Light agenda as Iroquois council winds down 1996

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The final regular meeting of 1996, for the Iroquois Council was called to order on Tuesday evening by the Reeve at 7pm. First Council dealt with the minutes of the two previous meetings, November 2 and 26. The Minutes were accepted with an addition to the 26th as written. A "No" vote on Amalgamation was recorded and will show.

Disbursements were paid in the amount of $290,530.00 and then the Reeve asked for reports. Council hoped for some news from the SDRC, but Councillor Ewing was absent and is the Iroquois liaison with the Committee. Council will hear from Jane on this issue in the new year. They also wanted input on the Subsidy report. This again dealt with through the SDRC. It was mentioned that Iroquois' portion is going to be higher than in previous years, but this was tabled until the first meeting in the new year as well, when Mrs. Ewing will be available to explain.

Two tenders were opened for the installation of alarms at the municipal building. That of T.S. Gibson Electric was accepted. He will complete the job in the new year, a completion date of February 15 was bantered about for the job. The costs to the Village will run about $3600 for materials they supply, and then an additional $4138 for the tendered work. The high cost of insurance and replacement of stolen goods makes this a good move on the part of Council.

The Carman House Museum Board will be approached as to whether they would be interested in hosting a museum display on the Village for the 140/40 Anniversary. Not only is Iroquois 140 years old, it has been 40 years since the Seaway move, Caldwells will be 75 years old and the Lions Club will celebrate 50 years in Iroquois...should be some party!!

Recreation asked for permission to hold their second annual Tree Burning in the village. It would be west of the rink and for $1.00 members will pick up your discarded Christmas tree for burning on January 5, 1997. A Family Skating party will be held to co-incide with the burning. The Fire Department will be contacted to assist and all proceeds will go to the Recreation Committee.

Then it was on to correspondence. No members from Council will attend the ROMA conference in Toronto in February. The Reeve will attend as a member of County Council. The main topic of discussion will be restructuring.

Speaking of Recreation, the local Committee wrote asking Council to approve their proceeding with the conversion to natural gas heaters at the rink building. Explaining the benefits of such a move, they also enquired as to the possibility of any financial help for this capital expenditure. Council agreed to the switch after consideration of the reduced heating bill, reduction in the danger of pipes freezing and the removal of the hazard presented by the electrical heaters to youngsters. (Presently used). 'Recreation will have to build this into their 1997 budget when they present it to us," stated the Reeve. Council learned that units can be rented for this winter, at no greater cost than the current electrical charges.

A letter from Verdin Company suggesting that the Village might want to look at revitalization of the downtown area. They could assist in numerous ways. Council filed this as being too costly at present.

A Thank You was received from Kenny Hamilton who was presented with a $200. donation upon his graduation from Seaway last October.

A notice advising Council that the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs supports the restructuring as proposed in Prince Edward County. Reducing the number of municipalities from 11 to one, and the number of elected officials from 52 to 16 at an estimated savings of $1.8 million annually was an agreement reached in five months of dialogue within the County system.

Summer festival members wrote ensuring that Council is aware that this coming year the Festival Committee hope to incorporate the 140/40 Anniversary theme into the Festival when and wherever possible. The midway sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the 2nd Annual Mini-Miss and Little Gent Pageant will be held as

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Have a safe and happy holiday season

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Mountain Township Santa Claus Parade was a success on weekend

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

BRRAAAWNNK! a siren squawks.

"It's coming Mommy it's coming. MOMMY! THE PARADE IS COMING!" a child shouts. Many children shout this actually, at different points.

EEEEEEEWWWEEEEEEEEOOOOOOOOWWWWWWWW! another, longer siren blast sounds.

Necks craning around, kids knee-high to a snowball stop splashing in the slush and running about the forest of parents. Nobody in the throng lining the main street of South Mountain can see anything yet.

Inside the local store people zip in and out like they're in a time-lapse film, getting coffee, candy, pop. It's warm inside, but the parade is outside. Cash registers ch-ching, change rattles. A constant burble of loud, excited conversation fills the store even though most of the occupants are old enough to see over the front counter.

Today is Saturday, Dec. 14-- one week after Winchester's Santa Claus Parade, which means only one thing: this is the day of the Mountain Township Santa Claus Parade.

No one can see anything on the main street of South Mountain for a long time-- except the street of course. Only the sirens can be heard. Then, finally, after a wait that must seem like a million years to a little kid, the reflection of red and white lights off windows appears. This sets off another chorus of "It's coming!", two minutes later "it" does indeed roll into sight.

Two red, Mountain Township fire trucks lead the way with blasting sirens, they're followed by floats, marchers and people on horseback-- 19 groups and four fire trucks comprise the parade.

Victor Hughes, an I.O.O.F member and one of the organizers says participation in the parade is the best in years. He says the decision by the organizers last year to shorten the route has helped a lot.

"We used to go from Mountain at one and get here for two o'clock," says Hughes. He says the children in the parade would get too cold on the long trek.

Scouts, beavers and guides pelt the crowd with candy while they ride on floats. Two children ride in a little wagon wrapped up in a Christmas present. A nativity scene or two pass by onlookers. Mary and Joseph wave at the crowd. The Matilda Majorettes march by whirling and twirling their batons while a stereo belts out the Macarena.

Bill Williams, the chairman of the organizing committee says that over the years floats became more elaborate and slower and harder to transport. He also says more and more horses were included in the parade and this also slowed down travel time between Mountain and South Mountain.

"We were extremely happy with the content of the parade," says Williams. He says one of the things that helped make the parade a success was inviting all of the recreation groups from the township and surrounding area to come to planning meetings.

From the looks of things the planning was well worth it. The crowd is smiling, children clap their hands and giggle at funny floats, when they aren't covering their ears from the fire engine sirens.

Santa Claus finally rides past on his sleigh and as the last floats trail by everyone makes a beeline for the I.O.O.F. hall to meet the jolly old elf and tell him their Christmas wishes. Inside parents try and figure out how long the parade has been happening. While some say 15 years, one native of South Mountain put the estimate at more than 40 years.

Williams agrees with this saying old minutes of previous organizing committees go back to about 1953.

"The parade was around when I was a boy and that's more than fifteen years ago," one parent quips. Ho ho ho.

Merry Christmas.



Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

Twin Soldiers

Rebecca and Amber Ault were two of the cutest toy soldiers ever, as they lined up ready to head to the stage for their part in the Merry Christmas Band. The Junior and Senior Kindergarten classes presented their very own Christmas Concert this year. Much to the delight of their families and friends, they were a hit for sure. These twin ladies played the sticks as their contribution to the Band. They assured the photographer that they were smiling and happy to be performing.

Chieftain holiday work schedule

The Christmas season is once again upon us and with Christmas falling on a Wednesday this year, we at The Chieftain must adjust our schedule.

We will be publishing one more edition before Christmas. Production day will be this Friday, December 20, and the paper will be delivered on Monday, December 23.

Classified deadlines for this issue will be Friday, December 20, at 10 am.

The always popular Looking Back issue of The Chieftain will be published Monday, December 30. Classified ads will need to be at our office by noon on Friday, December 27.

The display advertising deadline for the Looking Back issue will be Tuesday, December 24th at noon.

The first issue of 1997 will come to your home on January 8th, 1997. Deadlines for ads will be as usual.

The Chieftain will be closed on December 25th, 26th and on January 1st, 1997.

Things good at House of Lazarus

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

"Things are coming in just wonderful," says Shirley Nichol-Scott, co-ordinator of the House of Lazarus.

On Saturday the Mountain Trailblazers Snowmobile Club gave the House of Lazarus $1,200 worth of food, purchased from area stores. The donation amounted to 862 food items, Nichol Scott says. She says the donations of toiletries, food and clothing have been flowing in from local churches and community groups.

Earlier in the season, Nichol-Scott had been asking people to remember to include toiletries in their donations as these were often overlooked at Christmas.

Saturday also saw a draw for two children's outfits knitted by House of Lazarus volunteer Rita Marratt. The raffle was organized by Julie Potvin of South Mountain's Country Girls' Store. Wayne Mosley of Ottawa won the boy's outfit and Judy Pierce of Ottawa won the girls. The two sets of sweater, hat and mittens, were made for 18-month old children, says Marratt.

"I was going to knit two outfits and donate them to the House of Lazarus like I normally do, but then the idea of a raffle came up, so I thought I'd do that," says Marratt.

The House of Lazarus operates under the auspices of the United Church of Canada and is not allowed to hold raffles because of the church's anti-gambling stance. Marratt says Potvin was happy to take charge of the raffle herself.

The raffle raised $224 for the House of Lazarus. Marratt says that people can order the outfits at the House of Lazarus and that a size two costs $25. Each larger size is an additional $5. She says the outfits take about a week to make.

One concert done in two parts is enjoyed by everyone

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

This is the season for sugarplums to dance in wee heads and dreams of jolly fellows in red suits coming down chimneys. As the youngest students at Iroquois Public School took to the stage to present their Christmas Concert smiles erupted as tiny hands waved at familiar faces in the audience.

They resembled angels and their voices were as cute as they were sweet. The crowd who gathered at IPS to enjoy the Kindergarten Christmas presentation were not disappointed. Cute as buttons and twice as shy these little tots were a tad nervous as they walked timidly to the stage. With shaky steps they advanced across the stage to their prescribed spot and hoped they could recall just what it was they were to say when their turn came.

Kicking things off was a welcome verse from each of two groups...the standard, W is for the wave we extend to you etc. followed by the Welcome Song by

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Oh what fun it is to ride and sing...

Singing Christmas carols as they make their way through South Mountain's Main St. children riding floats were the most numerous of the participant in the Mountain Township Santa Claus Parade, Saturday. Organizers were pleased with the turnout and everyone seemed to have fun.

Chieftain photo by S. McKibbon

SDEDC must be more proactive

The South Dundas Economic Development Commission study of industrial land inventory by Lachlan MacQuarrie of Queen's University's School of Urban Planning, has been presented to South Dundas Councils.

A summary report of the document says that South Dundas lacks a prominent profile and should take a proactive role to promote the area.

There are 3600 acres of industrial zoned land in South Dundas, of which more than half is vacant. The majority of the industrial land lies within the townships.

Out of 326 acres of serviced land, 200 acres is vacant.

The report told the SDEDC that the village of Iroquois is best positioned to accommodate new industry or expansions with serviced land and that the village of Morrisburg is limited by existing water and sewage treatment capacity.

The report recommendations suggest that the role of SDEDC be clearly outlined within the confines of available funding and that the SDEDC develop an internet home page to market and promote South Dundas.

It also suggested that an electronic database of industrial land and buildings be maintained.

Industry in Iroquois provides 30 percent of the assessment base, the highest in South Dundas. Total industrial assessment is $1,002,794, second to Matilda and provides $402,998 in taxes. The study does note however that

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this week

Christmas Greetings
Don't miss the special Christmas Greetings section inside this edition of The Chieftain.

Casco recognized
Casco Incorporated was recognized for their dispatching of emergency services in Cardinal. Please turn to page three for the pics and story.

Freddy the Frog
Former South Dundas resident Larry Beckstead is going on a cross Canada tour in March. Please see the focus on page 4.

Spartans win
The basketball season is well underway and the Seaway Spartans are doing extremely well. Please see page 6.



CNIB picks a winner

Theresa Zandbergen picks a raffle winner from a bag of names held by Keith Beaupre, owner of Beaupre Jewellers. The winner of the raffle, Pauline Baxter of Ingleside, a blind member of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, won the quilt pictured above, which is being held by Terry Brouillet (CNIB manager of district office, Cornwall), Graham Barkley (chairman, CNIB Dundas County Advisory Board), Henny Zandbergen (advisory board member and Barbara Bradford (who runs a support group for the blind in Morrisburg). *Chieftain photo by S. McKibbon*

CONTINUED FROM THE FRONT

Iroquois

well. Carrying on with various agenda from this past year as well as adding some new twists and turns, the Committee hopes to count on Councils' continued financial support. The civic centre is booked for July 11 to 20 for varied events.

Members of the 1st Iroquois Scouts would be enlisted to perform some community service in the form of painting the new Christmas decorations (wooden Santa, sleigh and reindeer) which have been completed by students at Seaway. They will appear near the civic centre to add that certain something to the village each Christmas season. This will take place at the town garage under the guidance of Councillor Rooney and Skipper on the weekend. Council decided to present the Scout Troop with a donation to help them attend the Canadian Jamboree in July, in recognition of their community involvement and willingness to help out anytime they are asked.

The Library Board wrote thanking Council for allowing them to make their presentation last month.

Council will meet next month as they head into a new year, January 8, 1997.

South Dundas

80 percent of that $402,998 of industrial assessment and taxes if from C.S. Brooks/Caldwell and could represent a potential problem should the company ever move.

Matilda receives more industrial based taxes ($504,683) than the other South Dundas municipalities with the TransCanada Pipeline being the largest contributor. Although the official plan is the most current, it is according to the study, the least prepared to address future industrial development.

Williamsburg was the fastest growing municipality in South Dundas with a rate of 6.7 percent over the last census period, but manufacturing employment has been declining. The report says that industrial areas are unserviced and mostly undeveloped and capacity limitations to Morrisburg service facilities limits the possibility of the industrial properties to the east of Morrisburg.

Concert

the other group.

As triangles and drums, sticks and bells were held tightly in small fists, so as not to make a sound before the time arrived, the Merry Christmas Band carried the rhythm and had toes tappin and bodies swayin.

There's a Little Elf was fun and the applause had hardly subsided when the Toy Soldiers took over and we were treated to Making Christmas Toys. Everyone was indeed, Happy as a Christmas Tree. When we found out Who is Coming on Christmas Night, it was not too difficult to figure out.

These young people learn French and showed their ability in their second language, as they sang, Les Etoiles Dans Le Ciel. This was certainly Christmastime, and then we were reminded that it Must be Santa. Vive le Vent and On L'Appelait Nez Rouge again showed that each student is doing well in our other official language. Winding the evening up was the ever popular, We Wish you a Merry Christmas. Everyone joined in the grand finale and then it was over.

The next time the flood lights were heated up saw grades 1 to 6 presenting, "This is Your Life, Santa Claus."

The choir set the seasonal mood as they sang in perfect harmony, Hands United in Peace (well done indeed!), and they were able to get some audience participation as they had everyone doing The Reindeer Twist.

In order to include everyone in the production, the breaks in the scenes were filled with songs from various grades that fit exactly right. As Santa (aka Amber Bygott) was encouraged by the telly host, Britteny Horricks and announcer, Callie Dickson to guess who was behind the screen. As each person came on to remind Santa of something from his past, he was able to guess who the voices belonged to with little difficulty. His former teacher was played by Shailan Pelehos, Rudy was Jill Link, Bobby Jo Wylie was the elf, Kevin Phifer was Pierre, Nicholas McGill was his Father and Jenna Murphy was his mom. Kate Wilson was Santa's sister while Martha Whittle made the perfect Mrs. Claus. Samantha Shaver was the first child, who had found gifts from Santa under her tree,she was followed by Shannon Hawn and David Patterson.

Who would not recognize his own reindeer? Santa had no problem with his, in the guise of Annie Shaver, Courtney Swank, Stacey Henry and Tracy Jones.

Songs sang by various grades included, Chocolate in my Stocking, My Christmas List (which included a teddy bear for sure!), Up on the Rooftop, Christmas on the Isthmus of Panama. The Commercial Kids and Santa's Elves, Christmas on the Air and O Christmas Tree added fun and laughter to the show. Angels on the Midnight Clear and Santa Claus, Santa Claus were great as grades 1 and 2 sang them louder at times than at others.

When everyone took to the stage for the ending to a wonderful show, it was filled. Included in the finale were Deck the Halls, It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas.

The stage crew were on top of things, and thanks went to Matthew Hanes, Richard Banford, Brad Francis and Julian Pietersma. The greeters did an admirable job, Adam Goodmurphy and Marc Glauser and the Murphy gals, April and Ashley were runners for the teachers, and as such indispensable.

Perhaps the most fun for the children was when Mr. T. (Principal Turner) crossed the stage as a commercial with his head stuck through a huge money bill. The students were very pleased to have him included in their show.

A wonderful show, everyone agreed afterwards that it was terrific. Most of those spoken with had children in the performance, but they assured this reporter they were not biased! All kidding aside, a great deal of effort goes into these shows and for someone in the audience, it is well worth it.

NEWSBRIEFS

MORRISBURG

Parade pics this week

If you picked up a copy of last week's Chieftain and didn't see pictures from the parade in Morrisburg, then you weren't alone! Due to space constraints and a limit to how many pictures we can run, we decided to wait a week and run the pictures in our special Christmas Greetings issue. You can check it out this week!

UPPER CANADA

Police have new name

Early in 1996, the Winchester, Morrisburg and Long Sault OPP Detachments were clustered together with the administrative office being located in Long Sault. This cluster has now officially been renamed and will be operating under the name "Upper Canada Detachment" which will be used to identify the OPP working in Stormont and Dundas counties.

MORRISBURG

Get a ticket today!

The Morrisburg and District Chamber of Commerce draw for a limited edition print will take place this Friday (December 20) at the Morrisburg Tourist Booth at 3 pm. Tickets for "Evening Rehearsals", valued at $900, are available at the Morrisburg Bank of Montreal, the Bank of Nova Scotia, Brister Insurance and from Karen Gorrell at Thom Realty.

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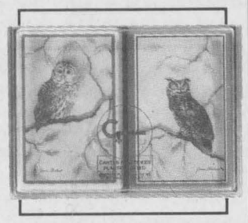

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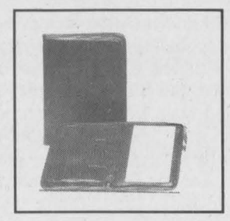

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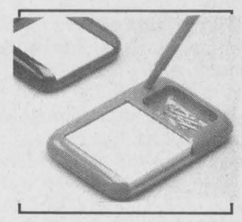

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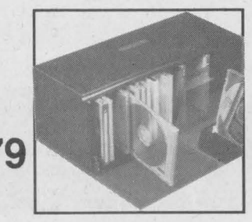

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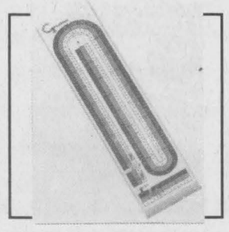

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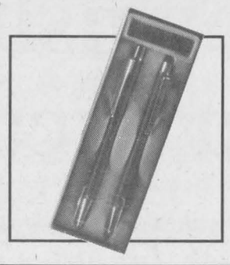

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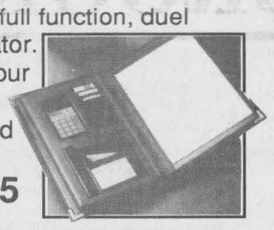

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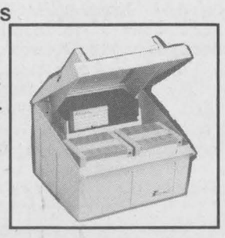

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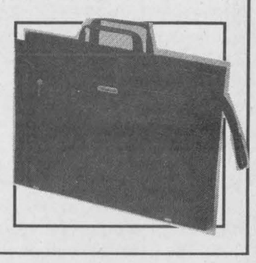

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A dispatcher no more

Casco Health and Safety Co-ordinator Wayne Barkley (middle) receives a plaque recognizing Casco's 125-year contribution to the safety of Cardinal. This year was the first time 911 service took over the responsibility of dispatching Cardinal's emergency services such as the fire department and police. *Chieftain photo by S. McKibbon*

Casco receives recognition award

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

When the new 911 service took over dispatching emergency services in Cardinal from Casco, it marked a transition in a relationship that started in the 1880's. Cardinal's Volunteer Fire Department, along with the Village, recognized Casco's long years of service Saturday night at their annual Christmas banquet.

"Casco Incorporated has always been an excellent corporate citizen of our municipality, especially in its dedication to the lives and safety of our residents by being on duty 24 hours a day to answer fire emergency calls and dispatch our fire department," said Cardinal Coun. Charlie Burrell, as he and Cardinal fire Chief Graham Van Camp presented Wayne Barkley, Casco's Health and safety co-ordinator, with a commemorative plaque.

For years Casco has routed calls for help to the fire department and police at no charge to the village.

Barkley told the banqueters the presentation was a total surprise and thanked the Village and the Department for the award.

"On behalf of all of the employees at Casco I'd like to thank you for this. And I want to say it is a pleasure to participate with a lead group of people who don't always get all the things they need, but still manage. I think you all have the right stuff," said Barkley.

Burrell outlined the history of the relationship between Casco and Cardinal, telling of how a bell would ring to sound the alarm about fires at the plant or in the village. In 1931 Bill Gamble took over the duty as chief of the fire department and formed the first brigade of full-time volunteers.

Eventually a Mockingbird whistle replaced the bell and then in the 50's Casco purchased a siren to sound the alarm, with blasts of the whistle conveying the location of the fire, Burrell said. In the 80's pagers replaced the whistles and with the silent calls the public's awareness of how often the fire department came to their aid diminished, said Burrell.

While awareness might have diminished, Cardinal's industries say their partnership with the fire department will not.

"Obviously it's something that has to be ongoing," said Barkley, saying that as Casco grew so too would its safety needs.

Peter Taylor of Cardinal Power also indicated that his company wished to continue developing close ties with the department.

"I've dealt with a few municipalities in the past and in some cases 've though it was going to be hopeless. Being in Cardinal its nice to be able to go in to my boss on Monday morning and I can honestly tell him we've got a very dedicated group of people to work with."



Dedicated volunteers *Chieftain photo by S. McKibbon*

These Cardinal Fire Department volunteers were honored for their long years of service. Retired firefighters Dwayne Comstock (25 years) and Bob McDonald (25 years) received peuter clocks from the department and medals from the Province. Kneeling at the front, firefighter Jean-Paul Pigeon received a commemorative peuter clock recognizing his 16 years of service, while Vince Mallet was commended for his ten years of work. Ladies Auxiliary volunteers, Melva McDonald and Caroline Pigeon were also honored for their tireless work.

Council accepts subdivision

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Works Super, Bill Ewing reported on the Iroquois West Subdivision and the acceptance of and the start of one year maintenance thereof. Referring to correspondence from the November 26 meeting, he advised Council that according to McNeely Engineering, "The development works pertaining to the subdivision, Billings Avenue, West of Elizabeth Drive is now complete. Accordingly, we request that the Village of Iroquois accept November 1 as the start date for one year maintenance of the development by the developer."

Council had previously discussed this and asked about the depth of asphalt as agreed upon in the subdivision agreement. Bill had checked this point and informed Council that in this subdivision agreement it stipulated 40mm of asphalt. "Therefore, the developer has satisfied this requirement," said Bill. The problem arose because other streets in the Village and other subdivisions require 50mm of asphalt, and this one was thought to conform to the Village norm. "Apparently the Council of the day saw fit to alter the specs in this area and allow an exception to the thickness of asphalt required."

It was further explained that on November 1, 1997, McNeely Engineering will contact Bill re: the Specs and after a walk-through inspection by Mr. Ewing and a rep from McNeely, to ensure that no topsoil has washed away, etc. the Village will accept the subdivision and thus become responsible for snowplowing and maintenance of the street.

Some members voiced their opinion on the fact that such a thin layer of pavement would not stand up well under the pressures to which it will be subjected in the event construction occurs in the subdivision.

Council agreed to table a by-law concerning the issuance of building permits in the area. Builders will be held responsible for any damage done to the roadway during construction activities.

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C.W.L. Christmas

The annual Christmas Dinner and Auction of the Morrisburg/Iroquois Catholic Women's League was held at the Morrisburg Legion on December 2nd.

During the evening the winning tickets were drawn for the C.W.L. Charity Raffle. First prize winner of a handcrafted coffee table was Grace Centen. Second prize winner of a baby afghan was Judith Beriault and the third prize winner, Nolda Byvelds, took home a set of handmade angels.

Proceeds of this raffle are used for flowers for both churches throughout the holiday season.

With Christmas fast approaching the C.W.L. would like to wish the entire staff of the Iroquois Chieftain and its readers a safe and joyous Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Christmas is a lot of things

Christmas is snow.
At night it will gentley flow;
To the bush;
I will see it melt,
Wearing a pretty gown of felt.

Stockings by the fire place,
Near it a big case;
Filled with toys for you and me.
Hidden under the Christmas Tree;
I truly thought it was mine,
But all it was was a toy combine.

Children have their down,
But Santas list still goes around;
After Santa goes to the elf store,
Santa comes and delivers presents
at my back door;
Then by the jolly fire he will sit
To warm up his bones a bit.

As he heads out,
I will run about;
I will get to see;
If he can catch me;
Round the world he will go,
But Rudolph's nose will always glow.

by Sabring Berseth,
Grade 6,
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Customer service

For the most part I do most of my shopping in Morrisburg and Iroquois. In fact, there has only been one or two occasions that I've come across a clerk in South Dundas that has been a little less than friendly.

However, during the Christmas season, I often find myself shuttling friends and family to Cornwall.

Anyway, a few weeks ago, Mom decided she would like to go to Cornwall, do some shopping and pick up my Christmas gift, a Nintendo 64.

We travelled to a store in the east end of Cornwall and when we entered, we flagged down a clerk and asked her where the Sony Playstation and Nintendo's were located.

With a smug look on her face she promptly told us she had no idea and maybe we should take a look in the toy department. (She didn't tell us where that was either!)

A little perturbed, we decided to take our business elsewhere and we ended up at Wal-Mart.

A few years ago when the huge consumer store announced it would be coming to Cornwall, local business groups cried foul and said Wal-Mart would put an end to small retail business.

Scary stories circulated throughout the area of profits and no concern for community or the little guy.

Anyway, when we got to Wal-Mart, we were greeted by an extremely friendly lady at the front door who told us that everything we were looking for could be located in the electronics department.

We knew where that was, but she gave us directions anyway.

Mom had to buy some other gifts so we did that first and then went over to electronics.

When we got there, the young lady at the cash was extremely helpful, served us right away, and offered to put my Mother's other purchases through her cash to save her a trip to the long check-out lines at the front of the store.

The whole Wal-Mart experience was excellent.

Not once did I feel like I was infringing on someone's break, or being a nuisance by asking where something was.

The store in the east end of Cornwall lost over $400 that day because the clerk couldn't be bothered.

Not only did they lose that $400, we won't shop there again.

A smile doesn't cost anything. Helping a stranger is need should be something we endeavour to do at all times during the year, especially when it is your job.

Thanks Wal-Mart, and when I need to do any shopping in Cornwall, I'll stop at your store first.

MCB

There is a Santa Claus

There has been a lot of wondering going on this Christmas.

What with the bus strike in Ottawa, the doctors withdrawing services and not taking new patients and all the hullabaloo about a furry, stuffed creature toy; it was enough to send more than one around the bend.

But, just in the nick of time, things are starting to turn around.

The magic that is Christmas will overcome all.

The negotiations are resulting in deals and compromises and everyone will surely benefit in the end.

The rumblings of bus engines will once more fill the air in the nation's capital and incentives will encourage those doubters to once more step into these diesel, articulated giants that cruise the highways and byways of the city. There is the promise of "looney days", "discount days " and perhaps best of all a pay cheque for the drivers so their families can look to Christmas with a slight smile. Strikes never have a winner, and in fact end up with losers on all sides, even innocent people who have no control suffer, those involved and those who cannot deal with the issue.

The doctor thing may well be settled as well before the jolly elf slides down chimneys around the world.

A first step would seem to be in the works at least. We have been fortunate that our medical folks did not close shop and job action in this area meant work as usual. There was a fear however that we would be in the same boat as big city residents. No specialists were taking on any new patients and for people who live outside the city limits this posed a problem. For instance a catscan could not even be scheduled, let alone done for someone who needed to have such this medical procedure. Gettingour doctors all back to the job of taking care of us is vital.

The threat of rotating strikes by doctors was frightening. In larger centres where clinics can pick up some of the slack, or emergency rooms in numerous hospitals can accommodate some patients, it is not such a huge problem...what about us along the Seaway who have few and far between facilities to depend upon. The bottom line here is that we, the patients had nothing to do with any of this issue. Uncle Mike Harris took this one on for us and we got to carry the brunt of what could have been a disaster of huge proportions.

While we do have a problem luring doctors to our rural locations, with transportation being what it is perhaps the young men and women graduating will find some appeal in locating to the country.

Then there is that fuzzy little tickler, Elmo who has the entire population of people buying kids presents this year going through all kinds of hoops to attain a toy. Some are reaping benefits from the resale of these guys, while others are set to remortgage their homes to get one.

We need to stand back and assess the situation carefully, we do have the power in this instance to do what is right...hopefully common sense will prevail in all cases and we will indeed know there is goodness and mercy in this world after all. As the story says, "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus."

S.L.J.

The Iroquois Chieftain welcomes your opinion. Write "Letters to the editor" Box 529, Iroquois, K0E 1K0

Larry Beckstead will head out on the Fred Frog Toad Tour in March

focus

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Sitting around the house one evening four years ago, Larry Beckstead, a former resident of South Dundas, offered to help his girlfriend's son John with his homework project.

"John came home from school that day and said he had to take a book about frogs and toads to school for show and tell," recalled Larry of that cold January night in Perth four years ago.

And so, that evening, before he went to bed, the would be writer and part-time artisan, began what would eventually become his first children's book.

"We looked around the house for a book on frogs and we couldn't find one," he remembered.

Having always expressed interest in the written word, forcing his script to the page had been Larry's way.

Locked in a room, with dead silence as his only companion he would begin the process of unlocking his thoughts and feelings.

This time however, it was different.

"It just happened," he said. "I started writing that night in the kitchen while Carol and John watched television and I had half of it done before I went to bed."

By the time he laid his head-to-pillow the next night, Freddy the Frog and Tony the Toad, as well as a whole cast of intriguing characters, were born.

Unlike any of his previous writing endeavors, the tale of friendship and acceptance, as told through the eyes of a forest creature, filled the writer's head. Getting those thoughts to the paper as quickly as they entered his mind was a chore in itself.

"I just couldn't stop writing."

The story chronicles the lives of two unlikely friends, a frog and a toad. Everything rhymes and the simplicity with which the story is told and unfolds, is what gives it magic.

Written essentially as a children's book, the underlying message of acceptance is one which Larry believes we all need to hear, and be reminded of from time to time.

"It's really a story about multi-culturalism," he explains. "Everyone is different and it's up to each individual to find themselves. Too many people can influence what we say and do and we really need to respect one another."

At a story tellers conference in Kingston, Larry presented Freddy the Frog and Tony the Toad and when he was finished, a gentleman from the audience approached.

"He really enjoyed the story and asked if I'd do it for his church," said Larry.

When Larry arrived at the Church in Portland, the gentleman who had convinced him to come and tell his tale, was not in attendance. Larry found out later that day that he was telling his story at two parishes and the gentleman would be at the church in Elgin.

Larry introduced himself to the Minister of the church and following a brief introduction by the Minister, told his story to the congregation.

"They really seemed to enjoy it and when I was finished everyone started to clap."

The Minister was also impressed with the tale and told the congregation that he thought there was enough meaning and message in Larry's story that he would save the sermon he had prepared for the following week.

Before Larry left for Perth, the Minister presented him with a cheque for $75 to put towards his across Canada tour.

The Fred Frog Toad Tour

His first book, Freddy the Frog and Tony the Toad has not been published. In fact, the publishers that have seen the book, told him that it would have to be rewritten before it would be published.

Never discouraged and always one to persevere, Larry never gave up on his dream and although the book hasn't been published in actual paper form, it has taken on life as an audio cassette.

Professionally mastered, the story is told by its author thanks to the generous donation of five Perth businesses.

"The first publisher I sent it to told me it stunk," he recalls. "But every time I recited it to someone, they'd tell me they loved it and that it should be a book!"

"But obviously that's not the way it works."

He is however convinced, that once his cross Canada tour has been completed, "They'll be fighting over who gets to publish it."

The Fred Frog Toad Tour '97, will begin March 2nd, 1997, in Victoria British Columbia. Over a period of six months, Larry hopes to tell his tale

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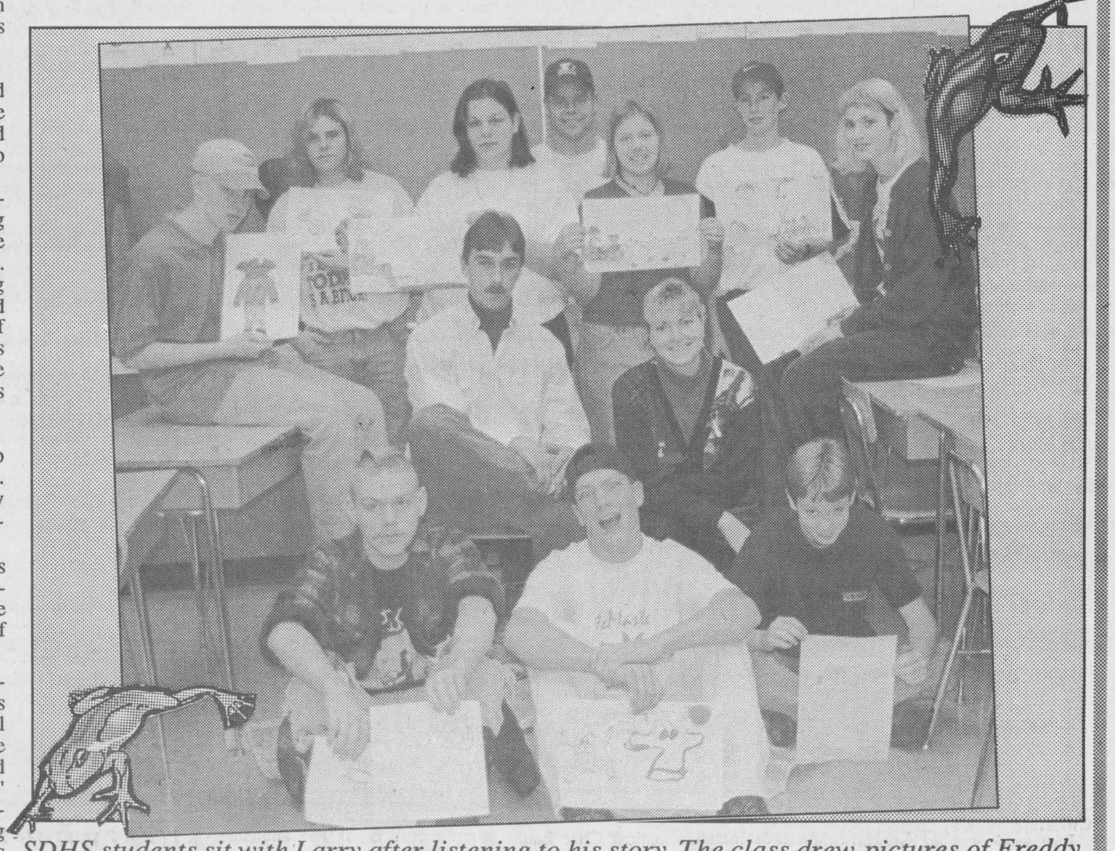

SDHS students sit with Larry after listening to his story. The class drew pictures of Freddy.

Swampview looking like Christmas

Just plain livin'

with Sandra Lee



Well, if you are reading this you survived that dreaded Friday the thirteenth...this writer considers the number 13 to be lucky, so who would have dreamed?...I came down with a flu virus that reeked havoc with my body. It began with a terrific headache, but those are pretty common place in this old life. Then, when the throbbing took on new proportions and seemed to strike with relentless vigour across the sinuses, it was decided "This was no normal headache." Then the chills set in and the nose began to run, the eyes grew puffy and the face pained. The aches and pains spread to every corner, crack and crevice. Not only did the bones hurt, the muscles screamed in agony. The bathroom was a great friend when cramps started. The hacking cough assisted the head in its steady beat-beat-beat. The teeth ached, the jaws pained, the knees cried and the thighs were a real pain in the ***. After working as long as the flu symptoms allowed on Friday, I headed home to warmth, a bed and some medication. Nothing helped, sleep came in fits and starts and then it happened, the old bod began to heave to and fro and the toilet seemed miles away. The sweat and the chills increased and the cramps grew in leaps and bounds. Muscles would not co-operate and the pail was just out of reach. Somehow we connected when necessary and a new respect for how long food remains in the stomach was gained. After a few bouts with my head in the toilet, or the pail or both, things settled down and sleep seems all there was strength for.

This episode left the writer weak and trembling, but the Scouts were to paint reindeer for the town and people sought to assist refuse to clear their answering machines, so there was nothing for it but to get up and not eat, just go. Waking up four minutes before the appointed time left nothing to debate. Dressing warmly and hoping the worst we over, out to the town garage...two hours later deer, Santa and sleigh were looking pretty good. The paint dried rapidly and a second coat was put on as well. This alleviated the need to return the following day much to everyone's delight.

The Heart and Stroke Christmas fair was amazing. My only regret was that I did not feel better. The decorated trees were wonderful and the Christmas atmosphere was terrific. The artisans were most congenial and helpful, it is truly awe inspiring how much talent abounds in our area. The luncheon was great and the company good.

Some shopping was accomplished and by gosh and by golly, we will get it completed in time for the big day.

The Scouts changed tires as part of their regular meeting. Thanks to Tommy's Automotive, Tommy and Dave, we all learned how to and actually changed a wheel on a vehicle. This is a worthwhile endeavour for everyone, whether they drive or not. A part of the safety badge that the young people are working on, they all did an excellent job...even if many of the younger, smaller framed folks doubted they could get those heavy wheels back on , they persevered and accomplished more than they felt possible, congrats!!!

Feeling less than up to par left numerous items not done that had been planned, but then the weather is screwy as well, it is tough to get into the Christmas mode anyway.

The Christmas concert circuit is in full swing and as we attend to grab snaps the wee ones remind us of times gone by. It is truly amazing that teachers can achieve such heights as they do with the youngsters. Good idea at IPS to hold two concerts and try to alleviate some of the hassle and crowded conditions. Everyone wants to come out and enjoy their kids performance, it is only natural.

The two sons played in their high school Christmas Band Concert and the old folks and Grams attended to get into the seasonal mood. The junior people did well, afterall, some have been playing only a short time. The seniors sounded great and it brought a tear to more than one eye to realize that this was the last Christmas concert for numerous of the members. (University or college next year).

Some new lights have arrived at the ranch to assist the outdoor display. Comments were not good and so tonight when the writer goes home from work, they will be checked out.

The Cuzzin Christmas is about to happen, and as soon as we decide where to hold the festivities, Monday evening will see us celebrate in town and country style. Eating and singing carols and visiting will keep us all occupied. The younger folks will be playing games and wondering what to do with all their free time now that school is over for two weeks.

The organist is preparing for Christmas service and Christmas Eve. These are delightful times in church and we continue to tradition of attending as a family. Tradition helps each of us to remember and memories grow, provides stability for each of us and helps us realize the true meaning of the season.

Son number one will get his graduation photos taken as you read this effort. A spiffy new hair do and a shirt and tie will do the trick. It is hard for this old mother to come to terms with the fact that in the fall he may well be headed to the big city to college or university. No one warns about these times when you become a parent.

Cards from afar are trickling into Swampview. Some are like the ghost of Christmas past, and it is great that at least once a year we keep in touch. A parcel from the old country arrived and a reminder of laughter shared and love that transcends the kilometres brought pleasant thoughts.

Take time and cruise through the area, any evening, make it a party if you like; check out the decorations. It must be the feeling of happiness that pervades the soul at this time, glittering lights seem to cheer us...whatever, the displays this year seem more imaginative than ever before and the colours brighten the way.

What does Christmas mean to you? Stop and think for a moment. Do you find yourself humming as you wrap those special gifts, or taste that jelly as

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the bottom line

THE ANGEL TREE WAS ONCE AGAIN A GREAT SUCCESS. THANK YOU people of Iroquois and Matilda Township. It is really great to see that the spirt of Christmas is alive and well in our area. Through your generosity, you have brightened the lives of many children. (mcb)

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YOU JUST TRY AND FIND AN N64 GAME IN ONTARIO ON A SATURDAY afternoon. Took a drive to Cornwall last Saturday and every store I went to was sold-out of Shadows of the Empire. Even Great Shakes Ray was booked solid. Ray did however pick up a few more games and another N64, which brings his Nintendo total to five. (mcb)

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THE SUMMER FESTIVAL COMMITTEE WINNERS WERE PICKED LAST WEEK. First place, and a $100 gift certificate from S&F, went to Ron Fader. Second place was won by Vi Kennedy of South Mountain and third place went to Mary Foster of Iroquois. Vi and Mary both won $50 gift certificates from Crawford's Meats. (mcb)

OLIVE McINTOSH IS GOING TO HAVE A LITTLE EXTRA MONEY TO SPEND this Christmas! Mrs. McIntosh was the lucky winner of the Branch 370 Iroquois Legion Ladies Auxiliary $1000. Bill lottery. The winning ticket was picked last Thursday evening at the Legion and Mrs. McIntosh came quickly to pick up her prize and have her picture taken. (mcb)

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THE SEAWAY VALLEY SINGERS PERFORMED CAROL CANTATA by David Ouchterlony and other Christmas music as well. The concert took place Sunday, December 15, at 2:30 pm at the Lakeshore Drive United Church in Morrisburg. The music was fantastic and made for a very enjoyable Sunday afternoon. (mcb)

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THIS IS REALLY GOING TO BE A BUSY WEEK AT THE CHIEFTAIN. ON FRIDAY we will paste up our Christmas issue which will be on newstands everywhere, on Monday December 23. Our always popular Looking Back issue will be pasted up on December 27, and will hit stores on December 30th. (mcb)

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Focus

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from one end of the country to the

"Schools, churches, any function I can get people to sit down at and listen for ten minutes," he said explaining where he would be telling his story. "I'll probably tell the story as many times uninvited as I'll tell it invited."

During that six months, he will also be organizing a contest. He will ask those who listen to the story, to draw pictures of the characters. The winner of the contest will have his or her rendition of the characters published in the book.

A costly venture for sure, he is presently doing fund-raising for the project, and is in the process of finding corporate sponsorship as well.

All money raised from the tour will be donated to children's hospitals, or Easter Seals, his way of giving back to the community.

"Basically the whole tour has been set up in the last four months," said Larry. "Right now I've been doing most of the work myself, but I can't imagine doing everything I want to do without someone helping."

A $1000 has already been raised through donations and cheques can be made out to: Larry Beckstead, c/o St. Paul's United Church, 25 Gore Street, Perth Ontario, K7H 1H4.

Just Livin'

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it sets, or smell that turkey aroma as it wafts throughout the house? Tis the season to be jolly, do not get so caught up in things that really do not matter, so that you miss what is really important.

This week's wisdom comes from Ursula K. Le Guin, "Love doesn't sit like a stone, it has to be made, like bread; remade all the time, made new."

Take care, slow down and enjoy the season. If travel is in your plans drive cautiously and be aware of the other drivers.

LOOKING BACK

32 Years ago:

This week's issue of the Iroquois Post acknowledged that **the strike called by the United Mine Workers of America, Local 14080 at Caldwell Linen Mills Ltd. was entering its eighth day.** Negotiations had broken off a week previously. Picket lines had been maintained in an orderly fashion it was reported at the entrance to the Mills by the over 400 strikers.

Harold Millar of Brinston, the Massey-Ferguson dealer and his wife, Dorothy were packing for a January fiesta trip to Mexico City. There will be 300 other dealers there at the same time as the Millars to view the new lines for '65 as well as industrial and construction equipment. As part of one of the most complicated industrial air charters ever carried out they would enjoy the weather too.

All the **local schools and churches** were holding their annual Christmas concerts, including, Stampville, Knox Presbyterian, the White Church and Spencerville.

The Dundas Unit of the Auxiliary Police of the Ontario Provincial Police held their annual inspection. First formed in 1955 as Emergency Measures Police, now taken over by the OPP, they served as volunteers, wear a uniform and receive instruction in police work, and patrol with OPP officers. The enrolment was under strength at 32. Some familiar names under the photo are: **Bert Disheau, Ron and Clare Brown, Roger Coulter, George Jackson, Ronnie Johnstone, Leo McKee and the Iroquois Inspector, Keith Beaupre.**

27 Years ago:

Santa came to Iroquois this week that many years ago. The largest number of children ever to invade the village, estimated at 600 from the village and area. The annual visit has been anticipated since the move of the town. Each year a different sponsor brings the big guy to visit, in '69 it was the **Legion, Branch 370, The Iroquois Lions Club, the Ladies Auxiliary to the Legion and the Fire Department.**

At a meeting a few weeks ago, the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry County Board of Education decided after considering several options to build **the new elementary school in Mountain Township on the Earle Francis property south of the Nation River.** Approval to purchase the property from the Department of Education was being requested.

Due to the mild weather the Council deferred their decision concerning the rink and the caretaking thereof until the new year.

10 Years ago:

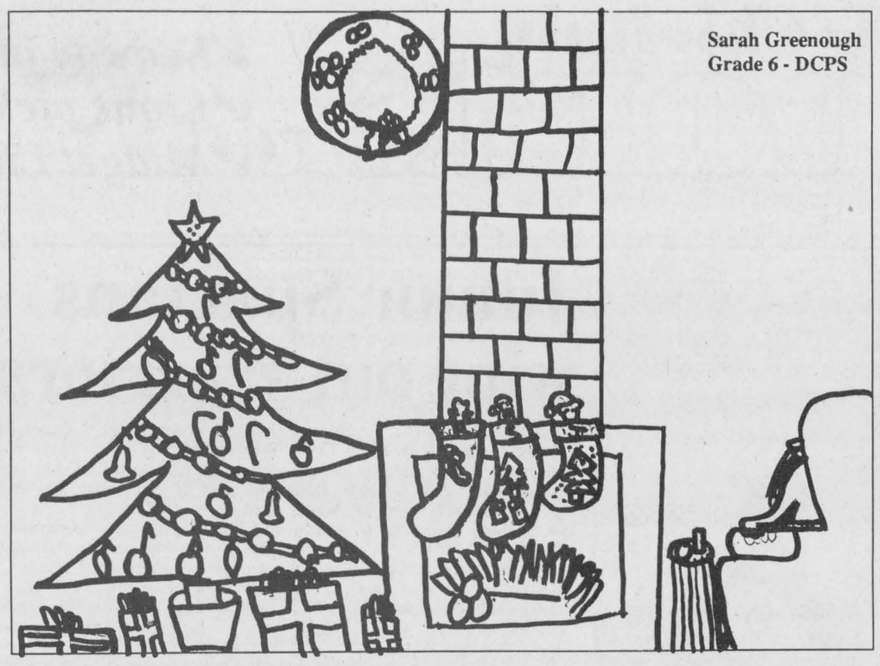
The corner of **Frank Street and Elizabeth Drive** was on the way to being rezoned from Highway Commercial and General Commercial to Residential. This was to allow for the development for multiple residential purposes. The Reeve, Ken Kirkby suggested that growth is seen as a good thing, a way to increase the tax base. Council agreed it would bring in people who might well build in the future and expand the village.

Ships were urged to exit the Seaway system before the ice blocked them in. Fifty-five had passed through the St. Lambert Locks as compared to 62 the year previous. The system was to officially close on December 17.

Seaway High's grade ten English classes presented two productions of Romeo and Juliet and kept the tradition of top notch acting on a roll for the students.

The **Senior Citizens of Cardinal** held their annual Christmas party with singing, seasonal music and jokes.

Smyth's Apple Farm in Dundela was ready for the Christmas rush with distinctive gifts made from the juicy MacIntosh Reds, apple butter, apple spreads, cranapple jelly and chamapple wine. (A non-alcoholic drink of sparkling proportions).



Sarah Greenough
Grade 6 - DCPS

Complaints spark debate on lights in shopping plaza

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Councillors debated the issue of the colourful Christmas lights in the shopping area of the village. In his monthly report to Council, works super, Bill Ewing reported that the lights in the plaza are quite costly to the village. "Adding the man hours, materials and the use of the truck to get them up and take them down, you are looking at $1000." said Bill.

Complaints from business people not in the plaza regarding the why and wherefore of the village decorating the business area (Shopping plaza) for other merchants brought the issue to light as it were.

It was noted as well that the merchants in the mall had paid $15. per business toward the replacement of bulbs, but the village crew does in fact put them up and take them down each year.

Councillor Roberts suggested that the merchants in the plaza should decorate their own store fronts if they wanted to celebrate in this manner, or use it to draw customers.

Councillor Rooney offered that perhaps the mall merchants would want to pay for the lights, "They should be asked before we do anything on this matter. It is not fair however to give the mall business people a Christmas gift (the lights) and not give something to the other businesses in the village."

A letter will be sent to the plaza merchants asking them what they would like to do concerning this.

Along the same vein, Council discussed the matter of snowremoval in the plaza area. While it was agreed that merchants clean their own sidewalks, the issue becomes a problem when the cleaning is done after the Village snowremoval equipment has already passed through the plaza area. "Could the merchants not blow their snow early before the plow goes through the area? otherwise the crew has to swing back through there at the end of their plowing route to clean it up," asked Bill.

He continued asking Council whether they were prepared to enforce this under the Highway Traffic Act. "Under this Act, "No snow can be put on a roadway." One locale he noted was at the west end of the village where the snow is not removed until nearly noon and gets trampled down, making it difficult for the seniors to navigate this area safely. "Ideally, all merchants would arrange to clean their snow at an earlier time and all at the same time, before the Village plow goes through."

Councillor Gibbons noted that, "Once we have gone through the plaza, we should not have to run through a second time."

Frustrated with the entire situation, Councillor Rooney added, "I just think it is sad that anyone in the plaza would complain about snow on the sidewalk packing down and asking that it be cleared away...why would that person not clean it?" She seemed to speak for others around the table when she asked, "Why should anyone come to Council to clean their snow?"

Council will ask the merchants what they feel about working together and accomplishing their snow removal at a unified time and earlier than most did it last year. As it was suggested, a snowblower could be hired and the entire job done up early with no worries to the merchants about getting down to their stores too early. The snow which is tossed off the canopies also poses a problem since it is often later in the day when it is thrown down onto the driveable portion of the plaza.

Next month after some snow has fallen, this debate will continue...



$1000 winner

Pictured above left, Olive McIntosh accepts a $1000 bill from Ladies Aux. member Darlene Riddell. Mrs. McIntosh was the winner of the annual Iroquois Legion Ladies Aux. draw. Congratulations!

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.

- Seaway Reports -

by Sarah-Jane Whittaker
Chieftain Seaway Reporter

Last week was an eventful one for Seaway's athletic department. Our boys' basketball teams proved triumphant in their games against Tagwi on Tuesday. The Midget Boys' team won its match by a score of 34-14, with Richard Groniger scoring 10 points and Tyler Casselman catching the rebounds. John and Ben MacPherson scored 21 and 14 points respectively to help the Junior Boys' win their game by a score of 94-36. Finally, our Senior boys' team won with a score of 66-50, assisted by Nathan Kiar with 18 points and Travis Thompson with 8.

Wednesday saw another Seaway victory: our Senior Girls' Volleyball team won two of its three matches against Char Lan. Sarah Trude had an exceptional game, making numerous blocks at the net, while Julie Gurnhill did an excellent job as a setter. Congratulations to Seaway's teams and good luck in all future games.

Students at Dixon's Corners and Nationview Public Schools were treated with performances by Seaway's school band on Wednesday. Miss Kristine Flaherty, our school music teacher, conducted the band in its playing of seasonal and classic favourites. The audience was delighted to see band members dressed in costumes and to receive candy from Santa Claus. Participation reached its peak when members of the audience were invited to conduct the band and join their teachers in dancing the YMCA. Congratulations to Miss Flaherty and Seaway's band for a rousing success!

The response is not what Iroquois council hoped for

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

In response to his letter to the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry County Board of Education concerning the Board's recent decision to construct a portable classroom at Iroquois Public School, James Dilamarter, Director of Education wrote to the Reeve.

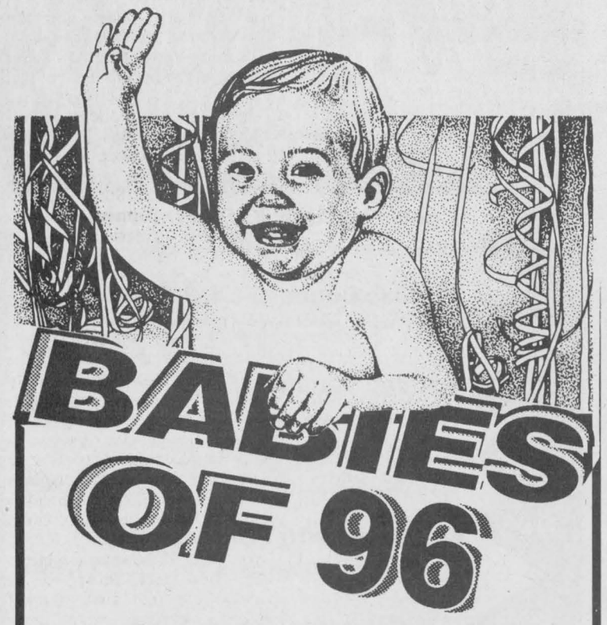
Addressing the concerns posed by the Reeve, Mr. Dilamarter answered three main issues raised by the head of local Council. "The reason the Board did not proceed to tender this project is due to time constraints. The students were in a setting that the Board believed to be inappropriate and, as speed was of the essence, the Board chose not to tender this project, but to subcontract the work under the supervision of Board Administrators. The contractor who is currently completing this project (supplying the labour) has built two units for the Board recently and is familiar with Board requirements. You should note that the drywall finishing work will be completed by an Iroquois contractor who has been used for projects outside Iroquois in the past. Had the project been tendered, it would have been for a prefabricated unit that would have been trucked to the school, likely from the Niagara are where these prefabricated units are manufactured. By constructing the portable on site, we were able to supply labour to taxpayers within Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry."

"Materials for this project are supplied by the low bidders. Building material suppliers from Morrisburg and Iroquois were requested to supply quotations, however, they were not the low bidders and were subsequently informed of this fact."

"In regards to the Board's purchasing policy regarding tendering, the Board tenders any projects, but not all. All construction projects costing $100,000 or more are tendered. The Board also tenders many other items and works with other School Boards, Colleges and Municipalities whenever possible, to obtain the best price for the Board and thus the local taxpayers. It should be noted, however, that the Board is currently reviewing its Purchasing Policy and will be submitting a draft revision for Board perusal."

The Reeve noted that if local contractors wanted to be considered for Board projects they would need to be put on a list.

He continued suggesting, "We accept things, even when we feel they are very wrong. Maybe we should be arguing more loudly."



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Bird Notes

by
E. G. AVERY



Some folk who have a real tree at Christmas like to put it out in the yard after the holiday as a feeding station for their birds. Evergreens provide good shelter, "parking" space, and a variety of foods can be placed on it.

Snowy Owls and various Hawks are regulars in the Ottawa area and even a Swan and a Loon were seen.

That's the news for this week, and with that, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and of course, good Bird Watching.

When the snow disappeared, the birds did too, and everyone has had low counts at the feeders. Although Blue Jays, Chickadees and Finches are still showing up in the country, there are not as many.

A small flock of Chickadees found our Sunflower bell one day and spent a morning flitting back and forth, but have not come back.

Bird watchers out for a walk noticed a flock of Ducks circling over a cornfield, but the birds did not land when they saw the humans.

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Sports

- ✔*Seaway junior boys are on a roll!*
- ✔*Lions pick up three points*
- ✔*Midget Lions hand Hawks 3-0 loss*

Lions host the Glens this Friday



Champions

The Iroquois Public School Boys Senior A Basketball team won the Dundas County Basketball Championship held at Nationview Public School a few weeks ago. This is the first time the Iroquois team has won the event since 1983. According to their coach, they played like NBA stars.

Chieftain photo by M..C. Bailey.

Junior Spartans wipe out Warriors

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Dwayne Vandermeulen, Brandon Cassell, Jason Byvelds, Ben and John MacPherson, combined last Tuesday to put on a basketball clinic at SDHS.

The starting five for the junior boys basketball team amassed an unbelievable 56 points in a 94-36 victory over the visiting Tagwi Warriors.

"The fast-break, passing, it was a basketball clinic those five were putting on," said coach Francis of the game. "Even the ref said that junior boys weren't supposed to be that good!"

Forward John MacPherson picked up 21 points on his own for the game's high score. With 14 points brother Ben came in second and the third highest scorer on the team was guard, Brandon Cassell with ten points.

Coach Francis also gave a great deal of credit to Randy Spear, Derrick Swank and Trent Byvelds, for their play coming off the bench in relief.

"It's hard for other teams to keep up to these guys and it's a young team. Derrick and Trent are both grade nine students," the coach said.

On Thursday the team travelled to Le'Heritage in Cornwall and at the half the juniors led 56-15.

"It was so bad I was hoping the other team would score," Francis said, noting that he had his team move into a defensive stance and made sure they didn't challenge for the ball.

Although winning is what the game is about, Francis isn't sure what he's going to do to keep his team competitive. "I'm going to try and get them into a couple of tournaments with double A schools to get them some competition."

Midgets

The midget Spartans also dominated at home against Tagwi last Tuesday afternoon, winning the ball game 36-14.

Once again Richard Groniger was the leading point getter for the team with three baskets and four out of six from the foul line.

Dave "SlamDunk" Vandermeer picked up five points and still manages to impress the coach.

"I've never seen a kid in grade nine go over the rim. His hands are so big! He's going to be excellent," boasted Francis, reiterating how impressed he was with Vandermeer.

Thursday in Cornwall against Le'Heritage, the midgets ended up losing, but Francis was still impressed with the effort.

"We were down by 17 points at the half and we only lost by five," said the coach.

Seniors

The closest of the games last Tuesday, the senior Spartans managed to defeat the Warriors 66-50.

Seaway led 36-31 at the half but opened things up a little in the third and fourth quarter to secure the win.

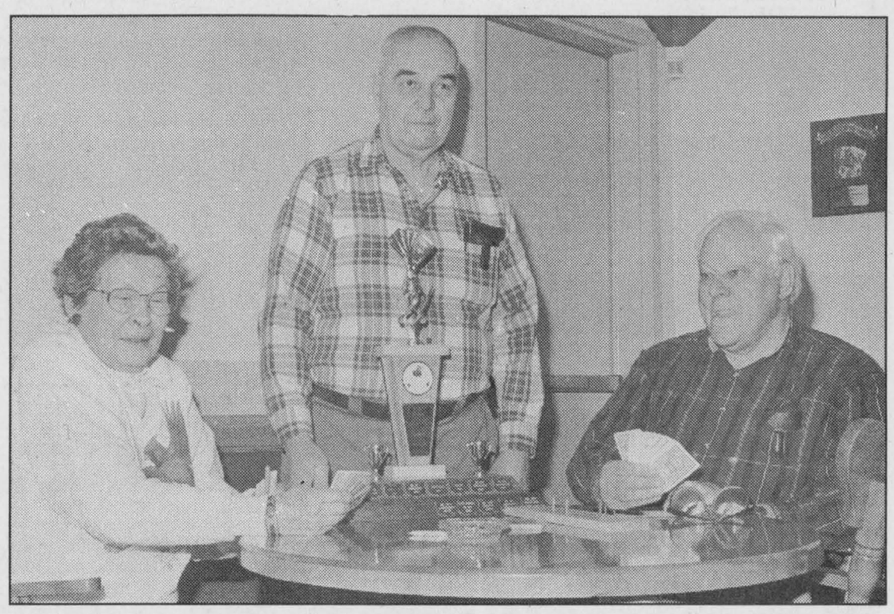
Nathan Kiar with 20 points in the game, has been on fire for the senior team this season. Kiar sunk six from inside the key, one three pointer, and missed only one of six attempts from the foul line.

Travis Thompson nailed three two-pointers and two foul shots for a total of eight points on the day, good enough for second place in game scoring for the Spartans.

Last Thursday in Cornwall the senior team lost to La Cittadelle by six points.

"We were leading by 12 at the half but they (La Cittadelle) used a three-two zone and we stayed man-to-man," explained Francis. "If we'd have went to the zone we could have won."

Today the teams are in Char Lan to meet the Crusaders in the last match before the Christmas holidays.



Zone G cribbage winners

Iroquois legionnaires Evelyn Grattan, Willis Douglas and Wytze Douma along with Paul Morrow (absent) won the 1996 Zone G cribbage tournament at Prescott. The trio say they are now looking forward to the District Championship.

Chieftain photo by S. McKibbon

Robert Bongers gets two shut-outs in Novice action

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Robert Bongers backstopped the Morrisburg Novice B Lions to two consecutive shut-out victories last weekend.

Friday night the Lions travelled to North Dundas to meet the Devils. The Lions crushed the opposition 8-0.

Nick Whelan scored at 4:02 of the first on a pass from Brandon Van Allen.

Van Allen picked up the Lions next goal approximately three minutes later when he capitalized on a pass from Kyle Migliacci, ending the scoring in the first.

Kent Nugent drove home two in a row to start off the scoring in the second frame. His first was unassisted and the assist on his second goal was credited to Whelan.

Travis Dillabough added the Lions fifth of the night on a feed from Greg O'Neil to end the scoring in the second.

Van Allen assisted on the first two goals of the third period, scored by Whelan and David Patterson, and then picked up his second of the night at 3:57 on a feed from Nugent and Whelan.

Sunday

Hosting the Smiths Falls Rideaus Sunday night, the Lions downed the visitors 7-0.

Morrisburg jumped out to 1-0 lead at 8:15 of the first when Nugent hit Van Allen with a pass and the left winger buried it behind Charlie Berrigan in the Rideaus cage.

Less than a minute later, Nugent picked up his first of three when he capitalized on a pass from Van Allen and Migliacci, to end the scoring in the first.

The Lions third of the night didn't come until 2:11 of the second period when Dillabough fed Greg O'Neil.

With only eight seconds remaining in the middle frame, Nugent picked up his second of the night unassisted.

O'Neil started off the scoring in the third when he took a pass from Patterson at 7:01. Patterson added the Lions sixth of the night with assists going to Kyle Weeger and Dillabough.

Nugent completed his hat-trick with 1:07 left to play. His last goal was also unassisted.

Destiny is a matter of choice, not chance

Rideau - St. Lawrence Division

Boxing day

The Kemptville 73's lead the Rideau - St. Lawrence conference with a 22-0-2 record for a total of 46 points.

The 73's, having their best season to date, will take their winning record to the 1996 Boxing Day Tournament, December 26, in Renfrew.

Kemptville will meet the Clarence Creek Beavers in the second game of the tournament at 10:30 am.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be available at the arena hall, a cash bar will be available and all day passes are only $7, and are available at the gate.

Representing the rest of the league will be the Perth Blue Wings, the Athens Aeros, the Gananoque Islanders, Renfrew, the Metcalfe Jets and the Char Lan Rebels.

St. Lawrence

The 16-6-2 Char Lan Rebels managed to pick up two out of a possible four points in weekend Junior B action. The Rebels hammered the Alexandria Glens 5-0 Friday night, and then, in a huge upset, lost 5-3 to the basement dwelling Lions Saturday evening.

After losing to the Rebs Friday, the 11-9-4 Glens got into the win column with a 7-4 win over the South Grenville Rangers.

The 8-13-3 Winchester Hawks picked up two points on the weekend with an 8-7 over-time victory over the 7-15-2 Lions on Sunday. Friday evening the Hawks lost against the 73's.

Rideau Division

The battle for first place in the Rideau Division continues. Gananoque 15-8-1 with 33 points, picked up wins against Westport and Brockville.

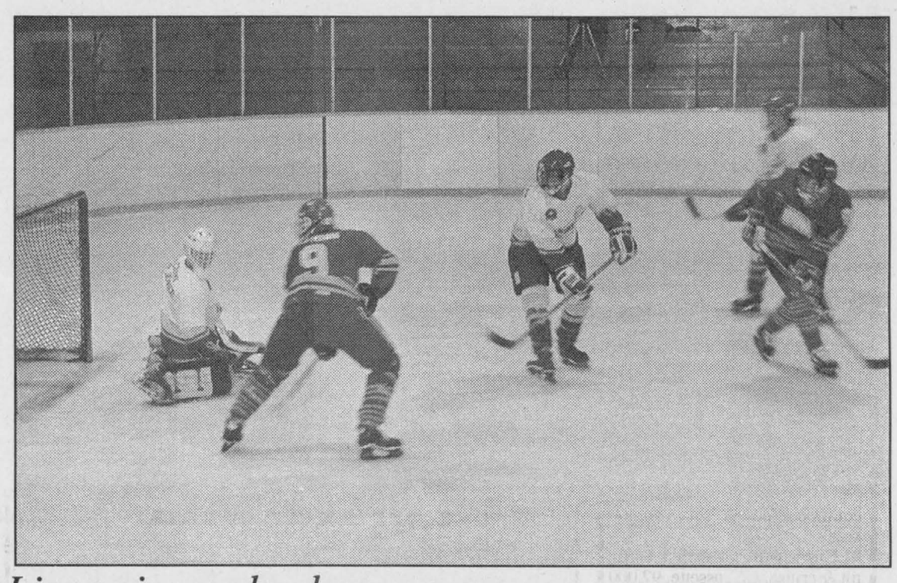
The 14-7-3 Athens Aeros, with 33 points, also picked up two wins on the weekend with victories over Westport and South Grenville.

A banner week for the Brockville Tikis, the last place Rideau Division team 2-23-0, picked up an over-time win against the Rangers.

Scoring race

In the St. Lawrence Division, Kemptville holds down four of the top five spots. Andrew Williams (73's) has 56 points. Andrew McVey (73's) has 51 points. Glen Brown (73's) has 46 points. Ryan Nichol (Hawks) is in fourth with 40 points and Greg Kealey (73's) is in fifth with 39 points.

In the Rideau Division, Athens Aeros Captain Karl Herbison leads the scoring race with 45 points. Mark Millward from Westport is in second with 37 points and third place is held by Gananoque's Ryan Vivian with 32 points.



Lions give up lead

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions had a 5-0 lead going into the second period of their game against the Winchester Hawks last Sunday afternoon. The lead however, was short lived and the Hawks came back to tie the game at seven and then win it in overtime. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

Lions upset Char Lan Rebels

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions jumped out to an early 2-0 lead and never looked back.

Visiting Williamstown and the Char Lan Rebels last Saturday evening, the Lions scored two unanswered goals in the first period and went on to a 5-3 win.

Rob Darling started the scoring for Morrisburg when he capitalized on a pass from Cory McAllister at 6:39 of the first period.

Morrisburg's second of the first came at 9:51 when Wayne Distotell and Pete Barnes set up Mike Hefferon.

The Lions added another halfway through the second when Darling when to the net unassisted.

The next two goals, to end the scoring in the second, belonged to the Rebels.

In the third McAllister drove one past Lee Jenson in the Rebels cage. Assists went to Ryan Warner and Chris Proulx.

The Lions last goal of the game, an empty netter, came from Les Haggett.

Sunday

Morrisburg scored five unanswered goals in the first period in what looked like a major blow-out of the Winchester Hawks. However, someone forgot to tell the Hawks they weren't supposed to win and eventually the visitors did just that.

Chris Proulx scored the Lions first goal less than two minutes into the game when he took a feed from Darling and Haggett.

James Cooper added number two, Proulx scored again, Darling picked one up and Haggett finished off, for a total of five.

Down 5-0 the Hawks came out strong in the second scoring three in a row to get back in the game.

Morrisburg added one at 16:04 when Hagget and Darling combined to set up McAllister and Cooper picked up his second of the night to make it 7-3.

The Hawks answered with two more and then added two unanswered goals in the third to tie the game at seven.

With 4:16 left to play in overtime, Shayne Stroughair beat Troy Sayeau to give the Hawks the win.

Atom BII in tourney

On December 4th Morrisburg travelled to Kemptville to play a league game which ended in a 4-3 win for the opposition. Morrisburg's points came from Kyle Jarvis (2 points), Justin Elliot (2 points), Derek Baldwin (2 points), Jamie Byvelds, Jamie Hess and Richard Banford.

Kemptville's tallies were credited to Kyle Koekkoek, Ben Freeth, Chris Moizer, Chris Dougherty, Matt Muntean and Trevor Lafave.

The boys also attended their first tournament of the season when they travelled to Maxville on the weekend of December 7th and advanced through two games of hockey to end up in their third game and the "B" final.

The first game of the day was against St. Isadore. The team had lots of opportunities but could not rebound from a one goal lead established early in the first period by Jean-Francois Ducharmeca.

The second game was played against Vankleek Hill and the boys looked much more alive in a 7-1 victory. Our points came from Justin Elliot (3), Richard Banford (4), Jamie Byvelds, Kyle Jarvis (2), Jordan MacGregor, Curtis Whitteker, Josh McElheran and Ben Baker.

The "B" Division final saw Morrisburg matched up against Canterbury in which the boys played hard but came up with a 3-1 loss. Canterbury's points were from Brad Crook, Chris Crook, Brenden Lowry and Branimin Petovic.

Morrisburg owes their lone point to Richard Banford, Kyle Jarvis and Justin Elliot. Superb goal tending was shared on the weekend by Dan Adams and Matt Dillabough.

On December 14th, Morrisburg hosted Smiths Falls in another league game. Smiths Falls came away from the Saturday game with a 6-2 victory. Their tallies are credited to Craig Johnston, Andrew Sargent, Darcy Comeford, Andreaus Ruhs, Chris Bowes-Shanks, Graham Drew and Jordan Howard.

Morrisburg's points came from Justin Elliot, Kyle Jarvis and Travis Baldwin. Once again the net was shared by Matt Dillabough and Dan Adams.

Midget Lions get a 3-0 shut-out Sunday

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Morrisburg Midget Lions downed Winchester Sunday evening with 3-0 shut-out. Darryl Burns manned the net for the Lions.

Morrisburg's three goals came from Jamie Barkley, Dave Trude and Rob Murphy.

"It was a very good game," said Coach Jeremy Morrow, "The whole team played well."

Last night the 9-3-2 Lions were to meet Winchester in the second game of a home and home series.

The Lions are presently in first place in their division.

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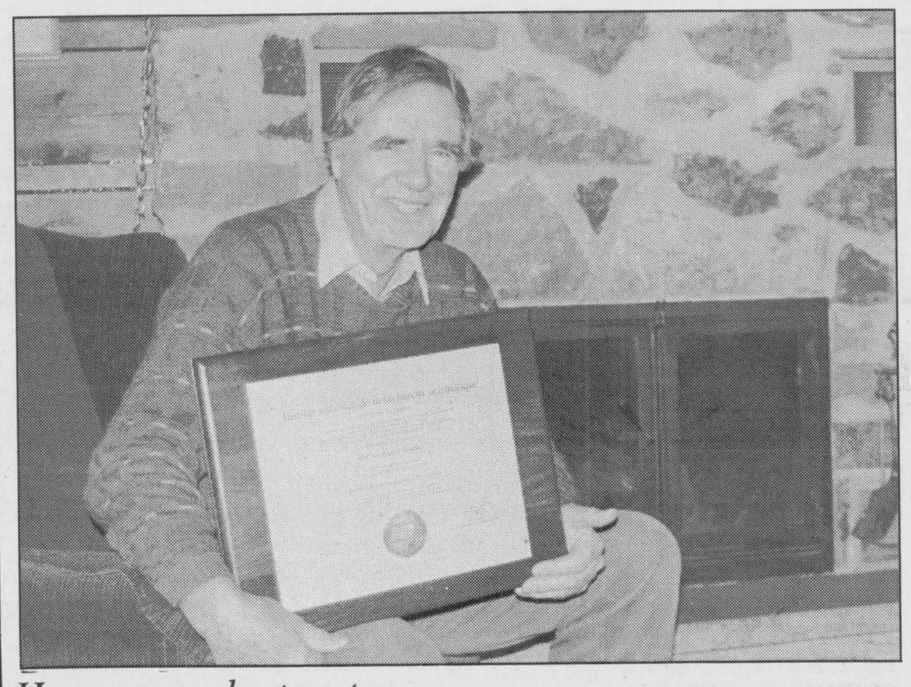

Honourary doctorate

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.

Pictured above, Christopher Findlay received an honourary doctorate from the University of Quebec. Mr. Findlay was instrumental in the formation of the university's geo-science department in the late '80s. He was presented with the award at the convocation ceremonies December 6th.

Chris Findlay gets honourary award

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

It actually came as quite a surprise, recalled Chris Findlay of the day he found out he would be receiving an honourary doctorate from the University of Quebec.

"I feel very flattered," said Mr. Findlay of receiving the award. In fact, the unassuming Findlay Road resident didn't think he had a chance at receiving the award.

A telecommunications university where all six areas of study are linked electronically, Mr. Findlay received his honourary doctorate for his work in establishing Geo-Science Department of the Institut national de la recherche scientifique (INRS).

The INRS holds convocation ceremonies every two years and Mr. Findlay's name was among many submitted from each of the six departments of study.

Each campus submits a list of nominations to the universities board of governors and they decided who will receive the honourary doctorate.

A geologist with the Canadian Government, Mr. Findlay was instrumental in his role as Director General, in forming the partnership between the Canadian Government and the University of Quebec setting up the unique partnership that is the Geo-Science Department of the INRS.

On the 6th of December, Mr. Findlay and his family travelled to Quebec to accept the award.

On PATROL POLICE FILE

Charges laid

Winchester - Charges have been laid in relation to the investigation into a fatal motor vehicle collision which had taken place on the evening of September 14, 1996, on Highway 31 north of Winchester Springs, which claimed the life of Daniel Barkley, age 36 of RR1 Morrisburg. Charged is Donald Meathrell, age 46 of Winchester Township, who is scheduled to appear in Provincial Court on January 28, 1997, on charges of impaired driving causing death, and dangerous driving causing death. Mr. Meathrell has also been charged with driving under suspension and driving without a currently validated plate on his vehicle. These charges are set to be heard in Provincial Court Traffic division on February 17, 1997.

Recovered vehicle

Mountain - On the afternoon of December 9, a 1986 red 4-door Pontiac Sunbird was recovered in the area of Jennings Road in Mountain Township. The vehicle had sustained damage to the interior and the steering column. This vehicle had been reported stolen from the city of Ottawa on the morning of December 9.

Forced entry

Iroquois - On the 10th of December, at approximately 11 pm, Police responded to a break and enter complaint at Craig Packaging in the village of Iroquois. A forced entry had been made into the business and office equipment was taken. In a related incident on December 11, Police were called to a break and enter which had occurred overnight at Swank Construction north of Iroquois. A forced entry had been made into the building and a cube van loaded with tools was taken. This vehicle was recovered later in the day in a parking lot along Baseline Road in the city of Ottawa. The stolen tools were still in the vehicle.

Van found

Matilda - Recovered in the vicinity of the break-in in Matilda Township, was a green Plymouth Voyageur van which had sustained damage to the steering column and had been reported stolen from the city of Ottawa on the 10th of December.

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**Gary Easter*
**Jennie Fader*
**Yvette Rolland*
**18-Co-workers at Ross Video*
**Ron Wolfe*
**Todd Smith*

Matilda Women's Institute meeting

Our December meeting was held at the Rise 'n' Shine Restaurant which was gaily decorated for the season.

We were surprised to find a beautiful handmade snowflake made by one of our members. Thank you Mary. Our President also had a handmade gift box containing candy, for each of us. Although the atmosphere was festive, we were saddened by the loss of one of our long time members, Vera Strader, who passed away that morning. Johanna recited a few lines from the hymn "Abide With Me", which had been going through her mind all day.

Evelyn Whitteker, convenor for the evening, began the program with a minute's silence for Vera. She will be greatly missed for her quiet and friendly disposition, always willing to help, along with her husband Lorne. Customers would always be waiting for her lovely plants and trees to arrive at our Spring Plant & Bake Sale. The silence was followed by Silent Night, played by Thelma Bell on the accordian. Johanna read a Christmas Story by E. Rundel Augusta. Elsie Knight read "What should we give our children?" and "From Fall to Winter". Thelma also played Peace on Earth, Away in a Manger and O' Come All Ye Faithful.

Poinsettias were distributed for the area Nursing Homes. Gifts were exchanged and admired. Evelyn closed the meeting with a Christmas Prayer. Thanks to the Committee for a lovely meeting and the kitchen staff for a delicious meal.

Our President will be the guest speaker at the Helping Hands Pot Luck dinner on January 8, 1997. She wil be showing a video about the Women's Institute.

Our next meeting will be February 5, 1997. It's a Variety meeting so every member contributes to the entertainment. Also bring something for the Chinese Auction as well as lots of change! Have a safe and healthy holiday. Merry Christmas to all.



Helping others

Corey Tschoumy and Sara Warren dropped by The Mitten Tree at IPS on their way to take part in the concert. Each student from their class (D.C.) took off a paper pair and replaced them with a real pair for South Dundas Christmas Exchange. *Chieftain photo S.L.Johnston*

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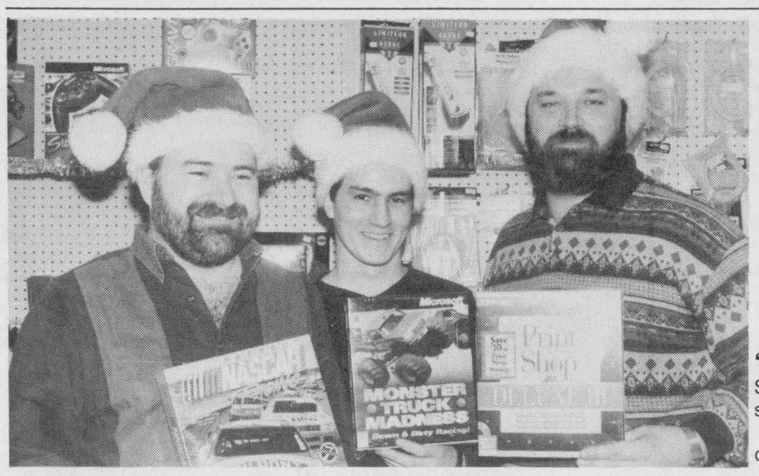

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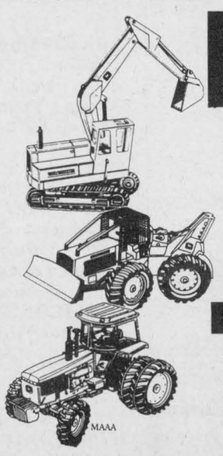

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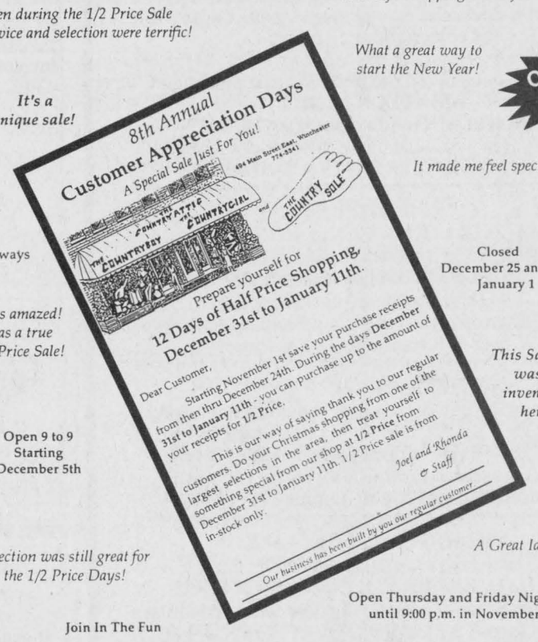

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Casselman family
D18-1tp

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BLOKLAND: Lesley, Cory and Karen are excited to welcome Tracey Lynn to the family. She arrived on November 23, 1996 and weighed in at 8 lbs. 2 oz. Proud parents are Sid and Nancy Blokland. Proud grandparents are Art and Hilda Vandekemp (Winchester) and Henk and Annie Heykoop (Spencerville). Thanks to the wonderful doctors and nurses at the W.D.M.H. for their excellent care.
D18-1tx

Christmas Greetings

To all my family, friends, and neighbours
I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Blessed 1997
Joan Zandbergen
D18-1tp

To our many relatives, friends and neighbours in Iroquois and area
We extend our Most Sincere Wishes to you for a Very Happy Holiday Season and Health & Happiness in the New Year
Most Sincerely
Bert & Marguerite Kirby
D18-1tc

To all our relatives, friends and neighbours
We wish to take this opportunity to wish each and every one a very Happy Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year
May the joy and peace of Christmas be with you now and through the coming year
May God Bless You All
Len and Sue Roberts
D18-1tp

Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year
To all my friends and neighbours
May God Bless You this holiday season
Geraldine Millar
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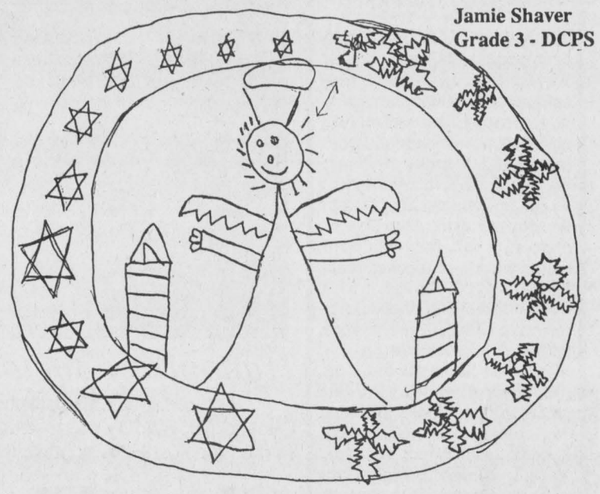
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
John Lewis
D18-1tp

-MERRY CHRISTMAS-



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January 6, 1997

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Any incidents of depositing snow or ice on the Municipal Roads will be referred to the O.P.P. for the purpose of laying charges.

Bill Ewing
Town Foreman

OBITUARIES

Irwin Casselman

Thomas Irwin Casselman, at Dundas Manor Nursing Home in Winchester on Monday, December 2, 1996, after an illness of 8 years.

Irwin was born in Winchester Springs, July 25, 1909, which made him 87 at the time of his passing.

A carpenter by trade, he had lived in Iroquois before moving to the Manor. A member of the Iroquois United Church, he also was a member of the Loyal Orange Lodge.

Predeceased by his parents; Rufus Casselman and Mary Servage, as well as his beloved wife, Olive Barkley whom he lost in January 1996, he had married her on November 15, 1993 and will be sadly missed. Also predeceasing their brother were, Bert and sisters; Jean Morrow and Leila Merkley.

Mourning the loss are sons; Donald (Velma) of Dixons Corners, Lyle (Linda) of Cambridge, Gordon and Glendon (Donna) all of Morrisburg. A brother, Basil Casselman of Winchester Springs and a sister, Olive Whitteker of Winchester also are left to mourn.

Ten grandchildren 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild also are saddened by his passing.

Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation were appreciated by the family. Service was conducted by Rev. Eric Barr at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois on Thursday, December 5. Pallbearers were all grandsons; Allan, Rob, Joseph and Paul Casselman. Interment followed at New Union Cemetery.

Bruce Keeler

Suddenly at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital, Bruce Keeler at age 68 years on December 5, 1996.

Born in Matilda Township on January 28, 1928, Bruce had lived his entire life in the Iroquois-Morrisburg areas, except for a time when he was a Superintendent in an Ottawa apartment complex before retiring. He was a farm labourer during his lifetime in this area as well.

Predeceased by his parents, James and Eva (Sipes) Keeler, a son; Kenneth, a brother; Clinton and sisters; Leona, Flossie and Sarah Markell, he will be remembered in the area.

Surviving the loss of her beloved husband, is his wife, Bernice Keeler (nee Levere) who he wed on July 2, 1994 at the Williamsburg United Church.

Mourning their loss are stepsons; Gordon White of Brinston, Steven (Sue) White of Brinston and Paul (Karen) White of RR2, Brinston. A daughter, Brenda Markell of RR2, Brinston; stepdaughters, Lynn (Stewart) Markell of RR2, Brinston, Carol (Herb) Markell of RR2, Brinston, Marnie White of Brinston also feel the sadness. Brothers, Stanley and Bucky (Linda) both of Prescott and Forrest of Dunbar, a sister, Eva (Mrs. Raymond Dallaire) of Prescott, 14 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews survive as well.

Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation were appreciated by the family. Service was conducted by the Rev. F.E.A. MacPherson at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois on Saturday, December 7, 1996. Pallbearers were, Randy, Brent and Eli Markell, David Beatson, Harry Brown and John Tuttle. Interment followed at Sprucehaven Cemetery, Brinston.

Vera Strader

Suddenly at the Ottawa Civic Hospital, Vera Ileana Strader on Monday, December 9, 1996. Born on December 1, 1926 in Yorkton, Saskatchewan, Vera was 70 years of age.

Born and raised on the Hare Family Farm at Theodore, Saskatchewan, Vera moved to Iroquois in 1949 and then moved to Brinston in 1950 when she married Lorne Strader and had been there ever since.

A member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Moonlight Chapter #224,Iroquois; the Women's Institute and Helping Hands Seniors group of Matilda, Vera was well known and admired in the area. A member of the Brinston United Church, Vera will be missed by all who knew her.

A former sewer at Caldwell Linen Mills and a homemaker on the Strader Family Farm East of Brinston, where she spent 46 years enjoying the country life.

Predeceased by her parents, Harold and Della (nee Feader) Hare and a brother, Donald Hare, she is sadly missed by son, Neil (Debra) of Glen Becker and daughters; Lorna (Jeffrey Johnston) of Orleans and Sharon and her fiancee, Eric Zwicker of Montreal. A sister, Marguerite Steffenson of Tisdale, Saskatchewan; a sister-in-law, Vi Hare of Iroquois and a brother-in-law; Gilson Strader of Ottawa, a niece; Gayle McMartin of Watrous, Saskatchewan, nephews; Judean Steffenson of Kamloops, B.C. and Alan Hare of Peterborough as well as an uncle, Delbert W. Feader of Cambridge all grieve.

Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation were appreciated by the family in her memory. A private family service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Iroquois on Thursday, December 12, 1996 with Rev. Georgia Copeland officiating. Interment was at Sprucehaven Cemetery, Brinston. Pallbearers were Francis Henderson, Hubert Lapierre, Edwin Froats, Dave Dekleine, Brian Montgomery and Charles Bailey.

Denzil Markell

Suddenly at Kingston General Hospital, Denzil Markell of RR2, Brinston, on Tuesday, December 10, 1996. Born on August 12, 1936, in Matilda Township, Denzil was 60 years of age at the time.

A farm labourer and a construction labourer during his life which he spent in Matilda, Denzil enjoyed hunting and playing hockey in his leisure time.

Predeceased by his parents, Adam and Carrie (nee Sipes) Markell, as well as brothers: Gordon, Fred and Bruce; and a sister, Audrey Sipes, he will be sadly missed by his wife, Phyllis Markell (nee Fawcett) whom he wed on November 28, 1959 in Rowena. Also mourning their loss are sons: Ken (Doreen) of Dixon's Corners and Kevin (Sherry) of Dundela;daughter, Bonnie (Mrs. Andrew Wright) of RR2, Brinston. Brothers, Clifford of RR2, Brinston and Acil of Dundela ; sisters, Iva Mayhew of Iroquois and Goldie (Rev. Robert Fawcett) of RR2, Brinston also survive. He is missed by 7 grandchildren and 2 foster grandchildren, as well as nieces and nephews.

Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation were appreciated by the family. Service was conducted from the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois with Rev.Ian Kelsey officiating. Interment followed at Sprucehaven Cemetery, Brinston. Pallbearers were Ron and Bert Smail, Allan Markell, Gary, Dale and Andy Shaver.

Marie Eveleen Byford

After a brief illness, on December 15, 1996 at the Hartford Retirement Centre, Marie Eveleen Byford.

A housewife and clerk for Moore Business Forms, she formerly resided in Montreal and Toronto.

Born in Montreal,Quebec on March 23, 1904, she was 92 years of age, and had lived in Morrisburg for the past 32 years.

Predeceased by her parents; Joseph Antoine Rozon and Annie Evelyn Ryan and her beloved husband, Robert Alexander Byford, who went ahead of her on April 9, 1965, she was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, in Morrisburg.

Mourning the loss are sons: Patrick and his wife Norma of Peterborough, Jon of Toronto and Joe and his wife, Joyce of Winchester. Saddened by the loss are a sister, Camilla (Mrs. Karol Benka) of Vancouver; three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

Friends called at the Fairbairn Funeral Home Limited, Morrisburg. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Church with Father Timothy Shea officiating. Interment followed at St. Mary's Cemetery in Morrisburg. Pallbearers were John Allison, Roger Bouchard, Dirk Testerink and Gord Milne.

Scout camp gets a lift

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Things are starting to shape up along the South Nation River, just east of Highway 31.

There is a large parcel of land which has belonged to the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers of St. Lawrence District for numerous years. Not very much was done with said land. Then it was named after a Scouter from Morrisburg who exemplifies the meaning of the Scout movement. Bill Sheldrick has been involved in Scouts in one manner or another for some 25 years in this District. It was most appropriate then, that the camp north of Winchester Springs be named after him.

Camp Sheldrick is alive and well and the local Lions Clubs were approached earlier this year to see what assistance they could offer to the area boys and girls to get the camp into useable shape. Last Saturday saw a work crew busily working on a shelter which when completed will resemble the one at Point Iroquois. This will allow groups to carry on camps knowing that they can get out of the weather if necessary. Members of various Lions Clubs in the area were caught erecting the roof poles in preparation for the roof to be installed. The cement slab will give a dry platform for activities when groups camp there.

One good use the facility will see is when the local Scout troops host their American counterparts this May in an International Camporee.

The structure will stand as a tribute to the Lions Clubs who contributed freely, their time, talent and the money for the materials. The numbers of local youth who will use the area will be in the hundreds over the next few years even.

The roadway was built up to a useable standard in the spring so that campers could get to the site which borders on the Nation just east of the airplane site. Drainage was improved to provide a more accessible site through the generosity of Lions Clubs from Chesterville to Winchester, Iroquois to Morrisburg, Spencerville to Kemptville, and all points inbetween. The brush has been cleared to allow for campers, and discarded picnic tables from the Parks of the St. Lawrence were recovered and repaired by the Morrisburg Scouts. A well was drilled courtesy of Ramon Casselman and outhouses have been constructed. Things are shaping up just perfectly for a great camp site for all to enjoy.



A shelter from the elements

Paul Robertson Sr. (centre) works with other Lions Club members to erect struts for a picnic shelter. The shelter, being constructed at Camp Sheldrick, near Winchester Springs, is for Scouting Groups from the St. Lawrence District.

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✔Legion Turkey Dinner Friday
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✔Santa in Flea Market Saturday

Only seven days 'til Christmas



A Christmas concert

Under the direction of Michael Goodwin, with accompanist Margaret Brown, the Seaway Valley Singers entertained a packed house last Sunday afternoon. The music was excellent and everyone who attended had a wonderful time. Proceeds from the event will go to the Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Chieftain photo by Michael Bailey

WDMH Auxiliary meeting

The Christmas auxiliary meeting and volunteer luncheon was opened with prayer led by Dorothy Houze. This event was held at the Nor-Dun Senior Support Centre with fifty-seven attending including guests: Roy Glassford, acting C.E.O. of Winchester Hospital; Diane Lapier Administrative Secretary; Hank Huizinga, daughter, Nanda Wubs and their accompanist Tina Vlaanderen.

Business was kept to a minimum consisting only of reports from the HAAO convention in Toronto from President Joan Farlinger, Lil Lancaster and Carol Allan. The highlight of convention this year was for us the awarding of a "Provincial Life Membership" to Lil Lancaster for her many years of dedicated service to the Winchester Hospital where she is still an active supporter as head of the Gift Shop.

Marion Carkner, Winchester Unit Director, presented a cheque for $2,500.00 raised through summer bingos organized by Doris Cross and through euchres organized by Donna Smith and Kay Holmes.

Next on the agenda was Hilde Vandekemp, In-House Volunteer Co-ordinator who made a presentation of her own to two of her most hardworking volunteers: #1 Doreen Murdoch with 188 hours for 1996 and #2 Violet Reaney with 149 hours for 1996!

Nanda, Hank and Tina gave us some lovely Christmas music to add to our pleasure. The sweet blending of their voices was a thrill for all.

Mr. Glassford then drew the tickets for the door prizes and with thanks and good wishes all around we ended our happy day and successful year together!

Bridge Winners

The winners of the December 11th bridge party were first, Helen Bouck, second Karen Gorrell, and third went to Lib MacLellan. Join us each and every Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Iroquois Civic Centre. We hope to see you all there!

Come and Worship

Anglican Church of Canada
Parish of Morrisburg/Iroquois
543-3904 Office
Rev. Bill Byers
December 22
8:00 St. James'
9:30 St. James'
11:00 St. John's
December 24 Christmas Eve
7:30 Family Eucharist at St. Johns
9:10 Carol Singing at St. James
9:30 Choral Eucharist at St. James
St. James Morrisburg/St. Johns Iroquois
Holy Trinity Riverside Heights

Anglican Church of Canada
Parish of Edwardsburgh
Rector The Rev. Doug Hayman
St. James' Parish, Crystal Rock
9:00 a.m.
St. Paul's Church, Cardinal
11:00 a.m.

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St. Mary's Church
St. Mary's, Morrisburg
Mass - 11:00 a.m.
Saturday's 7:30 p.m.

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Showtime presentation

Upper Canada Playhouse Board member,Connie Cinnamon accepted a cheque from Reina De Jong, Producer of the Showtime performances that proved quite successful this fall. Members of the singing cast included, Marg Lee, Michael Goodwin and Margaret Brown. The $1900 profit from the two performances will help the Playhouse coffers.

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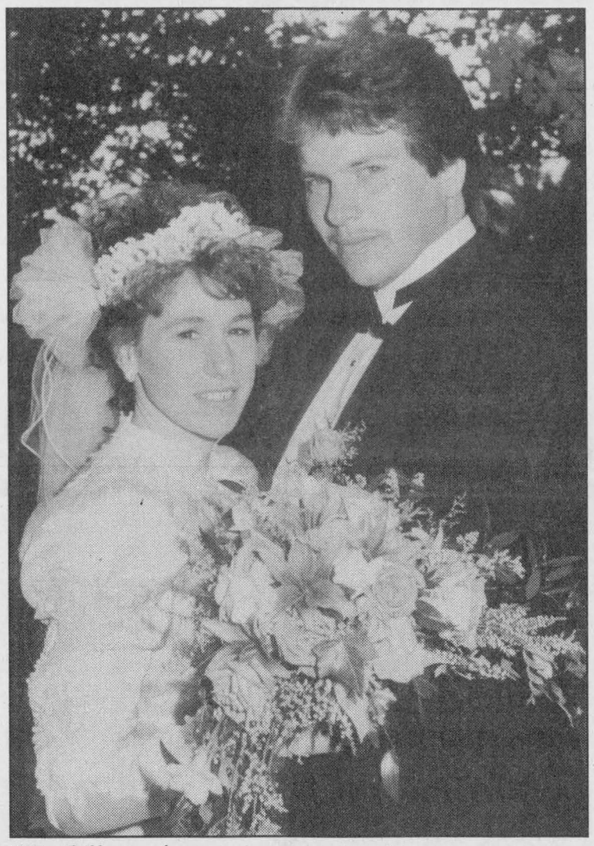

Wedding Announcement

AULT - VANDEMHEEN

Sharlene, daughter of *Wendell and Isobel Ault* of Brinston, Ontario, and *Scott,* son of *Lubbert and Wanda Vandemheen* of South Mountain, Ontario were united in marriage on September 7, 1996 at Brinston United Church, Brinston, Ontario. Thanks to all our family and friends for their love and support.

Inside an Hour

He's coming to town. You know, the big red dude, the ho ho man, da cat wit da reindeer, Sinter Klass, Father Christmas, Mr. C.

SANTA IS COMING! IN JUST A COUPLE OF DAYS! I CAN'T WAIT! ALL HANDS, DEC. 25 IS C-DAY!

He's been seen in several major local centres already in parades and visiting with children while he compiles his list of presents. But he isn't working too hard. You don't get to be Santa's age without knowing how to relax, so with that in mind here are a couple of suggestions:

The Loyalist Hotel is having a Christmas party Thurs., Dec. 19th from 6-9 p.m. with a complimentary dinner that includes Indian curry and rice appetizers-- yum! D.J. music is to follow.

A day later (Dec. 20th) at the Iroquois Legion there will be a turkey dinner starting at noon. The cost of that dinner is $6 per person and take out is also available in case you want to "cocoon" at home.

Music lovers will want to check out the performance by the students of the J.H. Meikle School of Music at the Meikle House Sat., Dec. 21st, at 3 p.m. That's happening at 16 First St., in Morrisburg.

Looking ahead to the holidays the Morrisburg Curling Club is available for people to rent. So if anyone is getting a new curling stone or broom for Christmas and just has to try it out that day they can. Call Sydney Schnurr at 543-4182 or Jack Dikland at 543-2455.

Dec. 28th the curling club is having a free curling clinic. Bring your own lunch and sweep up-- er brush up on your technique.



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