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DFA executive, 1999

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Shown: back (l-r) Gordon Garlough, Provincial Director; Corry Martens, President; Marilyn Johnson, Secretary; Keith Durant, Winchester Coordinator; Wray Holmes, Vice President; front (l-r) Andrew Geertsma, Williamsburg Coordinator; Carole McDermott, Matilda Coordinator; and Leo Loughlin, Mountain Coordinator. Executive members were acclaimed at the Dundas Federation of Agriculture's Annual Meeting and Banquet at the Matilda Hall last Friday evening. A good showing of members and politicians turned out for a good dinner.

Dundas Federation of Agriculture held Banquet

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Dundas Federation of Agriculture held its Annual Meeting and Banquet last Friday night at the Matilda Hall. Municipal politicians from both North and South Dundas, Federal M.P. Bob Kilger, and a representative from M.P.P. Noble Villeneuve's office were on hand to see the Federation acclaim Corry Martens to another term as President.

Also acclaimed in the executive were Wray Holmes (Vice President), and township directors Carole McDermott (Matilda), Leo Loughlin (Mountain), Andrew Geertsma (Williamsburg), and Keith Durant (Winchester).

"I want to bring greetings on behalf of the federal government," Kilger said, putting in some good words for Federal Agriculture Minister Lyle VanClief who "works so hard on behalf of all of you."

Keith Clingen, special assistant to a vacationing provincial Food and Agriculture Minister Noble Villeneuve, delivered best wishes to the full house.

Alvin Runnalls, Provincial Director for the Dundas Federation in 1998, received a plaque in recognition of his long-time commitment to the Federation. Runnalls, also serving his community as a North Dundas councillor and member of the Winchester Hospital Board, has served on the Federation's executive for a combined total of 11 years during the 80s and 90s.

"I didn't expect this; I guess I'm speechless," he said to hearty applause, accepting the plaque on stage.

His successor as Provincial Director, Gordon Garlough, introduced the free-will offering for Honduran disaster relief. Cobourg-based Horizons of Friendship -- a farmer-founded group focusing on agricultural rebuilding as a part of its efforts in Honduras -- was the recipient of $1,120, the DFA meeting capping the local fundraising push. A member of the DFA has offered to match that with a further $1,000, Garlough reported.

Featured speaker

Ontario Federation of Agriculture Vice President Ron Bonnett, in his first term at the position, outlined the challenges facing farmers in the province.

Bonnett, a former Reeve in the Bruce Mines area who runs a cow-calf operation, pointed to property tax changes, the possible closing of rural schools, collapsing commodity prices, and municipal restructuring as some of the issues the OFA has had to plow through recently.

"We are one of the main voices for rural Ontario," he said of the Federation, adding that farmers are concerned with more than just the price of a crop -- requiring a solid infrastructure of schools and roads to do their jobs.

And farmers need to provide rational alternatives rather than "yelling and screaming," he said. The OFA's voice, he noted, helped bring about changes to the Farm Tax Rebate Program that have benefitted farmers.

The OFA is also lobbying to improve Ice Storm compensation for some farmers who may have been frozen out of the program.

Protecting Canadian farmers from global competitors who have the use of chemicals and hormones, like BST, is a continuing concern for the OFA, he said.

"Rather than saying, 'Well, let's cut a deal' ... let's stake out our territory and put some rules in place to protect Canadian producers."

Said one audience member during the question period, "I know our government looked pretty good [outlawing BST], but we're dreaming in technicolour if we think we're not eating it in American milk by-products."

And Kilger mentioned the issue of reduced rural representation at Queen's Park, after the next provincial election. Ontario will reduce the number of M.P.P.'s in the province to 101, down from 130.

Cardinal prepares for 2000

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Cheiftain Staff Reporter

After reading the Policy Statement concerning the issues to be addressed and how to accomplish the desired results, Cardinal Council last Monday evening passed a motion to accept the Statement. The Policy says, "The Corporation of the Village of Cardinal is committed to ensuring to the extent of its human and financial resource capabilities, that its systems, equipment, facilities and services will not be reasonably affected by the date change on or subsequent to January 1, 2000." The procedures that will allow this Statement to be carried out note," Those systems, equipment, facilities or services that are expected to be affected will be analyzed for the consequences of failure caused by the date change as well as the cost to make the necessary modifications. Identified modifications will be prioritized on the basis of criticality of function. Required systems and equipment modifications receiving the highest priority rating will be completed and tested by July 31, 1999.

Suppliers of products and services will be contacted by April 1, 1999 in order to evaluate their ability to supply products and services after January 1, 2000. Contingency plans will be prepared in the event that any essential or emergency service pro-

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Council to use ward names and to deal with tire jockey

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

South Dundas Council passed a resolution instructing Township staff to refer to the four wards by their traditional names last Thursday. It is the first official indication the one-year-old municipality approves of using 'Williamsburg Ward,' 'Matilda Ward,' 'Morrisburg Ward,' and 'Iroquois Ward' instead of Ward 1, 2, 3, and 4 -- though the numbers technically remain the legal ward names under the provincial Order-in-Council that created South Dundas Township.

Matilda Ward Councillor Bev Sabourin proposed the resolution, which passed unanimously. Unlike the other wards, Matilda isn't even recalled in the print on any roadmap.

Williamsburg Ward Councillor Rowdy Gillard was enthusiastic. "I like a name. I don't like a number.... We're getting to be a nation of abbreviations."

Actually amending the Order-in-Council was not considered at this time because of cost concerns.

Administrator Mike Waddell pointed out that Council will have to decide someday whether the wards continue at all, or have councillors elected at large.

Web site

South Dundas is among the first, perhaps the first, of the lower-tier municipalities in SD&G to have its own web site.

Barely two weeks old, the site has basic information on tourism, recycling, 911 service, and a downloadable map of the Township. The pickings are still a little slim on the amount of actual information available -- and nary a mention of wards either -- but the site itself is nicely designed, a product of Blue Heron Productions.

The address is www.bhp.com/southdundas/

Township Administrator Mike Waddell also revealed that South Dundas will go on-line with the interac debit card system. A couple weeks and residents will have the option of just swiping their bank card to pay that overdue tax bill at the Township office.

Somebody's been dumping tires along local roadways, South Dundas Councillor Rowdy Gillard telling Council at its last meeting on Thursday that police are on the trail of a tire jockey at work in the Morrisburg area.

A tire jockey is somebody who gets paid to pick up old tires, then turns them into somebody else's problem.

Disposing of used tires isn't free these days. Car tires go into the Township's landfill sites at a

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Highway closed due to storm and accidents

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

At 4:17pm, the Rural/Metro paramedics from Morrisburg and Winchester along with paramedics from Cornwall responded to an eight vehicle collision in the Westbound lanes of Highway 401, just east of Upper Canada Road east of Morrisburg. Six tractor trailers and two cars were involved in the collision which occurred during a sudden snow squall that left the highway covered in ice. A three-year-old boy and his father were extricated from one vehicle by paramedics and transported to the Winchester and District Memorial Hospital. The father sustained non-life threatening injuries. The three-year-old boy, however was later transported by air ambulance to the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario in serious condition.

Two occupants of the other car were transported by paramedics to the Cornwall General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

None of the tractor trailer drivers were injured in the collision.

The Westbound lanes of Highway 401 remained closed at Upper Canada Road overnight.

Approximately half an hour prior to this collision, another collision involving four tractor trailers had completely blocked the Eastbound lane of Highway 401 just east of the Shanly Road at Cardinal. The OPP closed the Eastbound lanes of Highway 401 and re-routed traffic onto Shanly Road and Highway 2.

Paramedics also responded to a multitude of collisions and roll-overs on the stretch of 401 from West of Brockville to Cornwall all afternoon and evening of January 27. Only minor injuries were reported in this rash of incidents. Patients were transported to several local hospitals.

Paramedics adamantly urged drivers to exercise extreme caution while driving in the poor conditions the roads were presented with on Wednesday.

Seeking help: Mayurbhanj Leprosy Home

In the early hours of January 25th, Graham Staines and his two young sons, Phillip, aged 10, and Timothy, aged 6, were burnt to death as they slept in the mission jeep, in a village where they were visiting. The details of these killings have been graphically described in the media world wide; therefore we will not go into that here. Never-the-less, Christians world wide grieve these deaths and join Gladys and Esther Staines in their mourning. Yet, we also know that our hope is in the Lord and these deaths will be used to God's glory, to further his kingdom. God has planted three seeds!

As we have spoken regularly to Gladys since this event and have asked her what she needs right now, she has expressed the need for the mission to have the vehicles that were burned, replaced. The mission has more than one leprosy home and does work in various outlying villages. These vehicles are not for Gladys' personal use, but for the ongoing work of the mission.

Many people in the community have expressed sympathy over the deaths. Many have asked if there is anything that they can do in a practical way. A fund has been set up to help in the replacement of at least one of the two vehciles that were destroyed at the time of the killings. Prayerfully consider being involved in this. Obviously, the need is urgent. The cost of a fairly decent vehicle, by India standards, is 400,000 ruppees, equivalent to $10,000 U.S.

Any amount is appreciated. Please call 613 652 1552 if you are able to assist. Or send a cheque to Community Christian Reformed Church, Dixon's Corners, made out to the church and specify that it is for India Vehicle Fund in the memo section.

Thank you for your concern,
Colleen and John Weatherhead

(John is Gladys Staines younger brother, and is currently with Gladys in India)



Winter conditions

Downbound and on her side...this tanker was only one casualty of the snow and ice storm we experienced last week. The storms continue to come and accidents happen. Drive safely and carefully and stay between the snow banks. Highway 401 was closed and as this photo was snapped, it had only just reopened for business as usual. A multitude of pile-ups caused trouble for everyone.

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

Exercise Monomer Mess is another step to being prepared

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Ice Storm '98 exercise was for real and showed the entire community that the Community Control Group is prepared for emergency situations.

Almost one year after a crippling emergency that sent everyone into action, Ice Storm '98, the ECG of South Dundas under the guidance of Emergency Measures Planner, Bill Shearing, ran through a table-top exercise to keep their skills sharp and consider what needs to be addressed in the area.

The exercise dubbed, Monomer Mess had the following scenario: It was a sunny, Tuesday, June afternoon about 1pm. The temperature was about average and a light breeze from the west was blowing across South Dundas. A tank transport turning east at the intersection of County Roads 31 and 2 (which is blocked) has been involved in an accident with a school bus (One of three in a convoy) heading west. A liquid is leaking from the tanker and a salesman from Upper Canada Motors has called 911. Morrisburg Fire Department and an OPP cruiser have responded. Placards on the tanker show the PIN as UN 1247. The CANUTEC guide indicates it is inhibited methyl methacrylate monomer, highly flammable, poisonous and or corrosive. The tanker driver is trapped in his cab, there is panic and possible injury on the damaged bus and a light standard has been damaged.

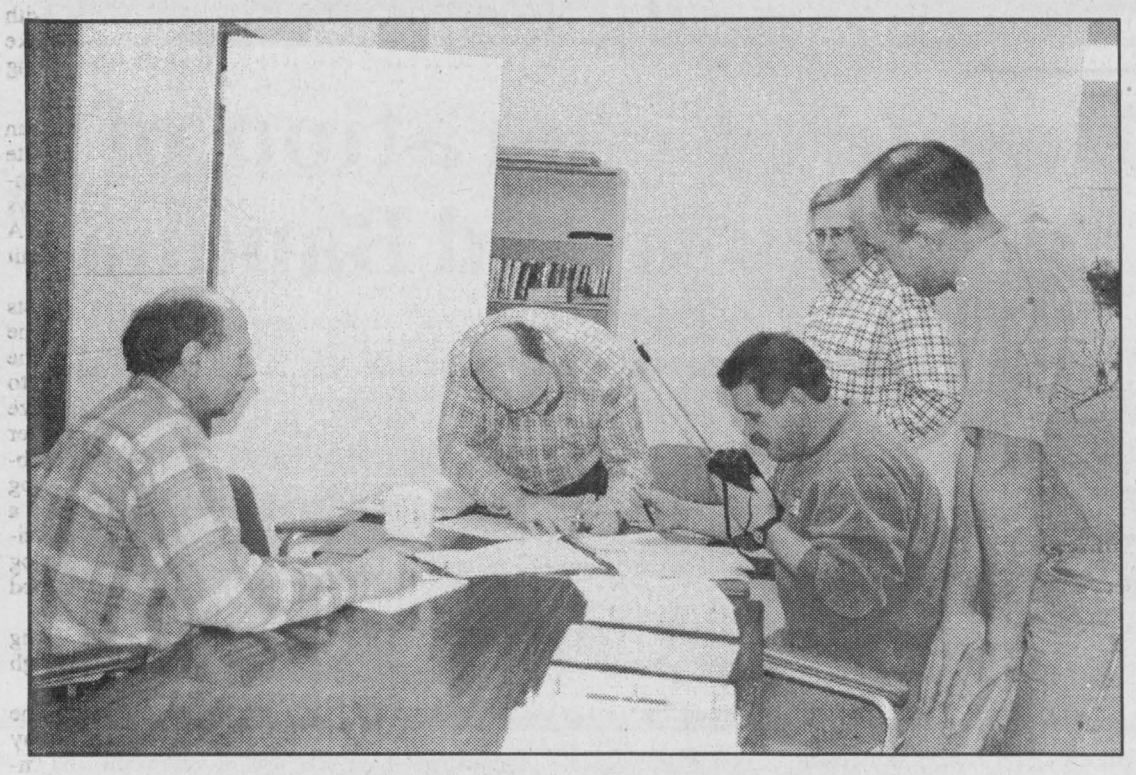
The call went out to the ECG and in responding they established an Emergency Operations Center at Stampville, removed sufficiently from the situation. Operations Manager is Mike Waddell, Rick Darling is Chief Controller. Rick has already contacted the shipper, Rohm and Haas in West Hill who have sent a team and a response team has been dispatched from Dupont Canada in Maitland, as well. Road blocks are in place as the OPP moved quickly as did paramedics who are caring for the injured. An OPP initiation has the area being evacuated to the public school in the Village as well as shoppers to the Morrisburg Operating Engineers Training Institute to the east and out of harms way. All local residents have been advised to remain indoors until told otherwise.

Mayor of South Dundas, Johnny Whitteker has declared a "state of emergency" as per Emergency Measures Ontario guidelines, Vic Harward of Rohm and Haas has warned that the material leaking is extremely flammable, no electrical contact with vapours can be allowed and so Dan Rice of Hydro cut power to the village and all vehicles in the area are shut off. Protective gear (including Scott packs and air masks) has been ordered for all working near the liquid. Thus non-sparking equipment will be utilized by firemen to remove the tanker driver. More ambulances have been summoned for care and transport of injured people. Public Works Officials are bringing in sand bags to build a dike to prevent leakage into the sewer system. Also requested is a vapour suppressant foam.

Then since emergencies are unpredictable, Iroquois Firefighters have responded to a call at Eckel Industry and the Dupont team has encountered a delay enroute.

Volunteers have been given direction and finally the situation was such that the state of emergency was lifted.

The exercise was a success, and the day concluded with some networking where opinions were expressed. Evaluation was completed by Suzanne carrier-Armstrong, Cornwall's Emergency Planner. She noted that the group is ready for a more demanding, longer scenario exercise. "The ice storm provided experience and now you are ready to stretch further." On a final note, it was expressed, "It is people that make the difference, not paper or planning, and good use of people was demonstrated..being prepared is vital, and these exercises provide the learning atmosphere."



Team work evident in South Dundas Emergency Exercise. Photo by S.L.Johnston

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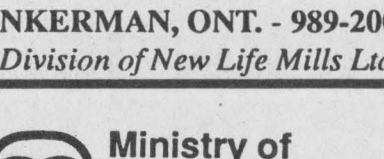

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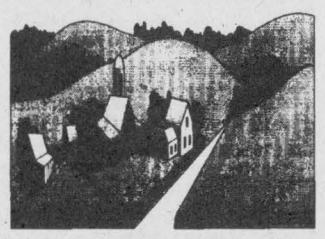

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WINTER WOODLOT CONFERENCE
Friday February 12, 1999
W.B. George Centre

9:00 Registration and Viewing Exhibits
10:00 Welcome & Opening Remarks
10:15 Assessment & Restoration of Ice Damaged Hardwood Stands - Special Session for Sugar Bushes
11:00 Assessment & Restoration of Ice Damaged Conifer Stands-Including Plantations
12:00 Lunch, Viewing Exhibits, Consultants Corner
1:30 Marketing & Salvage of Ice Damaged Timber
2:30 Planning for Tree Planting
3:30 Financial Assistance Programs for Ice Storm Recovery

Registration Fee $20.00 Includes Lunch
$10.00 for Additional Family Members

FOCUS ON ECOLOGICAL FARMING
Saturday February 13, 1999
W.B. George Centre

"Let's Get Serious About Organic Food Production"

8:30 Registration & View Exhibits
9:30 Welcome
9:45 Keynote Address: Hubert Earl-Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario
11:00 Workshop 1:
Session A. Organic Certification: What is Involved and why it is Necessary
Session B. Organic Greenhouse Production
12:00 Lunch
1:15 Workshop 2.
Session A. Organic Fruit Production for Eastern Ontario
Session B. Organic Meat & Poultry Production
2:15 Workshop 3:
Session A. Small Scale Food Processing
Session B. Creative Financing for the Small Operation
3:30 Speakers Forum: An Opportunity to ask Questions of Keynote and Workshop Speakers
4:00 Adjournment

Registration Fee $20.00 Lunch Tickets $7.75

FOCUS ON SHEEP
Saturday February 13, 1999
Parish Building

Dr. Hoque, an exceptional, informative, and entertaining speaker, will be presenting throughout the day. Dr. Hoque encourages active participation from the audience through questions and discussion.

8:45 Registration
9:30 Choosing Ewe and Ram Breeds to get the Best Lambs for your Target Markets
11:00 Management Approaches
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Feeding for Optimum Performance
2:00 Flock Health
3:00 Open Forum - Questions and Discussion

Registration Fee $12.00
Cafeteria Lunch or Bring Your Own

FOCUS ON BEEF- NIGHT PROGRAM
Monday February 15, 1999
W.B. George Centre

7:30 **National ID - Why Me ?** Julie Stitts, Manager of Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) will be discussing the National Program, and it's importance to **ALL** beef producers. The agency has spent the summer doing tests looking for 90% retention. Julie will discuss where we are headed and the potential this will have to enhance our export opportunities.
8:30 Coffee and Exhibits
9:00 **Ideas on Implants** - Dave Murray, Beef Specialist London. Every one in the industry can list the advantages of implants - better growth, laying down muscle versus fat, and a $10 to $1 payback. Still this is the most underused technology - barr none in the beef industry. Often we don't feel we have all the info or are comfortable with the technique or what combinations to use. Dave will answer all your questions and tell you how to make a 10 to 1 payback work for you!
10:00 Adjourn & Safe Home

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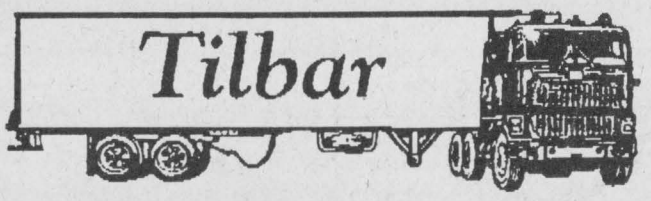

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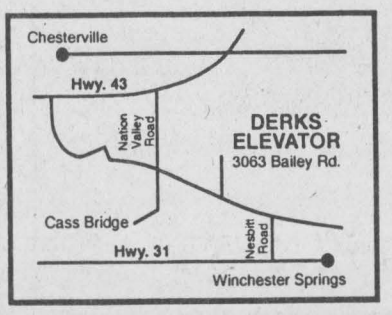

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OPP Canine Unit demonstration at St. Cecilia's Separate School

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Ike was pretty interested in the barks and whines that erupted from the VCR as Canine Unit OPP Officer, Peter Huffey played a tape for the students at St. Cecilia's last week. The show involved a former Canine member, Dakota, a dog who has retired. As Dakota worked along side his human counterpart, Ike could not figure out where the yelps were coming from. He perked his long ears, he turned his graceful head, but to no avail. He moved closer to check it out, but was unable to get to the source of the familiar noises...the students laughed along with OPP officers, Huffey and Lummiss who were on hand. The movie was of a pursuits where the dog disarmed the suspect, after tracking him, and involved an Emergency Response Team (ERT), who always accompany the Canine Unit when they get a call. "They are big strong lads."

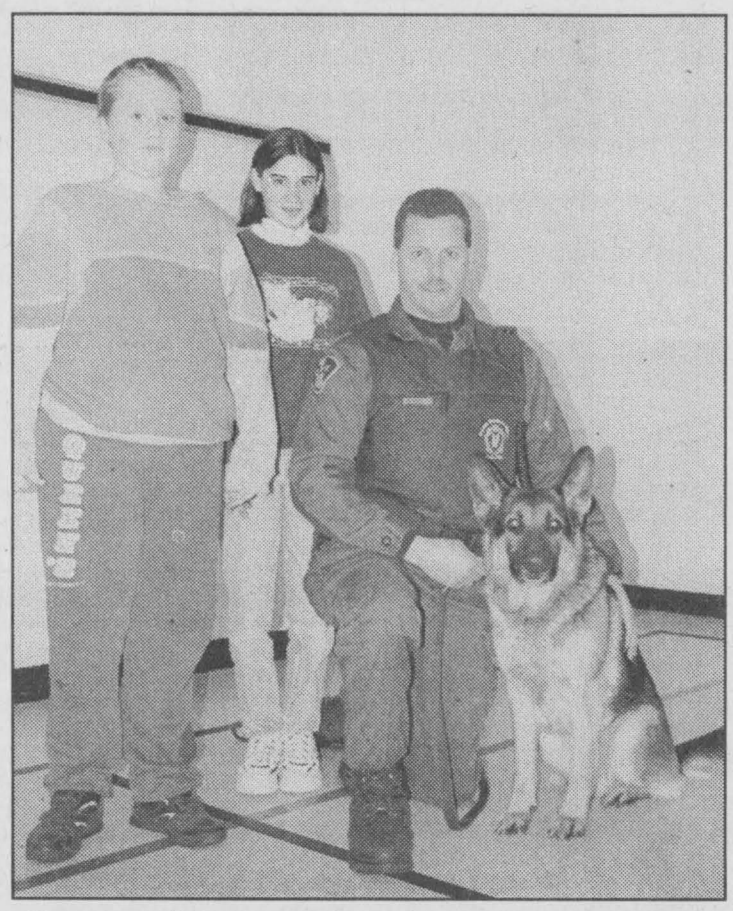
Constable Al Lummiss teaches the senior students the VIP Program at the school and as a wind up to their class sessions, they were treated to a visit from the OPP Canine Unit.

Ike is a 6-year old purebred German Shepherd who has been Huffey's partner for the past three years. Once the video was finished, Ike was put through his paces by Huffey, demonstrating his ability to locate drugs. As Ike played contentedly with his red ball, Huffey explained the importance of the Canine Unit to the communities in Upper Canada Detachment's jurisdiction. "We locate drugs; find lost persons; track criminals or suspects and if an officer is being shot at, the dog is often asked to go in and disarm the suspect.," explained Huffey to a active young audience.

The OPP began using dogs in 1965. "These 17 dogs belong to the OPP and to you. They are resources to the Police."

He went on to tell about Ike, "He is a working dog, and we do not socialize with a working animal, he must be ready physically to work and so needs lots of rest. He originally came from a farm in Ontario. Trained 4 years ago, his training lasted 16 weeks (4 to train the dog and 4 the handler). He stays at home with me, but remains outside so he grows a thick coat which lets him work in cold temperatures without discomfort. He likes and receives loads of praise when he does something right or good.

Hand signals are obeyed in an instant, A quiet, obedient animal, Ike is a playful fellow who uses his nose a lot! He is always on a leash. He has an aggression collar that affords his handler more control and a halter type when we track. We are "on-call" 7 days a week, 24-hours a day and cover a large territory (Prescott to Arnprior and east to Hawksbury).



Canine Unit *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Ike and his OPP Officer partner, Peter Huffey were well received at St. Ceclila's School. Here Peter, Ike and students, Danielle Vachon and Gerald Merkley get up close and personal. The OPP Canine Unit is active in our area .

The students got to learn how people are tracked by their scent. "Skin cells fall off our body continually, just like popcorn and are specific to each of us. The dog can smell these unique to each of us scents on the ground. He doesn't differentiate between scents, only methods used by the OPP officers. A lost person is the same to him as a criminal. Scents remain on the ground for up to 2 hours, depending on the weather and terrain."

Officer Huffey told how there are 17 dogs in service in Ontario, all male (bigger and more dominant) Shepherds- used because of their robust personality, their endurance, loyalty, size and ability to be trained easily. There are also 4 Bomb Dogs, which are Labrador Retrievers. A passive find as opposed to an active one (Gunman, drugs etc. which the dog can chew, grab and interact with, without fear of being killed) bomb dogs do not touch suspected bombs they locate.

"Ike and I understand one another. He will never have another handler. When one of us is on vacation, we both are. We should both retire at the same time. If Ike retires first, Officer Huffey can take him home but, even then he will not get house privileges. He just will not work again. He cannot be given to anyone else."

He continued telling the students that he and Ike are retrained every 6 weeks in Gravenhurst at the Training Centre. "We carry on general patrol and respond to calls when they come in," says Huffey in answer to a question from the youth. "We would be on patrol, helping with traffic control on an icy day like this, if we were not here doing this demo for you."

He told how the OPP Suburban is set up for the dog: "A crate where the back seats were, complete with water so he is always refreshed and ready to work.A handler never goes out without his dog."

A special relationship exists between dog and handler. The selection course monitors how the two react to each other and try to match animal and human-size wise and by personality. If after selection process there is a problem it is dealt with, and a dog will be taken away from a handler not compatible. A physically demanding Unit both dog and officer have to stay in good shape..tracking games etc.

Ike was responsible for locating drugs in lockers at Seaway High earlier this school year.

Everyone received a Canine Unit pin courtesy of Seaway Valley Crime Stoppers as a memento of the visit.

and Rural Living

FOCUS ON DAIRY
Tuesday February 16, 1999
W.B. George Centre

9:30 Registration & Viewing Exhibits
10:15 Morning Chair, Michael Hall
10:30 **Milk Parlour Talk, Market & Trade Issues:**
Effects of WTO , National Pooling , Quota
Barron Blois, Kennetcook, Nova Scotia
President, Dairy Farmers of Canada
11:45 Lunch
1:00 Afternoon Chair, Reg Gilmer
Corn Silage, Strategies for Dairy Rations
Dr. Randy Shaver, Extension Dairy Nutritionist, University of Wisconsin, Madison
Making a Strategy for 2005: The Game Plan
Mark Donnan, Donnandale Farms, Sterling
Steven Byvelds, Bycrest Farms, Williamsburg
Don McKay, Herd Management Specialist Ontario DHI, Woodstock
3:15 Adjourn

Registration Fee $15.00 Includes Lunch

FOCUS ON RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
WRED Women & Rural Economic Development
Wednesday February 17, 1999
W.B. George Centre

9:00 **Business Idea Feasibility Workshop**
A number of factors are influencing many people to consider self-employment as a viable option. At this workshop you will explore the five areas that help you determine whether or not your idea is a business opportunity.
12:00 Lunch
1:00 **Benefits of Forming a Business Alliance**
Business alliances are made up of two or more businesses that decide to work together to accomplish goals they may be unable to reach alone. At this workshop you will explore examples of successful alliances and learn how to form new alliances that help increase your buying power, reduce your costs, increase your sales and access new markets.
4:00 Adjournment

Registration Fee $25.00 for the Day Includes Lunch
or $10.00 for each Workshop

FOCUS ON CROPS
Thursday February 18, 1999
W.B. George Centre

9:00 Registration
10:00 Soybean Diseases - A Quick Diagnosis, Albert Tenuta, Plant Pathologist, OMAFRA, Ridgetown
10:30 Narrow Minded Corn - Strip Tillage, Fertilizer Banding, and Twin Rows, Greg Stewert, Corn Specialist, OMAFRA, Guelph
11:00 Site Specific - Field Variability in Soil Fertility and Crop Yields, Dr. Ivan O'Halloran, Researcher, University of Guelph, Ridgetown CAT
11:30 Growing with Biotechnology - Hugh Martin Crop Tech Manager (Acting) OMAFRA Guelph
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Grain Storage-Problems to Avoid, Helmut Spieser Ag Engineer, OMAFRA Ridgetown
Concurrent Sessions - Conference Rooms A - B
1:45 Spring Wheat Production - Jack Kyle, Soil & Crop Specialist, OMAFRA Brighton (Room A)
Useful Field Trials - Gilles Quesnel, Soil & Crop Specialist, OMAFRA Avonmore (Room B)
2:25 Alternative Forage Options - Scott Banks, Soil & Crop Specialist, OMAFRA Nepean (Room A)
Biosolids Utilization - Michael Payne, Soil & Crop Specialist, OMAFRA Perth (Room B)

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FOCUS ON PORK
Friday February 19, 1999
W.B. George Centre Conference Room # 1

9:30 Registration & Viewing Exhibits
10:00 Common Sense Herd BioSecurity
Depop-Repop - Issues to Consider
Dr. John Hancock, Estn. Ont. Swine Veterinarian
11:00 A.I. for Farrow to Finish Farms, Hay Bay Genetics Delivery, Supplies, Training, Advantages
11:45 Exhibitor Introductions
12:00 Lunch & Viewing of Exhibits
1:15 OPPMB Forward Pricing Update
James Reesor, Swine Specialist, OMAFRA
1:30 Canadian Quality Assurance Program (CQA) Necessary for Marketing Pigs in the Year 2000
Rick Scragg, Director Organization Svcs. OPPMB
2:15 Producer Profiles -1998 Nursery Renovation Harold Douma, Winchester /Our Experience with Depop-Repop Arnie Hakvoort, Finch
3:15 Adjournment

Registration Fee $15.00 Lunch Available at the Cafeteria

FOCUS ON LIVING
Saturday February 20, 1999
Parish Building

9:00 Registration & Visit Exhibits
9:55 Welcome
10:00 "Advice is on the House" Colour & Design Trends, Sandra Gordon, Decorating Den, Smiths Falls
12:00 Door Prizes
12:15 Lunch & Visit Exhibits
1:30 **Concurrent Sessions...Choose 2 of 3...**
North American Medicine Walk (Plants to Heal Us)
Dianne Beresford-Kruger, Merrickville
CBC & Newspaper Personality
A Stroll Through The Herb Garden (Chris Sutton)
Forget-Me-Not Herbs 'n' Wildflowers, Oxford Mills
A Journey to Self Discovery (Feeling Good About Yourself) Cionita Ljunger, International Therapist
2:30 Concurrent Sessions Repeat
3:30 Door Prizes, Evaluation and Wrap-up

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FOCUS ON EQUINE
Saturday February 20, 1999
Parish Building/Amphitheater 114

8:30 Registration
9:00 Dr. Viel - University of Guelph
Respiratory Research Update
10:00 Dr. Steve Jiguere - University of Guelph
Alternative Methods of Preventive Care & Treatments
11:00 Lunch
12:00 Tour of the Barn
12:30 Winter Care for your Horse- A.M. Barr Arena
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Wendy Johnston and Elaine Cash
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History Important

It has been my favourite subject like forever.

There are numerous reasons why I feel it is important to us to know our own country's history.

Education administrative types do not see the vital connection between our past, our present and our future.

They do however see the need for hundreds of computer types.

Technology has taken over and the blinders that accompany this sector of our educational system are heavy and durable. Nonporous, they do not allow such triffles as history to enter even their field of vision.

Not all that long ago, in a place close by the system specified that certain subjects would be compulsory for high school students. One of these compulsory areas was indeed history and every grade level offered a specific era.

Touching on ancient history was boring for some, while others fed on it as an opportunity to learn why things evolved as they did down to world wars and civil wars. American history was mentioned and events like the Civil War can be traced and a visit to Gettesburg brings it into focus. Why the Americans and Canadians are not one big happy family is not known by many young people. History would provide the info.

The basis for many others things that occur can be traced to historical origins and students need the base to jump from, to learn from. We learn from past mistakes, if we do not know what they are, how can we learn properly?

Things like the Holocaust are in the news even now. Young people are interested and yet have nothing to guage the effects by, what was it? Why did it happen? Who cares in 1999? Why should anyone care now?

Elementary students as well were once taught history.

Dribs and drabs got the historical juices flowing and created an interest in our past and sent youngsters searching for more information to correlate with that which is happening now so they could relate it all to the future.

Now history is a forgotten issue. Even when large numbers of students wanted to carry on with the portions they had been able to ingest up to this point, they were turned away and the classes were not offered.

A poll made public last Saturday suggets that 86% of those who responded said they strongly believe it is important that students learn the history of Canada and the provinces. Perhaps the saddest part of the poll is that those who said they do learn history explained that they do not learn it at school, but from the tube, through documentaries, quiz shows and historical dramas.

Something that is hard to accept is that the poll discovered that two-thirds of us do not know even the date of Confederation and some who did know placed it in the wrong century! We need help now!!

Too many suggested that museums, historic sites and books, newspapers, magazines, films and videos outrank the classroom as a learning source. This is sad commentary on our society as we head to the new millenium.

A more balanced education would include history. Young people should know their own history. Living in such a historical community with so many resources and such marvellous hands on learning at our disposal, we could offer a wondrous experience style learning to our children. Our wealth of living history is second to none and we have even human contacts and learning would be so efficient and effective for the young people who cannot even recall why the Seaway project is "such a big deal."

History is not outdated, it is today and tomorrow...

Hopefully as the curriculum is revised and revisited, history will once again figure in the overall education plan of our students.

S.L.J.

The Chieftain welcomes your opinion. Write: Letters to the Editor, Box 529, Iroquois, ON, K0E 1K0. Clearly marking your correspondence as a "Letter to the Editor"

St. Lawrence District Scout Klondike at Camp Sheldrick

focus

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

What began as a cloudy day turned sunny and almost picture perfect as the sun burst through and sparkled on the snow. The Annual Scout Klondike hosted by the St. Lawrence District encompassed youth from Chesterville, Prescott, Spencerville, Cardinal and Kemptville. The District Assistant District Commissioner (ADC) for the Scout Section was on hand and the 1st Iroquois Venturers were there to help out as well.

Camp Sheldrick is basically a wilderness camp set along the mighty Nation River just north of Winchester Springs. When blanketed in snow, barren trees stand tall overlooking the area and when the sun shines down on the winter scene, it is so serene. Trudging the equipment in and setting it up took very little time and as each Scout Troop arrived, they busied themselves getting things in order. Each troop brings a winter time event and the various troops proceed through each of them as the day carried on. Points are awarded at each event for skill and knowledge as well as ability and the top point troop carries home the gold.

Once the flag was raised and everyone understood the procedure, it was time to have the Klondike sleds inspected. Each troop brings a dog sled affair loaded with survival equipment for the day, including lunch which is also graded on content, taste and clean up. In order to score high, the sled (homemade by the troop, pulled by the scouts) requires a camp stove and fuel, food (Potatoes, meat, veggies and hot drink, cooking utensils, first aid kit, old sleeping bag or two blankets, rescue rope (25 feet), lashing ropes, staffs or spars, compass, note book, pencil, proper winter clothing, wood for fire, a tarp and each member carries a day pack which includes their mess kit, personal first aid and extra clothes (socks, mitts sweater etc.). All this is secure on the sled so the troop can pull it to each event, using the items on the sled, the youngsters were to be able to accomplish what each event called for.

As the Troops completed one event and moved to the next, the day became ever increasingly brighter and warmer.

Camp stoves were lit and as delicious smells filled the pavilion area, everyone broke for lunch. The meals were each judged on their appeal, taste and whether they conformed to the criteria. Once clean up had occurred, it was back to the events and the highlight of the day, the Sled Race.

Each troop had pullers and one fortunate Scout who rode the sled. (There is always some debate whether this individual is really the lucky member of the troop or not!) The course was long and the snow deep, but as each sled left the start, they were filled with youthful enthusiasm and encouragement from their leaders. "Conserve your energy and don't use up all your power, save something for the sprint to the finish."

When the snow had cleared and a winner announced, nuggets were handed out (Chocolate loonier were reward for a great job at all events and the troop with the largest number to their credit won the trophy. Donated some 26 years ago, by Carol's Family Restaurant in Brockville, the trophy is coveted for one year by the victorious troop. In 1973, it was Spencerville who took the honours and this year, it was a composite troop of youth from Spencerville and Cardinal (new troop with new leaders) who grabbed 27 nuggets to take the gold. A close second place went to Kemptville I with 25 nuggets and then Kemptville II with 22. Chesterville had 18 while Prescott (a new troop as well this year) earned 17 nuggets.

The Venturers hosted a "fire lighting" event where the Scouts arrived in what has become affectionately known as the "Iroquois Site" at Sheldrick (a piece out in the bush). Divided into pairs, each given wood, a juice can of snow and two matches, their task was to get a fire going,melt the snow and boil the water. All this in 25 minutes!

Cardinal/Spencerville handled the "orienteering" where the Scouts followed bearings using a compass and pacing off a distance. Treating in an appropriate manner a "victim" of frost bite and snow blindness, the Chesterville Troop made certain everyone knew their first aid. When caught outdoors in a situation that calls for a shelter for some hours or the night it is best to know how to establish a suitable shelter. Prescott gave each troop the chance to build an "emergency shelter." Kemptville I taught each Scout to estimate using standard Scout estimating techniques. The height of a tree, the flag pole and the pavilion were estimated and the satisfaction that comes from such a skill was evident on the faces of the youngsters. The snowshoe relay (Kemptville II) was a hoot as young people tripped themselves trying in vain to run in these often cumbersome creatures. A fun filled day for everyone involved.

Hot Chocolate was served by District to end a day of laughter. The Venturer Crew did a fine job running their event and are to be commended.

Stephen, a Kemptville Scout celebrated this 13th birthday on Saturday and his folks surprised him with a huge chocolate cake which they delivered to the Klondike at

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Scout Klondike Day winners pose with the gold. Photo by S.L.Johnston

Keepin' busy on the Ranch

Just Plain Livin'
with Sandra Lee

Well, a busy and informative as well as entertaining and enjoyable week has just concluded. My favourites in the dance competition in figure skating, Shae and Vic won another Canadian Championship and although I could not be there I watched closely on the tube. Yup, I saw Elvis skid on his bum and was encouraged when he came back in his free skate to take the top spot again this year. His courage and determination, his focus and his regime are to be admired.

Then there was that SuperBowl game. Always the highlight of the year for football fans, the number two son and his mother were tuned in for the excitement. Elway was "the man" and the Canadian connection was there. It was a pretty exciting first quarter anyway, and hope always swings even for the underdog, after all they made it this far, who knows? Those Broncos were just too much for the Falcons.

The snow came again and the entire community seemed to suffer. The day on Wednesday began clear enough, thankfully from my point of view. As the sun peeked through in the far east, this old reporter struck off to a seminar at the Winchester Hospital. Wires had been crossed at work and although plans had been in place they had been messed up miserably and so plan "B" called for this old writer to check out the medical community seminar on cancer and then dash back to help get papers delivered to your door. Then it was off to Cardinal for the Ontario Municipal Board Hearing. The roads were dry and the driving pretty fair, so the schedule fell into place. The glitch was when I arrived back at work with papers in tow (meeting up with the delivery truck in Dixon's Corners helped here) to learn that a switch had been made and things could have reverted back to plan "A"...not another trip to Winchester!! Oh well the word the previous evening as we left work was that nothing could be changed, it was in stone, as it were. Thus a load of tossing and turning and sleeplessness and a final decision made to accommodate everyone to the best of my ability and still cover all events for the paper was wasted!! While at the Hearing in Cardinal, the flakes began to fall. Big, fluffy and white, they drifted to the ground, slowly at first then gathering speed and growing in numbers. The storm crept steadily up on us and when things adjourned, the world resembled winter wonderland. There would no "stopping by the woods on a snowy evening" ...instead it was straight back to work and then home. The snow was blinding as it came straight at the windshield creating a wondrous whiteout. Driving down County Road 2, it was like there was no one else in the world but me and my little Ford truck. Scary and yet so quiet and solitary, staying on the pavement was a challenge and it was great to get into the yard and head for the house! The snow had covered ice and the number of folks in the medium and in the ditches were wild. A youth meeting was shortened by the severity of the snow storm and our mailbox was snapped off the post as a car skidded into the ditch in front of the house. Another car had snapped a sign off on County Road 2 near the folks house and the big guy had been asked to leave 401 enroute home from School in Prescott earlier in the day. He explained this was not pleasant, as the transports ahead of him on the ramp to Shanly Road could not make the grade due to the ice under the snow and he was forced to back up several times to allow the truckers space to take a run at the ramp slope. Definitely NOT fun! Finally everyone made the grade and went on their way to County Road 2. He was happy to reach Swampview safely on this evening. The little Ford seemed mighty happy to get home as well and the driver was relieved to turn the key off.

The college kid was home on the weekend to tie up some loose ends for his job shadowing trek which begins a week from last Monday. He has no classes on Mondays and so was able to remain home an extra day, but for the next while he will be at Dynamite Cartoons. This certainly should provide him with a clearer picture of whether he wants to be an animator for sure or not. Applying to schools for the fall is exciting work as well...and it like all else in education after high school costs money, and more money and ..well you get the idea. His books for this semester although appear like they are the $10.95 variety cost about five times that each. Oh, and no used ones can be purchased, the staff likes to have the most current and up to date info! The best news in his department this week is that the coat ordered, came and he wore it. It was not exactly what he wanted, but it is warm and close to what he would have gotten had we had a complete season to reorder and return!!

Saturday had the big guy and the writer up at the break of dawn getting things gathered up

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the bottom line

ANNUAL FUND RAISER FOR UPPER CANADA PLAYHOUSE DESSERT and Fashion Show will be at Seaway High this year. A fun way to help keep local theatre alive and well, call SLJ at 652-2235 after 6 p.m. to book your table. You and seven friends, a decorative table setting and Sunday afternoon, February 28th is yours to enjoy. New, local designers will show their wares, and creativity will run rampant as tables take on characteristics of their own. Call now to get info and be involved.

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THE ANNUAL HEART AND STROKE BLITZ WILL HIT IROQUOIS Thursday and Friday this week from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the Plaza. This money goes to research into the number one killer of our time; be generous with your donations. Youth of the community give freely of their time in this worthwhile cause; show them their effort is appreciated and help the Foundation at the same time ... every little bit helps!

KEMPTVILLE COLLEGE IS EXPANDING COLLEGE ROYAL, WITH AN Open House and Trade Show added to the 1999 event, scheduled for Mar. 12 & 13 at the Kemptville campus. The Agriculture, Horticulture, Foods, Equine and Power & Equipment programs at the college are currently inviting businesses to reserve booth space for the two day event. The public will be invited to visit the trade show and other campus buildings to explore a variety of demonstrations, displays and competitions. The traditional livestock show and Kemptville College musical ride will be held in the A.M. Barr Arena. The weekend will conclude with an awards banquet on Saturday evening featuring Kemptville College Alumni comedian Paul Mussel. For more information, please call Blair Dow at 258-8281.

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ANOTHER ICE STORM BOOK ON THE STANDS, TAKE A LOOK AT some of the local photos in the pages of *Ice Storm '98* . Put out by *The Standard Freeholder,* the soft-cover is available for $9.95 -- Mustard's Variety carrying it here at the Iroquois Plaza. Sales have been brisk. No wonder, open the book, and your back there with the cracking, crashing, and groaning of all those trees.

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Just Livin'

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for the Annual Scout Klondike. The writer is the ADC of Scouts and so was responsible for the organization of the days' events. The first time the responsibility had been shouldered by this one and the nervousness was evident. When the one container of stew fell onto the floor as the boxes and equipment were being loaded, a fast clean up was effected...peas and corn, carrots and steak chunks, onions, celery and gravy on the carpet, boots, coats and everything in its' path...not what we needed.

Some wild and crazy snowmobiling created a tracked pattern on the lawn. Sunday afternoon was almost the perfect winter day. Grams and grampa went out with the number one son and his girl and then the writer took a break and the number two son dropped the study habit for an hour and we played in the fields north of the ranch. The day was perfect and the snow great, a truly enjoyable sixty minutes.

Supper out with friends on Saturday night was great. The Road Ranger at the Truck Stop has great food at reasonable prices and the service is pretty special too. The one problem was that our host was sick with a bad cold and this old fool had been outside all day long, the combination of the sun and the wind caused the entire face to be extremely red. People wondered if I was ill, all flushed and such...

If the head would just give up for a while everything would go better. The bone cruncher is working on the muscles and nerve endings attempting to loosen them up and get rid of the restrictions that cause the head to ache. This is a painful process, but "no pain-no gain" and all that stuff, eh? Working through muscle spasms is rough as they do not respond readily to being pulled and twisted and stretched. A hot shower helps and a rest but it is difficult to get the necessary work accomplished in the present scenario. The waste of time taking meds that cause drowsiness is not conducive to work and there is work that awaits. Hopefully the treatment will produce the desired results...

Son number two wrote his final exam yesterday morning and can now relax abit. This group of classes has been a tough go and he deserves a break. The new semester starts immediately, but is as good as a rest this time round. His classes are not as rough as last semester. He has been working on the yearbook and is in charge of the photography, this is good for him, being involved is great. He is a peer tutor this semester in English and this will help in a variety of ways.

The car has lights and a new switch and the truck is running but the poor old Bronco is not too reliable. The battery is new, but the key does not always start the beast. Seems that the wires that need to connect for the ignition to get the message to turn things over and rumble into life are not doing their job every time the key is turned on. Repairs involve working on the steering column and this could well carry multiple dollar signs. Another decision!

How about the fog on Monday morning? It was thick as tomato soup as we left the yard and as we turned into town, it was sunny and bright and the day reminded us of a summer day. The view from Swampview was all but obliterated and the swamp was pretty eerriee. The sun was there but could not burn through, it was too thick.

That fellow who drops in on Tuesdays to paste-up our paper is sporting an early birthday gift, a beautiful leather jacket...nice coat Dave!!

The drive in yesterday was touch and go as our road had not yet gotten any attention. The ice was heavy and thick on the windshield and the ice pellets seemed to cut the face as the scraper worked feverishly to claer the glass carefully. Treacherous driving cancelled the buses and the last exam for number two son, and also took his turn-around day away from him...there went the planned ski trip! Maybe late guys.. English will be written on Thursday morning and then the new term will start on Friday.

The big guy is busy correcting exam papers, figuring final marks and entering them on reports...a good time to stay clear of him.

Take things slow and careful, walking is worse then driving these days, but then the ground hog saw NO shadow and those who believe will figure we are in for an early spring and are wearing a grin. Good luck!

The wisdom comes this week from Anton Chekhov who said, "He who doesn't notice whether it is winter or summer is happy "

Focus

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noon. Everyone shared in the delicious dessert, thanks Stephen for including us all!! and happy 13th.

The tug-of-war was "just for fun and when all the troops had a turn pulling, the youngsters took on the adults. The elder statesmen and women were victorious in the tug for the "right to brag!" The snow was melting and revealing ice patches under it, the winter boots slid and skidded and the bodies were covered in white as they were pulled across the marker line. A pile of good natured fun for all ages.

The flag was lowered and the day drew reluctantly to a close. The Cardinal/Spencerville Troop had the presentation made and their photo snapped for the papers, and then each troop struck off for a safe trip home, tired but happy.

The Iroquois Venturer Company is a group of young gals and guys who wanted to continue the Scouting experience after they were too old for Scouts. The next step is Venturers. The ideals remain the same, the dedication, the spiritual aspects,but the commitment becomes stronger as they learn to juggle their time and their responsibilities. They search out vocational information as they grow and mature. Their camping excursions are cantered more on their plans so they get the results they want. Activities like bowling, white water rafting and skiing are enjoyed. They learn to share their knowledge and their skills with one another and with younger groups of youth. They can lead as well as follow and learn how to accept criticism in the right vein. They are in all areas, growing into adults. There are definitely more demands on them and their time, and they deal with them effectively and efficiently. New adventures await them and they accept the challenges that they present. They no longer have leader, but rather advisors who ensure their safety and keep them on the right trail if they should wander. There are badges to earn and they can achieve great heights if this is the route they wish to pursue. Their service to their community strengthens them and those who live in their area. They help when and where needed and never hesitate to lend a hand. They are an amazing group of young people who choose to wear the uniform of Scouts Canada with pride and dedication. Skipper is proud of the 1st Iroquois Company and justly so.

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Runnalls recognized

Alvin Runnalls and his wife, Dawn, are joined by Dundas Federation of Agriculture President Corry Martens (left). Runnalls holds the plaque he received at last Friday's DFA banquet, held at the Matilda Hall, recognizing him for his years of commitment to the DFA.

Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen

St.Lawrence Area Birdwatching



by Linda Anderson

February is upon us, after we experienced a January of extremes in weather: lots of snow, some freezing rain, bitter temperatures and our tropical "thaw." Our winter bird life has settled into the more usual species that are the norm for this time to the year.

Suet balls from the grocery store attracted an immediate interest from a large flock of **starlings**. Very speckled at this time of the year, their beaks will turn a brighter yellow as spring approaches. **Goldfinches** also fed on the seeds in the suet; their plumage is looking a lot more springlike with more yellow showing.

A male **downy woodpecker** visited suet in a crabapple tree on Church Avenue, Iroquois. This little woodpecker is quite easy to identify; a white stripe down the centre of the back, black and white spots on the sides of the wings and white outer edging on both sides of the tail. This particular bird was quite acrobatic as it bent over backwards to get to the fat.

Another **robin paid a visit** to the same crabapple tree during a snowstorm. It's always startling to see this species at this time of the year.

Two white-breasted nuthatches were observed in the maples during a winter walk at Iroquois Point. Nuthatches walk down the tree trunk, their thin, sharp bills probing for overwintering insect larvae.

A resident in Morrisburg commented on the small numbers of **cardinals** at her feeder this winter. In a normal winter season, she would have 5-6 cardinals, but this year, has only 1-2. Perhaps a visiting **hawk** has deterred the birds from coming to her garden. She did have a hawk which actually perched on the bird feeder several times over a period of two days before it departed.

This was a quiet week for sightings. Please call in your observations and sightings to 652-2555.

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Newspaper thanked for support

Dear Editor,

As we begin 1999 and we look back on our efforts in public health, one thing becomes clear; your newspaper's help has been invaluable. The media is arguably the most important link in public health. Constantly throughout 1998, as in previous years, The Chieftain has helped strengthen that link, by publishing media releases, photographs and articles about important health issues.

The result is a better informed public and a better informed public is a healthier public. Your support of public health is much appreciated by the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, and more importantly, by your readers.

Dr. Robert Bourdeau.
M.D. FRCS (C),
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Royal Canadian Legion Newsletter

by Dar

On Saturday, January 30, there were 15 players in attendance for the usual Cribbage League game. Picking up first place was Harold Head who was followed by Ken Palmer in second spot while Bill Farrell edged his way into a third place finish. A total of ten skunks were delivered throughout the afternoon's competition and Duane Kirker and Lynda Head were able to grab a pair each. PLEASE NOTE: There are 11 weeks of regular play remaining with our Fun Day and Dinner tentatively scheduled for April 24.

At the usual Tuesday night Euchre, Shirley Cooper took first prize while second place winners were Edith Christie and Mable Prieur anmd Lawrence Wyatt. The door prize went to Tracey Easter. Spring can't be too far off as skunks seemed to be out in full force with John Primrose, Gladys Parks, Glen Easter and Tom Mills capturing them.

The Pot of Gold winner was Charlie English, who was NOT signed in, therefore his share goes back into the pot for next week.

The Meat Draw winner was Walter Reid. Congrats Walter!!

The Diners Club will be hosted at Branch 370 this week, on Thursday, February 4th. Anyone that is interested in a very good home cooked meal and some excellent fellowship...please join us! This is for any senior and you are all more than welcome. For more information, call John Wilson at 652-4958.

The Ladies Auxiliary have had to change their meeting from February 11 to this Thursday Night, February 4th. The Ladies Auxiliary Zone Commander and Deputy-Zone Commander will be in attendance so ladies don't forget to come...

Circle this Saturday, February 6th as our Valentine Tea and Bake Sale will be the place to be. Everyone is invited to drop by for a cup of tea (or coffee) and a light lunch at the same time check over the bake table...your favourite pie or cake might be available.

Just a reminder also that the Darts for Hearts will take place at the Branch on Saturday, February 13th, at the Legion. Open to anyone and everyone who wants to be a part of the fun, it is a good cause, come and play.

CRIME STOPPERS

Each week Crime Stoppers spotlights a crime that has been committed in the area. Crime Stoppers would like to remind you that we need information on all crimes and not just the crime of the week.

This week Crime Stoppers is asking for your help in solving a break-in that occurred at a North Dundas business. The break-in occurred between 6:20 p.m., Jan. 26th, 1999, and 6:00 a.m. the next day. Suspects broke into a storage trailer by cutting off the padlock. The following items were stolen: Honda generator, serial no. 3079882; Onan generator; Stihl cut-off saw, serial no. 129411103; Stihl chainsaw; 2 Husquavarna chainsaws; Gorman-Rupp water pump, serial no. 0G012D1374392.

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Outdoor shinny

Youngsters and parental organizers enjoy themselves playing pick-up hockey, Saturday. The group meets at the Iroquois rink every Saturday morning, weather permitting, to play hockey the old fashioned way -- outdoors and for FUN. Imagine, playing hockey under an open sky.

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Novice Rep B's

Even the little guys, and girls, put on quite a show under the lights in the Morrisburg arena. Wednesday evening the Novice Rep B Lions took on the Akwesasne team. Here, the Lions threaten, as they seemed to do most of the time that evening.

Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen

Novice C Lions win one and tie one on weekend

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Novice "C" Lions played two home games on the weekend. The home ice advantage worked quite well for this team.

On Saturday they hosted the Bears from Smiths Falls. Captain Chris Tindal led the way with an outstanding effort, scoring four goals on the way to a 5-1 victory. Peter Toonders chipped in with the other counter. Assists went to Kurtis Corry, Pat Bongers and Jane Moss with two each and Justin Saunders, Tyler Mills, Brad Munro and Nathan McDonnel each coming through with one. Special mention to the defensive corps for a great team effort. This is where the skills the youth will use later in their hockey careers are learned and honed. A vital time for the youngsters, this team seems to be doing a terrific job.

On Sunday, the Lions played host to the Kemptville Panthers. This game turned out to be a goaltenders duel, with Ryan Swank doing a great job in the pipes for the Lions. The home team finally hit the score-board early in the third period after two scoreless periods of play. A great effort by Chris Tindal who literally flew through the Panther defence and deeked the goalie for a picture perfect goal. This came on a pass from Pat Bongers and Evan Harper. The Panthers seemed to be going down to defeat, but with only seven seconds left in the game, they were able to spoil Ryan's perfect shutout by squeezing one past him to end a well played match in a 1-1 tie. Nothing here that would tarnish the Lions record.

Morrisburg Curling Club has a team in Ontario finals

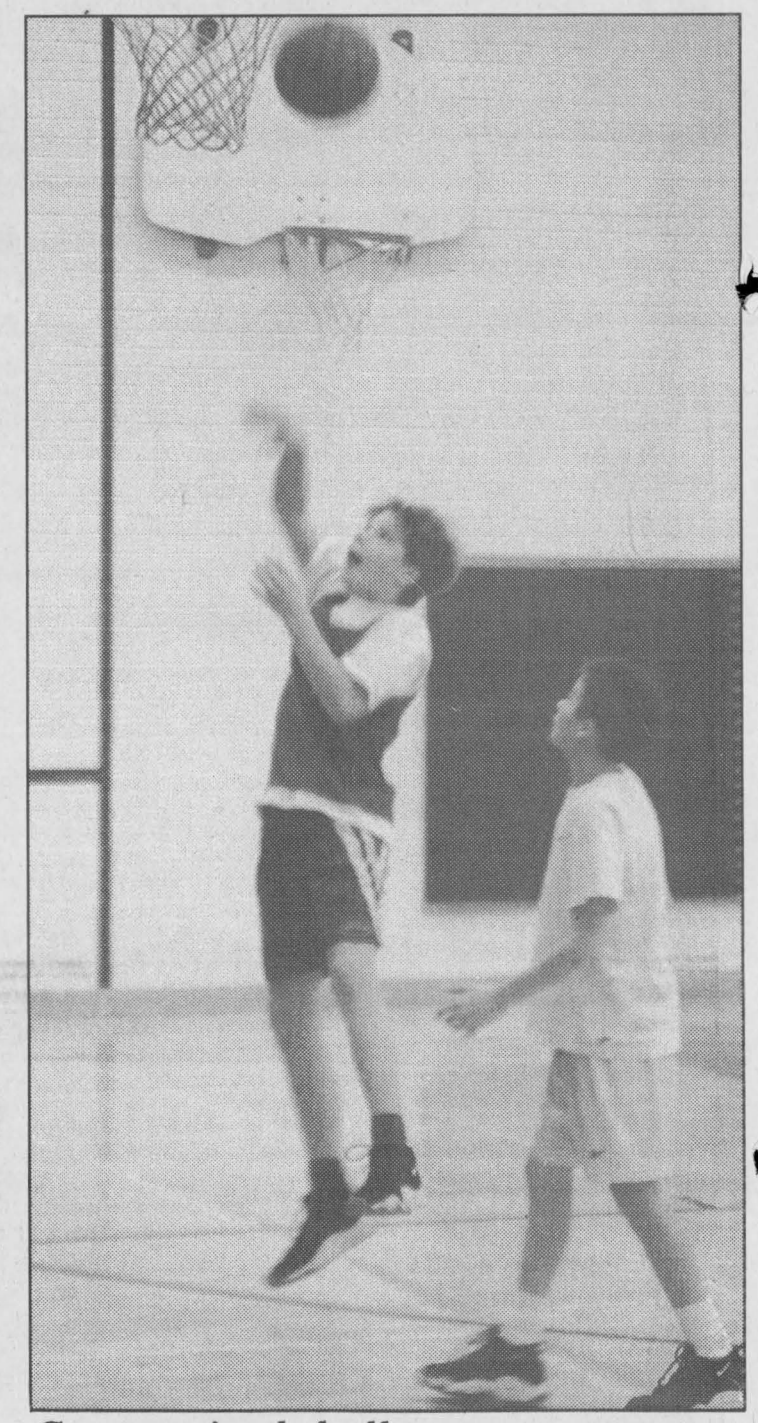
The Morrisburg Curling Club has a men's team in the Ontario finals next week in Brantford, with the winner going to the Brier! As reported earlier, Bryan Cochrane, from Russell, is representing our club this year. Two of his teammates are from Ottawa and one from North Bay. Our best wishes to Bryan, Doug Johnston, Ian MacAuley and Mike Pastuch.

Two women's teams from our club competed for the 51st edition of the Broder Cup last weekend. Metcalfe hosted the event this year, with double entrants from Russell and Winchester also. Nancy Barkley, Anita and Ashley Cooper and Vicki Tetley made up one of our teams, while the other featured Sydney Schnurr, Karen Jones Carolyn Beckstead and Brenda Lyon. Nancy's team made it to the 'B' final, while Sydney's lost a close one. As usual, a good time was had by all.

In senior men's club competition, the Kincaid Trophy was won by Don Smithson, Ron Brown, Bob Burgess, and Sid Morrell. Don O'Brien's team was runner up. Sid's foursome also took the Hughie Hutchison Trophy at the club on Robbie Burns Day, edging out Howie Eamon's team.

A Senior Mixed invitational was held at the club last Wednesday, and a large number of hard-working volunteers ensured its success. In the first draw, Bob Bedingfield, now curling out of Cornwall, was the high two-game winner. His team also included Charlene Baker and Karl Duncan from our club and Helen Zeran. The high one-game winner was Gord McRdy of Brockville. In the second draw, Cliff Wiltshire's Prescott rink was the high two-game champion, while the top one-game winner went to the Jean McCuaig team from the Glengarry Curling Club.

With Spring approaching, curling is moving into the home stretch across the country, with many key matches covered on television. Check the schedule by the bar at our club, which is busy most weekends now, and drop in for some of the competitions. Good Curling!!



Community b-ball

Volunteer-run basketball goes every Saturday at Seaway High, run by the volunteers of South Dundas Recreation and volunteer-coach Paul McAllister. The program runs 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., attracting kids from as far away as Russell. McAllister said the lack of organized basketball earlier this school year pushed numbers to about 90 participants this year.

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Atom House Lions on a roar

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

On Saturday, January 16, the Morrisburg Atom House Lions welcomed the Kemptville Panthers #1 team to town. The Lions would get onto the board first with Scott Berseth pounding in a Matt Thompson and Mitchell Julien offering. Kemptville rebounded a few minutes later to tie the game at one. Julien was not finished yet as he came right back to put the Lions on top taking a pass from Michael Dowson and T.J. McManus. Scott Berseth would add another counter for his second of the game from Julien with only seconds left in the period for a 3-1 Lions lead. In the third it was Adrian Bongers who drove in from the point and popped one into the top corner to put the Lions up by three. Mitchell Julien would add one final marker from Berseth to close the Lions scoring and the Panthers found the mesh once more before the buzzer sounded to end the game. The Lions were victorious 5-2.

On Saturday, January 30, the Lions played a hot Kemptville #4 squad in Chesterville. Morrisburg found the twine twice in the first period, one coming of the stick of Matt Thompson and the other from Jary Hess, with the assists going to Hess and Anthony Lemaire. There was no scoring in the second and the third was bare until the panthers turned up the heat and slipped one into the mesh with only three minutes left. The Lions just could not hold off the aggressive Panthers attack as they tied it up at two with only 30 seconds left on the clock. This game would end in a 2-2 tie thanks to the great effort in the Lions pipes by Jeff Eamon and Andrew Tupper. These two lads closed the door numerous times on the Panthers in the Lions crease when the attack pace heated.

Back in Morrisburg on the 31st, Athens #2 was in town for a big four-point game. Kevin Phifer helped the Lions to an early lead as he got help from Anthony Lemaire and Grant McMillan and stood up as the only goal of the period. In the second frame the Lions opened the gap further with three counters, two coming from Mitchell Julien and one from Michael Dowson, Liam Remillard and Matt Thompson adding assists to their credit. During the third period, the Lions again added three goals, this time the sticks of T.J. McManus, Dowson and Thompson were on the mark as the puck met the mesh in the Athens net. Assists were credited to McManus and Dowson each with two and Thompson who helped on one. Athens were able to find the right combination to bulge the twine behind the Lions netminders only once. The Lions were victorious 7-1.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370 Mixed Dart League

A great turn out, all teams full but one, team 15. Now we have Lucky 7 and Ringer's tied for first place, with 90 points and Cheers with 82 1/2, Dream Team 81 1/2, Double Trouble 73, Strugglers 70, Double Delight 69 1/2, Jays Harem 68 1/2, Free Willie 66, Guns & Roses 63 1/2, Long Shots 63, Lloyd's Harem 61 1/2, Has Beens 61, Earl's Pests 58 1/2, Tying with Mod Squad & Cupcakes 56.

High Scores

Michelle Walter 168, Congratulations!!

Duane Kirker 100-140, Angie Reid & Linda Birch 140 each. Joan Ault 138, Andre Tschomy 134, Gary Bradford 125, Nick Sheilds 100, 122, Earl Nesbitt, Rick Deschamp & Toby Summerfield all had 100-121, Glen Easter 121, Sheila Holmes & Brian Cooper 120 each, Leo Merkley & Arnie Fader 114, Marla Seeley 108, Joyce Fader 107, Jake Summerfield 4 x 100, Nice Going!!

The Game Winners were Jake Summerfield & Kevin Laming 5, Arnie Fader Rick Deschamp, Toby Summerfield & Boomer McKee 4 a piece, Denzil Tousant, Jeff Donnelly, Mike Osbourne 3 games, Trevor Easter, Lorna Seibert, Lil Roberts, Barb Merkley, Nick Sheilds, Duane Kirker, Bobbie Jo Deschamp, Donna Hodgson & Pearl Roy 2 games each. And coming up with 1 game a piece, Glen Easter, Anne Nesbitt, Andre Tschomy, Dale Baker, Carol Morrow, Lloyd Greenough, Sandra Jullien, Mary Graydon, Jake Easter, Linda Birch, Carol Birch, Brian Cooper, Angie Reid, Chris Thompson, Michelle Walter, Shawn Render, Earl Nesbitt, Pat Wright, Jim Carkner, Joan Ault, Leo Merkley, Pat Thompson, Art Ault, Joyce Fader, Gary Bradford & Tina Summerfield. Have a nice week!!!

Prescott #1 still on top in Interbranch

Prescott #1 remained on top of the Interbranch Men's Dart League with 131 points ahead of Cardinal #2 who have 126 accumulated. Cardinal #4 has grabbed 120 points in League play, followed by Iroquois #7 who have 117 points. Iroquois #5 claims 96 points while Iroquois #8 has 90. Prescott #3 has 81 and Iroquois 36 is in the basement with 79 points this week.

Those who can claim winning three or more games include Tom Reston, Mark MacDonald, Bob Juby and Jake Summerfield, each with 4 wins to their credit. Three-game winners include; Glen Easter, Tim Gonczowski, Glen Adams, Bill Hutt, Mike Levere and Mike Osborne. Congrats to these gents who toss those darts true.

High Scores in this week's play went to Bill Hutt 145-139; Tom Beach 140-132; Steve MacMillan, Garry Bradford, Bob Juby, Ross Polite and Ken Reid all with 140. Kevin Duval and Jake Summerfield, each with 133. Doug Allard came in with a 123, while Tony Easter had a 121 and Mike Osborne a 120.

Iroquois and District Community Calendar

A public service provided by the businesses listed here in co-operation with this paper.

Valentine Tea & Bake Sale, Feb. 6 at 11 a.m. at the Iroquois Legion Branch #370. All are welcome.

Matilda W.I. Programme Reminder: Next meeting is Feb. 8th at 7:30. Roll call: Give a greeting in a foreign language. The topic: Is computer teaching a good idea for elementary schools? The guest speaker is Bonnie Adair.

Good Companions Iroquois Senior Citizens Feb. 9. Covered dish lunch 12 o'clock. Entertainment Mr. & Mrs. Lizert Musical Programme.

The Cornwall and Area Chapter of BEREAVED FAMILIES OF ONTARIO will hold its Support and Share Night on Feb. 11, 1999 at 144 Pitt Street, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. For more information please call the office at 936-1455.

Valentine Luncheon & Bake Sale sponsored by Matilda Rebekah Lodge on Feb. 13th at 11 a.m. at the Lodge Hall, Brinston.

St. Paul's Anglican Church in Cardinal is hosting a ham supper on Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 16, 1999. 4:30 - 6:00. Adults $8, Children 12 and under $2.50. Pre-schoolers free. Take out available.

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Winter fun for all

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The District Klondike Fun had everyone laughing and enjoying the season on Saturday. From the tug-of-war (everyone) to the snowshoe relay (Kemptville-these are tricky to run in!!), from the survival exercise (Chesterville) to the rapid fire lighters who melted snow and boiled the water at the Iroquois station there was a great variety of events. Cardinal-Spencerville won the Day.



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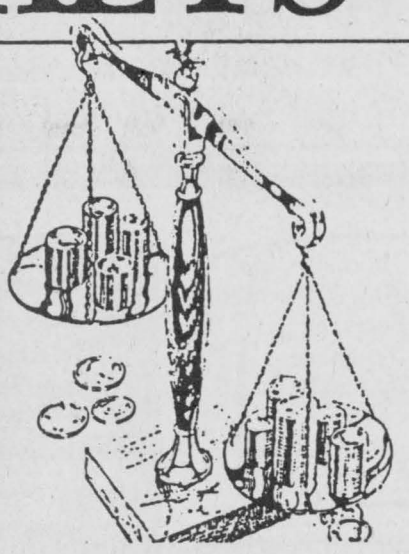

Making the most of your RRSP

By Edward Trapunski

A Little Bit of History

Let's applaud the government when it accomplishes something really worthwhile. When the federal government created the Registered Retirement Savings Program (RRSP) in 1957, more than 40 years ago, it created a program worthy of praise.

The RRSP plan creates tax incentives which encourage Canadians to invest for their retirement thus taking responsibility for their own future. The plan allows investors to defer the tax on their RRSP contributions until retirement when theoretically, they will have less income and a smaller tax bite.

Ten years ago, in 1988, the federal government found an additional laudable way for Canadians to invest their money and claim a tax benefit. It created labour-sponsored venture capital funds as a way for taxpayers to boost the economy by channeling money into small and mid-sized developing Canadian businesses. In 1990, Working Ventures Canadian Fund was the first national labour-sponsored fund to offer this opportunity to the average Canadian investor. The maximum federal tax credit was set at 20 percent, which amounted to a $1,000 credit for up to $5,000 invested in a labour-sponsored fund. Several provinces matched this incentive, providing investors in those provinces a with a 40 per cent tax credit on their share purchase. In 1996, the government saw fit to cut back the tax incentive to 15 per cent and the provinces followed suit. However, for taxpayers seeking to lighten their burden, a 30 per cent tax incentive is an attractive draw.

Making the Most Of The Tax Benefits

According to calculations using the 1998 tax schedule, people buying shares in labour-sponsored funds can claim a 15 per cent federal tax credit on subscriptions up to $5,000. By investing the full $5,000 in an eligible fund, they can deduct $750 from their federal taxes. In addition, residents of Ontario also receive a matching $750 provincial tax credit on the first $5,000 per year.

Making The Most Of Your Investment

Smart investors look at their RRSP as more than just a tax shelter for their current income. They also carefully consider the types of investments they make so that when the time comes to live off the returns they will have accumulated enough wealth. The recommendation of most financial planners or advisors is to diversify your RRSP with a mix of different types of assets. Various kinds of investments are RRSP eligible. These range from secure investments with a predetermined rate of return, to higher risk with a potential for more growth. Balancing safer investment holdings such as Guaranteed Investment Certificates, Savings Bonds and Treasury Bills with higher risk investment vehicles like equity mutual funds and equities protects the RRSP portfolio while ensuring growth. The asset mix depends on the investor's age and tolerance for risk. A formula some financial planners use to determine the percentage of equity you should have in your portfolio is 100 minus your age. So if you're 50 years old, the equity in your RRSP portfolio should equal about 50 per cent, according to this formula.

I support mixing fixed income assets with equity or equity mutual funds. To maximize the returns and minimize the risk in the equity portion of the mix, I also support mixing holdings in larger companies with smaller companies, and equities in American companies with Canadian equities.

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Edna Bebee and family
F3-1tp

CANTIN: I wish to express my thank you for the honour of being nominated and receiving the South Dundas Citizen of the Year award during the Matilda Winter Carnival. Also thank you for the many handshakes, words of commendation, gifts, phone calls, cards, letters, and attempts made to divert the media after the event of my coming to the aid of a little girl on December 4, 1998.
Charles Cantin
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HILL: The family of the late Jason "Boner" Hill would like to express thanks and appreciation for your love and support during a very difficult time. Special thanks to all family, friends, and neighbours for their cards, calls, charitable donatoins, flowers, comfort & food. We wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude to David Lapier & Marsden McLaughlin Funeral Home, the pallbearers, the soloist, the eulogists and Rev. Sandy MacPherson. A special thanks to Williamsburg U.C.W. for the reception following the service.
The Hill and Veley Families
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VENTURERS: Thanks to Kevin, Adam, Andy, Ryan and Roger for their help on Saturday at the Scout Klondike at Camp Sheldrick. Couldn't have done it without you guys! Much appreciated.
Skip
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WRIGHT: We, the family of the late Ervin Wright, wish to thank our families, friends and neighbours for their kindness and support, cards, flowers, donations and food at our time of sorrow. Thank you to Doug Gilmer of Gilmer Pharmacy and Nancy Bresnahan of Seaway Treasures, Morrisburg Ambulance Service and Winchester District Memorial Hospital for all their efforts and responding so quickly. Thanks also to Judson Funeral Home for their guidance and wonderful services. Special thanks to Athens United Church, Rev. Ally Canniff and Rev. Douglas Blair for the wonderful service and words of comfort and prayer. The many acts of love and kindness have helped us get through this difficult time and will always be remembered.
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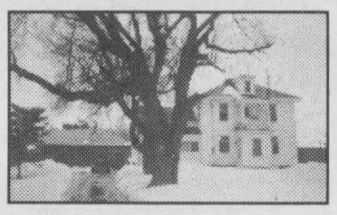

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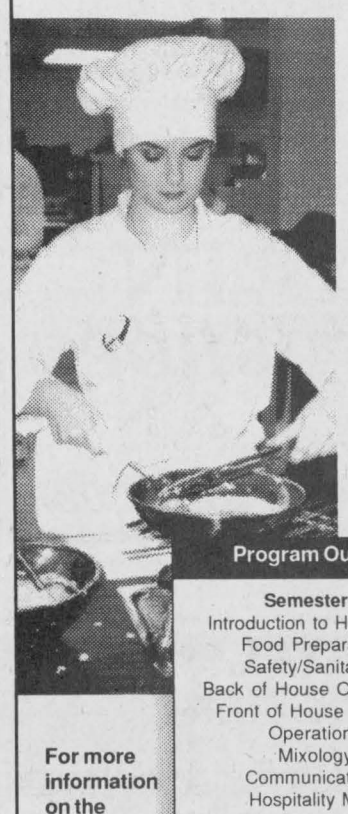

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OBITUARIES

Rev. Joyce

After a brief illness, Reverend Lester Joyce of Hills Trailer Park in Morrisburg at Winchester and District Hospital on Saturday, January 30, 1999.

Born in Bishopton, Quebec on August 26, 1911, he was 87 years of age. Raised, in Bishopton, Rev. Joyce became a teacher and taught both High School and University for a total of 38 years. He then entered the United Church Ministry and served in parishes in Lombardy and Rideau Ferry before coming to Brinston. After serving in Brinston for 7 years, he retired in 1980 and moved to Hills Trailer Park in Morrisburg where he resided until his passing.

Rev. Joyce attended many churches in Morrisburg over the years, but had been a regular attendee at St. Paul's Lutheran Church for the past 8 years.

Predeceased by his parents: Curtis and Effie (nee Cook) Joyce as well as a sister, Florence Shirley, Lester is survived by his brother, Gordon (Frances) of Bishopton, Quebec and nieces; Barbara Joyce (Ken Goslett) of Point Claire, Quebec and Myrna (Edward) Rowsell of Calgary, Rev. Joyce will be remembered for his fantastic memory...if he met someone, he never forgot them. A well educated gentleman, Rev. Joyce earned the following degrees:(1) Bachelor of Arts from Sir George Williams University in Montreal (2) Bachelor of Education from Acadia University in Wolfville, Nova Scotia (3) Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy from St. Joseph's University in New Brunswick (4) Doctor of Education from Columbia University in New York City (5) Master of Theology from the Graduate School of Divinity in Indiana and (6) Doctor of Philosophy in Religious Studies from Columbia University in California.

Memorial donations to your charity of choice were appreciated by the family. Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg. Service was conducted by Rev. Joachim Barkley-Probst at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Morrisburg on Tuesday, February 2, 1999. Pallbearers were David Lapier, Volker Gruetzner, Roy Lapier and Raymond Guindon.

Florence Wilson

At her home, after a lengthy illness, Florence Verona Wilson of Island Park Lodge, Ottawa on Monday, January 25, 1999.

Florence had previously lived in Montreal and Jamaica and spent the last 5 years in Ottawa. Born in Bonnygate, St. Mary, Jamaica on May 31, 1914, she was 84 years old.

The beloved wife of Edgar Wilson of Morrisburg, whom she wed on February 23, 1941, and who mourns the loss, Florence was a member of the Anglican Church in Canada.

She was predeceased by her parents, Walter and Sarah Jane (Nee Thorpe) Robertson.

She is survived as well by son, John (Andrea) of Vancouver, B.C. and a daughter, Hilda (Larry) Thomes of Seattle, Washington. Sadly missed by three grandchildren, she was the loving sister of Elma and Marion. Cherished by a niece, Kayren (Bill) Green and a great-niece, Allison (Alfred) St. Denis, both of Morrisburg.

Visitation was at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg where service was conducted by Rev. Bill Byers. Cremation followed and interment will be in the spring. Memorial donations to the Alzheimer Society were gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Marion Browning

Former Cardinal resident, Marion Anderson Smith Browning died peacefully, following a brief illness at the Brockville General Hospital on Friday, January 22, 1999 in her 87th year.

Miss Browning was born on August 20, 1912 in Montreal, Quebec. She was the second child and daughter of the late Robert Douglas Smith Browning and Mary Ann Cuthbertson who immigrated to Canada from Kilmarnock and Greenock, Scotland respectively in 1905.

Miss Browning moved to Cardinal with her family in 1921 when her father accepted the position of Paymaster with the Benson Starch Company, now known as CASCO. She received her primary and secondary education at the then, Benson Elementary School and Cardinal Continuation School. Following graduation, she went to work for the Canada Starch Company in Cardinal and also in positions entailing bookkeeping and finance. When the Canada Starch Company relocated the majority of its office duties to Montreal, Miss Browning chose to remain in Cardinal and accepted early retirement. Following her retirement, she obtained employment as a receptionist and bookkeeper with Dr. S. Allan for a short period before accepting a bookkeeping position with the Dodge Construction Company in Brockville which she held until retiring at age sixty-five.

Miss Browning was an accomplished seamstress and enjoyed knitting, crocheting and quilting. She was a faithful and dedicated member of St. Andrew's and St. James Presbyterian Church in Cardinal until her declining health dictated that she could no longer live independently. While an active member of St. Andrews and St. James she taught Sunday School and was Church Treasurer, auditor and member of the Friendship Group. During the war years, she lived at her parents home in a cottage on Benson Avenue and took part in the raising of her two nieces, Sharan and Linda, who, along with their mothers, also resided with her parents while their fathers were in the service. During this period, she always found time to knit socks, toques, gloves and scarves for the sailors and soldiers overseas. Both her brothers; Andrew and Douglas and her brother-in-law, Rollie Brayne were welcome recipients of these labours of love during their service in the Royal Canadian Navy and the Canadian Infantry Corps. Following the war, Miss Browning continued to live at her parents home, dutifully caring for her mother and her father during their declining years. Following the death of her father, her remaining parent, she moved from the Benson Cottage to an apartment. Subsequent to the untimely and premature death of her brother, Andrew, she went to live with her sister-in-law, Alta and her niece, Linda until such time as Linda completed her education and along with her mother relocated to Hamilton,, Ontario. Miss Browning then moved to Grant Apartments and resided there until taking up residency at the Rosedale Retirement Centre in Brockville. She remained at Rosedale until failing health made it necessary for her to relocate to Sherwood Park Manor where she resided until her demise.

Miss Browning is survived by her brother, Douglas (Elaine) Browning of Belleville; sister-in-law Alta Browning of Hamilton, a cousin, Ruby Browning of Kirkintillock, Glasgow, Scotland. She will be lovingly remembered by nieces, Sharan (Brayne) Mathieu of Cardinal, Linda (Browning) Barnes and husband Des of Hamilton and Mary Ann (Browning) McAllister and husband Paul of Belleville and also by nephews, Robert (Margaret) Mason of Cardinal and James (Katie) Browning of Vancouver, B.C. Additionally, she will be dearly remembered by one, great-nephew, Paul Mathieu of Ottawa anmd seven great-nieces; Jane (Mason) Bartholomew and husband Bob of Etobicoke, Melissa (Mason) Hale and her husband Chris of Cardinal, Teresa Barnes of Hamilton, Olivia Browning of Vancouver, B.C., Cathy McAllister of Calgary Alberta, Patti and Jenny McAllister of Belleville. She is also survived by one great-great niece, Rebecca Bartholomew of Etobicoke and one great-great nephew, Alexander Hale of Cardinal.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by sisters; Isabella Mason and Victoria Brayne, brother Andrew Browning and great nephew, Christopher McAllister.

Visitation was at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Cardinal on January 24 and 25, 1999. Funeral and committal services were held in the Chapel of the Funeral Home on January 25 with Reverend Marion Johnston officiating. Interment will take place in the spring at St. Andrew's Riverside Cemetery in Cardinal.

For those wishing, memorial donations to St. Andrew's and St. James Presbyterian Church or charity of choice will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Bert Kirby

Albert Edwin Kirby, 88 years old on November 24, 1998 at Hotel Dieu Hospital, Windsor, Ontario, passed away December 22, 1998 after a lengthy illness. Bert as he was known was born in England on November 24, 1910 and came to Canada with his parents, brothers and sisters.

Previously a resident of Iroquois, Ontario, and the past eleven years, a resident of Tilbury, Ontario, in order to be near his son Ronald Kirby and family.

Beloved husband of Marguerite (Hodge), loving father of Ronald and his wife, Halena; grandfather to Adam and Maia Kirby and their mother Linda Kirby.

He was predeceased by his parents; Thomas and Francis Kirby, and sisters; Annie and Dorothy as well as seven brothers.

Bert is survived by two sisters, Fanny and Edith and several nieces and nephews, all of Brantford, Ontario.

In his early years, he was employed by Horton Steel of Fort Erie and his last 24 working years, he was employed by Dupont of Canada at Maitland, Ontario.

Bert was a member of both the Masonic Order and the Eastern Star in Iroquois, where he attended the United Church.

A Memorial Service was held at Reaume Funeral Home in Tilbury with Rev. Dr. William Stephenson of the United Church, Tilbury officiated.

Jason Hill

Suddenly on Saturday, January 23, 1999, Jason Lee Hill of Williamsburg. Born on September 17, 1980, in Edmonton, Alberta, Jason was 18 years of age. He moved, with his family to Williamsburg some 14 years ago.

A student at Seaway District High School, Jason enjoyed many sports, but especially liked Track and Field. Among his other favourite sports were hockey, football, baseball and golf. He particularly relished the times his family got together and liked to spend quality time with his sister, Whitney.

He will be remembered by people, young and old for his friendly manner and his pleasant smile. A member of the Williamsburg United Church, Jason leaves to mourn their loss, his father, Jack Hill of Williamsburg, his mother, Linda Veley of Chase, British Columbia and his sister, Whitney at home in Williamsburg; as well as his maternal grandmother, Doris Hill of Williamsburg and his maternal grandparents; Fred and Yvonne Veley, both of Morrisburg. Jason is also survived by maternal great-grandmothers, Mildred Paul and Ida Alkenbrack, both of Morrisburg. He is sadly missed by aunts, uncles, cousins and many friends.

Memorial donations to the Jason Hill Bursary Fund and the Wiliamsburg United Church were appreciated by the family.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg. Service was held at the Williamsburg United Church on Thursday, January 28, 1999 with Rev. Sandy MacPherson officiating. Interment was at New Union Cemetery in Williamsburg. Pallbearers were Calvin MacIntosh, Parker Locke, Jeremy Bailey, John Casselman, Johnathan MacPherson and James Morrell.

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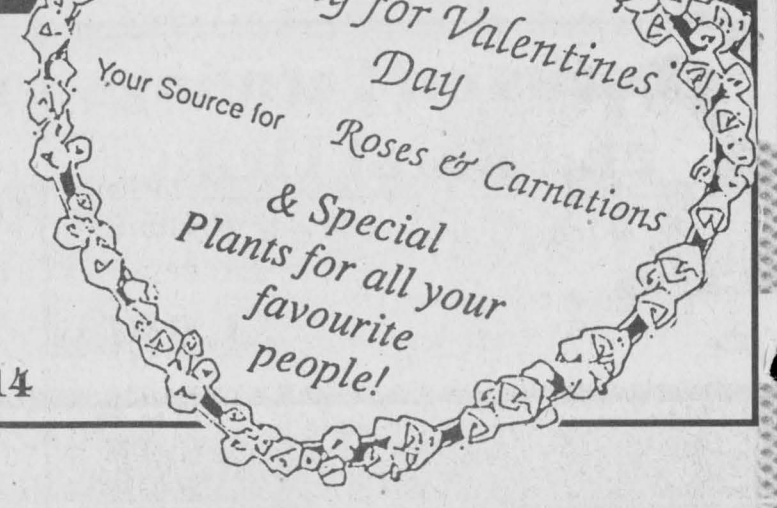

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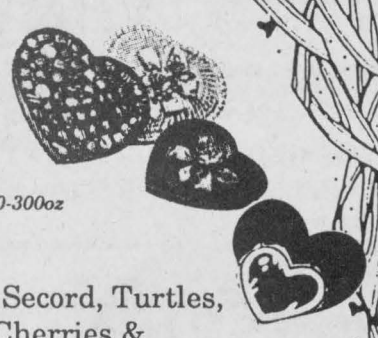

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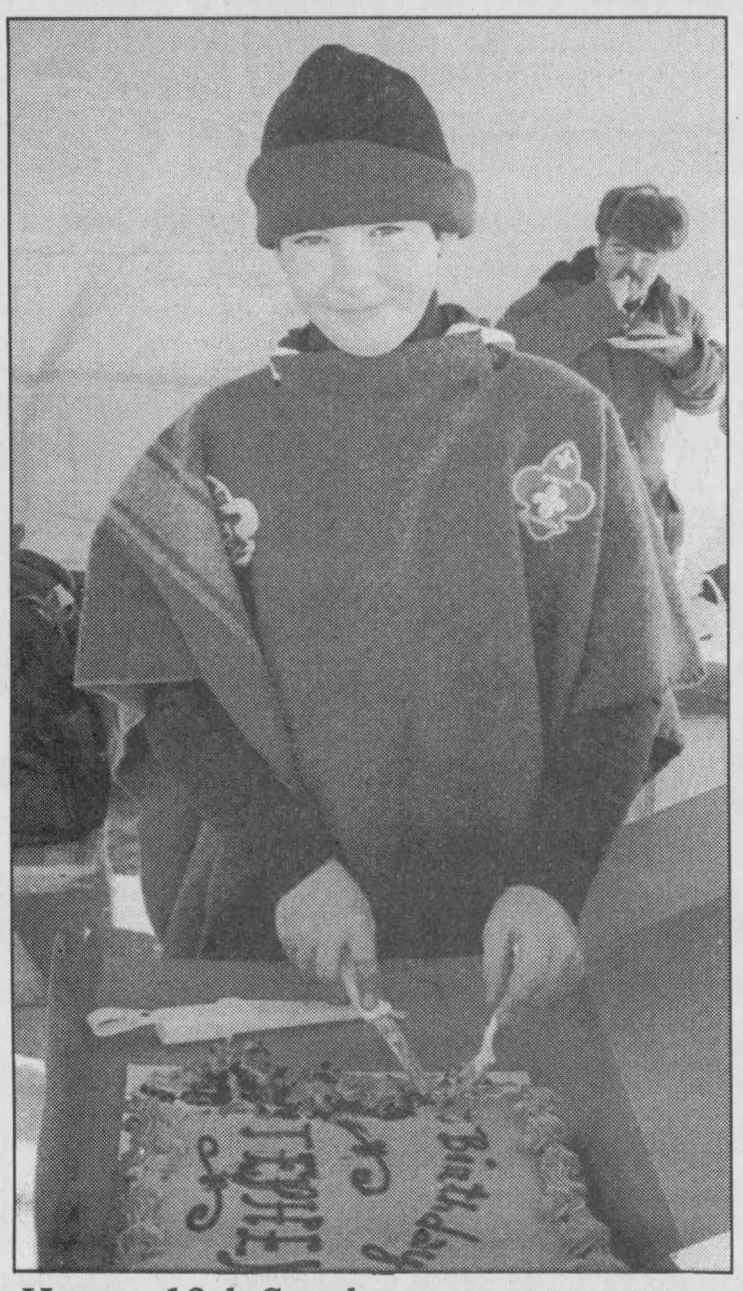

Happy 13th Stephen

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Scout Klondike Day is a fun day for the various Troops in the District. Gathering outdoors for a variety of activities, they stop for lunch and this young man celebrated his first teenage birthday in style. He was surprised to see his folks arrive dragging a sled...they came bearing a large chocolate cake to mark the occasion!

Organist honoured after a quarter century of music at Knox Church

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Betty Cassleman has played a pile of sacred music over the last century.

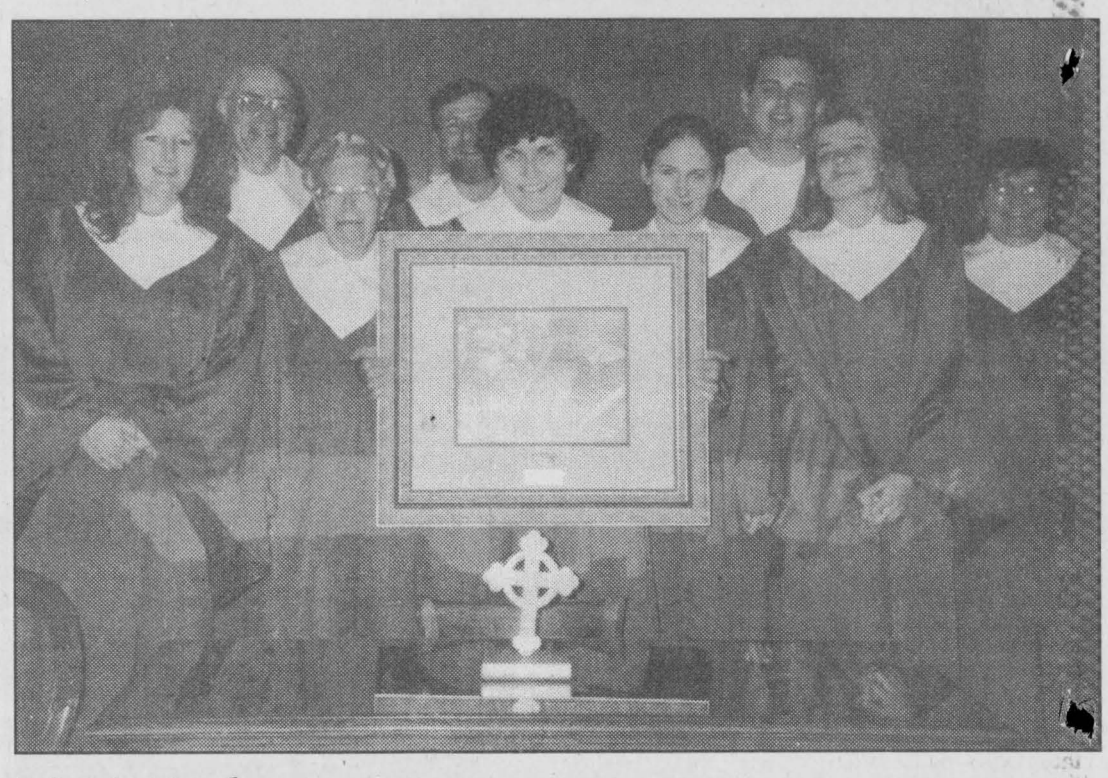
Knox Presbyterian Church in Iroquois has been blessed with her talent which she shares unselfishly with the congregation each Sunday.

Sunday, January 3, 1999, she was honoured for her 25 years of dedication to the music that fills the church each Sunday.

As organist and choir director, she has given to the people musical experiences they treasure.

The service on the 3rd was a musical one dedicated to her. The pieces were some of Mrs. Casselman's favourite hymns. Rev. Marion Johnston gave short meditations following each hymn. Marsh Barnhardt and Peter Swank assisted by reading scriptures for Rev. Johnston. The Choir with the assistance of Miss Stephanie DeVries then did a short skit for Betty entitled, "These are your Thursday nights."

Mrs. Lorraine Norton, Clerk of the Session and Rev. Johnston, then presented Betty with a limited edition print, "Harmonica Duet" by artist Lena Liu. On behalf of the congregation of Knox Church. Following the service, a pot luck lunch was enjoyed in the side hall of the Church. A very joyful start to the 125th Anniversary of Betty's Church.



Music is the message

Music is the universal language. Knox Presbyterian Choir presented their Choir Director and Organist with a lovely painting. Her twenty-five years of dedicated and faithful service at the helm of the music in the local church is appreciated. The Choir and the Congregation joined in celebrating with a musical service as a way to express their appreciation to Betty Casselman.

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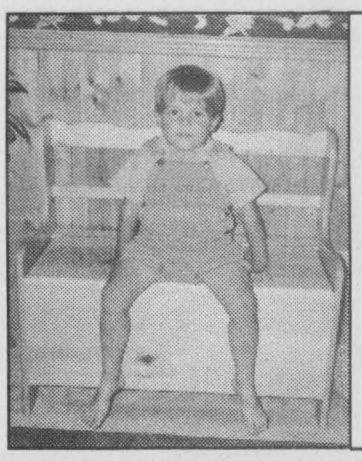

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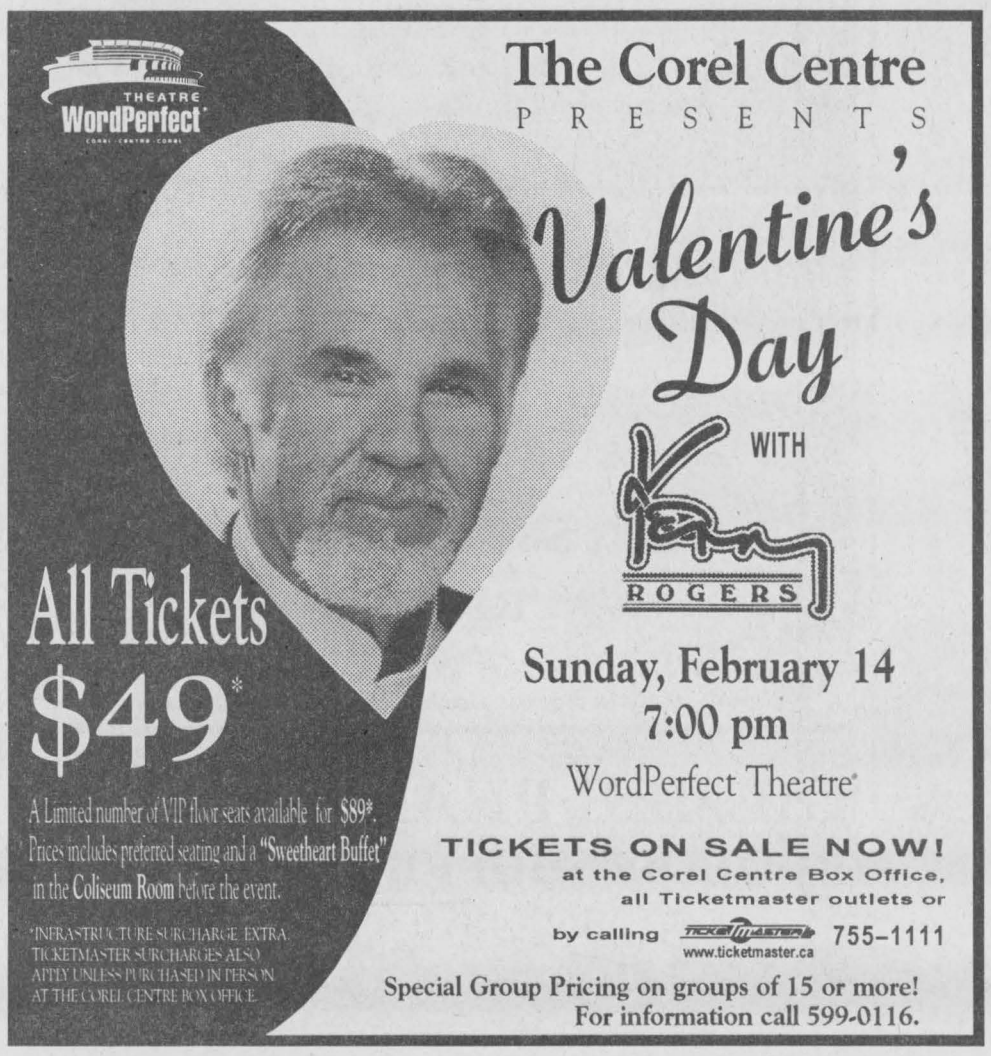



Voice lessons

Seaway High can be a busy place on a Saturday. In addition to the recreational basketball program that keeps the 'squeak' of Nike's and 'thump' of b-balls on the gymnasium hardwood, other sounds can be heard wafting into the hallways. Shown, Jessica Hunter gives the vocal chords a workout under the tutelage of voice coach Robert Poliquin, in town on his regular rounds. *Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen*

Bill 79 is four times the trouble in South Dundas

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Four separate mill rates in one township add up to a number-crunching migraine for South Dundas staff this year, Council heard at its Thursday meeting.

Staff have been left scratching their heads on how to calculate the adjustments required under Bill 79, *The Fairness for Property Taxpayers Act.*

"We're the only municipality in Ontario that has a mill rate set by ward.... Taxation by ward is creating some real problems for us," Township Administrator Mike Waddell said.

The Act caps business and multi-residential property tax increases, over the 1997 level, at 10 percent for 1998, and an additional five percent for each of 1999 and 2000. Increases arising from market value assessment are covered by the act -- not tax hikes due to increased municipal spending.

The fix-up requires each municipality in SD&G to submit recalculated data to the county level. From this information, Counties Council will decide which way to rob Peter to pay Paul. Those who overpaid in 1998 will see an adjustment in their taxes this year. Any shortfall could be made up by all taxpayers in SD&G, or just those in the same property class who have room for topping-up under the cap. That decision is expected at the Counties Council meeting on Feb. 15.

But no decision can come until all the data are in. South Dundas's math problem might delay the entire United Counties.

Queen's Park has set a Feb. 28 deadline, at this point.

"We may be the root of the problem for all of SD&G," Waddell said.

Contacted at his office last Friday, Clerk Bill Horner reported that staff had licked the problem. "We have found a solution."

Horner said the township was originally told by Toronto bureaucrats at Ontario Property Tax Analysis -- who run a sophisticated on-line computer program for municipalities -- that South Dundas's task was "impossible." No longer, apparently.

But it's still quadruple the trouble. In South Dundas, the tax cap adjustments need to be figured as if the wards were separate municipalities -- difficult to do when they haven't separate budgets and expenditure numbers -- and submitted as one package of calculations.

Mill rates in South Dundas were kept separate because the fathers of amalgamation couldn't agree to combine the respective surpluses and deficits of the four former municipalities.

OBITUARIES

Ervin Wright

Ervin Howard Wright, 66 of Black Church Road, RR1 Delta died suddenly on January 2, 1999 at Winchester District Memorial Hospital.

Born on August 21, 1932 and raised and educated in the Clear Lake (Elgin) area, he was the son of Graham Wright and the former Melena Crisp, both of whom predeceased him.

He first worked as a fishing guide at Chaffeys Lock, and later for the railway and then became an employee of Phillips Cables, Brockville where he remained for more than 40 years.

On July 16, 1955, he married Doreen Clement in Kingston and the couple moved to Brockville for one year. In 1956, they moved to Soperton, where they raised seven children and where Ervin lived until he became ill.

He retired from Phillips Cables in 1966 and continued to operate and enjoy his beef farm in Soperton. He was a member of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture and also a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge in Delta.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, trapping, camping, dancing and playing cards. He loved spending time with his family and was always organizing gatherings.

He is survived by his wife, Doreen Wright of Athens, and seven children: Eric (Kim) Wright of Lyn; Howard Wright and his girlfriend Dorothy of RR1, Frankville; Bruce (Denise) Wright of RR4, Brockville; Kevin Wright an his fiance Debbie of RR4, Athens; Gordon (Laurie) and Wayne (Kerri) Wright, all of RR4, Athens; and Lisa (Doug) Chant of RR3, Athens. Twenty grandchildren miss their grampa as well.

Also surviving are his best friend, Marilyn Picotte and family of Iroquois; a brother, Ronald and his wife Yvonne of Elgin and three nephews and one niece.

Friends called at the Judson Funeral Home in Athens, on January 4 and the service was held on January 5 in Athens United Church with Rev. Sally Canniff and Rev. Douglas Blair officiating. Burial was at the new Glen Elbe Cemetery just east of Athens. Pallbearers were his six sons: Eric, Howard, Bruce, Kevin, Gordon and Wayne Wright. Honorary pallbearers were his daughter, Lisa Wright Chant and her husband Doug.

Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation were gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Deficit brewing in N. Dundas

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

North Dundas Council decided at its Monday night meeting to set aside $200,000 for road construction and repair in its budget this year, the decision made after Treasurer Bonnie Dingwall predicted the move would lead to an overall deficit of the same amount in 1999.

The $200,000 sum is part of the amount allocated to the Roads Department in 1998, but which went unused because crews were busy with Ice Storm clean-up.

"I think we would be very foolish to take those reserves into general revenue.... Let's not lose it," said Councillor Roger Cole, noting the poor condition of some Township roads.

"If we don't do it, we're going to pay double down the road."

Councillor Alvin Runnalls asked Dingwall if North Dundas would already be in a deficit situation had the money been spent in 1998. She indicated there was no clear answer to the question.

Responding to a question from Councillor Bob Riddell, the Treasurer said any shortfall would be built into next year's budget.

"So there's room for maneuvering?" acting Mayor Martin Schoones wondered aloud.

Councillors Riddell, Fawcett, and Schoones voted against the motion to keep the money in the roads budget.

Dingwall was also looking for an indication on the direction Council wishes to take on taxes: up, down, or status quo. "What's acceptable as far as Council is concerned?"

Councillor Cole said he wanted taxes to stay the same. "A decrease would be even better."

One thing is certain. Nobody spoke out in favour of a tax increase.

Dingwall and the staff were instructed to pull together budget figures for early March.

Heritage Centre

Council heard from Ken Horne of the Cultural Centre/Heritage Display Committee. Horne was looking for Council's approval to apply for an Ontario Govern ment Trillium community grant.

If it goes through, the grant would go towards the second floor digs of the Dundas County Players theatre group.

According to Horne, the community grants are only available to charity and non-profit groups -- not municipalities. However, North Dundas's involvement with the Heritage Centre -- it owns the building -- shouldn't disqualify the application if set up as a partnership, Horne argued.

The grant would go for five years, with $35,000 in the first year.

Some were quick to voice some concerns.

Recreation Director Matt Krisjanis, saying he attended a Trillium conference in Cornwall that very same day, claimed any municipal involvement would disqualify the application.

Councillor Gail Parker asked if the Dundas County Players have the necessary charitable organization number. Horne responded that they do.

Councillor Cole was concerned the Township itself was being asked to fork over some dollars, but Horne assured him that is not the case.

Others were worried about being locked into a five year contract should the theatre group go bust. Horne agreed a clause could go into the agreement to deal with that. "I strongly agree it should be added," he said, repeating many times there was no intention to "handcuff" the Township.

Councillors Parker and Fawcett opposed the motion to go ahead with the Trillium application attempt.

The Committee has already applied for a Federal Millennium grant, but it will be the middle of February, at the earliest, before they hear about any money coming from that direction.

Park purchase

Council agreed to purchase an 11-acre Hallville property for $31,000, the site proposed by Hallville Recreation for a multi-purpose park.

Adopt-A-Book fundraiser a success at Library

Throughout this past Christmas season, the Friends of the Iroquois Public Library have been selling Victorian Christmas Tree Tinsel to raise needed money to support the Library's Adopt-A-Book Program.

The Pietersma Tinworks, a local company that makes this unique product generously donated fifty units of tinsel. The Friends purchased remaining tinsel at a wholesale price with the understanding that unsold material could be returned. For their generosity, the Friends thank Greg and Amanda Pietersma.

Approximately twelve hundred and twenty-five dollars were raised though the sales for the program. The Librarians at the Iroquois Public Library, with the help of Leanne Clendenning, the County Librarian can now begin selecting books they consider necessary, worthwhile and of interest to Library patrons.

Books should be ready for adoption by the public in March of this year for a period of about three weeks. Notice will be given when Adoptions begin.

The Friends would like to thank the following for their assistance: The Upper Canada Playhouse for donating table space at their Annual Christmas Craft Sale Fundraiser, Victor Dupuis and Marcel Allard of the Williamsburg Tea Room for selling Victorian Tinsel in their establishment, the Anglican Church Women's Christmas Craft Sale for table space, Ellie and Ray Mason of "Pies' and Things" for selling tinsel at their booth at McHaffie's Flea Market and Andrea Plamondon for helping out with the Morrisburg Craft Show.

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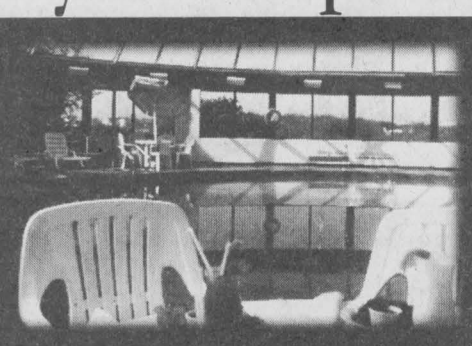

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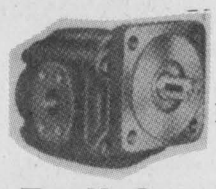

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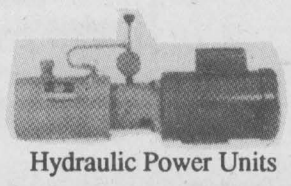

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Peter Remillard made CWL meeting an eye opener on Wills

Cathy Groves
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Did you know that 57% of people over 18 in Canada do not have a "will"? According to Mr. Remillard, this is a fact and is very disappointing since it could cost only $29.95! These preformed "fill in the blanks" type of wills are okay for those with very simple situations.

Mr. Remillard, who humorously mentioned at the beginning of his talk that he would try to keep its' length in the vicinity of 20 minutes, was so interesting and spurred so many questions from his audience about this very complicated topic that it took quite a few more minutes to touch upon the highlights and procedures involved.

He mentioned that a "will" speaks for you from the grave" so it is invaluable for not only yourself, but for those who mourn your loss. Having given talks across the province last year, Mr. Remillard distributed several sheets with lots of information for each member in attendance.

He mentioned that a "holographic will" which is simply more or less, a hand-written one found in 4-5% of cases can unfortunately, be easily thrown out if found by someone who doesn't like it. As well, approximately 70% are done wrong and therefore the intentions of the decreased have not been carried out.

The other types either preformed or assisted by a lawyer are far better for more complicated situations where many beneficiaries or more revenues are involved.

We learned how complicated an "executor's or as it is now called, an "estate trustee's" position can be. The estate trustee should not be a beneficiary and there should be an alternative one for unforeseen problems. There should always be a good set of books kept with time spent on this project as well as expenses with receipts by estate trustees. Wills should basically take about one year to wrap up as interest could be charged beyond this time.

More areas of interest were briefly discussed such as trusts, taxation and charitable donation requirements. We all left our meeting with our eyes much more open to the importance and intricacies of this legal document. Everyone in attendance was truly lucky to have had the opportunity to listen to Mr, Remillard's presentation.

A "coffee and sweets break" followed before our meeting resumed to highlight some Catholic Women's League previous and upcoming events. Ninety-six dinners were served at our Christmas Auction where funds for many activities were obtained by an auction where members purchased articles donated by other members.

Our "World Day of Prayer" will take place on March 5 at 7:30pm in St. Mary's Church in Morrisburg with Margie McKinnon from the Diosecan Office of Religious Education as our guest speaker. Lunch will be served in the school. The theme this year is "God's Gentle Touch."

Plans for our upcoming St. Patrick's Bazaar on March 13th were discussed. Tickets for door prizes were distributed to all attending members and all others will be in named envelopes available in our churches.

A display of pictures was posted that had been sent from "Davis Inlet" with their thanks for the wonderful donations of clothes and hygienic products sent to them before Christmas. We had sent them a camera to return these pictures to us.

All present were informed that the schools will be having Heart and Stroke sessions coming up and that the T.R. Leger registrations are on-going. Names for the new Catholic High School being built in Kemptville are being accepted by the School Board.

Friday, April 16th there will be a "Rummage Sale" in Morrisburg at the Legion Hall and an outline of the Hall rental expenses was made as it has changed since our last sale.

A "Healing Mass" is in the plans for this spring which Father Pope said would be advantageous to all seniors, anyone with heavy burdens, sickness or pending operations. Further discussion brought about the ideas of having this mass in an afternoon and providing transportation for anyone wishing to attend.

On Saturday, February 13, a CWL retreat will be conducted by Father Tim Lynch in Kingston. If weather is good, transportation will try to be arranged for all interested members.

As well, all conveners were asked to try to make the CWL Convention on May 1st and 2nd in Kingston this year as part of their plans.

A Pancake Breakfast will be hosted Sunday, February 14 from 10am until 1pm at the Morrisburg Civic Centre ($4-Adults/ $2-Child and door prizes) all welcomes to come not only to eat but to socialize as well.

Last but not least, our CWL Membership Drive is on February 6-7 and 13-14. Tables will be set up in both churches after all masses with members there to accept renewals and new memberships. (always welcome).

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, February 15, in Iroquois with speaker, Cathy Johnson, her topic will be "Heart Smart Cooking." Hope you can attend as it should be a very interesting and informative meeting for all.



Exercise Rocket

North Dundas Township went through a dry run of its emergency plan last Thursday. Called 'Exercise Rocket,' the test involved a room-full of municipal, firefighting, and police officials attempting to respond to a hypothetical derailment of a train, loaded with chemicals, at the County Rd 3 crossing. Shown, Township Clerk Howard Smith (left) and acting Mayor Martin Schoones (right), confer with Councillor Bob Riddell (centre). Organizer Bill Shearing, SD&G's emergency planning coordinator, gave the North Dundas team top marks for their performance.

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Cardinal

vided by the municipality or its suppliers is unavailable due to date change. Contingency plans will be initiated by August 30, 1999.

No new purchases of equipment or systems will be made without first ensuring that they are Y2K complaint."

The Statement was drawn up by Clerk Administrator Walsh and accepted by Council unanimously.

A by-law to enable Council to borrow funds when and if necessary was passed. Allowing Council to borrow up to $800,000. or 40% of the uncollected tax revenues based on the yearly projected costings was passed. This allows the Municipality to pay School Board and County levies prior to collection of total taxes. Jack Walsh noted that in previous years Council had gone through the exact same procedure and have not had to use the borrowing freedom, in the last five years, and so this year looks favourable as well.

Each Councillor received a copy of the MOEE report on the water/sewage systems. "The affluent quality (That which is leaving the plant is better than the water coming in, that we are treating, the quality is phenomenal!" said the Clerk. It was also noted that the sludge from the plant is also measured at a good level. With this in hand, Council can indeed be proud that they must surely rank among the top in the province. All seems to be in order as far as water and sewage treatment is concerned in Cardinal.

February was proclaimed Heart and Stroke Month in the Village.

Eunice Wicks applied to Council to purchase property east and south of 2009 Dundas Street, near her soon to be open new establishment on Dundas. The property in question is where the Public Works places the downtown snow after a heavy storm, the CASCO spur line runs very close to the boundary here, (Prohibitive spacewise) and a survey would be necessary before any action could be tabled. Council decided to deny this request, "This lot is not appropriate for a parking lot," noted various Councillors, adding that public parking is allowed south of the former Jin's and west of GT Automotive, suitable for her purposes.

The Fire Report sparked some discussion about the cost of providing fire services to the Village. False alarms and who pays, first responses and the frequency of same were all up for talks. In the end nothing came of this discussion, since if and when Council wants to deal with any fire issues there will be overall policy review necessary before changes can be effected.

The next regular meeting of Council is changed to Thursday, MARCH 4, at 7:30pm, due to conflicts around the Council table. During this meeting Councillor Pakeman has said he will put a motion on the table seeking support to deal with the Floating Chalets. "The committee has not yet met to deal with them or recommend on the issue, if they can get together before then, better for us, but we owe it to us and everyone in the community, not to let it drag on. We need to get moving on this, summer will be here in no time and nothing will be in place," noted Pakeman.

South Dundas

cost of $2 apiece, truck tires at $5.

Enter the suspected tire dumper. According to Gillard, he's been showing up at shops and garages, offering to remove tires for a bargain $1 each plus GST. "He drives a maroon Ford Aerostar van, licence plate 359 YPT," the Councillor said, reading from his notes.

Earlier this month, late at night, a St. Lawrence Parks Commission employee saw a man dumping some tires along the Ault Island causeway. Noticing he had been spotted, the individual quickly picked his tires back up and took off in his van. It is suspected he didn't go far; a pile of approximately 40 tires was later found nearby, among the cattails.

And more have shown up since then, Gillard said. "The garage in Morrisburg told me he's been back."

Mayor Whitteker expressed concern anybody would do business with a shady garbage hauler. "He doesn't have to tell me what he's doing with the tires."

Police and the Ministry of the Environment are investigating.



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Firearms charges

As a result of an investigation conducted by members of the SD&G O.P.P., which began shortly after midnight on Feb. 2,1999, in Morrisburg, one person has been charged with a number of criminal offences.

Alfred Hutt, age 41, of Morrisburg has been charged with possession of a firearm dangerous to the public peace, possession of a firearm while prohibited, careless storage of a firearm while prohibited, careless storage of a firearm, and breach of probation.

Hutt was held in custody, pending a show cause hearing in Cornwall on Feb. 2.

Easy recovery at b/e scene

On Jan. 28, 1999, police began an investigation into a break and enter occurring in the Williamsburg ward of South Dundas Township.

Overnight on Jan. 27-28, a forced entry was made into a private residence on County Rd 41.

Home entertainment items were taken from the house and loaded into a waiting car, which was abandoned in the driveway. The stolen property was recovered at the scene, along with the abandoned vehicle, found to have been stolen from Toronto on Jan. 14.

Const. A. Smirnov is investigating this incident.

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