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Orange appeal

The Morrisburg and District Lions Club's annual Car Rally for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital was once again an extremely successful endeavour. Pictured above, the girls from the Morrisburg Bank of Nova Scotia brightened up the rally in their orange and black attire. They are (from back, l-r) Linda Helmer, Peggy Kaddie, Carolyn Beckstead and Gisele Tremblay. Along with two other Scotia Bank teams, the girl helped raise approximately $4,000.

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South Dundas Council ponders over facilities

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Should South Dundas be in the hotel business? Council scratched the surface of this question at its meeting last Thursday, looking at a brief report on township facilities and the fees charged to users.

Completed by Recreation Manager Keith Robinson, the report proposes similar fee structures for the Morrisburg Civic Centre, Iroquois Civic Centre and Matilda Hall. "The number of rates have become pretty hard to manage," said Township Administrator Mike Waddell.

The report shows a party for 100 could be held at the Iroquois Civic Centre for as low as $100, but only if the applicant lives in Iroquois. The same event at the Morrisburg Civic Centre costs $300 plus GST, also a residents-only price. The Matilda Hall goes for $190 plus GST, no matter which side of a ward line the renter comes from, though some prices depend on the day of the week.

However, there are special deals for non-profit organizations. "In Morrisburg and Iroquois the majority of users are getting it rent-free," Waddell said.

The proposed new fees would see a non-licensed event cost $100 per half day, or $175 for a full day, at all three locations. Preference for ward residents would disappear. Licensed events would be priced according to Friday and Saturday, Sunday to Thursday schedules. The weekend fee would range from $275 plus GST in Iroquois, $300 plus GST in Morrisburg, and from $250-$400 plus GST in Matilda, depending on crowd size. Also recommended were a standard $100 damages deposit and a $50 key deposit for all three halls.

Fundraisers for accident victims would pay a single rental fee of $100 plus GST. And all licensed events would pay $15 per hour for security.

Councillor Audrey Rooney noted that she had never seen security at Iroquois Civic Centre events.

"And we can't allow that to continue," Waddell said, informing the Councillor that liability issues made security an essential item. "We can use our own staff, or farm it out."

Councillor Bev Sabourin was concerned about a proposed fee to use the kitchens in the three halls: $25 plus GST on top of the rent. The combined charges (security, rental, liquor license, deposits, kitchen fee) would price the Matilda Hall out of the market, she said.

"If the municipality wants to buy dishes, then go right ahead and make that decision," Waddell replied.

"Maybe we should be out of the hall business," Councillor Rowdy Gillard said. He noted the McIntosh Inn pays "$60-$70,000" in property taxes. "Why should we be trying to cut them out of business?" he asked, adding the township also competes with the Legions and the Morrisburg Meeting Centre.

"And we're losing $60,000 a year on the Matilda Hall now."

Waddell said the looming new year creates "some urgency" to discuss the free rent deals. The report lists all the groups who use the facilities free of charge. Looking at the 16 groups under the Iroquois Civic Centre, Waddell remarked: "Gosh, the Anglican Church has their own beautiful hall. I can't blame them for not wanting to turn on the lights and turn up the heat, but..."

Since amalgamation, he said, groups have been requesting time at more than one hall. "They're shopping around for their freebies."

The Morrisburg Arena is also included in the report. Recommended is a $15 per hour security charge for licensed events, rather than the present $50 flat rate; the $350 rental charge remains unchanged. Sporting events would continue to be charged $25 per hour, and bingo $100 per hour. Charges for spring skating, now set at $60 per hour, would jump to $80. In order to run bingo's at the arena, the Junior B Lions would pay $1000 a season, currently a free service to the hockey club. The shuffleboard club would realize a $100 rent increase, to $1,000 per season.

"The shuffleboard people are paying well under $25 an hour," Waddell noted.

Whether any organization using township buildings, including seniors' groups, should get "special consideration" are "choices you will have to make," he told Council.

Council deferred any decisions. "These are discussions we're going to have in the future. Are these activities we're going to support with tax dollars?" said Councillor Cam Martel.

Teachers disappointed with Board as talks go nowhere

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Two days of negotiations last week saw talks break down and both sides blame the other. The plain and simple truth is that while other School Boards (more than 20 out of 31 public secondary teachers' units now) across this province have agreements signed and sealed with the OSSTF (Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation) and their member teachers, the Upper Canada School Board still has no deal with their secondary school teachers and it sounds like there will be none in the near future.

The Board had promised to return to the table with more "creative" ways of coming to an agreement after an emergency meeting of the Board Wednesday night. Contract talks broke down between the two sides on Friday afternoon last week after an unproductive two-day session. Meeting for less then 15 minutes on Thursday morning, the Board announced that they would not meet on the weekend and preferred not to meet after 6pm. The OSSTF asked them to go beyond these limits and reach an agreement on the weekend, indicating that their provincial people would arrive that same afternoon. The negotiating teams did not then meet until Friday morning.

No progress was reported after the Friday session. OSSTF, District 26 President, Greg McGillis said that the document presented by the Board is, "The kind that one would expect to see early in negotiations, not at this point. It's a non-starter and it gets us nowhere. We made serious proposals over the last two days to help us get a deal hammered out. We were willing to meet all weekend and all next week if the Board was serious. We believe a deal is possible now. This is not nearly good enough for the students and teachers in our schools. We are disappointed and call on the Board to return to the table as quickly as physically possible."

The Board seemed to be taking a step back as they presented a package which their negotiators called, "A complete proposal for a two-year agreement." The Board said that their proposal was based on other agreements. The teachers pointed out that the Board had simply taken the worst

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O.H.A. has optimistic view on Health Care

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Ontario Hospital Association Chair Geoffrey McKenzie delivered a guardedly optimistic view of the provincial health care system at the Winchester Canadian Club, Tuesday evening, October 20.

Speaking to a full house at the Weslyan Hall, McKenzie, a chartered accountant and McGill commerce graduate (1950's) with long experience working for hospitals in Toronto, described the O.H.A.'s vision of health care in the future.

A "bold initiative" released by the O.H.A. last month, called "Hospital Care, Pathway to the Future," lays out the blueprint for making the system more accountable to consumers, he said. More research and efficient use of technology are to bring about the type of improvements that will turn around flagging public confidence. "It is an enormously challenging undertaking."

McKenzie said the plan was the work of a partnership, representatives from government, hospitals and financial institutions forming the advisory committee that drew up the initiative.

Regular consumer "report cards" will gauge the performance of each hospital in Ontario. But the first report card, due November 1, will deal with the health care system as a whole. Data will be drawn from surveys of former patients. McKenzie said this is the kind of accountability Ontarians have been demanding from public services.

The Pathway to the Future plan would secure up to $500,000 in annual grants, through a business partnership foundation, for Ontario's five major research hospitals. "As Canadians we just never fund enough research. There is still room to explore the possibilities."

Promoting technology like "tele-health" will allow some people to benefit from "state of the art, world class care" without leaving their communities, he said, mentioning an Ontario physician who uses the technique to consult regularly with doctors in Russia.

He noted that medical advances will be put to work to "give better care in the most cost effective manner." Less evasive procedures, reduced hospital stays and more outpatient surgeries will continue as part of that. McKenzie recalled that his wife once spent a routine five days in hospital following the birth of their child. "Those days are long gone," he said.

All of this is meant to address

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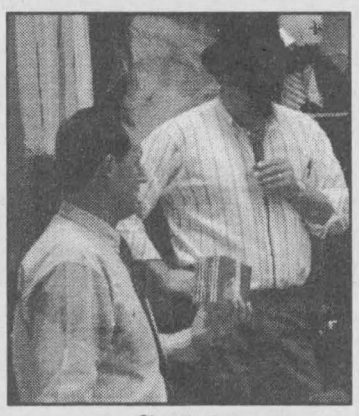
Halloween Hop scares up dollars for Hospice

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Dundas County Hospice's most important fundraiser of the year, its annual fall dinner, was an entertaining evening for over 100 participants at the Morrisburg Legion, last Saturday.

The "Halloween Hop" crowd tucked into a roast beef dinner prepared by the Ladies' Auxilliary, bid on a long table of donated items for the silent auction, and especially enjoyed the live-auction performance of featured auctioneer, Hugh Fawcett. A dance followed.



Sold!

Fawcett, as much stand-up comedian as fast-talking auctioneer, garnered the laughs as sidekick Laird Weagant demonstrated the items from the live auction table.

Master of Ceremonies Earl Jeacle, one of the minority to arrive in Halloween duds, had people asking: Who is that clown?

By dint of appearing in costume, a small group from the Land of Oz took the door prizes on their way down the yellow brick road.

The dinner typically raises over $4,000 for Dundas County Hospice, an organization of volunteers which provides emotional support to the terminally ill and their families.

Among the silent auction items were gift certificates, gift baskets, colourful toys, a chainsaw case, and decorative items. The live auction featured a barbecue, an antique creamer, a large framed print, and a getaway ski trip to Mt. Tremblant.



Best at the hop

(l-r) Jonas and Marnie Fossitt, Donna Jeacle, John and Linda Gray were standouts at the Dundas County Hospice's "Halloween Hop" fundraiser. The group took the door prizes for their costuming efforts. No lack of heart here, they did their thing for a very worthy cause. Dundas County Hospice helps look after the emotional needs of terminally ill people.

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Halloween: A tradition

Halloween, as we know it today, grew out of the pagan Celtic belief that the last day of October was a time when the dead would visit their old homes. The Romans conquered the Celts in the first century A.D., bringing with them their own festival to honour the dead.

Christianity replaced these religions, and in 800 A.D. declared Nov. 1 as All Saints' Day to honour those saints without special days of their own. The mass said on this day was called Allhallowmas. So the previous evening, October 31, became known as All Hallow Even, eventually shortened down to Halloween.

Old habits persisted; the Celtic and English tradition of knocking on doors and asking for charity on that evening spread and developed into what we now know as trick-or-treating.

A Halloween alternative will be held at Timothy Christian School on October 31, 1998, from 6 - 8:30 p.m. The Harvest Biblical Costume Fun Night will feature prizes, treats and games.

Dress up as your favourite Biblical character, your favourite animal or "people helper" - fireman, doctor, policeman etc. Prizes for best costume in all age groups, teens and adults included. (No witches, devils, ghosts or monsters, please.) Or just come as you are. A photo booth will be on site, taking your picture for only $1.

Each family is asked to donate 3 bags of candy (non-Halloween wrappers, please) this week. Any proceeds not used on the event will go to Timothy Christian School.

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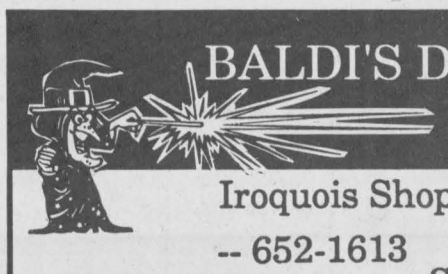

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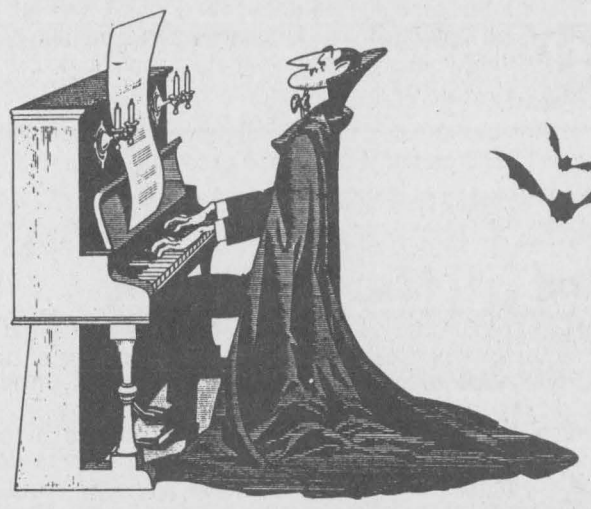



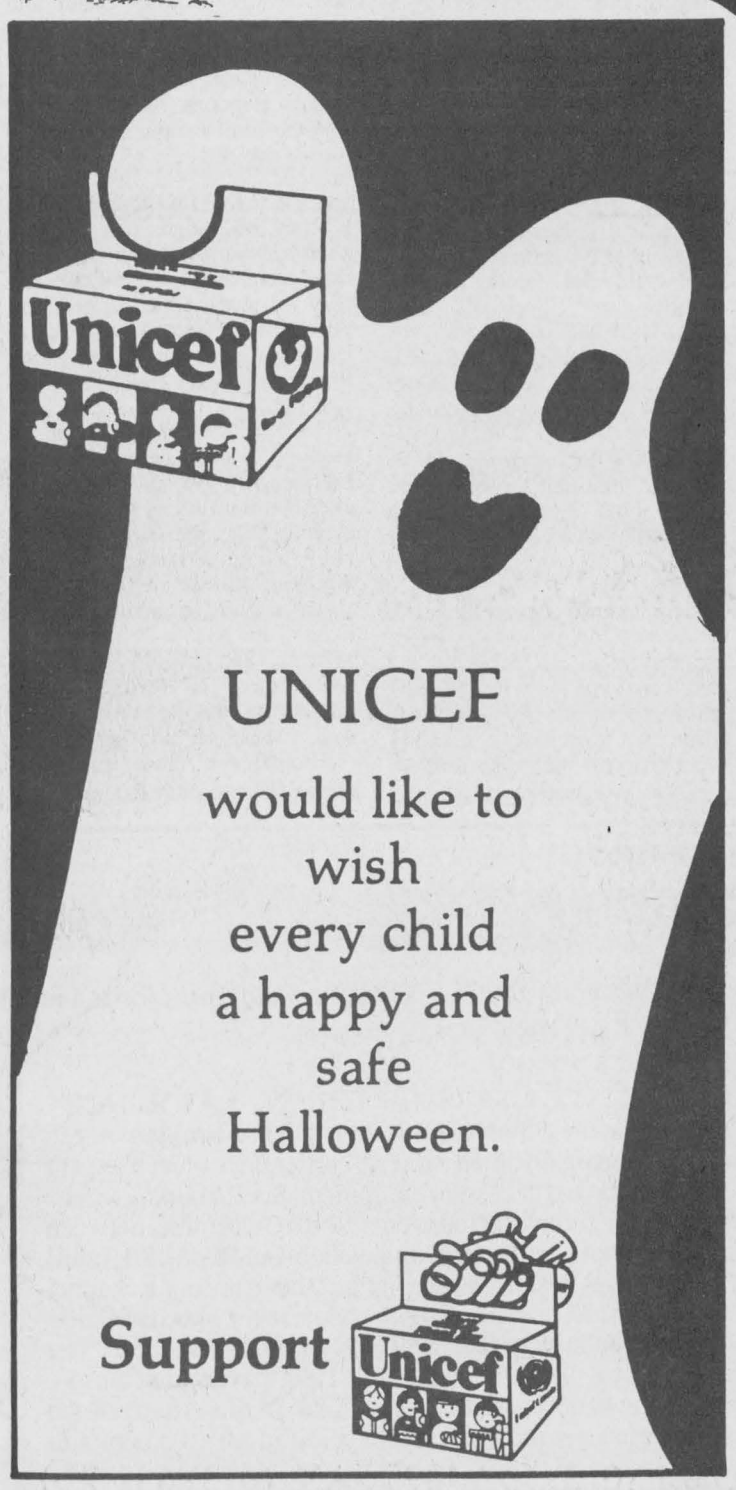

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Halloween

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Wee mites will scurry from house to house searching out those sticky treats.

It is Hallowe'en and sure to be exciting since there are few if any celebrations, especially for the younger set.

On Saturday as your youngsters prepare for the night of trick or treat, take heed parents, and clean up around your homes and businesses. Removing such items as bagged leaves, yard ornaments, toys, bicycles and securing other personal property will reduce the urge to cause trouble that might grab some as they see them about.

Mischief as defined in the criminal code of Canada not only applies to damaging or destroying property, but also to interfering with the lawful use and enjoyment of property. While some folks feel that Hallowe'en is an evening for "pranks" many of these so-called pranks qualify as mischief and can result in the responsible person(s) being charged with a criminal offence, which in turn can lead to a court appearance and if convicted, a criminal record...not worth the few moments of excitement generated by the "fun"...

Drivers are reminded that the population of young pedestrians will be increased and their full attention will definitely not be on safety...use extra caution while travelling on Hallowe'en night.

It is important to realize that the Upper Canada Detachment will have officers in full force on Hallowe'en night with the always appreciated assistance of volunteer firefighters of various communities, ambulance services and other groups who have the same goal of making the streets safe for our children. COGECO Cable will also provide their Pumpkin Patrol Program. Together these groups can make this year's Hallowe'en a safe and enjoyable evening for everyone.

Youngsters going out to fill those treat bags need to remember to wear bright costumes, that are comfortable and provide a good view from any headgear worn.

They must be reminded to use the sidewalks and if none are available to walk facing the traffic.

Crossing roads at intersections is best, and trick or treaters should try to stay in good lighting and thus out of trouble or being accused of being where trouble brews.

Trick or treating in groups accompanied by an adult is wisest for younger folks.

We all know the best, we just need to do it.

Have a fun time and do not eat everything you get in one sitting...we are lucky in our area, but parents should maybe check the treats if their young ghosts go out alone, one never can be too safe!

Hallowe'en can be a fun time to decorate and scare the older among us...be careful of younger folks and keep this a fun time for them as well.

S.L.J.

Deficit's Legacy

Municipalities constantly complain about provincial funding reductions. Case in point: The last meeting of South Dundas Council saw Mayor, and County representative, Johnny Whitteker detail more than $4 million in provincial funding cuts to SD&G. However, it might be useful to note that the United Counties runs on a budget of some $44 million a year. Can an organization of this magnitude not tighten its belt to the tune of $4.36 million, rather than simply assuming it requires a tax increase? The good times, the times when provincial and federal governments had open chequebooks, the times when the province would cover, for instance, 80 percent of the construction costs of a new bridge, were good times because those governments were cheating with borrowed money. Wealth was being borrowed from the taxpayers of the future.

But there was no public appetite for that concept when deficits were snowballing out of control: Let the good times roll, said the Canadian public. Remember "goodbye Charlie Brown" when even a timid first stab at restraint was attempted?

The future is now. Municipalities shared in the spoils of provincial and federal deficit spending. (We are proud to be fighting unemployment, and not the deficit, said Floyd Laughren only a few years ago, announcing the first of his four $10 billion deficits.) So it is only logical municipalities share in the cost cutting exercise. It may mean decreased services and crummier roads, but it only makes sense that local governments make some of the chopping choices because different places have different priorities. If the province is to maintain its focus on where it spends the lion's share of its budget, the Ontario Health Insurance Plan, then municipal leaders must bite the bullet and make the tough choices devolved to them.

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Can/Am Camporee holds many long lasting memories

focus

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Iroquois Venturer Company joined their counterparts from Kemptville, along with the Scout Troops from Williamsburg, Morrisburg, Kemptville, South Mountain and Spencerville in a Can/Am Camporee hosted in the U.S.A. by Troop 330 Connecticut. Such events have taken place for the past twenty some odd years where youth from one country are hosted by a similar group from the other. The difference this time was that everyone would sleep and all in-door activities would take place in Army barracks. Camp Rowland was the centre of the stay and most of the usual activities took place there: from flag breaks to retiring of the colours-where both U.S. and Canadian flags were hoisted/lowered by the appropriate youth, campfire where everyone is encouraged to take part, a church service involving the youth,trading, meeting and greeting and loads of friendship and pictures. This was unusual in that most of the daylight hours were spent touring, sightseeing and being tourist types in uniform. A full couple of days for sure were spent by those who went. Two days on the coaches down and up can be trying, but were not too hectic as stops enroute ease the rowdiness and restlessness that can be created by close quarters.

Perhaps the hardest part of any Can/Am Camporee is leaving when the sun is just beginning to peek through the early morning clouds. Thus it was that, close to 100 Scouts, Venturers and their leaders loaded their gear and headed to Camp Rowland, (Connecticut National Guard Base) near Niantic, Connecticut on Friday, October 9, 1998. Yawning and sleepy, yet filled with enthusiasm and anticipation, the two coaches left Prescott before the sun had a chance to climb very far out of the east horizon. Hugs were swift and goodbyes short as everyone looked forward to the trip and what it would bring and teens are short on goodbyes anyway.

The early fall scenery was magnificent as folks peered through sleepy eyes out of the bus window. The further south the buses drove, the more mountains rose around the winding roadway. The highway had been blasted out of solid rock and surrounding it, the mountains were shrouded in a mist that created a wondrous photo opportunity for anyone awake enough to snap a picture.(I wasn't!). The colours were marvellous, reds, yellows, greens, oranges and browns all blending together. It was like something from the X Files...and the imagination was able to run wild.

A few meal stops and various patches of drizzle and the participants arrived at Camp Rowland, safe and sound. After registration, a greeting from the host Troop (330 Connecticut) and visiting with old friends from previous camp exchanges with our U.S. brothers and sisters, everyone headed out to locate their sleeping areas. This complete the various groups headed to the trading/game area for some fun. Mug-up came all to soon signalling time to be in barracks and then abruptly it was lights out.

Saturday was the first day of the outtours. The rain tried to detour the travellers, but this was the day and so everyone made the best of it.

Mystic Seaport-The Museum of America and the Sea was in all probability an even more unique experience in the sun shine...but not on this day, the skies opened and the rain fell and fell and fell unlike anything ever witnessed before. Streets throughout Mystic Seaport were transformed into oceans of water rushing to the sea. Nonetheless, this was our day to tour and so we did despite the downpours we toured and enjoyed, literally soaking up the atmosphere. Dashing through rain and dancing in water puddles, it will not soon be forgotten...thank heavens for raingear. A dynamic, living, thriving museum (much like our Upper Canada Village) Mystic Seaport was a learning experience for those of us from an inland location. From the construction of the freedom schooner Amistad as skilled craftspeople work away on this 81-foot floating classroom, to the ride we enjoyed aboard the last, coal-fired passenger steamboat still in operation...the Sabino, it was something to savour. Powered by a 75hp Paine compound engine that is great to see and hear as it throbs in perfect rhythm, the deep toned "toot" and the puff of smoke from her stack and a short blast from her steam whistle and she moves away from her berth, and out into the channel. Seeing the Seaport from the water side gave an entirely different, and fresh perspective on the tourist area. Going down below deck of the last wooden whaleship, the Charles W. Morgan, a National Historic Landmark was exciting and informative. Most agreed they would not want to spend time rolling and tossing about the open sea down in the hold. Checking out from shore the fishing schooner, L.A. Dunton which sits docked in the rain as does the Joseph Conrad, the centrepiece of the sail-training program for students involved in museum educational programs, a fleeting moment of sunshine teases everyone, and then is gone hiding under a cloud. Even on a rainy fall day these tall ships

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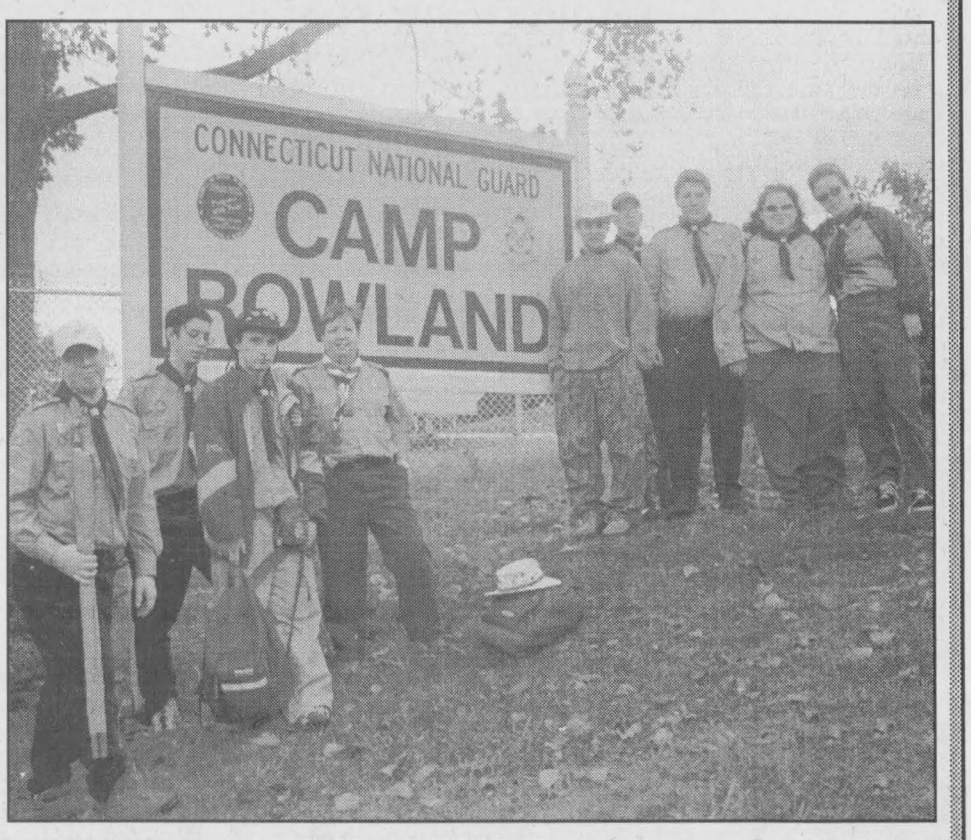

Iroquois Venturers at Can/Am Camporee in U.S.A.

Oops! bad plumbing-no water

Just Plain Livin'
with Sandra Lee

That was quite a weekend. The weather was just perfect, I guess it was Indian Summer and I only wish that it could be bottled and kept for when we grow impatient with cabin fever and need a sunshiny, exceptionally warm and delightful day to get out and enjoy.

The weekend was one that this old writer did not have any scheduled work for the newspaper on tap and so the plan was to accomplish lots around the ranch. We were successful in that all five of us: writer, big guy, two sons and a girlfriend raked leaves, mowed grass, raked some more leaves and grass, loaded leaves into the pickup via numerous unorthodox methods and drove them to the compost site, ate french fries from a brown bag,laughed a lot, argued a little and accomplished a pile, while acting a bit silly and had fun in the sun while getting the church lawn in shape for winter. The wind of course would have been better to have not existed when we were trying to rake leaves and load them into the truck, but what the hey, we got the job done. Those little whirlwinds that snuck around the corner of the church were not much help either!!

Once the church yard looked respectable, it was time to turn our efforts to the ranch and give the lawn a manicure. Tired, but happy we collapsed into the nearest chairs and sofa when the darkness drew in around us. Pizza tasted great and then son number two was off to the theatre, while the rest of us (most of us anyway, one person slept through a lot of the show!! so don't ask me what took place at the beginning) enjoyed a video, "The Garden of Good and Evil." It was good, but certainly one you needed to see from the beginning to truly appreciate what was happening.

Sunday dawned even more beautiful...until we attempted to take a shower...no water! This feeling has not descended upon for some time. Turn the tap and nothing comes out...panic...and then stop, take a deep breath and take stock of what the situation presents. Can't be THAT bad, can it? Try to get the pump working, clean the points, jiggle everything that will move, snap the breaker on and off, flip the switch and pray...still nothing but a hum. Not a good sound! Calls went out to the plumber and the brother, the folks were approached for their assistance and then the pump is replaced with one the brother plumber had. The pressure is not great and showers may never be the same, but we do not have to carry water in, we can turn the tap on and presto, water comes flowing out. We may need to replace the system with a more up to date piece of technology before our problems are gone. For right now we will just live with it. The promise of a roofer to repair the ice storm damage has been made and we live in hope. Hope firstly that he and his crew actually show up: hope that the weather is accommodating to such tasks and Hope that the shingles seal and all goes well...Time will tell.

As this goes to press, the car is at the garage having things checked for those wintry months that loom ahead. The rad has been acting funny lately and we can just hope that the bill won't be too high. The pickup truck goes at the end of the week for his annual pre-winter inspection as well.

The Venturers served dinner to the Lions Club on Monday evening and from all accounts the men were satisfied with the meal and the service. A good fundraiser that provides a learning experience for the group as well. A great job everyone, Skipper was home typing away on th keyboard by 9pm, a record for a Lion's dinner cleanup and all!!

The ghost is on the front step and the jack-o-lanterns are in the windows...Hallowe'en is fast approaching. Friday night and Saturday will see some heavy decorating as the sons prepare for this momentous occasion. Costumes will be created and parties attended. Threats of soap and eggs, tomatoes and such are just idle whims we hope. Candy and treats will be gathered and shared. This old trick or treater is searching for someone who still makes popcorn balls...they are just the ultimate treat!! The venturers decided not to create the haunted house they had in past years at the United Church. Firstly they no longer can use the church even to meet in and then time just passed too quickly, so they will get their act in gear and plan for next year. Always fun to do and a great fundraiser, watch for them next Hallowe'en to scare you too!!

The Poppy Blitz will have us busy on Sunday helping out the Legion members and cleaning up after the decorations for Saturday evening...ah, the never ending circle.It is important to keep busy though.

Just a note to mention that Rose of the Rise'n Shine is recuperating and should be home soon, "Get well Rose, you are missed at the restaurant!" As well, a lady on Elizabeth Drive celebrated a birthday this week

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the bottom line

CANADIAN TIRE "MONEY" CELEBRATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY. This Canadian icon turns 40 this year... what began in 1958 as a "cash bonus coupon" in response to the major oil and gas companies in the 50's (who gave away dishes and toasters to customers). Canadian Tire money is this country's most widely recognized and best-known customer loyalty rewards program ever. The brainchild of Muriel Billes, wife of C.T.C. co-founder A.J., the money has no expiry date, has developed through 21 series since '58, is available in denominations of five, ten, 25 and 50 cents, and one and two dollars. (slj)

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THE UCP CHRISTMAS GIFT AUCTION IS STILL ON! It is "Business as Usual" at Upper Canada Playhouse as the Christmas Gift Auction Committee is excited and to welcome Flora Dumouchel and Dave Smith to do the honours at the 1998 edition of the event, to be held Saturday, November 14 starting at 6:30 p.m. Last year the Auction raised some $14,000, and it is hoped this can be surpassed this year. Helping the pair on stage as they sell and entertain will be Playhouse member and friend, Fran Laflamme. Some items include: a 23-piece ceramic nativity scene, a time share resort pkg. and a home buyers pkg. Call 543-3713 to reserve your seat. ($15 gives you the auction, hot/cold finger foods and refreshments throughout the evening - 8 p.m. start) (slj)

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ONTARIO HYDRO IS ADVISING ALL USERS OF THE ST. LAWRENCE River between Cardinal and Prescott that the annual ice boom installation program began Monday, October 26th. The booms are being installed a month earlier than usual this year because of the availability of the contractor and necessary equipment. Six ice booms will be installed in channels along the river in the following locations: North Galop area, between Adams Island and the Canadian (north) shore; between Chimney Point and the U.S. (south) shore; the main Galop boom from Butternut Island to Lame Squax Island; the main channel boom from Prescott to Ogdensburg. As usual, one section of the boom to the South of Galop Island will be left open to allow access for hunters. This will be closed December 5th. The main shipping channel will remain open until the end of the 1998 navigation season. Boaters are advised to exercise extreme caution, especially at night, in this stretch of the river. The booms in the side channels are not marked and are being installed one month earlier than usual, says Hydro. (slj)

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stand majestically ready for the open sea, presenting a marvellous picture of what life must have been to those salty seamen of yesteryear.

Dashing through the rain from one Village location to the next, the Venturers grabbed a glimpse of Stone's Store and Dry Goods (complete with store front wooden Indian), the Tavern (from the outside at least!), the School, the Chapel, the Drug Store, the Shipcarver's Shop, The Life Saving Station (complete with wooden lifejackets), the Lobster Shack and the Mystic River Scale Model-a neat display for sure. Persons acting the roles of those who would have been active in the times depicted are skilled and knowledgeable. Since it was the time of celebrations in the Seaport and the Chowder Festival was in full swing, we stopped by and tried some Chowder (-Manhattan and New England), and corn fritters...fresh and tasty. Even the hesitant among us declared they were pretty good. The souvenir shop was popular as everyone wanted something to remember their visit by, and a taste of the attraction for mom or dad, sister or brother. There were of course those infamous snapshots and movies, as the familiar refrain was echoed by the youth..."Just One More!" rang out across the water.

Back at camp and in dry duds, everyone enjoyed a hot meal, after which there was a Scouts Own service (camp church) and then trading took over as games and visiting as well as a walk around the base to check things out, grab some seashells from the ocean beach and drop by the PX (A member of the military among us gained entry for us and the only beef is that the little soldier bear was not purchased by this old writer!

Early to bed, no one needed rocking this night as the rain came in spurts even as we bedded down. The plan came from the adage" early to rise"...we had been the last in line yesterday to eat, and vowed this would not be the case again. Breakfast over, flag raising done and we were off to the Submarine Force Library and Museum, and an adventure into the depths of the USS Nautilus SSN571. Launched on January 17, 1955, the first Nuclear powered sub, the Nautilus revolutionized subs and the people who ran them. The first in a long line of nuclear subs which played key roles in maintaining the independence and freedom of the U.S.A. and the sovereignty of her territorial waters, the Nautilus is open for tours. Seeing the innards of an actual sub, walking through the porthole doors and learning that patrols can last up to two months, while members live in such a cramped, complex and demanding environment, with no contact to the outside world except in dire emergencies made more than one of us think about submarine crew members in a new light. The Museum gave an interesting history of subs and their uses in war and peace times; from the earliest attempts of men to live under water to the most modern subs, as well as one of the world's foremost submarine historical collections. For example, we learned that the Nautilus was the first sub capable of almost unlimited underwater operation. It set many records for underwater speed and endurance over the years. She crossed under the North Pole on August 3, 1958, the first vessel ever to reach the world's most northernmost point.

Her motto is "First and Finest" which appears in her logo, designed specially for her by the Walt Disney Studios. The stylized sub is surrounded by electron rings symbolizing her use of atomic power. Sailors of the Nautilus wear the design proudly the world over, at work and on liberty. Decommissioned in 1980, she sits ready to accept tourists, over a quarter of a million a year actually walk through this historic submarine. Eating lunch in the area adjacent to and including the parking lot, everyone had the opportunity to snap pictures and discuss the Submarine Force Library and Museum. Having a snapshot taken with two of the U.S.A.'s finest sailors was a special treat for the writer.

Then it was off to the new Mystic Aquarium. Billed as "An exciting adventure that will forever change your view of our ocean planet" the Aquarium has new exhibits that are filled with over 4,000 creatures that perplex and amaze a whole generation of explorers..think what it did for a group of young people from St. Lawrence District Scouts... Sea creatures abound, some familiar and others mysterious and simply out of this world. Some 500 of the most beautiful and exotic fishes in the world share a 30,000 gallon exhibit. Bonnethead sharks draw crowds...they are curious looking to say the least. The sensuous dance of hundreds of jellyfish, graceful and charming dolphins, beluga whales, penguins and Steller sealions keep all eyes fixed on their movements, there for the curious to view. The penguins are so cute and one is tempted to try to touch them in their little tuxedos. The Sealions are noisy and so neat to watch as they sun themselves on this cloudy with sunny breaks day. The water show where the dolphins jump and the whales show their stuff is a fun, wet, learning time for all. These are smart creatures that's certain. Even walking to the various tanks and viewing areas is a pleasant time, across wooden boardwalks through watery homes of various sea creatures. Souvenirs again are procured and then it is back on the bus, drizzle again and headed to the base...

More good food as our American friends treat us to turkey and dressing in honour of our Thanksgiving. Then it is time to prepare a skit or a song for the campfire and some fun in the dark. Free time allows us to meet yet more folks and get in some last minute trading. A stray U.S. Scout has everyone searching and then he is located and a sigh of relief is heard. Memories of several accidents that resulted in some American Scouts at the First Aid Post, some even taken to hospital, and we are thankful our young people are safe and sound. Not wanting to call it quits, lights out is not adhered to the last night in camp, but finally everyone gives in and sleep arrives.

The final morning sees pictures taken, trades made for shirts, neckers and addresses, with promises to keep in touch and to see one another in May when it is our Canadian turn to host the American Scouts. Hugs and tears as people realize they may not meet again due to circumstances beyond their control and then a final handshake and "so long" as everyone heads off homeward.

These camps give a feel for the worldwide brotherhood, young people from both sides of the St. Lawrence meeting, being able to form relationships and joining in similar activities. Providing the opportunity to meet folks involved in the same program in two different countries, the youth can see Scouting in action.

It was a tired, but smiling couple of bus loads that disembarked near Prescott and were greeted by parents who seemed to be pretty happy to see their young people after four days away. Memories will live on as those who made the trip relive the adventure for parents, siblings and friends.

These camporees are truly what Scouting is about...

Just Livin'

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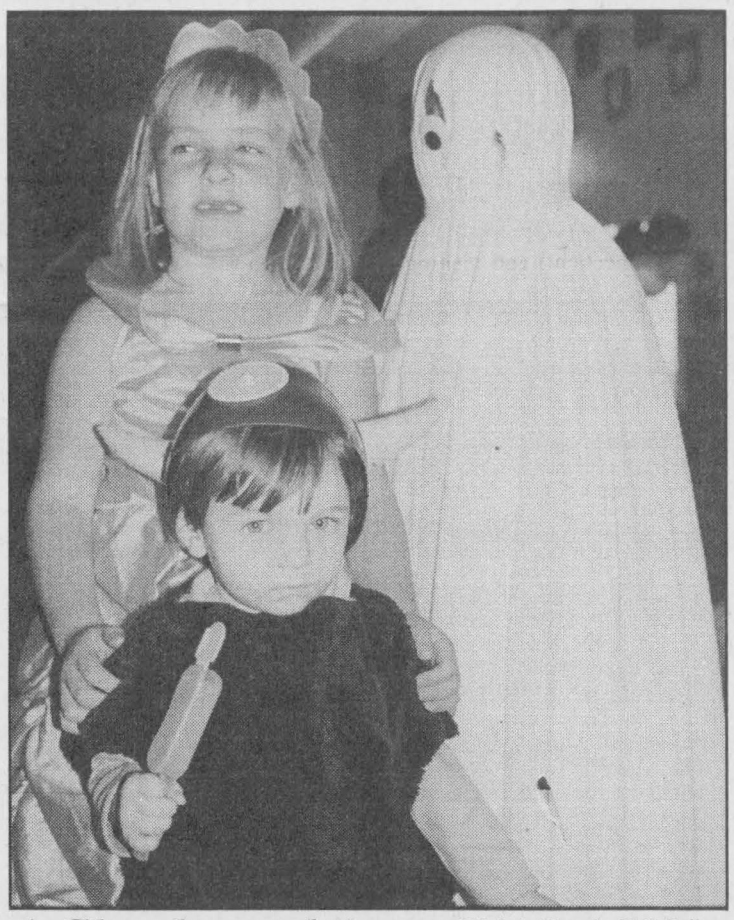
and Helen, we want to wish you many more!!!

The beets and carrots remain in the garden as do some potatoes. They will take no harm in the soil and so we will harvest them as we need to. The number two son brought all the onions in the other afternoon when asked to get a "couple" of onions for in a stir fry, oh well, we will enjoy some boiled onions with butter, salt and pepper one of these nights for supper...perhaps they will help the big guy and the writer kick the colds and coughs, sore throats and laryngitis we are battling. A co-worker brought some info on arthritis and how cider vinegar can help. It works on various things including cholesterol and headaches...hmmmm. We'll see.

Stay happy and keep a smile on your face. This week's wisdom comes from Benjamin Jowett who said, "The way to get things done, is not to mind who gets the credit for them."



A Ghostly good time *Chieftain Photo by M.C. Bailey*

Sponsored by Matilda Recreation, the Hallowe'en party at the Matida Community Hall last Friday evening was a resounding success. Here we have Belle from Beauty and the Beast (Chelsea Hartle) who was having a ghoulish great time with the hainsvbille Ghost (Leah Droppo) and their Viking friend (Kayla Droppo).

St.Lawrence Area Birdwatching



by Linda Anderson

As we head into the last week of October and the end of Daylight Savings Time, until spring, the countryside looks bleaker, the trees stripped of their leaves by the high winds this past week. Searching for birds is a chilly affair; gloves are needed to keep the fingers from going numb and the binoculars shake so much in the wind, one wonders why we ever took up birdwatching for a hobby! Still, a glimpse of a bird, either unknown or familiar to us makes expeditions outdoors very worthwhile.

Birdbaths have been iced over some mornings. A lingering **monarch butterfly** was seen on October 21st and **two other species of butterflies** the same day by our Irena birdwatcher, Mrs. S. She also spotted **white-throated sparrows, red-winged blackbirds,** and **robins** feasting on wild grape and a **rusty blackbird**. The Rusty has a light eye and lacks iridescence.

A huge swarm of **redwings** and **starlings** estimated at over 1,000 birds, enticed me to pull over to the side of Highway 2 on Sunday, close to Caravan Camp Road. There were many young birds and the redwings were not showing a lot of red. Feasting on weed seeds and leftover corn from harvested corn fields, the flock made an enormous racket. I have never seen such a huge flock of blackbirds close up. There were so many birds on the road, cars had to slow down to avoid hitting them.

A lingering **meadowlark** was seen at Rowena as well as a good-sized flock of **goldfinches** eating weed seeds. The first **tree sparrows,** a winter visitor were spotted in the bushy margins of the cornfield on Irena Road by Mrs. S.

Birdwatchers east of Iroquois off Highway 2 had a visit from migrating **bluebirds.** They watched a male and female catching flies just outside their sunroom window.

A Lakeshore Drive resident called to report a group of about 15 **cormorants** seen on an island in the St.Lawrence. She observed them holding their wings out to dry.

A visit to the marina turned up three **great black-backed gulls,** our largest gull. You will usually see them in a flock of other gulls and they are easily distinguished by their large size and the black on the wings and back. An immature black-backed has also been seen on the mudflats on the right hand side of Lakeshore Drive just at the entrance to Highway 2.

Bird reports to 652-2555.

SOUTH DUNDAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NEWS

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Serving South Dundas on the St. Lawrence

We welcome you to call us today and become a member in 1999

* Become a Member and be a part of growth towards the "Millennium".
* Interact with your community, the province and the Canadian Chamber of Commerce.
* The promotion of sustainable development, tourism, good governments, and quality of life in South Dundas.
* Promote community awareness of business activities, communications, new development, agriculture, education planning, recreation and a community
* lifestyle attractive to all ages.
* Your participation as a member is important at this time as we plan for "Millennium 2000":

Three Chamber "Millennium Projects"

Include a Heritage Park, Village Streetscape Improvemend and an approach to development through better communication.

ACTION GROUPS & COMMITTEES:

- Reginal Tourism net working group.
- Community-based land planning and Design Advisory Committee.
- Business Improvement Association, Morrisburg and other community business groups: Event and program support.
- South Dundas Economic Development Commission.
- Joint-partnership ventures: Community Economic Research and Development Group.
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- Municipal, Provincial and Federal. Community initiatives and information.
- November 21st. Millennium Countdown Party.
- Heritage & Legacy. Inventory for the future Museum.
- D.I.A.M.O.N.D.S. Natural Development Seaway Shorlines projects.
- Education Children & Youth, Awards and recognition.
- Arts: Theatre and community cultiural programs.

We had our video on the St. Lawrence Seaway Project ready for the local celebrations of the 40th anniversary of the flooding of the headpond on the project on July 1st. At present they are on sale in the area and are being well received: McIntosh Inn, The Jug, Pokeys Place, Coldwell Banker, Mustards and and other outlets in South Dundas. The perfect Gift for special occassions and now that Christmas is coming...the perfect gift for the person who has everything. Our next step is to have an educational kit prepared for use in our schools of which the video will be part. This will assist our educational system to teach the history of our area.

South Dundas Chamber of Commerce, Video Group

* The price will remain at $20.00 in cludes all taxes, and profits from sale of the video will be distributed by the Chamber, to community projects.

"*Waterway to the Heartland*"

A Video To Remember! Own a part of History today!

Roundtable Discussions are held throughout the Township on the last Thursday of each month.

The Fifth Roundtable: will be at Williamsburg Town Hall from 7:00pm to 9:00pm, Thurs. Oct. 29th

* There is a concern that South Dundas is being let behind on the information highway: Better Communications.
* We want to hear from the residents regarding community and business issues.

Your ideas will be raised at the monthly Round Table. Sharing your ideas and your presence at the Chamber meetings could help shape the future of the area. Get involved.

We are interested in "YOU" Your Community and Business

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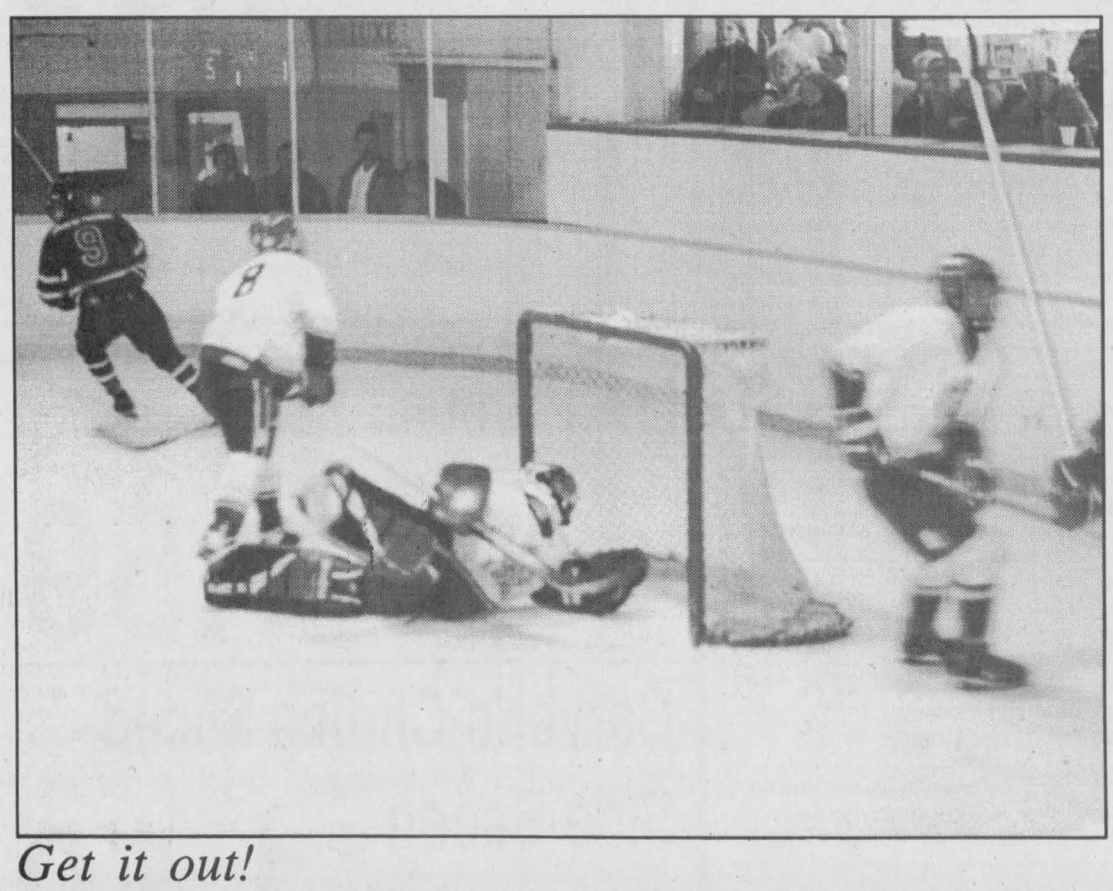

Get it out!

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions hosted the Char Lan Rebels at the Cow Palace in Morrisburg last Friday evening. The overpowering Rebels eventually came out on top and for a good portion of the game, led by 4 goals. Morrisburg did manage to close the gap somewhat in the second period. Missing a few key players, the Lions are hoping their next rematch will harbour a different outcome.

Atom C House Team up by two so far this season

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Morrisburg Atom C House team are off to a roaring start this season in league play as their 2-0 record would attest. This group have won their first two games.

The league opener was October 16 in Winchester where the Lions were hosted by the North Dundas #2 squad. The Lions were definitely ready for the face off at centre. Pounding four goals in the first, four in the second and two in the third, they showed that this is their season. The Demons replied with two of their own before the final buzzer sounded.

The Demons dropped this decision 10-2 at the sticks of the superior Lions. Scoring the Lions first marker was Jary Hess only one minute into the game. Other goals came from Anthony Lemaire, Scott Berseth, Matt Thompson and Kevin Phifer, all with singles. Grant McMillan added two of his own and Mitchell Julien pitched in for the natural hat-trick. Assists went to Adrian Bongers, T.J. McManus, Liam Remillard, Phifer, Hess and Julien with two.

On October 10, the Lions invited the North Dundas Demons, squad #2 out to Morrisburg for an exhibition game where the Lions came out vistorious by a 5-3 count. Mitchell Julien once again did much of the damage with another hat-trick and Matt Thompson and Kevin Phifer added the singles. Jary Hess grabebd two assists and Grant McMillan added one.

Game two in League play was October 24, as the Lions next opponent was Kemptville #2. Morrisburg jumped on the scoreboard again in under a minute with Kevin Phifers first two goals. Matt Thompson replied with one of his two goals, then Anthony Lemaire came through with one of his two counters. Michelle Julien would add two more of his own and Grant McMillan would round out the scoring for the Lions adding a single. Credited with assists were Michael Dowson, Cody Cassell, Berseth (2), McManus, Lemaire, Julien, Phifer (2) and McMillan, Andrew Tupper and jeff Eamon did a great job sahring the pipes for the Lions in the three games as the Lions handed Kemptville a 9-1 loss.

This years Atom House team is coached by Mike McManus assisted by Dave Phifer, managed by Doug Dowson and Peter Remillard and Dale Tupper is the trainer this year.

The Atom House team is certainly looking good this year with a lot of offence and a terrific defense combined with a solid duo in the pipes. With an even mix of seven first year Atom and seven second year Atom players seems to give us a well balanced team.

Novice B Lions shut-out Akwesasne in Morrisburg

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Graham Peters lived up to his reputation staying strong in the pipes as the Morrisburg Novice B Lions hosted the Akwesasne squad last Wednesday in Game 10 of their season. Recording a shutout, Peters kept everything out of the net that the Akwesasne team slammed at him.

Peters was not alone: his team was on the mark as they shot hard and straight putting the puck in the opposite net no less than 14 times for the lopsided victory.

The first period saw the puck slip past Torry Bigtree in the pipes for Akwesasne five times. Matthew Hummel scored the first of his four goals as the clock struck the 6:28 mark of the first period. Brandon Elliott got the assist. Then it was Josh Peppers who nailed one home, his first of four as well. Alex Whelan assisted on this one. Matthew scored again to make it 3 zip. Ten seconds later, Joshua again found his mark after taking the pass from Tryell Keicks. With just over a minute left in the period, Joshua was again on the move down ice. Snagging the pass from Darren Baldwin, he found space and scored to end the first.

The second was even more one sided as the Lions roared from the face-off and never seemed to look back. Matthew struck first again with help from Brandon Elliott, and then the boys traded places as Brandon took the pass from Matthew to nail a counter. Then it was Noah VanMoorsel who snapped one from the stick of Allan Waddell for another hard hit counter. Darren Baldwin teamed with Alex Whelan to make the score even higher in favour of the Lions. Six minutes later Whelan was in position as Bryce Fournier found his legs and another was chalked up for the Lions as they steamrolled their opposition. With only 39 seconds to play in the second period, Alix Tait went in alone to score, ending the period as it began with Morrisburg on a roll.

The Akwesasne team were just unable to contain the Morrisburg lads as they remained in full control of the play.

Matthew again got things going as the third began, skating in for the lone marker. Then Darren Baldwin assisted on the two final scores to end the game. Scoring on the assists were Alex Whelan and Joshua Peppers.

No penalties were assessed during this game, which shows the fine play these two teams demonstrated and this is to be applauded since the team on the losing end of the score must certainly have been frustrated that they could get nothing going in this game, and nothing past Peter in the pipes for Morrisburg.

Links at Iroquois

with John Lyon

The Board of Directors met last week and considered financial planning and control that has been going on in the last couple of months. There is a settlement of the construction dispute on the horizon and then there is a bank loan renegotiation factored into the plan. The director in charge of the plan said the plan still needs careful review and careful implementing to generate financial stability for the club.

The construction dispute down side is that the irrigation system problems along with drainage problems on #s 12, 15,1 6 and 17 will remain with us. The upside is that our total payments to the contractor and lawyers is lower than contracted. Should be an interesting general meeting for the members on Sunday, November 1 at 2 p.m. at the Club House.

The Board asks members to please look after some items this week:
(1) Pay your account promptly.
(2) Clean out your lockers.
(3) Look after the storage of your power cart over the winter.

The Club House will be CLOSED after this Saturday, October 31, except of course for the general meeting on Sunday afternoon at 2pm.

The matter of the CART PATH improvements is approaching action day and the Board hopes all of you cart users and others with a willing body will be volunteering to help spread the DONATED material. There will be a sign-up list at the general meeting.

Curling Club holds meeting

with Steve Thompson

At the Morrisburg Curling Club's general meeting last Wednesday evening, there was not a quorum, so decisions could not be made. They will try again in November, some time after the next Executive meeting which is Tuesday, November 3, at 5pm.

Some of the information from the general meeting follows. We have a number of new curlers, but they only match the members who have not renewed. A Member's Handbook will be out in about two weeks. Openings in some leagues are available, especially in the Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday (Note the change from Tuesday) evening Women's curling, so call Sydney at 543-4182 if interested. The final 10% of the Club's "old" loan will be paid back this year; $1500 has been spent for roof repairs and the interior so far; taxes are unchanged! We have approximately $20,000 invested in GICs; all of last year's loans, donations and pledges have been returned with thanks.

We are awaiting an invitation to join a committee, when it is formed to discuss the township's proposed new sports facility. A new curling building is said to be in the tentative plans.

Finally, the Founder's Bonspiel is scheduled for November 28, so phone Ian McGillis at 657-4597 or see him at the Club if interested. See you on the ice!!

Novice Lions roar loudly

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Morrisburg Novice C Lions played two strong games on the weekend.

On Saturday they travelled to Westport and came home with a convincing win 11-0 in their favour. Hudson Cochrane led the way with his great work ethic and contributing 3 goals to the effort. Other goals were scored by Pat Bongers, Peter Toonders, Justin Saunders, Kurtis Corry and Jane Moss.

On Sunday the team played host to North Dundas. A great team effort resulted in a game where the Lions roared and soundly handed their opponents a defeat. Goals were attributed to Chris Tindal, Kurtis Corry, Peter Toonders, Scott Douma and Tyler Mills. Honourable mention must go to the North Dundas Goalie, who played a steady game in the pipes.

Excitement abounds at Friday Darts

Darts continue to generate fun and excitement at the Legion every Friday evening in Iroquois. Thanks go out this week to the 12 spares that were on duty as every one was needed for play to continue.

Duane Kirker started the High Scores with a 140. Brian Cooper, Chris Thompson had 134, while Bonnie Gibson had a 134 and a 114. Gladys Parks threw for a 131, Michelle Walters had a 126, a 118 and a 100. Jay Buckland tossed a 124, Garnet Summers a 119, Barb Merkley a 117, Ida Donnelly a 123, Nicky Walter a 113, Pat Thompson a 112, Sharon Easter and Andre Tschoumy each earned a 105, while Denzil Tousant got a 104. Trevor Easter had 2x100 and with 100 each were: Reg Farmer, Tina Summerfield, Nick Shields, Diane Baker and Boomer McKee.

Individual games won belong to Trevor Easter-5, and Jay Buckland-4. Three games were won by Shawn Render, Pat Thompson, Diane Baker, Joe MacDonald, Tina Summerfield, and Angie Reid.

Throwing for two wins each are Carl Gibson, Sandra Julien, Lloyd Greenough, Tony Easter, Joan Ault, Sharon Easter, Duane Kirker, Barb Merkley, Reg Farmer, Jim Carkner, Kevin Laming, Anne Cameron and Denzil Tousant.

Of course, one game winners are noteworthy and this week include... Michelle Walter, Walter Reid, Shelly Cooper, Joyce Fader, Mike Osbourne, Nick Shields, Boomer McKee, Jean Greenough, Garnet Summers, Linda Casselman, John Traynor, Jamie Adams, Leo Merkley, Joe Roberts, Gladys Parks, Robbie Shaver, Lorraine Adams, Bobby-Jo Deschamps, Joanne Graham, Bonnie Gibson, and Rick Deschamps.

The team standings are very tight, with the Dream Team in first with 25, followed by a tie for second slot between the Ringers and the Lucky 7 each with 22, on their feathers are Earl's Pests/guns and Roses/ Lloyd's Harem and the Strugglers with 21 points. Cheers and Jay's Harem come in with 20 this week to keep the pressure on and with 19 points each are the Mod Squad and CupCakes. Double Trouble and the Has Beens have 18 points in the race and are being pushed by the Double Delights Darters with 17.5. The Long Shots have 17, while Free Willlie has 16.5. The points are tight and the darts heated as they fly. Great way to create excitement, keeping things so close.

Please folks...check your playsheet number and make sure it is YOUR team sheet!!

See you next week for more fun and shots at the dart board.

Darts are a flying at Seaway Interbranch

After a night at the boards in Iroquois, the top spot belongs to the Iroquois #5 team with 36 points to their credit. The rest of the field reads as follows:
Cardinal #4-33
Iroquois #7-33
Prescott #1-28
Prescott #3-25
Cardinal #2-25
Iroquois #8-25
Iroquois #6-19

When it comes to winning games, those who grab 3 or more include:
Mark MacDonald -6
Dan McKee -4
Glen Adams -3
Ron Bradford -3
Tom Reston -3
Bill Hutt -3
Tim Gonczowski -3
Garnet Summers -3
Reg Farmer -3

High Scorers are those who consistently do well facing the dart board, their darts seem to fly straighter and truer than most. Included in this prestigious group this week are Mark MacDonald with 2x140 and a 125, Jake Summerfield with a 139, Glen Adams who shot a 135, Bill Hutt who nailed a 125 and a 123, Garnet Summers, Jim Kirkby and Bob Sayeau all had a 125, while Wayne Bellinger threw a 124, Mike Levere a 123 and a 121 and Mickey Cook a 121.

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Fall Tea, Craft & Bake Sale. Saturday, Nov. 7, 11 am - 2 pm. St. John's Lutheran Church, Riverside Heights.

5th Annual United Way of Leeds & Grenville Arts & Crafts Show, Saturday, November 7, 1998, Brockville Memorial Centre. 10 am - 4 pm. Admission $1. Over 40 tables booked.

Matilda Womens Institute: Programme Reminder: Next meeting is Nov.9 at 7:30 p.m. Select a foreign flag and describe the significance of the symbols on it. Guest speakers, Janny & Arie Geurkink. Topic: Haiti.

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Senior Girls soccer medalists

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Benson's senior girls soccer team took the bronze at the recent Leeds and Grenville Soccer Championship in Kemptville. (Back, l-r) Jessica McNab, Michelle Martin, Tiffanie Halladay, Holly Roode, coach Ken Lynch, Brittany Medcalf, Miranda Kenney, Courtney Sullivan, Sara Rust. (Front, l-r) Amanda Massey, Kortney Smail, Brittney Winters, Nikki Stewart, Kaylie Roode, Brooke Jodoin. Cardinal's public school was further complemented by the top place finish of coach Bryan Armstrong's Junior co-ed soccer team.

Bantam Cs start with a bang

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Bantam Cs travelled to Smiths Falls for their first game on Sunday, October 18. Chris Marshall scored the first goal of the season for Morrisburg and then only a few minutes later found mesh again for his second counter. Matt Hicks added another goal to the board in the third as Morrisburg blanked their opponents 3-0. Nicholas Cryderman was in the crease for the shut-out.

Monday night the Smiths Falls team returned the favour and arrived in Morrisburg to face the Bantam C squad on their home turf. This game was vastly different as the two teams played to a 4-4 tie. Jason Keeler had a good night with two goals and an assist. Chris Marshall also counted two and an assist in this game. Other assists went to Cameron Levett and Chris Mellon. Brad Thompson was in the pipes for this matchup.

Monday, the 26th saw the Morrisburg team host the South Grenville squad who came to town ready to show the locals their strength. They did a fine job too, as they defeated the Morrisburg team 8-1. Andrew Hicks tries to get something going for Morrisburg as he scored the lone counter assisted by Matt Hicks and James Henry, but it was just not Morrisburg's night as they could not rally.

Poppy Blitz this Sunday

There will be a Poppy Blitz in the Village of Iroquois and surrounding area on Sunday, November 1st starting at 1:30pm. The Youth of our community, Beavers and Venturers will be going door to door with the bright red car poppies and lapel poppies. Please remember this when your door bell rings..."Let's all support this worthy cause"...

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.....$ 697.22
Bursary donations..$2200.00
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Subtotal.....$3447.22

Total expenses & disbursements.....$4865.15
Closing balance as of September 30/98.....$2340.26

**Also, remember that Remembrance Day service will be held on Sunday, November 8th at 2pm at the Civic Centre.
**November 11th, at 11am, Remembrance Day Service at Matilda Hall.



Skidoos are ready

While many are savouring the weather, many look forward to the snow. Grenville Snowmobile had their annual Open House on Saturday to show off the new machines. Chad Campbell was interested in the Formula 500 SL and while this is a little big for a 10-year old to handle, his dad was certain he could deal with the horsepower just fine!

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CRIME STOPPERS

This week Crime Stoppers is seeking the public's help regarding the theft of heavy equipment such as backhoes, highway tractors, trailers and bobcats throughout SD&G.

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Hosaic Bridge should be closed

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

An easy-to-overlook bridge in the Williamsburg ward should be closed immediately, engineers told Council at last Thursday's meeting. Located on Beckstead Road, and crossing Hosaic Creek, the structure is poised to fail "anytime," said Ian McCleod and David Handy of M.S. Thompson & Associates.

"Cars can go on this bridge without a problem," Handy said. But if a heavy truck were to stop on the short bridge, which is black-topped and inconspicuous, it would likely fail, he said.

Even a moving truck could collapse the bridge, "if a tire hits it right," said McCleod.

McCleod and Handy examined the bridge recently, completing the township inventory. Constructed about 30 years ago, the bridge gaps the creek on a bed of steel railroad rails. "The rail has completely failed on each side," McCleod reported.

The two men said they observed a belly-dump truck drive across the bridge, flexing the rails by an inch and a half.

The bridge is never any higher than two and a half feet above the creek's surface. New standards demand a one meter water clearance, McCleod said.

It was recommended a precast concrete structure replace the bridge, a minimum four month job costing around $360,000.

Mayor Johnny Whitteker seemed a little heartsick at this unexpected expense, fondly recalling the days when the province would pick up 80 percent of the cost. He suggested the bridge could be replaced, exactly as is, for $10,000.

"We are bound to build by code," McCleod reminded Whitteker.

Council discussed posting signs banning truck traffic on Beckstead Road, to at least keep the bridge open. Works Superintendant Hughie Garlough asked what would happen if trucks used the road anyway and a car, or "heaven forbid," a schoolbus happened to be following a truck that collapses the bridge.

"The only way to protect your liability is to close the bridge," said Administrator Mike Waddel.

Council seemed resigned to the fact that concrete barriers would have to go up, but deferred making a decision.

LETTERS

Two hats & Two opinions

Dear Editor,

Since I am both a mother and a teacher, there are many occasions on which I wear two hats. Such is the case in writing this letter.

As the mother of a student at BCI, I was upset to learn that no longer are teachers willing to give extra help to students outside of class time. Math, for example, is a subject which many find difficult and only with extra, small-group help are some students able to pass this subject. This latest action on the part of secondary teachers certainly caught my attention and angered me as a parent.

However, as a secondary school teachers in Upper Canada School Board, I understand and accept this action. This school board is insisting its teachers teach 75 extra minutes per day. This also results in an **additional** 2-3 hours of daily school work outside the school day. Are we teachers willing to do this, when the majority of boards in this province have reached agreements in which this is not required? No, we are not. And this is why high school life is different this year in the Upper Canada School Board.

As a parent, I resent this situation in our schools. As a teacher, I understand and support it, although being unavailable to help students contradicts, for me, the most important part of teaching. What I do not understand is why this school board apparently refuses to negotiate fairly with its teachers and thus bring this turmoil to an end.

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PICOTTE: Steven, Paula (nee Coulter) and Brody are please to announce the arrival of their son and brother, ***Noah William Cole,*** born on Friday, September 4, 1998 at 5:30 p.m., weighing 7 lbs, 5 oz. Proud grandparents are Roger & Lise Coulter, Marilyn Picotte and Eric Picotte. Great grandparents are Gertrude Croteau, Brock Fisher and Mary & Peter Hare. Special thanks to Drs. Rivington and Crabtree, and the W.D.M.H. maternity staff.
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IT'S A BOY!
WILLIAMS: Jonathan & Ellen (nee Seely) and big sister Erin welcome Calvin Scott to the family. Born October 22, 1998 at the Pembroke General Hospital, weighing 7 lbs, 5 oz. Proud grandparents are Jean & Jack Williams of Deep River and Pat Seely of Kemptville and great grandfather Russell Rennie of Kemptville.
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Cards of Thanks

ROBERTS: We, the family of the late Percy Roberts would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their flowers, cards, calls and food during our time of sorrow. Thank you for the generous donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association, Heart and Stroke Foundation, Winchester Memorial Hospital and Iroquois United Church. Special thanks to Constable M. Francis of the Upper Canada Detachment of the O.P.P., to Rev. Doug Carnegie for all the support during our time of sorrow and comforting words at the service. Also to brother Leonard Roberts who read the scripture and neice Cindy Cooper for the eulogy. Thank you to Dan of Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, the pallbearers and the Legion Ladies Auxiliary for the luncheon. Your kindness and prayers will always be remembered.
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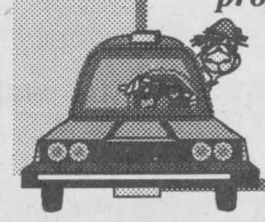
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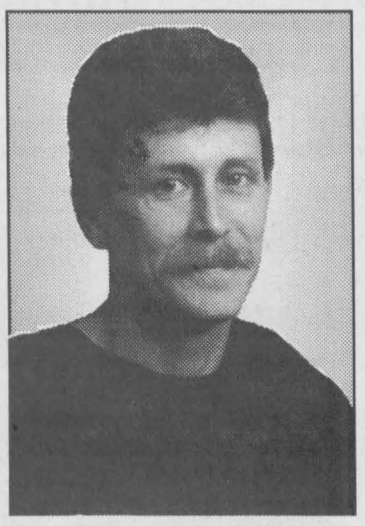

Suddenly and unexpectedly, on Saturday, October 17, 1998, Jim Davies of Carraway Crescent in Morrisburg at Sharon Hospital, Sharon, Connecticut. As a result of injuries sustained while working the "pit area" as Crew Member for the A.J. Parker Race Team which competes in the NASCAR Busch North Series at Lime Rock Park Raceway in Connecticut. He suffered severe head and chest trauma when hit by a piece of steel from the guard-rail after a car spun out of control, hit the rail and sent debris flying through the air.

Born in Winchester on February 11, 1958, Jim was 40 years of age. He worked as a fork lift operator at A.J.Parker Professional Painting. Jim lived most of his life in the Iroquois and Morrisburg areas except for a period from 1982-87 during which time he lived in Vauxhall, Alberta.

Predeceased by his father, Gerald Parent, Jim loved to read true crime novels and was always willing to lend a helping hand to neighbours and friends whenever called upon. Most of all he loved just being with family and friends. He harboured a true passion for racing and was a die-hard Dale Earnhardt fan.

Mourning the loss are his mother, Margaret Murphy of Ottawa, his common-law wife, Carol Tremblay (nee Beckstead), a daughter; Stephanie Tremblay of Kingston, a sister; Roselee Larouque of Ottawa and three brothers; Vince Davies of Kemptville, Randy Richards of Quebec, and Jason Richards of Nepean. Jim is sadly missed by many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

Memorial donations to the Cancer Society were appreciated by the family. Service was conducted by Rev. Joachim Barkley-Probst at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Wednesday, October 21, 1998. Interment of cremated remains was at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Cemetery in Morrisburg on Friday, October 23 at 1pm.

Pete Hollister

After a brief illness of 3 days, at the Ottawa Civic Hospital on Sunday, October 18, 1998, Edward "Pete" Abel Hollister. Born in Williamsburg Township, on December 21, 1918, he was 79 years of age. A Stationery Engineer at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital, Edward lived on Victoria Park Crescent in Morrisburg for the past 15 years, after moving from Winchester Springs.

He was a member of the Jehovah Witness Faith.

Beloved husband of the late Emma Garlough who passed away in 1980, and who he wed in May 1944 in Cornwall, Edward was a Cheesemaker for many years. He was predeceased by his parents as well, Florence (nee O'Brien) and Cory Hollister; by a son, Brock and a sister, Eileen Arthuthnot.

He is sadly missed by Garry (Peggy) of Ingleside, Melva, Calvin (Marie) and Melvin, all of Morrisburg. Loving brother to Howard, Clair, and Inez (Wallece) Byers all of Winchester and Merle (Marion) of Alberta. Also saddened by his passing are grandchildren, Sheldon, Lori, Lisa, Scott, Shannon and Adam Hollister. Missed by numerous nieces and nephews as well.

Memorial donations to the Winchester and District Memorial Hospital were appreciated by the family.

Service was conducted by Earl Petersen at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg,followed by interment at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville. Pallbearers were Bill Green, Gilbert Roy, Claude Perros, Oscar Katorsky and two grandsons-Sheldon and Scott Hollister.

Percy Roberts

Suddenly at home, at 16 Church Avenue, Iroquois, on October 17, 1998, Clarence Percy Roberts.

Born in Iroquois on October 13, 1915, he was 83 years of age. Percy lived his entire life in Iroquois and on Church since the Seaway moved the village. He retired from the Customs and Immigration post he held during his working years.

A member of the Iroquois United Church, he was also a Lifetime member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 370, Iroquois.

Mourning their loss are his beloved wife, Lillian whom he wed on May 8, 1937 in Prescott; sons-Howard (Muriel) of Saskatoon, and John (Anne) of Scarborough. A grandson, Howard Roberts Junior of Winnipeg along with brothers, Joe and Leonard both in Iroquois are saddened by the loss. Percy leaves as well three sisters; Ina Claxton of Iroquois, Jessie Goudreau of Prescott and Winnie Dunlevy of Brockville.

Predeceased by his parents, William and Edith (nee Dobbie) Roberts; five brothers, Daniel, Charlie, George, Edward (Ted), William and Peter, as well as sisters; Mary, Pearl and Elizabeth.

A Legion Memorial Service was held on Monday, October 19 at 7pm at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois. Memorial donations to the Canadian- Diabetes Association as well as those to the Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation were appreciated by the family. Service was conducted by Rev. Doug Carnegie at the Iroquois United Church of which Percy was a member on Tuesday, October 20. Scripture was read by Leonard Roberts and the eulogy was read by his niece, Cindy Cooper. Interment was at Iroquois Point Cemetery.

Pallbearers were, Allan Fisher, Jim Logie, Reg Farmer, Walter Reid, Roger Coulter, John Wilson and Willis Douglas.

Hilda Armstrong

At Brockville General Hospital, on October 19, 1998, Hilda Armstrong of Fulford Home in that city. Born on March 17, 1916 in Matilda Township she was 82 years of age.

Former residences include Iroquois and Cardinal. She had lived the last 30 years at Fulford Home.

A sewer at Caldwell Linen Mill in Iroquois, Hilda was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Predeceased by her parents, Benjamin and Ada (nee Carman) Henry, as well as three sisters; Ruth Serviss, Irene Armstrong, and Phyllis Merkley and three brothers; Willie, Jack and Borden, Hilda is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations to Charity of Choice were appreciated. Service was held, Wednesday, October 21, at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Cardinal, with Rev. Jack Urquhart officiating. Interment followed at St. Paul's Cemetery in Cardinal. Pallbearers were John, Mark and Tim Dixon, Weldon McLeod and John Millard



A Good Cause

A tea and bazaar was hosted at the Morrisburg Civic Centre last Saturday. Well attended, all proceeds raised from the event will be donated to the Canadian Cancer Society. Pictured above are Hazel Prunner and Margaret Cassleman along with Judy Simser were enjoying their tea and cakes. *Chieftain Photo by M.C. Bailey*

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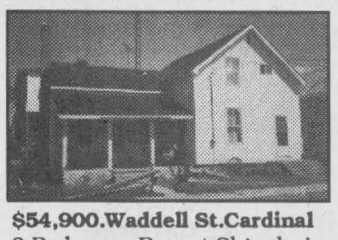

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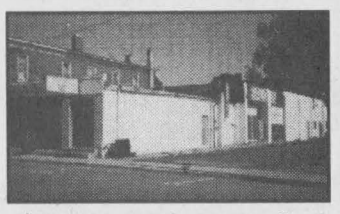

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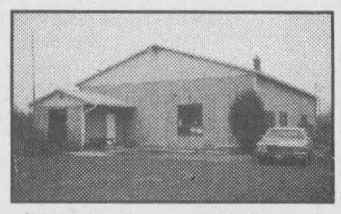

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PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Shedding some light at Seaway...

The teachers at Seaway District High School extend an invitation to meet with parents, students, and community members to address concerns about the quality of education at Seaway.
In attendance will be OSSTF Branch President, Greg McGillis.
Invitations will also be extended to the Director of Education and Local Trustee of the the Upper Canada District School Board.

Monday, November 2, 1998
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The Chieftain
Arts & Entertainment Page

~ Christian Composer Comes Sat.
~ Brinston U.C. Annual Craft Show
~ SnoMo Drags At South Mountain



A United Cause

Chieftain Photo by M.C.Bailey

The Cardinal United Church held their annual Bazaar Bake and Craft Sale at the church last weekend. Here are Gloria Patrick and Catherine McShane who were looking after the craft table booth. All proceeds froim the event are used by the church.

COMING EVENTS

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Brinston United Church
October 29, 1998
7:30 p.m
$2.00 Admission
Light Refreshments
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7th ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW
Saturday, October 31, 1998
Matilda Hall, Dixon's Corners
9:30 a.m.
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Wedding Announcement

BAILEY - DISHEAU

Walter & Doreen Bailey and Douglas & Debbie Disheau are happy to announce the marriage of their children, ***Gerry & Missy,*** on June 27, 1998 in the Garden's at Upper Canada Village. Family and friends celebrated at a reception at the Iroquois Legion. Gerry & Missy now live in Napanee, Ontario.

Internationally known Christian Composer comes to Morrisburg

One of England's leading Christian song writers, Roger Jones is touring Canada at the end of the month. His tour includes, Vancouver Island, Montreal, Ottawa and Morrisburg!

Born in Birmingham, England, Roger trained as a musician at the Birmingham School of Music. He then spent 16 years as a music teacher and a school principal, prior to devoting his full time to itinerant music ministry.

A member of an Interdenominational Fellowship of Christians working towards renewal in the church, and teaches extensively on worship, music in worship and the work of the Holy Spirit.

Through lively and informal presentations, Roger demonstrates by word and song, his vision of our response as worshippers to who God is and what He does for us.

Roger has written many musicals as well as various collections of worship songs. He first began composing so as to involve as many people as possible in music-making and in telling Bible stories and Christian truths in a fun and accessible way. The wide appeal of his musicals is that they are written for everyone to share in and not for the exclusive few. In addition to writing and performing musicals, Roger also directs Christian Music Ministries (CMM) who now publish his material. CMM lead music workshops, conferences, courses and seminars about worship, praise and renewal throughout the world. They also run a mail order service supplying music and worship resources.

On Saturday, October 31, St. James Anglican Church in Morrisburg will host Roger and his team as he presents workshops on Planning and Leading Praise and Creative/Prophetic Worship, as well as a general information session on "What it means to be a Worshipper." The afternoon workshops start at 2:30pm. At 7:00pm, there will be an evening of music, praise and teaching using Roger's musical "The Torn Curtain." For those who would like to stay from the afternoon to the evening session, you are welcome to join in a pot-luck supper at 5pm in the church hall.

All of these events are FREE, but contributions towards Roger's ministry will be greatly appreciated. Roger will also be leading the Sunday worship service on November 1 at 9am.

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Old lane is a gateway to trouble

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Trespassing four-wheelers are becoming a nuisance on rural properties southwest of Iroquois, near the quarries, some landowners say. It seems the vehicles are accessing the land from a laneway off County Road 2, shortly before the road takes a dip and curves west along the old canal on the way to Cardinal.

Keith Fisher, whose family has owned property in that area since 1918, explains from his Elizabeth Drive home that the lane runs on a 17 and a half acre parcel owned by the Ministry of Transportation, originally sold off the family farm by his mother in the 1950's. His family still has a legal right-of-way on the lane, however, holding a 99 year lease with the Ministry. What remains of the farm has no other road access.

Fisher, 86, says it has been somewhat of a perennial problem keeping a gate on the lane. Trespassers seem bound and determined to cut locks and throw the gate aside, he says, adding, "They really have no right to go back in there."

Four-wheelers are now just driving around the gate, making his granddaughter, Karen Barkley, "particularly mad," says Fisher. "It spoils her walking back there."

Barkley came into *The Chieftain* office to complain about the trespassers and the deep ruts they leave behind. She mentioned that neighbours had seen a four-wheeler leave the property towing a trailer full of firewood. The wood could have been stolen from the Fisher property, or other abutting landowners.

A quick walk down the lane reveals that it is a mess in places, dimpled four-wheeler tracks obvious where not submerged in watery ruts and holes. Off to one side, the remains of a moose carcass rots in the sun.

The lane terminates on Fisher land, meeting an old railway bed, now privately owned by the landowners whose property it runs through. Fisher says he bought his portion a long time ago. But some four-wheelers use it to access still more private property.

The corridor runs through to George Fowlers' land, who says he caught somebody stealing firewood back there before. "People seem to have lost appreciation for property rights."

Fowler says he has flattened tires on broken beer bottles left on his property.

Says the sugarbush operator on the difficulty of getting hunters and others to obtain his lawful written permission: "It's one of these problems that any rural landowner faces."



Good eats

The Knox Presbyterian Church women held their annual Tea and Bazaar on Saturday in Iroquois. The cakes and desserts were out of this world and everyone who attended was impressed with the service. Speaking of service, Lorraine Norton, Clerk of the Session was doing just that. *Chieftain Photo by M.C. Bailey*

POLICE REPORT

Thefts from vehicles

Over the past weeks the incidents of theft from parked vehicles has undergone a dramatic increase.

On October 14, 1998, police received a number of reports involving thefts from parked vehicles in the former Mountain township. Three vehicles parked at a church were entered and two purses and ten pairs of ladies' shoes stolen.

Between October 17 - 19, 1998, two cameras and lenses were taken from a vehicle while in Morrisburg-Matilda areas.

The investigation of a number of these thefts has indicated that even the trunk area of the vehicle is not a secure storage place for your valuables. Thieves can access all areas of a vehicle, which means more consideration should be given to the items you need to have with you for a particular outing, police say.

By only taking those necessary and easily carried items, you will be able to lessen the loss and incovenience of this type of incident, they advise. It is often not the monetary loss, but the loss of personal papers, documents, credit cards and I.D. that impacts victims the most.



Country Critters

Chieftain Photo by M.C. Bailey

The Country Critters Ceramic group meet at Kim Hutt's place every Saturday afternoon to breathe some life into their ceramic friends. Pictured are Kim and Jennifer Cummings. In front are Penny Visser and Cathy Peters. The group also gets together two nights a week for tole painting sessions...a crafty gang for sure!

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Teachers

from several other agreements to present its proposal. "The position would mean deep and unusual contract concessions in most key areas of the collective agreement."

The Board countered by saying that talks had not broken down, but rather that the Board had made a proposal to the union and were waiting for them to come back with a counter proposal. "We are quite prepared to get back and negotiate as soon as they are ready." Director of Education, Gino Giannandrea noted, "We are doing everything we can to get a negotiated deal within the budget parameters." He added that the reason talks went nowhere on Thursday was because the union's chief negotiator was not available that day.

Saturday the news came through that teachers were disappointed and surprised by an announcement Friday that the Director of Education would be going to at least one school to speak directly with students at Seaway High. The students want information. "We were invited too," said McGillis, "But we declined to go offering instead a public forum where anyone, including students could attend. This really brings the dispute with the Board into the classroom in an inappropriate way. No one thought that they would go ahead with or without the other side present." McGillis indicated that if the Director insisted on going into schools to talk to students, the union would reluctantly do the same thing in order to give both sides an airing. But, he called for public meetings to be held instead by concerned groups and invited the Director and Trustees to take part in those. Such a meeting will take place at Seaway on Monday evening, November 2 starting at 7pm. The teachers have been asked by the Board not to proselytise in the classroom and the teachers have agreed.

Monday saw local teachers at Seaway begin their second week of a withdrawal of all after-school voluntary services.

Tuesday, the Union announced that it has filed charges with the Ontario Labour Relations Board against the Upper Canada District School Board for bargaining in bad faith and interference. "We regret the need to take this step," said McGillis, "But it has become clear that negotiations have not progressed due in part to the circumstances that have generated this charge against the Board."

The union suggests they remain hopeful of a settlement, and are ready to resume negotiations at the Board's earliest convenience.

O.H.A.

what McKenzie called medicare's "biggest problem today": public loss of confidence in the financial stability of the Ontario Health Insurance Plan. He said recent polls show 72 percent of men and 79 percent of women to be "very concerned" with the state of the system, adding the concern focuses on post-operative care, like nursing.

McKenzie took the opportunity to criticize the Ontario government for $800 million in funding reductions between 1995 and 1996. "There is an unprecedented need for capital," he said, also citing increases in nursing costs and the capping of certain fees in the revised OHIP schedule.

As of last March, over half the hospitals in the province were running a deficit. The combined deficits of all hospitals in Ontario could exceed $250 million this year, he said. "Hospitals are having difficulty paying their bills. That is the current reality.

"It's the most serious situation I've ever seen in my career as a board member."

However, he gave the government credit for more recent infusions of cash.

Beeping the O.H.A.'s horn, McKenzie said the 26-person board of volunteers, which is elected by member hospitals from across Ontario, saved $165 million in the pension fund it administers. The O.H.A. has a yearly budget of $18 million.

And overall, he had this to say: "Despite the high rate of concern, our system is fundamentally a strong one. Yes, change is necessary. We are committed to taking a leading role in forming the health care system of tomorrow."

Dr. David Flowers was not entirely convinced by McKenzie's optimism. "The system is not improving. In fact, it is crashing," he asserted during a question and answer session.

Said the local doctor, "The government wants to decentralize to the community." From what he heard in the speech, "the O.H.A. is obviously diametrically opposed.

"Caught in the middle are providers," said Flowers, who also pointed to the demands of patients.

"We're in a terrible situation when technology has saved us somehow," he continued. "There used to be doctor to doctor communication. Now I have to talk to some clerk in Toronto at the Ministry of Health to get a bed in Ottawa."

Centralizing computerized health records, he said, meant "140,000 people will have access to whether you are on viagara or have HIV.

"Accountability doesn't exist right now. C.T. scans may take a few days, it may take nine months," he said, completing his remarks to a round of applause.

"If you want to go down the path of hell-in-a-handbasket, it isn't going to help much," McKenzie replied in a soothing voice.

He was peppered with more questions. "I think it's inevitable," he said, responding to a question on whether user fees will become more common in the future. "But you and I may not be here to see it."

Royal Canadian Newsletter

by Dar

It is hard to believe that this is the last week in this month. And then it will be November, a mostly dull and dreary month and also the month of "Remembrance." The Poppy Blitz will be held on November 1, starting at 1:30pm. We are so fortunate to have the youth of the village, namely the Venturers and Beavers participating in this worthy cause as our veterans are few in number and are just not able to do the job they once were so proud to do. It is so important that we keep November 11th alive in our minds forever and that the younger generation grow to understand what it is all about and of the supreme sacrifice that our veterans made so many years ago, just to keep our land free and so we could all strive for peace. So, please, everyone, when our volunteers knock on your door, remember this and gladly give a donations you accept your poppy for this worthy cause.

Our Legion "Remembrance" service will be held on Sunday, November 8th with everyone invited to gather at the Legion at 1:30pm from where we will all march to the Civic Centre for the service proper and then proceed to the cenotaph for the laying of wreaths. On returning to the Legion, hot dogs and refreshments will be readily available to everyone. We are anticipating a good attendance.

Comrade Willis Douglas has asked that we mention that Percy Price, the Service Bureau Officer will be visiting our branch on Wednesday, November 4 at 9:30-am...so if anyone would like to see him for any information, advice or assistance in regards to war disability, pensions, treatment for entitled veterans, Benevolent funds, war veteran allowances including widows, please get in touch with Comrade Willis or be at the branch when Percy arrives.

Now, I had better mention some of the activities that took place at Branch 370 this past week. On Saturday past, there were fourteen players up for Cribbage. Down somewhat from previous weeks, but once the colder weather settles in, we expect more to come out. Carroll Summers took first place, while Joe MacDonald grabbed second and Reg Farmer (in spite of having a bad cold) took third spot. Eight skunks made an appearance with Ted Grattan and Walter Reid picking up two each and Paul Claxton on the receiving end of his first skunk all season. By the way, before I forget, Rogers' gang did bag a moose!!

At the Euchres, first prize went to Tom Mills, second to Shirley Cooper and Don Gill. Phyllis McLaughlin got the door prize and the skunk honours went to Evelyn Swerdfeger and Carl Gibson.

The winners at Duplicate Bridge were Frank Bickerdick and Brooke Leightizer.

The Pot of Gold winner was Sam Strader who was NOT signed in, therefore her winnings go back into the pot for next week's draw.

The Meat Draw, which was for 10pounds of boneless chicken breast was won by Ed Froats. Next week's draw will be for six T-bone steaks. Don't forget to be eligible for either weekly draw, you must drop into the Branch and sign your name.

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