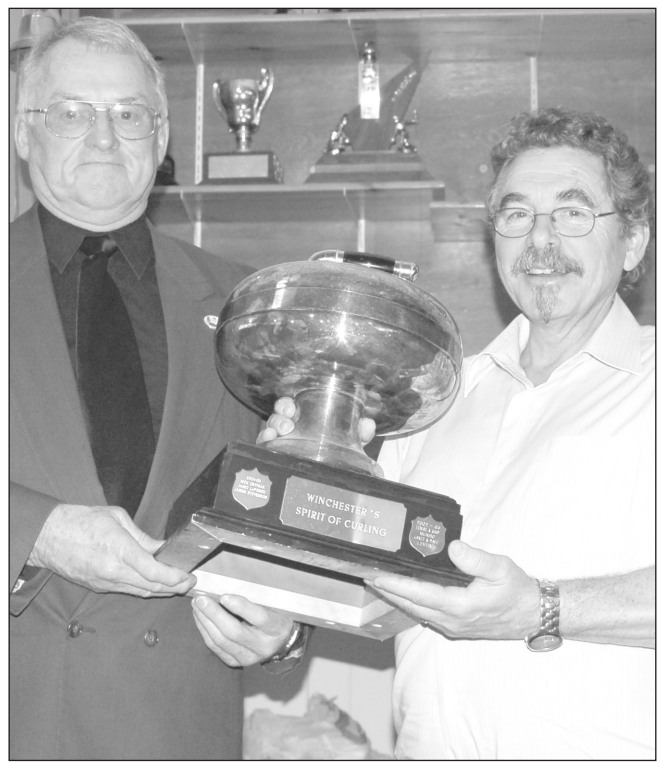
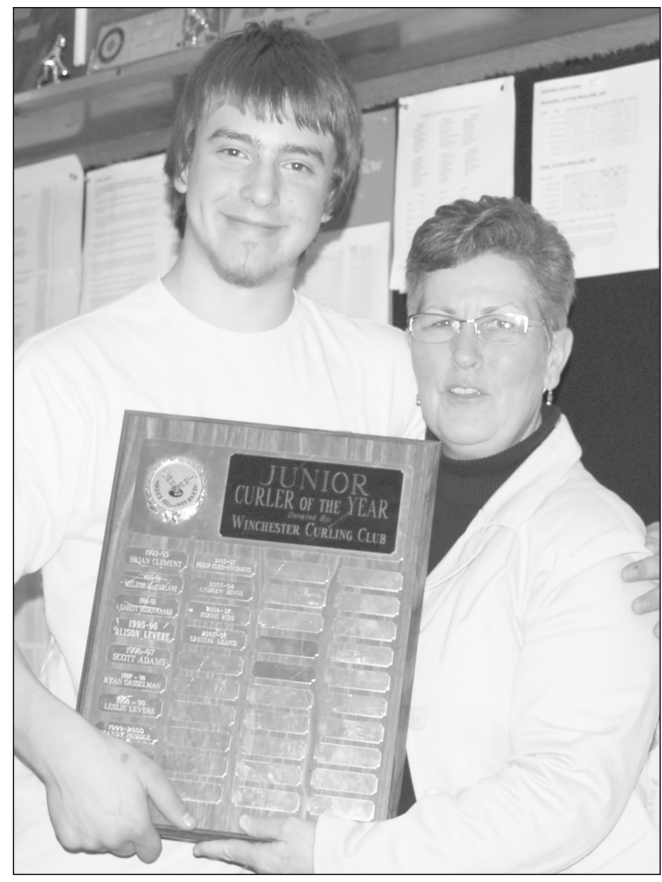


Spirit of curling

Winchester Curling Club president Aubrey Callan (left) presented the club's Spirit of Curling award to Robert St. Pierre for his enthusiastic support of the club and love of the game. St. Pierre also skipped two men's draw winners, one mixed league as well as the club's Fixed League championship team. The presentation took place at the annual closing banquet and awards night on April 14.



Stellar season

Geoff Spruit accepted the Winchester Curling Club's Top Junior Curler award from Janet Levere at the closing bonspiel and banquet on Saturday (April 14). Spruit represented the WCC at the Branch Juniors, Bantam Zone and Mixed Zones. He also skipped NDDHS Gore Mutual School Boy rink as well as school's SD&G, EOSSAA and OFSAA teams.

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The seventh annual Golf-West tournament is being held on May 31 at the Victoria Park East Golf Club in Guelph.

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Cornwall Speedway presents awards

CORNWALL — The awards have been presented and the 2007 Cornwall Motor Speedway schedule has been released.

The checkered flag will drop for the first time in the new campaign on Sun., May 20 at 7 pm when the Subway Opening Night program featuring twin 25-lap features for the Modifieds, plus Pro Stocks, Semi Pros, Rookie Stocks and a demolition derby will be presented.

The Thompson Motorsports event is set for week two — Sun., May 27.

The 2006 CMS champions received their awards at the season-ending banquet on March 24. Kyle Dingwall was declared this year's top driver. Chris Jones, Laurent Ladouceur, Brian McDonald and Mark Hitchcock rounded out the top five.

Clayton Benedict was named the top Pro Stock driver for 2006. Joey Ladouceur and Louie Jackson finished in the top three.

Ghyslain Valade took top honors in Semi Pro while Pierre Robidoux was the best in Rookie Stock. Each division winner received a championship jacket, trophy and cash.

The top 2006 rookies included: Robbie Grant – Modified; Donald Leduc – Pro Stock; Marc Lalonde – Semi Pro; and Cory Wheeler – Rookie Stock.

The top three in each mini series were also honoured: Doiron Engineering Cup – Chris Jones, Mark Hitchcock and Brian Mcdonald; Express Gas Series (Pro Stock) – Joey Ladouceur, Louie Jackson and Clayton Benedict.

Stephen Lebrun's crew was named the best dressed team.

Special presentations

Brian Mulligan was honoured for his 25 years of loyal service at the speedway.

The Sheldon Legue Merit Award went to Bob Gatien who strives to keep dirt racing at its best in eastern Canada.

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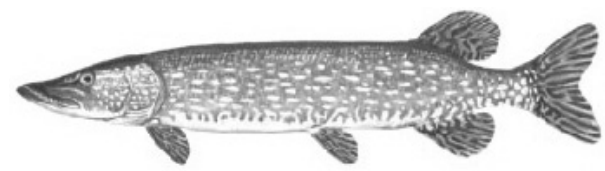

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Ravens holding fundraising brunch

RUSSELL — The St. Thomas Aquinas Ravens girls volleyball team is raising funds to support their trip to the Canadian National East championship tournament in Moncton, New Brunswick.

The Ravens will host a brunch on Sunday (April 22) from 10:30 am until 1 pm. Tickets are $15 for those 12 and older, $10 for children six to 11 and free for children five and under. Tickets can be purchased from team members or by calling Raymonde at 613-443-1132.

SNC issues in-water work timing reminder

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Timing windows are researched and set annually by Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources staff. SNC staff is available to assist and advise on any questions concerning permit requirements or restrictions.

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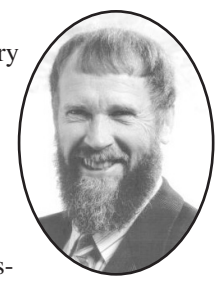

HOWSE, Cliff – In loving memory of Cliff, a cherished husband and wonderful father, who left us too soon April 9, 2004.

No day goes by without thoughts of you and how much your love, support and belief in us enriched our lives. We miss your quiet presence, your gentle laugh, the loving hugs, the sound of your voice and the family board game challenges, plus all the other little things that made you uniquely you. Your time with us was far too short and we treasure every memory.

You're always in our hearts, too deeply loved to ever be forgotten. Love always Karen, Kerry & Ken, Adam & Tara, Sara, Russell

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Thank you

The family of the late Ferneley Johnston would like to thank everyone including all our friends, neighbors and those who sent their condolences, flowers, donations and brought food to our home.
Special thanks to the Brothers of the IOOF Lodge for their service, to the pallbearers, Rev. Isabel Black, Sandra Barkley-Probst, Dr. Gabriel Slowey, Jack Yourt, David Lapier for the eulogy, Johnny Whitteker, Glen Cunningham, granddaughter Wendy, and Isabel Lalonde for sharing their special memories.
Special thanks to David Lapier of Marsden McLaughlin Funeral Home for his guidance, kindness and caring.
Your kindness and support will always be remembered.
Thank you to Linda Duval for lunch following the service.

"So when tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart,
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here, in your heart."

Marion Johnston and Family

Thank you

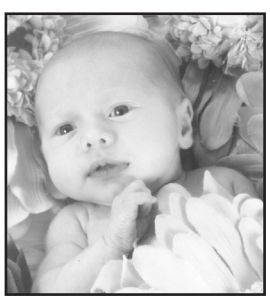
After losing our home to fire on Feb. 17, 2007, the support we have received since then has been both generous and overwhelming.

We would like to thank our many friends, family, neighbours, community, co-workers and friends at CHEO, Nationview Public School and volunteer fire departments.

A special thank you to Mark and Mary Tessier, and Rich and Marg Morgan.

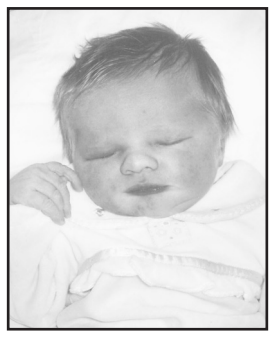
Your caring, kindness and friendship will always be remembered.

To all, our gratitude,
– Gary, Betty, Joel and Jacob



It's a girl!

CASTONGUAY (OUELLETTE) – Chris and Erin Castonguay of Barrie are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter Ava Elizabeth Lynn born March 8, 2007 at 8 lbs. 2 oz. Proud grandparents are Brian and Lynn Telford of Hallville, Denis Ouellette of Russell, Wendy Dawe of Fredericton, and Joe and Lisa Castonguay of Bath. Ava is the great-grandchild of Margaret Johnstone of Inkerman, and Paul Castonguay of Ile-aux-Coudres, Quebec.
Welcome Ava!



It's a girl!

Crystal and Kevin Bell proudly announce the arrival of their daughter, Kylie Alexis, born March 21, 2007, weighing 8 lbs., 12.5 oz. A little sister for Curtis.

Thrilled grandparents are Ken and Leona McDonald and Ron and Sharel Bell.

Thank you to Dr. Jones and the nursing staff at WDMH.

In Appreciation

The family of the late Myrtle Snodgrass (Helmer) would like to thank all the friends and relatives for the flowers, donations and visitations. A heartfelt thanks to Vandra and Allan McQuarrie for the lovely service. A special thanks to the people of the Discovery Bible Church for the great lunch after the funeral. Thanks to the staff at the Hartford Retirement Centre, Morrisburg, for all the great care they gave Mom. Also thanks to the doctors and staff at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital for the care they gave Mom in her last moments. Thanks, Bonnie and her staff, at the Parker Funeral Home, Morrisburg, for your compassion. Thanks to the grandsons for being pallbearers. A special thanks to Erma Holmes for her help during Mom's last day. Your kindness and support throughout this trying time will always be remembered.

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In Memoriam

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We are sad within our memories
Lonely are our hearts, today
For the ones we loved so dearly
Have been called away.
We think of them in silence
No eye can see us weep,
But many silent tears are shed
When others are asleep.
We miss you and love you so.
– Forever remembered by daughter and sister Barbara, grandkids, nephews and nieces, Michael, Debbie, Beth and Jamie, Tina, Whitnie, Adrianna, and Hunter VanBreugel and by all your family

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DART TOURNAMENT
Sponsored by Morewood Fire Department, Sat., April 28 at Morewood Rec Centre. Registration 11 am, Darts begins at noon. $40 per team - 4 players per team. Round robin format. 501 point games. Prize money for top 4 teams. 50/50 draw. Food. Bar. Contacts: Doug Carruthers 613-448-2910. Bob Walker 613-448-3893 or Ken Byers 613-448-3966.

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GYS EUCHRE
Will be held Thurs., Sept. 22, 7:30 pm, Lions Hall, Winchester. Lunch and Prizes. All welcome. For information 613-774-2134.

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HALL FOR RENT
Parties, special events. Winchester Curling Club. LLBO licensed for 130 people. Kitchen, ice surface available. Call Tom Sloane 613-774-0321.

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SMORGASBORD SUPPER
At Inkerman United Church on Wed., April 18, at 5 pm. Adults $10; under 12 $4; pre-schoolers free. Take-outs available at 4:30 pm.

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25th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
Mike and Rita Heuving and family invite family, friends and neighbours to help celebrate 25 years of marriage on Sat., April 21 after 8:30 pm at Winchelsea Farms, 1567 County Road 31, Winchester. Best wishes only please.

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Public Notice of Intention to Adopt the 2007 Municipal Budget

Please be advised the Council of the Township of North Dundas intends to adopt the 2007 Municipal Budget during the regular meeting of the Council, Tuesday, April 24, 2007.

Coming Events

SPRING LUNCHEON AND BAKE SALE
Metcalfe St. Andrews United Church hall, Sat., April 21 from 11:30 am-1 pm. Hot lunch, squares, coffee and tea. $7.

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ALL STAR COUNTRY DANCE
The Ottawa Valley Country Music Hall of Fame, along with the Vernon Community Association presents a dance at the Vernon Recreation Center on Sat., April 21 from 8 pm-12:30 am (open at 7 pm). MC: Jim Long with performers Howard Hayes, John Henry Lacasse, Eugene Gorgicuk and Marleen Fawcett all with back-up band "Unwound". Tickets $10 at Vernon Variety or call Larry 613-821-2057.

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SCOTT WOODS
Come and enjoy great fiddle music and old time gospel, preformed by Scott Woods and his orchestra, Sun., April 29 at 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm at Osgoode Baptist and Vernon United Church. Tickets, $15 can be purchased in advance by calling 613-774-0522, 613-821-2584 or 613-821-2033.

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SPRING RUMMAGE SALE
Russell United Church, Thurs, April 19, 6-9 pm; Fri., April 20, 6-9 pm and Sat., April 21 from 9-11 am. Gently used clothes, small household items and more.

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Coming Events

NEW VENDORS WANTED
Metcalfe Farmers' Market looking for local artisans, meat, food and vegetable producers, furniture/woodworkers, crafters, jewellers, bakers, florist, etc. Email: p.rochon@rogers.com or call 613-821-1391 evenings for further details.

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HECKSTON UNITED CHURCH
Anniversary Service, Sun., April 22, 11 am with Guest Speaker Rev. Mary Lou Shortill. Social hour to follow. **Musical Evening** at 7:30 pm. Special Music by Mary Perry and the Country Classics. Social Hour to follow. **Anniversary Turkey Supper** Tues., April 24 at Heckston United Church (South Gower Drive). Advance tickets only. Contacts: 5 pm Debbie 613-258-2612; 6 pm Grace 613-258-2654; 7 pm Jean 613-989-5536. Takeouts: Dawn 613-258-1724 (50 only).

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RUMMAGE SALE
Something for everyone. Sat., April 21 from 12:30-2:30 pm, Morewood Presbyterian Church, east of Village.

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JAZZ IN SACRED PLACES
With Brian Browne and Peter Woods, Sat., April 28, 7:30 pm, at Knox United Church, 1440 Yorks Corners Road (at Parkway Road), Edwards. Tickets: $15 includes hors d'oeuvres and dessert. Call Jan 613-821-1366 for tickets. Proceeds to The ArtsCan Circle.

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Coming Events

WDMH AUXILIARY ANNUAL DESSERT AND CARD PARTY
Mon., April 23, 1:30-3:30 pm at the Park Lane Senior Centre in Williamsburg. Desserts served from 1:15 pm. Bridge or Euchre $5 per person. All proceeds to the WDMH Auxiliary. For information contact Dorothy Houze 613-543-2048.

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HOSPITAL HEALERS EXTRA LARGE GARAGE, BAKE, AND PLANT SALE
Entertainment For Kids
Sat., April 28, 8 am-noon, Henderson Hall, Church Street, Winchester. Funds raised will go towards "Weekend To End Breast Cancer".

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HEAVEN'S CREATIONS
Will be hosting a 1-day promotion of Christian books, music and gifts at the Harmony Drop In, Chesterville, Sat., April 21 from 8 am-5 pm.

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DUTCH HERITAGE DAY DINNER/DANCE
Sponsored by Chesterville Rotary Club, at the Chesterville Legion Hall, Sat., June 16. Social Hour: 5 pm, Dinner: 6:30 pm, Dance: 8 pm-12 midnight. Advance tickets only $25 per person. Tickets available from Peter Scheepers 613-774-3356, Diny VanDelst 613-448-3175, Peter VanKessel 613-448-2832.

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KENMORE EUCHRE PARTY
Kenmore Hall, Sat., April 21, 7:30 pm.

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Coming Events

80TH BIRTHDAY PARTY
Join us to celebrate the 80th Birthday of Dwaine Irven on Sat., April 21, 8 pm-1 am at the Chesterville Legion Hall. Everyone welcome. D.J. Light lunch. Best Wishes only please.

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Yard Sales

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE
546 Henderson Crescent, Winchester, Sat., April 21, 8 am-2 pm. Thule (ski carrier), air conditioner, etc. Rain or shine.

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Yard Sales

HEY MOREWOOD!
Lets have a Community Garage Sale and see how many households can get involved Sat., May 5, 8 am-2 pm.

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Tillage Equipment: Degelman 14' stone rake; Kongskilde 3-furrow plough; Triple OK 4-furrow semi-mount plough; Glencoe 18' cultivator with harrows; 12' sprocket packer; 20' chain harrows; 16' chain harrows, new; Bush Hog 13' hydraulic disc with buster bars; IH hydraulic 10' disc; MF #520 hydraulic disc; Weberlane 18' cultivator with hudraulic wings and buster bars; Case 13' hydraulic disc; and much more.
Planters: JD 8200 grain drill with grass seed, nice; IH 5100 16-run with grass seed, like new; JD 16-run with grass and broom box; MF #43 22-run DD; Oliver 13-run with grass seed; JD 7000 4-row corn planter; JD 1240 4-row corn planter; MF 4-row corn planter; 2 MF 2-row planters; and more.
Other Farm Machinery: approximately 80' of mow conveyer; NH #25 forage blower; JD3940 harvester with 5' hay pick-up, like new; Nuhn 2500 tandem liquid manure spreader, like new; 5' 3-pt. hitch blade, new; 7' 3-pt. hitch blade, new; small 3-pt. hitch blade, for compact; 3-pt. hitch fertilizer spreader, new; Wifo bale spear; 6' 3-pt. hitch Mott mower; MF #15 grinder mixer; set of 18.4"x34" Snap On duals and 20.8"x38" Snap On duals; 275 bushel Unverferth gravity box on 10-ton JD running gear; Gehl 1060 harvester; set of 3-pt. hitch pallet forks; Westfield 6"x41' grain auger; bale grapple; Kubota B-L 2566 snowblower with hydraulic chute; Woods finishing mower; 2 brand new Chase 4' finishing mowers; McKee snowblower; front end brush puller; two 5' Bushhog squealer rotary cutters; hydraulic dump trailer.
Miscellaneous, Farm and Garden Articles: 20 new HD farm gates from 8' to 16' lengths complete with hinges; new and used page, barb and high tensel wire; 10 boxes of 28000 baler twine; approximately 500 lbs of mixed grass seed; new and used 11L14 implement tires and rims; 8 hp Troybilt wood chipper, new; Ariens rear tine rototiller; 17' tandem flat bed float; army trailer; 1000 kw generator, new; gas water pumps; 2 Lincoln electric welders; Cub Cadet garden trailer; approximately 150 sharpened 8' cedar fence posts; expect 3 wagon loads of good tools and farm related items.
Specialty Items: 2000 Jayco Eagle 35' park model camping trailer with 2 electric push outs and many other extras, excellent condition; 1973 Volkswagon camping bus complete with side tent; 1983 Yamaha 500 Virago shaft driven motorcycle with new tires and exhaust, 4,400 km; 1994 Cadillac STS, sold as is; 1976 INT dump truck.
Note: This is a very partial listing of what is becoming a bigger and better sale every year, with more consignments arriving daily. For more information or to consign call 613-537-8862.
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AUCTION SALE
COMPLETE CONTENTS OF WELDING SHOP, 2 CAMPERS, TRACTORS
Finch, Ontario
Sale Held Inside
SATURDAY, APRIL 28
commencing at 10:30 am

Shop Equipment: Metal lathe; valve refacer; drilling/milling machine; Canox Migmatic 250 welder, 200 amp, aluminum Mig gun; bench grinder, 10"; Lincoln CV 300 welder; Canox C 30E welder; torches; jet drill press; Lincoln Power Mig 215; Dayton arc welder; press, 50 ton; Lincoln welder, 225 amp; band saw; Ford Smith lift, 2 hp, 7,000 lb.; Dayton battery charger, 100 amp; compressor, 25 hp; metal roller, 4'; Grey hydraulic jack, 11,000 lb.; Miller welder; Canox Migmatic C-30E; all steel press break #95-10, 15 hp, 95 ton; Carolina #HB12 band saw; Canox model C-400 SS; Lincoln arc welder 250; trailer, 6'x8', 2-axle; 2 trailer boxes, 12'x8'; semi-trailer axle; dump trailer, 9'x6', hydraulic brakes; dump trailer, 9'x6', 2-axle; flat trailer, 20', 2 axle; fifth wheel, 20' deck, 2-axle; trailer 15'x8', 2 axle; container chassis, 20'; trailer frame, 9'x6', 1-axle; Bush Hog mower, 5'; propane hanging furnace; office furniture; steel: new and used; car and truck parts; jacks; chain falls; tools; wheels; bolts; snowblower, 26", 8 hp; Viking riding lawn mower; new large diesel generator; miscellaneous shop items.
Tractors: Oliver #77 tractor, gas, loader; 1965 Cockshutt tractor and loader, diesel, 3-pt. hitch.
Campers: 1979 motor home, 70,000 miles, nice one; 1995 21 Prowler 5th Wheel, nice one.
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AUCTION SALE
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18 Davis Drive, Iroquois (behind Shopping Plaza).
DUE TO MONDAY'S STORM AUCTION SALE HAS BEEN RE-SCHEDULED TO SUNDAY, APRIL 22
commencing at 12 noon

Duncan Phyfe drop leaf dining room table with 2 leaves, 4 music-back chairs, matching knechtel sideboard/server; credenza; antique dresser with mirror; 2-piece v-joint corner cupboard; beautiful brass trim and beaded oak parlour table and others; small pie safe; early sideboard; cane seat rockers; spool leg side table; oak treadle sewing machine; Singer Featherlight sewing machine; wicker plant stand and chair.
Modern: sofa and matching chair; oak glider; bookcase; pine 2-door wardrobe/chest; armoire; floor model TV; knickknack shelf; area rug; student desk and chair; Kirby vacuum; small Gibson freezer; numbered prints by Brenda Carter, Judy Lalingo, Kenneth A. Ferris and others; needlepoints; old baskets and tins; aggetware; matchholder; Hummel clock; records; books; kids chrome table and chair set; 2 Regal dolls, in original boxes and others; paper dolls; old jelly molds; McCoy planters; jardinieres; Wades; glass and china including depression, pressed glass, cornflower, crystal, Bavarian, Lord Nelson ware, O.C. Japan, cups and saucers, salt and peppers and more; old hand tools; Christmas decorations; lawn and garden tools; many other articles too numerous to mention.
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AUCTION SALE
FARM MACHINERY AND MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES
At 4750 Ramsayville Road, Gloucester. From Ottawa take Highway 417 east and exit at Anderson Road, travel south 1 concession to 8th Line Road (Rene's Corner Store), turn right and travel west to Ramsayville Road, then turn left and travel south 1/2 km – OR – from Edwards travel west on Mitch Owens Drive to Ramsayville Road, turn right and travel north 1 km. Watch for Auction signs.
SATURDAY, APRIL 28
commencing at 11 am

Having sold our farm the following will be offered: Hesston 880-5DT 4WD tractor with cab, 80 hp; Hesston 65-56 tractor with cab, 60 hp; Wilrich cultivator, 18' wide with wings and leveling harrows; White 254 hydraulic 10' discs; IH 9' cultivator, 3-pt. hitch; Overum 4/16" Triple OK semi-mounted plow; IH 2-furrow plow, 3-pt. hitch; JD 17-run seed drill with double disc openers and grass seed box; Farmhand #40 culti-packer, 10' with transport wheels; land leveler, hydraulic lift; 9' chain harrows; NH 478 haybine, 7'; NH 630 round baler, 4'x4' hard core; NH 310 square baler with 75 bale thrower; Kuhn 2-wheel rake, trailer type; 2 bale thrower wagons, 10 ton with steel racks, 8'x20'; extra set of steel racks for thrower wagon; 2 flat wagons, 8 ton, 8'x20'; 40' pipe elevator with transport; MF 775 self-propelled swather, 13'; MF 300 combine, straight cut and pickup, excellent for grain and soya beans, good condition; 2 Turnco gravity grain wagons, 210 bushel with 12 ton undercarriages; Allied 40' grain auger; 10' and 15' grain augers, 4"; 20' of grain dryer screens with 2-1/2' Dynavac blower; NH 520 manure spreader; NI 363 manure spreader with hydraulic end gate, tandem; Gehl 1000 forage harvester with 7' hay pickup, 2-row corn head and 2-row snapper head; 2 NH #8 forage wagons, 16' with roofs, new pressure treated boxes and new apron chains; NH #8 forage wagon, needs repairs; Gehl 99 forage blower; Bush Hog SQ720 rotary cutter, 6', 3-pt. hitch; Rhino 12" posthole auger, 3-pt. hitch; Calsa 100 gallon sprayer, 3-pt. hitch; INT single auger snowblower, 3-pt. hitch; 12 wire gates, ten 14', two 12'; 3 Stewart cow clippers; electric dehorners; hoof trimmers; barn defogger; chicken feeders and waterers; antique grain cleaner; woodstove; assorted tools; other unlisted items.
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EXCELLENT ANTIQUE AUCTION SALE
ANTIQUE FURNITURE, GLASSWARE AND COLLECTIBLES
Civic #2770 County Road 30 in the village of Greenfield (2nd house south of railroad tracks on west side of road).
SATURDAY, APRIL 21
commencing at 10 am
Reason For Sale
Property Sold
Proprietor is relocating
to Western Ontario
Note: Sale held under tent if bad weather.
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Canteen and Washroom
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AUCTION SALE
TRACTORS, FARM MACHINERY
Civic #572 County Road 34, Lansdowne, Ontario. West on Eden Grove Road 2 miles. From Highway #401 take Reynolds Road exit 659.
SATURDAY, APRIL 21
commencing at 11 am

Tractors: Ford #7600 tractor, with loader; MF #1085 tractor with cab; Landini Blizzard #95 tractor, cab and air. **Note:** All tractors are in the 80 hp range and were all bought new.
Machinery: NH #320 baler; Allied automatic stooker; Bush Hog heavy disc, 10'; JD seed drill, old; MF #880 plow, 4-furrow, auto-reset; 100 gallon sprayer, 3-pt. hitch; stook forks; Gehl #750 forage harvester, nice one; Kongskilde cultivator, 15', 5-tine, with buster bars; 2-row Gehl corn head; Gehl hay head, 6'; 2 Dion boxes, 16', 3 beaters, on 10-ton wagons; Superior silo, 18'x60'; Gehl forage blower; 40' Little Giant hay elevator; 10 calf hutches; pipe hay elevator; NI #363 manure spreader, 2-axle, with end gate; Patz stable cleaner for 18" gutter, 300', counter clock; Patz Silo unloader, 18'; roller mill, 3-pt. hitch.
Miscellaneous: 400 wrapped bales of hay, square, 6' long; 75 ton of high moisture corn in sealed silo, 24% moisture; 12-15 ton barley; water buckets; hay feeder; small augers; silo car sick; feed carts; 18.4x34 duals; wood pellets; cow mats; Surge vacuum pump, 5.5 hp; plus 1 wagon load of farm related items.
Note: This is only a 2-hour sale. All items to be settled for day of sale.
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CATTLE AUCTION SALE
Reduction Herd Sale for Ron and Tracy Raddatz of 100 head of Cross Bred Beef Cows and 9 Herd Sires
At Cobden Livestock Sales Barn which is located 2 km straight west of the town of Cobden on Highway 17.
FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 27
commencing at 7 pm

Selling approximately 100 cows: Gelbvieh cross, Red Angus cross, Simmental cross, and Charolais cross. Cows are bred back Gelbvieh and Black Angus to begin calving early in June.
Also Selling: 5 2-year old Gelbvieh herd bulls; 3 Long yearling virgin Gelbvieh bulls; 1 4-year old registered Black Angus bull.
All cows will be pregnancy checked. Cattle are vaccinated annually June 1st with Bovi Shield Gold FP5 VL5. Cows are also treated annually with Scourguard. They were treated with Dectomax March 15th.
We are currently at more than 500 mother cows and would like to scale back to about 400. We plan to concentrate more on our purebred Black Angus and Gelbvieh herds with the goal of an annual bull and bred heifer sale.
Auctioneer's Note: The Raddatz family have hand selected these cattle from their herd. A good solid group of young, well uddered cows with the average age being 5 years old. All cattle have been born and bred on the farm. They have invested heavily in herd sires from Alberta over the last ten years.
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PROPRIETORS
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AUCTION SALE
FURNITURE, DISHES, STOVE, FRIDGE, COLLECTIBLES
Morewood Community Centre
Morewood,
5 miles south of Russell
SATURDAY, APRIL 21
commencing at 10:30 am
(viewing at 9:30 am day of sale)

Furniture: Singer sewing machine; Westinghouse upright fridge and freezer; white stove and fridge (very nice and good condition); kitchen table with 4 chairs; loveseat tapestry and leather trim; wicker armchair; wicker chair; marble top side table; cherry wood coffee and end tables with glass tops; Kenmore freezer; Panasonic microwave oven; bistro set; blanket box (pine); wooden medicine cabinet; cast iron plant holder; lawn ornaments; 48" house ceiling fan.
Collectibles: Royal Doulton figurines; Royal Worchester figurine; Murano glass; Depression glass; pressed glass; crystal; cut glass Nippon vase; perfume bottles; Royal Albert dishes; horses and chicken figurines; blue and white dishes; oil lamps; crocks; lace; quilts; silver and gold jewellry; Matin sculpture; textiles; set of dishes; cast iron pots; pottery; kitchen appliances; collector plates; approximately 3 dozen Mason canning jars; and much more.
Note: Auction not to be missed. Auction held inside the hall with over 100 chairs
Canteen and Toilet in Hall
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Regent Menard
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WITNESS NEEDED

Anyone witnessing a vehicle (possibly black) hitting a beige car on Fred Street by Dr. Bart Steele's clinic on April 16 between 2:00 and 2:45 pm, please call Cliff at 613-774-6189 or the Winchester OPP.

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SAT., APRIL 21
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South Mountain
Auction Time 9:00 am
Bird Entry 7:00 am
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Frecon Construction Limited currently has a need for an administrative assistant with a minimum of two years prior experience. Applicant will work directly under the project manager to deliver project on time and within budget. Applicants must be able to multi-task, work well with others, work in a fast-paced environment and have a strong knowledge of various computer software programs.

Interested candidates are invited to submit their resumes along with at least two references and salary expectations no later than **May 1, 2007** via fax at **613-445-3652** or E-mail at: **hr@frecon.ca.** Phone solicitations will not be accepted.

Frecon wishes to thank all applicants for their interest and advises that only those to be interviewed will be contacted.

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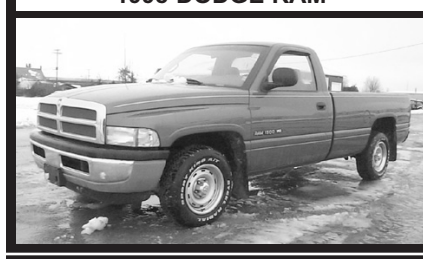

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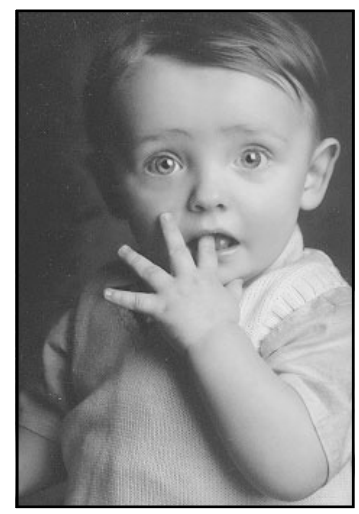

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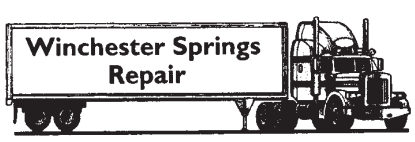

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Township of North Dundas Recreation & Culture Department is now accepting resumes for the contract position of

Community Development Programmer

Please submit your resume to the attention of:
Mark Guy, Director of Recreation & Culture
P.O. Box 489
Winchester, ON K0C 2K0

Deadline: April 27, 2007, 4:30 pm.

For a more complete description of the position visit the township website www.northdundas.com

(We thank all those who apply, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.)

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The following tenders, submitted on forms provided, will be received by the undersigned until:

3:00 pm local time on Friday, May 4, 2007

(1) Culvert Insert & Grout
(2) Culvert Lining
(3) Storm Sewer Inspection
(4) Mowing of Roadside Ditches

Tender forms will be available on 'www.bidnavigator.com' after Friday, April 20, or may be obtained at the location noted below. (Office hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.)

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OBITUARIES

Catherine Joyce MacGregor

(Class of 62 O.C.H. School of Nursing)

Joyce Burton of Russell, died suddenly but peacefully on Thurs., April 12, 2007. She was 65.



She was the beloved wife and partner of the late Ian A. MacGregor. She was the dearly loved mother of Catherine (Rob Reynolds) of San Francisco, and Cameron (Nancy Goupil) of Winchester. She was the cherished grandmother of Tristan and Kayla MacGregor, and Sean Reynolds. She will be sadly missed by her brother John (Sarah Jane), and sisters Barbara (Gary Newman), and Patricia. She was the sister-in-law of Donald and Donna, George and Nancy, and Peter and Wendy. She was special to her many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

She was a dedicated Labour and Delivery Room nurse (Obstetrics) at the Civic Campus of the Ottawa Hospital for over 40 years. She was actively involved in her community, serving as director of the Ottawa Exhibition and the Russell Agricultural Society, and as an active member of the UCW, and the WI.

Thank you to the compassionate and caring staff of the ICU at the Civic Hospital.

Friends paid their respects at the Hulse, Playfair & McGarry Funeral Home in Ottawa on April 15. Thence to rest in St. Andrew's and St. Paul's United Church in Russell on April 16, followed by the service with Rev. Suzanne Sykes officiating. Interment followed at North Russell Cemetery.

Donations in memory of Joyce may be made to the Ottawa Hospital Foundation or the Heart and Stroke Foundation and would be much appreciated by her family.

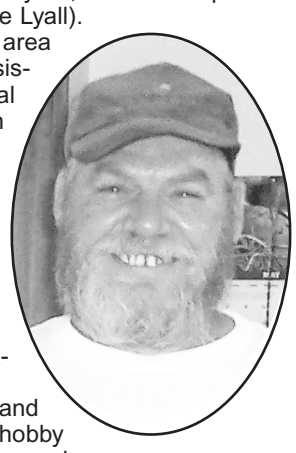
The funeral arrangements were entrusted to the care of the C.R. Gamble Funeral Home and Chapel in Almonte.

Condolences may be made to crgamblefuneralhome@bellnet.ca.

Larry Summerfield

Larry Summerfield, a resident of Dixon's Corners for the past nine years, passed away at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Tue., April 10, 2007, following a brief illness. He was 52.

He was born in Hamilton on May 26, 1954 to his parents Oliver and Lois Summerfield (nee Lyall).



He grew up in the Hamilton area along with his 10 brothers and sisters. He moved to the Cardinal area when he was 17 to live with his sister Marilyn. He found work at Caldwell Linen Mills, and then went to work at Woodings Railcar, where he remained for 15 years. In March of 1992 he started working at Iroquois Enterprises, and he was a loyal employee there until health problems forced him to quit working.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and helping his brother Toby with his hobby beef farm, where he raised his precious cow named Eileen. He enjoyed gardening, and he proudly gave away his produce every year.

He loved and enjoyed his family, especially his grandchildren, and he had started to teach them the "right" way to fish, hunt, and farm. He had many friends who will miss his disposition and the ability to have a beer with him.

He is survived by his wife Marjorie Summerfield (nee Link); his mother Lois Summerfield (nee Lyall) of Port Colborne; his sons Travis and his wife Tanya, and Joshua and his wife Jaime, both of Prescott; his stepchildren Dan and his wife Pam DeVries of RR# 2 Chesterville, Mark DeVries of Cornwall, and Julie Sloan of South Mountain. He was a very special "Grampy" to Matthew, Dillon, Spencer, Paige, Hope, Eric, Joseph, and Sydney. He leaves to mourn his Grandma Helen Cochrane of Port Colborne; his brothers Jim and his wife Bonnie of Dunnville, Toby and his wife Judy of Cardinal, Glen and his wife Marion of Cooks Mills; his sisters Marilyn and her husband Rick Warren of Lansdowne, Bonnie and her husband Noel Martin of Wainfleet, Nancy and her husband George Barlow of Brockville, Norma and her husband Darryl Thompson of Wainfleet, Rose Welton of Port Colborne, Edie and her husband Garry Arenburg of Port Colborne, Brenda and her husband Dale Harris of Welland; and his sister-in-law Betty (Brian) Montpellier of Vancouver. He was predeceased by his father Oliver, and his nephew Phillip. He is also survived by several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on April 12. The funeral service was held at the funeral home on April 13 with Rev. Bob Williams officiating, followed by cremation.

The pallbearers were Travis Summerfield, Joshua Summerfield, Dan DeVries, Mark DeVries, Barry McDermott, and Larry Merkley.

Donations to the Ottawa Regional Cancer Centre or the Community Care Access Centre would be appreciated by the family.

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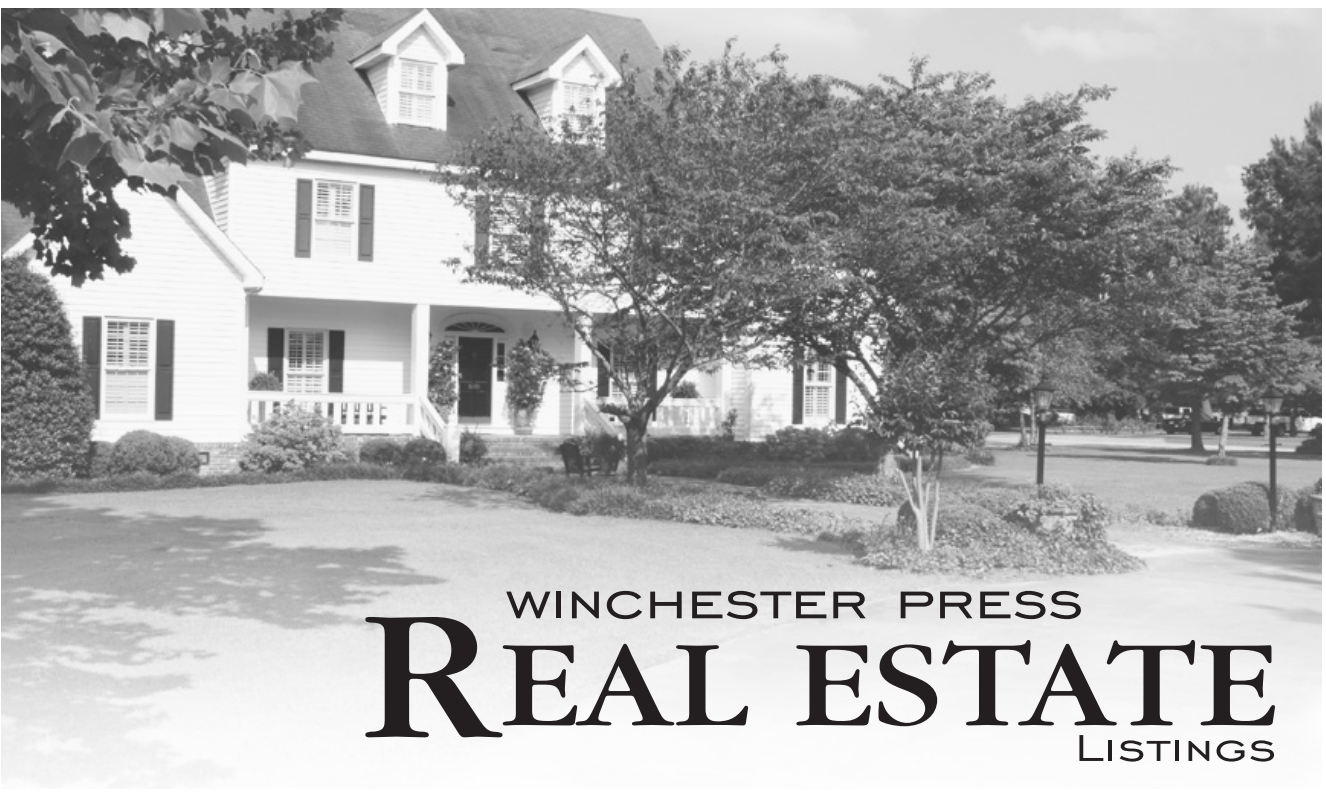

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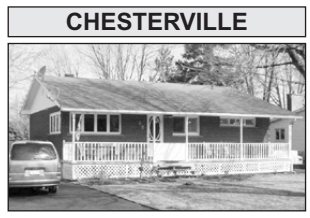

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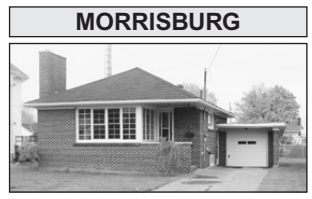

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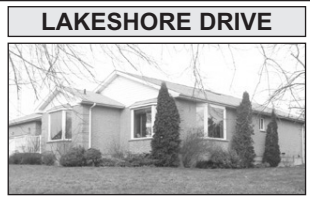

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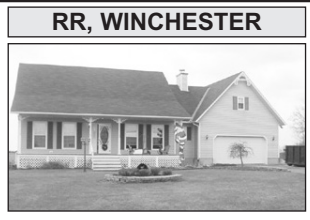

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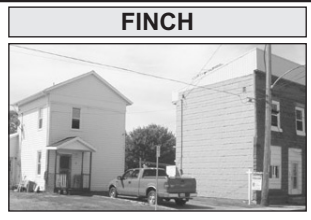

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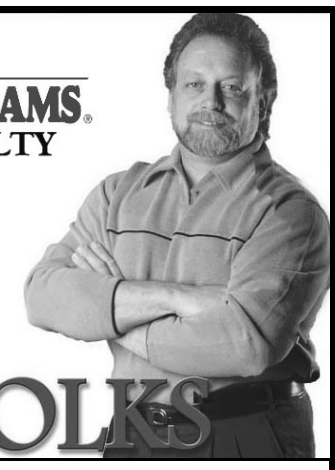

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Grete Hale, a well known Ottawa businesswoman, humanitarian, and recent recipient of the Order of Canada shared stories from her life's journey during a women's breakfast at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Winchester on Sat. April 14. The CanHave director, accepted a cheque for $1,000 from St. Paul's Ladies Aid. Pictured: Rev. Floyd McPhee (left), Hale, Carol Zubatuk of St. Paul's Ladies Aid, and Jan Sheridan and Caroline Makeyenga of CanHave.

Photo — Barbour

Order of Canada recipient at St. Paul's

by Matthew Barbour

WINCHESTER — Marguerite (Grete) Hale, a well-known Ottawa businesswoman, humanitarian, and recent recipient of the Order of Canada, recounted a number of her life experiences for ladies attending a women's breakfast at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Sat., April 14.

Hale began her presentation, entitled "Mountain climbing in the business and volunteer world," by noting that she is a direct descendant of Philomen Wright, founder of Wrightstown, which later became Hull and is now part of the City of Gatineau. She recalled with vivid detail her own humble beginning and that of the family business she now heads with her sister, Jean Pigott.

She described how Morrison Lamothe was launched in 1911.

"My father, Cecil Morrison and his brother-in-law, Richard Lamothe, had just $25 to start their bakery," she said. "They were able to buy bricks to build the oven, a bag of flour, and a horse. My father was an English-speaking protestant, a Tory, and a Mason, while his brother-in-law was a French-speaking Catholic, a Liberal, and a member of the Knights of Columbus — so between them they could relate to just about everyone in the Ottawa Valley."

She recalled two huge mountains that the company faced in its history, overcoming the threat of bankruptcy on both occasions. The first came during the depression. "There was a two-week period when my mother did not have enough money to put meat on the table," she said.

She described how the company approached the brink once more in 1967, as a result of some marketing mistakes and other factors.

"We were expanding and building what was to be one of the largest bakery plants in North America, but we had to sell the building and it is now the Museum of Science and Technology in Ottawa," said Hale.

She explained that Morrison Lamothe was able to overcome its difficulties because suppliers and shareholders had faith in the company.

"It took 14 years to pay off the last of our debts and we weren't able to pay dividends to our shareholders in that time either," Hale noted. "But we turned things around and I remember sitting at my desk, signing the last of the dividend cheques going out to our shareholders and how comforting that was."

Hale also imparted some of the personal wisdom she has acquired.

"My mother always told me, 'Obey your ticks,'" she said. "In other words, when you have a thought that you should do something, do it — don't wait. I remember my mother would sometimes get a tick to visit a friend and it would turn out that the friend would need her for something."

Still active in business at the age of 78, Hale is well known for her work on several humanitarian fronts, including the Community Foundation of Ottawa and CanHave (Canadians Helping AIDS Victims with Education) and she briefly outlined her involvement with those organizations.

She explained that the Community Foundation of Ottawa uses the interest from donations to provide grants to local charitable groups and that CanHave helps children orphaned by AIDS in Uganda. She described current efforts to build a school in that African country.

"We've raised $16,000 so far and we're ready to put in a floor, but we can't spend the money until we get it," she said.

St. Paul's pastor, Rev. Floyd McPhee, was the founding chairman of CanHave in 1994, while he was serving as pastor at Parkwood Presbyterian Church in Ottawa. He is the current president of CanHave's board of directors and Hale is a member of the board, as well.

Following her address, Hale received a $1,000 cheque for CanHave from St. Paul's Ladies Aid.



First anniversary

Margaret Reynolds of Morrisburg (left) accepted a piece of birthday cake from Christine Mercier, owner of Nook N' Cranny on Winchester's Main Street on Sat., April 14. The store was celebrating its first anniversary. Mercier said she wanted to thank family and friends for their support over the past year, but announced the store will be closing on April 30, due to a lack of local interest.

Photo — Barbour

Seniors host euchre parties

WINCHESTER — The winners of the Winchester Seniors' euchre on April 12 were: Freeda Armstrong and Lorna Holmes — cream cards; Marvin Reid and Isobel Baker — green cards.

Door prizes went to Charlie Holmes and Hugh Coons. Coons also won a draw, as did June Armstrong.

A nice lunch was enjoyed by everyone. Please come and join in the next euchre on Thurs., April 26.

Williamsburg winners

At the recent Williamsburg Senior Citizens Group euchre at the J.W. MacIntosh Seniors' Support Centre, Muriel Gow, Albert Dewitt, and Dorothy Loverin, were the winners of the white cards, while Evelyn Schwerdfeger, Loretta Crowder, and Jean Hutt won the yellow cards.

Tina Dewitt and Ruby Smith each won a door prize. Ray Casselman, Annie Parsons, Tina Dewitt, Bertha Christie, Ruth Casselman, Ruby Smith, and Doreen Casselman won the draws.

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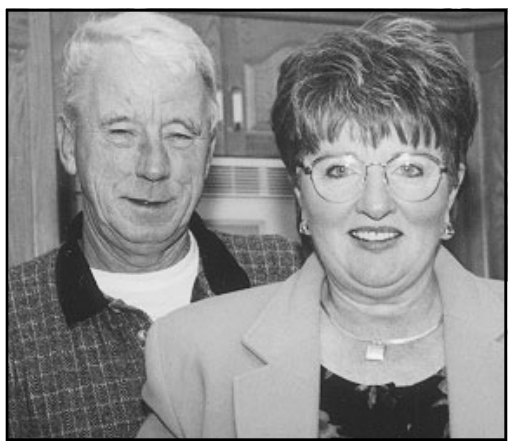

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