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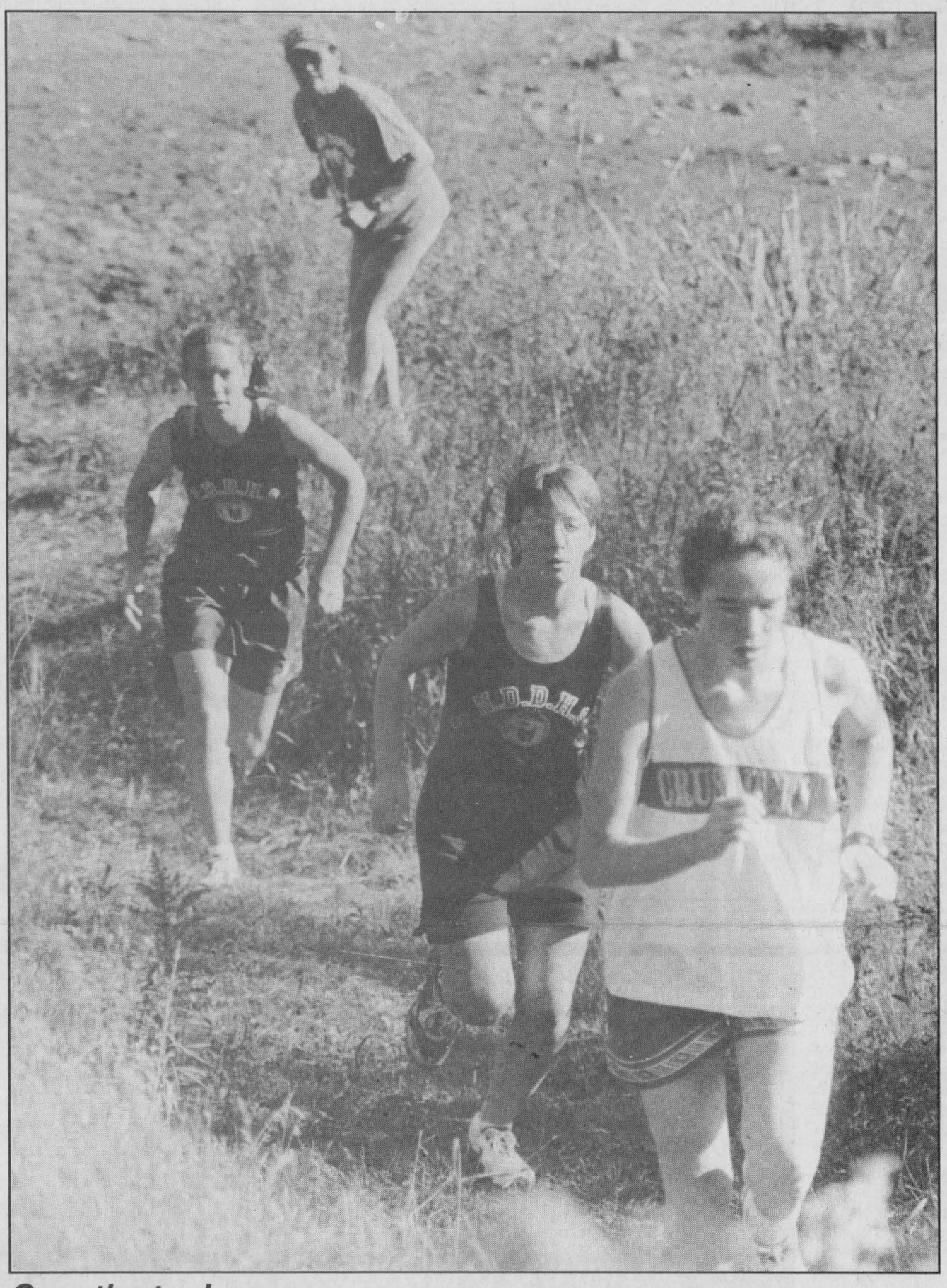

Over the top!

North Dundas District High School cross country runners Erin Schuler and Pamela DeJong ascended a hill behind a competitor from Char-Lan District High as coach Andrea Acheson (background) urged them on. Schuler and DeJong combined with junior teammates Rhonda Sherrer and Petra Meier last Thursday to earn the SD&G championship for the Devils.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

Teachers' walkout possible by Friday

TORONTO — An illegal teachers' strike could occur as soon as Friday.

The delay of the teachers' strike comes after talks broke off between Minister of Education David Johnson and the teacher's unions early Tuesday afternoon.

Johnson told the media Tuesday afternoon that the unions presented him with a list containing 17 deletions to Bill 160 on Monday (Oct. 20) which they wanted enacted by noon the following day or they would illegally walk out on Thursday.

"It's unreasonable... Why do we have this gun to our heads," said Johnson.

Johnson also said if the teachers do decide to strike he would ask that the schools be kept open and that union members not harass anyone who chose to strike-break.

As of late Tuesday afternoon the teachers' unions were still holding strategy meetings and expected to release their plans as soon as possible, but said an illegal strike would not take place until Friday or Monday.

OSSTF President Greg McGillis was unavailable for comment regarding the teachers' position.

The teachers' federations, which represent 126,000 across the province, are upset over proposed legislation (Bill 160).

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School board stuck in the middle

by Lori Culliton
Press staff

CORNWALL — The SD&G Public School Board is taking the teachers' strike situation "one day at a time" says Director of Education James Dilamarter.

Talks between teachers' unions and the provincial government broke off Tuesday afternoon with both sides frustrated. A strike was expected to be called Wednesday morning.

Dilamarter told the Press that the board plans to attempt to keep SD&G schools open in the event of a teachers' strike, although school buses will not be running.

"Our main concern is the safety of the children," Dilamarter said. "Our responsibility is to the community and to the students."

He said that a notice was to be sent home today (Wednesday) advising parents to listen to the radio for directions regarding what to do in the event of a strike.

"We're taking it one day at a time, and for day one of the strike, schools will be open," Dilamarter said. "We're telling parents to exercise caution in sending their kids to school, as we're not sure how many people will be at the school to provide supervision."

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Gray runs for mayor

by Sandra Dillich
Press staff

WINCHESTER — With over 20 years as the reeve of Winchester, Larry Gray believes he has what it takes to be the mayor of North Dundas.

Gray, along with Chesterville Reeve Jim Cook and Winchester Township Reeve Claude Cousineau, is vying for the township's top spot of this year's municipal election.

"I've been around a long time and I have a fair knowledge of North Dundas," noted Gray.

Along with being the village reeve for over 20 years, Gray was also elected as Winchester's first deputy reeve and served one term as a councillor.

As a member of Counties Council, Gray has been involved with health care services; Children's Services Council; the Social Service Committee. Gray was also a founding member of the Health Council and chairman of placement co-ordinating services, now known as Community Care Access.

"I've been involved in a lot of services that have come to the area and that's my main area of interest," added Gray. "(I want to have services in the area) at as little cost to the taxpayers so it's equal access for everybody."

Gray said he is also interested in industry growth, including within the Village of Winchester, which had its growth halted for a number of years due to the lack of water and sewage.

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Becker's to be open 24 hours

WINCHESTER — The Becker's Milk Company in Winchester is going to open its doors 24 hours day.

At the Oct. 20 Winchester Village council meeting, Becker's dealer Sharon Abrahamson approached council requesting the St. Lawrence Street store be allowed to open 24 hours. The store is currently open from 5 am to midnight.

"We just feel it would be an added convenience to the community," added Abrahamson. "We'd like to be open to the factory workers and hospital workers (on odd shifts)."

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Water situation still under study

METCALFE — Getting water piped into Metcalfe village in Osgoode Township remains at the study stage.

Last week the region's planning and environment committee approved an application to the Ministry of Environment and Energy funding for updating the water environment study for the village.

Various studies have been conducted over the years and results clearly show that Metcalfe is in need of a potable and dependable supply of water, said Osgoode's regional councillor Robert van den Ham.

However, these studies need to be updated because of new provincial guidelines for funding these projects.

As part of the new requirements an addendum to the environmental study report is necessary.

Regional and township staff are also recommending the integration of waste water issues and the water ESR, and to apply for funding from the MOEE.

"It's time that the water and sewer issue in Metcalfe came to a decision," said van den Ham. "This wrap-up study is a necessary step in the process of bringing these services to Metcalfe."

Candidates meet

WINCHESTER — The Dundas Federation of Agriculture is sponsoring a meeting of mayoral candidates for North and South Dundas.

The meeting, planned for Wed., Nov. 5 in the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Boardroom in Winchester, will give voters the opportunity to meet and question candidates for the mayor positions of the two municipalities.

Everyone is welcome.

WPS goes green

WINCHESTER — In an ongoing attempt to make the school yard at Winchester Public School more green and inviting, a tree planting day will be held at the school Oct. 23.

WPS teacher Nancy Barton has spearheaded this project, which has gotten the entire school involved.

"We want to bring nature back to the school yard," she says. "There have been studies done that say aggression diminishes greatly when the yard has a lot of green and a lot of natural things in it."

Money has been raised for the project through bake sales and other fundraising events. Canada Trust has given the school a grant of $1,000 and the school also received $500 from the Resource Stewardship SD&G Council for the project.

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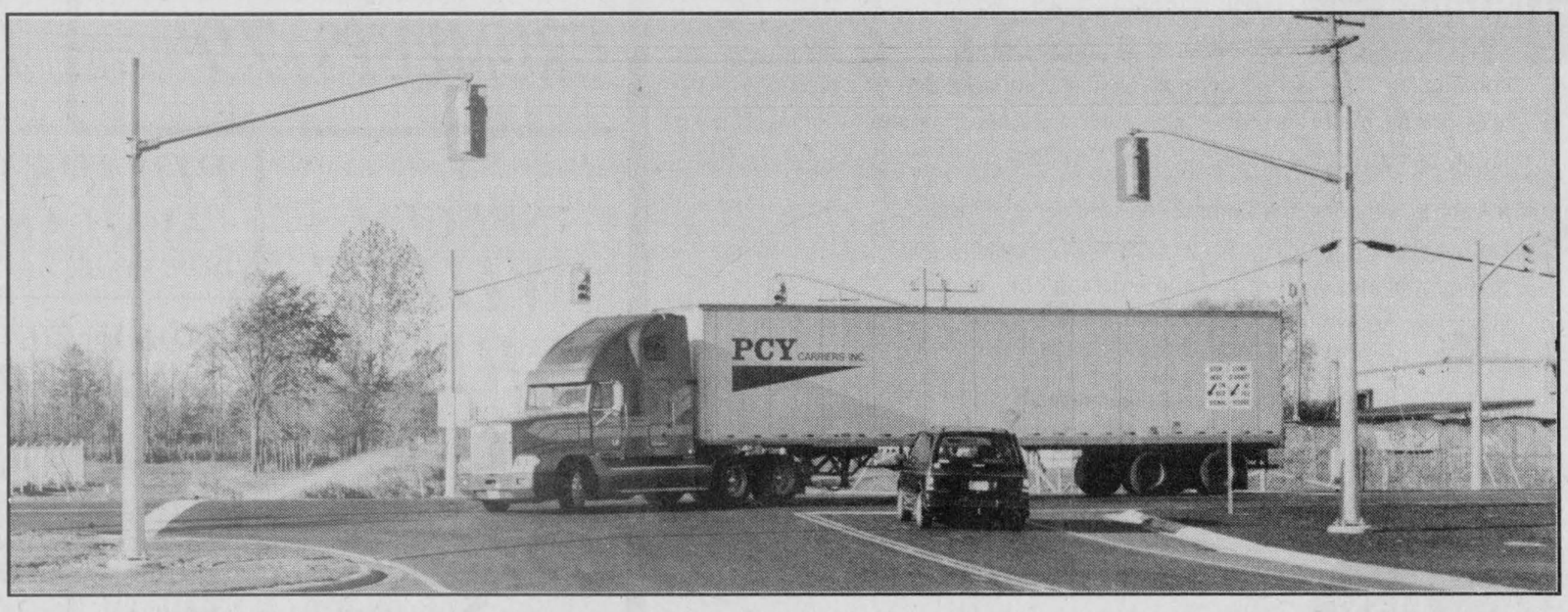

Up and running

The traffic lights at the south junction of Hwy. 31 and Hwy 43 were in full operation Monday morning. The traffic lights at the northern intersection of Hwy. 31 and 43 are expected to be installed by the end of October.

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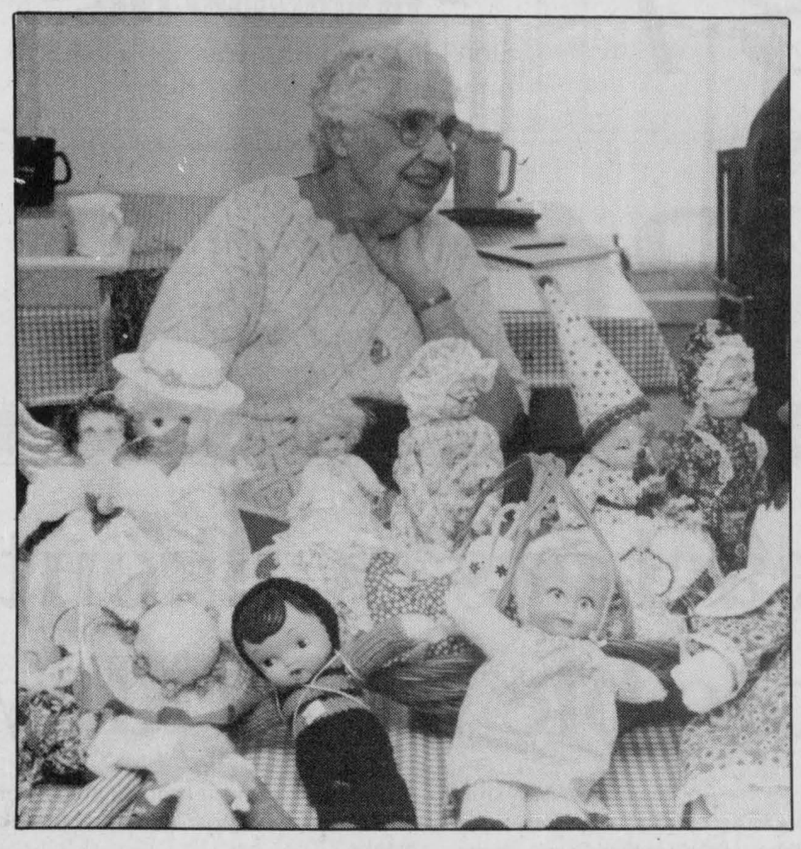

Nor-Dun sale

The Nor-Dun Seniors Centre enjoyed a good crowd of browsers and buyers last Thursday at their craft and bake sale. Rental of consignment tables raised money for the centre. Proceeds from Nor-Dun table sales will go to support their newsletter, and towards the purchase of a flag pole. Above, Pearl Levere watches over a table of dolls for sale.

Press Photo — Culliton

Interest high in recycling hazardous waste

WINCHESTER — Re-using hazardous wastes by Dundas County residents was an unexpected surprise at the Dundas County Household Hazardous Waste Transfer Facility. Boyne Road Landfill Manager Doug Froats reported that interest in re-using some hazardous waste products has been excellent.

For example, over 1,365 litres (300 gallons) of paint were delivered by September and only 114 litres (25 gallons) remain.

Thanks to teamwork, the Dundas County Household Hazardous Waste Transfer Facility became a reality in the spring of 1997. Chair of the Dundas Household Hazardous Waste Committee Wyman Barton explained, "Corporate sponsorship was very important to the project. Ontario Hydro and Ault Foods Limited were generous supporters providing $4,000 and $1,000 respectively to promote a healthy community through safe disposal of toxic wastes."

The project was co-ordinated by the Dundas Hazardous Waste Committee with representatives from eight Dundas County municipalities, RohMax Canada and the Dundas Environmental Awareness Group (DEAG).

Household hazardous waste collection days were open to Dundas County residents every four weeks since June 1997. Hazardous wastes such as petroleum products, batteries, propane tanks, paints, acids and flammables are toxic and can contaminate ground water and surface water if not properly disposed.

DEAG Chair Mary-Ann Wilson said that increasing awareness is critical to protect our water. Everyone's help is needed to remove hazardous wastes from our regular garbage and to properly dispose of them at the Hazardous Waste transfer facility.

The last hazardous waste collection day in 1997 will be held on Oct. 25. Come and bring your waste or take waste you can re-use. Donations are welcome. Remaining wastes will be disposed of by a licensed hauler this fall. The facility will re-open every fourth Saturday beginning May 23, 1998.

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Strike

Some of the issues they are opposing include legalizing the use of unqualified teachers, or specialists; the elimination of classroom preparation time for teachers; the removal of $1 billion out of the education budget; and the elimination of class-size control.

Johnson took over negotiations with the teachers earlier this month from former Education Minister John Snobelen after a cabinet shuffle by Premier Mike Harris changed Snobelen's posting to Minister of Tourism.

School board

He added that there will not be normal programs, and parent volunteers are needed to help with supervision at the schools. The principals and vice principals are expected to be in the schools.

Schools in Ottawa-Carleton will be closed in the event of a strike.

Dilamarter said he expects there will be pickets in front of the schools.

"This is a tough time," Dilamarter said. "We'll try to keep people informed. The issues are between the province and the unions, and don't include the school board. We don't support the teachers or the government. Our concern is the students.

"We are stuck in the middle."

Gray

Gray is currently the chair of the North Dundas Transition Committee which he says has put together a good administrative staff to help the new council members.

"I think we have acquired a very competent administrative group and I think they are very knowledgeable in the whole area and they will assist the council in good administrative principals," he said.

"For the first year or so it's going to be fairly time consuming because of the re-organization and amalgamation. There will also be a lot of time given to the various activities (police, recreation) and how all those variances will be brought together without a loss in services."

Gray also noted the downloading of services will offset any savings to be had by amalgamating.

"There won't be a lot of financial savings but (there will be) better services," he said.

Tree planting

Using that money, staff and teachers plan to plant 22 deciduous trees (trees which shed their leaves annually). The trees will be fairly large ones, Barton says, not saplings, which can be trampled easily.

An assembly will be held at 1 pm at the school on Oct. 23, and following the assembly, all of the students will converge on different areas of the school yard to plant the trees.

"Everyone is going to be involved in the planting," Barton says. "The primary students will be in the school yard planting trees, and the older students will be in the soccer field, planting there."

The project is expected to continue next spring, and they already have several ideas for what to do to further the school's beautification. "We're thinking about a bird and butterfly garden, a gazebo, and shrubbery," Barton says. "It all depends on how much money we're able to raise over the winter months."

Barton says community members are welcome to attend the assembly and to either watch or help with the tree planting that day. "Vandalism is a problem when you do things like this," she says. "We're aware of it, but we won't let that stop us. The whole community will benefit from what we're doing. We want to make it into a park setting. One way to cut down on vandalism is to have the community take ownership of the project, and help to defend the property."

In the case of vandalism, she adds, the school will simply replace or repair the damage, and not mention anything. "That's the best defense, just fix it and don't make a big deal about it."

Barton is excited that a project she has worked on for so long is finally taking off. She attended workshops sponsored by the Ministry of Natural Resources, "and I came back knowing this was right for our school," she says.

Becker's

The current village bylaw stipulates that businesses within the village must remain closed between midnight and 6 am.

Reeve Larry Gray questioned Abrahamson on new security measures the store would have to take upon opening 24 hours.

"I think it would be less risky having people in the store all of the time... It's less risk than being closed. I don't have a problem with shoplifting now so I don't see how it would increase," she said.

Abrahamson also said the increased hours of operation would allow her to hire three more employees — two full-time and one part-time. There are 10 people currently working for Becker's in Winchester. Abrahamson also noted that the teenagers who congregate in the store's parking lot are currently not a problem and she does not anticipate any problems.

"I've always been of the opinion these kids are the same as the rest of us. If there are three or four kids hanging around outside talking, it is no different than three or four adults standing around talking."

No date has been set as to when the store will begin operating 24 hours a day.



The 100 Club raised $4,000 through its thrift shop and donated the money to various organizations including the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Left: Ed Boyd (100 Club member), Marion Carkner (hospital auxiliary member), Dr. Duane Justus (WDMH Foundation representative), Jim McVey (project organizer).

Press Photo -- Culliton

100 Club donates $4,000 to hospitals

by Lori Culliton
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The Winchester 100 Club Thrift Store presented cheques amounting to a total of $4,000 to the WDMH auxiliary and foundation, as well as to CHEO foundation and the Heart Institute.

The Thrift Store opened its doors last February at 493 Main St. in Winchester. All merchandise is donated to the store, and the store is operated by about 60 volunteers from the community.

Since opening, the store has been "meeting our expectations," project co-ordinator Jim McVey said. "We had expected to raise between $5,000 and $8,000 in our first year, and sales have already reached $6,500."

The store donates 90 per cent of funds raised to the Winchester hospital foundation and auxiliary, and 10 per cent goes to CHEO, the Heart Institute, the Dundas County Hospice and the area needy.

The store always welcomes donations of unwanted items such as clothing, toys, appliances and furniture. However, no heavy furniture or appliances are accepted due to space.

There is also a large bulletin board in the store where people can post notices for larger items they're looking for or that they wish to give away.

The Thrift Store is open Thursdays from 10 am to 3 pm, and Saturdays from 9:30 am to noon.

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Mayoral candidates questioned on Osgoode Township concerns

METCALFE — As election day fast approaches, the Osgoode Township mayoral candidates were asked to give their opinions on a couple of key issues.

Questions

1. In what direction, economically and politically, would you lead Osgoode residents into the new millennium?

2. What makes a good leader and what leadership qualities do you have to lead Osgoode residents into the next term?

Lloyd Cranston

1. The next year will be the most critical of the years leading up to the millennium. There will be a requirement for continuity in the process that selects a form of governance for Ottawa-Carleton.

The rural alliance report is a financial document that shows the savings that would result if we were to leave the region and if Osgoode were to stand alone.

Council will present this document to the Citizens' Panel for consideration as an integral part of the solution to governance in Ottawa-Carleton.

The importance of presenting the views of the residents to the panel and/or a commissioner cannot be over-emphasized.

Economic development is not something you turn off and on, but it is a continuous process that every individual in our municipality must promote.

The township business park on Hwy. 31 must move forward if we are to have a place for new clients to locate.

A study, funded by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, will review development of the Greely village core. The results of this effort will require funds to be allocated for implementation of their recommendation.

2. Developing teamwork among the council members, staff and other levels of government is one of the tasks of a full-time mayor. No one person at the council table can accomplish any task without building support for their cause for a vote on the subject.

The council, as a team, has coped with fund reductions of $673,092 over the last two years and still delivered the essential services.

Debate at the council table is healthy and is essential for good decision-making and to assure all aspects of a situation have been considered. The task of mayor does not stop or start because of elections, but it is a continuous process and requires implementation of bylaws, meetings to be attended and negotiations with other levels of government and the business community.

Councillors as liaison representatives to various departments will continue allowing their area of expertise to be used to bring concerns to the table. An example would be a person with agricultural experience or interest would be assigned tasks related to the agricultural component.

To better inform the public, the advertising of all committee and council meeting agendas, in the local newspapers, will be instituted so residents will know what is being dealt with and when.

Doug Thompson

1. Osgoode Township is an amenble co-existence of rural communities and agricultural properties. We border the urban area of Ottawa and attract residents searching for a secure and attractive neighborhood within easy reach of the city. I would endeavor to promote and protect this facet of our community.

The economic development of our township is vital to our future as an independent municipality.

I believe that we must support and promote existing commercial and home-based enterprises. At the same time we must work diligently to attract light industries that will enhance the natural character of our township. For example, we are ideally located to tap into the high-tech market. Politically the Ottawa-Carleton area is undergoing major power struggles amongst regional, urban and rural governments. I fully believe that Osgoode Township should remain a municipality separate from regional government and would continue to work with neighboring rural communities to promote the concept of a rural alliance.

2. I believe that the best leaders are team players whose leadership does not lose sight of the electorate to whom they are responsible. Leadership is the ability to listen, to communicate and to actively pursue our collective goals to the overall benefit of the township.

I believe that I have demonstrated these qualities in my years of service to my constituents. I am well known in the community for the time I have devoted to individuals and their concerns.

It has always been my policy to provide the highest level of energy for participating in council business and with our local service organizations.

I have spent a great deal of time and effort during this last term on council to become involved in the external process affecting the restructuring of our municipal government.

The complexity of these issues has required a substantial amount of dedication to understand and deal with the people and systems that will impact our community.

My leading initiative in this regard has given me a unique exposure to the possibilities for the future of Osgoode Township.

Jim Waddell

1. It is ironic that as the world moves toward a new millennium, Osgoode Township also finds itself on the edge of a new political landscape.

Changes to the way we structure and govern ourselves are being forced upon us. Your leaders must be prepared to perform on the taxpayers' behalf in a creative and realistic manner, keeping in mind the necessity to compete economically in an increasingly competitive world.

As mayor, my preference would be to see Osgoode leave the region to forge a new economic and political relationship with neighboring rural municipalities, perhaps in the form of a county.

While we admittedly have many strong links to the urban area, we have never lost our sense of rural history and focus, even during the past few years of population growth.

Our vibrant and much envied agricultural base, our unique rural villages, our proximity to large cities, our nearby colleges and universities — present us with economic development possibilities many rural municipalities dream about.

Let us take advantage of our current strengths and build upon them for the benefit of future generations of Osgoode residents.

2. By definition a good leader is one who has the ability to inspire cooperation and teamwork to achieve a common vision for the future. It is someone who is able to influence the actions and opinions of others through communication and who exhibits good judgement in leading others to worthwhile objectives.

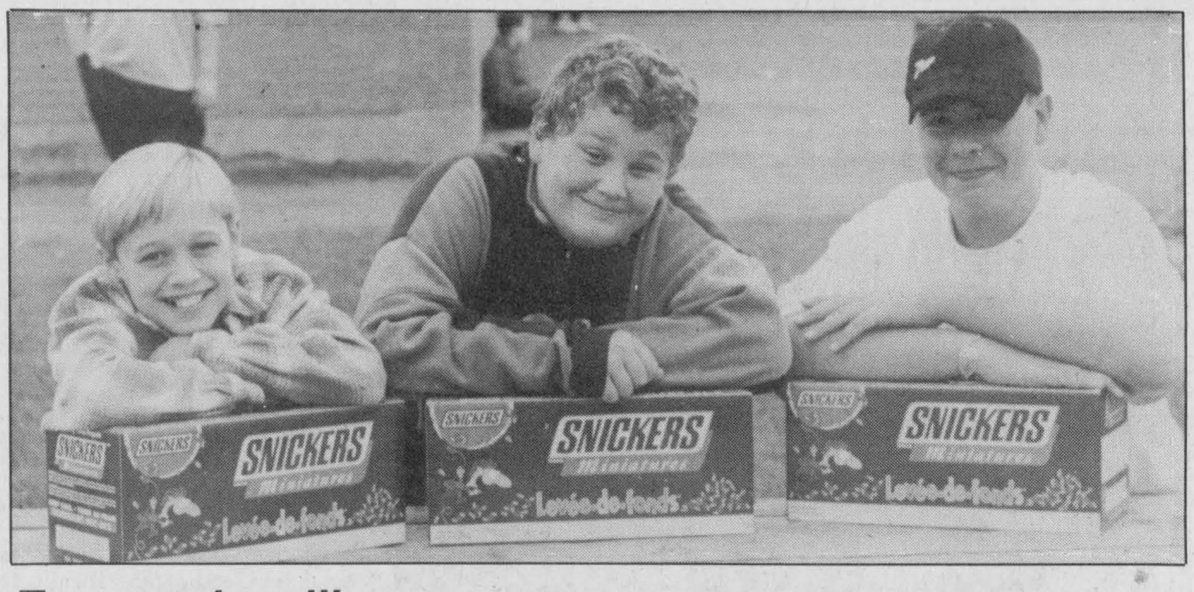
In one way, leadership is all about guiding people's thoughts and actions toward a common goal.

During election campaigns all candidates claim that they would make good leaders. However, we must ask ourselves if that person's background and work experience would have opportunities to develop leadership abilities.

My background as a lawyer, as a manager of a team of employees in a large retail business and 11 years in an advisory role to various Osgoode councils has developed my leadership skills immensely.

I am firm, yet always fair. I am decisive and willing to take action. I am assertive and can clearly express opinions in spite of disagreement. I am able to use a systematic approach in solving problems through analysis and evaluation and finally I am able to work with people to build high morale and group commitments to goals and objectives.

These are the leadership qualities I possess and the people of Osgoode deserve.



Top-notch selling

Maple Ridge Senior Public School is finishing up a chocolate bar drive to raise money for new band and choir outfits. The target for the drive had been $1,500, but the school has far exceeded that amount, to the tune of about $5,000, although the counting is not yet finished. Above, three of the best chocolate sellers (from left): Jason Crump, Larry Declaire and Eric Alexander.

Scouts, Guides work to aid environment

WINCHESTER — Camp Sheldrick, tree planting, Yellow Fish Road. These are just a few of the things that area Scouts and Guides have in common with the South Nation Conservation.

Camp Sheldrick, near Winchester, was host to over 500 Scouts and Guides this past summer. A camp for nearly 30 years, the SNC property has recently been given a facelift by the Scouts and their supporters. A new pavilion stands ready in case of rain, courtesy of the Winchester and eastern Ontario Lions Club.

In the spring, more than 100 Cubs and Scouts braved foul weather to plant 2,000 trees on the 90-acre site. The new trees will add to the natural environment that has slowly been reclaiming the area along Hess Creek at the South Nation River.

Yellow Fish Road started as a Fisheries & Oceans Canada program, but its popularity has been catching. In co-operation with SNC, area Guides painted the now familiar Yellow Fish symbol on storm drains in Crysler and St. Albert last weekend.

The eye-catching symbol reminds residents that anything in a storm drain goes straight to the nearest river without treatment. Drains in Greely, Chesterville and Maxville were marked this past year by Guides and community groups.

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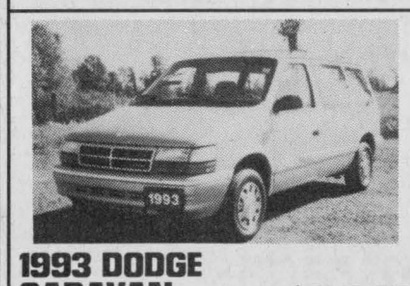

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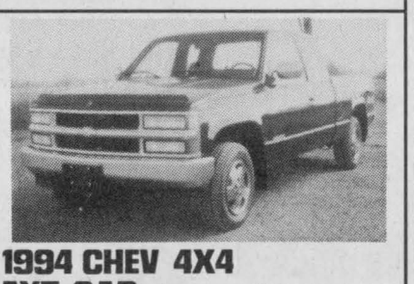

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On Common Ground: Annual tour features community of artists



Janet Whittam weaves her magic during her open house.
Press Photos -- Culliton

by Lori Culliton
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Sunshine and mild temperatures brought out art lovers from Ottawa and the North Dundas area to the "On Common Ground" artists and artisans tour. The tour featured 13 Eastern Ontario artists and artisans in Morewood, Winchester, Finch, Osgoode, Chesterville and Dalmeny.

A variety of arts was featured, from pottery and paintings to basket weaving and sculptures. There was definitely something for everyone.

Morewood artist Michael Blouin pointed out that it was partly the nice weather that brought people from the city for a drive through the country side to view the artwork.

Blouin's work was on display in his home in Morewood. He specializes in images of rural and family life, with pen-and-ink drawings and paintings in oil or acrylics. He is also known for his "anti-clock", essentially a clock that doesn't work. Inscriptions painted on the clock say "Who cares what time it is?".

"The first time I tried to make a clock, it didn't work," he recalled. "But when I thought about it, I realized 'maybe that's better'. So the clock comes with or without batteries, and it's guaranteed not to work for a lifetime."

Across the street from Blouin was Janet O'Keefe and her Raku pottery, at the home of Tom and Barbara Savary.

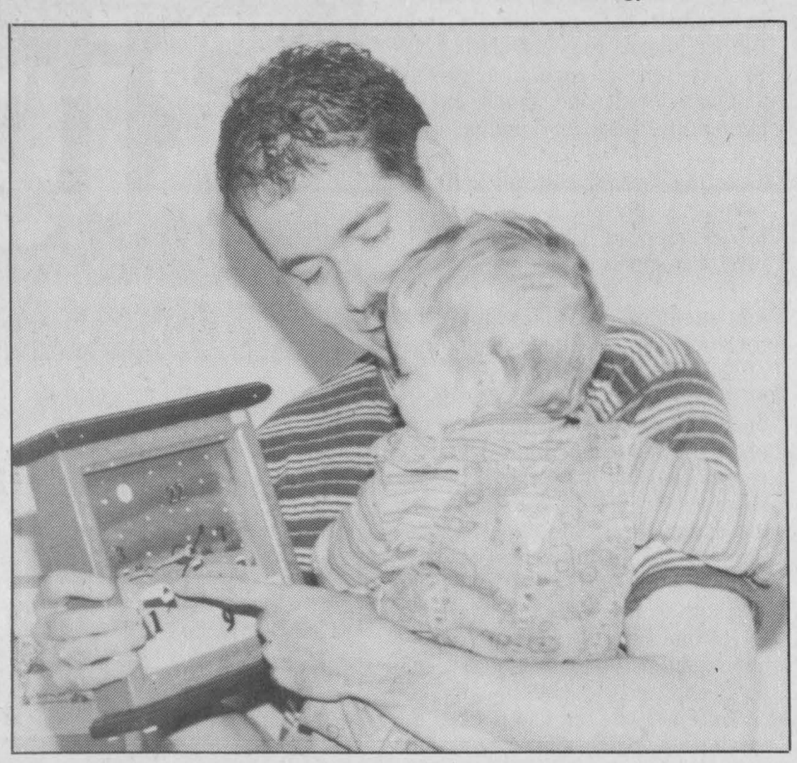
"This tour is a great way to bring people out to look at our art without the pressure to buy," O'Keefe said. "We want the buyer to understand the thinking that is behind each piece of art. The tour is about letting people see our work on display in a home, so that they can see what it would look like sitting in their living room."

O'Keefe's pottery begins with a roll of clay that is shaped by her, dried, fired, glazed, and then fired again. The process mixes chemicals with glass and metal, she said. The glass creates a shine to the pottery, while the metals create color.

"The process brings up the metallic lustre in the glaze," O'Keefe explained. "And it's all done in an outdoor kiln. You keep the air away from the glaze while it cools, and that brings out the metallic lustre. It's instant archaeology."



Janet O'Keefe (left) describes her Raku pottery to Barbara Savery.



Michael Blouin showed off his images of rural and family life to one of his youngest admirers.



Checking out the goods

The annual WDMH Bazaar held at NDDHS on Saturday drew crowds of people. In fact, there were close to 60 people waiting at the doors before the bazaar opened on Saturday afternoon. Bargain hunters were able to choose from used books, knitted products, bakery, plants and much more at the bazaar. New this year was a silent auction, in which people bid on displayed items, the highest bidders received their purchases at the end of the sale. Above, examining the knitting.
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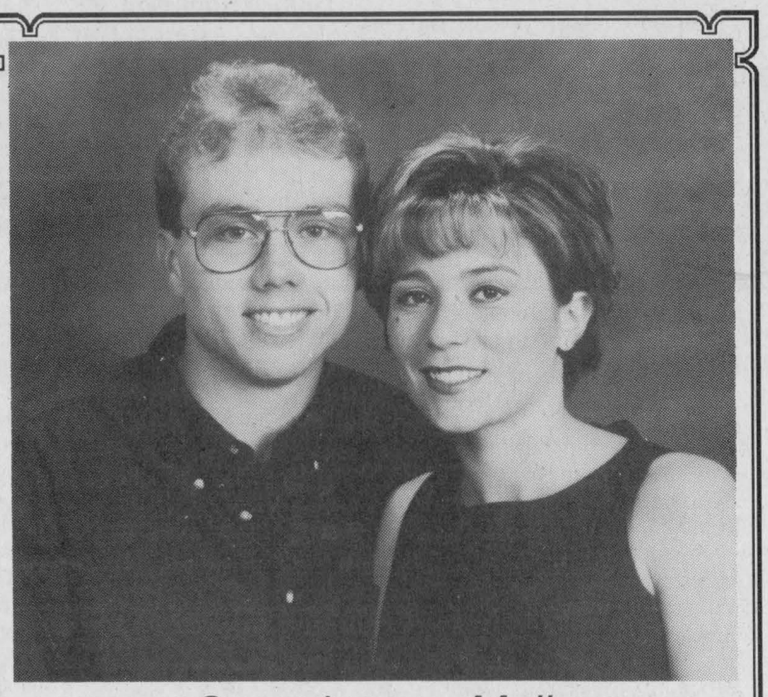

Casselman – Mellon

Mr. and Mrs. Skid Casselman are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Melinda Elaine to David William, son of Elaine (Lorne) Henderson and the late Lyle Mellon. The wedding will take place at Brinston United Church on November 15, 1997 at 6:30 pm with the reception to follow at South Mountain Agricultural Hall.

Lung Assoc. advocates flu shot

CORNWALL — Immunization is the best way to avoid influenza. While giving an urgent reminder that October and November are the best times to get vaccinated, The Lung Association has issued a flu alert, urging seniors and persons with long-term lung or heart conditions to see their doctor or health unit to get the influenza vaccine which is free for seniors over 65 years of age and for anyone in the high risk groups.

"Now that fall has arrived, we turn our thoughts to the best ways to protect ourselves from the flu. Here's an idea, aside from hiding all winter — get your annual flu shot. If you think that immunization is just for children, think again!" says Catherine Sabourin of The Lung Association.

"People over 65 years of age, especially those with a chronic lung or heart problem, are in the high risk category. Others at risk include those with chronic kidney diseases, and those with diabetes, cancer, anemia, or immunity problems," she says.

"Immunization is strongly recommended for people in high risk groups because of the potential of dangerous complications. Influenza leaves the body weak and open to other infections. Pneumonia, one of the more serious lung infections is the most common complication," says Sabourin. "Over 6,700 people die every year in Canada due to pneumonia and influenza. Over 85 per cent of these deaths are people over 65 years of age. With effective prevention readily available, these deaths are tragedies that we can, and must, make an effort to avoid."

If you are a person in the essential service occupations such as police officers, fire fighters, teachers, nurses, day care workers, office personnel, and it may be possible for you to transmit the flu virus to those in the high risk category, it is recommended that you be vaccinated. The influenza vaccine each fall should be a routine part of maintaining a healthy lifestyle. For people in the workforce, a minimal charge will apply.

An influenza vaccine is the single most effective way of preventing influenza, according to Health Canada and the National Advisory Committee on Immunization.

For more information on flu symptoms and the flu shot, lung disease, or programs and services offered in your community by The Lung Association, call 932-4999 or 1-800-450-5202.

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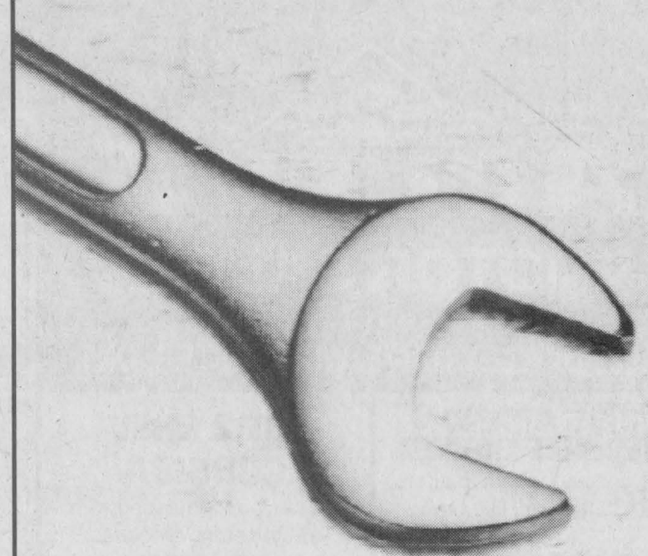

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Ghoulish pallbearers carry a body in a casket to the graveyard and are followed by a disturbed looking mourner during this year's Spooky Wagon Rides at Cannamore Orchards.

Cannamore Orchards

The spookiest ride of your life

by Lori Culliton
Press staff

CANNAMORE — If you dare to risk it, the spooky wagon rides at Cannamore Orchards may be just the trick to treat yourself to.

For the fifth year in a row, the NDDHS band is presenting the Spooky Wagon Rides in connection with Cannamore Orchards. New this year is the Spooky Village, complete with a casket maker measuring up customers as they walk past his store.

Also new this year is a ride through the woods. In past years, the wagon ride took passengers through the orchards. This year, the wagons take a new turn, and pass the wagon through the eery trees, as passengers sit in wait for the next thrill.

Your guide is a witch, who tells the story of the "LacIntoshes" who lived long ago and terrorized all who were near them. As you listen to the story, you pass by a sacrifice, a hanging and a chainsaw murderer.

For those who can't handle the eery ride through the dark forest, there are matinees offered next weekend (Oct. 25 & 26). Several performances will be presented during daylight next weekend for the faint of heart.

The spooky rides resume Thurs., Oct. 23 and continue until Halloween. Already, about 700 people have been on the rides since it began last Thursday (Oct. 16).

The money raised during the Spooky Wagon Rides goes toward the NDDHS bands. The goal this year is $16,000.

Close to 100 students are involved, with 30 to 40 students on hand each night.

The story changes each year, and much work goes into orchestrating the event, from costumes to props to behind-the-scenes work. This year, they've had advertisements on radio and television and in newspapers to spread the word and draw visitors from further away.

So if you are feeling brave, venture out to Cannamore Orchards and take the spookiest ride of your life. It's the perfect event to put you in the Halloween mood.



A spooked mourner is grabbed by a corpse that has risen from the dead.

Wesleyan Church marks Centennial

WINCHESTER — The Winchester Wesleyan Church is celebrating its 100th anniversary with a make-over.

This summer while members of the church's congregation donated their time and much of the supplies needed to renovate the basement, they were reminded of the church's historical beginnings.

From 1894 when the church's 26 founding members bought the former white clapboard Presbyterian church, to today, members of the congregation have created their own house of worship with their bare hands.

According to Laurie Summers, head of the trustee board for the Wesleyan Church, many of the church's founding members mortgaged their own homes in order to purchase the original church. He also noted that all of the work and most of the supplies needed for further renovations have been donated by members of the congregation.

The original building lacked a basement as well as insulation and each pew was entered by a private door. Two large wood stoves were used to heat the building in the winter.

In the 1930s under the guidance of Rev. D.W. Summers, the church embarked on its first renovation project which would create a basement and more effective heating.

In the 1960s the entrance to the church was expanded which allowed for a nursery and closet area. The renovation also included the creation of extra seating within the church, a large platform for the choir as well as extra room for the Sunday school.

In the 1970s a large education wing in the basement was built which consisted of a nursery, a records room, furnace room, Sunday school office, kitchen and seven classrooms with removable walls for the creation of a banquet room.

This year's 100th anniversary project included more renovations — particularly the combining of the chapel and library in the basement.

100 YEARS AGO

The Wesleyan Church was founded by Anglican minister John Wesley in the 1800s.

"He (Wesley) had a great following in Britain and (it spilled) over into the United States as well," added Summers.

According to Summers, the first church, of any denomination, was built by the Methodist Episcopals in 1857-58. These parishioners were affiliated with the American church, however, in 1868 the Wesleyan Methodists, who were affiliated with England, built a brick church on Church Street.

Although both Methodist churches preached the same gospel and doctrines, they differed in the way the churches were governed as well as in their relationship with the Anglican hierarchy, noted Summers.

The Canadian Episcopals eventually won the right to worship and perform all offices of church, which until that time were performed by the Anglican church. In 1886 this led to the two Methodist groups joining together in the newly constructed stone church. That building is currently the United Church.

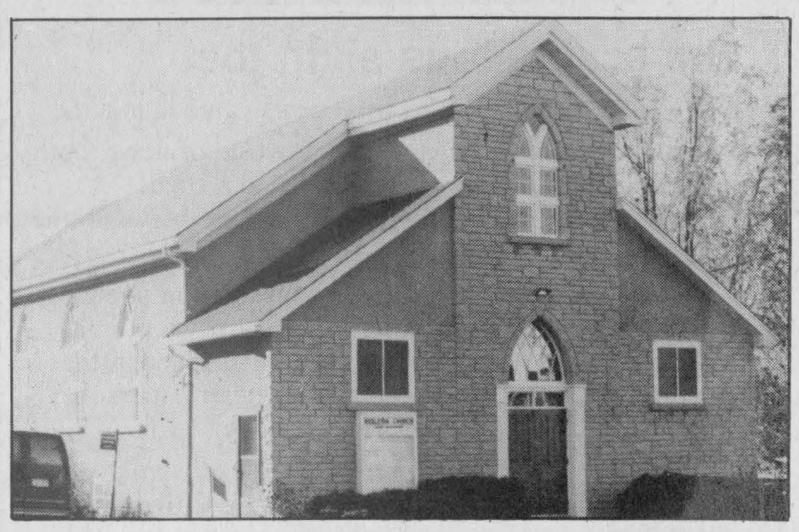
In 1894, 26 members of the United Methodists withdrew from the church and began holding their own meetings as a Holiness Mission.

According to Summers, some of the founders mortgaged their own homes in order to finance the purchase of their own church.

The Wesleyan church in Winchester was the first of its kind in Canada and its pastor was Rev. A.J. Shay.

The circuit initially consisted of five appointments: Winchester, Inkerman, Winchester Springs, Mountain Station and Boucks Hill. However, by 1907 Mountain Station and Boucks Hill were disbanded and by 1910 Winchester and Inkerman had also separated and established their own pastorates.

The founding members include: Susan Albranch, Mary Belleway, Mrs. G. Crowder, Isaac Henry Erratt, Jessie Hughes, David Jackson, Eva Loucks Sr. and Jr., John Loucks, James Marquette, Lorne Mulloy, Lula Mulloy, Mary Mulloy, Wellington Mulloy, Sarah Patrick, William Patrick, Andrew D. Summers, Andrew W. Summers, Charles Albert Summers, Helena Summers, Lucy Summers, Mary Ann Summers, Mary Jane Summers, Miriam Summers, Byron Watts and Janice Watts.



The Winchester Wesleyan Church was the first of its kind in Canada 100 years ago. Press Photo -- Culliton

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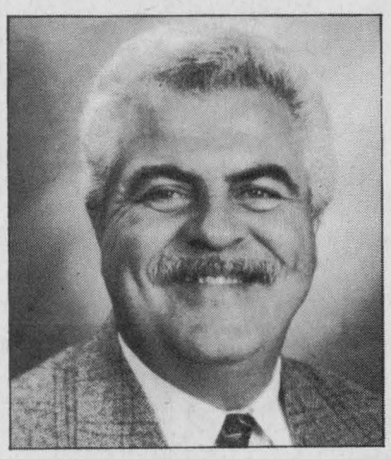

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The scandalous sixth toe

What's in a toe? Or rather, what news value is in a toe?

Perhaps in the seriousness of the world of news, both news makers and news consumers need a small reprieve once in a while; a little chuckle to break up the monotony of current events.

So maybe that can explain why speculation about an extra digit on Ontario Premier Mike Harris' foot in a 30-year-old photograph took up so much space in the Ottawa Citizen last week, along with other papers that picked up the story on the news services.

In the face of a looming Ontario teacher's strike and the tragedy of a bus crash in Quebec, the Citizen was still able to find room on the front page, and on inside pages for several days last week, to fit the foot of the premier.

In a photo taken about thirty years ago, the premier poses topless in swimming trunks with (egads!) a bottle of beer in one hand, and a possible sixth toe on his right foot, if you look very closely.

That sixth little piggy happens to actually be a pebble or a twig, by the way.

The question here is: why was this news? How did it make its way onto the front page?

Why would speculating about an insignificant little thing like an extra toe merit Enquirer-esque coverage in a serious, notable paper like the Citizen?

Certainly, such a story may be able to find a place for itself inside the pages of such a paper, but preferably on the entertainment page.

Harris himself at first wouldn't comment, dismissing the story as a joke of sorts. But by the end of last week, he finally succumbed and showed off his foot to prove that he only had five little wigglies, clearing up the scandal of the rumored sixth toe.

Harris was probably relieved to have some fun with the media, taking a breather from the tough issues, such as Bill 160.

But can journalists be taken seriously when issues such as extra toes on a premier make front page news?

Journalists are still fighting a stigma that reared its ugly head in the alleged paparazzi-caused accident that killed Princess Diana. Although the paparazzi are not journalists, they are a form of media, which, unfortunately, ties the two together in the eyes of the public.

Sure, it's fine to have fun with the news, but there is a difference between a respectable, important news story and speculative rumors derived from boredom.

L.C.

This week in...

1957

One Winchester volunteer fireman was injured when Winchester firemen were called to Hugh Slater's Texaco service station to quell a short-lived blaze. Ron Workman of the Winchester Press fell from atop the larger fire truck in front of the Texaco station. Landing heavily on his left foot, x-rays later showed that he had cracked a left heel bone in two places. The injury forced Ron to use crutches for six weeks. The fire, which started from the sparks of an acetylene torch, burned a box or two of rags but was finally extinguished by an employee at the service centre before firemen arrived.

The first vessels to move through any part of the new St. Lawrence Seaway will sail into Iroquois canal and lock on Nov. 10. The lock, 35 miles west of Cornwall, was completed in October as the Seaway's gate to the Great Lakes. Sector gates at each end of the 1,200-foot main lock have been installed and tested "in the dry".

Winchester's municipal water system moved a step closer to reality with the announcement that the proposed water project had been tentatively approved by the Ontario Municipal Board. Contrary to reports in daily newspapers the installation of a much needed water system in the village only received partial approval. Before final approval could be given by the OMB, certain conditions had to be met by the municipality.

Winchester Junior Hockey Club will operate again this year. The announcement was made after an organization meeting. Basil Dawley, coach of the local puck chasers, said that the club was very much intact and that all members, excepting three, would very likely be reporting for the first practice session in November. Several new faces will also be on hand for the first workout.

1967

Wet weather, smaller majorities and an even smaller turnout of voters featured in the provincial election. With the Tory broom at work again 69 Progressive Conservatives were swept into power in Ontario, including Fred M. Cass of Grenville-Dundas. The voting in Grenville-Dundas was characteristic of the trend across the province with 53 per cent of the total eligible electors going to the polls. Winchester was the exception where the vote including the advance poll was close to 80 per cent.

Students and teachers are to have no Easter holidays this term, but students and teachers will have winter holidays in March. The Easter holiday, as indicated by the name, has always commenced on Good Friday and continued till the Monday following Easter Monday. The difficulty was that since the Easter season fluctuates the school timetables suffered. Students and teachers will continue to have holidays on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

When the gates closed for the year at Upper Canada Village it marked the end of the most successful summer on record. No doubt the influx of visitors to Expo was the reason for the busy season, but the thousands who came and were impressed were expected to carry the message to all parts of the world, resulting in continued records being set from year to year. At the beginning of the season it had been predicted that 350,000 would visit the UCV during the summer. That mark was reached and surpassed as 352,000 people from every walk of life stepped back into history. That's 100,000 over the old record for attendance.

1977

More than 90 per cent of the doctors in SD&G were against the formation of a district health council. Dr. J.D. Macauley said that approximately 100 doctors surveyed in the United Counties supported the Academy of Medicine's hard-line stand against formation of the council. Although the Minister of Health didn't entirely agree with the points made by the Academy, Macauley said, he did read and discuss the ideas. Opposition to the establishment of health councils had occurred in other Eastern Ontario municipalities but the Ministry of Health persisted with their formation.

Iroquois Public School took every title available in the Dundas County Elementary Soccer Tournament. The senior boys' squad outscored their opposition 13-2 over three games capturing the "A" division trophy for the second straight year. In the junior section Jim Shaw's "A" team took all four of its contests bringing the county junior crown to Iroquois Public. A third trophy found its way into the Iroquois showcase when the junior "B" team claimed consolation honors. Two senior players also received recognition. Halfback Robbie Shaw was named best defensive player while forward Tim Patterson was selected top in that category.

1987

Candidate areas for landfill sites in Grenville-Dundas are being considered now that the first phase of the area's joint waste management master plan has been completed. A total of 13 candidate areas for landfill sites had been selected for consideration, including three-and-a-half in Winchester Township and two-and-a-half in Mountain Township. Portions of two areas


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were located in Williamsburg Township and one complete area and portions of three others were located within Matilda Township's boundaries. There would have to be landfill sites chosen no matter what other methods of garbage disposal were selected, Gray said.

Tensions were escalating in the Russell area as residents demanded that the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton took one more look at a dump site slated for a parcel of land near Edwards. About 50 concerned citizens attended a Russell Township meeting and received reassurances from Reeve Gaston Patenaude that the township had retained legal counsel to represent the views of area residents. A group of about 40 residents launched a door-to-door campaign to inform the area about the potential dangers posed by the proposed waste disposal site and incinerator.

Shocked by the murder of village resident John King in the summer of 1987, as well as other crimes throughout the area, the village of Morewood turned to the Neighborhood Watch program for help. A crime increase in the area over the previous year spurred villagers to implement the program. At least part of the villagers' concerns were attributed to the murder of three elderly bachelors from the area in the previous four years.

Dan Larocque scored twice to give the visiting Winchester Hawks their first win of the young Rideau-St. Lawrence Junior "B" season. Larocque, a second-year Hawk and Ottawa hockey product, netted two goals in the 3-2 victory over the hometown Kemptville 73's. The victory evened Winchester's record at a win and a loss and helped ease the pain of a previous 5-3 loss to the powerful Char-Lan Rebels.



Birds on the brain

I have a confession to make. The time has come for me to come out of the closet.

It's my duty to alert my faithful readers as to my true nature. I've already told my family.

I've tried to explain it to the few friends I have left. I can only hope that our relationship can, however battered, survive, based on a platform of mutual respect untainted by the judgmental prejudices.

But I'm not sure it can. Not after I tell you that I am a practising... birdwatcher.

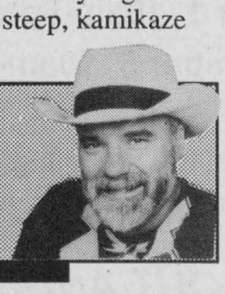
It's true. I realize now, looking back, that I have always been a birdwatcher, albeit a furtive one. As a kid I sucked in my breath as I watched the aerial antics of barn swallows and bats; I marveled at the impossibly elegant, gravity-defying nest of orioles; thrilled to the explosive thunder of a ruffed grouse taking flight from cover just inches ahead of my hiking boots...

I was watching birds, sure, but I wasn't a — you know — birdwatcher per se, I was still normal. Not one of those goofy fanatics you see in tennis shoes and Tilley hats creeping through the raspberry canes with a Peterson's Field Guide in one hand and a pair of Bushnell 7x50s in the other.

True, some of my most vibrant memories seem to resolve around birds. I remember the otherworldly experience of hiking out on a cliff high on the Niagara Escarpment in southern Ontario and seeing a pair of turkey vultures soaring at eye level so close that I could see their beedy little eyes and red neck wattles.

I also remember sitting on a beach on the Caribbean island of Antigua, tracking white pelicans as they circled lazily high in the sky only to suddenly hurl themselves into steep, kamikaze dives right into the ocean.

Basic Black
by Arthur Black



They hit the surface with such force it didn't seem possible for them to survive. They did — and surfaced with a crawful of fish more often than not.

Oh, I can see it now — Birds Are Me! My favorite sight: arrowheads of Canada geese etched on a spring sky. My favorite sound: the eerie ululations of an unseen loon at dusk. My favorite smell: the roast turkey on Thanksgiv — okay, a little cruel, but you get my point.

One way or another, I've been 'birdwatching' for years.

And then, a few years back, I moved to the west coast. We got most of the regulars out here — robins, chickadees, starlings and crows. But there are also bald eagles and great blue herons, stellar jays and rufous-headed towhees. Not to mention eight dozen different kinds of seagulls, none of which I'd ever seen before.

I've arrived in Birdwatcher Heaven. That's why I decided the time has come 'out' myself.

Mind you I plan to take it one step at a time. I wouldn't want to make the blunder of British birdwatcher Neil Symmons. Symmons managed to attract a tawny owl to his garden — no mean feat, considering that he lives in downtown London and tawny owls are notoriously shy. Nonetheless, each evening for 12 straight months, Symmons has gone into his garden at dusk and 'called' his owl. And each night for 12 months he's heard the unearthly, unmistakable hoot of a tawny owl answering him.

Symmons' wife Kim was so proud of Neil. She mentioned his evening pastime her next-door neighbor.

"That's odd," said the neighbor, "my husband Fred spends his evenings out back talking to an owl..."

You guessed it. The two enthusiasts had been 'hooting' to each other every night for a year.

Birdwatching. No one ever said it would be easy.

Parenting workshop October 27

ALEXANDRIA — "We have to hear what our children are saying to us. We need a common language, a way of getting on the same wavelength," says Marion Balla.

Parents can discuss and discover some of the communication skills crucial to a healthy parent-adolescent relationship, at an upcoming parenting forum.

Balla, a prominent Ottawa parent educator, family counsellor and writer is the guest speaker at the free information evening called: Talking So Kids Will Listen, Listening So Kids Will Talk.

It's being held Mon., Oct. 27 at Glengarry District High School from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm. For more information call the Health Line at 1-800-267-0852. For transportation, call 1-800-267-7120.

"We'll be talking about reducing that type of fear," she says. "We tend to forget that the majority of teens are responsible. We have to have the faith because most teens do well."

The evening is sponsored by the Child and Family Care Program of SD&G, through funding from the Institutional Services Branch of the Ministry of Health, and the Eastern Ontario Health Unit.

Mosher shows slides

by Marjorie Baker

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — The September meeting of the Mountain Senior Citizens took place on Sept. 24.

Everyone was welcomed and the meeting continued with Doris Scarfe reading the minutes from the last meeting. Evelyn Francis gave the treasurers report while Irene Crowder and Keith Fawcett gave the other reports.

Flu shots will be available at the IOOF Hall in South Mountain on Oct. 23 from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm.

Marjorie Mosher showed slides from a trip to New Zealand.

Library celebrations

WINCHESTER — October 20 to 26 is Ontario Library Week.

Throughout SD&G, library branches will be celebrating with displays, open houses and special programs.

Of special note is the puppet show "The Frog who Wasn't" which is a mixed-up fairytale to be performed by Meadowsweet Productions. It will be held at the Winchester Library on Sat., Oct. 25 at 10 am.

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WINCHESTER TWP. — During the overnight hours of Oct. 9/10 the Cloverdale Links Golf Course was broken into. Clothing, food and tools were taken from the work shed and pro shop.

During the early evening of Oct. 19 a door to Funtastic Pools in Winchester was forced open. Nothing was stolen.

On Oct. 15 there was a break and enter on Wood Duck Dr. in Manotick. Computer components, entertainment equipment and assorted pieces of jewelry were taken.

Vehicular-related thefts

WILLIAMSBURG — During the overnight hours of Oct. 15 a CB antenna was removed from a 1997 GMC pickup truck parked in a driveway at a private residence in Williamsburg. During the theft the vehicle sustained about $300 damage to the paint.

During the afternoon of Oct. 18 a Partner 5000x chainsaw, yellow with a blue handle was taken from the back of a pickup truck parked at the Iroquois shopping centre.

Stolen property

OSGOODE TWP. — A Ricoh desktop photocopier, serial # 6140323507, was stolen from a Hwy. 31 business during the overnight hours of Oct. 13. Entry was gained by smashing a glass door.

Between 1 pm and 3 pm on Oct. 14, a Springhill Rd. home was broken into. A VCR and microwave were stolen. The same day, a Kelly Marie Dr. home was entered illegally. The culprit(s) tried to pry one of the doors and when that was unsuccessful, a door window was broken and the deadbolt was accessed. Entertainment equipment and CDs were stolen.

Missing lawn equipment

GREELY — Last week three property owners in the Greely area had lawn maintenance equipment stolen from outdoor buildings and garages. In one case a lock was cut off an outdoor shed. The missing property includes: two riding lawn tractors (Toro and Sears), a Briggs and Stratton 4-hp lawn mower, a weed eater and a leaf vacuum.

Mischief to property

OSGOODE TWP. — During the last week, there were two reported incidents involving mischief to property. An Osgoode Twp. quarry was targeted sometime before Oct. 14. Vandals smashed a window on a Caterpillar payloader, drove it into a pickup truck and pushed the truck into a creek. A two-way radio and a stereo were damaged and a cell phone was taken.

At 10:30 pm on Oct. 16 the OPP were dispatched to Dwyer Hill Rd. just north of Roger Stevens Dr. because there was something across the road. When the officers arrived, they discovered duct tape had been tied between two trees. The motorist who called in the complaint was not hurt and there was no damage to the vehicle.

Serial numbers

MANOTICK — In some break and enter investigations, the victim is unable to provide a description or the serial numbers for the stolen property. By recording the numbers or engraving your valuables it makes it much easier for the police to return your property if it is recorded. For more information on this program please contact Manotick OPP Constable Nancy Onlock at 692-2525.



Fall walk

Students at Winchester Public School participated in their annual walk--a-thon last Friday morning. At press time the total amount of funds raised was not yet tallied. Press Photo -- Fetterly

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Family pleads for return of tree

The Editor:

On June 26 of this year, Lee and I experienced the greatest loss of our lives. We lost our son Ryan in a tragic accident. He was just 14 years old and looking forward to high school.

This has been an extremely difficult time for us, but the kindness and support of family, friends, and the community has touched us very deeply.

A few weeks ago, Maple Ridge Senior Public School had a tree planting ceremony to honor the memory of Ryan. The ceremony was beautiful.

A hydrangea tree was planted as a loving reminder of the wonderful son and friend Ryan was.

Two weeks after the ceremony, the little tree mysteriously disappeared from the school. We don't know who took it or why. Maybe we never will.

Ryan's friends and family all took part in the planting of the tree and it was very special to all of us, just as Ryan will always be.

I hope that whoever has this tree, for whatever reason, takes extra special care of it. Next time maybe they'll think twice before taking something so precious that doesn't belong to them.

Sherry, Lee and Daniel Carruthers

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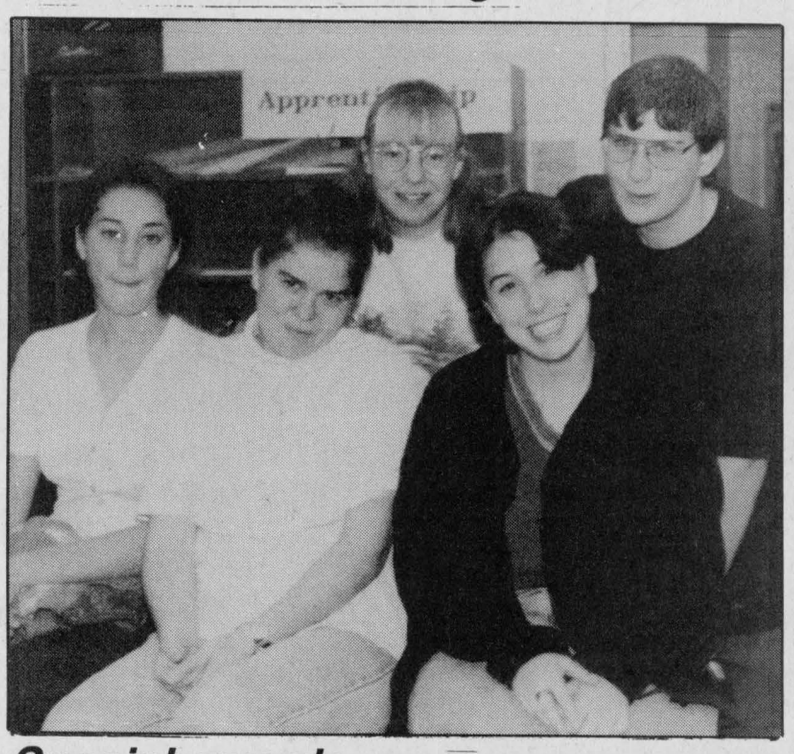
NDDHS holds junior commencement



Special awards

NDDHS recently awarded its outstanding students at the junior commencement. Some of the award winners were (from left): Stephanie Baker, Morewood Women's Institute Award Trophy to the student with the highest standing in Technical Drawing; Petra Zollinger, PG Hewitt Band Trophy to the student making the greatest contribution to the NDDHS Junior Band; Shaughnessy Muldoon, the Wesley Newman Fulton Shield to the outstanding student of Grade 9 Technology course; Tabatha Tranquilla, the Empey Trust Award of $250 to the student with the highest average in Grades 9, 10 and 11 English; and Erin Holtz, the Fulton Bros. Shield to the most outstanding Grade 9 student.
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NDDHS NOTES

by Sam Cullen

MAPLE RIDGE — Students entered last week well rested and relaxed after the Thanksgiving long weekend. Many people wished it wasn't over, but perhaps some felt a little more optimistic and appreciative of everything around them.

On Wednesday morning, an hour was devoted to trying to stir up some more of this optimism. "Food for thought", a presentation run by Ethan Milberg, was meant to entice laughter and stir up thoughts both of which seem to have been accomplished.

Clothing sales also began last week. Friday's lunch hour was set aside as time to try on clothing and orders can be placed all this week. From jackets to T-shirts, track suits to toques — students have more choices than ever before.

Last week was also the first week of moolapalooza. For the next month-and-a-half students are encouraged to drink as much milk as possible. Activities will be held weekly to help everyone have fun while trying to win great prizes for our school. If we can reach our quota for drinking milk, we can win a free video dance party.



Lions give

Barry Redmond and Jim Fawcett, representing the Mountain Township Lions Club, presented a cheque for $1,570 to the outgoing executive of the Hallville Recreation Association. The money was raised at this year's Hallville barbecue. Taking part in Monday night's presentation were (from the left): Stephanie Loughlin, Ian McKelvie, Josie Ruyf, Peter Brogan, Rene Dumoulin, Barry Redmond, Norm Matte, DonnaLee O'Farrell and Jim Fawcett.
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Successful drive

METCALFE — For the first ever food drive for the Osgoode Township Food Bank, the outcome was quite successful.

According to food bank volunteer Jane Hendriks, the food drive which was held at the Metcalfe Farmers' Market brought in over $45 and about three large boxes of food on Saturday.

"This was the first and only time we've ever held a food drive, and it was quite successful," Hendriks said. "We send out a big thanks to our donors."

The Osgoode Township Food Bank is located in Enniskerry.



Happy Birthday Grandma
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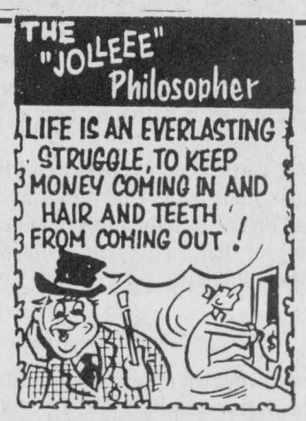
North Dundas District High School awarded its top students at a junior commencement recently. Students who attained the highest academic standing in their respective programs include: Erin Holtz (gold, Grade 9); Andrew Carkner (silver, Grade 9); Jordan Geurts (gold, Grade 10 advanced); Amanda deVries (silver, Grade 10 advanced); Nancy Robinson (gold, Grade 10 general); Sarah Westover (silver, Grade 10 general); Crystal Reitsma (gold, Grade 11 advanced); Petra Zollinger (silver, Grade 11 advanced); Tyler Veley (gold, Grade 11, general); Franziska Buri (silver, Grade 11 general).

THE "JOLLEEE" Philosopher



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Dietrich to address WMS thankoffering

WINCHESTER — The St. Paul's Presbyterian Women's Missionary Society met for Thanksgiving dinner at the Nor-Dun Centre. Special guest was Margaret Reynolds, president of the Brockville Presbyterial.

Evelyn Walker, Ann Leyenaar and Rev. Heather Jones led the meditation. Helen Kerr was the pianist and the meeting was presided over by Donna Wilson in the Beachcroft common room.

Reynolds introduced the study "Loaves and Fish" which stressed the importance of food and sharing it with others.

Quilt squares will be sent for Gracefield Camp, and toonies will be collected to assist AEC Ann Blane in her work.

On Oct. 22 at 7:30 pm at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Chesterville the group will hear Linda and Bob King tell of their mission work in India where Canadian Presbyterians have co-operated in the Bhil field for 100 years.

The group has planned a Thankoffering for Sun., Oct. 26 at 11 am when Larry Dietrich will speak of the Food Grains Bank.

Nov. 19 is the Christmas luncheon/meeting at Evelyn Walker's home, when the group will bid fond farewell to Rev. Heather Jones who is heading for mission work.

Mountain Musings

by Shirley Mills

Now is the time to visit the (almost) weekly bazaars and get ahead on your Christmas shopping. On Sat., Oct. 25 you can fit in two such sales. The first one is at St. Daniel's Catholic Church in South Mountain, running from 11 am until 2 pm with free admission. Lunch will be available for $4 (soup, sandwich, dessert and beverage) and as well as the usual good things like baking, crafts, white elephant, there will be a 50-50 draw. In addition there will be a chance to paint ceramics. Joanne Havekes will supply small ceramic items and for the low price of $2 these can be painted by anyone interested - including children. With quick drying paint, they can be taken home immediately.

The next bazaar will be held at Inkerman United Church again on Oct. 25 and it runs between 2 and 4 pm. This means you have time to go to St. Daniel's, have lunch and still make it to Inkerman for the sale there. But do remember the bridge is still out in Inkerman and you have to follow the detour sign which means going up Development Road. There is an admission charge of $2 at the church - but you do get tea - and there will be baking, plants, crafts and gorgeous jellies as well as a nearly new table. Everyone is welcome.

On Sun., Oct. 26, between 1 and 4 pm, there will be a Community Halloween Party at the Agricultural Hall in South Mountain with all ages welcome. The cost is $5 per family or $2 per person (although we did see a listing where it was only $1 if in costume.) There will be door prizes, a haunted house, hayrides and a pumpkin carving contest. It is asked that any pumpkins to be judged should be at the Ag. Hall by 12:30 that day. It sounds like a great family event.

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Luimes receives $17,000 scholarship

Dianne Fetterly
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GUELPH — A local man is the recipient of an Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada scholarship valued at $17,000 a year.

Paul Luimes of Winchester was one of 14 students studying for their doctorate degrees to receive the award. Fifteen more students pursuing Master of Arts or Master of Science degrees received scholarships valued at $15,000.

A former student of Timothy Christian School in Williamsburg and the Redeemer Christian High School in Ottawa, Luimes is currently working toward a PhD in Animal Science at McGill University, McDonald Campus. He previously studied agriculture for one year at Dordt College in Iowa and later transferred to the University of Guelph where he graduated with a Masters Degree in Animal Science in 1996.

Farm update

According to Paul's mother, Jane Luimes, Paul's grandfather piqued his interest in agriculture.

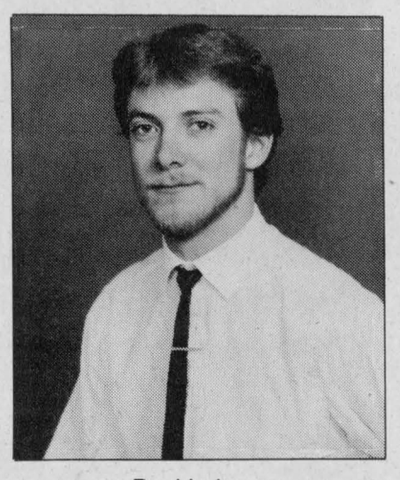
"His paternal grandfather was a farmer and came to Canada to own his own farm. This greatly influenced Paul's interest in agriculture. Many of (Paul's) summer jobs were spent on farms and other agriculture related jobs (ie: The Co-op and Agri-co)," said Jane.

The names of the recipients of the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's newly-created national Masters and Doctoral scholarships program were announced by AAFC Minister Lyle Vanclief, during a ceremony at the University of Guelph on Fri., Oct. 10.

This year's recipients were chosen by a committee of Canadian academics and were notified of their success in the program in August.

The two-year program is administered by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada and is part of the federal government's commitment to youth employment. It was open to students at all Canadian universities and provides about $500,000 in scholarships.

The Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Scholarship Program is funded through the department's Canadian Adaptation and Rural Development (CARD) Fund, set up to help the agricultural sector adapt to today's changing marketplace and allow it to take advantage of emerging opportunities.



Paul Luimes

Combine inspection can prevent losses



J.R. Brisson Equipment Ltd. service manager Richard Wubs is pictured beside a new Case IH 2144 combine.
Press Photo — Fetterly

Dianne Fetterly
Agricultural editor

WINCHESTER — Before heading out to the field this fall, combine operators may want to take note of a few basic maintenance tips to ensure things run smoothly.

"It's a good idea to do a quick walk-around of the combine.... Look for any major problems which need to be addressed so you don't get to the field and have to call (a service man)," said Richard Wubs, service manager at J.R. Brisson Equipment Ltd. In Winchester.

Case IH offers the following tips to farmers to ensure a successful threshing:

— Be sure the crop is fit to harvest;

— Adjust the combine for the crop using the initial setting as suggested by the operator's manual;

— Header efficiency is important to obtain maximum capacity without loss. The largest percentage of loss is usually caused by an improperly adjusted header. Operators should refer to the trouble shooting chart of the header or cornhead being used.

— Operate at full throttle. All drives should be based on governed speed;

— Keep an even, uniform flow of material through the combine. Allowing the combine to run near empty increases losses and grain damage.

— Select a ground speed that will not overload the machine and observe the engine overload monitor;

— Use the correct rotor speed and concave setting for the crop;

— The chaffer sieve and chaffer extension should be open to allow kernels and unthreshed heads to pass through. Too tight of a chaffer setting caused sloughing of grain and unthreshed heads. Too open of a chaffer setting overloads shoe sieves. The shoe sieve should be set open enough to allow the threshed crop to pass through. Too tight of a setting increases tailings while too open of a setting allows poor sample;

— Wind blast on the sieves should be enough to clean the sample. Excessive wind causes losses-too little wind causes chaffer and shoe overload which results in high tailings and sloughing of crop;

— Proper adjustment of sieves and wind helps reduce tailings.

Brisson hosted a Case IH Combine Service Clinic on Tues., Oct. 14 to give customers the opportunity to talk with experts about their combines. Among other things, company reps discussed servicing the combine, maintenance, set-up and operation of the grain and corn heads as well as the basic combine itself. They also touched on the new Case IH combines with Advanced Farm Systems (AFS).

Workshops help owners develop woodlot plans

MANOTICK — The Ontario Woodlot Association in co-operation with the Eastern Ontario Model Forest will be conducting workshops to assist woodlot owners in developing Woodlot Management Plans under the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program (MFTIP).

The hands-on workshops are designed to help woodlot owners set realistic goals and objectives for their plans and to provide woodlot inventory information specific to their property.

The workshop will entail two evening sessions. On the first evening participants will be introduced to the importance of a woodlot management; will learn how to set goals and objectives; and will receive Forest Resource Inventory maps specific to their property.

On the second evening, woodlot owners will be able to discuss specific concerns about their property with forest resource managers. Participants will also receive information on other inventory techniques as well as additional information on how to manage their woodlots on a sustainable basis.

The workshops will be held at the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority office in Manotick on Thurs., Oct. 23 and Thurs., Oct. 30 There is a $20 registration fee for non-members and $15 for members of the Eastern Ontario Model Forest or the Ontario Woodlot Association. The fee covers both sessions.

This year's applicants for the MFTIP are also reminded that the deadline to have their approved management plans in the Ontario Woodlot Association is Nov. 17.

For information or to register for the workshops please call toll free 1-800-387-5304 or 613-692-0017.

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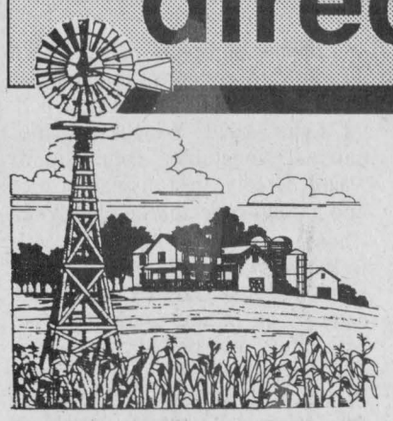

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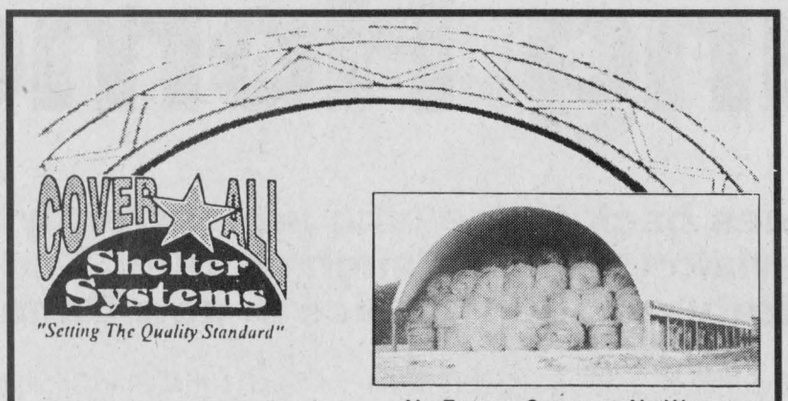

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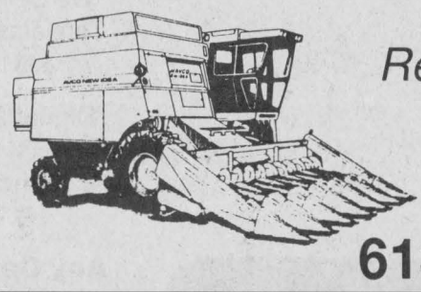

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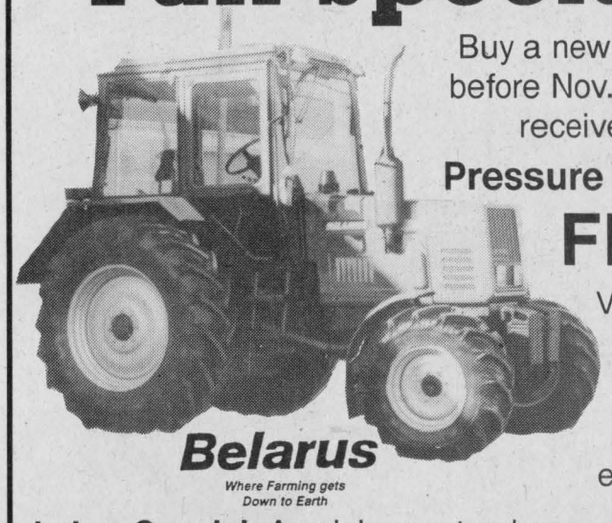

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The following is a list of the winners:

BAKING

Campion bread: Ann Velthuis, Osgoode; champion pie: Audrey Little, Metcalfe; champion cake: Audrey Little, Metcalfe.

WINE

Red wine: William Robertson, Metcalfe; white wine: Terri Moore.

HOMECRAFTS

Best quilt: Victoria Vanderlinden, Kenmore; best painting: David Grey, Metcalfe; special group display of Thanksgiving: Edwards United Church.

JUNIORS

Safety in agriculture poster, Daniel Brooks, Metcalfe.

Joe Rowan Memorial Writing Contest: Julie Christiansen, Orleans.

FLOWERS

100th anniversary of WI special: Betty Prophet, Edwards; best potted plant in bloom: Jane Vedder, Metcalfe.

PONY AND WESTERN SHOW

Showmanship at halter: Chad Woodcock with Impressum Miss Windy.

Local pony: Shawn Fisher with Jack.

Western equitation: Natalie Benoit with Polat.

Musical chairs: Shawn Fisher with Jack.

English pleasure saddle: Chad Woodcock with Impressum Miss Windy.

Command class: Chad Woodcock with Impressum Miss Windy.

Sack race: Shawn Fisher with Jack.

Western pleasure saddle horse: Natalie Benoit with Polat.

Barrel race: Chad Woodcock with Impressum Miss Windy.

Keyhole race: Chad Woodcock with Impressum Miss Windy.

GRAINS, HAY, SILAGE, FRUITS, VEGETABLES AND CHEESE

Champion hay: Darlene Scharf, Metcalfe; reserve champion: John K. Campbell, Metcalfe.

Grand champion cheese: Ault Foods, Winchester; reserve champion cheese: Ivan Matte, Armstrong, British Columbia.

Largest pumpkin: Bert Doornwaard, Vernon; largest tomato: Darlene Scharf, Metcalfe; largest potato: Lyle Skuce, Winchester; most unusual vegetable: John Doornwaard, Greely; best display of roots and garden vegetables: John Doornwaard, Greely; Apples: Mike Brouseau, Vernon.

4 kg oats — Darlene Scharf, Metcalfe; 4 kg barley, Darlene Scharf, Metcalfe; 5 kg shelled corn — Sandra Carscadden, Morewood; 10 ears of corn — Dwayne Acres, Osgoode; 5 kg of corn silage — Bert Velthuis, Osgoode; 5 kg haylage, Bert Velthuis, Osgoode; sheaf silage corn — John K. Campbell, Metcalfe.

SHEEP

Leicester, champion ram: Hunterdown Lad — Gerald and Joanne Hunter, Smiths Falls; champion ewe: Hunterdown Lass — Gerald and Joanne Hunter, Smiths Falls.

North Country Cheviots, champion ram: Bell Acres Lad — Robert J. Bell, North Gower; champion ewe — Bell Acres Lass — Robert J. Bell, North Gower.

Suffolks, champion ram: Hunterdown Lad — Gerald and Joanne Hunter, Smiths Falls; champion ewe: Hunterdown Lass — Gerald and Joanne Hunter, Smiths Falls.

Dorsets, champion ram: Dow B&L — Blair and Lisa Dow, Metcalfe; champion ewe: Jameshaven Farms — Lois and Jack James, Russell.

Any other breed, champion ram and ewe: Dow B&L — Blair and Lisa Dow, Metcalfe.

Champion ram of the show: Hunterdown Farms, Smiths Falls; champion ewe of the show: Dow B&L — Blair and Lisa Dow, Metcalfe.

LIGHT HORSE

Chairperson award: Valiant's Fox Fire — Linda Whitney (horse division): Olympic Gold — Lloyd Goth (pony division).

HEAVY HORSE

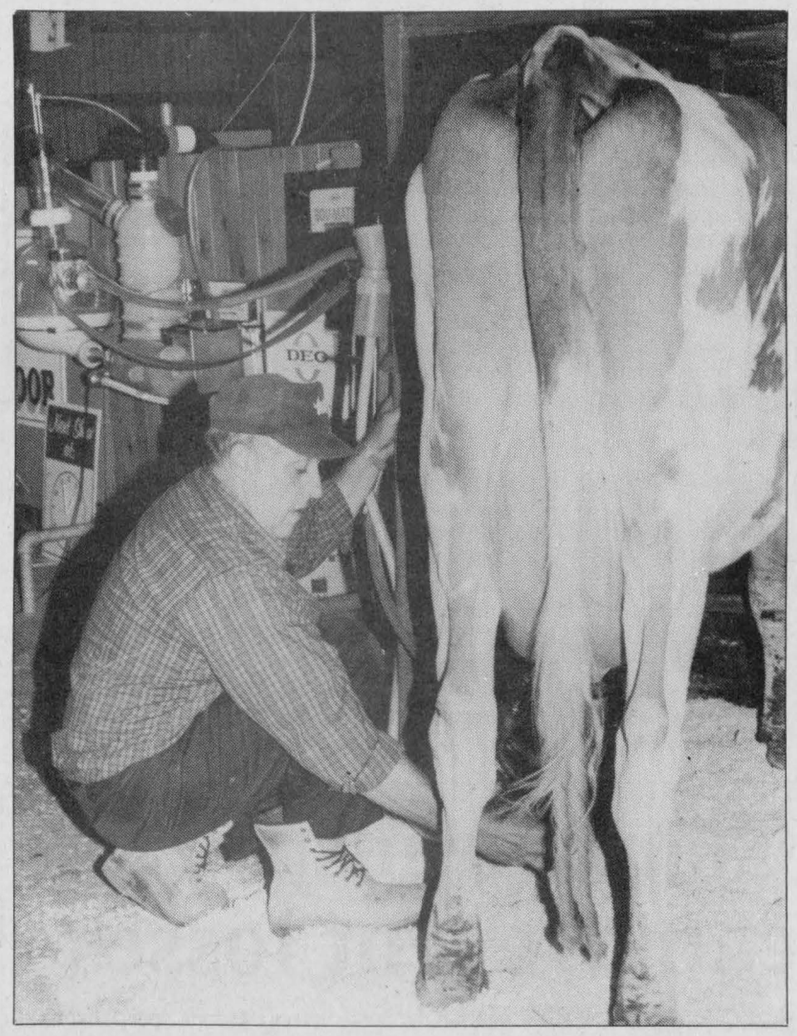
Best horse on the grounds, heavy draft breed: Dolly — Gordon Nesbitt, Alymer, Quebec.

Junior driving competition: Josh Nicol — Copenhagen, New York.

Four-horse heavy draft tandem hitch: Stewart Crabb, Stittsville.

Four-horse commercial tanden hitch: Allison Fawcett/Harry Poole, Winchester.

Championship six-horse hitch: Stewart Crabb, Stittsville.



BEEF CATTLE

Limousin — champion bull and grand champion female: Enright Farms, Renfew.

Hereford — champion bull: Glen-Vu Farms, Jim and Pat Brass, Arnprior; grand champion female: Jay Bradley, Casselman.

Angus — champion bull: Elmgrove Cattle Co., Jeff Bailey, Perth; grand champion female: Coverlane Farms, Steve James, Perth.

Simmentals — champion bull: Gerald Donovan, Stittsville; grand champion female: Sterling Burns, Perth.

WESTERN HORSE SHOW

Halter class, mares two years and under: Anne Scharf riding Sheza Knotty Pine.

Mares three years and over: Chad Woodcock riding Impressum Miss Windy.

Stallions and geldings (three years and over): Wayne Byrne riding Rockem Sockem Lord.

Lead line class (tie): Gail Rowan riding Two Time Sonny and Jordan Alma riding the Best of Times.

Jr. English pleasure: Shelley Stephenson riding Boot Scoopin Boogie.

Sr. English pleasure: Kristal Bonnah riding Is The Best of Time.

Hunt seat equitation: Barbara Kettles riding Tripped Out.

Trail: Barbara Kettles riding Tripped Out.

Sr. Western pleasure: Jessica Forster McKewen riding Impressive Rockstar.

Jr. Western pleasure: Wayne Byrne riding Rockem Sockem Lord.

Western horsemanship: Barbara Kettles riding Tripped Out.

Command: Dr. Glenda Bradley riding Mr. Kool.

Pleasure driving: Wayne Byrne riding Rockem Sockem Lord.

Utility Driving: Wayne Byrne, Anne Scharf riding Skip on By Ward.

High point performance horse and rider: Barbara Kettles riding Tripped Out.

GAMES

Pole bending: Francois Leduc riding Slade Rule.

Flag: Shelley Stephenson riding Zips Question Cody.

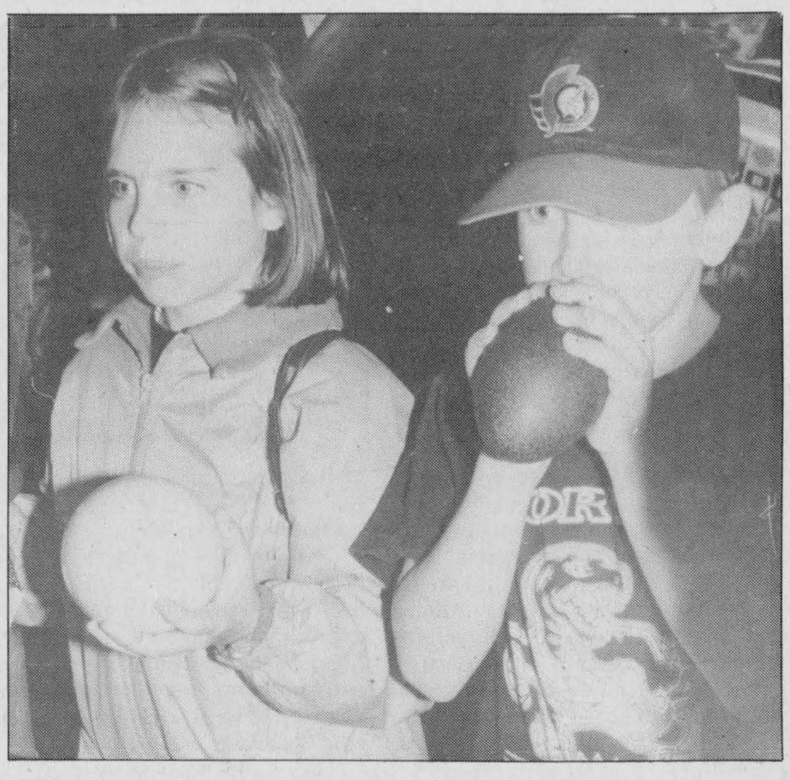
Barrels: Francois Leduc riding Slade Rule.

Keyhole: Maryse Desjardin riding HyJoe.

Dash for cash: Shelley Stephenson riding Zips Question Cody.

Relay: Francois Leduc riding Slade Rule.

High point games horse and rider: Francois Leduc riding Slade Rule.



Through the barn door

Visitors to this year's Metcalfe Fair Oct. 2 - 5 poured into "The Barn Door" for a whirlwind education in agriculture. The exhibit area featured displays and demonstrations from a number of area commodity groups including, poultry and eggs, dairy, swine, beef, specialty liveestock and more. Pictured, Floyd Fisher demonstrates cow milking; and youngsters take a closer look at ostrich and emu eggs.

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Nutrient management important to farmers

TORONTO — A recent survey conducted by the Ontario Federation of Agriculture lists nutrient management as a top concern with Ontario farmers.

More than 700 farmers completed detailed questionnaires at the recent Outdoor Farm Show in Woodstock and the International Plowing Match and Machinery Show held last month in Simcoe County. Seventy-three per cent of respondents rated environmental issues, particularly commercial fertilizer and manure management, as very important, while 25 per cent said it was fairly important to them and their operations.

More than 92 per cent of respondents also said they consider the development of a nutrient management plant to be a normal farm practice.

"Our survey clearly shows that Ontario farmers take the stewardship of our farmland as a serious responsibility," said OFA President Tony Morris. "When 98 per cent of farmers say nutrient management is either very important or fairly important, it indicates they have a strong commitment to ensuring a safe, clean and healthly environment."

Farmers were also asked "Who do you think should ensure farmers comply with their nutrient management plans?" More than 53 per cent said farm groups should be responsible, while 25 per cent said the province and 21 per cent said it should be municipalities.

As well, The survey indicates that all sectors of agriculture show commitment to nutrient management. More than 73 per cent of the respondents raise livestock and 63 per cent grow cash crops.

Organic symposium this weekend

DIXONS CORNERS — The Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario is holding a Symposium and Family Day on Sat., Oct. 25 at the Community Christian Reform Church in Dixons Corners.

Speakers for the day will include: Murray Manley, who will discuss availability and demand for organic crops; Pat Arbour will talk about marketing; Larry Klein, who will discuss human diet and ecological farming; and Murray Bast, who will touch on animal health and homeopathy.

Hubert Earl will give the President's Report and conduct the election of an Eastern Ontario rep.

Registration is 9:30 - 10:30 am. The program will run from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm.

Admission is $10 per person and includes lunch.

For information contact: Michael Krol at 613-347-7561 or Janet Duncan at 613-256-2933.



Fire department gets boost

The Dundas Veterinary Services recently donated the proceeds from their Rabies Clinic held Sat., Sept. 13 to the Winchester Fire Department. Pictured, Rose Hennin holding 'Cricket' the Black Lab presents Dan Kelly of the Winchester Fire Department with a cheque for $200. Press Photo — Fetterly

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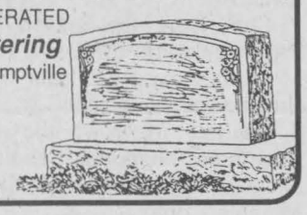

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Ormond club exhibits work at UCV

by Christopher Toonen

ORMOND — On the weekend of Sept. 20 - 21 members of the Ormond Needlepoint club participated in the Fall Fair at Upper Canada Village.

Members exhibiting their work included: Julia Deeke, Shelley Deeke, Sara Howse, Emmanuelle Sheldrick, Marc Sheldrick, Melissa Stoodley, Christopher Toonen and Shannon Toonen.

The following weekend members of Our Heritage project made a display of patchwork quilted totes. Displaying their weekend totes were: Shannon and Christopher Toonen, Marc and Emmanuelle Sheldrick. Patty Duke and Stephanie Sheldrick displayed their show totes.

Thanks to the staff at Upper Canada Village for allowing young people of the community to display their articles in a setting where 4-H work was seen by so many who would have never known or seen that aspect of the program.

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Carefully monitor milk temperature

by Roger Pommainville
OMAFRA milk quality advisor

ALFRED — On occasion, during my visits, I find milk temperatures above the levels approved by regulations — this often consequently means higher bacteria counts for that producer. Milk producers should aim to keep their milk temperature between one and four degrees Celsius, which is what regulations ask for.

Bacteria have all they need to multiply in milk — food, moisture and temperature, which is the limiting factor to slow or increase their growth. When bacteria multiply, they divide by two, and thus doubling their population. If there are 100 bacteria per millilitre of milk at the outset, it becomes 2000 when they reproduce once, then 4000, 8000, 16000, etc. At 45 degrees Celsius, the doubling effect only takes around 20 minutes to occur.

The best way to limit bacterial growth is to keep the milk temperature low. Depending on the initial bacterial population in the milk, it can soon reach the 100,000 penalty limit if temperature is above four degrees Celsius. I have seen a lot of bulk tank milk temperatures above four degrees Celsius (up to eight degrees Celsius on one farm in the last month). Even at four degrees Celsius, bacteria will double.

Dairy producers should be monitoring their milk temperature in the following ways:

— The bulk tank thermometer temperature if it is accurate is a good gauge. I estimate, however that about one-third of these thermometers are inaccurate, especially on older tanks, often off by four to five degrees Celsius.

— Verify the temperature reported by the trucker at pick-up time. If the milk collection report indicates temperatures at four degrees Celsius or above, the bulk tank thermostat should be turned down. By regulation, the bulk tank milk grader must check the milk temperature with his hand-held thermometer each time he picks up milk.

— A hand-held thermometer can also be purchased from the local DFO fieldman to verify if the temperature is within regulations.

Any of the above methods should indicate if a temperature adjustment is required or if there are abnormal temperature fluctuations. Milk freezing in the tank usually indicates that the temperature is too low. On the opposite side, high milk temperatures usually mean lower quality milk due to the faster proliferation of bacteria.

For further information about milk temperature or any other milk quality issues, contact me at 1-800-465-9974.

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Seaway District High honors grads of '97

IROQUOIS — Seaway District High School graduate Scott Barkley was named an Ontario Scholar as well as the evening's valedictorian at this year's commencement ceremonies.

Other Ontario scholars were: Michael Brunt, Stacey Gibson, Stephanie McKeen, Natalie Patterson, Hugh Porter, Andrew Robertson, Sarah-Jane Whitteker and Rebecca Zandbergen.

OSSD graduates: Joshua Adams, Jason Bailey, Kathleen Barkley, Scott Barkley, Anneliese Bartlett, Marc Beach, Irene Berghuis, Daniel Blanchard, Shannon Boyd, Julie Breuer, Michael Brunt, David Buter, Steven Bygott, Lori Byvelds, Stephanie Cassell, Brad Casselman, Jennifer Casselman, Carrie Collins, Sylvain Couture, Robert Darling, Autumn Davidson, Jose Augusto De Almeida, Marla Duvall, Michael Easter, Melanie Evans, Melora Fader, Jill Francis, Mark Froats, Tim Garlough, Stacey Gibson, Kathleen Graham, Julie Gurnhill, Erin Henry, Rick Hess, Erin Howle, Tracy Irven, Ryan Johnston, Lyall Jollota, Christopher Keck, Christopher Krug, Christopher William Lee, Maria Leonardo, Adam Lewis, Cory Locke, Benjamin Luimes, Colin MacDonald, Jonathan MacGregor, Kevin MacKillican, Eugenia Martel, Melissa Martin, Stephanie McKeen, Jennifer Morin, Jennifer Morrow, John Noon, Terry O'Connell, Aaron Orlicky, Natalie Patterson, Hugh Porter, Jean Marc Poulin, Angela Reid, Amy Riddick, Andrew Robertson, Spencer Rooney, Heather Rumble, Stephanie Runions, Ebony Sager, Peter Schnurr, Kevin Scott, Sherri Lee Shaver, Steven St. Pierre, Marlene Stearry, Andrew Summers, Andrew Thompson, Dawn Tibben, David Trude, Sarah Trude, Christopher VanBeilen, Jeffrey Vandermeulen, Patrick Vaughan, Tara Wagemans, Kereen Wardle, Sarah-Jane Whitteker, Rebecca Zandbergen, Tanya Zandbergen.

Students have earned at least eight business credits and will receive business studies endorsements: Carrie Collins, Jill Francis, Angela Reid, Tanya Zandbergen, Marla Duvall, Julie Gurnhill, Sherri Lee Shaver.

Students who have earned 10 French immersion credits and will receive a certificate of French Immersion: Scott Barkley, Irene Berghuis, Hugh Porter.

Students who have earned 12 French Immersion credits and will receive a certificate of French Immersion with concentration: Stacey Gibson, Natalie Patterson.

Rebecca Zandbergen: English Department Award; the Decker Award; first in OAC families; Students' Council 80 per cent award to students in their OAC year; proficiency award in OAC (third); the Morrisburg Leader Award; the Mary Robertson Memorial Scholarship; Seaway teacher's bursary; Riverside Heights Women's Institute Award.

Sarah-Jane Whitteker: English Department Award; proficiency award in OAC (first); the Governor General's Academic Medal; the Fred Geurkink Memorial Award; the math award in memory of Cameron Cluff; the RohMax Canada Award; Standard Freeholder Bursary .

Amy Riddick: the McAllister Bursary; the Beavers Dental Products Ltd.; students' council honor award to students in their OAC year; the North Mountain Consolidated School, South Mountain Continuation School and the Mountain District High School reunion award; Seaway teachers' bursary.

Stephanie McKeen: best communicative skills, OAC French; students' council 80 per cent award; the Mountain Township and District Lions Awards; the Bank of Montreal bursary; Seaway teachers' bursary.

Michael Brunt: first in advanced OAC chemistry; students' council 80 per cent award; the St. Cecil's/St. Mary's Catholic Women's League bursary; the RohMax Canada Award; Wayne Johnston Memorial Award.

Marla Duvall: students' council honor award to students in their OAC year; the Effie Prunner Memorial Award; the Tom Corden Memorial Award; the Morrisburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 48 bursary.

Stacey Gibson: the Iroquois Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370 bursary; the C.S. Brooks/Caldwell award; the Edgerton-Baker Fuels award; students' council 80 per cent award to students in their OAC year.

Andrew Robertson: proficiency award OAC (second); the 25th reunion committee scholarship; the Tom Corden Memorial Award; Seaway bursary; students' council 90 per cent award.

Natalie Patterson: students' council 80 per cent award; the Nationview Public School bursary; the Annie A. Boyd Scholarship.

Jill Francis: the Beaupre Jewellers award; the Co-operative Education Award; vice-principal's award.

Rick Hess: the IOOF Williamsburg Lodge 349 bursary; the Mahlon Zeron Bursary.

Erin Howle: Students Council Honor Award to students in Grade 12; the Morrisburg Women's Institute Award; the Dundas Bus Service Award.

Chris Krug: the Beavers Dental Products Award; the David Stevens Memorial Award; Students' Council Honor Award.

Jennifer Morrow: the Randy Thompson Memorial Scholarship; the Madden Scholarship; the C.F. McInnis Trophy.

Ryan Johnston: Seaway Teachers' Bursary; the Iroquois High School Reunion Bursary; the Morrisburg and District Arts and Crafts Association Award.

Sylvain Couture: 'First' in Grade 11 Parenting (general); Seaway Teachers' Bursary; Chinook Group Award.

Shannon Boyd: Students' Council Honor Award; the North Mountain Consolidated School, South Mountain Continuation School and the Mountain District High School Reunion Award; the Mountain Township and District Lions Award.

Kevin Scott: Whitteker Meat Market Bursary; Dundas Bus Service Award.

Julie Gurnhill: the Morrisburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 48 Bursary; Kim Bucking Award.

Steven St. Pierre: the C.S. Brooks-Caldwell Award; the Chieftain Award.

Irene Berghuis: Students' Council Honor Award to students in their OAC year with an average between 74. 5 per cent and 79.4 per cent; the Morrisburg Lions Club bursary.

Scott Barkley: the Williamsburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 538 bursary; Students' Council 80 per cent award.

Hugh Porter: the Lion Harry VanMoorsel Memorial Scholarship; Students Council 80 per cent award.

Sarah Trude: Students' Council Honor Award; the Upper Canada Motors Award.

Jennifer Casselman: 'First' in Grade 12 Housing (basic); Annette Turner Award.

Julie Breuer: Students' Council Honor Award; the Morrisburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 48 Bursary.

Tracy Irven: the St. Lawrence College Board of Governors' Scholarship; the Madden Scholarship.

Stephanie Cassell: the Tom Corden Memorial Award; the Morrisburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 48 Bursary.

Michael Easter: the Iroquois Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370 Bursary; the C.S. Brooks-Caldwell Award.

Heather Rumble: the Bob Kilger Award; the Corporation of the Village of Iroquois Bursary.

Eugenia Martel: Seaway Teachers' Bursary; the Order of the Eastern Star Moonlight Chapter 224 Award.

Dan Blanchard: Seaway Teachers' Bursary; the Randy Thompson Memorial Scholarship.

Melissa Martin: the St. Lawrence Medical Clinic Scholarship; the Notman Bursary.



Maria Leonardo: Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home Bursary; the Students' Council Trophy for outstanding Grade 12 student.

Sherri Shaver: the Glen Services Award.

Tanya Zandbergen: the Matilda Rebekah Lodge Award.

Jennifer Morin: Students' Council Honor Award to students in Grade 12.

Spencer Rooney: the Swank Construction Ltd. Bursary.

Jason Bailey: Jacques E. Asselin Real Estate Award.

Marc Beach: Hartley's Sport Shop Award.

Colin MacDonald: Fred Hill Insurance Bursary.

Tim Garlough: the Steinburg Motor Sales Trophy.

Autumn Davidson: the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation Bursary.

Aaron Orlicky: the Knights of Columbus/Father Bernard Coyle Council Award.

David Buter: the Weagant Farm Supplies Award.

Chris VanBeilen: the Jamieson Award.

Terry O'Connell: the Friendly Brothers' Masonic Lodge #143.

Erin Henry: the Iroquois/Matilda Lions Club Bursary.

Dawn Tibben: the Iroquois/Matilda Lions Club Bursary.

Rob Darling: the Morrisburg Lions Club Bursary.

Stephanie Runions: the Morrisburg Lions Club Bursary.

John Noon: the Royal Bank Award.

Melora Fader: the Iroquois Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370 Bursary.

Lori Byvelds: the Rooney Feeds Award.

Kylie Adams: the Chris Salmon Memorial Shield and Award.

Cory Locke: Seaway Teachers' Bursary.

Kereen Wardle: Seaway Teachers' Bursary.

Andrew Thompson: the Cruickshank Construction Bursary.

Jean Marc Poulin: the Ross Video Scholarship.

Jonathan MacGregor: the Gordon Mallette Memorial Bursary.

Ebony Sager: the Morrisburg Royal Canadian Legion Branch 48 Ladies' Auxiliary Bursary.

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Lyall Jollotta: the Seaway Automotive Award.

Jeff Vandermeulen: the IOOF Connaught Lodge #440 Award.

Marc Beach: Seaway Valley Power and Sail Squadron Trophy.

Adam Lewis: the Doug and Susan Murray Technology Award.

David Trude: the Iroquois Enterprises Award and Robert L. Jackson trophy.

Model forest hand-over

KEMPTVILLE — A formal signing ceremony for a funding agreement totalling $2.5 million will take place on Sat., Oct. 25 at the GH Ferguson Forest Station in Kemptville. Representatives from the Eastern Ontario Model Forest (EOMF), Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, and the Canadian Forest Service will be participating in the signing event.

This ceremony will be held in combination with an eastern Ontario "Forestry Fair" which commemorates the hand-over of the former government-owned Forest Station to the local municipality. Events such as walking tours, displays, a tree auction, kids activities, and a forestry "yard sale" are all planned for the day. This day also marks the first chance for landowners to order trees for spring 1998 planting.

A network of partners dedicated to conserving and promoting sustainable forest development, the EOMF covers 1.5 million hectares, including the counties of Lanark, Leeds, Grenville, SD&G, Prescott, Russell and the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton. The forested portion of the region is growing and now sits at 38 per cent.

This agreement marks the second phase of the EOMF's participation (which began in 1992) in the Canadian Model Forest program — a program dedicated to researching, examining, testing and promoting sustainable forest management. Ten other model forest sites also exist within Canada, and each site is dedicated to applying sustainable forestry within their own regional context. The program is largely funded by the Canadian Forest Service and Natural Resources Canada.

Signing of a new agreement marks the beginning of phase two of operations in partnership with the Canadian Forest Service. "We are very pleased to be able to take part in an event of such local significance as we mark the beginning of phase two of our program," stated EOMF General Manager Brian Barkley.

The EOMF has been active in facilitating the transfer of the former provincially-owned forest station to the local municipality (Oxford-Rideau Township).

The team of community volunteers organizing the festivities on Oct. 25 are putting out an urgent call for people to participate in a forestry "yard sale". This is a chance for people to bring in "goods from the woods" such as forestry books, forestry and carving tools, wood carving blocks, etc., to be put up for sale.

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