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2005 ends on high note for local retailers

MORRISBURG – Local retailers ended their year with relatively good results during the Christmas shopping period.

With few exceptions, local retailers matched their 2004 Christmas sales figures with some reporting slight increases.

The Leader spoke to a random selection of its advertisers, and found that all finished 2005 on a reasonably strong note.

Jeff Beaupre, owner of Beaupre's Jewellers in Iroquois, said he had the best Christmas sales season ever.

"It was very, very productive," said Beaupre crediting the popularity of his line of magnetic jewellery and his aggressive local advertising of the jewellery, through The Leader.

"It's been an ongoing success story," says Beaupre, who is the first in Canada to add two new styles to his stock. "Magnetic therapy is really strong and people are recognizing me and my store."

Beaupre says he was busy throughout December and very busy the last shopping days. He was in the store at 6:30 a.m. on December 24 and, with last minute shoppers, didn't leave until 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve. "I served my last customer at 6:20 p.m."

"Overall, I'm providing a lot more than I used to. I look around, and I can't complain in any direction."

Jamie Guilboard, who opened Morrisburg Flowers and Baskets on County Road 2 in Morrisburg on Friday, December 2, says, "We were overwhelmed with the response to our new business and we are very grateful."

"It went far better than we had expected."

His personally designed floral centrepieces were his biggest sellers, but "I also couldn't believe the response to our poinsettias."

Retailers have solid holiday sales

He says the good December sales numbers puts him at ease, indicating he made the right decision to open the store.

"December was very big, and much better than we had anticipated."

With the Christmas season over, Guilboard turns his attention to creating pieces to brighten up the bleak January days. "Flowers aren't just for holidays. You can say I love you any day."

Guilboard is preparing for Valentine's Day and is hoping his customers order early. While roses are definitely the popular Valentine flower, he welcomes the opportunity to introduce some of his fancier and funnier exotic flowers.

At Canadian Tire in Morrisburg, Peter Oliver says December was far better than November, but for the whole year, "we were a bit soft."

This he suspects is a result of the local economy and the closure announcements (Nestles and Domtar) in the local manufacturing sector, along with the recent strike at Dupont.

"Our Christmas business was down a bit. It's a small rural market, and many people don't buy every year. LED lights became very popular last year."

Oliver says he is however pleased that, "We were better able to satisfy our customers." Fewer rain checks given out is an indicator that the products the customers were seeking were available.

This year, in the days leading up to Christmas, Canadian Tire extended its hours to 9 p.m. For the Christmas 2004 season, the hours were extended to 11 p.m.

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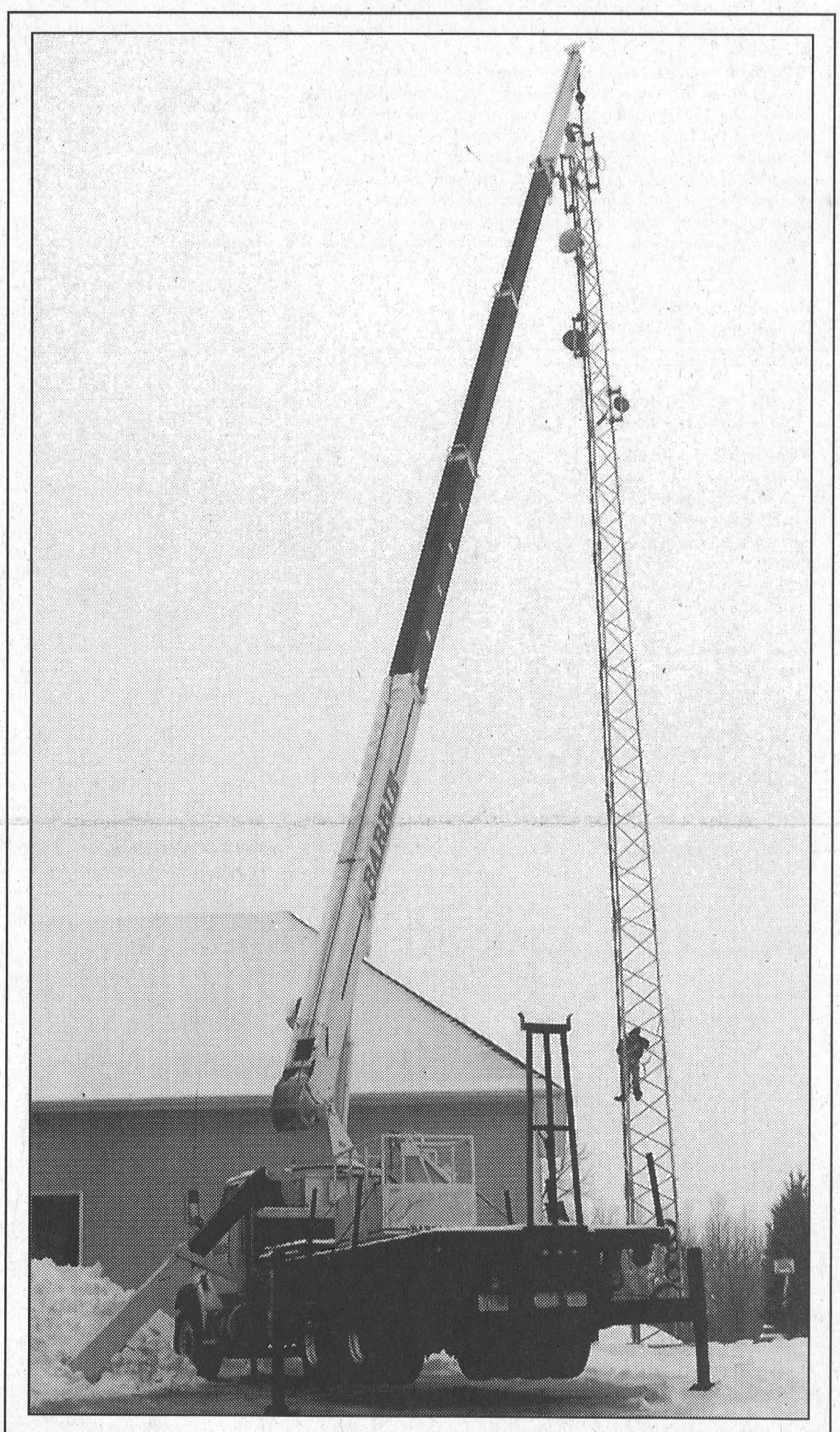


Towering Over the Municipal Building

One of the towers which is part of the expansion of the high speed network to rural South Dundas was installed last Thursday at the South Dundas Municipal Building in Williamsburg. The truck which was used to install the tower, pictured above, was at the site Thursday morning. Similar towers are slated for installation at Dixon's Corners, Riverside Heights and Dunbar. W3 Connex should be providing wireless high speed on the new expanded system by mid February.

Valu-mart shoppers donate

MORRISBURG – Mike Vrab of Mike's Valu-mart in Morrisburg and Carol Richer, chair of the South Dundas Christmas Exchange came up with a partnership this holiday season that resulted in over $758 raised for the annual Exchange that provides the makings of a Christmas meal for those in need.

The two partnered in a fundraising project that enabled Valu-mart shoppers the opportunity to donate cash to the Exchange by simply adding a donation onto their grocery bill.

Like so many other volunteers in the community, Richer was extremely impressed with Vrab's approachability and willingness to come on board.

"I initiated the idea, and before I even finished explaining what I was looking for, he (Mike) was saying yes."

The money raised goes towards the cost of the perishable food items the Exchange purchases for the boxes.

It will really help because we had so many in need," says Richer. "They were telling us how good the economy is, and I thought we'd be down, but we were up."

Both Vrab and Richer are appreciative and impressed with the charity of South Dundas. In this fundraiser, no one was asked to donate. A small, written notice was posted at the cash checkouts, enabling people to do a no-pressure, freewill donation.

Feedback from the public, also indicated that those who donated appreciated the convenience. They didn't have to write a cheque and then find out where to send it, or make a special trip anywhere to drop off their donations.

For Vrab, it was as simple as programing a department in his cash registers to receive the donations.

Although not a new idea, Vrab at least once previously collected donations for a cause in this way, it is an idea that both agree is a keeper.



A Successful Fundraiser

Carol Richer, chair of the South Dundas Christmas Exchange, accepts $758 in donations from Valu-mart owner Mike Vrab. The hefty donation, which will be used to pay for perishables purchased by the Exchange, was made by Valu-mart shoppers, who were afforded the opportunity to make a freewill offering at the Valu-mart check outs during the holiday shopping season. ***McNairn Photo***

Idea of adopting roads expanding

SOUTH DUNDAS – Since the first section of road was adopted here a couple of years ago, environmentally conscious people have continued to get involved with the United Counties Adopt-a-Road program.

Individuals and groups participating in the program pick up litter at least twice a year along their adopted section of roadway.

South Dundas now has six groups participating in the program, and Counties Adopt-A-Road Program Coordinator, Frank Lenneau, says, "I am hoping to double the amount of adopted sections within South Dundas by year end."

South Dundas Economic Development Officer Anne Marie Waddell, helps local organizations participate in the Counties program adds that, "I will promote it at this end."

For their efforts, the Counties install acknowledgment signs at the boundaries of the adopted sections of roads.

Canadian Tire in Morrisburg has adopted two sections of road including; two kilometers east from the store on County Road 2, and four kilometers of County Road 31, from the stop lights to the 401 overpass.

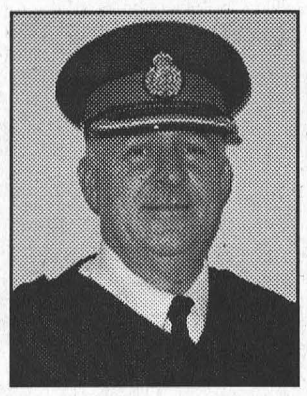
Janice Gillard adopted a 5.5 kilometer section of County Road 8, bordered by the MacKenzie Road.

Lyle Van Allen and Family adopted a three kilometer section of County Road 31, bordered by Lightning Street, Williamsburg.

The New Centennial Restaurant looks after a five kilometer section of County Road 2, west of Morrisburg.

Within the last few months, Dentz Orchards and Berry Farm adopted a 4.2 kilometer section of County Road 16, from Dixon's Corners to Irena, and the Friends of the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary adopted a two kilometer section of County Road 2, at the edge of South Dundas.

From the Detachment Commander's desk



SD&G – The holiday season is now over and we all hope you enjoyed a wonderful season.

Many people received gifts that are targets for would be house robbers. You should take the time to record any serial numbers on your gifts and borrow one of our engravers from your local detachment to permanently mark them. If you have your own engraver use your licence plate number not your S.I.N. We cannot access S.I.N. information to identify your property.

We do find articles throughout the year and cannot match it to the owner without proper identification. I was lucky enough to receive a digital camera last year for christmas and I took digital pictures of all my property with the serial numbers showing and then downloaded the pictures to a disk which I keep in a safe place. This is a good idea for property identification and insurance purposes should you ever have to use it.

This is also a good time of year to review your house alarm system if you have one. We have many very reputalbe companies in the area and if you are concerned, give them a call and get a home estimate. There are some who also provide a keyholder who will check your property for you so the police are not responding to false alarms. Like every other service you pay for, do your homework and ask the questions you need answered. Make sure the money you are spending is getting you the service you want, not what they want to sell you.

Happy New Year!
Inspector Ray Westgarth
Detachment Comander - SD&G OPP

The health desk...

What is Depression?

Depression is an illness affecting mind and body. At times, almost everyone feels "down", "blue" or "sad" and becomes discouraged with life, but usually these mood changes are temporary. However, when a depressed mood persists for one or two months, causes a person to feel miserable and sad in many ways and begins to interfere with everyday living, it is likely to be the sign of a serious state of depression that requires outside help.

What causes Depression?

Depression is a common problem and can strike at any age. There is no single cause of depression. Sometimes, stressful and discouraging situations overwhelm us on a continual basis and have the potential to become dangerous. The onset of depression may sometimes be attributed to some of the follow factors: Death or illness of someone close, difficulties with job, or personal relationships, financial difficulties, "unexpressed" emotional burdens, loneliness or self esteem or a genetic predisposition.

What are the Symptoms?

Signs to look for include: Feelings of despair and hopelessness; continued fatigue or loss of energy; persistent or recurring headaches; ongoing disturbances in sleeping habits; becoming withdrawn, lacking enthusiasm or lacking feelings of enjoyment; sadness and crying for no apparent reason; inability to concentrate or make decisions; thoughts of suicide.

What are the treatments?

Knowledge is the key for a person seeking treatment. People need to know that depressions is one of the most common and most treatable forms of mental illness and 80 percent of people with depression can be treated successfully.

Treatment must be flexible. Each case of depression is different so people may require different methods of treatment. Your family physician may treat you, although people with serious depression may be referred to a specialist.

For more information contact the Canadian Mental Health Association at 933-5845 or at www.cmha-east.on.ca

Winter weather of the past

Blizzards are a reality for all parts of Canada, and severe winter storms typically involve a sustained combination of heavy snowfall, cold temperatures and high winds.

Whiteouts, drifting and blowing snow with heavy accumulations cause many hardships. When winter precipitation falls as freezing rain or drizzle, heavy ice accumulations can also cause significant damage, especially when accompanied by high winds. Southern Ontario and Quebec, and eastern Canada are most susceptible to this phenomenon.

1999–Precipitation: 118 cm. of snow. Southern Ontario/January. Less than two weeks after Toronto was dumped with 40 cm of snow another major storm dumped 78 cm of snow on the city, bringing the total to 118 cm. The storm shut down parts of the Toronto transit system and left 1,000s stranded. All of Southern Ontario's 7.1 million people were affected and damages were estimated at $122 million.

1998–Precipitation: 50-100 mm. of freezing rain. Ontario to New Brunswick/January. Ice storm hit a corridor extending through Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal and areas south and east of Montreal, and on into New Brunswick, causing massive power outages. Two hundred Quebec and 57 Ontario communities declared a disaster with almost five million people left without power. Damage estimates were near $7 billion.

1996–Precipitation: 100 cm. of snow. Southwestern BC/December. An unusually heavy snowfall brought traffic and emergency response service to a standstill in the areas of Victoria, the Fraser Valley, and some parts of Vancouver. Damage estimated at $214 million.

1994–Precipitation: Wet snow, sleet, 168 km/h winds. Avalon, Newfoundland/December. A severe storm caused build-up of up to 15 cm in diameter on wires causing major damage to the transmission and distribution systems on the Avalon, Burin and Bonavista Peninsulas.

1994/Precipitation: 25 cm of snow, 70 km/h winds, -18C/ Montreal region/January. Snowfall and high wind combined to produce almost zero visibility, causing major highway accidents and at least six deaths. Power failures left about 6,000 homes in Montreal without heat or light overnight.

1993 Precipitation: Snow, high winds/East Coast/March. A severe blizzard caused by a mid-latitude cyclone moved up the North American East Coast eventually claiming more than 240 lives; at one point over 3 million people were left without electricity. Damage estimated at $20 million.

Seaway officially closed for season

CORNWALL – The St. Lawrence Seaway officially closed for the season on December 29 with the passage of the Transport Desgagnés tanker, Maria Desgagnés, through the St. Lambert Lock at 5:40 p.m.

The Seaway's 47th navigation season commenced on March 25 with the system remaining open for 280 days, one day shy of the record 281 days set in 2004.

The Welland Canal section closed at 11:11 p.m. on December 30 with the transit of the Mississagi, a vessel operated by Lower Lakes Towing.

"Traffic results remained steady this year, retaining the tonnage added in 2004," says Richard Corfe, President and CEO of the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation (SLSMC). "We enjoyed steady flows within our staple bulk cargo markets, including grain and ore. While we experienced a decline in imported steel movements of new cargoes, including aluminum and raw sugar, readily filled in this gap."

"We are particularly encouraged by the results of our incentive tolls program, which we put into place in March of 2005. Aimed at capturing /recapturing cargoes, we can attribute some 215,000 tonnes of new movements to this program, resulting in more than $600,000 of additional revenue."

The wide variety of cargoes witnessed this year highlights the unique and vital role that the Seaway plays within the Canadian and U.S. economies.

Not only does the marine mode provide the most energy efficient mode of transportation, project cargoes transiting via the Seaway figure prominently in the development of new, highly sustainable industry. Throughout the season, shipments of wind turbines fabricated in Europe arrived via Seaway ports.

"This year may well be looked back upon as a watershed year, marking the beginning of a new era in Seaway shipping," says Corfe.

The Seaway is expected to reopen in late March 2006.

Local Retailers

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"Late shopping here isn't a big factor," says Oliver. "In a rural market staying open the extra hour until 9 p.m. was fine."

With the holiday shopping season over the emphasis is on winter stock, and Oliver says for that he needs snow and cold weather. "We have lots of everything, snow shovels, salt etc."

However, "We are now setting up for summer. Can you believe it?"

The first Christmas season for Gary Barkey of R.T.K. Jewellers which opened last March in Morrisburg, "was good to better than we had expected."

"More people are getting to know we are here, and learning that we are the best place around for repairs."

Barkey says last minute Christmas shopping is "normal for my business, especially for the guys. And it definitely happened this year."

He says he didn't have as many lay-aways as he had expected, but his NASCAR line was very popular. Also popular is his stock of school rings, which he sells at 20 percent below the manufacturer list price.

"I was happy for my first year here."

Across the mall at the Crossroads Gift and Book Station, Ruth Speer says her sales were better than the previous year.

"I think its because we have been here a year, and people now know what we have."

In addition, the Crossroads, is the outlet for Sears Catalogue and Speer says the catalogue sales were also up slightly.

"I found business steady throughout December, whereas the year before we were incredibly busy the final week."

Tracy Mabo who manages Biba in Morrisburg, says she was "busy, but not as busy as the previous year."

She says that Christmas Eve falling on Saturday effected her late sales as people weren't working and had the opportunity to leave town to shop.

She adds, however, that December was steady for sales and found that most people started shopping early.

"We did very well."

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Phone: 543-2544
St. Mary's, Morrisburg
Saturdays - 7:30 p.m.
Sundays - 11:00 a.m.
St. Cecilia's, Iroquois
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.
Confessions before weekend masses

South Dundas Evangelical Lutheran Parish
Sunday, January 15, 2006
ST. PAUL'S, Morrisburg
9:15 a.m. – Service Word and Prayer
ST. PETER'S, Williamsburg
11:15 a.m. – Service of Word and Prayer
The Rev. Norine Gullons
Office: 543-3154

Williamsburg United Church
Organists – Susan Barkley, Lynn Gilmour, Joanne Walsh
Minister
Rev. Isabel Black
Sunday, January 15, 2006
10:30 a.m. – You are welcome to worship with us
Sunday School, Nursery Available

The United Church of Canada
LAKESHORE DRIVE UNITED CHURCH
Morrisburg, Ontario
Rev. Jean Udall, Minister
Office Telephone 543-3079
Organist & Choir Director
Lorna Casselman
Sunday, January 15, 2006
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
Nursery
Children's Chatter & Sunday School

Christian Reformed Church
Williamsburg, Ontario
Minister
Rev. John Noordhof
Office: 535-1882 Church: 535-2227
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Church 543-2005 Home 543-0142
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Evangelical Lutheran Churches
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Manley releases rebuilding plan

CORNWALL– "I am excited about the plan, and I am looking forward to working on these initiatives as the MP and rebuilding a vibrant community that gives everyone an opportunity," said Tom Manley Friday as he released his plan to rebuild the local economy.

Manley emphasized that his plan is ambitious, achievable, and real. Manley observed that Guy Lauzon recently presented an economic statement, drawing from Manley's previous public statements.

"He comes out with an attempt at a plan now; but where was he for the last 18 months?"

"Our current MP has spent his term campaigning for votes. As you MP, I will spend my term working for your vote," said Manley. "Mr. Lauzon brags about all the turkey suppers he has been to. He brags about how his constituency office has worked for him. He has done nothing for this riding but campaign to keep his job. It's time we had someone who will work for the riding."

Manley unveiled his plan centered on six initiatives:

- Completion of a Low Level Bridge.
- Construction of Rail Overpass on Boundary Road.
- Micro-generation of Energy.
- Federal Partnership with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission..
- Feasibility Study for a Museum Attraction in Cornwall.
- A government centre for management excellence.

Manley pledged to achieve these goals with strong leadership, clear vision and a dedicated energy for real action.

"I offer you public service skills, business leadership and community experience," he said.

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"Even with good Liberal economic leadership that has benefited our country in so many ways, we face tough challenges here in our backyard. A falling US dollar has hurt Cornwall's exports. A global economy is stealing jobs from Cornwall and SDG to developing countries. Unfair trade and foreign subsidies disadvantage our farmers, manufacturers and their products."

"We have a unique problem that need special leadership."

"Last year, Paul Martin implemented the new Liberal deal for cities to rebuild our community. The full GST rebate in the 2004, Liberal budget has a tremendous positive impact on municipal budgets and the gas tax transfer delivers about $1 million per year to Cornwall and about $600,000 per year to SDG. That transfer will rise from one cent to five cents per litre by 2009/2010."

OPP's Festive RIDE summary

SD&G – In the final week of this year's Festive R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) Campaign, SD&G OPP officers continued to conduct checkpoints in various locations throughout the United Counties.

Officers ensured those bringing in the new year did so without drinking and driving. Motorists taking a chance ended in the following results:

Officers checked 784 vehicles, issuing four 12-hour driver's licence suspensions and laid no Impaired Driving charges. Officers laid six other related Provincial Offences or Criminal Code charges.

The totals for the five week Campaign are as follows:

- Vehicles checked- 6089
- Impaired Driving charges - 7
- 12 hour driver's licence suspensions - 14
- Other related charges (Provincial Offences/Criminal Code)- 37

Last year, in the same campaign, officers had checked 5064 vehicles resulting in 19 Impaired Driving charges and 32 12-hour driver's licence suspensions.

Although the reduction in alcohol related incidents has decreased, the ongoing task of targeting and eliminating drinking drivers will continue.

The end of this year's campaign, in no way, means the end of enforcement. SD&G OPP officers will continue to focus on curtailing drinking and driving via various enforcement initiatives, including R.I.D.E.



New HHR Donated to OPP

Christmas came early for SD&G OPP Community Services Officer, Constable Joel Doiron, and it came in the form of a 2006 Chevrolet HHR. The new Chevy was donated to the OPP, December 23, at Roy's Pontiac Buick Chevrolet showroom, in Green Valley. The new, donated vehicle, will be visible throughout SD&G over the next four years. Pictured above at the unveiling are SD&G OPP Detachment Commander Inspector Ray Westgarth, Alistair MacDonald (Munro & Morris Funeral Homes), Marc Lacombe (Glengarry Windows and Doors), Ron Aubin (Alexandria Home Hardware Building Centre), Sylvie-Anne Labonte (Roy's Pontiac ...), SD&G Constable Joel Doiron, and SD&G Operations Manager Staff Sergeat Dave Springer. Absent from photo is Dave MacDonald (Dave's Reliable Signs).





Wedding Announcement

Stephanie Cassell and Philip Crowell were united in marriage on Saturday, September 24, 2005, at St. Agnes Church, Halifax, Nova Scotia. Stephanie is the daughter of Danny and Louise Cassell of Morrisburg and Philip is the son of Bonnie VanBuskirk and Morris Crowell of Nova Scotia. The happy couple reside in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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Winter, either you love it or you don't

Okay, gang, here we are. It's time to rant and rave about the things we don't like about winter, and think really hard to come up with the things we do. We will of course, start with the things we don't like, because for us, this always produces the longest list.

Things we don't like:

•High heat and high electrical bills.

•Credit card bills catching up to us after all that Christmas shopping.

•Kids on Christmas break who whine about having nothing to do, in spite of those high credit card bills that prove they should have something to do.

•Ice, ice rain, and all other ice in general.

•Cold weather, scraping and cleaning the car in the cold weather, snow, shovelling snow and driving on snow covered roads.

•The dark. Getting up in the dark, going to work in the dark, returning home from work in the dark and the long dark nights.

•Our arthritis kicking into high gear, runny noses, sore throats, people passing on cold and flu bugs.

•Salt rings on our boots, our pants, salt on and in our cars.

•Having to hoist up the pet dog or cat and hauling it outdoors to do its business, because even they want to stay inside out of the cold.

Whoa! We are almost out of space, and haven't gotten to the good things...a nighttime winter wonderland lit up by the moon and stars shining on the snow; snuggling on the couch with a good book; watching the winter birds at the feeders; hockey, skating, skiing, snowmobiling etc.; vacations in warm places; playing board and card games with family and friends; watching a good movie.



1984 Matilda Winter Carnival–Matilda Reeve Lorne Strader, Robert Thompson, Queen Gayle Carroll, Sandra Murphy, Sandra Lee Johnston and Noble Villeneuve.

Seen 'n Heard

Around the Township

We are seeing little and hearing less around the Township as everyone settles down to get through the often long and usually cold month of January. Coming up on the month's calendar is the annual Matilda Carnival set for the weekend of January 20-22 and the second annual South Stormont Pond Hockey tournament set for the weekend of January 27-28.

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Looking for a little outdoor adventure? This Saturday, January 14, the Friends of the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary are hosting a moonlight event. Scheduled is a cross-country ski and snowshoe hike at 7:30 p.m., weather permitting. Cost to participate is $5 and a limited number of ski and snowshoe rentals are available. For information call Connie at 932-3939. On Sunday, January 29, the Friends are hosting a Kids Craft Day at the Interpretive Centre from 1-4 p.m. Kids will enjoy the afternoon creating a Sun Catcher. The cost is a donation for supplies. For more information call Margaret Reynolds at 543-2547.

A warning to everyone to examine your $20 bills as several counterfeit ones were discovered in South Dundas over the holidays. This time around the counterfeit items are the new $20s. We were told to watch for bills that are too green, too shiny and that have a different feel to them. They are also a bit smaller than the good ones. In this week's police report it is mentioned that a counterfeit $100 was also found in South Dundas.

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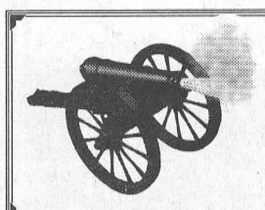
It is truly time to put the 2005 holiday behind us and to do so in a grand way, everyone is invited to head on down to the beach in Morrisburg this Saturday night...no we aren't doing any polar swimming silly...but we are going to light up the night with the annual burning of the Christmas trees that adorned people's homes over the holidays. The Christmas Tree Burning Celebration is an annual event carried out by the Morrisburg Volunteer Fire Department, and everyone is asked to please add their trees to the pile by this Saturday. Refreshments will be served and it all starts at 7 p.m.



The Leader Blast from the Past

Compiled from The Leader's files

1996

The January 10, issue of The Leader reported that Iroquois council had appointed Jane Ewing to council. Ewing was replacing councillor Bruce Mullin who had resigned.

Tracy Lewis achieved her lifelong dream when she was chosen Matilda Winter Carnival Queen. The 17-year-old, Grade 12 Seaway High School student from Brinston was chosen among seven candidates. Angie Thompson was chosen runner-up, Stacey Lewis was selected Miss Congeniality and a special first-time Judges Award went to Joanne Fawcett. The pageant was attended by about 300 local people.

Morrisburg Junior B Lions coach John Morrow, in an effort to present a "meaner" defense, signed former junior player Shawn Hummell (overage) and Ingleside's Steve Iwachniuk.

1986

The January 8 issue reported Williamsburg Township council had agreed in principle to sell Prehistoric World owner Paul Dupuis a 50-acre parcel of land north of his property so he could build a volcano on it.

Earl Jeacle, vice-principal of Rothwell-Osnabruck K-13 School, was appointed acting principal at Morrisburg Public School.

Westway Molasses was scrambling to get its orders out after a showdown with workers resulted in the dismissal of 12 experienced laborers.

Born, January 3 at 4:13 p.m. weighing eight pounds, five ounces, Gabrielle Fawcett was this year's New Year's baby.

More than 100 members and guests of the Excelsior Lodge 142 gathered at the Legion to celebrate the group's 125th anniversary in Morrisburg. It was on January 4, 1861, that members from Morrisburg and Waddington, New York, signed the lodge's charter co-dating the creation of Morrisburg.

Led by a 24-point performance from Martin Noakes, Seaway defeated La Citadelle in senior basketball play.

1976

The January 16 issue reported that approval had been granted to John A.D. Alguire of Ingleside to establish a 60-bed nursing home in Dundas County.

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions took a nine-point lead over the second place Cardinal Broncos after swamping the Winchester Hawks 11-2. Chuck Lawlor led the Lions' effort with four goals and singles were scored by Paul Doney, Doug and Bob McNairn, Ernie Duval, Kevin Duvall, Hugh Gillard and Kevin Wells.

The Morrisburg Lions Club Winter Carnival was to run from January 18-24 and would feature hockey and broomball games, skating parties, a Klondike Night dance and various suppers.

Winners of the Morrisburg Red Barons Broomball Tournament were the Beavers Jets. The champs were Freddy "Tailbone" Veeley, Bill "Worm" Veeley, Phillip Dillabough, Kevin "Smiler" Duvall, the "Crusher" Victor Foster, Doug McNairn, Mouse "the rat" Duvall, Sam "Binky" Laurin, John "Rugsy" Vaughan, Russ "Too Tall" Cameron and Bob McNairn.

St. Peter's congregation in Williamsburg was celebrating its 150th year. At the time of the organization of the congregation, Reverend Hayunga led weekly services at the homes of Captain Henry Merkley and Barnard Whittaker, both residents of Williamsburg. After the first year, services shifted to the Union Church, a building shared by the Presbyterian and Lutheran Churches. Reverend J. Fishburn led the congregation in 1864, and overtook the planning of a new church. On October 4, 1864, the congregation met and resolved to build a new church. On March 2, 1865 the cornerstone was laid. The main structure of the church was carved from the blue stone quarry on the John Whittaker farm on Williamsburg's sixth concession. The grey stone came from the Matthew farm and base stones were secured and drawn by horses from Finch. Using the proper imagination in the building of churches it was decided that a tower would be erected on top of the church under which a bell would be hung. The bell was purchased in Sheffield England, December 18, 1865 for $125.24. It was now being refurbished.

1966

The January 14 issue reported that the Morrisburg and area housewife, like her sister in other municipalities in Ontario, would be paying more for milk and dairy products beginning next week. The hike in price would result in a quart of homogenized milk now costing 27 cents. Milk from suppliers to dairies in this area would now be paid $5 a cwt.

Morrisburg council was busy during its opening session. Thomas Duvall was appointed chief of police and Roy Merkley constable on a part time basis. Clair Van Allen, superintendent of works, was reengaged along with other men in the works force who would receive $1.35 per hour.

The undefeated Williamsburg Intermediates downed Cornwall, 5-3 in their third game of the season. Scoring for Williamsburg were Bill Dillabough, Russ Casselman, Earl Brown, Bill Jarvis and John Bailey. Jarvis' goal, assisted by Mitch "Tonto" Cassell, was the winner.

Allison Import Shoppe in Morrisburg was having its fifth anniversary sale.

1956

The January 13 issue reported that officials of the district of Rideau Branch of the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests had issued a warning to farmers and hunters to take precautions against infection of dogs and other domestic animals from rabid foxes. Rabies had come more and more to the attention of officials in recent years.

Elva Baker was installed as president of the ladies auxiliary of Morrisburg Branch 48 of the Royal Canadian Legion.

The Morrisburg High School Cadet Corps received 85.6 percent average efficiency, placed second in groups of the same number and fifth out of 52 cadet corps in the Eastern Ontario region.

Cow Patti Theatre

Mixing women and fishing!!

CORNWALL – The Cow Patti Theatre Company is getting ready to offer its audiences, Norm Foster's very successful comedy play "The Melville Boys" from February 2 to 19.

"Every time I pick up this script and read it, I am truly amazed that a script written 21 years ago can ring so true to our community," says artistic director AnnaMarie Lea. "This play is funny, really funny but at the same time it confronts issues people down the street from all of us are dealing with; job security, family members with cancer and of course, women and fishing!"

The story is about two brothers who go fishing for the weekend. Their plans are thrown out of whack by the arrival of two sisters.

Lea, who hasn't directed a Cow Patti show for six years, says she is looking forward to working with four of Canada's very talented actors. Well known to local theatre followers, they include Sheldon Davis, Garfield Andrews, Susan Greenfield and Amanda Parsons.

In 2005, the Cow Patti Theatre Company and the Ramada Inn raised over $11,000 for the community and in the last four years has raised over $28,000 for various deserving causes including Big Brother and Big Sisters, Pennies for Puppies and the Cornwall Community Hospital.

The upcoming production will feature nights to benefit the Heart and Stroke Foundation, Glengarry Memorial Hospital and Lifeteen Edge.

"Our community has been dealt some really rough hands in the last few months, and for the record Cow Patti loves doing business and will continue to create opportunities in our community," says Lea. "We believe in our neighborhood and its future and while transitions are happening and people are adjusting, you can be assured Cow Patti will be here to give you a night away from it all."

The Melville Boys opens February 2 and runs until February 19 with both brunch and dinner theatres.

New for this production is "Cheap Seat Wednesdays" where you can enjoy the comedy play (without dinner) for just $20.

Also new for this production is that instead of a sit down meal, the kitchen team at the Ramada is preparing a delicious dinner buffet with oodles of mouth watering choices.

The Cow Patti's very special Valentine Dinner will be on Tuesday, February 14 and will feature the third annual "Reality Stage Kissing Competition" where some romantically inclined audience members will walk away with "Udd-erly Amazing Prizes" and that's no bull!

Letters to the Editor

Abortion stand questioned

To the Editor,

On January 4, 2006, an all candidates meeting was held at the Bonville Lions Club. Someone asked a question about the Conservative party's stand on abortion to the incumbent, Mr. Lauzon, and to the Christian Heritage candidate, Mr. Chisholm.

They each gave very different answers, and I would like to know which answer is the correct one.

Mr. Lauzon said that the issue of abortion never came up at the Conservative Policy Convention held in Montreal in March, 2005. Mr. Chisolm stated that it was discussed and, in fact, a resolution was passed, stating that "a Conservative government will not support any legislation to regulate abortion."

I believe this is an important issue that should be clarified. Which of these responses is the truth?

Sincerely,
Gladys McDonald,
Cornwall

Letter

Canadian considering political alternative

To the editor,

In 2006, Canadians must seriously consider political alternatives. And, Christians must shake off their apathy. One survey says that 52 percent of Christians failed to vote in 2004, and fulfill their duty to God and country.

This is a turbulent time in federal politics, the sort of time during which radical changes are possible.

Both the big parties recent statements sound as though they expect majorities. But, both are whistling past the graveyard. The Liberal will be punished for betraying the public's trust, and the Conservatives can at best hope for only a minority: for two decades they have nurtured hostility towards Quebec, and that legacy now prevents the needed breakthrough in la belle province.

In this circumstance, voters ought to consider seriously the possible impact on the two big parties if we vote for a party that is based on principles, rather than pragmatism.

It is still pointless to consider the NDP, which is still ideologically committed to the failed socialist policies of the past; I urge everyone to consider the CHP, Canada's only pro-life, pro-family, federal party, and the only party that has a plan for curtailing the political activism of the Supreme Court.

Every vote for the Christian Heritage Party (CHP) will compel the bigger parties to consider seriously the crucial moral issues that will shape the nation we pass on to our children. Continuing the moral relativism of the past half-century would doom them to further social, moral and economic catastrophes.

We must convince politicians that the grassroots of Canada demand change ... and Christians must tell the big old parties that we will no longer be taken for granted.

Maureen Froats,
RR#1 Chesterville

Praise for St. Joe's from PM

CORNWALL – Last week, while giving a speech in Winnipeg, Prime Minister Paul Martin recalled his visit to Cornwall and praised students of St. Joseph's Catholic Secondary School for their mature and substantive questions.

The Prime Minister talked about his pride in Canada as represented by the students of Cornwall.

"I found myself thinking; these kids are incredible. They really get it. Even at such a difficult time (closure of Domtar), they really understand what a great country we live in, how fortunate we are, and how our good fortune brings with it a responsibility both to those within our borders and to others in the world. These students are proud when Canada stands on the world stage and leads. They are proud that there is no other country quite like ours."

"It is great that the PM cares and sees inspiration in the resiliency and spirit of Cornwall youth," said Tom Manley. "I share his hope and optimism for the future of Cornwall and SDG."



Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree

Arie VanDodewaard, (above left), of Iroquois was the winner of the Rocking Chair and Holiday Dog Christmas raffle run by the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Auxiliary through the Hospital Gift Shop. Money from the gift shop goes to the main auxiliary where it is used to purchase equipment for hospital use. Auxiliary president, Elinor Jordan, above right, says the raffle was very successful and the auxiliary is most appreciative of all those who supported the fundraiser.

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Obituaries

Donald Eugene Gill

Donald Eugene Gill passed away peacefully at North Bay General Hospital on Monday, December 26, 2005. He was 85 years old.

Son of the late Frederick Gill, and the late Normia McAuley Sterling, Donald was born September 25, 1920, in Brockville. He married Lottie May Bragg on October 7, 1944, at Botwood, Newfoundland.

Don joined the army at the age of 17, and continued to serve in the Canadian Armed Forces for 33 years. He served as a Chief Warrant Officer. It was while he was stationed at Phillip's Head, NFLD, that he met and married Lottie.

Their first son, David, was born in Grand Falls, NFLD; their second, Donald, arrived while the family was stationed at Halifax, NS. Daughter Barbara was born while Don was serving at Shiloh, MB.

While his family was growing up, Don took them camping and fishing every weekend, especially during summer vacations.

Family get-togethers continued as Don and Lottie's children married and had families of their own. He and Lottie settled in Morrisburg 20 years ago. When Don retired, he traveled overseas with his wife, and enjoyed cruises.

Don loved boating. For over 25 years, he and his wife would spend their winters in Fort Myers Beach, Florida.

His family was always first and foremost in Don's thoughts. He looked after every detail for Lottie. Whatever task he undertook, Don did it well and with precision.

Don was predeceased by his son David, and a brother, Eric.

Donald is survived by his beloved wife, Lottie, and his sister-in-law, Isabel Gill of Peterborough.

He will be lovingly remembered by his children, Donald of Cornwall and Barbara of North Bay. He was the dear grandfather of seven grandchildren: Tony Cote of Calgary, AB, Jason (Lyn) Cote of North Bay, Matthew (Leena) Cote of Calgary, AB, Michael (Phyllis) Gill of Embrun, Brian Gill of Toronto, Tessa-Ann Gill (A.J. Thompson) and Clifford of Kanata.

He also leaves nine great-grandchildren: River and Hunter Cote of North Bay, Julia and Paige Cote of Calgary, AB, Quinton and Jessica Gill of Embrun, Skylar and Kain Thompson and Derrick of Kanata.

A Memorial Service was held at the Parker Funeral Home, Morrisburg, on January 6, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. Reverend Darren May officiated.

Interment will take place in the Cardinal Anglican Cemetery in the spring.

Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Heart & Stroke Foundation will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Condolences and donations may be made at parkerfh@personainternet.com

Mary Alguire

Mary Alguire passed away peacefully Sunday, January 1, 2006, at Dundas Manor Nursing Home. She was 94 years old.

Born on January 7, 1911, Mary was the daughter of the late Charles Whitteker and the late Emma (nee Barkley) Whitteker.

A life long resident of this region, Mary was married to the late Grant Alguire. She moved to the Dundas Manor Nursing Home three weeks ago.

Mary was predeceased by one brother, Bernard Whitteker.

Mary enjoyed music very much. She also played cards, and was an enthusiastic quilter.

She will be fondly remembered by her sister-in-law, Edna Whitteker of Morrisburg. She is also survived by nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews.

The funeral service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Thursday, January 5 at 11 a.m. Reverend Isabel Black officiated. Spring interment will be at the Spruce Haven Cemetery, Brinston.

Donations to Winchester Hospital, or the Williamsburg United Church would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Thomas Alan Argue

Thomas Alan Argue, a resident of Morrisburg for the past 30 years, passed away at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, December 27, 2005, with his loving wife Edith by his side. He was 81.

Tom was born and raised in Montreal, the son of Dr. Alan Argue and Julie Moore. Upon completing high school during World War II, Tom enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force where he was trained in the maintenance of aircraft radio equipment. He subsequently spent time in England as ground crew, applying his skills on equipment in Halifax heavy bombers.

Following the war, Tom returned to Montreal and further developed the interests and knowledge he gained during his RCAF service.

He studied electrical engineering at McGill University, where he received his degree prior to obtaining his professional engineer designation. He then spent his working career with National Sound Services, where he ultimately became a co-owner with two partners. The company designed, manufactured, and installed public address systems.

Tom married Sheila Ball on June 21 1952. She predeceased him in 1977. Tom and his family moved from Montreal to Morrisburg in 1975, when National Sound relocated.

In 1978 Tom met Edith Connolly, a widow from Ottawa. They soon became inseparable, later married, and spent the rest of Tom's life together.

Tom was a voracious reader, enjoyed tinkering, and reveled in any kind of challenge. More than anything outside of family, though, he loved the time he spent cottaging at Blueberry Island on 31 Mile Lake in Quebec. For more than 40 years he and his families took the opportunity to spend as much time there as could be arranged.

Retirement in the mid-1980s meant that there were no work commitments to keep him away, and Tom was soon spending half the year in Morrisburg and half the year at Blueberry.

Tom will be deeply missed by his wife, Edith Connolly; by



his sons Alan (Bobbie) Argue of Batavia, New York; Mark (Jayne) Connolly of Waterloo, Ontario; and Luke (Sally) Connolly of Ottawa, Ontario; by his grandchildren Alison Argue, Liam, Evan, and Riley Connolly, and Justin and Chelsea Connolly; and by his step-grandchildren John, Betsy, and Amanda Cook.

A memorial service was held at Marsden & McLaughlin Funeral Home, Williamsburg, Ontario, on December 29, 2005. Reverend Greg Blatch presided.

Donations to Winchester District Memorial Hospital, or to the Ottawa Hospital Regional Cancer Centre would be gratefully acknowledged.

Alzheimer Society looks back

CORNWALL – The Alzheimer Society is honouring important discoveries from the past and looks to the future, as this year, the annual awareness campaign offers a retrospective of the last 100 years.

One hundred years ago, Dr. Alois Alzheimer made a discovery that forms the building blocks of our current knowledge of Alzheimer Disease. He identified the "plaques" and "tangles" in a woman's brain as the hallmark traits of Alzheimer Disease and transformed what was once considered "senility," and a normal part of aging, into the disease now named after him.

In recognition of Dr. Alzheimer's important discovery in 1906, the Alzheimer Society is launching the second year of its Progress and Hope Campaign to educate Canadians about a disease that directly affects an estimated 290,000 Canadians over 65 and touches the lives of over 7.5 million of us. Around the world, 24.3 million people currently have Alzheimer Disease or a related dementia, with 4.6 million new cases annually, according to new statistics produced for Alzheimer Disease International and published in the Lancet. By 2040, the number will rise to 81.1 million.

"Science typically moves slowly, but when I look back -- especially on the past 15 years of Alzheimer Disease research -- what I see is a huge acceleration in research and discoveries that will one day result in a way of stopping Alzheimer Disease in its tracks," comments Dr. Jack Diamond, scientific director of the Alzheimer Society of Canada.

"I'm confident that some major breakthroughs are on the horizon and that one day Alzheimer Disease will be preventable, curable and reversible."

Canada's Role in Advancing Knowledge of Alzheimer

Canadian researchers have played a significant part in advancing our knowledge of Alzheimer Disease and continue to do so. Important achievements from the past 15 years include:

* In 1992, the first real genetic link to the disease is discovered: a mutated gene found in the majority of familial Alzheimer cases that influences a person's risk of getting the disease. Although this form of the disease is rare -- roughly seven per cent of the Alzheimer population -- this is a crucial discovery.
* In 1993, a major risk factor for the disease is identified with the discovery of the role of the apoE gene in the brain.
* The discovery of genetic links to Alzheimer Disease leads to the creation of mice models of the disease, allowing research testing that had not been possible previously.

Researchers are more hopeful today than ever before. Each new discovery has added to their arsenal of knowledge creating tremendous opportunities for new discoveries within the next decade. Here are some of the most promising:

* A blood test or cerebral spinal fluid test for Alzheimer Disease
* New drugs to stop the disease from taking hold and even repair the damage that has occurred
* New drug delivery techniques that target specific areas of the brain
* New imaging techniques that show how selected treatments are working
* A vaccine for Alzheimer Disease

Fred West of Halifax, Nova Scotia, is optimistic in his view of living with Alzheimer Disease: "I am one of the beneficiaries of the research being done to fight Alzheimer Disease. I've had more than 2,000 days since I was diagnosed and I've enjoyed every one. I have hope that we'll all be free of this disease someday soon. Research can make it happen. Research gives me hope."

"While great progress in knowledge, treatment, diagnosis and care of Alzheimer Disease over the last 15 years should offer great hope to caregivers and people with Alzheimer Disease, I'd be concerned if Canadians got complacent," says Stephen Rudin, executive director of the Alzheimer Society of Canada.

"The first wave of Canada's 10 million baby boomers turns 60 next year and we can expect the last of them to reach that age by 2031. Age is the biggest risk factor for Alzheimer Disease and I'm concerned that the impact from this group is a health-care time bomb waiting to happen."

Rudin adds, "Boomers have had an influence on everything they've touched; we need their support now to stop this disease."

The Alzheimer Society Research Program provides grants to Canadian researchers and training support to young researchers to conduct biomedical research into the cause and cure of Alzheimer Disease and funds social and psychosocial research to find improved methods of diagnosis, caregiving and service delivery. Funding for the program comes from provincial and local Alzheimer Societies across Canada, individuals, corporations and foundations.

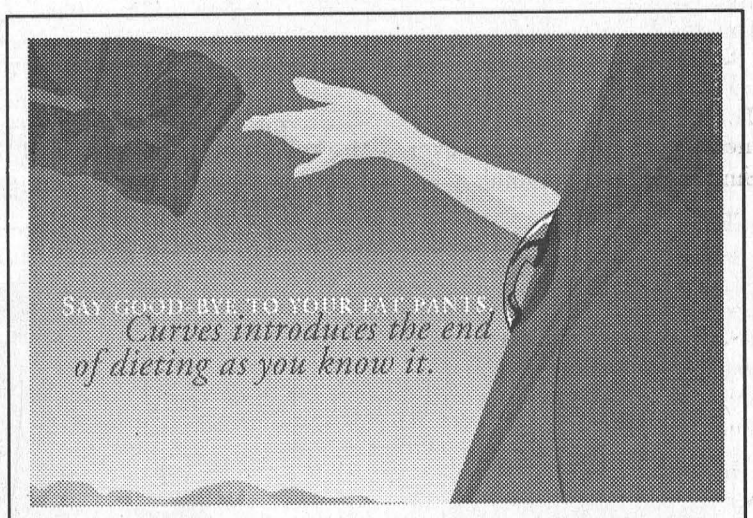
The 2006 Awareness Campaign was made possible through the generosity of our partner sponsor Pfizer Canada Inc., program sponsors Manulife Financial Inc. and Shoppers Drug Mart Inc., with support from Bank of Montreal Financial Group.

About the Alzheimer Society of Canada

Founded 28 years ago, the Alzheimer Society of Canada is a not-for-profit health organization dedicated to helping people affected by Alzheimer Disease.

The Society provides support and educational programs for people with Alzheimer Disease, their families and caregivers, and promotes public education.

The Society also funds research into finding the cause and cure for the disease and into improved methods of caregiving.



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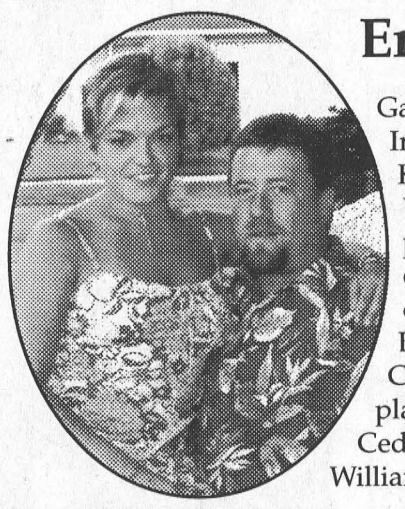
For the past 17 years, residents of South Dundas have proven that the true spirit of Christmas is alive and well in our community. This year was no exception! Through the efforts of many Businesses, Clubs and Organizations, Churches, Church groups and Schools, as well as countless individuals, 192 needy families were provided with the makings of a good Christmas Dinner, and almost 200 children found that Santa had paid them a welcome visit, helping to make Christmas 2005 a more memorable occasion for them.

Special thanks goes out to the Morrisburg Legion for the use of James Fraser Hall, to Jack Notman and the Morrisburg and District Lions Club and Sandra Johnston of Iroquois, for co-ordinating the Angel Tree Programs, to Craig Packaging for providing the custom boxes, to the Municipal employees who ran the special garbage collection, and to all the volunteers who generously gave of their time to help with the sorting and packing, as well as the planning and organization.

To everyone who supported this project with generous donations of food, toys, time, money, expertise, prayers and good will, our sincere thanks. Without you, none of this would be possible. We hope that we can again count on your support to continue this project in 2006!

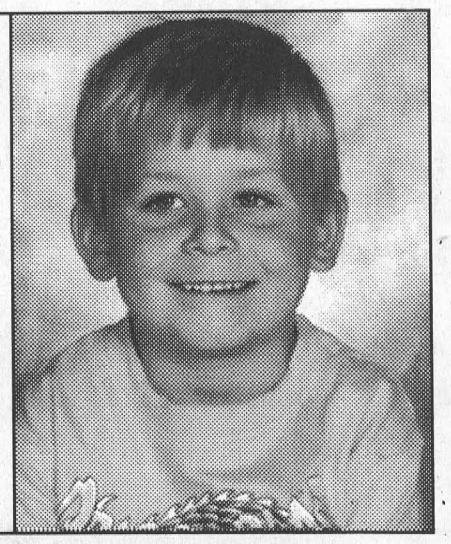


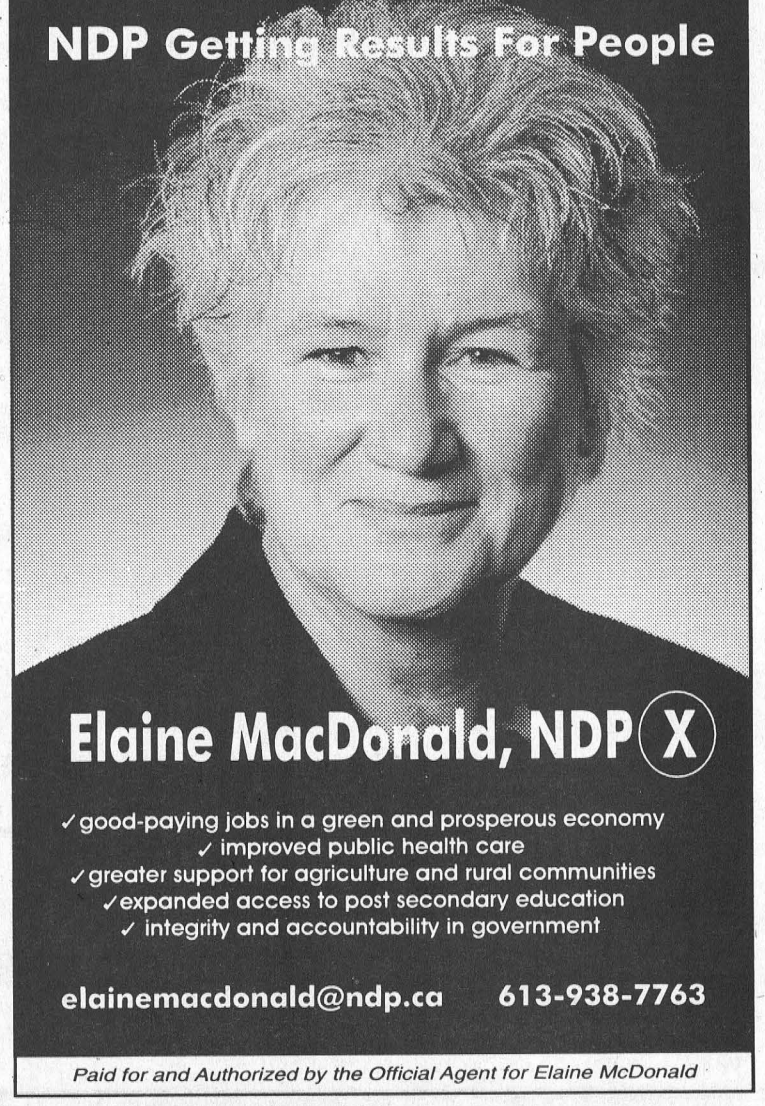
Engagement

Garry and Ann Banford of Iroquois and Dennis and Kathryn Casselman of Williamsburg are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Allison Banford to David Casselman. A wedding is planned for July 8, 2006, at Cedar Glen Golf Course, Williamsburg.

Happy Birthday Brody!

– Love Daddy, Grandpa & Grandma Smail, Uncle Jimmie, Aunt Lori, Jayme, Gina, Matthew, Uncle Tommy, Aunt Angie, Jordan & Cody





Leader Sports



Atom C Lions #1s Win Tournament B Championship

The South Dundas Atom C Lions #1s doubled Smiths Falls 4-2 to win the B championship of the Junior Braves Tournament played in Brockville on December 29. Pictured above the champs are, front l-r, Cameron Michels, Bridgette Whitteker, Sydney Hass, Bailie Hass, Chase DeDekker and Zach McMillan. Centre, l-r, are Kyle Markell-Hubert, Chelsea Tippins, Nick Lalonde, Sawyer Gillard, Graydon Baylis, Billie-Jo Lewis, Joel Johnston, Casey Thom and Megan Van Allen. Back, l-r are coach Rob Casselman, assistant coach Rick Johnston, manager Greg DeDekker, trainer Mike Van Allen and assistant coach Barry Casselman.

Jr. Braves Tournament

Atom C Lions win B Championship

BROCKVILLE – The South Dundas Atom C #1 Lions travelled to Brockville on December 29, and came home with the B Title of the Jr. Braves Tournament with a 4-2 win over Smiths Falls in the final.

The Lions started a little slow against South Grenville #2 and trailed 1-0 after one period. Both teams played a strong second period but only the Lions' Kyle Markell-Hubert found the net assisted by Graydon Baylis and Casey Thom.

In a back and forth third period, the Rangers capitalized late in the game beating Lions goaltender Bailie Hass for the 2-1 win.

The Lions then met South Grenville #1, and came away with a decisive 4-0 victory. Kyle Markell-Hubert, from Joel Johnston, started the scoring. Zach McMillan then took over scoring three straight. The first was assisted by Chase De Dekker, and the second by Casey Thom. McMillan scored his third goal unassisted on a breakaway after picking off an errant Rangers' pass in the Lions' zone.

Bailie Hass picked up the shut-out with a very strong performance.

In the B final, the Lions faced off against Smiths Falls. In a tight checking game, Smiths Falls struck first.

The Lions' Chelsea Tippins scored the equalizer late in the first. In the second, Smiths Falls again struck first, but Sawyer Gillard, from Kyle Markell-Hubert and Graydon Baylis, tied it 2-2.

The Lions then pulled away in the third on goals by Graydon Baylis, from Nick Lalonde, and Kyle Markell-Hubert assisted by Chase De Dekker and Nick Lalonde to win the B Championship game 4-2.

Player of the game awards went to Kyle Markell-Hubert in game one, Zach McMillan in game two and Nick Lalonde in game three.

This is the second strong showing in a tournament by the Atom C # 1 Lions. In the Dec. 10 Mega-Tournament in North Dundas, the team lost a heart-breaker 4-3 in double overtime in the A final.

Novice B Lions

Smail turns away tying effort late

WINCHESTER – On the road in North Dundas, the Novice B Lions took home a 4-3 win over the Demons last Monday night.

Within the first minute of the game, the Lions netted their first goal, an unassisted effort by AJ Jarvis. Evan Mullin made it 2-0 for the Lions before the period ended.

Shane Woolsey scored his first goal of the game, in the second period. The goal was assisted by Aaron Smith and Jarvis.

Near the end of the second period, the Demons scored two quick goals against the Lions, to put the score at 3-2, heading into the final period.

In the final period, Woolsey scored his second goal of the game, to give the Lions a two goal lead, but the Demons battled back and scored with only 2:16 remaining.

The Demons continued to press late in the game, but Cody Smail topped off his strong game in net for the Lions with his biggest save of the game. With only five seconds left, Smail denied the Demons the tying goal.

In addition to the great effort by the netminder, Spencer Heldens and Drew Minish showed great hustle throughout the game.

Snowmobile collection

MORRISBURG – The draw for the his and her Yamaha RS Vector Snowmobiles was held here just before Christmas, and the lucky winner was an 82-year-old woman from Cumberland.

About 9,700 tickets were sold through District 1 snowmobile clubs, to raise money for the maintenance and grooming of snowmobile trails.

The winner of the pair of snowmobiles, Rollie Mantha, purchased her ticket from the Carleton-Regional Snowmobile Club, and was flabbergasted to find out that she was the lucky winner. She bought only one ticket from her nephew, Marcel Mantha, who is the president of the club.

Although her nephew has always been eager to get her out on the trails to discover the scenery, serenity and camaraderie which are all a part of the sport, she has never gone.

Now, with her new snowmobiles, she is looking forward to the next snowfall.

She has decided to share her winnings with her family.

Seniors euchre at Williamsburg

WILLIAMSBURG– Winners at the Williamsburg Seniors euchre on Wednesday, January 4:

White Cards were Ruth Casselman, Mary Osborne, Peggy Thompson.

Yellow Cards were Lorraine Tupper, Dwain Hess, Muriel Miller.

Door Prize winners: Ruth Casselman, Muriel Miller.

Draw: Gladys Kyle (2), Jean Hutt, Roy Casselman.

The next euchre will be held Wednesday, January 18, and everyone is welcome.

The Week In Curling

Three Morrisburg Curling Club senior mixed teams traveled to the new five-sheet club in Kemptville last week. The three rinks included: Doug Brannan, Cheryl Thompson, Tony Toonders and Leon Quennville; Dave Salsman, Betty Locke, Sandra Beckstead, and Jim Locke; Wally McDonald, Alice Thompson, Susan McIntosh and Walter Reid. Wally McDonald's team won their game, and our curlers, with two Russell foursomes, later joined their hosts for a tasty meal in the well-appointed dining room.

On the same day, our two club champion senior men's teams played for the Parnell Cup in Cornwall. The four winners from the first game played the four losing teams after lunch, and won again. The competition was keen, and Pete Zeran, Karl Duncan, Earl Jeacle and Dave Salsman missed the trophy by two points.

Our other quartet, John Lyon, Gerry and Steve Thompson, and Keith Brannen dropped matches to last time's champion Prescott team and a strong Cornwall foursome. The other Prescott group won the championship by a single point. Better luck next time, in Prescott, fellows!

Saturday the Morrisburg Curling club hosted the annual Heart and Stroke Bonspiel. Bob Ruddock, the organizer, reported that about $1,800 was raised for the charity, and he thanked the volunteers and the many individuals and businesses that sponsored the event with prizes and donations. Bob looks forward to renting the club at the same time next year for another bonspiel. A fine effort, Bob, and we thank you!

MORRISBURG CURLING CLUB
LESSONS & LEAGUES FOR ALL AGES
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Finishing first overall were Neil Williams, Martin Schneckenburger, Al Gowanlock and Ted Herriman. The 'All Heart' team: Karl Duncan, Pete Zeran, Earl Jeacle and Al Porter, finished a close second, with 'The Heart Stoppers': Alice Thompson, Susan McIntosh, Dave Salsman and Maureen Robertson finishing third.

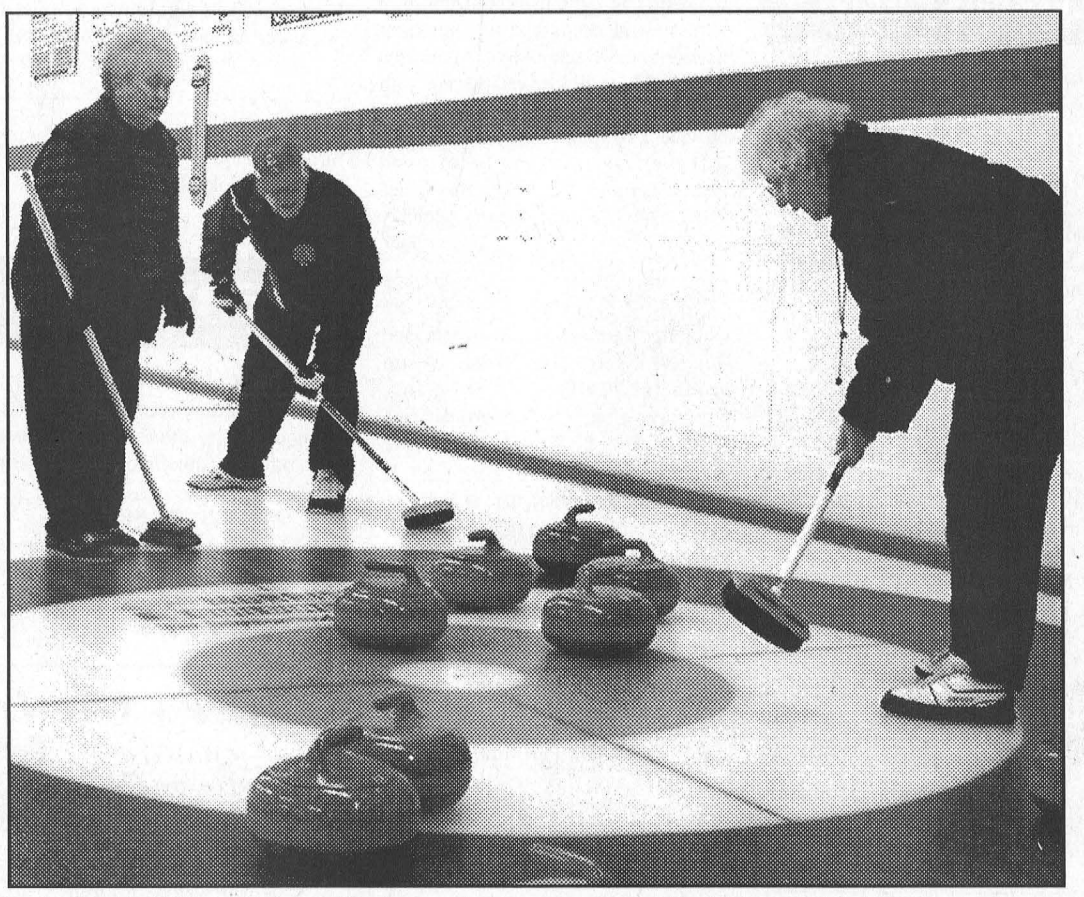
'The Avengers', made up of Wally McDonald, Jack Barkley and Kathy and John Marston finished fourth. Gord's Bombers' were next: Larry and Diane Gallinger, Randy Veinotte and Gord Hawn. The 'Loonie Toons': Ron, John, John C. and Tony Toonders were next, followed closely by the 'Klondike Mushers': Dave McIntosh, Ron Brown, Gretta McGann and Dorothy Culkin.

'The Transplants': Don O'Brien, Kathy Johnston, Margaret Reynolds and Art Carkner were next. Tied for the final position: The Heart Fits': Betty Locke, Walter Reid, Sandra Beckstead and Jim Locke, and the 'Hot Shots': Bobby Robichaud, Travis McMillan, Jack Dikland and Connor Woodmass.

Special commendations to Art Carkner, who survived being out all night before the charity event, and to Jack Dikland's team of Little Rockers, who adjusted quickly to the double-weight rocks the adults use. They are undefeated so far in bonspiels at their level.

Wally McDonald, who, along with Martin Schneckenburger, approaches businesses for advertising signs for the rink, reports that two new signs are being raised. They are provided by the Upper Canada Pharmacy and Dr. Morrow's Morrisburg Chiropractic. M & M Meat Shops has recently added their sign, and the Morrisburg Building Centre's was added last fall.

We encourage members and others to frequent these establishments, and the many others whose signs already adorn our club, for needed goods and services. Without these fine corporate citizens, the club would be hard-pressed to stay in business. Good curling to all!



Curlers Sweep for Heart and Stroke

The annual Heart and Stroke Bonspiel was played at the Morrisburg Curling Club, Saturday. Above, l-r, Margaret Reynolds, Art Carkner and Kathy Johnston await the results of a shot, and below Larry Gallinger gets the most out of a shot while his team mates, Gord Hawn, left, and Randy Veinotte admire his hard work.



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COMMUNITY DIABETES INFORMATION SESSION
"Successful Lifestyle Changes - What Can You Learn From Them?" Wed., Jan. 18, 7–8:30 p.m. Conference Room, lower level, WDMH. Speaker: Deirdre Cooke, R.D., C.D.E. All welcome. 2c

BABYSITTER'S COURSE
Jan. 21–22, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., McIntosh Inn, Morrisburg. Cost $40, sponsored by Girl Guides of Canada. Call Louise, 989-2086 to register. 2-3c

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE C.P.R. COURSE
Sat., Jan. 28, Williamsburg I.O.O.F. Hall, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. $30. Call Donna, 652-2164 to register. 2-3p

MORRISBURG BR. 48 LEGION
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COMING EVENTS

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If you want to drink that's your business. If you want to stop, that's ours. Call AA, 543-3484. Meeting every Thursday, 8 p.m., Lakeshore United Church. 40tfc

SEAWAY VALLEY PHARMACY FREE SCREENING CLINICS
For blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol, Fri., Jan. 20, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. By nurse. Free coffee, dietetic snacks, information brochures. Walk ins welcome. 2-3c

CARD OF THANKS

BRUNET–The family of the late Frances (Fran) Brunet, wishes to sincerely thank everyone for cards, flowers, food and charitable donations. Special thanks to Woodland Villa, Long Sault, and Parker Funeral Home (Bonnie and Dan) and Rev. Bob Matheson. To the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 48 Ladies Auxiliary for the lovely lunch following the service, and to Robert and Margaret Lortie for their love and support of Fran over the years.
–Marie, Betty, Donna and Gary 2p

NOTICE

80TH BIRTHDAY
Happy 80th birthday Lorne Strader.
–From you family 2c

AUDITIONS
WHO'S IN BED WITH THE BUTLER?
An American farce written by Michael Parker Fri., Jan. 20., 7 p.m, and Sat., Jan. 21, 3 p.m. Needed: 3 men (any age) and 5 women (any age); production crew also needed. For information call Glenna 448-1873 or e-mail at gwalkden@sympatico.ca Dundas County Players meet at our rehearsal space, located on the second floor of the Old Town Hall, at the corner of Main and Center Streets, Winchester. 2-3c

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HELP WANTED–Looking for people in the Iroquois, Morrisburg areas interested in driving school children with special needs and or upgrading license to drive school bus. Applicants must hold a valid driver license with five years driving experience, must provide a Criminal Record along with a Driver Abstract and be of good health. Contact Whitteker Bus Lines at 652-2467, 8 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday to Friday. 1-2c

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All Residents are asked to deliver their Christmas Trees to the Morrisburg Waterfront Park (near the beach).
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Everyone welcome!

IN MEMORIAM

MacDONALD–In fond and loving memory of a wonderful husband and father, Carl (Bud), who passed away January 2, 2005.
Last night I saw the light on,
In the kitchen where you sat,
To the door I went to knock upon,
T'was then we knew you would never be back.
Last January on a cold and dreary Sunday,
Gazing toward the sky above,
Your last goodbye to earth you did say,
We gazed upon your face, so full of joy and peace.
Your memory still shines in our souls so bright,
But the emptiness you left us with, will never fade.
–Lovingly remembered by wife Eva and family 2p

McCONNELL–In loving memory of a dear grandfather and great-grandfather, Hume, January 13, 2005.
One year has quickly passed,
Though still we can't forget
For in our hearts that loved him
His memory lingers yet.
–Always in our hearts Patty, Tom, Heather and families 2p

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Char-Lan wins tournament

MORRISBURG – There was plenty of excitement in the final game of the South Dundas 1st annual Novice C Lions Club Tournament here last Tuesday.

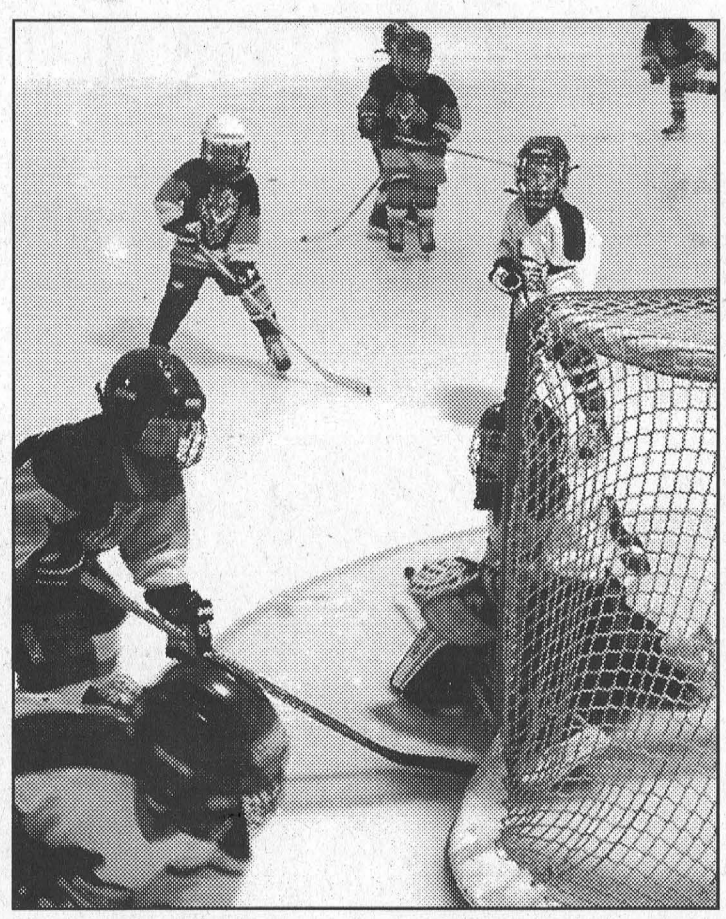
The excitement came from the Char-Lan team who, after trailing Kemptville #2, 2-0 in the first period, worked their way to a 5-3 win for the tournament championship.

The tournament attracted teams from Chesterville, Kemptville, Long Sault, two from Kemptville, Char-Lan and the hosting Morrisburg Lions.

The Lions opened with a 2-0 loss to Chesterville. In game two they lost 5-1 to Kemptville #1, and they ended their day with an 8-1 loss to Char-Lan.

The South Dundas player of the game awards were presented to Riley Black in game one. Chris Alexander was named the Lions player of the game in game two and Cameron Chayer won the honour in game number three.

Char-Lan went to the final with a preliminary round 4-4 tie against the Kemptville #2 team. They defeated the Lions 8-1 and Long Sault 4-3.



Char-Lan Goalie Stops Attack

Action in front of the Char-Lan net during the final of the Novice C tournament in Morrisburg last Tuesday. Although Kemptville led throughout much of the game, Char-Lan came from behind a 3-2 count to win the championship 5-3.

Busy 3 Game Weekend

Lions trounce Wolves

MORRISBURG – Brad Gager scored three times, and the Morrisburg Junior B Lions claimed a 7-1 victory over the visiting Akwesasne Wolves here Friday night.

The Wolves opened the Friday night game with a goal from Cory Hamblett at 10:18 of the first period. It wasn't until 18:15 of the frame that the Lions were able to get it back from Pat McLeod with Gager and Travis Baldwin providing the assists.

The Lions dominated play in the second and third periods, scoring three goals in each for the 7-1 win.

Gager got it rolling early in the second with help from James Kirkwood and Tyler Lafortune, and at 3:28 Dylan Graveley counted, with help from Cory Gove, for a 3-1 Lions' lead.

Gager counted his second goal, unassisted, at 9:53 and the Lions held the 4-1 advantage until midway into the third period when Gager scored his third while the Lions were short-handed.

Kent Nugent scored the Lions sixth goal with Devin Brunet and Kirkwood picking up assists, and Brunet finished it off with just over two minutes left in the game. His goal was assisted by Jamie Gadway and Pat McLeod.

Andrew Pearson was in net for the Lions, and Brandon Mahler handled the loss for the Wolves. The Lions were assessed seven minor penalties, two misconducts, two fighting majors and two game misconducts. The Wolves drew 10 minor penalties, two fighting majors and two game misconducts.

On Wednesday, December 28 the Lions travelled to Brockville where they had a dismal showing against the Brockville Tikis, who led 3-1 after the first period, 7-2 after two and put away a 13-2 win. Cory Gove scored both of the Lions' goals.

On Friday, December 23 the Lions hosted the Gananoque Islanders and claimed a 9-8 win in the high scoring affair that saw the Lions come from behind a 7-4 deficit at the end of the second period.

This game was originally scheduled for December 30th, but because the Islanders were unavailable on this date, it was played early on the 23rd.

The Lions led 4-3 at the end of the first period on goals by Brad Gager, Devin Brunet, Dylan Graveley and Justin Elliott.

The Islanders took over in the second period scoring four unanswered goals to carry a 7-4 lead into the third period.

The Lions then hit the comeback trail with consecutive goals from Jamie Gadway, Gager, James Kirkwood and Brunet for an 8-7 lead.

The Islanders tied it 8-8 with 6:10 left in the third period and that held until 17:51 when Cory Gove counted the winner.

For the first time in several seasons, the Lions participated in the annul Junior B Boxing Day tournament this year played in Rockland.

They opened against the Clarence Castors, playing to a 6-6 tie in regulation time which forced a shootout. Brad Gager was the successful Lions shooter in the shootout, giving the Lions the win and the right to advance to semi-final action.

The Lions lost in the semi-final to Westport 2-1, affiliate player Ryan Gove counting their lone goal.

The Lions were scheduled to play in Kemptville last Wednesday, January 4, but due to the weather and bad travel conditions the game was cancelled.

Coming up the Lions have a busy three game weekend beginning on home ice Friday night (Jan. 13), when they host the first place Alexandria Glens. Saturday, January 14, they are on the road to Williamstown to take on the Char-Lan Rebels at 7:45 p.m., and Sunday they travel to Athens for a 2:30 p.m. game.

JR. B SCOREBOARD

St. Lawrence Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Alexandria	32	21	9	2	44
Morrisburg	32	21	11	0	42
Kemptville	32	20	11	0	41
Winchester	34	14	15	4	33
Char-Lan	33	12	16	2	29
Akwesasne	32	1	30	1	3

Rideau Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Westport	32	27	4	0	55
Sth. Grenville	29	23	6	0	46
Brockville	31	14	14	2	31
Gananoque	31	10	16	2	25
Athens	31	7	23	0	15

Teams losing in overtime or shootout receive one point

Results

Friday, January 6–
Amherstview 8 at Westport 7 OT
Char-Lan 2 at Alexandria 10
Akwesasne 1 at Morrisburg 7
Kemptville 3 at Winchester 6
Sunday, January 8–
Alexandria 3 at Kemptville 4
Char-Lan 7 at Winchester 6
North Front. 2 at Athens 12
Amherstview 5 at Brock. 6 OT
Sth. Gren. 6 at Akwesasne 0

Coming up:

Friday, January 13: Alexandria at Morrisburg 8:15 p.m.
Saturday, January 14: Morrisburg at Char-Lan 7:45 p.m.
Sunday, January 15: Morrisburg at Athens 2:30 p.m.

St. Lawrence Scoring Leaders

	A	G	Pts.
Steve Jarvo, CL	46	35	81
Cory Gove, Mor	38	33	71
Tyler Rasa, Kemp	32	39	71
Dylan Graveley, Mor	23	47	70
Pat Turcotte, CL	19	50	69
Mike Moher, Kemp	31	34	65
Peter Barnett, Mor	22	39	61
Steve Cameron, Win	30	31	61

IROQUOIS LEGION NEWSLETTER

Royal Canadian Legion
Branch #370

IROQUOIS – Doubles were played on Saturday past when a total of 20 Cribbage players gathered in the Lounge.

Finishing in first place with a total of 1071 was Elden Baldwin, while Ken Palmer claimed the second spot with a 1068. Willis Douglas trailed in third with a grand total of 1063.

Looking elegant sitting in the Bridesmaid chair with 1048 was Roger Coulter. An even dozen of skunks were claimed, and Karl Kirkwood unfortunately picked up one pair of them. Getting two double striped pole cats (and I understand this is a rare event!) was Andy Acelvari.

On Tuesday, January 3, 11 tables of Euchre were played. Picking up the first prize was Sheila Scarbo, while Bert Dewit claimed the second prize. The door prize was won by Gerlene Hunt. With the low score of the evening was Gord Hunt.

Only a couple of skunks were found skittering around and picking them up were Doug Gow and Tammy Merkley. I do not have the Duplicate Bridge report, Sorry.

The Pot of Gold winner was Jeff Beaupre, who was NOT signed in.

The Friday luncheon for this week will be Shepherd's Pie (inclusive). Dessert will be "Death by Chocolate." Winner of the free meal for this week is Ralph Smith.

Don't forget that the Legion Executive Meeting will be on January 11 at 7 p.m. The Ladies Auxiliary Meeting will be on January 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Until next week, take care!

Dixon's Corners PS

Happy New Year! Welcome back to students, staff and parents. January is promising to be an exciting month.

We started the year off with a Winter Carnival Celebration. Monday, January 9, was Wacky Hat Day. Tuesday was Backwards Day. Wednesday was PJ Day, and Thursday was Team Jersey Day. Friday, January 13, culminates with a Ski Trip to Pakenham for some students, and a Skating Party at the Morrisburg Arena for the rest of the school.

The end of January brings Ecole de Neige for the grade six class. Students helped raise some money to aid in bus costs for the trip. Ecole de Neige is a wonderful winter experience for students.

Dixon's students will be very active in outdoor sports and activities, as well as be immersed in the French language for three days. Accommodations are excellent, and the food is delicious. This trip is guaranteed to be a hit with the students.

We are planning ahead to 2006-2007. Kindergarten registration for Dixon's is happening now. The sooner we know about our registration numbers the better, because this has an impact on our staffing for next year. It also affects allocation and the ordering of supplies.

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Invitation to Participate
Lake St. Francis
Fisheries Management Plan and Fish Habitat Management Plan

The **Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA)** and the **Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** are developing the Lake St. Francis fish habitat management plan and fisheries management plan respectively. These planning exercises are being carried out jointly to ensure appropriate coordination and linkages. They will outline management objectives and identify priorities for the management of the fish communities and fisheries of Lake St. Francis.

The tentative schedule for the management plan preparation, review and approval is as follows:

Public Information Centre – Background, Issues and Options: March, 2005
Public Information Centre – Review of Draft Management Plan: June, 2005
Public Information Centre – Review of Revised Management Plan: January, 2006
Production and Distribution of Approved Fisheries Management Plan: March, 2006

The third public information centre will be held:

Wednesday, January 25, 2006
5 p.m. - 8 p.m. – Presentation given at 6:30 p.m.
Cornwall Civic Center
McLeod Room

The planning team is inviting the public to participate in the preparation of the fisheries management plan and fish habitat management plan for Lake St. Francis. The RRCA and MNR are interested in comments or ideas the public may have regarding the management of the fish communities and fisheries of Lake St. Francis. A terms of reference for the management plan and additional background information to be used in the preparation of the plan will be available for inspection during the public information centres. There is an opportunity at any time during the planning process to seek resolution of issues with the Project Leader, the Lake Manager or the Great Lakes Branch Director.

The MNR is collecting comments and information regarding this plan under the authority of the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act* to assist in making decisions and determining further public consultation needs. Comments and opinions will be kept on file for use during the effective period of the plan and may be included in study documentation, which is made available for public review.

Personal information will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (1987)*. However, this information may be used by the MNR to seek public input on other resource management surveys and projects. For further information or to be added to the plan mailing list, please contact:

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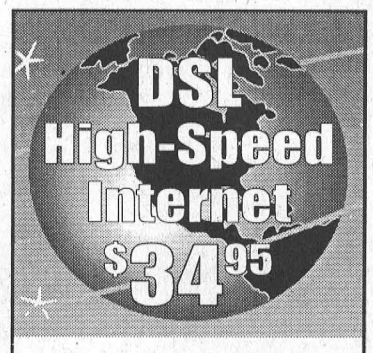

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OFSC Provincial Snowmobile Safety Week

District 1 doing more to promote safety

RIVERSIDE HEIGHTS – In a year such as this, when many snowmobile trails are not even open yet, snowmobile safety remains a top priority for the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs, and local District 1.

In a year with little snow and mild temperatures, District 1 Manager John Boals says that one of the main safety issues, is off trail riding.

He explains that, because it has been so mild, groomers have, for the most part, not been able to groom into swampy areas. So, someone riding the trails before they are ready, will see the trail end, where the groomer had to turn around. Rather than turning around, riders are likely to leave the trail and cut across properties where they are not allowed.

"No only is it trespassing, it's dangerous," says Boals. "When you are off trail riding you don't know what's under the snow. There could be stumps or stones, or even a piece of farm equipment."

"Ninety percent of snowmobile related fatalities are off-trail incidents," says Boals.

This year the OFSC is celebrating Provincial Snowmobile Safety Week, January 8 to 14, with a 23 percent fatality reduction in 2004/05 as compared with 2003/04.

"I am pleased to report that snowmobile fatalities have been trending steadily downward in Ontario," says Bill Harrison, OFSC Manager of Safety and Public Education, in a media release.

Boals, is also happy with that trend, but he says there is work to be done concerning safety here in District 1.

This District which covers 5,000 kilometers of groomed trails in Eastern Ontario from the Quebec border to Napanee, and north to Calabogie, experienced an increase in snowmobile related fatalities last year over the previous year. There was only one two years ago but four last year. Of those incidences, two occurred on-trail and two off- trail. None were alcohol related.

At the provincial level, Harrison says, "I think part of our success in reducing snowmobile fatalities is attributable to our Snowmobile Trail Officer Patrol (STOP) Program, which puts police-trained OFSC enforcement volunteers on our trails. Another key factor is our long-standing Driver Training Program, which has graduated over 185,000 students since its inception in 1976."

These programs are both ongoing locally. There are seven STOP officers in SD&G, and those volunteers are asking snowmobilers, when they take to the trails, to take with them their driver's licence, snowmobile insurance and ownership, to have their trail permit affixed to the windshield and their licence sticker affixed to the snowmobile. Having documentation readily available means that stops along the trail will be quick and easy.

Boals says that these volunteers are mandated to promote snowmobile safety and to make sure that everyone is snowmobiling legally.

Snowmobile clubs also have Trail Patrol volunteers, who in addition to ensuring trail permit compliance, are the ambassadors of snowmobiling.

"So we have the OPP, STOP officers, Trail Patrol, and concerned riders, and everyone is working towards that same goal - making smart choices while snowmobiling," says Boals.

For this snowmobiling season the OFSC is targeting the hard core demographic of male riders aged 18 to 45, because research shows that they are most likely to cause snowmobiling incidents.

Boals says that local safety initiatives will follow the OFSC mandate, and says that District 1 is working to get the safety message out there.

Boals says the best opportunity to promote safety in this district is likely through the District website. This year trail condition updates are available on the website, and are updated twice a week, at noon Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Boals says that the number of hits on the website spike at those times, so along with the updates, there is great potential to include timely safety messages. "It's a great tool, so we might as well use it."



Making smart choices is the common goal for snowmobile safety. Pictured are a couple of volunteer trail patrol members, who are part of the united front helping to keep the sport safe.

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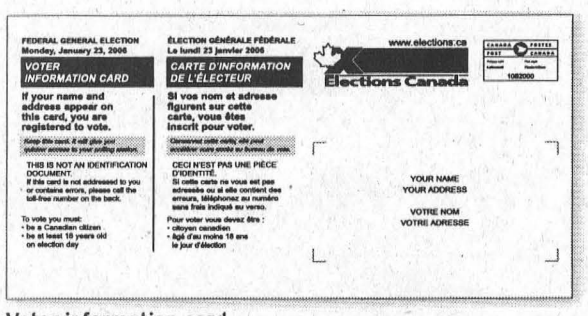

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