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Dealership closes doors

By Allen Van Bridger
Press Staff

WINCHESTER — Drewery Pontiac Buick owner Rosalind Drewery held a brief staff meeting at her GM dealership last Wednesday to announce the closing of her 13-year-old business. Effective Fri., May 9 at 5 pm 17 people were out of work.

Drewery told the *Press* last Thursday morning the closure was strictly a business decision.

"There is financial stress on the dealership to provide today's specialized equipment and training. But, it was my decision to close it. And it was a business, not an economical decision," Drewery stated.

Drewery explained that General Motors provided her with an opportunity to acquire a larger dealership in Cornwall. She explained the industry is reshaping and in an effort to provide excellent service, General Motors is looking to larger, more centralized dealerships, and to that end she has purchased Cornwall Motor Sales.

"The opportunity to make the purchase came up about a month ago. So, as of Monday morning (May 12) I'm the owner of Cornwall Motor Sales."

Drewery, who began her career in the auto industry as a parts person in Hull, Quebec 31 years ago, was very emotional and said closing the dealership was stressful.

"It (the dealership) is my baby. I started it (Drewery's) and it is special. The Village of Winchester responded to us when we opened and has been good to us. It is certainly no reflection on the people. I'm not turning my back on my people. I'm trying to set up job interviews for everyone."

Drewery wanted to thank her customers and let them know their warranty and service needs would be addressed by other area GM dealers.

"The announcement left the staff in total shock. Some came up to me and gave me a hug, others volunteered to stay on to help out until everything is wrapped up and others weren't as understanding," Drewery said.

The closure caught many staff members by surprise. Body shop manager Denis Ouellette, who has been with the dealership since 1989, said because of the recent cutbacks he felt something was in the works but added he was still floored by Wednesday's announcement.

"We had the meeting at noon and 15 minutes later we knew we were finished Friday (May 9) at 5 o'clock."

"It's an awful feeling. I'm still in a daze," a sombre Ouellette explained.

Another member of the body shop staff, Perry Marriner, also a Winchester resident, has been with Drewery's since the beginning in 1984.

"I understand what Mrs. Drewery is going through. It's been tough on her but the village is sure going to miss it (dealership). I know when Winchester Cheese closed we noticed not as many people came in to get their

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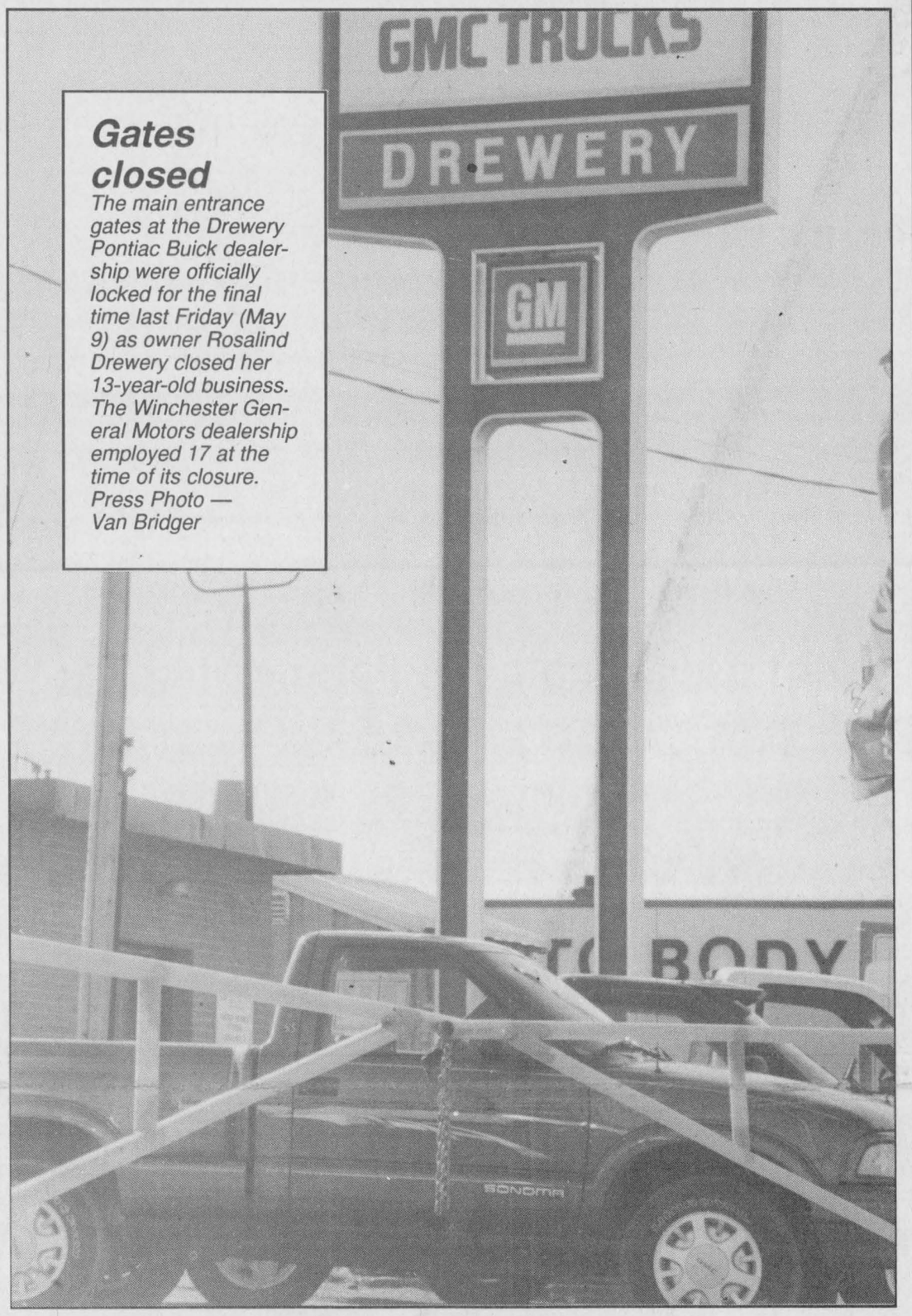

Gates closed
The main entrance gates at the Drewery Pontiac Buick dealership were officially locked for the final time last Friday (May 9) as owner Rosalind Drewery closed her 13-year-old business. The Winchester General Motors dealership employed 17 at the time of its closure. Press Photo — Van Bridger

35 head perish in barn fire

by Sandra Dillich
Press staff

WINCHESTER — A century barn just outside of the village burned to the ground on May 7.

The barn, owned by Bruce and Barry Holmes, housed their 38 heifers, 35 of which died, along with chickens. Hay and soybean seed were destroyed in another barn.

"Thank God it wasn't the home barn. At least we had something to do this morning (Thursday, May 8)," explained Bruce Holmes.

The fire began at about 8 pm when a motor and fan in the barn blew out.

"Barry went by and came back and told us the barn was on fire," added Bruce. "Cows were still standing when we opened the door but none would come out."

About 50 firemen from the Village of Winchester, Winchester Township and Mountain Township departments responded to the barn blaze.

"The barn was fully engulfed when we arrived," said Village of Winchester fireman Brad Holmes. The village department received the call at 8:11 pm.

The three departments were on site until 8:35 Thursday morning.

According to Holmes, the strong northwest wind hampered the men from quickly extinguishing the fire.

"The wind was blowing towards the house and where we set up we were right into it."

Martin Hanscomb's home, located next to the barn, was spared.

"Great big charred chunks just slid right off of the house. It was bloody scary. I've never seen one (a fire) up close," noted Hanscomb.

The village fire department also tapped into the nearby creek for extra water.

"It was close by and you get a better splat of water (from it)," noted Holmes.

Candidates debate ag issues

CHESTERVILLE — Area residents will have the opportunity to question the four local candidates vying to represent Stormont-Dundas in the House of Commons.

An all-candidates meeting to debate agricultural issues will be held at North Dundas District High School on Tues., May 27 at 8 pm. The meeting is jointly sponsored by Dundas and Stormont Federations of Agriculture.

Although the focus of the evening will be agricultural issues, the general public is invited to attend and ask Bob Kilger (Liberal), Leslie O'Shaughnessy (PC), Charles Dillabough (Reform) and Syd Gardiner (NDP) questions on any topic.

"Agriculture is an important part of the economy," said Gordon Garlough, past president of DFA. "We want to ensure that the voters of Stormont-Dundas have a chance to hear the candidates' positions on local farming questions."

Garlough noted that DFA and SFA are not endorsing or attacking any of the candidates.

"We are non-partisan," he said. "It's up to the voters to decide for whom to cast their ballots."

The local federations of agriculture are taking an active interest in this election campaign in order to bring out area agricultural

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Village taxpayers fork out more

by Sandra Dillich
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Village residents and business people alike will once again be digging deeper into their pockets to pay off the taxman.

This year, the village has to raise $1,220,821 through taxation for the public school board which is down from last year's $1,274,633.

However, the mill rate for residential and commercial public school taxpayers has increased.

"It's because the (public school board) assessment has dropped. There's not as many people sharing the burden, so the mill rate has gone up," explained village Clerk-Treasurer/Administrator Bonnie Dingwall.

Based on a 5,000 assessment, residential/public mill rates will go up by 9.829 (1996-300.89, 1997- 310.719) while the commercial/public mill rates jump by 11.564 (1996-353.988, 1997-365.552).

The number of separate school supporters within the village has increased over last year, along with their taxes, due to a hike in fees to the village which jumps from $149,902 in 1996 to this year's $204,317.

Based on a 5,000 assessment, residential/separate mill rates will jump by 10.807 1996-302.596, 1997-313.403) while the commercial/separate mill rate goes up by 12.712 (1996-355.995, 1997-368.709).

Residential public board supporters will see their taxes jump by $74.18, while residential /separate school supporters will be hit with a $56.53 tax increase.

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Man's best friend
Holly, a fox terrier, and her owner Doris Mills visited with Leonard Trillo, a patient at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Wed., May 7. Holly and her canine friend, Babe, a greyhound, visit patients at the hospital once a week to brighten their day.

Press Photo — Wolfe

Warrant issued for Meathrell

MORRISBURG — A bench warrant has been issued by Provincial Court Judge R. Masse for Donald Meathrell after he failed to appear in court on May 13.

In a note written to Masse from Meathrell's doctor, it stated that Meathrell was too ill to attend court and requested that any further court matters be deferred.

Meathrell's lawyer also failed to appear in court on May 13.

Meathrell, 46, has been charged with impaired driving causing death and dangerous driving causing death in relation to the September 14, 1996 death of Daniel Barkley. He has also not yet entered a plea in this matter.

At about 8:30 pm on September 14, 1996 Barkley, 36, of RR 1, Morrisburg was killed instantly when his northbound car collided with a southbound vehicle driven by Meathrell at Winchester Springs.

YOUNG OFFENDER

After five appearances in provincial court, the young offender charged in relation to the October 24, 1996 motor vehicle accident, which killed Jennifer Schaus and Christina Carson, is expected to enter a plea in Morrisburg on May 27.

The young offender, who cannot be named under the Young Offenders Act, has

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Winchester Trade Show this weekend

WINCHESTER — Winchester will be brimming with great deals this weekend as the village hosts the first Winchester Spring Trade Show and the Village of Winchester Garage Sale and Winchester Merchants Mini Sidewalk Sale.

This year's trade show kicks off tomorrow (May 15) at the Winchester Arena and Winchester Curling Club and runs until Fri., May 16. Visitors can take in the show from 6:30 to 9:30 pm.

New to this year's show is a boating and fishing show and demonstrations by Winchester Paddletales, a craft show, live hedgehogs, plastic lumber products, and a local reflexologist and masseuse.

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Drewery's

cars serviced. It's going to hurt," Marriner said.

"I feel bad for the 16 other people here. A business closing is hard on everyone," offered Ouellette.

Because of their trade, both men felt they would be able to find work but agreed it just won't be the same, noting in the past even if the weather was bad they could still walk to work.

Salesman Terry Merkley of Elma has been with Drewery's for eight years and also said it is tough to say goodbye. "We are just like a family here... that's what I will miss."

TRICKLE DOWN

Closing a business in any town has a trickle down effect and two village businessmen say the Drewery's closure will be very noticeable.

Joel Steele, who has owned and operated the CountryBoy Shop for 25 years says another business disappearing is a blow to his business as well as to the Village of Winchester.

"Most people don't realize the amount of commercial tax businesses pay to the village. Personally the closing is a knock to our business. People who worked at Drewery's were good customers. People who bought cars there and had them serviced there were good customers here so it will hurt."

Steele added, "People feel an allegiance to a small dealership because of the service. Now we are sending that business out of town."

Gary Annable, of Annable's Jewellery said if the closure was a GM decision, it wasn't a good one.

"It is a shame. Big is not always better. People don't realize how many jobs they are getting rid of when they close a small dealership."

Candidates

issues and to give the public a chance to become more informed on the candidates' stand on farming and agriculture.

An agricultural platform, a list of the most important farming issues locally, will be presented to all candidates within the coming week.

The candidates will be asked for their views on these issues and their responses will be published before the meeting on May 27, 1997 at North Dundas District High School.

Taxes

However, local businessmen are not being spared due to the declining number of commercial enterprises operating within the village.

Commercial/public school supporters will see a $60.75 tax hike while commercial/separate school taxpayers will see a $46.50 increase.

"There's a reduction in commercial and business assessment but there's not as many supporting the commercial taxes," noted Dingwall.

County levies have dropped from $327,405 in 1996 to this year's level of $296,788.

Court

been charged with impaired driving causing death and dangerous driving causing death.

The southbound Chevy Cavalier driven by Schaus, 18, of Embrun, collided with the northbound Chevy pick-up truck, in the southbound lane just north of Chesterville, driven by the young offender at about 8 am on October 24.

Trade Show

The Country Boy/Country Girl will show off the newest spring lines during shows both evenings at 8:30 pm.

The fourth annual Village of Winchester Garage Sale and Winchester Merchants Mini Sidewalk Sale is slated for Sat., May 17, beginning in the morning.

Organizers suggest shopping early for the best selection.

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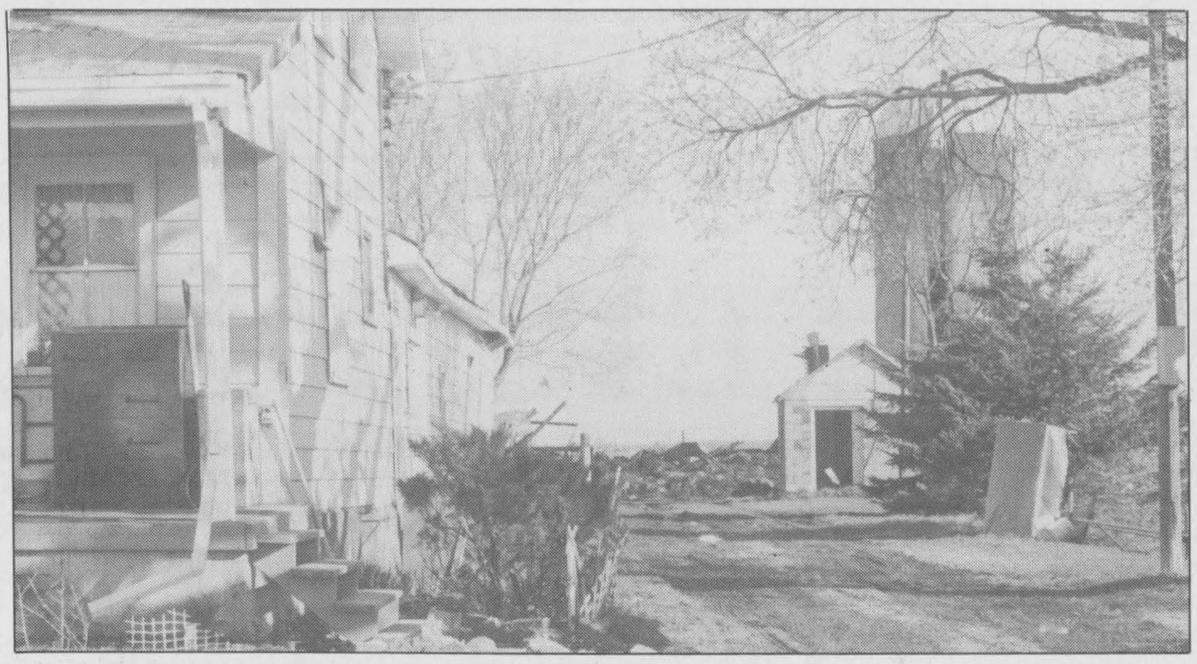



The day after

Last Thursday morning the Holmes farm, located one concession north of the village of Winchester, appeared calm. The night before, a fire which started in Barry and Bruce Holmes' heifer barn, destroyed 35 head of cattle, an adjoining hay shed, chickens, hay and soybean seed. The barn and silo, located directly behind Martin Hanscomb's home (top photo), were originally part of the William McRoberts farm.

Press Photos — Van Bridger

Township uses surplus to balance budget

by Sandra Dillich
Press staff

MAPLE RIDGE — Taxpayers in Winchester Township won't see a change in their tax bill this year.

At the May 5 council meeting, council members passed a zero per cent tax hike, despite an increase of $280,230 in expenditures.

In 1996, township residents had a one per cent tax increase.

Some of this year's budget highlights include $75,000 in infrastructure expenditures and $30,000 for the Morewood Community Centre.

"The infrastructure costs are to help cover costs on a new piece of property and extra road work it needs... and the Morewood Community Centre wants to change the heating system and air conditioning," explained Winchester Township Clerk-Administrator/Treasurer Nancy Krisjanis.

Other expenditures include an increase of $107,798 in road works from 1996's $472,202 to this year's $580,000.

The reserve for working capital increased from $35,454 in 1996 to this year's $60,000.

In revenue, the township has lost $627 in municipal grants, $16,428 in roads; $41,715 in municipal support. However, in order to give its residents a tax break, the township has transfered $275,208 from its surplus fund to balance the budget. The township also expects to earn $50,000 from its infrastructure project.

Mountain church reunion caps 65 years of memories

by Stephanie Wolfe
Press staff

MOUNTAIN — Twenty-seven years later, former members of the Mountain United Church are still loyal to their parish.

About 100 members have been invited to a reunion this Sunday (May 18) to recall some of the memories they shared at the church from 1925 to 1969, before the church closed.

"The reunion will be a chance to bring people back together and a time to remember," said Louise Shaw, one of six committee members organizing the event.

"Not much was done at the time when the church closed. Some members joined the South Mountain United Church, some went to Hallville (St. Andrew's United Church) and others stopped going all together."

When the church closed in 1969, the church building was turned over to the community and has been used throughout the years as a community hall. In the 1960s, several smaller churches in the area closed their doors to join larger congregations.

The Mountain United Church building was erected in 1904 at which time the church was called the Mountain Methodist Church.

"There was a lot of community involvement around the church," Shaw added. "There were many groups like the Trail Rangers, Messengers and the UCW (United Church Women)."

The reunion will take place on Sunday at the community hall at 7 pm. The service will be run by Reverend Ken Van Allen of Gananoque, whose roots trace back to the former congregation. A special commemoration print will also be unveiled.

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Saputo makes offer to purchase Ault's

WINCHESTER — Will Ault Foods Limited be sold?

On Friday (May 9), Saputo Group Incorporated of Montreal made an unsolicited $320-million bid to buy out Ault.

"The Board of Directors has asked CIBC Wood Gundy to explore the full range of options for maximizing shareholder value," said Graham Freeman, president and chief executive officer, in a press release.

"This may include the sale of some or all of the company's assets in one or more transactions, or encouraging a third party to make an offer at a higher price for all of its outstanding common shares."

When Saputo announced last Friday it intended to make a takeover bid for all outstanding common shares of Ault for $28, Freeman responded "that the proposed offer was too low".

Saputo presently owns 16.4 per cent of Ault, or 1.8 million shares. It needs just under 67 per cent to be tendered to complete the takeover.

During the past six months, Ault has sold its frozen division for about $221 million, sold its Ontario fluid business for $145 million, distributed about $180 million to shareholders through a share re-purchase, and reduced its indebtedness by over $100 million. It is currently in the process of considering the sale of its Quebec fluid division.

With annual sales of about $900 million from continuing operations, Ault Foods is a leading Canadian food processing company. Its core business consists of cheese, table spreads, international trade and licensing dairy technologies.

Ault is publicly traded on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges.

Activities promote Police Week

WINCHESTER — Community Service Officers throughout the east region will be participating in Ottawa's Tulip Festival this week by being on foot patrol in the Dow's Lake area.

As a part of Police Week (May 11 to May 17), the Community Police Office in Chesterville, located in the town hall, will be open to provide the local community access on Friday from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Everyone is welcome to stop in or to obtain information on any programs, to discuss their concerns or to just say hello.

This year, the Osgoode Community Policing will be holding a bicycle registration day on Sat., May 17 at Osgoode Public School from 10 am to 2 pm. The rain location will be at the Osgoode Fire Hall.

Police Week began in 1970 and involved a collaborative effort between the Solicitor General Canada and its provincial counterparts.

May 15 is internationally recognized as Peace Officer Memorial Day.

Presently, a formal steering committee provides material for Police Week each year to all police agencies across Canada. This committee is made up of representatives from the Solicitor General Canada; the Ministry of the Solicitor General and Correctional Services, Ontario; the Canadian Police Association (CPA); the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP); and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP).

Police Week has focused on a variety of social and crime related topics since its inception. Over the past several years, the main purpose of Police Week has been to forge stronger partnerships between policing services and the communities they serve because working together benefits everyone. Partnerships are built through interaction of police services, individuals, organizations and institutions which all share a responsibility for the well-being of the community.

During Police Week, community groups will join with police services in arranging special activities and displays which promote the concept of police and community working together to enhance public safety and security.

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Crime concerns Reformer

(The following are excerpts from an interview with Reform candidate Charles Dillabough. The Press will feature other candidates in future issues.)

by Stephanie Wolfe
Press staff

CHESTERVILLE — If Reform Party candidate Charles Dillabough is elected to represent Stormont-Dundas in the House of Commons, he says he will implement initiatives to reduce crime in SD&G, control the smuggling of drugs and illegal weapons in Cornwall, and stimulate job growth in the three United Counties.

***Question*:** How do you propose to deal with the high unemployment rate in Cornwall and surrounding area?

***Answer*:** The Reform Party is proposing a tax break for Canadians to be phased in by the year 2000. The tax bill for a family of four will be reduced by over $2,000. We feel this will create economic growth since spending will increase. Statistics Canada studies (indicate) consumer spending drives 60 per cent of the economy.

People feel the economy is the pits and they are being taxed to the limit. Cornwall is suffering from 18 per cent unemployment compared to about 10 per cent nationally. These figures, of course, don't include all the people who have given up looking for work.

***Question*:** In Winchester, 17 people were recently laid off at Drewery's. Some employees lost their jobs after 13 years of service and opportunities for future employment are sparse. Surely by the time they receive the proposed tax break they will be in dire need of money to pay for essentials. Thus, in this scenario, how does the tax break create economic growth?

***Answer*:** Things will not happen overnight. Gradually jobs will be created once people start to spend money. I think it is up to the government not to create jobs but to create an environment where business and growth can prosper.

***Question*:** What do you think are important local issues?

***Answer*:** Locally, we've seen crime in general on the increase and the Reform Party has a plan to get tough on real criminals and to crack down on young offenders. We would redefine young offenders as 10 to 15 years of age. Serious offenders aged 14 to 15 and any offenders 16 and over will be tried in adult court.

(According to Upper Canada OPP detachment statistics for Dundas County, break and enters and thefts are on the *decrease* in Mountain Township and reported cases of assault in Winchester village have decreased from 14 reported incidents in 1996 to four in 1997.



Charles Dillabough

***Question*:** Why do you think you can make a difference?

***Answer*:** What has (MP) Bob Kilger done so far? Based on the Hansard records, he's never really made any earth-shattering suggestions or any major contributions in the House.

I feel I have my greatest support in the rural areas. I think a lot of people are disillusioned and looking for a fresh start. I don't think the Liberals kept their Red Book promises.

PC: Front-line approach

(The following are excerpts from an interview with Progressive Conservative candidate Leslie O'Shaughnessy. The Press will feature other candidates in future issues.)

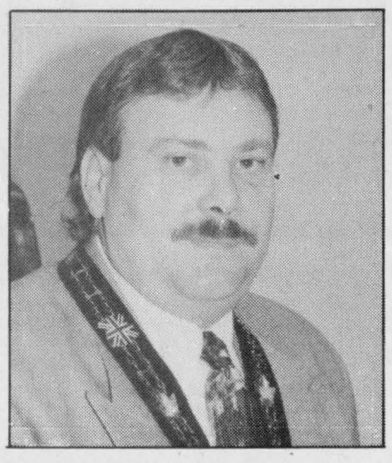
by Stephanie Wolfe
Press staff

CORNWALL — Progressive Conservative candidate Leslie O'Shaughnessy believes in a "front line approach" to offering solutions to local problems such as unemployment and cuts to health care and education.

Question: What are your solutions to job creation in SD&G?

Answer: We've seen through the social services department that people (who receive social assistance) receive help but then drop out of the system because they get discouraged. Politicians have to get out and be at the forefront. We must go right to industries and businesses and make them aware of the programs that are available. Many small business (employees) in the city of Cornwall are not aware of available programs to help them.

The more money consumers have in their pockets, the more they have to spend. In today's marketplace, you have to become creative and can't just offer one program to the people. Flexibility is key. The private sector creates jobs, not the government. Canada, the provinces, and municipalities have to create an environment to get a return on their investment.



Leslie O'Shaughnessy
Photo courtesy Chesterville Record

Question: What other local issues are you concerned about?

Answer: Health care and cuts to hospitals and education are the responsibilities of the province, not the nation which is dealing with its own problems and debt. There is only one taxpayer, locally, provincially and nationally. We can't give the impression that we are saving the taxpayer money.

Question: What about farming issues in the rural areas. Do you support any new programs for farmers?

Answer: What is needed for farmers has to come from farmers. I have asked one farmer what he needs and another farmer can have completely different needs. They have to be listened to.

Question: What is your approach to campaigning locally?

Answer: You have to commit yourself to the work with the local people.

When I hear (other local politicians) speak of unemployment they refer to national statistics but you have to discuss the local situation. We are not sending someone to Ottawa to have a local representative who will not commit to the area and come back five or six months of the year. It is important to show people we can get rid of government waste.

Question: What do you think of the national debate last night?

Answer: (Progressive Conservative leader) Jean Charest seemed very sincere. He has spoken to thousands of people over the years. I too am one that listens to people and I have learned a lot at the municipal level.



Bob Kilger

Kilger happy with PM's performance

CORNWALL — Stormont-Dundas MP and Liberal candidate Bob Kilger praised Prime Minister Jean Chretien's performance at the national leaders's debate on Mon., May 12.

"There were four opposition politicians on the stage but only one Prime Minister: Jean Chretien," said Kilger.

"His performance was classic Chretien, down to earth, sincere and straightforward. Despite being under fire from four directions, the Prime Minister was cool and on top of his game, consistently staking out positions that reflect the values of Canadians on the issues that matter: jobs, deficit reduction, protecting health care, caring for out children, and national unity."

Kilger believes Chretien handled the opposition party leaders with grace.

"The challenge of the evening was for the opposition parties to score a knock-out punch," he said. "This did not happen and the Prime Minister gave better than he got.'

NDP candidate hits campaign trail

MORRISBURG – New Democratic Party candidate Syd Gardiner will be campaigning in the area this afternoon (Wed., May 14).

At 1:30 pm he will be at the official opening of the T.R. Leger Alternative School in Morrisburg. From 2:15 to 2:45 pm he will meet people in the streets in Winchester, before he visits Nestle's in Chesterville from 3 pm to 3:30 pm.



Ian Campbell

Campbell runs for Natural Law

CORNWALL — Yogic Flying is no joke to Ian Campbell.

The Ottawa resident is the Natural Law Party candidate for the Stormont-Dundas riding in the June 2 federal election.

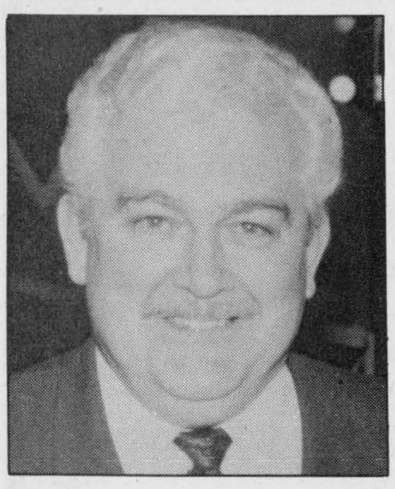
This is his second attempt at unseating Liberal incumbent Bob Kilger.

Campbell has university degrees in history and educational administration and has been involved with natural-law based technologies for 25 years.

He has been teaching transcendental meditation techniques since 1974.

Campbell believes the Natural Law party has the necessary technologies and knowledge to restore prosperity to every community and to eliminate the deficit as well as the national debt.

Among many beliefs, the Natural Law Party of Canada wishes to create a group of 10,000 people trained in the practice of Yogic Flying. This "Group for a Government" will radiate an influence of harmony and positivity in the nation which will support all facets of individual and national life. The group could be formed from members of the police, military, unemployed or students.



Jim Bancroft

Bancroft named to replace warden

CORNWALL — Osnabruck Township Reeve Jim Bancroft has been elected the new Warden of the United Counties of SD&G.

Leslie O'Shaughnessy will resign as Warden on June 9th. O'Shaughnessy, Reeve of Charlottenburgh Township, is currently the Progressive Conservative candidate for Stormont-Dundas in the federal election.

50/50 winner

WINCHESTER — Vicki Bolton was the winner of the 50/50 Draw on Wed., May 7 sponsored by the Winchester Lions Club. She won $668.

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–Rosalind Drewery

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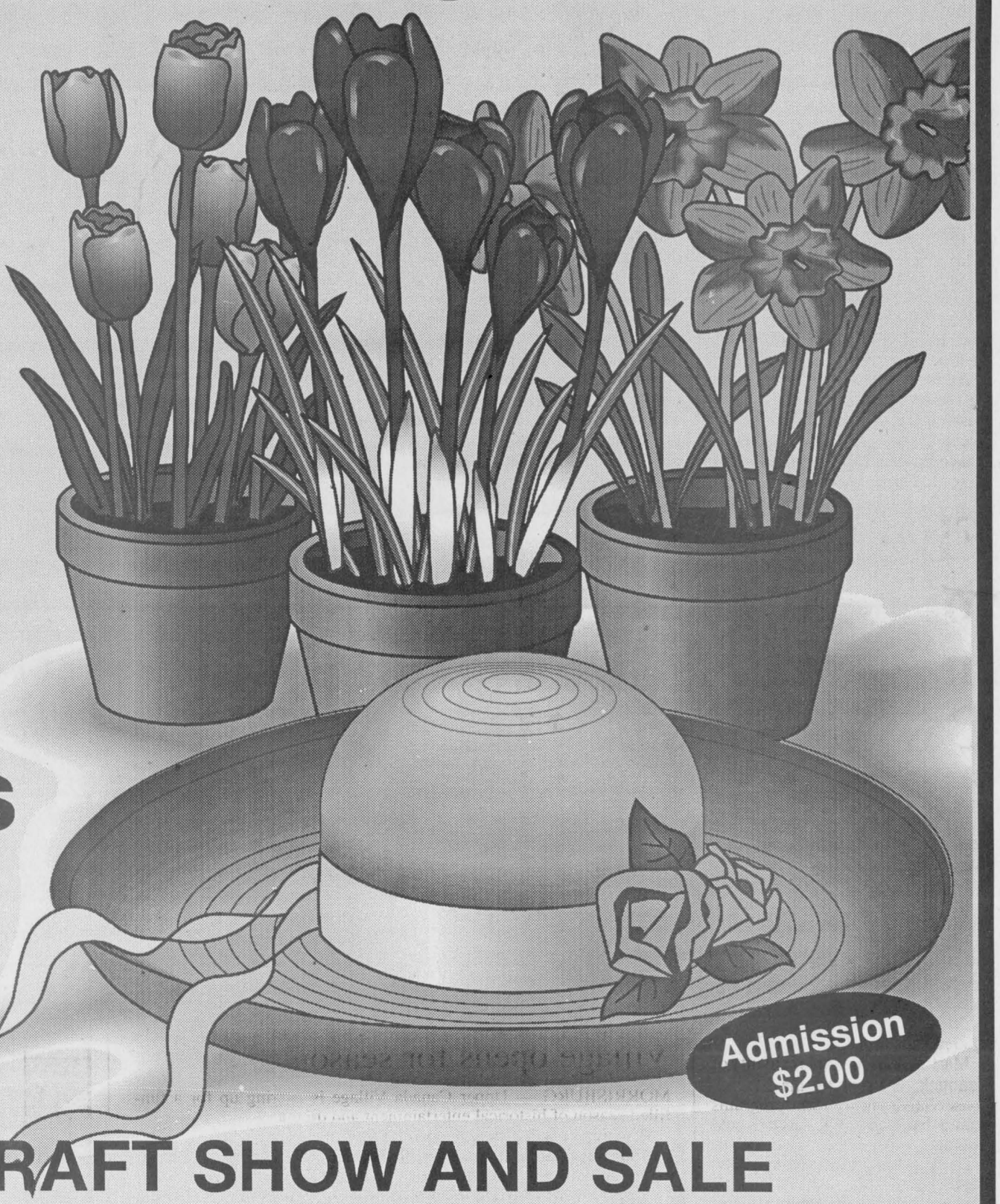

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Nepean-Carleton election clips

The debate dates are filling up the federal election calendar in Nepean-Carleton. Three debates are verified for the next three weeks leading up to the June 2 election.

Rogers Community Cable 22 will be taping an all-candidates question and answer session Thurs., May 15 for later broadcast.

Barhaven will be the site of the second debate, on Tues., May 20 at Cedarview Middle School at 7:30 pm. It will be hosted by the Barrhaven Community Association. The following night, the Nepean Chamber of Commerce will host a debate at the Nepean Civic Square at 7 pm.

Osgoode and Rideau residents will have their chance to question the candidates on Mon., May 26 at St. Mark's High School at 8 pm. The debate will be hosted by the Rideau and Osgoode chambers of commerce.

Job creation?

Cathy Martin, the NDP candidate, doesn't think the Liberals are thinking about job creation, given the company hired to do their advertising during the election.

The same advertising company responsible for the Bank of Montreal mbanx campaign is handling the Liberal party's advertising.

"It should come as no surprise to Canadians that the Liberals would pick an advertising firm that is good at selling an idea that will eliminate jobs," said Martin.

Debate pleases Hill

By the time Monday night's federal leadership debate ended on television, PC candidate Betty Hill was smiling.

"I was quite delighted by his performance," she said of party leader Jean Charest.

"Charest has great leadership ability, and it came across well the other night."

Hill wasn't so sure about Reform Party leader Preston Manning's performance, especially on the issue of recalling MPs. She also wondered about Manning's ability to handle another referendum.

"You need to understand French well to debate knowledgeably on the issue," said Hill, saying Charest has the background to do so better than Manning.



Grand opening

The Household Hazardous Waste depot at the Boyne Road Landfill Facility had it's grand opening last Saturday morning. Every fourth Saturday from 9 am to noon, the depot will be accepting hazardous waste such as pesticides, herbicides, various flammables as well as paints and pool chemicals. The next depot day will be on June 7. Left: Mary-Ann Wilson, chair of the Dundas Environmental Awareness Group; Annette Turner, Mountain Township councillor; Wyman Barton, Winchester Township deputy reeve; Dave Sloan, landfill site manager. Press Photo — Dillich

Three hope to unseat Boudria

PRESCOTT — The following candidates will be representing their respective parties for the Glengarry-Prescott-Russell region in the June 2 federal election: Liberal incumbent Don Boudria will be seeking re-election, Rev. Fred Cappuccino of Maxville will carry the banner for the New Democratic Party, the Progressive Conservatives will be represented by Cumberland resident France Somers and Russell resident Mike Lancop will represent the Reform Party.

Boudria has represented the area since 1984 and last year was appointed to cabinet as minister for international co-operation and minister responsible for francophones.

Cappuccino is a Unitarian minister and member of the Order of Canada. Reducing unemployment is one of his main concerns.

Somers is a registered nurse at the Ottawa Heart Institute and ran for the Tories in the 1993 election.

Lancop, 44, has been a member of the Reform Party for five years. He worked in the printing business for 14 years before retraining and becoming involved in the construction business.

The Glengarry-Prescott-Russell riding includes most of the United Counties of Prescott-Russell, as well as parts of SD&G and Cumberland.

For more information on the candidates, call the riding at 613-632-3818.

Five vie for seat in Nepean Carleton

NEPEAN — The candidates for Nepean-Carleton are David Pratt (Liberal), Betty Hill (Conservative), Paul Fitzergerald (Reform), Cathy Martin (NDP) and Terrence Bell (Canadian Action Party).

Pratt, 42, has served in municipal politics for several years and has lived in Nepean and Goulbourn. Hill, the former Goulbourn mayor, is campaigning to bring accountability back to the people. Fitzergerald, 34, believes the electorate is leery of all politicians.

Martin, a 13-year resident of Manotick, is upset by the Liberal, Conservative and Reform programs cutting back essential services and programs.

Bell is a 42-year-old self-employed communications consultant and Nepean resident. He has served as director of the former Nepean/Kanata Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Nepean Federation of Community Associations.

The Nepean-Carleton riding includes the townships of Osgoode, Rideau and Goulbourn as well as the city of Nepean south of the Canadian National Railway line.

For more information on the candidates, call the Nepean-Carleton riding at 224-0469.

News in brief

Cancer support group meets

CORNWALL — If cancer is affecting your life, the community cancer support network meets every third Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm, 205 Second Street East, Cornwall. The next meeting is Thurs., May 15.

For peer support for cancer survivors and their supporters call Sheila at 932-3451.

Button's in Williamsburg

Marshall Button of Moncton, New Brunswick is returning to Williamsburg this Saturday (May 17) to entertain at a dinner theatre at Williamsburg United Church. Social time is 6 pm followed by a dinner at 6:30 pm. Button will perform after dinner.

Tickets are $20 in advance. Call 448-2442 or 535-2440

Village opens for season

MORRISBURG — Upper Canada Village is gearing up for a fun-filled season of historical entertainment and drama.

The village will officially open for its 37th season on Sat., May 17. On Sunday (May 18), visitors will be able to join the village townsfolk in honoring Queen Victoria on her birthday. .

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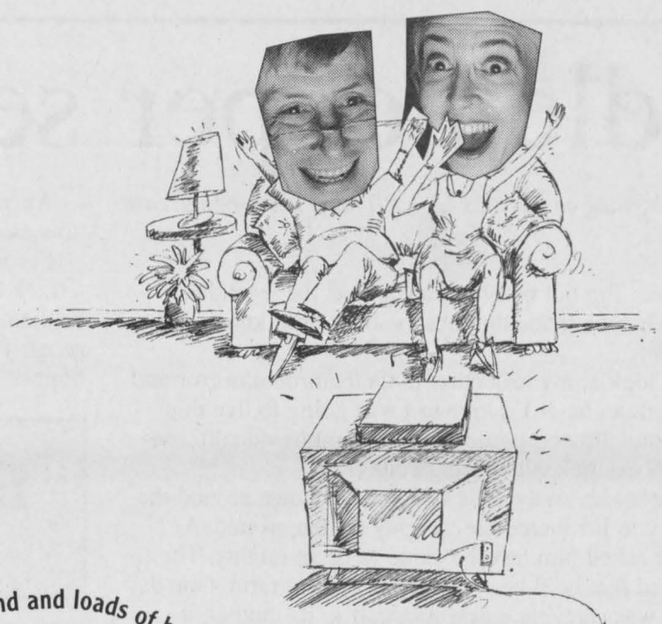

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EDITORIAL

The trickle-down effect

Over the past 12 months, the Village of Winchester's commercial composition has suffered some dramatic changes and Drewery's is just the latest business to fall victim to these tough economic times.

To people living in the city, the loss of 17 jobs means nothing. After all, a city sees more businesses come and go in one year than a village like Winchester sees in a lifetime.

However, those 17 people also had families. These 17 people may now be forced to sell their homes and move elsewhere, leaving properties vacant; these families will also no longer be buying their groceries at Andy's Food Town or their clothes at the CountryBoy or their medication at the Seaway Valley Pharmacy.

It is not just 17 people who have lost their job, but the business community has now lost a major source of revenue — local residents.

Drewery's is just the latest business to fall victim to an economy which has hit virtually every other town, big and small, across Canada like a ton of bricks.

In June, Winchester Cheese closed its doors after 19 years, forcing 114 people to seek employment elsewhere, probably out of the village. After serving the community for 25 years, Sports Unlimited fell victim to the sports superstores and shut its door, leaving roughly 10 people jobless.

Ontario Hydro, which has been in the village for two generations, is continually restructuring which leaves virtually every employee's fate in the air. For those who have decided to try and become a part of hydro's plans for the future, they have been forced to sell their homes and move out of Winchester and leave behind their families and friends — all for what? A pay cheque.

Even the fate of our hospital is no longer guaranteed. Government cutbacks have also forced the hospital to revamp its master plan, which could include massive lay-offs.

For years, this area has been insulated from the pitfalls and ramifications of downsizing because the stability of big businesses like Ault's, WDMH and Ontario Hydro were never in question. Now, it seems the one constant in the village's economic make-up is a vibrant farming industry.

These are indeed tough times and perhaps communities such as ours should look inward for support. Self-support could begin this week with a shopping trip to a local business or with a visit to the Winchester Spring Trade Show being held during the evenings (6:30 pm to 9:30 pm) at the Winchester Arena, May 15-16.

S.D.

This week in...

1947

Donations of used clothing were being accepted in Winchester for the British Food Relief Campaign. Thousands of British citizens had suffered hardships as a result of severe floods in England. The province-wide drive aimed to gather an article of clothing from every resident of Ontario — some four million garments.

Winchester's tax rate for the year was increased by two mills, making the total for all services 35 mills versus 33 mills the previous year. The rates were struck by municipal council. With the county rates increased by about $1,300 or about one and a half mills, and with the increased cost of snow plowing, municipal officials believed the two-mill increase was necessary.

Paint sold for 79 cents a quart at J.H. Keyes in Winchester. Men's quality overalls were three dollars.

1957

By a unanimous resolution of council, Winchester village was to do everything possible to install a complete water system in the village. The resolution read "the council is desirous and willing to install a water works system for the whole of the village with service on every street in accordance with present prepared plans provided that this can be done as one entire project as one contract, with the Ontario Water Resources Commission to be responsible for the original financing of the entire project."

Plans were being made for the annual Legion carnival which was to feature rides, games, concessions and a concert by a well-known Canadian Army band. A fireworks display was also planned.

The True Story of Jesse James, starring Robert Wagner and Jeffrey Hunter was playing at the Winchester Theatre. Rogues of Sherwood Forest was also playing.

Car tires sold for $9.95 at W.P. Henophy, Canadian Tire, in Williamsburg.

1967

Winchester village was holding the line on its 1967 mill rate. Figures from early 1966 of 83.8 residential rate and 91.9 commercial were within tenths of a mill of the new rate to be finalized by council. Members of council were relieved that there would not be a $25,000 increase in the secondary school rate as they had originally anticipated.

The municipality of Kemptville increased the mill rate by 9.1 mills residentially and 11.3 mills commercially. The new mill rate was 84.3 and 94 for residential and commercial, respectively. There was only a small decimal hike in the budget from 1965 to 1966.

George Brown, Reeve of Cardinal and Warden of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, was named Executive Vice President of the Liberal Association for the newly formed Grenville-Carleton riding.

Night tables sold for $56 and sofas for $340 at Vice and Craig Furniture Store in Winchester.

1977

SD&G high school teachers returned to their jobs following ratification of a two-year agreement with the board of education. The agreement assured full negotiability and grievability of working conditions and was to give the teachers an 18 per cent salary increase over the contract period. More than 9,000 students in the tri-county board's 10 high schools had been without classes since teachers took a strike action on April 4.

The Winchester Progressive Conservative Association elected Keith Henry, vice-president and general manager of the Ault firm, as president for the next term. Henry succeeded Reg Workman who stepped down after many years of dedicated service.

Henderson Lodge in Winchester entertained a distinguished guest at its annual ladies' night banquet. The Honorable Claude Bennett, Ontario Minister of Industry and Tourism, took advantage of the opportunity to express his support for Canadian unity.

Winchester Township ratepayers were to find only a slight increase on their tax bills in 1977, following approval of the budget. Increased education costs once again accounted for most of the average five mill hike. Residential taxes for public school supporters were up 4.98 mills for a total of 102.16 and Separate School supporters increased 6.8 mills to 103.78

Winchester Chamber of Commerce members were dissatisfied with a report that proposed expansion of the sewage and lagoon system be delayed for an undetermined period. The Chamber believed that any delay would prohibit new industry and hamper residential growth in the village and adjoining townships.

1987

Winchester Township council approved its annual budget totalling almost $2.5 million dollars, over $150,000 more than last year's budget. The 5.9 per cent increase over last year's budget meant the average ratepayer with a $3,000 assessment was to face a $35 or 5.5 per cent tax increase in 1987. The major portion of the budget was to be used towards education and the United Counties levy.



Incumbent MPP Noble Villeneuve was acclaimed at the SD&G Tory nomination meeting before a crowd of 350. Villeneuve told the crowd "there was a very strong possibility" the party would form the next provincial government.

Five North Dundas District High School students brought home gold medals from the SD&G Track and Field Championships. Stacey Berry, Mike Charette, Karim Oliver, Jevon Groves and Jeff Holmes placed first in their events. NDDHS finished fifth of 11 SD&G high schools.

Dave Lapier tossed a three-hit shutout for the Winchester Ault Foods Blue Jays as they opened their Eastern Ontario Provincial Junior Fastball League season with a 3-0 victory over the Stittsville Canadiens.

Alvin Runnalls, a Winchester township farmer and North Dundas District High School student Jevon Groves reached milestones in their running careers at the National Capital Marathon. Runnalls completed his 13th consecutive marathon and Groves, coming off a gold medal performance in the 1500 metre run at the SD&G championships, completed his first.





Hurdle hopper sets world record at 95

If I'd known I was going to live this long I'd have taken better care of myself.
— Eubie Blake

You said it, Eubie. I'm not nearly as ancient as the legendary ivory tickler was when he made that observation, but I know what he was talking about.

Each morning I look at my reflection in the bathroom mirror and think the same sad thought: If I'd known I was going to live this long, why did I...gotolalltheosepartieseatallthatjunkfooddoallthose-drugsdrinkallthatboozesmokeallthosecigarettes?

There's an old story about a circus strongman known around the world for his ability to lift incredible weights off the ground. A newspaper reporter asked him how he came to be so mighty. The strongman explained that he'd been raised on a cattle farm. One day in his youth, as he was carrying a newborn calf to its mother, it occurred to him that it wouldn't be too long before that little calf would be too heavy to lift.

Unless...

Unless he made a practice of lifting the calf each and every day!

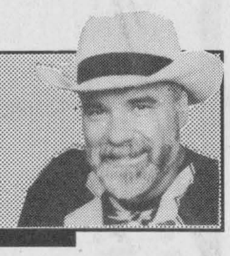
He did — and that's how he came to be a circus strong man.

Or so the story goes. I'm not too interested in running off to join the circus, but I admire the man's determination. And it occurs to me that if I had just touched my toes a half dozen times or done a few deep knee bends every time that guy picked up his calf, I'd see a helluva lot svelter silhouette each time I looked in the mirror.

Ah well. Too late for that. But I regret my sedentary ways every now and then.

For instance... every time I think of Everett W. Hosack. Hosack is a track and field champ. Let me quote one of his reviews: "Hosack, brilliant young hurdler, will uphold the standard in the obstacle races. This athlete... has blossomed out into a formidable hurdle hopper."

Basic Black
by Arthur Black



What you need to know to put that review in perspective, is that it appeared in the Gainesville, Florida *Daily Sun* of May 2, 1924. What you also need to know is that Everett W. Hosack is still competing — and setting world records *at the age of 95*.

This spring, Hosack traveled to Birmingham, England to the European Indoor Veterans Athletics Championships where he set a world record for the long jump.

In his age category, it must be added. And since he was the only entrant in the 95 to 99 years age bracket, his triumph was a bit of a foregone conclusion.

But Everett Hosack has no illusions about his win. "The only reason I am excelling now," he says, "is that I have outlived all my competitors."

Still — would you, at your age, like to get up in front of a stadium full of spectators and try your luck at the long jump? Everett Hosack jumped six feet, eight inches — and he's 95.

It's been a busy year for Hosack. He also set world records at the Kent State Indoor Masters Meet in Ohio and as the Masters Indoor Championships in Greensboro, North Carolina. Then there was his triumph at the North Coast Masters Indoor Championships and the Cleveland Classics Masters Meet. Nothing to compare, of course, with Hosack's achievement at the World Championships in Japan, where he carved a phenomenal 21 seconds off the world record for 400 metres.

Mind you, that was back in 1993. Hosack was only 91 then.

I managed to catch up with Everett Hosack between track meets last month. I asked him if he had any advice for a pudgy, out of shape, over-the-hill guy about half his age. Should I take up weight training? Join a gym? Start jogging?

"Not really," he said. "I used to preach vigorous exercises for all, but now I believe you should just do what makes you happy. It makes me happy to compete."

And it makes me happy not to. Thanks to Everett W. Hosack. I feel fitter already.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Questions for Kilger

The Editor:

It seems to me past federal governments, and the number one culprit being the Liberals, have the needs of the people all screwed up.

Health and education and jobs should be of the most importance and in this order. It should be the top government job to see that these priorities are first and that the major share of the cost be the responsibility of the federal government.

Bilingual language, which has cost the country billions, should never have been a political issue. Even today, we pay out millions a year to people who can say nothing. Is this justified?

Millions are spent keeping murderers isolated in prison so that their fellow prisoners won't do them in. Why? Billions are given to huge corporations with little or no conditions, outright or interest free. Why? And in many cases, we are led to believe they pay no taxes. Why? Yet, their corporate people are paid huge salaries and huge perks. Why?

Members of Parliament are paid huge salaries and pensions with very little time served. And really have no say under our present system. Why? These few issues I've mentioned have to be corrected.

The trade deal is not working and been poorly set up.

There are many questions that should be put to the incumbent and candidates — Mr. Kilger and Mr. Boudria because the Prime Minister wasn't here long enough to ask him anything. I guess he feels he has it made and does not have to answer to anyone.

The huge debt Canada has and its interest cost is what is keeping Canada on its knees. That is why the federal government is cutting.

Let's be honest, the Liberals, beginning with Trudeau, have disregarded how the money was spent and have put this country in debt for many generations.

What really gets me angry, is that all of the past and present members are or will receive huge pensions and have a nice life. Should we continue to reward them by voting for this kind of dictatorship?

Here are some questions for Mr. Kilger:

1. How much is it costing, per year, to pay the bilingual bonus to government employees and its boards or agencies and government controlled corporations?

2. It is true MPs' pensions have been increased by 4-5 per cent since the Liberals were elected and still continues?

3. Do you feel condemned murderers should be kept in jail at a high cost to the taxpayers or should capital punishment be reinstated?

4. Are you still of the opinion that gay and lesbian couples should get the same benefits as traditional couples?

5. Canada has immigrated thousands of criminals, do you agree we keep them here or deport them back? This is a great cost to taxpayers.

6. Do you agree we should continue to give or lend money to corporations at no cost?

7. Would you agree that if the government was more prudent in running the country, personal income tax and the GST could be reduced?

8. Would you agree back bench MPs have little say and a new way of electing government as independents is most urgent?

9. Would you agree Canada should restructure as a means of stopping separation?

10. Would you agree the Prime Minister should not have allowed Sheila Copps to run again until a general election?

11. What's your opinion on election timing or should we have a fixed time of five years and not at the discretion of the Prime Minister?

Adrian Gadbois
Cornwall

Judgement appropriate

The Editor:

I am writing in response to last week's letter by Chesterville business owner Janet Findlay.

Ms. Findlay seemed frustrated that the Press had not accorded an upcoming open house at her store more coverage. Specifically, she felt the event was worthy of a full article with details of her location, phone number and hours of operation.

I grew up on a farm, so I understand the way a small community works. As a former reporter on a small weekly newspaper, I also understand the pressures on a paper like the Press to give frequent, extensive and favorable coverage to local businesses.

However, I believe that the reason the Press is so widely read and respected is that its staff uses appropriate journalistic judgement in deciding what constitutes news. And dare I say, an open house at a local business is not necessarily news.

The opening of a new store, a major expansion, the addition of a unique product line — these are all noteworthy, probably even deserving of a photograph and cutline. But under no circumstances should a newspaper be required to print anything other than that which has some news value and is of interest to its readers. The provision of further details — which, by the way, are readily available in the local phone book — is up to the business person in question, and is best conveyed through the advertisement.

A newspaper's editorial department — be it in a big city or a rural weekly — does not, and should not, exist to publicize local businesses. Its advertising department does. It's a simple principle which ensures freedom from financial pressure on the independent judgement of the editorial staff, and a product which is more than just a feature-length advertisement.

Finally, just because one newspaper does a favorable story on a given business in no way means that another one should. Two publications may have vastly different policies, not to mention varying amounts of space to run material. A story the Chesterville Record finds worthy of coverage may have no relevance whatsoever to readers of the Winchester Press, and vice versa.

I'm quite sure Ms. Findlay's gift and decorating store is worth a visit. I'm not sure it's the job of the local newspaper to persuade people of that.

Nancy Payne
RR 1, Winchester

OPINIONS

The Press welcomes letters on subjects of interest to the community.
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Alternative energy system

Metcalfe couple makes sparks fly

by Stephanie Wolfe
Press staff

METCALFE — Either George Wright and Kim MacMullin are ahead of their time, or everyone else is behind.

While most people living in rural areas believe they have no choice but to pay exhorbitant Ontario Hydro bills, Wright and MacMullin have created their own practical and economical solution.

The Metcalfe couple use two electrical generating windmills and five solar panels to create their own electricity.

In 1992, they discovered it would cost about $6,000 to run Ontario Hydro power lines up their quarter-mile country lane on 9th Line Road. For $1,000 less, Wright and MacMullin built their own system, including an aerating windmill for their pond which they use as a swimming pool. Five years later, they have yet to pay a hydro bill.

Wright and MacMullin were recently featured on CJOH television's Regional Contact as one of few — if not the only — people in the area to create their own electricity.

"We have everything other people have," MacMullin explains. "(The windmills and solar panels) run our television, computer, microwave, breadmaker, hairdryer and power tools. The only thing we don't have is a hydro bill."

By choice, Wright and MacMullin don't use an electric stove, clothes dryer or deep freezer. They use a wood stove for cooking and baking.

"The average person would spend $12,000 to $15,000 if they are not willing to do without anything," Wright adds.

So how do two windmills and a bed of solar panels create electricity to power their house?

The largest windmill, with a nine-foot propeller, sits on top of a 75-foot pole and produces 75 per cent of the house's electricity by transmitting power into the house.

"The power from both windmills and solar panels are stored in deep cycle batteries (in the basement) and the inverter converts from DC (direct current) to AC (alternating current) then the power is transferred to the outlets in the house," Wright explains.

Wright adds that the battery bank has four days of reserve power should there be no wind or sun for that period of time.

"It is pretty much impossible to go four days without wind or sun. There is usually one or the other," says MacMullin. "If we are using something big, then we may use the reserve. The wind and sun is a slow, incoming source of power."



Mother nature at work
George Wright, Kim MacMullin and their son Marshall of Metcalfe generate their own electricity by using two electrical generating windmills and five solar panels. As a result, they haven't paid a hydro bill for five years.
Press Photo — Wolfe

Wright and MacMullin also have an aerating windmill to maintain the water quality in their pond.

"The fan turns a crankshaft and pushes a diaphragm up and down which pushes air down a hose into the pond," Wright explains. "It keeps the pond like it is supposed to be. It doesn't eliminate weeds but it keeps them in check. We use it as a swimming pond — it is crystal clear — but it can also be used for fish."

Although their alternative energy system is not for everyone, MacMullin suggests people who live far off a paved road would benefit.

"It is more appropriate for those building a new home who want to be far off the road. Hydro would cost more (than to install one windmill) and the Hydro costs throughout the year would break even with buying the windmill and solar panels," MacMullin says.

Windmills can range in cost from $800 for an average size house to $20,000 to supply electricity to a large farm. Solar panels cost about $500 a panel.

Perhaps one of the major advantages of Wright and MacMullin's system is they never experience power outages.

"I've been to the bank in Metcalfe before and the power has been out in the village but I never had any idea because things were normal at my house," Wright says.

Wright and MacMullin also sell windmills through their business, *Metcalfe Windmill Electric*. They sell windmills that aerate ponds, pump water and generate electric.

Although windmills have not become a popular alternative to hydro in the Ottawa-Carleton region, Wright says they are very common in Europe.

"We hope to become wind farmers and to sell electricity to Ontario Hydro in the future," Wright says.

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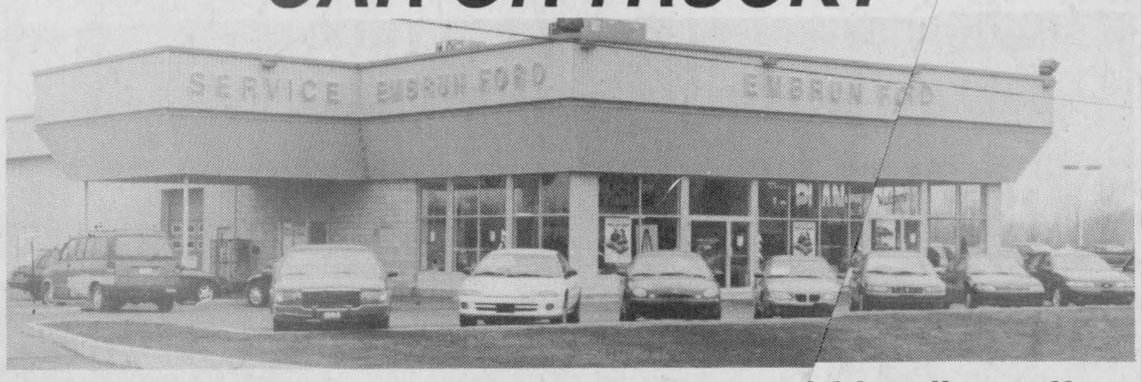

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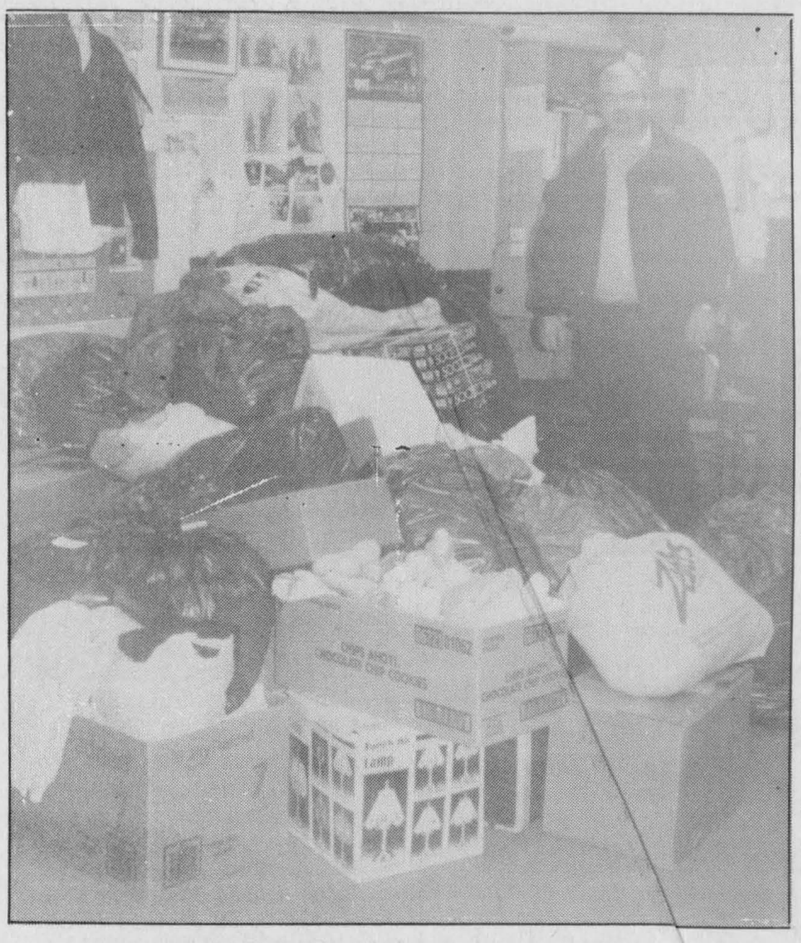


A flood of donations

Village of Winchester Fire Chief Peter Grimes stands among the over 50 bags and boxes of clothing, food and personal items donated by village residents to the Manitoba flood victims over the weekend. The items will be sent to the Ottawa Fire Department who will then distribute the items to the flood victims through the Salvation Army.

Police blotter

Missing vehicle

MORRISBURG — On May 8, police responded to a report of the theft of a motor vehicle from a private residence in the Village of Morrisburg. A grey, 1983 Ford Ranger pick-up truck was taken overnight from a Caraway Cres. residence. The vehicle has not yet been recovered.

Stolen emergency lights

WINCHESTER — Two green rotating lights, used by a volunteer fire department were taken while the vehicles were at the scene of a fire on Liscumb Road during the evening of May 7. The items have not been recovered.

Multiple charges

MORRISBURG — As a result of an investigation conducted by the members of the Upper Canada OPP, into an assault which occurred in Williamsburg Twp. on April 30, Michel Poitras, 35, of Williamsburg Twp. has been charged with numerous drug related offences.

Poitras has been charged with aggravated assault; assault with a weapon; uttering threats; break and enter; forcible confinement; possession of a narcotic; possession of a narcotic for the purposing of trafficking; and cultivation of a narcotic. He will appear in court in Cornwall on June 2.

Break and enter

OSGOODE TWP. — Overnight on May 5, a commercial business on Regional Road 73 was broken into. A number of saws and a Honda generator serial number GE400106673 were stolen.

Vandalized cars

MANOTICK — Between 12:30 am and 1:30 am on May 6, someone smashed the driver's window of a vehicle parked at a local drinking establishment then proceeded to steal an 'Ovation' 12-string guitar and a 'Peavay' amplifier.

During the evening of May 10, there were at least five vehicles in the Burritts Rapids area that were tampered with. In all cases, the ignition was damaged. Anyone with information concerning these attempted thefts can contact Constable Jason Smith at 692-2525.

Strewn garbage

MANOTICK — Two males were arrested on May 9 after someone complained about garbage being spread all over the Main Street of Manotick. The two were held in custody until they sobered up.

OBITUARIES

Neil and Erin Irvine

Neil and Erin Irvine, both of Alix, Alberta, died on January 24.

Erin was the granddaughter of Scott and Doris Gibson of Prescott while Neil was their son-in-law.

Neil and Erin are survived by the Irvine families of Alix, Alberta and Calgary, Alberta, Scott Gibson, June Gibson and family of Prescott as well as many uncles, nephews and nieces.

A memorial service was held in Alix, Alberta on February 1. Rev. John Coe officiated.

The eulogy for Neil was given by Trevor Place while the eulogy for Erin was presented by Leah Payne.

Interment of the cremated remains took place on May 3 at the Maple Ridge Cemetery.

John Osgoode James

John Osgoode James, died on April 26. He was 75.

A retired farmer, Mr. James was born in Edwards on May 10, 1921 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh James.

Mr. James is survived by his wife Mary Hamilton, whom he married in 1954, as well as his son Lloyd.

He will be fondly remembered by his siblings Nelson of Edwards; Edward (Eva) of Russell; Grace Stead of Nepean; Mary Hill of Arnprior; Mabel (Walter) McKay of Vernon, British Columbia; Elmer (Lois) of Ottawa and Hubert (Winnie) of Edwards. He will also be missed by his sister-in-law Muriel Campanella of New York.

Funeral services were held at Duncan Funeral Home on April 30. Rev. K.D. McKibbon officiated.

Interment was at North Russell Cemetery. Pallbearers were Wilmer Hamilton, John Whyte, George McKeown, Emerson Graham, Donald Hall and Stewart Harrison.

Elisabeth van Lanen

Elisabeth Cornelia Henrica van Lanen, of South Mountain, died on May 9. She was 75.

A housewife, Mrs. van Lanen was born on July 14, 1921 in Uden, Holland to the late Martinus van den Broek and Maria Ketelaars.

Mrs. van Lanen was predeceased by her siblings, Wim, Jan and Gerard as well as Theo and Anna van Lanen.

She is survived by her husband Martien William van Lanen whom she married on April 13, 1950.

Mrs. van Lanen will also be fondly remembered by her children John (Penny) of Kemptville; Martin of Mountain; Anne (Richard) Berube of Mountain; Willie (Ans) of Holland; Mary (Eric) McDermid of South Mountain; Neil (Verna) of Prescott; Christine (Ron) Barton of Heckston; Annette (Sam) Hummel of Chesterville and Darlene (Danny) Strader of Brinston.

She will also be sadly missed by her 30 grandchildren and brothers Doortje Borks of Holland and Nick (Delia) van den Broek of Whitby and her sister Anna Laarakkers of Beaverton; sister-in-law Dina van den Broek of Holland; Dootje deLouw, Jan van Lanen, Mein (Antoon) Hendricks, Cory (Harry) Broeksteeg, Gerda (Antoon) deLoop, Cor (Fien) van Lanen, Joke (Jos) deLaat, Andre (Marie) van Lanen, all of Holland as well as many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on May 12 at St. Daniel's Roman Catholic Church in South Mountain.

Interment was at St. Daniel's Roman Catholic Cemetery.

Pallbearers were her grandsons Bill and Jeff Berube, Marty, Michael, Shawn and Johnny van Lanen.

Club takes summer off

by Daisy Robinson

VERNON — A total of 55 happy shufflers attended their wind-up day at the Vernon Recreation Centre on May 5.

Some played shuffleboard, some played euchre and waited for the second shift or third. Cards were drawn each time, which told them what court they were on and who they were playing with and against.

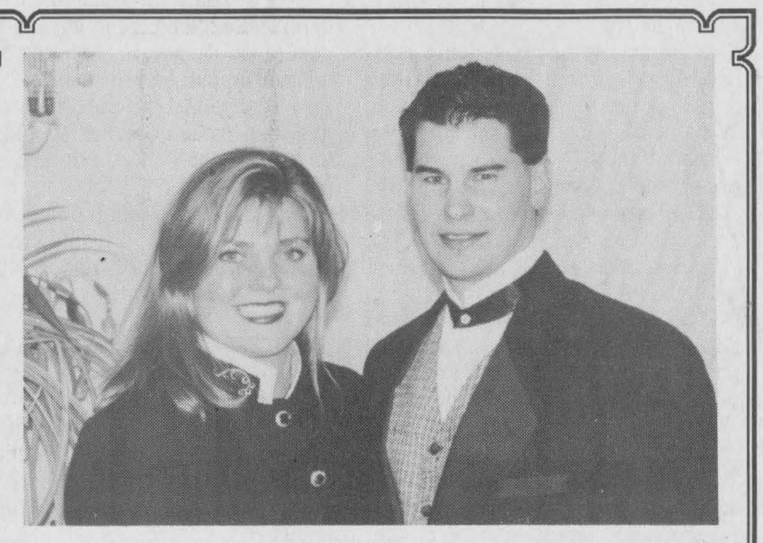
We play to win, but if one doesn't win, so be it. The name of our game is fun and that's what we all enjoyed each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from October to April at the rec centre.

Awards were also given out at the pot luck luncheon and John Coppens was named the most improved player.

Thanks was expressed to all who helped in any small way and especially to Bill and Petra Vandentillaart who always made sure the floor was cleaned up.

A basket of silk flowers was presented to Lora Armstrong for her help throughout the season in making the teams and schedules for each draw every week. There was a lot of time, work and effort given and without her help Daisy Robinson said she couldn't have done it.

Anyone wishing to play in the fall can contact Daisy Robinson at 821-2539.



Lafontaine–Robinson

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lafontaine and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Robinson are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, Ginger and Daryl, on June 27, 1997 at Strathmere Lodge, North Gower.



Jansen–Daly

Angela Daly and Andreas Jansen were united in marriage on April 12, 1997 at Rupert United Church, Rupert, Quebec. Andreas and Angela would like to thank family and friends for celebrating their special day with them.



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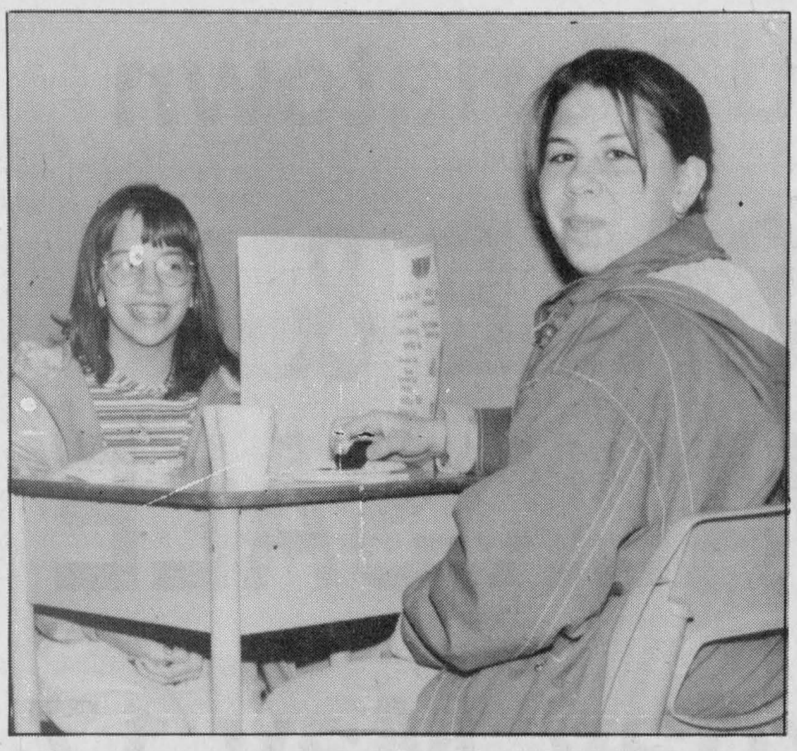
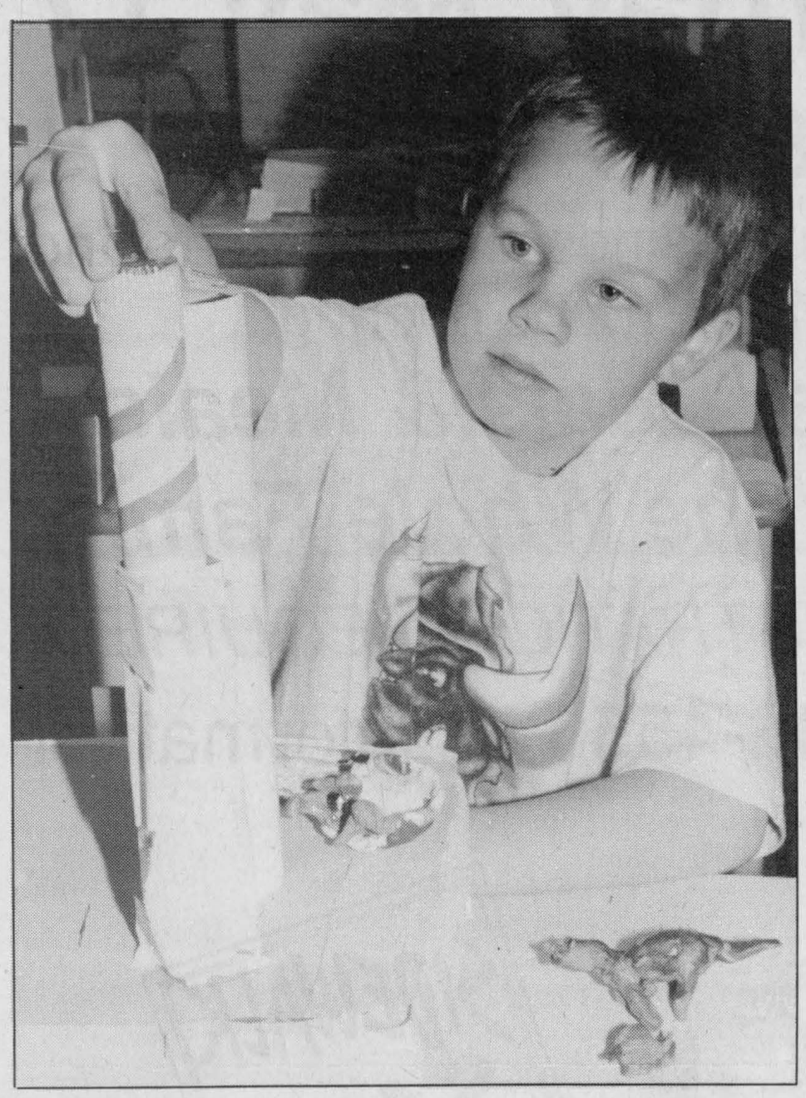
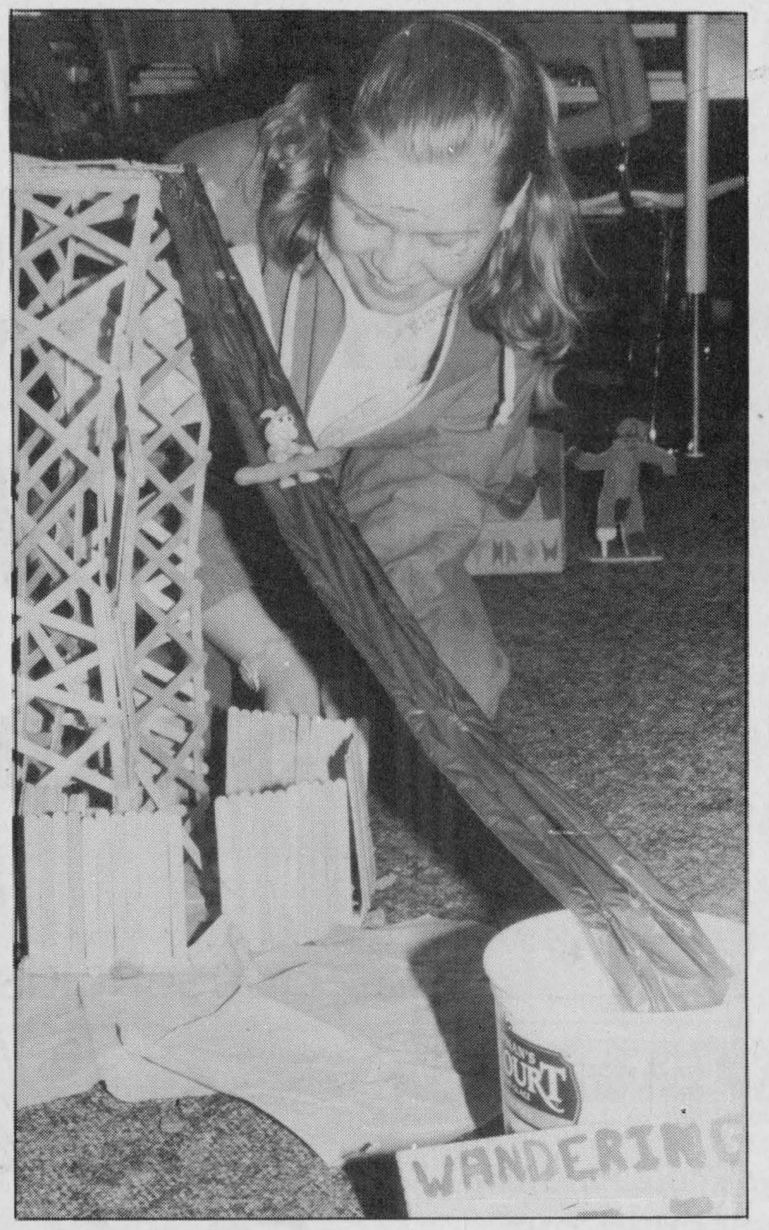






School days

Nationview Public School had two reasons to celebrate last week. The school hosted an open house last Wednesday evening (May 7) and a breakfast on Thursday in recognition of Education Week. The school, located in South Mountain, is also celebrating its 25th anniversary. Class photographs, pictures of former staff, and trophies from the past 25 years were on display in the school gymnasium during the open house. Visitors were also treated to a play performed by senior students and had the opportunity to tour the classrooms as well as the book fair. Pictured, Chantal Martin takes a closer look at part of a theme park set up in the Grade 6 classroom; Grade 1 student Matt Wendover adjusts a display in his classroom; and sisters Amy (left) and Stephanie McKeen take a break at `Le Cafe'.

Press Photos — Fetterly

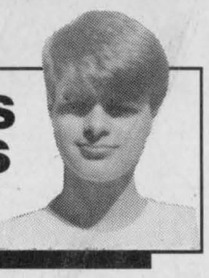
Dissecting sciences

MAPLE RIDGE — Over the past few weeks students across the nation, including right here at North Dundas, participated in various skill-testing science contests sponsored by the University of Waterloo.

In high school, science is broken down into three main categories — biology, chemistry and physics.

Biology deals with life. Interestingly enough, however, all we ever did in this class is study dead organisms. For people who love nature so much, biologists sure can't wait to slice into things.

NDDHS NOTES
by
Daniel Sahl



At first, much effort is put into learning the intricacies of our delicate human bodies... and how smoking can screw it up! We learn about cancer and how smoking causes it; we learn about the lungs and how smoking destroys them; we learn about the bloodstream and how smoking clogs it up; we learn about the heart and how smo... you get the picture.

Biology is definitely the science not endorsed by the tobacco manufacturers.

Chemistry, however, basically studies three key concepts — explosions, how to prevent explosions, and how to treat injuries do to explosions. Don't get me wrong though — it's a safe course. We wear protective eye gear.

Although chemistry tends to get a little confusing at times, it's still among the most important courses in school. Why? It's the chemists who make the medicines which heal us. It's the chemists who continually strive to make better products for the human race. From toothpaste that whitens teeth to batteries that last longer. We owe chemistry a lot.

We also owe them for toxic waste, but let's not get into that right now.

Physics is by far the most rigid of all the sciences. There are laws in physics and they cannot be broken, ever! It is this negative attitude which makes physics the least cheerful of science. That's why physics teachers have the most difficult job of them all.

In biology you can dissect a worm. In chemistry you can make toxic gas. In physics the best a teacher can do is hold a rock in the air and say "look kids... gravity."

Nevertheless, there are uses for physics. We just can't see them very well. If you've ever ridden in a car or flown in a plane, you've experienced the benefits of physics.

On the other hand, if you've ever been melted by an atomic bomb, you too have experienced the benefits of physics.

My point to this column, yes there is a point, is that science is an important part of the educational process. It's also a field where we can never have enough people involved and that's one thing law school can't boast.

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Students win gold at music festival

On May 2, seven Seaway students travelled to Cornwall to participate as soloists in the annual Kinsmen Music Festival. Among those who competed, Colleen Ortwein earned bronze while Jennifer Adams, Maureen Adams and Ginger MacIntyre each captured silver in their respective categories. Soloists Bambi Blue and Tami Harper did extremely well, each winning gold in their individual divisions. Congratulations to all those who participated and thanks to Seaway's music teacher, Miss Kristine Flaherty, for organizing Seaway's competitors and to Miss Sharlene Hoftyzer for accompanying the girls.

On Monday, Seaway's Envirothon Team participated at the Regional Competition in Long Sault. The team, consisting of coach Mrs. Karen Koivumaki and members Tim Casselman, James Garlough, Jordan Julien, Kereen Wardle and Eric Wemmerman, competed exceptionally well to place third overall with 94 points, just one point behind the second place team and a point away from a spot at the provincial competition in Oshawa. Congratulations for your outstanding performance - we look forward to next year.

Seaway This Week
by
Sarah-Jane Whittaker



Last week was officially Education Week and Seaway participated on several fronts. The students in Mrs. Sarah Lewis' Grade 12 art class displayed their oil paintings at the Iroquois branch of the Royal Bank for the week, while Seaway's Junior Band gave an excellent outdoor performance on Thursday at lunch for students and adults alike. Thanks to all those who lent their talents to Seaway's Education Week efforts. Well done!



Forthcoming Marriage

Terry and Judy Laurin of Morrisburg and Jane & Jim Baker of Winchester wish to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Cindy to Adam, son of Kees Van Engen and Louise Godbout of Finch. Marriage will take place at Lakeshore Drive United Church, Morrisburg on Saturday, July 26th, 1997.

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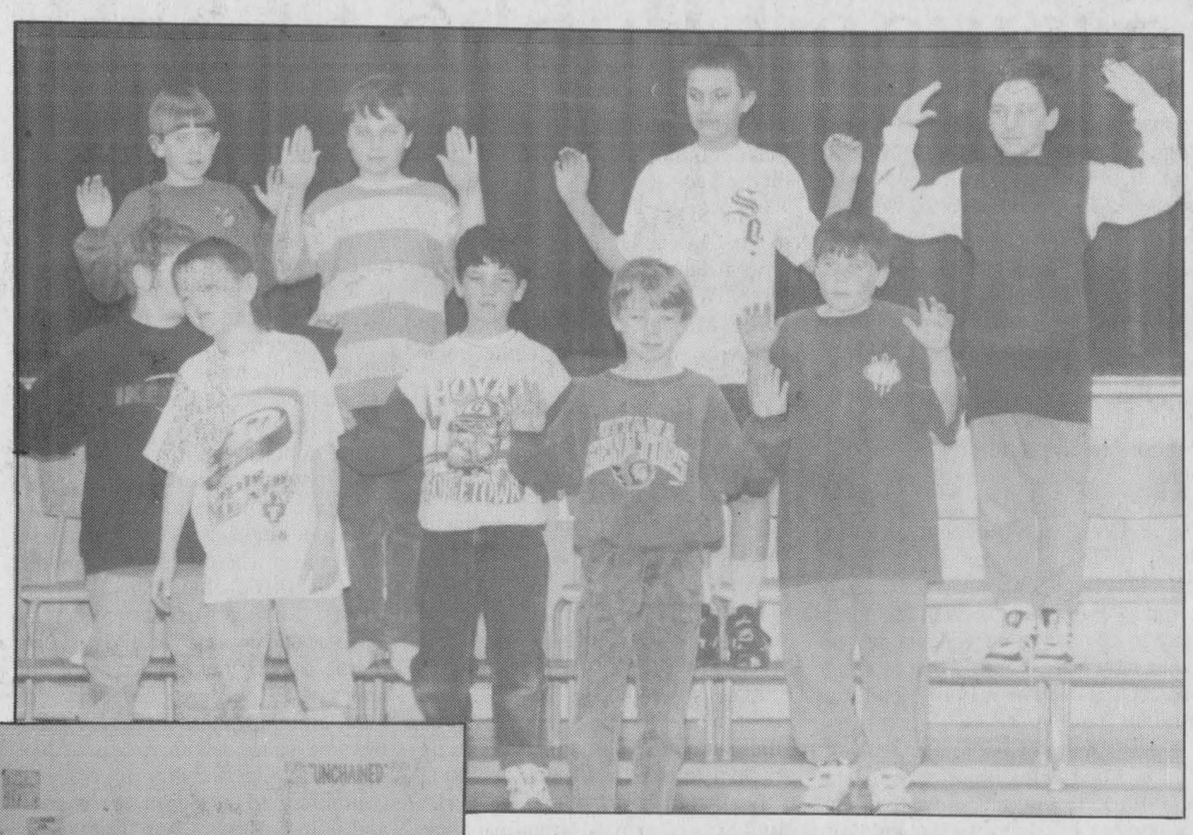



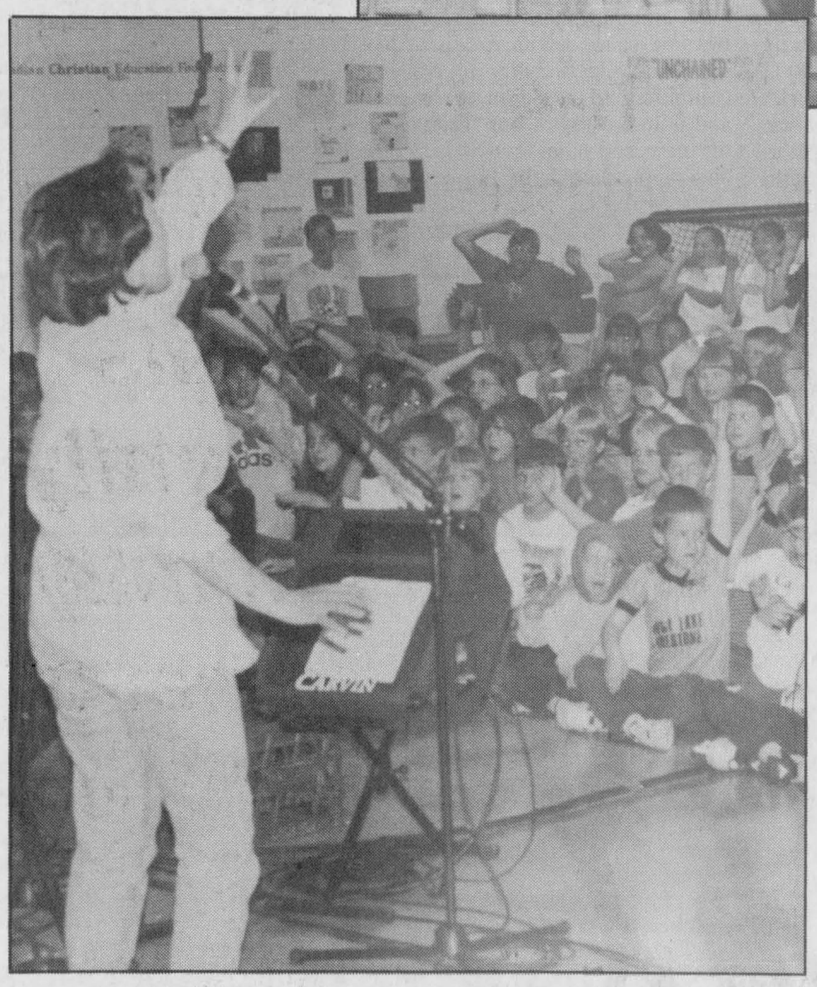

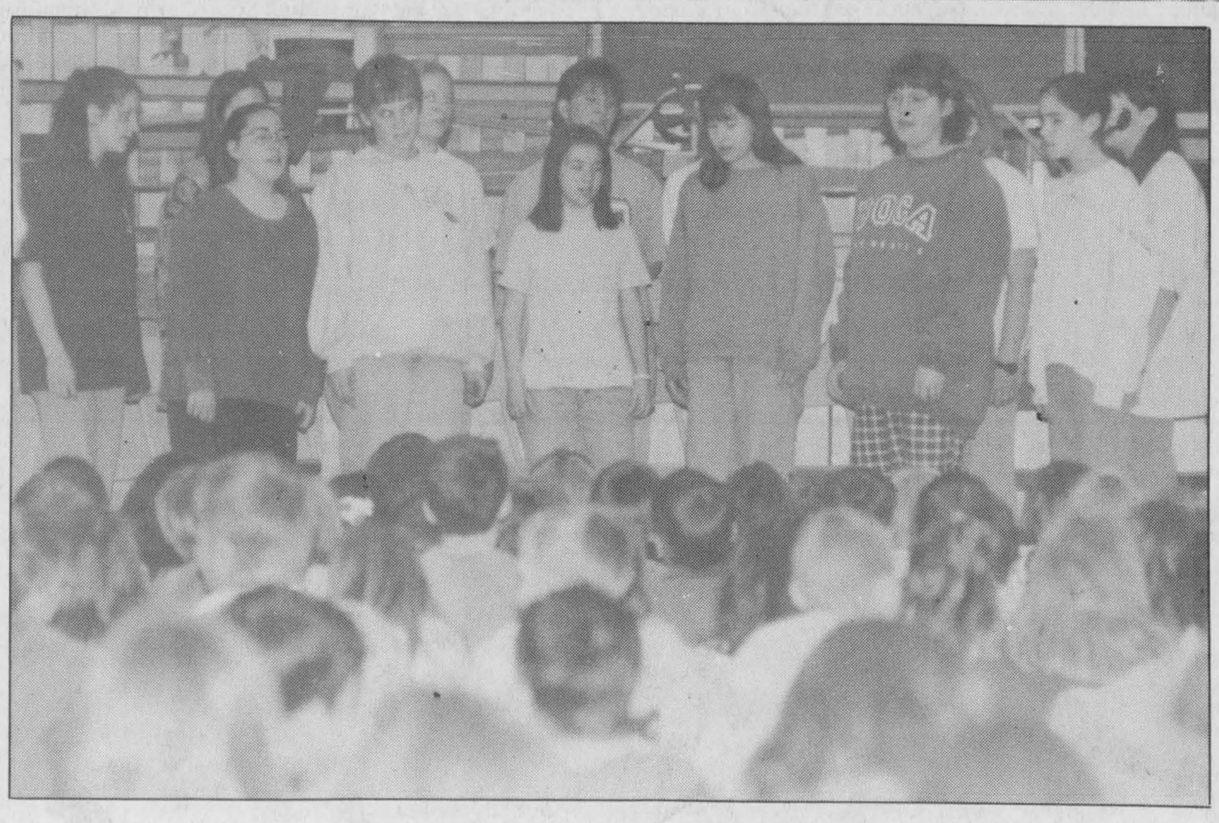

Clockwise: Angela Smith from the musical group Unchanged *got the students of Timothy Christian School involved in their afternoon performance; a boys choir from Winchester Public School got into the music; Justin Lummiss' performance on the recorder was accompanied by music teacher Marion DeGray; the girls choir from Nationview Public School sang the sweet melodies of* My Heart's in the Highland.
Press Photos — Dillich

Trade show for Greely

Derek Puddicombe

GREELY — Greely businesses spent much of last Sat., May 10 promoting themselves to their own people during the village's second trade show.

Organized by the newly formed Greely Business Association, the show featured 45 local businesses, about half being members of the GBA. It included a mobile computer training centre, financial services, real estate agents and representatives from the local golf courses.

"We're sold out," said GBA president and exhibitor Marg McManus. "There isn't any more room in here."

McManus says she is excited about the interest shown from businesses exhibiting their wares as well as the interest expressed by visitors who took in the trade show.

It's important for businesses to get involved and get the word out to residents who may not know what types of services are available in the village and surrounding area, she says.

"We want someone who moved here from Nepean and who had their work done there, know that there is a business here who can do the same job just as well," said McManus.

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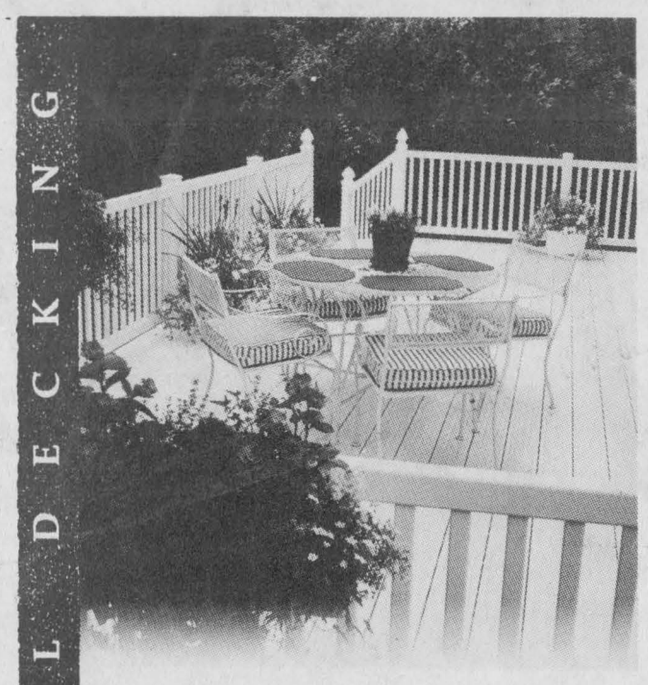
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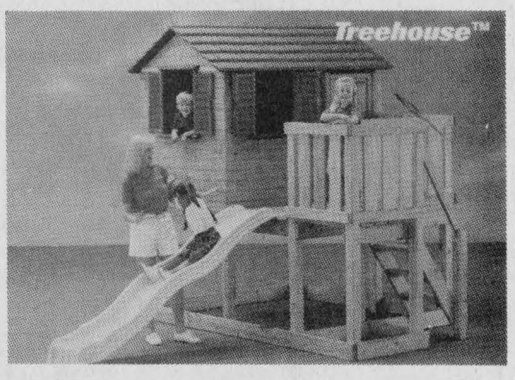

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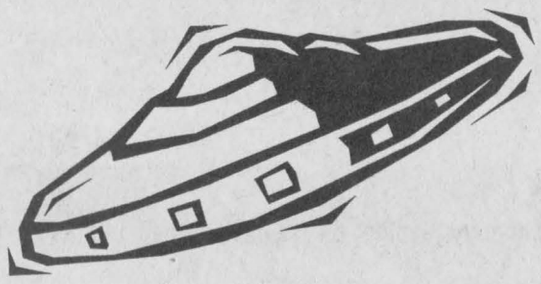

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Students raise Morewood Public to bronze level

by Anna Ballard

MOREWOOD — Welcome to the first school council's newsletter. What is this all about? We are trying to give all areas of the community access to what is happening at 'those' meetings.

There is another secret agenda that we want to accomplish. It is time to put Morewood in the papers. Our other goal is to start a monthly column in the Winchester Press on items that are about us, Morewood.

So, if you have something of interest to pass on, know of someone who really deserves a pat on the back or an opinion that you feel needs public expressing, please contact Scott Vetter at 448-1410 or Anna Ballard at 448-1811.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Education Week was May 5-9. So far, we have a field trip for Grades one and two, Spring Fling, student work display and a Jump Rope for Heart. A Science Olympics also took place.

We have purchased two new microwaves from the council's funds for school usage. The Bradley's had donated another microwave for use in the portable. Which brings the total up to four in the school, hopefully enough to get all those lunches heated up and still have time to eat.

The Easter raffle was a great success, with 630 tickets sold at a dollar each. A profit of $548.47 was realized after purchase of prizes. We pass on our thanks to all of you. Other items we are currently working on include:

Play Day, which will be held during the last week of school for half a day. Council agreed to pick up the cost again this year.

School Profile: all schools must submit a profile by September 1997. This is to be a snap shot of our school's listing physical attributes and goals. One use for this will be to give real estate agents something to pass on to interested cliental who are thinking of moving into the area.

School planners are currently under discussion again. The council will cover 50 per cent of the cost.

Yearbooks: It's almost that time of year again. We are currently organizing our approach to the local community for support via advertising. If anyone is interested in helping out with this project, it would be greatly appreciated because we need to get going ASAP. Please contact Nancy Kirkwood or Mrs. Dion.

OUR KIDS

Our kids have been busy with many terrific things.

MPS has joined the Green School Action Plan, this is a project to raise school children's awareness on our three Rs — Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

With a completion of 20 projects, our school is raised to another level, from basic to bronze, silver then gold. MPS students have obtained a bronze level and are well on their way to silver. Would you like to see what they have done? Then stop by the lobby, there is a book detailing all their hard work.

Kids Quilt for Aids, a big thank you to Ms. Crump who came to the school to discuss and show the kids all about these babies. The kids all decorated squares of small material, Mrs. Walker sewed them all into small quilts for babies born with aids or alcohol baby syndrome. Most of these little guys will never make it out of the hospital. A big pat on the back to all of you.

The SD&G Science Fair — way to go Carley Thomas, Ricky Murphy, Adam Schoones and Adrian Maler. We are very proud of you all. Ricky Murphy won a silver award and $75; Adrian Maler came home with a gold award and $200.

Grade 6 Science Olympics — the team represented Morewood in Williamstown on March 19 and came home $10 richer (each) and a trophy for second place. Fantastic work guys.

An open seminar by Maggie Mamom is in the works, some of you may be familiar with her "Who's in Charge? A guide to family management" book or have read about her. MPS and two to three other schools in the area are joining together to have her speak on Mon., May 26 at the North Dundas District High School gym. More information will be forthcoming. Don't forget to mark it on your calenders it should be an interested and informative evening for all.

OUR GOALS

Listed below is a goal list of what we wish to accomplish, and work on, this year in the council. We have broken down into committees and dug our hands right in.

Communications: co-chaired by Scott Vetter and Anna Ballard.

Volunteers: chaired by Margaret Thomas. To ensure all areas required get support needed, revamp existing volunteer outlines so we present a clear, concise outline of what they require when you volunteer. Last but not least, someone to make sure we mind our manners and say thank you to all those who do come and help.

Computers: chaired by Leonard Maler. Set up service contracts, update software and systems, increase equipment, get networking and surfing. A new computer software club has been set up for families and school, with excellent bargains and selections for all. Maler is continuing to work on these areas and is interested in our feedback of the new computer club. He would also appreciate help on any way, shape or form.

Safety: Larry Berry, Debra Kelly, Deborah Vetter and Karen Skuce are all working on this project. Areas to be covered include medical and physical awareness books; bus procedures; safe arrivals; general yard procedure guidelines; fire drills and allergies.

Currently, they are also working on setting up first aid training and sorting out the bussing school schedules. A survey conducted in the research, revealed that of 30 schools, 24 of them have 100 students to one yard monitor.

Library: chaired by Janet Whittam. The main goals are to get organizing with more space, better set ups and displays, round out the selections and work the teachers' wish lists.

Whittam has weeded out the junior selection of books, which has created a book sale for the younger kids. This will be ongoing and we will see future books sales. Whittam is also checking into a grant to pay for a student to catalogue the books, possibly over the summer.

That's all for this month. Look for our next news letter in mid-May.

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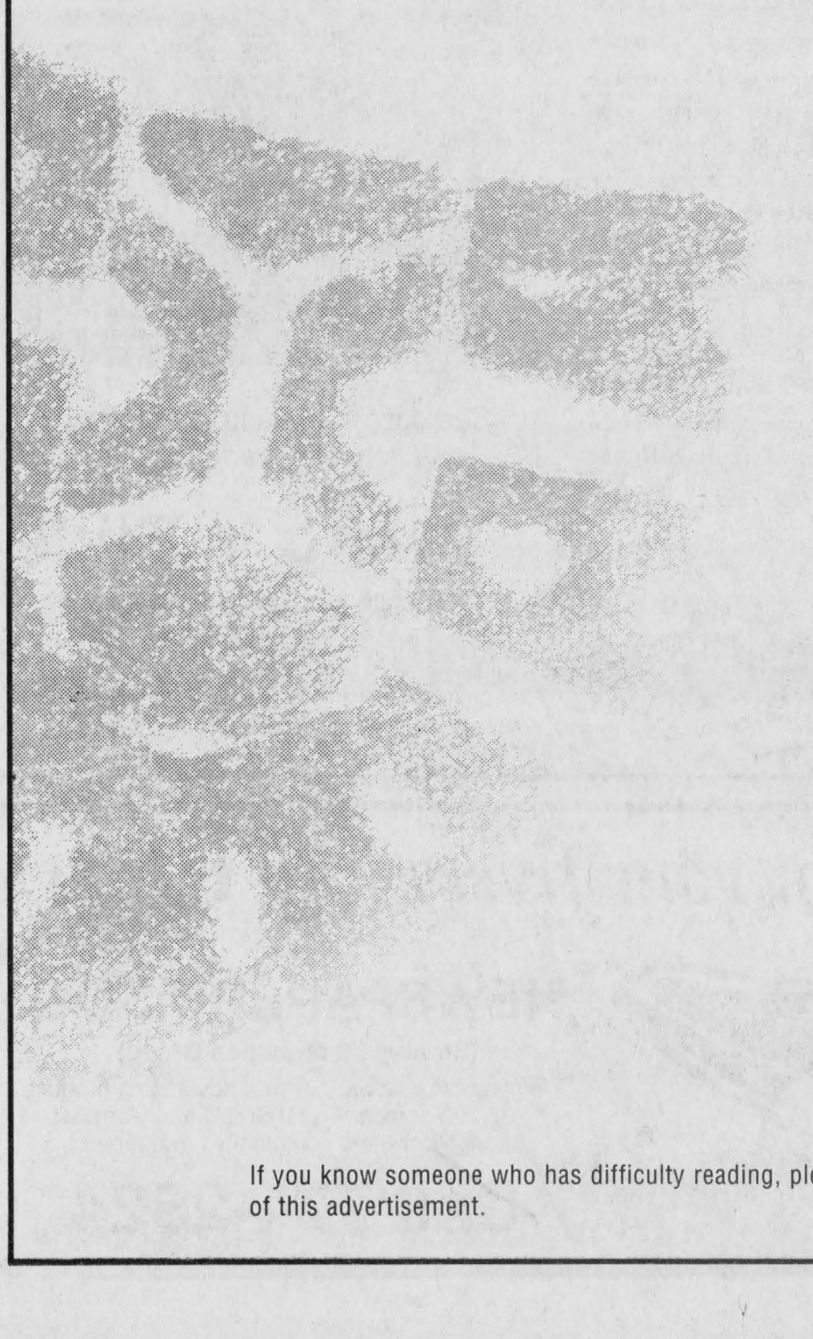

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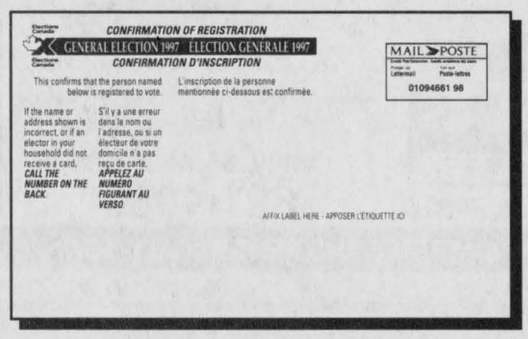
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WDMH retirees celebrate

Former employees of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital recently celebrated their retirement at a recent annual luncheon. Front, left: Roma MacMillan, Muriel Hay, Bev Robinson, Stan Marriner, Marie MacMonagle, Moira MacLeod. Middle, left: Corienne Wilson, Anna Vanderveen, Kay Forsythe, Ruth Smith, Mabel Ogden, Audrey Innis, Margaret Tullis, Vivian Campbell. Back, left: Myrtle Dawley, Alice Cross, Irwin Prunner, Orma Punner, Mary Dixon, Ruth Johanson, Betty Beckstead, Mary Chisholm, Janet Rutley, Vera Mitchell, Leila Helmer, Bev MacMartin.



Front, left: Duncan Levere, Arthur Moorhouse, Bill Langabeer, Jim O'Gorman, Sebe Vogel. Middle, left: Edith Harper, Connie Brown, Lillian Bjergso, Cynthia Foss, Elinor Douglas. Back, left: Jean Porteous, Mavis Graham, Faye Coons, Edith Baker, Jean Larmour, Grace Mulloy, Doris Michaels, Isobel McDiarmid, Mabel Carkner, Margaret Simzer, Betty Casselman.

Front, left: Bev Disheau, Audrey Harper, Pearl Eastman, Edna Levere, Jean Baldwin. Middle, left: Norma Duncan, Marian Fawcett, Judy Dalgleish, June Armstrong, Nettie Hutt. Back, left: Irene St. Pierre, Audrey Saunders, Bessie Clark, Lois Palmer, Anna Sommerville, Helen Duncan, Carl Trautmanis, Donelda MacIntosh, Mary Stewart, Erva Cummings, Jean K. Baldwin, Lillian Simzer, Joyce MacIntosh.

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DHC releases promotional paper

CORNWALL — The District Health Council of Eastern Ontario celebrated "Health Day" on May 12 this year.

The District Health Council participated in the celebration that day by releasing the District Health Promotion Plan - A Healthy Community: It Pays Off! After conducting a number of forums and consultations with communities across the five counties of Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry, Prescott and Russell, the District Health Council reported, through this plan, the issues that the people from the district have identified as priorities for health promotion in area communities.

The plan was designed to be consistent with the board provincial health goals but adapted to the local situation. The purpose of the plan is fourfold:

1. To provide for future health promotion activities;

2. To provide the basis for prioritizing funding for health promotion activities;

3. To stimulate action and promote partnerships that go beyond traditional health service providers to include those involved in the broader determinants of health; and

4. To monitor changes/progress in health status and quality of life of the residents of the five eastern counties of Ontario.

The message communicated in the Plan's title "A Healthy Community: It Pays Off!" is that there is a strong link between health and wealth and there are benefits that accrue as a result of concerted health promotion efforts.

The vision behind the plan is one that is shared by all Ontarians:

"We see an Ontario in which people live longer, and disease and disability are progressively reduced. We see people empowered to realize their full health potential through safe, non-violent environment, adequate income, housing, food and education, and a valued role to play in family, work and community. We see people having equitable access to affordable and appropriate health care regardless of geography, income, age, gender or cultural background. Finally, we see everyone working together to achieve better health for all."

On May 12, a press conference was held at 10 am in Cornwall, at the offices of the District Health Council of Eastern Ontario, at 132 Second St. East, suite 301.

Mountain Musings

by Shirley Mills

There are lots of good things happening next weekend. On Sat., May 17, there will be a giant yard sale at the Hallville United Church yard. This runs from 8 am until noon and will include a bake table. There will also be coffee and muffins available to keep you going.

Also on May 17, Inkerman United Church is holding its perennial and annual plant sale, inside or out depending on the weather. This runs from 9 am until 2 pm and is not only popular but just in time for planting. The sale also has ground covers, seedlings, house plants and a white elephant table which might include gardening tools, books, etc. as well as miscellaneous items. If you have any donations, including for a bake table, these can be dropped off at the church on Friday afternoon. It would be welcomed if a tag could be put in with any seedlings to say what they are.

For those who didn't know, there will be a combined service for the four congregations at Hallville United Church on Sun., May 18 at 10:30 am with lunch following the special service.

Euchre party

WILLIAMSBURG — Winners at the Williamsburg Township Seniors' Group euchre on Wed., April 23 were as follows:

Ladies: Lottie Gill, Mabel Prieur and Kezia Wells;

Gents: Olin Smith, Keith Casselman and Dwain Hess;

Door prize winners: Sharon Munro and Bill Whitteker;

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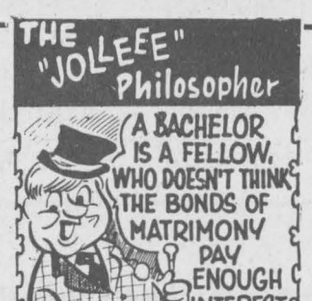

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Planning Our Region - Notice of Public Meetings

The Transportation Committee and the Planning and Environment Committee will be holding public meetings to consider the Draft Regional Official Plan, the Draft Transportation Master Plan, the Draft Water Master Plan and the Draft Wastewater Master Plan. The Draft Official Plan will be considered under Sections 17 and 21 of the Planning Act.

As part of the Public Meeting on the Draft Official Plan, the Planning and Environment Committee will also consider nine amendments to the 1988 Regional Official Plan requested by landowners in the City of Kanata, the Township of Goulbourn and the Township of West Carleton. If approved, these amendments will also be incorporated in the Draft Official Plan. These amendments are being considered under Sections 17, 21 and 22 of the Planning Act.

DETAILS OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

In order to hear from all parties interested in these plans, public meetings have been scheduled.

Please note that the dates published in January 1997 have changed.

On matters relating to the Draft Transportation Master Plan, the Transportation Committee will:

Hear presentations from the public May 16, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Discuss the Draft Transportation Master Plan, including comments received, and make recommendations to Council, May 30, starting at 9:00 a.m.

On matters relating to the Draft Official Plan and the Draft Water and Wastewater Master Plans, the Planning and Environment Committee will:

Hear presentations from the public
May 20, 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. and 7:00-10:00 p.m.
May 21, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 7:00-10:00 p.m.
May 22, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 7:00-10:00 p.m.
(if needed)

Discuss the Draft Official Plan and the Draft Water and Wastewater Master Plans, including comments received, and make recommendations to Council,
June 12, 13 and 16, starting at 9:00 a.m.

Times have been set aside to hear from the public interested in specific issues:

- Rural Resource and Mineral Resource Policies - May 20, 7:00 p.m.
- Transportation Policies - May 21, 9:00 a.m.
- Regional Open Space - May 21, 7:00 p.m.
- Requested Regional Official Plan Amendments - May 22, 9:00 a.m.

All Public Meetings will be held in the Champlain Room, Heritage Building, Ottawa-Carleton Centre,
111 Lisgar Street, Ottawa, K2P 2L7.

Regional Council is expected to deal with all plans at the July 9 Council meeting.

TO SPEAK AT A PUBLIC MEETING
To be placed on the speaker's list, please contact the Regional Clerk's Office at 560-2058.

AVAILABILITY OF REPORTS

The report to Transportation Committee on comments received and recommended changes can be picked up at the Clerk's Office, Regional Headquarters.

The report to Planning and Environment Committee on comments received and recommended changes will be available to the public on Wednesday 14 May 1997, at 12:00 noon and can be picked up at local Municipal Offices or the Clerk's Office, Regional Headquarters.

PLEASE NOTE

Please note that if a person or public body that files notice of appeal of a decision of the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton in respect of the proposed Official Plan does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton before the proposed Official Plan is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the Draft Official Plan or any of the requested official plan amendments, you must make a written request to the Planning and Development Approvals Department of the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton at the above address.

Submissions will become part of the public record. For further information please contact Catherine Caron at 560-6058 ext. 1500 or E-mail plan@rmoc.on.ca.

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High tech crimes on the increase

by Sandra Dillich
Press staff

CORNWALL — There is no limit to the mischief a person can get into with a computer.

Since 1995, the number of computer crimes has skyrocketed primarily due to the increased number of computer-literate people tapping into the Internet.

However, the Internet is not new. It was created by the United States military 24 years ago.

"Gradually everybody's getting more trained on computers and learning how to manipulate them," said Smiths Falls Criminal Investigation Bureau OPP Det. Sgt. Mark Wollocombe.

Wollocombe heads up the computer crime department in Smiths Falls which deals only with mischief and homicides. There is another unit in Mississauga which deals only with pornography on the Internet.

"It's basically the same as any crime in the criminal code — theft, fraud, forgery. But they're using a computer to resolve those means," he added. "(Computer crimes) can be anything from a virus, the computer itself, mischief to data, theft of telecommunications or an unauthorized use of a computer which is use of a system that it's not intended for, like a pyramid marketing scheme."

According to Wollocombe, viruses are the most common computer problems created by outside parties.

"There's even a site on the web that takes you step-by-step through how to create a virus, how to decode the magnetic strips on credit cards and they're free for everybody to get," he said.

Wollocombe explained there are a few ways people can protect themselves against a virus invasion such as installing a virus protection program and not opening E-mail from strangers.

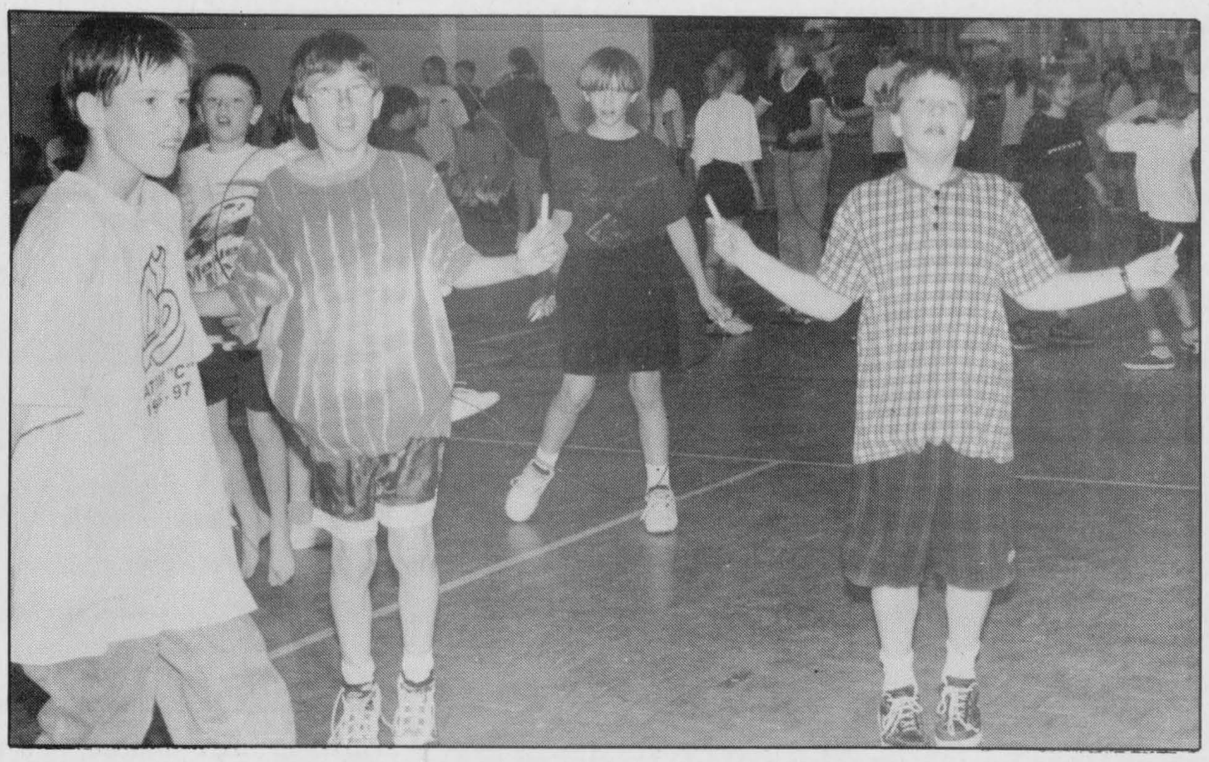
"If you are E-mailing someone, make sure you know who you are E-mailing and don't open up any E-mail from someone you don't know because you could be inviting in a virus."

Most importantly, Wollocombe said "Always back up work to an external drive (like a disk) because you never know what is going to happen."

Educational institutions as well as children are unknowingly the primary sources of viruses.

"The easiest way viruses are spread are through kids and students exchanging games, etc. ... scan diskettes before putting them into the computer," noted Wollocombe.

If a virus is detected, Wollocombe suggests the user take notes on what is happening on the screen, shut down and call someone for help, either the police department or computer company.



Dollars for the heart

Winchester Public School's Jump Rope for Heart campaign was deemed an unqualified success by principal George Hollingdrake. Hollingdrake reported the children raised $4,700 this spring, a big increase from the 1996 total of $1,700. "We certainly would like to thank the children and their parents for their very generous support," he said.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

Equipment for arena ice surface

WINCHESTER — The Winchester Arena is getting a new dehumidifier.

At the May 5 Village of Winchester council meeting, council approved the purchase of a Cimco ice rink Humicon, which is a self-contained ice rink dehumidifier. The cost was already allotted for in the Recreation Department's 1997 budget.

"It was discussed a year ago that it would help extend the life of the boards around the surface and create better ice conditions," said Deputy Reeve Mary Jane Elliott.

"This takes into account the structure of the building, air quality and the people allowed inside," noted Reeve Larry Gray.

The cost for the dehumidifier is $17,655 which includes labor, electrical and drain connection, mounting platform, installation and a one year on-site warranty.



Grocery bill for month

Judith Running (left) of Naomi's Family Resource Centre in Winchester accepts a cheque for $462 from Debbie Gilmer of the Ottawa Potters Guild. The money was raised at a Spring Sale in Ottawa in late April. Proceeds are donated to a different charity each year. Running said the money will cover the cost of groceries for the centre for a month.

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The Corporation of the Village of Winchester 1996 Financial Highlights

The following data has been extracted from the audited 1996 financial statements and is provided in summary form in accordance with the Municipal Act, section 83(1)(b) M.45. The full audited statements are available for viewing in their entirety at the Village office.

Bonnie Dingwall, Treasurer

Consolidated Statement of Operations

	1996	1995		1996	1995
Sources of Financing			**Expenditures - Current operations**		
Taxation from ratepayers	**$798,595**	$794,220	General government	**$340,830**	$312,596
Taxation from other governments	**133,962**	130,884	Fire and control	**59,001**	54,974
Sewer and water charges	**620,237**	485,997	Roadways and street lighting	**206,293**	261,442
Fees and user charges	**259,692**	261,636	Environmental services	**665,133**	568,794
Ontario grants	**2,830,552**	668,317	Recreation	**298,443**	267,960
Other income	**194,186**	255,244	Planning and development	**18,067**	20,506
	4,837,224	2,596,298		**1,587,867**	1,486,272
			Capital operations		
			General government	**203,843**	61,610
			Fire	**1,749**	19,984
			Roadways	**140,397**	462,728
			Sewer and water	**3,392,084**	406,364
			Recreation	**31,628**	24,224
				3,769,701	974,910
			Net appr to res./reserve fund	**177,291**	129,090
Municipal funds, beginning	16,692	10,666	**Municipal funds, ending**	**(680,943)**	16,692
Total sources of financing	**$4,853,916**	$2,606,964	**Total expenditures**	**$4,853,916**	$2,606,964

Consolidated Balance Sheet

	1996	1995		1996	1995
Assets			**Liabilities**		
Cash	**$768,845**	579,890	Bank loan	**$380,096**	$
Taxes receivable	**139,588**	182,600	Accounts payable	**578,129**	242,332
Grants receivable	**430,833**	409,484	Other current liabilities		1,720
Due from Hydro Electric System	**53,224**	45,875	Net long-term liabilities	**871,755**	1,066,577
Accounts receivable	**195,222**	118,561			
Other	**4,903**	62,376			
Capital outlay to be recovered in future years	**871,755**	1,066,577		**1,829,980**	1,310,629
			Fund balances		
			Municipal funds	**(680,943)**	16,692
			Reserves	**1,221,053**	987,613
			Reserve funds	**94,280**	150,429
				634,390	1,154,734
	$2,464,370	$2,465,363		**$2,464,370**	$2,465,363

Mill Rate for Comparison (Public School Support)

	1996 Res./Farm	1996 Com./Ind.		1995 Res./Farm	1995 Com./Ind.
Village purposes	**162.622**	**191.320**	**Village purposes**	162.622	191.320
United Counties purposes	**64.290**	**75.635**	**United Counties purposes**	67.586	79.513
School Support (public)	**300.890**	**353.988**	**School Support (public)**	290.624	341.911
Total	**527.802**	**620.943**	**Total**	520.832	612.744

Note: The 1996 financial highlights portray the operations, assets and liabilities of the Village consolidated with the Village of Winchester Business Improvement Area and the Village of Winchester Waterworks System. Trust funds held by the Village and the revenues and expenditures of the Village of Winchester Hydro Electric System have not been consolidated.

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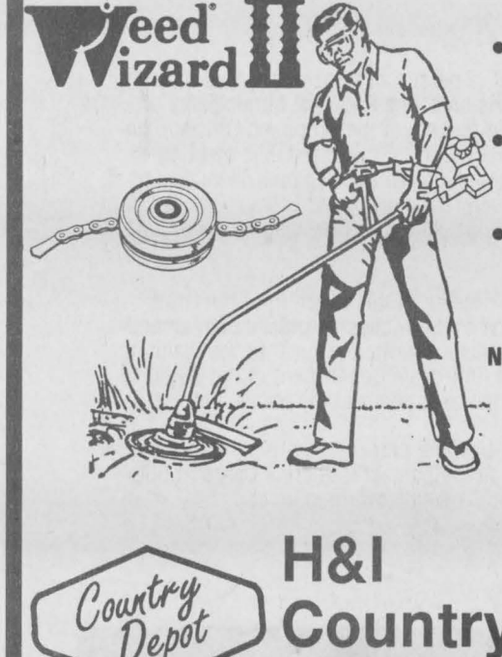

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Dairymen donate to Manitoba flood victims

Farm update

OTTAWA — Local dairy farmers have joined their counterparts from across the country to provide assistance to victims of the Manitoba floods.

Canadian dairy farmers are donating 20,000 pounds of butter to those affected by the floods. In addition, Manitoba Milk Producers and two processors, Beatrice Foods and Dairyland, are coordinating the production, processing and packaging of 80,000 litres of fluid milk.

The butter and milk will be part of 20,000 food packages being prepared by the Red Cross and the Salvation Army, to be distributed to flood victims as needed over the next four to six weeks.

Locally, members of the Dundas milk committee have supported a plan to provide financial assistance to Manitoba dairy farmers affected by the floods.

"While the (Dairy Farmers of Canada assistance proposal) is geared to urban areas we agreed it would be helpful to send actual dollars to dairy farmers," said Dundas Dairy Farmers chairman Steven Byvelds.

Dairy farmers in the flood area are having difficulty managing their operations and it's unclear whether they will be able to plant crops, he explained.

According to Byvelds, the Dundas committee has given its approval for area rep. Gordon Johnson to take his proposal of financial assistance for flood victims to the Board of Dairy Farmers of Ontario.

However, the idea is still in the preliminary stages and still needs the Board's approval, he added.

"We don't know whether the idea will fly... it's up to Gordon to take it to the Board," said Byvelds.

The dairy producer initiative was proposed and co-ordinated by Neil Van Ryssel, Chairman of the Manitoba Milk Producers.

"Dairy producers and processors involved in this effort hope their contribution will help people get back on their feet and alleviate the situation somewhat," he said.

Dairy educator gives tasty lesson to kids

Westenbroek and Clover go back to school

by Dianne Fetterly
Agricultural editor

DIXONS CORNERS — Dundas Dairy Educator Rachel Westenbroek began visiting area schools last week.

Westenbroek, who took over the job as the county's dairy educator last fall, said she's been looking forward to getting out to the schools to teach children about the dairy industry and encourage them to drink milk and eat dairy products.

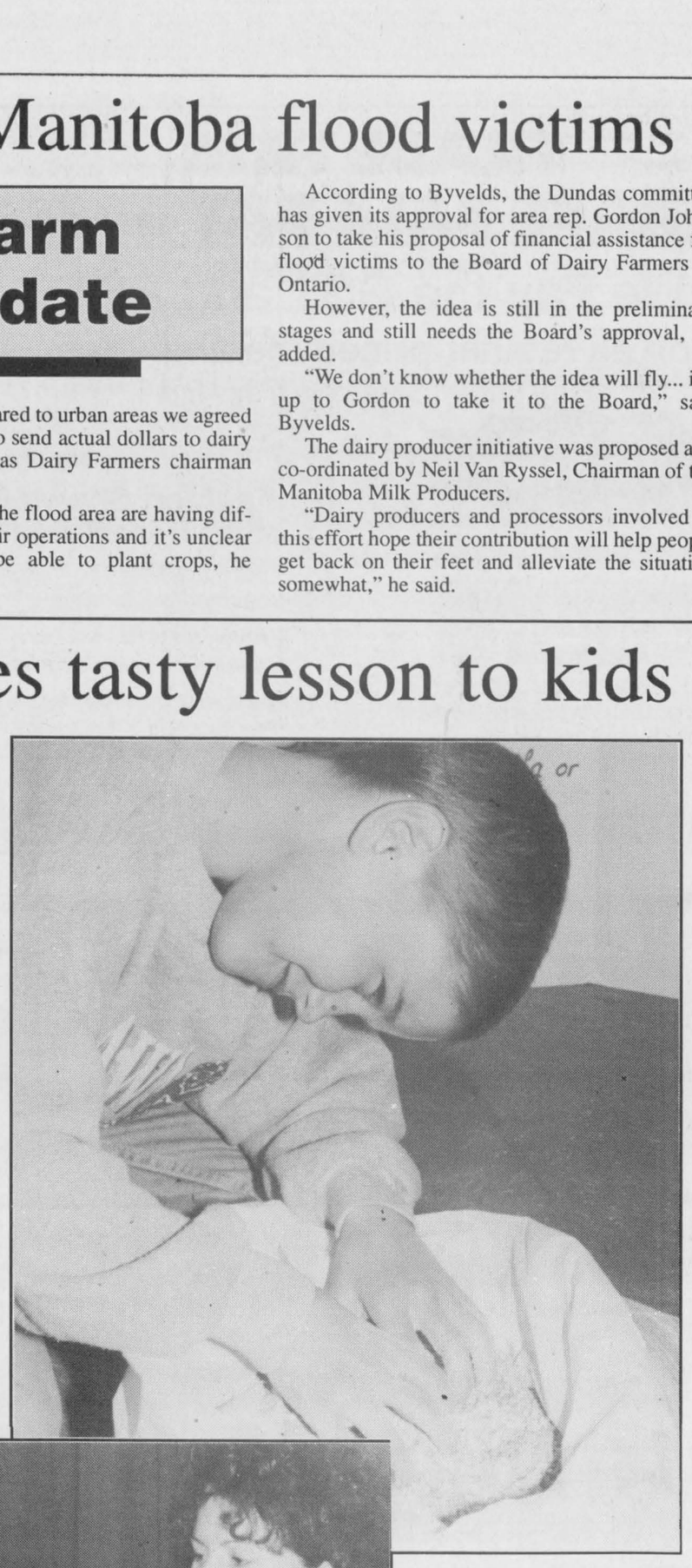
Presentations made by the dairy educator are geared to the various age groups of the students.

For her presentations to the younger children, Westenbroek brings along her puppet cow "Clover", to help explain a little bit about the physiology of a cow and how it produces milk. She also brings along other visual aids to help children better understand the dairy industry.

The children enjoy guessing the various breeds of dairy cattle and playing with toy farm machinery. Samples of various types of cattle rations are on hand for the students to touch and smell. A short video on how milk gets from the cow to the dinner table helps get the message across.

Westenbroek is also bilingual and can give her presentation in either official language.

Westenbroek is in for a busy month. She began her classroom visits Mon., May 6 in Winchester and headed out to Dixons Corners Public School last Friday (May 9). She joined children on a farm visit on Mon., May 12; visited St. Mary's in Morrisburg on May 13 and Inkerman Public School on May 14. Morrisburg, Nationview, Morewood and Elma public schools are all on Westenbroek's list of scheduled stops for the remainder of May.





Healthy lesson

Dundas Dairy Educator Rachel Westenbroek began her visits to county schools last week. She is pictured, at right, showing milking equipment to Grade 6 students at Dixons Corners Public School last Friday. Above, a Grade 4 student takes a close-up look at some dairy cattle feed.
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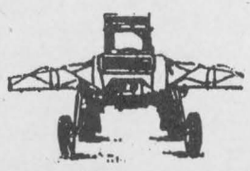
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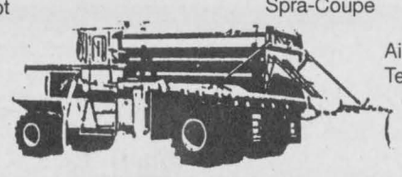
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DFA speaker pushes good neighbor policy

Dianne Fetterly
Agricultural editor

WINCHESTER — Grenville County farmer Bob Woolham is urging his counterparts in Dundas to form friendly alliances with other rural landowners.

"Farmers must make sure we're making the appropriate contacts with others living in the country... because what we do have in common is our land," said Woolham, a member of the Grenville Federation of Agriculture who runs a cow/calf operation in North Augusta. He was guest speaker at the Dundas Federation of Agriculture's monthly meeting, held Wed., May 7 in Winchester. Woolham expressed concern that the sweeping changes taking place within the Ontario government are seriously impacting farmers and how farmers do business.

"The dynamics of rural Ontario is changing... farmers are becoming a minority," he said.

Woolham cited the increase in rural development; changes to farm assistance programs; environmental concerns; increased user fees; and problems with right-to-farm legislation as just some of the issues facing farmers.

"(These issues) will change the nature of how farmers do what.. We must learn to adapt," he added.

As well, Woolham discussed ground water use and how future legislation could impact on agriculture. He also touched on the effects of health care changes on rural residents.





To market

The Metcalfe Farmers' Market opened for the season on Saturday (May 10) at the Metcalfe Fairgrounds. The event, packed with new and old vendors, attracted large crowds for its opening day. On display were baked goods, plants and flowers, spring vegetables and crafts. The Metcalfe Farmers' Market will run every Saturday morning from 8 am to 12 noon. Press Photos — Fetterly

Holsteins hit the highway

CAMBRIDGE — The Ontario Holstein Association has joined a growing list of farm organizations on the world wide web.

The web site contains a comprehensive listing of what the organization is and what it does for its membership. It includes details of upcoming shows and judging conferences, announces award winners and has a large section dedicated to youth programs such as the Ontario Dairy Youth Award, the scholarship program and the 4-H Inter-County Dairy Judging Competition. Also included are results from many of the Holstein shows held in the past year, as well as the 1996 All-Ontario Competition.

The page also attempts to educate those who are not familiar with the Holstein breed of cattle and its industry. One section outlines the history of the Canadian Holstein cow and its progress throughout the years, while another promotes educational videos available for purchase.

The Ontario Holstein Association's web site is: www.ontario.holstein.ca. The E-mail address is: branch2ontario.holstein.ca.

The Ontario Dairy Discovery, a provincial Holstein and Jersey Show held annually in September in Brampton is also linked to the Internet. Its web site is: www.ontario.holstein.ca/odd~1.htm. The E-mail address is: branch2ontario.holstein.ca.

Jr. Farmers adopt Child Find

PETERBOROUGH — The Junior Farmers Association of Ontario has selected Child Find Ontario as its provincial charity for the 1997-98 year.

With 1,200 volunteers serving in 21 chapters throughout the province, Child Find is one of Canada's largest and oldest charities. It is dedicated to the recovery of missing children and helping reduce the incidence of abducted, lost and missing children through education and prevention programs.

The 1,400-member Junior Farmers Association of Ontario announced its decision to adopt Child Find as its charity during the annual meeting held recently in Peterborough.

Build your own birdhouse

A workshop designed to help people build their won birdhouse is scheduled for Sun., May 18 at the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary.

Beginning at 2 pm, participants will learn about different bird species and their preference in home dwellings.

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4-H update

Local 4-Hers to help flood victims

WINCHESTER — Dundas 4-H members are holding a bake sale during the giant sidewalk sale in Winchester on Sat., May 17 to raise money for 4-H members in the flood area of Manitoba.

The table will be set up in front of the Seaway Valley IDA Pharmacy on Main Street beginning at 9 am. All proceeds will go to the 4-H program in Manitoba.

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Rally registration

Roy Gummesom (left) and Frank Shaw, both from the Morrisburg Lions Club, register Iroquois' Marie Gillard for the annual car rally for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital.



Car rally challenge

Winchester's Ault Foods Limited challenged Chesterville's Nestle plant to raise $1,000 for this year's Winchester District Memorial Hospital car rally, which was held last Saturday. Ault's and Nestle's both donated $1,000 to the hospital. Other major sponsors for this year's rally included the Brister Group in Morrisburg, Cruickshank Construction in Morrisburg as well as MacEwan Petroleum. Left: Linda McMahon, logistics manager for Ault's; Randy Veinotte, Morrisburg Lions Club; Debbie Comeau, Nestle human resource manager. Press Photo — Dillich

Sexual harrassment clearly defined

by Sandra Dillich
Press staff

MAPLE RIDGE — Sexual harassment is no longer a joking matter for the students of North Dundas District High School.

Last week, every student at the school participated in the Joke's Over workshop which was designed to teach students exactly what constitutes sexual harassment.

"We're not hoping there will be line-ups in the hallway of people reporting sexual harassment, but we want to make people more aware of the obscure aspects of sexual harassment," explained Andrea Flowers, one of the student leaders who spear-headed the seminars.

"You have to recognize that so many factors make up sexual harassment and there are no exact definitions or boundaries," noted Flowers.

However, sexual harassment can be broadly defined as unwanted, uninvited sexual remarks, gestures and/or actions.

North Dundas, as well as all of the other high schools within the SD&G public school board have created a safe school mandate which states: "All students and teachers have the right to come to school without fear of being verbally or physically harassed. The SD&G Public School Board of Education has a safe school policy which adopts the 'zero tolerance' approach to verbal and physical harassment."

According to this mandate, if a student is found guilty of sexual harassment, he/she could be suspended for up to 20 days.

"Repercussions of a 20-day suspension are pretty big. You lose your semester (because only 15 absents are allowed per semester) and it goes on your transcript for when you apply to college or university," explained Flowers.

Although most people are aware of what sexual harassment is, some of the more insecure actions which can be deemed as sexual harassment include whistling or catcalls, stalking, bra snapping, blatant profanity, bathroom graffiti and nasty comments about one's sexual orientation.

"That's sexual harassment because it's about their sexual orientation," said student leader Julie Simpson.

Students also learned that dirty jokes can be problematic.

"It doesn't matter what you mean to say, it's what was interpreted by the person," added student leader Thomas Schoch. "Even if it's a joke to you, it might not be a joke to that person."

Not only were the group leaders discussing sexual harassment which can occur between students, but also sexual harassment from authority figures.

"Students do have the right to come to school and not be harassed by teachers. You don't have to put up with it from students, so you definitely don't have to deal with it from teachers," said Flowers.

Actions students can take in putting an end to sexual harassment include telling the person the statement or gesture is not appreciated. If that fails, students are encouraged to tell a teacher or report it to the police.

"You have the right to ask about detentions or suspensions and if you go to the police, ask about restraining orders," added Flowers. "The school itself can press charges if it's serious enough so the person (victim) doesn't even have to be involved."

According to Flowers, one of the most common misconceptions students have about sexual harassment is that people are not responsible for their actions when drunk or high.

"It's sexual harassment no matter what," she said.

Services available to anyone who has been a victim of sexual assault include the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, the University of Ottawa, Carleton University, Planned Parenthood and the Kids Help Phone Line.

NDTC input needed

MOUNTAIN — The North Dundas Transition Committee is ready to get the sub-committees rolling.

At the April 24, NDTC's open meeting, the committee members voted in favor of establishing the necessary sub-committees required to move the process of amalgamation forward.

A member of council, acting as a resource person, along with someone from the general public are required for each sub-committee.

A motion recommending specific, qualified people for each sub-committee was struck down by the village councillors on May 5.

"There are 1,500 other people in town who may like to come forward... I'd like to see this advertised and have people come forward and choose then," noted Councillor Bob Riddell.

The council members sitting on the five sub-committees are: Cliff Parsons - general corporate services; Betty Cooke - building/drainage /bylaw enforcement; Bob Riddell - road and waste management; Mary Jane Elliott - parks, recreation and cultural services; Larry Gray - emergency services.

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