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Looking back at Iroquois and district over the year 1999

"Looking Back" is always a special edition of our newspaper, perhaps more so this year as we reflect together on those activities, meetings and events that made up the big milestone of 1999 in Iroquois and the surrounding area.

Change is a part of our world, and as we head into a new decade, century and millennium, new challenges will no doubt be waiting. What lies in store? Maybe the answer to that lies somewhere in looking at what was — because the roots of every real-life story has its roots in yesterday. What we did in 1999 plays a major role in where we are headed in 2000.

Here at The Chieftain, we have attempted to capture some of the good times, and maybe some of the not-so-good times, that made 1999 what it was in places like Iroquois, Brinston, Morrisburg, Williamsburg, South Mountain, Winchester and Cardinal.

Here comes the 21st century. But now, a look back at 1999.

January

Assessing the performance of the one-year-old North Dundas Council, Mayor Cousineau says changes are needed at the Council table. "Nine people sitting around that table is a little bit ridiculous" he said in a telephone interview. Each of North Dundas's four wards sends two councillors to the chambers, twice the number of neighbouring South Dundas. "At the time, it was done to pacify the two villages," Cousineau explained. The mayor said 1999 will see Council discuss the options for slimming down the number of municipal politicians.

At their regular council meeting, Cardinal Councillors and the Reeve explained what they see as the potential for 1999. Among the things they would like to see happen in the year that lies ahead includes renewed talks with neighbouring municipalities to the north. The work of the waterfront development ad hoc committee will be a focus for the community in 1999.

Mayor Johnny Whitteker took some time out of his busy farming schedule to answer some queries about the first year in the life of South Dundas, and where the township is going in the future. How does he feel amalgamation has worked out? "Amalgamation in itself hasn't been too much of a task," Whitteker said. Though he did convey some disappointment that "unforseen" expenditures caused a projected $450,000 in savings for the four former municipalities to be whittled down to $125,000. The Mayor blamed the provincial government for much of the lost savings, fingering Toronto's and tax reform downloading policies as the biggest issues South Dundas dealt with in 1998.

The lengthy and often nasty dispute between area secondary teachers and the Upper Canada School Board is finally over. On January 12, the secondary teachers employed by the Upper Canada Board voted by just over 79% to approve the two-year tentative agreement struck on Christmas Eve. More than 90% of the, teachers working for the board cast a ballot, some 790 in total. The Board and Union (OSSTF-Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation) made the joint announcement late Tuesday afternoon, just after The Chieftain went to press. Both sides said that the vote by the teachers and the unanimous vote by the trustees previous to this would be "the beginning of a process of reconciliation in the spirit of cooperation."

The backdrop was perfect .. a dark sky with silver snowflakes drifting down to the rail fence. The fence held a small grey Owl and a bird, and the evergreens with twinkling white lights added that something unique. Rustic milk cans, wagon wheels and bales of hay added a special touch to the stage. It is Winter Carnival time in Matilda Township and indeed South Dundas Township. A celebration of the season is always a great way to welcome winter.

Negotiations between the Upper Canada District School Board and the Elementary Teacher's Federation Provincial Takeover Team broke down about 12:15 am last Wednesday, January 13 after 14 hours of negotiations. No further negotiations were scheduled at that time. "Elementary teachers continue to reach agreements with Boards in other parts of the province. Why is it Upper Canada School Board cannot reach a negotiated settlement?" asked Phyllis Benedict, President of the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario (ETFO). "The teachers cannot settle for an agreement that does not recognize the importance of elementary education."

February

A generous gift in memory of a lost loved one has benefited WDMH. The Brian Hough Unit, a versitile place in the hospital where chemo patients can receive treatment in a comfortable, homey atmosphere closer to home than the city facilities where distance and unfamiliarity caused concern.

The Dundas Federation of Agriculture held its Annual Meeting and Banquet 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.

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 members technically remain the legal ward names under the provincial Order-in-Council that created South Dundas Township.

The Township of South Dundas commissioned M.S. Thompson & Associates Ltd. of the Thompson Rosemont Group to complete an Environmental Study Report (ESR) that will lead to improvements to the municipal sewage treatment facilities in Morrisburg and Iroquois. The ESR was conducted under the provisions of the Ontario Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Process as is required for municipal water and sewage projects. The Environmental Study report (ESR) precedes a "Certificate of Approval"and an application for funding assistance from the Province of Ontario for the proposed work.

Winchester and District Memorial Hospital began to provide a service to local cancer patients that have had to travel to larger centres for low-dose chemotherapy. Five Winchester District Memorial Hospital Registered Nurses have been certified by the Ottawa Regional Cancer Centre and are now trained to administer some of the chemotherapy agents in our community hospital.

South Dundas Council had decided to look into purchasing and then giving away thousands of tree seedlings. "I would like to see us green-up the whole township," said Mayor Johnny Whitteker at the Jan. 28 meeting. Whitteker proposed giving away up to 10 trees per household.

A preliminary report presented at the South Dundas Council meeting recommends the scrapping and replacement of the Morrisburg sewage treatment plant at a cost of $8.9 million. Topping the list of recommendations by the engineering firm hired to assess the Morrisburg and Iroquois sewage systems, the new Morrisburg plant was anticipated to cost the Township no more than $2.25 million, once provincial grants of at least 75 percent are factored in.

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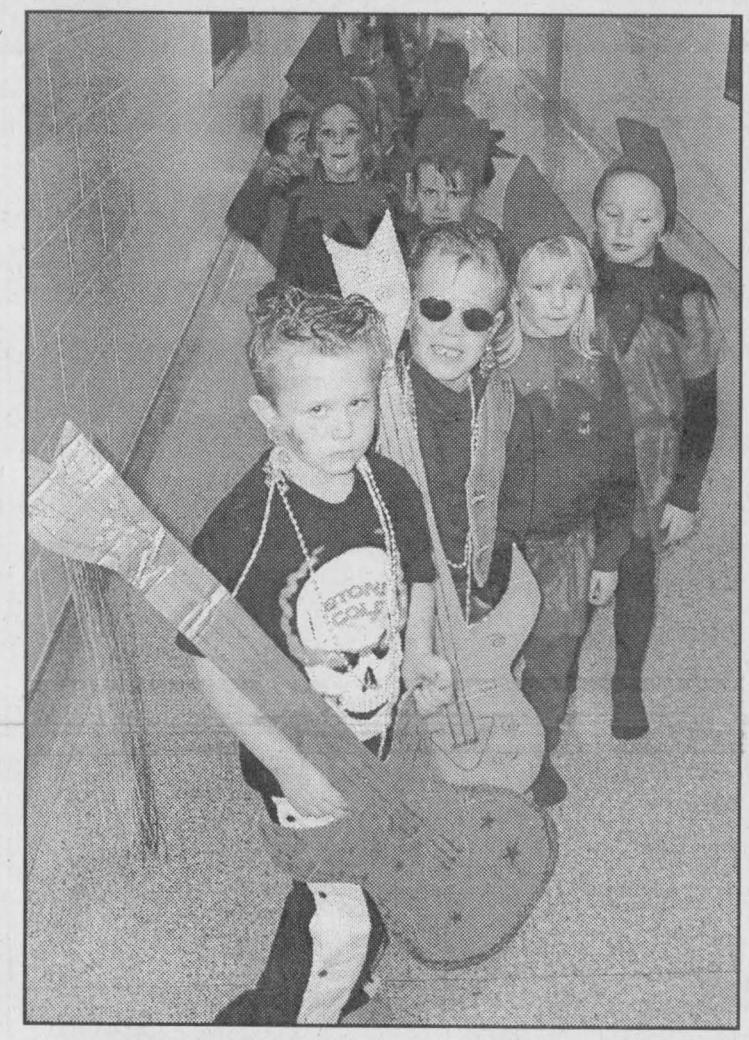

Rockin' Christmas

Shawn Scarf (in front) and Ryan Douma, in grade 1 at Dixon's Corners Public School, get ready to rock the house with a troop of red elves last Tuesday evening. The school gym was packed with spectators at Dixon's annual Christmas concert. *Chieftain photo by N. H. Zandbergen*

Better safe than sorry seems to be the Y2K scenario

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Y2K fuss is about to become reality..whatever that may be.

Have you taken a serious look at yourself, your situation and that of your family? Are you ready for a problem? Have you taken steps to ensure the safety and care of your loved ones if anything should happen when the year 2000 rolls around?

A hoax, a scare thrown into people or a way to grab business, some will be taking precautions despite what others think. All the hub bub about the millennium has some folks scrambling while others sit back and smile. The real problem with Y2K is no one knows what to expect!

South Dundas has a contingency group in place who has met together, been briefed and worked through several emergency scenarios during 1999 in preparation for the Y2K problems that may arise. The Emergency Preparedness workshops under the guidance of Bill Shearing have provided the confidence necessary should any problems crop up. What might occur due to Y2K is unknown, but according to Shearing, "South Dundas has worked to minimize any threat to public safety from it."

"We have to prepare for the worst," said Richard Bisson, the Y2K coordinator for the **Winchester District Memorial Hospital**. "We have prepared as much as we can. It may be a non-issue but you have to prepare yourself." A Control Centre will be established at the hospital library where a large number of hospital staff will gather to monitor any developing problems. A telly will help keep the offices up to date on conditions, etc, on New Year's Eve. Phone lines have been installed as part of the Y2K plan and two-way radios have been purchased by the hospital in case the lines do not work. The decision makers will be there and if necessary people can and will be called in. If nothing happens out of the ordinary, the centre will remain in place until we are sure that all the equipment in the hospital is working properly. When it is determined that all is operational as usual, people will be allowed to go home. It is anticipated that someone will be in the centre until 5 or 6 am on January 1, 2000. In preparing for the millennium, WDMH got a hand from the Ontario Hospital Association as their own committee, a cross section of various departments within the hospital set about the task of readying the facility for whatever may happen. The Ministry of Health has provided exceptional assistance as well. Requiring reports and lending a hand to address the Y2K problems, they have offered feedback on the progress through the last three years. They also gave the hospital $500,000 to pay for expert help, extra staff hours and any special equipment necessary. All suppliers have guaranteed there will be no interruption service of items. None the less, an increase in amount of material ordered has been taken into account and if anything should occur, the necessary things will be on hand.

Local **OPP** suggest that they too are indeed prepared for the millennium when it arrives. They say it will be business as usual for Y2K. They are anticipating no problems on New Year's Eve from Y2K computer problems. This said, they are not taking any chances either and a few special measures are in place. For example, no officers were allowed to book vacation time between December 26, 1999 and January 31, 2000. This is apparently because of a concern that computer failures could cause major problems in the new year.

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Another year, another report on Morrisburg Arena

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

An engineering firm specializing in wooden structures has been hired at a cost of $8,000 to reassess what it will take to permanently fix structural problems at the Morrisburg arena.

At its Dec. 23 meeting, South Dundas council decided Quaile Engineering of Newmarket, Ontario, will be the second firm to evaluate the arena within the last year and a half.

In August 1998, a $25,000 evaluation, performed by the Thompson Rosemount Group of Cornwall, determined the building needed nearly $1 million in repairs to bring it up to code. The Thompson Rosemount report said the aging roof structure was at risk of collapsing during winter snow loading.

The township will now pay Thompson Rosemount another $1,500 to provide Quaile with background information, bringing the total expenditure to $9,500 for the second opinion.

Mayor Johnny Whitteker didn't like the sound of that at first. "I don't have a problem hiring Quaile, but I do have a problem giving Thompson another $1,500," he said.

But the mayor, who last month suggested getting a second opinion in the first place, seemed to have already made up his mind on the usefulness of another engineering report.

"It bothers me we're having a consultant look at that rink every six months when we know damn well what they're going to say."

Whitteker added a local contractor specializing in steel "Butler" buildings should take a look at the arena. And he repeated his suggestion, made at a previous meeting, that a new building shell could be installed

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Stay safe in 2000

With everyone intent upon making merry this very special millennium/Y2K New Year's, we at *The Chieftain* wish to make sure everyone is also intent upon making things safe.

The sudden winter driving conditions have already taken a couple of lives in tragic accidents on local roadways this season, so please remember to be extra vigilant when travelling. For partygoers, remember to nominate a designated driver — the O.P.P.'s RIDE program continues in full force.

New Year's safety has an added dimension this time around — Y2K, the highly anticipated computer bug. Everyone was reacquainted with the need to be prepared for a possible power outage during the winter in the '98 Ice Storm. Let's not forget that lesson, even though most experts now agree that serious Y2K problems will not occur here.

Stationery store hours:

The Chieftain's stationery store in Iroquois will be open December 31, New Year's Eve, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., then closing shop until next Monday.



IPS Elves

Iroquois Public School did not have a Christmas Concert this year and instead, Mrs. Robertson's Class, grade 6 entertained their parents, grandparents, family, friends and other relatives and neighbours to a tea in the school gym. Hot tea, coffee and apple cider tasted great and the tasty treats on the tables were delicious. These students served and escorted folks to their tables...a cute bunch of elves for sure. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

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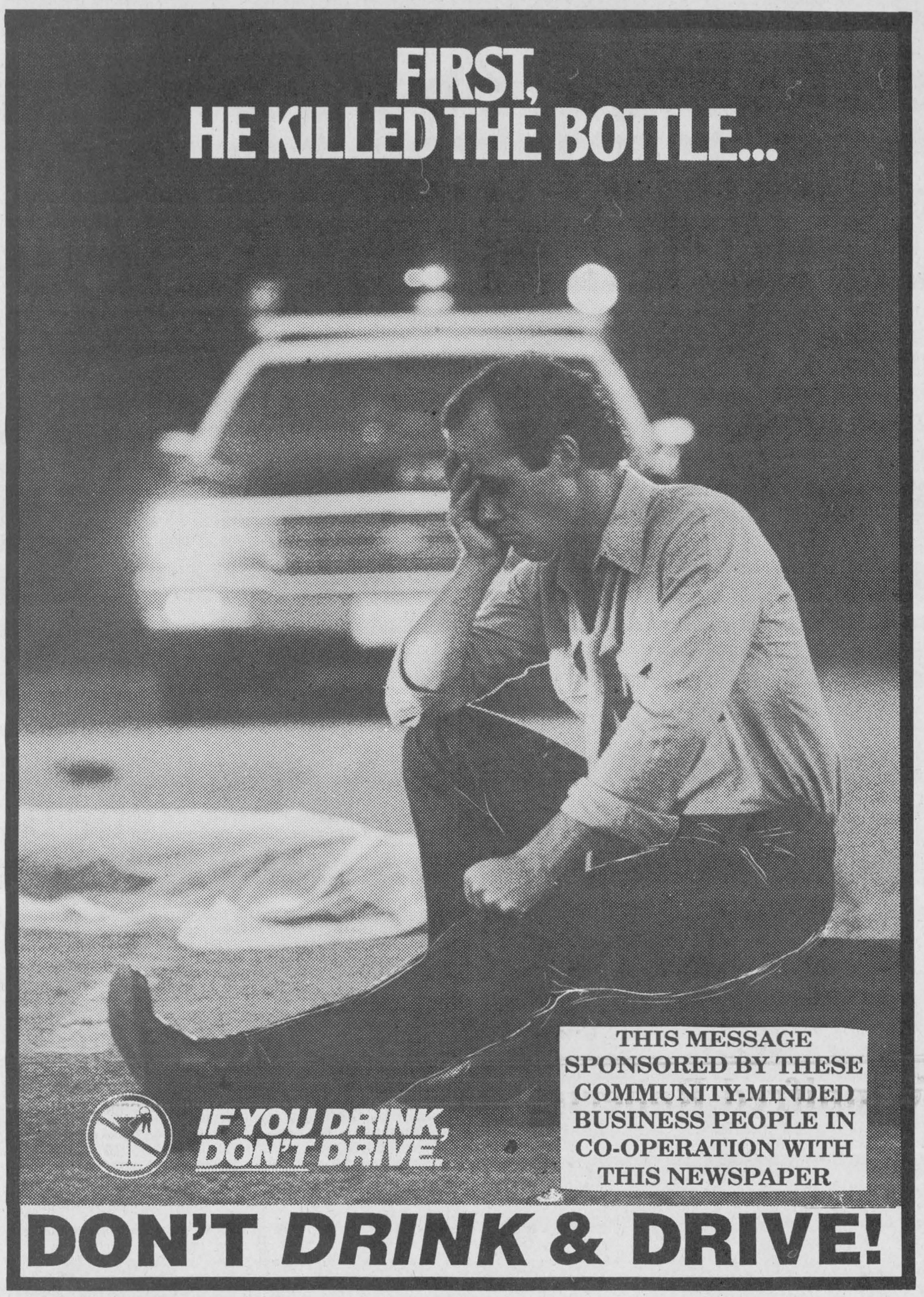

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Looking back

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SD&G Counties Council met but put off making a decision on how Bill 79's property tax cap would be implemented in the United Counties, SD&G Warden Roger Cole reported in Winchester. Speaking at the North Dundas Township meeting, Cole told his local council that taxpayers to the south, in any case, will pick up a big portion of the taxation shuffle under the "10-5-5" cap.

Rollin', rollin', rollin'... 18 wheels and down, these rigs is meant for travellin', double digit speed trannies, heavy engines from Mack, Caterpiller and Cummins... the local pavement is hosting a few 18-wheelers with a difference this year.

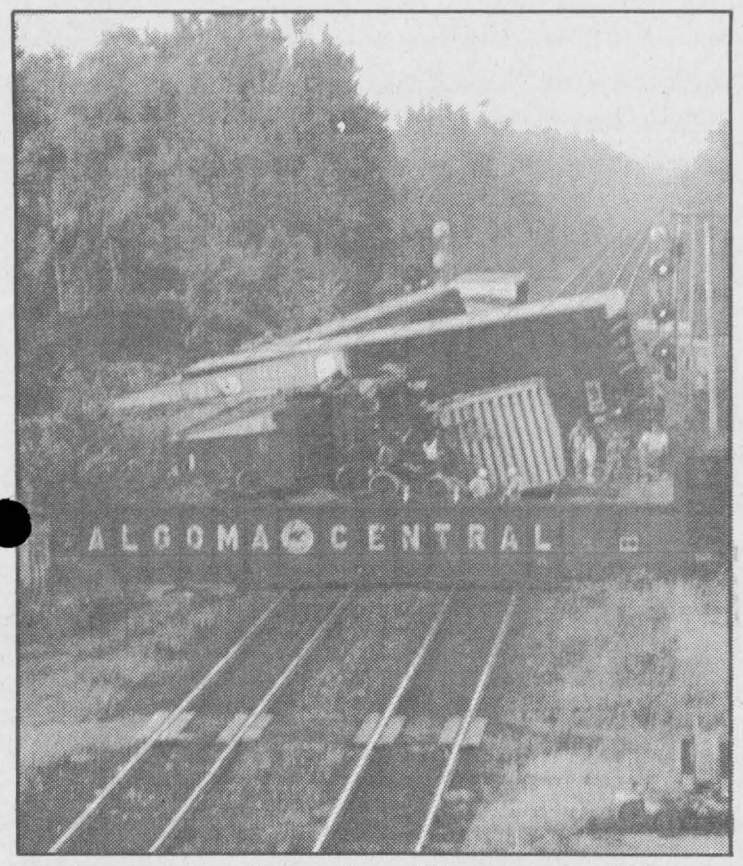
They live in the small Arctic community of Rankin Inlet, (North West Territories) located some 400 miles north of Churchill, Manitoba. Leaving their barren, tundra landscape behind via a 12-hour ride on a Boeing 737 that took them from Churchill to Winnipeg, to Toronto to Ottawa, they arrived tired but ready to check out the trees, hills and rolling countryside in eastern Ontario and learn to handle big rigs and backhoes. They were in the Iroquois-Morrisburg area learning to operate heavy equipment.

Winchester residents will pay for their own sewage system upgrade, North Dundas Council decided Feb. 15. Council voted to draw from reserves set aside for the Winchester Village Ward in order to pay for the pipeline project. Councillor Bob Riddell wanted the whole municipality to help with the costs of the project. "I think it's highly unfair it only be born by the taxpayers in this urban ward," he said.

Live theatre is indeed alive and well and may just flourish in Morrisburg again this season. The troubled theatre who was on the brink of destruction had regrouped and with the help of friends and supporters would rise again. The weight of financial troubles was almost too much but as with life "when things get tough; the tough get going," and so it was for the new Board of Directors who seem to have gotten things back on track for 1999.

March

A keepsake from a Canadian Naval Forces warship bearing the Iroquois name made waves locally this past summer, when the on-board memorial plaque from the HMCS Iroquois retired to its final resting place here. "With the 4' x 5' wooden plaque depicting the familiar profile of a native Iroquois warrior slated for replacement on the 29-year-old destroyer, Navy brass agreed it would be a good idea to give it to the people of Iroquois,"



1999 train derailment was big news in this area.

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Christmas Exchange gets a pile of helping hands

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Councillor Audrey Rooney told South Dundas Council.

Upper Canada Playhouse benefited from the Annual Dessert and Fashion Show hosted at Seaway High and attended by a large crowd of hostesses who decorated their tables on a theme and invited people to come out and enjoy the show and a special dessert prepared by them. All proceeds go to the playhouse.

Seaway High School Girls Hockey team played in a tournament at York University. With financial help from the Lions Club of Iroquois-Matilda and a pile of effort, the local gals made it to the semi-finals. A great show from a young team.

SD&G Counties Council decided that residential property taxpayers would pay for provincially mandated tax decreases on commercial, industrial and multi-residential properties, the decision came, two days before a deadline imposed by the government of Ontario. Counties Council bit the bullet and selected the "division C" option for spreading the costs of the Bill 79 tax cap.

"Challenging the Village of Cardinal at the OMB is fine," Councillor Jim Pakeman says, "but the loser should foot the bill." Pakeman proposed a new OMB strategy that would see the Village automatically request costs from unsuccessful appellants, at the regular Council meeting. His motion was not supported. The Village recently defended the rezoning of some canal-side properties at an OMB hearing, winning its case against a group of residents opposed to development of the municipally owned land. It was Cardinal's second turn before an OMB adjudicator in ten years.

There was no doubt that school spirit was alive and well at Seaway High. Despite the upheaval in the fall when things were less than static at high schools, now that sports were back on the agenda and playdowns were being hosted as round-robin tournaments so that championships could be decided, Seaway demonstarted they certainly had what it takes, both on and off the court. The gym was filled to capacity as students, staff and community came out to watch the Spartans win over a full slate of opponents on Friday to take the EOSSA Championship in a two-day tourney hosted at Seaway.

The Iroquois Golf Club was set to receive a $575,000 loan from a Cornwall-area man, after South Dundas Council officially agreed to guarantee the loan at its regular meeting. The money would consolidate the Club's existing debt load and provide additional capital for Club House and equipment improvements worth $35,000. Approved was a loan-guarantee agreement between the Club and the Township that names Trenholm E. Heasly as the Club's newest creditor.

Problems calculating the property tax adjustments owed to large industrial and commercial businesses forced North Dundas Council to abandon plans for three interim tax payments this year. Council made the decision at its meeting after Treasurer Bonnie Dingwall told members that staff have to go back and review all the numbers for properties affected by Bill 79, the 10-5-5 tax-capping legislation. And that means a substantial delay in filling those property classes, which would leave the Township short of cash unless the other classes ante up 50 per cent of their levy.

The HMCS Iroquois banner came to town sooner than expected, when ship's Captain S.E. King and Petty Officer Second Class Perry DeBellefeuille flew in from the east coast to present the wooden plaque, April 5th. A colour guard pumped the pomp and circumstance at the Iroquois Legion as the destroyer's old 3' x 4' banner was donated to Iroquois residents.

Atom "C" Lions were crowned League Champs. Skaters who carried trophies home from the Seaway Valley Interclub Skating event included Kathleen German who snagged a first as did Cameron Keicks and Laura Baker.

April

Shove off. Three waterfront chalets moored in Cardinal's Marina overstayed their welcome, according to the village's Waterfront Development Committee who advised Council to give the chalets until the end of the month to weigh anchor, or face daily fines. The advice topped a list of recommendations presented to Council at its Monday meeting. Billing chalet owners for any damages incurred to the village docks, where they've been tied up for the past winter, was also recommended.

A Seaway Valley landmark cut the ribbon on a new era, though passing motorists might have though it was all an April Fools' Day trick: A new sign outside the R.H. Saunders hydroelectric dam indicated the massive facility was, in fact, no longer a "Hydro" dam at all. April 1st marked the end of Ontario Hydro as consumers had known it for nearly a century, when the provincially owned utility: whose monopoly helped make the greek word for water synonymous with electricity in

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OBITUARIES

Winnifred Roberts

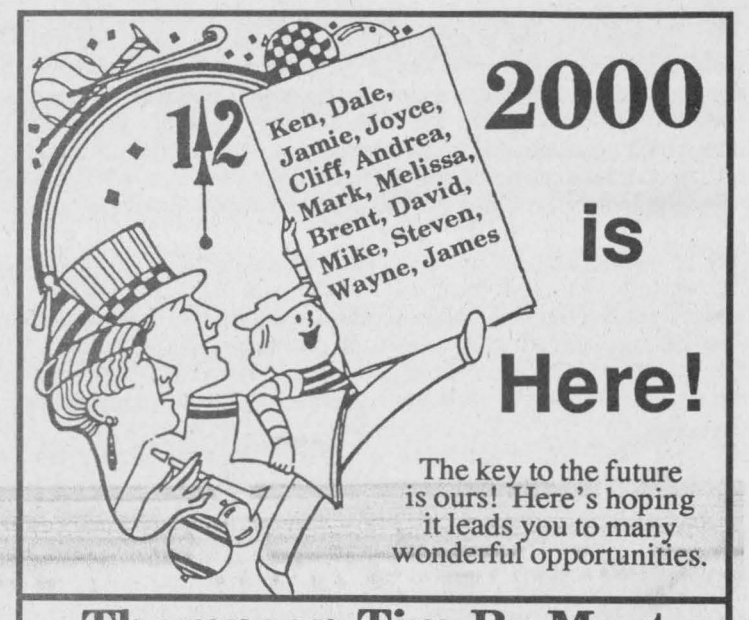
Winnifred "Winnie" Beatrice Roberts peacefully at Winchester Hospital on Monday, December 20, 1999. Born March 5, 1912 in the Village of Haliburton, a housewife all her life, Winnie was 87 years of age. The daughter of Charles and Agnes Roberts who were descendants of early pioneers of this region. She spent her childhood in the Village along with her brother, Lew and her four sisters, Ella, Myrtle, Evelyn and Elaine.

Predeceased by her beloved husband, the late William "Dick" E. Roberts (1974) whom she married in Haliburton in 1933, Winnie had met him when she worked in a telephone office and Dick came to the Haliburton Highlands area to survey new roads in the area for the Northern Development Corporation. They moved to Toronto in 1937, where they raised their sons, Don and Ted. Dick worked for Ontario Hydro in the 40s and 50s and when the Seaway project began, they left Toronto and took up residence in this area. After a few months in Cornwall, they moved to Duncan Street (Sheldrick Drive) in Morrisburg. She was predeceased as well by her parents: Charles and Agnes (nee Wensley) Roberts and sisters; Ella Clare, Evelyn Roberts. Myrtle Waters, Elaine Mitchell and Brother Lewis Roberts.

The life Dick and Winnie knew in Morrisburg was a wonderful one where the community provided friendship and pleasure. Winnie was an avid curler and an occasional golfer but her true forte was bridge. She and her longtime friend and partner, Mable Walroth were a force to be reckoned with, year in and year out in the Bridge Club and in Marathons. Winnie loved her independence and in spite of her advanced age was able to remain in her own home and enjoy her gardening, her bridge club entertaining and her family visits.

She was a perfect mother to sons' Donald E. (Diana) of Toronto, Edward D. Roberts of Markham. She was a wonderfully devoted grandmother to Julia (Darrell) Heron and Adam (Kimm) Roberts, all of Toronto and a proud and generous great-grandmother to mitchell and Emma Roberts, Paige and Aidan Heron, all of Toronto. She is missed by sisters-in-law, Rene Roberts of Haliburton and Dede Lambe of Ottawa as well.

Service was at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg with Rev. Bill Byers officiating on Thursday, December 23, 1999. interment followed at St. James Anglican Cemetery in Morrisburg. Bearers were Mike Bell, Bruce McDonald, Bill Sheldrick, a nephew-Doug Lambe and grandsons-Adam Roberts and Darrell Heron.



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For those of us who braved the Ice Storm of '98, did without running water, without electricity, were isolated and shivering in the wee hours of the morning when the wood burned to ashes, those who cooked on the BBQ in frigid temperatures and who were required to be outdoors in the freezing weather: the idea of Y2K glitches, or for those who believe in the doomsayers and the world wide pandemonium that will erupt should computers go haywire, we will probably not lose any sleep.

Many people have taken the warnings to heart and have laid in extra food stuffs and prepared emergency kits just in case there is any validation to the rumours. If in fact essential services are interupted we may well need to be prepared to sustain ourselves.

In fact living in a country where the weather changes rapidly, where snow and ice and freezing rain can blow up a storm at the flip of a switch it may not be a bad idea to plan for the unexpected, to be set in case the power goes out for a couple of days...new millennium or not.

The slightest thing, like a blackout for a few hours can be frustrating and scarey if you are not prepared. Whomever said it was better to be forewarned was correct and so laying in a few provisions just in case would seem wise.

Whether preparing for Y2K or just winter in Canada, perhaps you would want to check the following meagre list for insight...

First on the list is certainly potable water, we cannot live without it. One gallon or 4 litres of clean water per day per person is suggested for drinking, washing and cooking. The latter two can come from camp jugs etc. while the former can be bought or in clean drink conatiners. If Y2K worried you fill the tub with water for non-drinking purposes and you'll be fine.

The number of "just add water' products on the market are good to lay in; non-perishable foods when cooked or mixed with water form the base for many delicious meals. Bulk food is good. Decide how many days you need to stock up for (again suggested at least three) and buy only those items your family will actually eat. Oatmeal, rice, pasta mixes, dried fruit, pancake mix, potato flakes, grains, instant hot chocolate, lentils, herbs, spices and powdered milk. Cooking oatmeal for breakie over a BBQ and mixing dried fruit or nuts with it can start the coldest day off right. Biscuits baked in a covered skillet over a fire and spread with jam or peanut butter or honey will taste good any time. Buying in huge sizes does not help, everyone will become tired of the same meal after a couple of times.

Canned goods are great . Tomatoes help with any meal and can be mixed to create terrific meals. Fish like salmon and tuna are good sources of energy. Canned drinks or drink boxes help in the variety area, soups are good and do not forget condiments like sauces, dressings, mustard and ketsup...afterall you are not in a POW camp Some cheeses can be stored out of the fridge (canned Brie or Camembert), will save indefinitely, are handy additions to any pantry and add that certain something to a meal. Wrapped in foil and heated a little, they are like a fondue, add crackers or bread sticks and enjoy.

Pot roasts and casseroles can be planned with veggies like potatoes, carrots, cabbage, turnips and onions since they keep well and add body and flavour to soups and stews. Take them and wrap in foil adding herbs and oil and roast in the fireplace or on the BBQ and you will really be a hero to the family! These eaten with rice or pasta make a great meal Adding cheese helps dress up a meal and contributes to the flavour. Scoup out a hot potato(baked) and mix ham and cheese with the pulp, put back in the skin and tempt everyone.

Heavy foil is a many use item, so have lots on hand. Wrapping meals to cook in the fire, using it as a makeshift oven as you place it on a skillet works well. Also good for warming rolls, bread etc.

Consume the peishables first, eggs, freah fruit and veggies, dairy products and freezer items. Frozen roasts will simmer all day and be ready to enjoy at supper time and will taste beautifully hearty. Any ready to toss into the microwave work well in the BBQ and save time and enegry.

If you have gas you will cook as usual. The rest of us will not of course but will become most inventive. A cookstove is best, but not many have one. Use the BBQ, the fireplace or the camp stove. Foil wrapped meals can be placed in the fireplace but not in the fire, just close so they cook not burn to charcoal. A grill in the hearth will help, but be sure it is strong and do not put too heavy a pot on it. Fondue burners can be used carefully, stay with it when in use. A properly working fire extinguisher is vital at all times to all homes...

Never use BBQs or camp stoves indoors. The carport or garage, veranda or deck will do. Lots of ventilation is necessary. Do not wait until Friday to begin planning-do it now. The Y2K bug won't bother you if you are ready.

Batteries for flashlights and blankets and sleeping bags at hand, a battery operated radio and a good book will help pass the time.

I have no doubt many who read this are already prepared. I have only tried to suggest that we all need to be ready for any situation. One never knows when an emergency will occur and being set to face whatever is the wise way to go.

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Looking back at Iroquois and district

Looking back

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Canada was broken into four new companies under the Energy Competition Act. For the Seaway Valley, this meant the Ontario side of the R.H. Saunders dam would now fly the banner of Ontario Power Generation: the newly formed corporation which took ownership of all power stations formerly held by the now-defunct Ontario Hydro.

Water meters could be coming to Iroquois and Morrisburg if South Dundas Council follows through with a recommendation from the engineering firm studying upgrades to the waterworks in both villages. Meters for all municipal water customers would reduce water treatment expenses and take some of the pressure off the villages' sewage treatment facilities, the Thompson Rosemount Group's Bill Knight told council members.

The St. Lawrence Parks Commission announced that Shirley Racine was the successful candidate for the position of Manager of Upper Canada Village. Her appointment took effect on Monday of the week of April 19, 1999. No stranger to the village and the operating thereof, Shirley was part of the Upper Canada Village team during the 1998 season as supervisor of visitor Services and Special events. She brought along with her a solid background of experience to the position which could only benefit the operation of the village throughout the season.

Think movies - think money! A touch of Hollywood had landed at Upper Canada Village as the cast and crew of "The Crossing" began filming Monday. The story of American independence, The Crossing featured Jeff Daniels (Dumb and Dumber) as George Washington leading a rag-tag crew of freedom fighters across the Delaware to invade Trenton. A Columbia Tri-star picture, the show was being produced for the Arts and Entertainment (A&E) channel and according to officials at Upper Canada Village, should air sometime next year.

Sparse numbers attended last Wednesday's public information sessions on planned upgrades to the water and sewer systems in Morrisburg and Iroquois. Two people were drawn to the afternoon session in Iroquois and about a dozen to Morrisburg that evening. Bill Knight, a senior municipal engineer with the Thompson Rosemount Group, said the low turnout is typical for villages with long-time municipal water and sewer service. "Communities who have always had wells and septic tanks are more likely to produce barn-burner meetings about spending money on public water and sewer systems," he explained.

Bookish Bill Gates' fortune is so vast, he may just decide the Cardinal Public Library deserves a tiny piece of it. The Library recently learned it was in the running for a grant from the Microsoft founder's Gates Foundation, with its name listed among 176 Ontario rural libraries eligible to apply for a little of the American multi-billionaire's largesse. It is one of the few local libraries included on the list.

Close your eyes and think of the sweetest sounds this side of heaven that you have ever heard. Dreaming on, now just picture a group of young people, youngsters with the most beautifully sounding voices imaginable. Alright, open your eyes and realize that this dream is reality... Every Tuesday evening a group of excited young people assembled in the Dunbar Community Centre. They love to sing and singing is something they do extremely well. Under the guidance of two young talented musicians, conductor by Steve Kenward and accompanist Christine Hickey, these thirty-eight children form the Dundas Millennium Children's Choir. The results continue to be inspiring to say the least.

It's been four years since the last trade show in Morrisburg, and some big changes have taken place since then. Try amalgamation and the subtle shifts in attitude that come with it. Try a Chamber of Commerce that has expanded its horizons to match the borders of the new municipality, and beyond. Try a nicely filled Morrisburg Civic Centre drawing exhibitors from across the four wards, instead of the dead, dank space of a cavernous arena. Thirty-two exhibitors participated in this year's South Dundas Home and Trade Showcase, a two-day event, jointly sponsored by the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce and the South Dundas Economic Development Commission, and truly a South Dundas affair it was.

Gravel road dwellers deserve to see their roads paved, even if scarce provincial subsidies leave South Dundas taxpayers picking up the full tab, says mayor Johnny Whitteker. These people have waited patiently for a blacktop road. It's not fair to those people on gravel roads to say we've had a change in policy," Whitteker said, pointing to Williamsburg Township's aggressive paving schedule of the past 30 years, since interrupted by amalgamation in 1998. "We should continue this program," he said, even if that means paving over, subsidy – free, a single mile of gravel in South Dundas this year.

The Seaway opened for business and already as the paper went to print, ships had begun to ply the waters of the mighty St. Lawrence River. The Canadian portion of the Seaway System had been sold to a private sector in an effort to make it more efficient so to compete with other modes of transport for goods.

On the Sports scene, the Iroquois Legion Mens team brought home the 7th Championship in Interbranch darts. Team five, Rick Sayeau, Reg Farmer, Jim Logie and Glen Adams got the job done. The Curling Club honoured their best of the season with awards. Inkerman claimed top place in the Girls' Floor Hockey tourney, as "A" Champs, while Iroquois were declared "B" final Champs hosted in Dixon's Corners.

Ray and Terry Boyd reopened the doors of the Inkerman General Store. Clsoing without warning the store was a lifeline for local folks and they came out in droves to welcome the new orners to the community.

The Annual St. Lawrence District Kub Kar Rally was hosted in South Mountain again this year and the fastest kar was constructed by Chris Bazinet from the Morrisburg Cub Pack. The District Scouts first Soapbox Derby was hosted in Iroquois and Cardinal/Spencerville won the Upper Canada Motors trophy for first overall. James Delegarde and Derek Swank grabbed first in the SD&G High School Doubles Championship dropping only one set during the eight games of the tourney.

May

An exciting new business venture was launched for the 1999 season at the Parks of the St. Lawrence. The Ottawa River Boat Company Limited signed a partnership agreement to operate a cruise boat at Crysler Park Marina. "This is a thrilling enhancement to the experience our visitors have at Crysler Park," stated Mike Paradis, General Manager of the St. Lawrence Parks Commission, "It is a natural fit with Upper Canada Village-learning about our past while having fun." The 65-passenger cruise boat was operational from May until October.

Food bank organizers reminded the public there would be two opportunities to help them stock up the shelves on. A food drive took place in both Morrisburg and Iroquois Shopping plazas from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. On the same day, the second annual "Music Festival" fundraiser, featuring great music by local talent, was set for 7 p.m. at St. James Anglican church in Morrisburg. Admission was free. A free will offering was taken. You could also bring your food donation if you missed the drive earlier in the day. Shelves at the food bank were reported to be empty as the first three months of 1999 saw a 16 per cent increase in usage, said to be consistent with figures across the country.

Upper Canada Village Heritage Park welcomed the arrival of its new double decker bus. Seating about 60, the bus would shuttle passengers from the Village gate to other attractions in the Crysler Park vicinity, such as the new cruise boat at Crysler Park Marina and the new reopened "The Battle of Crysler's Farm Visitor's Centre." This 1961 London Transport model isn't air conditioned; everyone was encouraged to get those seats up top when the weather was warm!

Volunteers from the Iroquois - Matilda Lions, along with helpers from the Apple Tree Ministry, gathered food in the mall. The second time the food drive took place in Iroquois, Pat Martin would not let the wet weather dampen spirits. This was the sixth year that organizations and individuals banned together to gather food for those in need. And this is the third year that all of the donated goods have gone to the Dundas County Food Bank.

Chalk one up for non-smokers, as South Dundas Council seemed poised to act on an Eastern Ontario Health Unit recommendation to pass a sweeping anti-smoking bylaw. South Dundas would be the first S.D.G. municipality to outlaw, smoking in all public gathering places; including private halls,

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Bah Humbug! it was a green Christmas



Where was the snow on Christmas day? We all hoped, that just like the song says, it would have been a white Christmas, but many were disappointed, as the green grass showed everywhere. Then, Boxing Day hits and the weather changed in an instant. Blowing snow and ice pellets greeted most when they awoke and as the afternoon drifted into night time, a semblance of a blizzard struck. Snow and high winds tossed it around and visibility was nil. Sitting inside where it was warm with the smell of turkey filling the air, it was like watching a movie as people drove past and then instantly disappeared into the blanket of white right before our eyes.

Christmas took on a different twist this year as we did not do the travel thing from house to house to check out gifts and collect those with our names on them. We stayed home and did the family thing, inviting uncles over to check out the sons new toys. Then it was off to the big guys side of the relatives for dinner. A rushed meal, since we had a promise to keep and we were off to the Christmas dinner in Morrisburg sponsored by the church group...the Apple Tree Ministry. Providing company and a hearty meal, some singing and laughter, treats and then Santa's helper (aka the big guy) paid a visit and everyone shared some quality time, a better recipe for the seasonal celebration than sitting alone. Then the Santa man made a stop at the Hartford Retirement Home to bring a little seasonal cheer to the folks there. Seeing how their eyes light up and a smile creases these weathered faces makes it all worthwhile. This was the second year we have done this little thing that seems to be so well received, many come to their doorways so they are not missed and everyone has a big hug for the old fellow. A truly elderly lady bedridden and alone braved a smile and although her conversation was difficult to comprehend, she clearly stated, "I have not seen you since I was a little girl!" She seemed really glad to see the red suit and mustered up a smile and a hand squeeze for Santa. Such a small thing and it does so much...

Where is that garbage bag? Stuffed full with gaily coloured paper and sitting at the curb, garbage bags wait for the garbage truck to stop. Christmas is over and the gifts have been torn open and the smiles and laughter of children of all ages have filled homes around the world. Another festive season is winding down and getting set for the celebration of the Millennium New Year's Eve.

The gang at Swampview did extremely well and new duds will be sported in the coming year. Books to read and cash that will come in handy lay in wait too.

Then on Boxing Day we created some dressing and stuffed the turkey and started him or her to cooking. The sons and their gals helped cut the onions and break the bread as the writer chopped the celery and began cooking the veggies, mashed potatoes and poultry seasoning and mixed. The dressing was then put into pans and covered with parmesan cheese and then baked. There was just enough to make two panfuls and stuff the bird, almost like we knew what we were doing! The family on the writers side gathered at the parents around the corner and potlucked a bit to try to save her too much work. This is not possible since she must have worked for days anyway...there was enough food for the entire Village. After stuffing ourselves with too much food we braved the stormy road home. We were very thankful it was only a few minutes and we were safely inside again at the ranch.

Sitting in the living room thinking back on the past few days tiredness sweeps over the entire being. The hustle and bustle that happens prior to Christmas is always hectic. This year perhaps worse than usual, although no one can provide the answer to this one. Time slips by so rapidly. Shopping was accomplished through the catalogue and with the help of the girls at the Nook, most items ordered arrived on time. Two trips to the city, one Saturday, after assignments were completed and then one evening after work resulted in the final bits being done. Local shops were frequented and as much as possible grabbed close to home. Must ensure that this task is done before the week before Christmas Day next year!!

A nice Open House at friends gave time to visit with folks not seen often enough. It was during the drive to the city for this event that the big guy let out a roar. His eye glass lens had fallen out of the frame! Locating it in the dark with only one eye working, was not fun. It was wedged between his coat and the seatbelt.

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the bottom line

THE MIGHTY ST. LAWRENCE CARRIES A VAST VOLUME OF WATER ...
It was hard not to think of that fact when looking at the broken water mains in town lately. A broken main by the Civic Centre gurgled its contents upward like an artesian well for nearly three days over the holiday weekend. The water flowed up at a good clip near the sidewalk, down Dundas and Elizabeth, pooling at the United Church parking lot, until workers stemmed the chlorinated tide on Tuesday afternoon. Another broken main on Elizabeth made its watery mark for a couple of days as well.

THE TINDALE HOME HAS BEEN SAVED FROM DEMOLITION, SOUTH Dundas council agreeing Thursday to ink a deal with the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation. The Victorian orchard house, which the Seaway acquired from the Tindale sisters in the 1950s, had been used as the lock master's residence at the Iroquois Point until earlier this year. South Dundas will buy the home for $1 and lease the surrounding yard for $100 a year for 15 years. DIAMONDS, a local land trust with a board of ten directors, will operate the property as a tourism/heritage centre. Council agreed to the deal on the understanding that the trust will take on the project without taxpayers' help. DIAMONDS stands for Dundas Iroquois And Matilda Morrisburg Ontario Natural Development Seaway Shorelines.

WANTED: WOMEN, AGE 15 TO 18 ...
The Matilda Winter Carnival needs participants in its annual Winter Carnival Queen Contest. The first 10 girls, age 15 to 18, get their shot at prizes and fame. Call Nancy Blokland (652-2096) or Connie Peppers (652-4074).

OTTAWA TAKES YOUR TAX DOLLARS, BUT IF YOU LIVE IN IROQUOIS, the National Capital Region gets a little something else of yours too — your sewage. Sludge from the Iroquois sewage treatment plant now gets trucked out to the Green's Creek treatment plant in the Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton, it was revealed at the last meeting of South Dundas council. David Brown Construction successfully bid on a tender to truck the waste. Iroquois' sludge would normally be spread on local fields approved by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment — which would be cheaper than hauling to Ottawa — but all of the locally approved fields were used up ahead of schedule this year. The Iroquois plant produced five times the usual amount of sludge in 1999 because of construction-related cleanups at the facility. Glenn Swerdfeger of Third High Farms, who normally handles the sludge, told council that land would again be available for spreading in May.

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Legions, bingo halls and restaurants, by 2003. All municipally owned buildings would become smoke-free by May 31, 1999, under the E.O.H.U.'s proposed bylaw and that includes traditional smokers' havens like the Matilda Hall.

The key to maintaining the tourism industry in Ontario is the continuation of a newly formed partnership between the public and private sectors. Launched April 20th, the Ontario Marketing Partnership would give the tourism industry a major boost this year and in the future. This was the message Assistant Minister of Tourism Jean Lam had for tourism operators attending the 2nd annual "Kick Off 99" campaign at Upper Canada Village (UCV).

A resident fed-up with his neighbour's incessant garbage burning gave South Dundas Council the reason it needed to unanimously pass a new bylaw on the setting of fires. As a township-wide bylaw, it is the first of its kind ever enacted in the Matilda ward, the location of bothersome fires, according to a local farmer.

Nice weather brought out 1,500 people to the opening ceremonies at Upper Canada Village Heritage Park, site supervisor Bruce Henbest reported the following, though slightly soggier, Victoria Day. That, as well as some new and revamped attractions especially the official launch of the new Tow Scow, the Village's first boat to ply the canal in years generated the buzz this year as the gates swung open for another season on the long weekend.

"Don't think about putting South Dundas Hydro on the auction block yet," says South Dundas Hydro Commission Chairman John Allison. Allison told South Dundas Council at the last regular meeting that the local utility is an "asset" which can survive the arrival of competition next year. Under 1998's Energy Competition Act consumers would be able to choose their electrical supplier; much as they can choose their own natural gas supplier starting late in 2000. The impending changes have some Ontario municipalities looking at selling their electric companies to the highest bidder, rather than facing the uncertain future. But South Dundas Hydro could still make a go of it, Allison suggested, if it reorganizes as a "wires only" utility, referred to as a local distribution company (L.D.C.). Competing electricity retailers companies would then pay a fee to South Dundas Hydro in order to distribute power to customers booked into its grid.

Paul A. Gillard of Prescott was recently appointed to the Board of Commissioners for the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. Mr. Gillard holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo where he majored in Economics and Accounting. He worked as an accountant for several years and taught at St. Lawrence College in Brockville.

St. Cecilia grabbed floor hockey gold earning the "A" championship. Numerous students from Iroquois Public grabbed first place honours at the annual Dundas County Track and Field Meet.

Willard Duncan retired from CASCO and was honoured by his colleagues. After 35 years which began in Cardinal Starch Company, Willard stayed with the electrician job until he called it enough.

CISD, The Storm in South Dundas, 107.7 fm hosted an Open House so sponsors and various community people could come out and learn what their financial support does for the station. The Morrisburg and District Lions Club donated $500 to help the effort along.

The Cardinal Lions Club hosted their 21st Annual Spring Fling Trade Show and the people came. In fact over 500 came to see what is offered by local business people.

The House of Lazarus marked a decade of help to the community. Weathering grant cuts and numerous challenges that might have detoured weaker characters, the people at Lazarus stuck with the plan and continue to head into the next decade with promise and hope.

June

Questions and answers... Three of the four candidates vying for your June 3 vote attended the all candidates debate at Maple Ridge Public School outside of Chesterville May 25th. Progressive Conservative Noble Villeneuve, New Democrat Maggie MacDonald and Liberal John Cleary, began with prepared statements, took questions from the audience and then ended with closing remarks. The Natural Law candidate, Ian Campbell, a late entry into the race and a long shot at best, was not invited because organizers were unaware he was running.

The Dundas County Chapter of the Heart and Stroke Foundation invited all those who volunteer each year to assist the programs to a meeting of Appreciation at the Park Lane Senior's Support Centre. This annual event brings people who lend a hand time to visit, to hear a speaker on Heart and Stroke and to be recognized for their efforts on behalf of the Foundation. Heart and Stroke Foundation is a volunteer driven organization, who depends upon the energy, time and dedication of volunteers. Last year a whopping $99,000 was raised for research and health promotion, nice going folks!!

In a race that was a tightly contested as was predicted by the pollsters, Liberal candidate John Cleary was able to hang on to a small lead to defeat his Conservative opponent, Noble Villeneuve in the new riding of Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh. The margin of victory was only 562 votes, but enough to topple the former Minister of Agriculture. Maggie MacDonald, the young New Democratic candidate garnered some 2,247 votes her first time in the running. Cleary had 20,054 to Villeneuve's 19,492. Ian Campbell of the Natural Law Party snagged a handful of votes.

Morrisburg's newest tourist attraction resumed its trip to Montreal under its own power on Monday night. The Hope I, a Croation-operated and Maltese-registered bulk carrier, lost power as she approached Morrisburg on her way downstream. Adrift, and with anchors dragging, the Hope I finally came to a stop just a few hundred feet off the Morrisburg docks. An opportunity to catch the unusual spectacle drew a steady stream of vehicles and curious onlookers to the docking area, which was busier than ever during the weekend. Five-hundred tonnes of wheat were off-loaded onto a waiting crane barge,in order to lighten the ship's waterlogged bow. She got underway to Montreal and everyone was relieved.

There were broad smiles on many faces as the word spread throughout St. Lawrence Corporation as testimony to the pride demonstrated when they were informed that they had been chosen by The Bay to receive their prestigious Vendor Award for the Year 1998. Everyone was justly proud of the accomplishment, from the sewers to the office staff, all the way to the head office, and as it should be this award was a team effort from start to finish, as all products are at St. Lawrence Corporation in Iroquois.

The timing was perfect. It could not have been planned to happen so well. The official re-opening of the Battle of Crysler's Farm Visitor Centre (BMB-Battle Memorial Building as it was affectionately known previously) coincided exactly with the launch date of Historical Author, Donald E. Grave's latest book, entitled, "Field of Glory; The Battle of Crysler's Farm, 1813."

It's already been a year and a half since a fledgling South Dundas staff went to the head of the class in the old Williamsburg schoolhouse, but a new committee report confirms Morrisburg as the best seat in the house for local government. "All things being equal the municipality should be planing to establish its facility in Morrisburg," the seven-man Building committee recommended in its first report, which was received at the regular meeting of Council.

The imagination and creativity of local folks is simply astounding. Taking a green patch and transforming it into a magical garden takes time, patience, hard work and a dab of ingenuity. The accomplishment of plans that shape firstly in the minds of those who crave a beauty to be admired by all comers is nothing short of miraculous. Another garden tour, this one to benefit the Park Lane Seniors' Support Centre in Williamsburg dubbed, South Dundas Garden Tour 1999 featured some garden spots not previously viewed by the avid among us.

A reworked smoking bylaw is finally set for a vote at South Dundas Council. Council's regular meeting saw members defer the hot issue yet again after discussing a rewritten draft of the smoking bylaw: this one meant to leave less of a bad taste in the mouths of the public.



Prime Minister Chretien in local area in '99.

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Bill "Moon" Mullin won the Frogtown Memorial Cup. Winning the Akwesasne Fuels Memorial Cup 50 for Modifieds was sweet for the local driver.

Jenny Clifford who for many years has sparked the atmosphere at Vanguard Drugs in Cardinal hung up her smock for the last time and called it enough. Her retirement left a void for her many customers and fellow staffers.

Bryce Piticco, a Seaway student, only 15 years of age won the first place in the provincial boys midget shot put. This marked th first time ever that a Seaway student won gold at the provincial championship.

Dundas Ducks Unlimited honoured local carver, Mike McInnis at their 13th Annual Banquet and Auction. The non-profit organization which promotes wetland development for the wildlife that inhabits it, raises funds through these events each year in numerous location throughout the entire country.

July

A big city opportunity lured away the Winchester Hospital's CEO and President, Joceline Sikorski, who publicly announced her resignation from WDMH at its annual meeting on Tuesday, June 29. Sikorski stayed on with WDMH until September, before moving to a position with a Hamilton Hospital affiliated with McMaster University. "It is with regret that I am leaving this community. I feel very good about this hospital," said the unflappably professional Sikorski from the podium at Lions' Hall.

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Realizing that he needed it repaired immediately (playing on Christmas Eve would be tricky with only one eye working) we stopped at the mall. The lens shop was open the last time we were there at night. Hoping he would be we turned the corner inside the mall foyer and he was! The spirit of the season was alive too, for he replaced the lens and secured it and wished us Merry Christmas with No Charge. Very nice indeed!

Friday was a most welcome holiday filled with all those last minute things. Gifts were checked and groceries put up and then the wrapping started, and continued for many hours into the wee hours of Christmas morning. An interlude saw us off to church and after a moving service, we visited with other friends and exchanged gifts and then headed home. It was time to get down to business and get the wrapping finished. Fears that the appropriate gift had not been bought for those special people were dispelled. All was in fine order.

The snow shovels are out and have tasted their first flakes of this winter. Ploughing family members have been out clearing drives and doorways, getting into the drift of things as it were.

What a difference a day makes!!

The trips to the muscle soother have been regular and the fall of course on the icy drive did nothing to assist the situation. In fact reports are that whiplash on the left side of the neck is the reason for the pains that shoot through the one side of the head. Having migranes all the time, a headache does not cause a lot of concern for the writer. The therapist felt the pain threshold was plenty high, and when the writer felt she had none at all!! The back spasms continue and the pain becomes severe at times, but we forge on into the new year with hopes and dreams for the future. We will defeat this muscle mess!

Take care and enjoy a safe New Year's Eve. Stay happy and if you drive, be careful, ever mindful of others on the roadway. The wisdom comes from Simone Weil who said, "The future is made of the same stuff as the present."

OBITUARIES

Garnet Stata

On Tuesday, December 21, 1999, Garnet Stata of RR1, Williamsburg at Winchester Hospital. Born on September 7, 1925 in Williamsburg Township, Garnet was 74 years of age.

A lifetime resident in the Williamsburg area. Garnet was a retired dairy farmer.

Garnet was predeceased by his parents: George and Agnes (nee Garlough) Stata and his wife, Edna (nee Jannack) Stata.

Garnet will be sadly missed by his daughters: Linda (Dale) Turner of Ajax, Laurie (Gary) Barkley of RR1, Williamsburg and Kate (Barry) Gray of Williamsburg as well as his grandchildren: Melissa, Lisa, Julie, Crystal, Nathan and Maria. He was a brother-in-law to Harold Gallinger of Morrisburg who survives the loss. Loving companion of Phyllis Simser, Garnet was a well known and well respected man who had a wonderful sense of humour. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed visiting with his many friends in the area. Garnet liked animals of all kinds.

Memorial donations to the Cancer Society or Winchester Hospital were appreciated by the family. Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Thursday, December 23, 199. A private family service will be held at a later date.

Bert Standring

After an illness of a month, peacefully, with his family at his side, Hubert "Bert" Ray Standring of Williamsburg (Gallingertown) at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, December 21, 1999.

Born in Montreal, Quebec, on April 19, 1923, Bert was 76 years of age.

Predeceased by his parents; Sydney and Lillian (nee Mitchell) Standring, and a brother, Frank, Bert wintered in Florida these past years since his retirement.

A mechanical designer for Spar Aerospace, Bert was very proud to have worked on the Canada Arm and Anek Canadian Satellite while working at Spar.

He leaves to mourn the loss, his beloved wife, Irene (nee Beebe) who he married at St. James the Apostle Church in Montreal, Quebec on November 11, 1950. Dear father of Beverley Shaver Comfort (Mark Comfort) of Iroquois, Donna Standring of Cardinal and Bob (Wanda) of Williamsburg; Bert was a kind and gentle man who loved his family and was never ashamed to show it. Loving grandpa of 8 grandchildren, he will be sadly missed by all of them. He is survived as well by a brother, Wilfred (Meg) of Montreal, Sydney (Kay) of Michigan, Evelyn Dawson and Noreen (Jim) St. Pierre, both of Campbellford.

A Mason and a Shriner, a Masonic service was held at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg on Thursday, December 23, 1999.

Friends called at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg on Thursday. Service was conducted by Rev. Bill Byers at St.James Anglican Church in Morrisburg followed by St. Lawrence Valley Union Cemetery. Pallbearers were Bob, Ronald and Phil Standring, Keith Pratt, Mark Comfort and Brandon Burrell.

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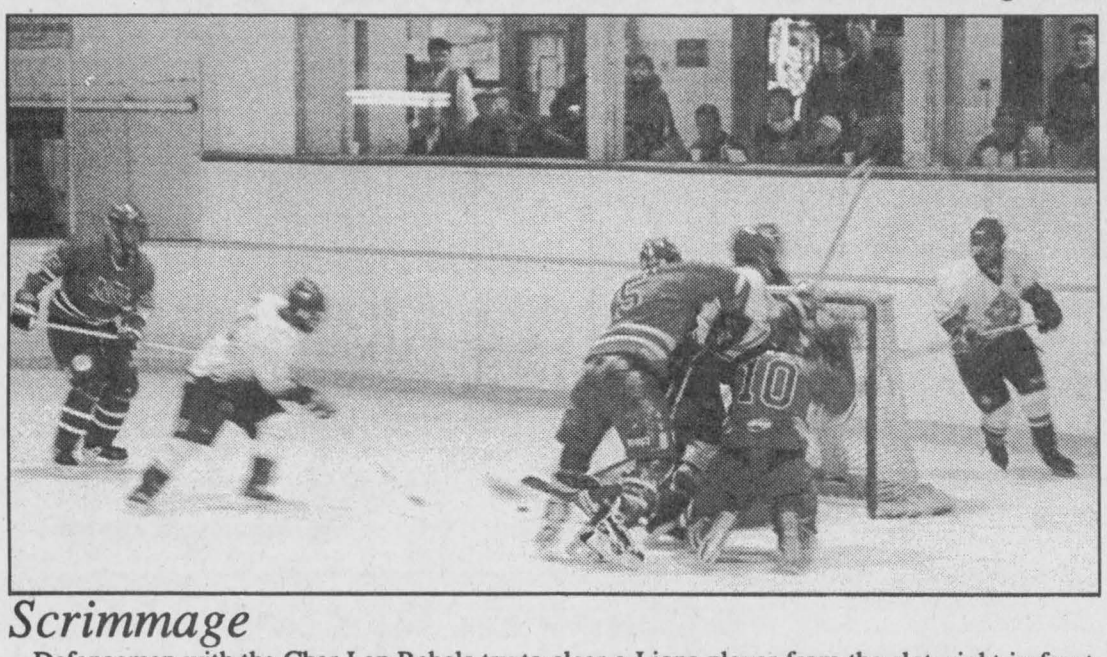

Scrimmage

Defencemen with the Char Lan Rebels try to clear a Lions player from the slot, right in front of their net, as another member of the Morrisburg squad flies toward the crease. The picture sums up Morrisburg's dominating performance last Wednesday, with Lions buzzing the Rebels' net all evening to post a 5-2 victory. *Chieftain photo by N. H. Zandbergen*

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Lions roared onto the ice Wednesday night, December 22 intent on winning one for the coach as Christmas approached more rapidly than Santas reindeer scoot from rooftop to rooftop!

Daniel Beland snapped the pass from the stick of Lance Nakic once he teamed with Charlie Froment to get down to the Char Lan Rebels end. Striking at 18:59 of the first period, the Lions caught Doug Long in the pipes for the Rebels unprepared and bulged the twine for the first counter.

The Rebels were unable to answer this goal until 9:33 of the first frame. Deeking Mathieu Blanchard who stood tall as usual in the Lions net, the Rebels (Captain, Doug Ferguson) were able to knot the score at 1. The Lions used this as momentum keeping things tight throughout the period. Then, at 3:44 Cory McAllister found space and tucked the puck behind Long for the second marker on the Lions scoresheet. He was assisted by Chris Proulx and Froment again. Wayne Garlough has played well since returning to the Lions lineup and with 1:05 on the clock in the first, he stated hard and determinedly towards the Rebels goalie. With Froment alongside, he found the mark and the score read 3-1 when the frame ended.

The second was another well played period at both ends of the ice. Neither team could break the man in the pipes they faced time after time with hard shots. Then at 12:00 of the second, Froment found air and nailed a slapshot in past Long for the fourth of the game for the Lions. Helped by Beland and McAllister he is not tops on the League scoring list for nothing! With 3:44 showing on the clock, the rebels came back yet again to score on Mathieu Ryan Major found his mark. The second ended 4-2 as the Lions had doubled the Rebels scoring efforts.

The Rebels were held scoreless in the third as the Lions played some terrific defence and the pipes were well guarded. The final goal came with only 25 seconds left in the game as Curtis Cadieux went in alone and beat Long. The Rebels went down 5-2 as the Lions roared to victory presenting a winning game to Coach DeGray and staff as an early Christmas present.

The Lions will play the South Grenville Rangers tonight, Wednesday at 8:15pm, why not show our support for these young men who are doing the best job they can on the ice? See you at the game!!



Battle of the sexes

Seaway District High School was the scene of a "battle of the sexes" basketball game Dec. 17. Money raised by the event was about half of the $1,000 students raised for the South Dundas Christmas Exchange. Here, James Delegarde mixes it up with a player from the other side. The boys won a hard fought game featuring some awesome slam dunks by Billy DeJong. *Chieftain photo by N. H. Zandbergen*

Interbranch Men's Dart action

Prescott #1 sits on top of the league with 88 points, Cardinal #2 has 85, Iroquois #7 has 69, Cardinal #4 has 67, while Cardinal #6 has 59. Iroquois #5 has 51 and Prescott #3 is in the cellar with 43 points.

In the games won department, Duane Kirker won 5, while Ross Polite, Mike Levere and Tom Beach had 4, and Rick Sayeau and Jamie Murphy had 3 games won. Jamie was Highfinisher with 119 as well.

Highscorers were; Tom Beach with 177,140,127,124. Tom Reston had 140x2, 124,123,121 and Jake Summerfield had 140 and 135. Bob Juby had 140 while Mike Levere had 139,125,121. Mark MacDonald had 134 and 120, Bill Hutt 125,123, Wayne Bellinger 125, 121, Rick Sayeau 125, Bill Walter 120x2 and Jim Kirkby and Lorne Veley each had 120.

Won for the coach

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

On Wednesday, the Morrisburg Novice "B" Lions hosted the Brockville Warriors in an exhibition game.

The Lions were looking for revenge against the Warriors who a week earlier had beat the Lions in the "A" final of the South Grenville tournament.

In a fast paced game, the Lions gave their coach, Jim Whelan an early Christmas gift with a solid 2-1 victory. The Warriors hit the scoreboard first before Jane Moss fed Alex Whelan the puck, and he scored on a beautiful breakaway to knot the game at 2. With only six minutes on the clock. Allan Waddell fired home the winner for the Lions. Pat Bongers was given the assist on this beauty.

This week, as the players celebrate the season being off school, they will travel to Ottawa to play Canterbury in an exhibition game. On January 4, 2000, they will participate in a tournament in Cornwall.



St. Cecilia Boys Champs

All the team played well according to Coach Baker, as St. Cecilia beat Maple Ridge in the final Basketball championships for the eastern region of the UCSB, elementary level. The final read 22-14 and John Bongers, Thomas Toonders, Robert Thurler, Robert Bongers and Mark Byvelds, Kevin Groniger, Ben Baker and Joseph Zambon brought home the gold. Joseph was top scorer for the winners. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

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Arena

around the existing stands and ice surface.

He said this could be done cheaper than building a completely new facility, estimated in the Thompson Rosemount report at $8 million — with two ice surfaces and four-sheet curling rink.

Whitteker also pointed out that Thompson Rosemount engineers gave the roof structure a clean bill of health for the Village of Morrisburg about 10 years ago. He said he wondered why the trusses would've deteriorated because they've always been dry.

"That wood has never been dry," township administrator Mike Waddell countered, noting the significant condensation inside the building. Recreation manager Keith Robinson confirmed the trusses often drip water onto the ice below.

"Quaile is an expert in bowstring trusses," Waddell said, adding the firm had been recommended by the Canadian Wood Council. "He will tell you the costs of remedying that building. He's not going to look at a new facility. That, you already have (in the Thompson Rosemount report)."

A possible bill of $500,000 to fix the structural problems in the existing roof was mentioned several times at the meeting, although Quaile is expected to deliver the definitive figure. Waddell said he expects Quaile's report will be ready no later than the end of January.

"Are we looking for a second opinion until we get an opinion we like?" Councillor Audrey Rooney inquired. And she asked whether it made sense to "build a new roof on old equipment" instead of a new arena.

"Do we finally have to bite the bullet here?"

In the view of Coun. Cam Martel, council needs the help of Quaile Engineering to make that final decision.

"At least we'll go in with our eyes open, what the arena needs to fix it. It's the only way we'll know that," he said, acknowledging the new opinion will cost a "wack of change.

"The big question will be, can we save the old girl?"

Coun. Rowdy Gillard agreed the Newmarket firm was the one to get the answer from. "These people are the experts.

"Thompson Rosemount gave us exactly what we asked for," he added on last year's report. "They gave us a Cadillac."

However, the cost for a new "Cadillac" arena may not be as high as estimated in the first report, Mike Waddell noted.

And there were reasons for the township to consider a larger facility at the outset.

Waddell explained the first report included pricing on a new facility with two ice surfaces and four curling sheets because "the township "has been, and is, being approached by the Curling Club."

As well, an arena with two skating surfaces "can break even or make money," he said. "With a single pad, you can never make money."

Money for a new arena would likely have to be raised 100 per cent from local ratepayers, a thought nobody at the table seemed to relish.

"There's very few municipalities around today that can afford $8 million," Waddell said.

The township spent thousands of dollars in temporary structural fixes at the arena after the release of the engineering report last year. It also began using workers to keep the roof clear of snow in the winter.

And there is still structural work to be done in the interim.

A deteriorating pilaster on the south side of the building still needs replacement.

"They felt it should be fixed immediately," the mayor said to the recreation manager. "When engineers say something should be fixed immediately, it should be fixed."

Council has been cajoled into looking at the arena issue again after its insurance company raised the issue in a letter last month.

Y2K

On New Year's Eve, only the regular compliment of officers will be on duty throughout SD&G and no officers will be on special standby...remember, it will be business as usual. But, Detachment Commander Mike Hopkins will be on duty December 31 at the administrative desk at the Long Sault office. It will ultimately fall upon his shoulders to ensure that everything is operating as it should.

The OPP has been involved in numerous emergency planning efforts throughout both North and South Dundas. Officers in the Community Control Group would be in charge of co-ordinating efforts if the Emergency Plans has to be put into action as a result of the Y2K bug or any event that may result when the clock strikes midnight on December 31st. The police involvement in emergency situations would be more or less the same as at any time. Keeping public order is a major concern, but all challenges will be met as they arise say the OPP.

Computers being readied for the milestone has been the task of the Communications Centre in Kanata. In place is a permanent backup, diesel generator as all tower sites used for radio backup have as well. Thus even a power outage can be handled this time around. The OPP assure us that even if they could not use their computers, they would still be on top of issues.

The **Ice Storm of '98** prepared most people to get along in an emergency situation, to take care of themselves for a period of time without trouble and so the majority will be fine no matter what Y2K brings.

Although the **Ontario Hyrdo Services Company** in Winchester is confident that nothing out of the ordinary will occur when the clock rolls into 2000, the facility will be specially staffed all night December 31. Usually a single trouble crew is on duty throughout the night, this New Year's Eve will see two managers, a customer support person and two trouble crews (2 linemen and a truck per). With very little computerized equipment in the distribution line system (hydraulic, mechanical and pneumatic), there is little cause for alarm. The rural areas are where eyes will be trained for anything out of the ordinary. Most villages have their own electrical facilities and situations are/will be handled by their regular contractors. Covering the area from Gloucester to the mighty St.Lawrence is a big job, but Hydro Services is confident they have things well in hand. Some 1000 people across the province working for OHSC will ensure the flow of electricity to our homes. (Normally 50 work this shift)

North Dundas management staff will not be in the office during the turnover to 2000, but each will have their cellulars with them and are ready to come into work if called.

Cardinal is taking nothing for granted and leaving nothing to chance. "The municipal office will be staffed (One councillor and the clerk at all times) New Year's Eve until 8am on January 1, 2000, there will be someone in the water and sewer plant operations centre from 10pm on December 31, 1999 and 2 men at the Public Works office from 11pm onward," says Clerk Walsh. He explains that a 48-hour schedule has been drawn up just to be safe. "We are Y2K ready, and the weather will dictate PW staffing to a degree, and we do not foresee any problems, certainly not internal ones, but externally one never knows for certain," adds Walsh, "We have all our Y2K compliance tasks completed and should be in great shape in Cardinal."

Banks and Bell Canada, as well as most large business operations have things ready. For instance even though they are ready, Bell Canada has contingency plans in place for all types of calls including 911 access and 2100 Bell employees will be on site or on call New Year's Eve.

Iroquois and District Community Calendar

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Lady Curlers wanted. The Prescott Afternoon Ladies Curling Group would like to hear from anyone who would like to join them, two afternoons a week (Tuesday and Thursday) If you are a curler, or if you would like to try it, please contact June Allen 925-4031 or Maureen Bradley 925-3778.

Iroquois Community Watch Members are desperately needed. In order to keep this great program, volunteers are needed. All you need to give up is approximately 3 hours a month. Please call Walter at 652-4508. Thanks to all the dedicated volunteers, past and present for all the wonderful work they have done.

Love To Sing?! Cardinal Community Choir welcomes new members every Wednesday evening at 8:15 p.m. at the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Cardinal. Ability to read music is not required. For further information call Carol at 657-1013.

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Looking back at Iroquois and district over the year 1999

Looking back

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Gail McDonald sailed into the Cardinal council meeting looking for answers. Accusing council of holding a secret meeting on development of waterfront property west of the Legion, McDonald asked Reeve Larry Dishaw if he believed he was accountable to the people? "I would say yes," responded the Reeve defensively. According to McDonald, council met to discuss turning the land west of Legion Park into a campground.

The face was vaguely familiar as the 1998 Little Gent congratulated the 1999 winner... you see they are twins. It will be tough having two royals in the same house, especially for their sister! The rain was not what was ordered, but there was no dampening of spirits as the Civic Centre filled to capacity. Once the jolly old elf himself made his way through the crowd, handing out candy canes, which he suggested had been picked too soon this year (due to their size!), he was welcomed to the opening of Iroquois Summer Festival '99 and presented with a festival T-Shirt designed by local artist and golf enthusiast, Kent McDermid, by Candace Menges of the Festival Committee (featuring Santa playing the game in Iroquois!). Taylor Beahan and Jody Shearer were wearing crowns after the contest. Walter Reid was named Citizen of the Year while Hazel Ace and Clare Dunbar were shared honours as Seniors of the Year.

The South Grenville Economic Development Commission (SGEDC) was once again courting the Village of Cardinal. After dropping out of the SGEDC three years ago, council received a letter and request for funding. Over the past few months Reeve Dishaw has been attending the SGEDC meetings and he brought council up to speed on all of the new developments.

Water and sewage system upgrades worth $153,000 were approved by South Dundas Council at its last meeting. Restoring the clarifying facilities at Iroquois 40-year-old sewage plant, at $110,000 will take the bulk of the six-month expenditure.

The Christmas decorations had been taken down for the second time this year as the Annual Summer Festival in Iroquois came to an end. Christmas in July was a popular theme and what with the jolly old elf himself making appearances at various events, it was easy for folks to really get into the groove on this one. It was kind of cheery to drive to town for milk and see Christmas lights twinkling at you.

Over 200 onlookers gathered at the waterfront park in Cornwall to await the arrival of the Prime Minister of Canada last Thursday afternoon. At approximately 4:30 p.m. Jean Chretien arrived. Working his way through a crowd of well wishers and media, he stopped to shake hands and visit briefly with those who had lined the path in anticipation.

The names of Winchester Hospital contributors are headed out of the basement and onto a sunny new donor display area in the main lobby. An expanse of wall above the lobby's main entrance will list the names of donors in an agriculturally themed mural, after a cross section of community group leaders and private donors endorsed the idea. Names from the old donor wall, located on the basement level, were incorporated into the new design.

The tone of the letter addressed to South Dundas Mayor Johnny Whitteker was serious. Faced with making one of their most "important business decisions", Ross Video in Iroquois needed to double the size of their existing building, or consider a move to Ottawa. In a letter to council, John Ross, owner of Ross Video, told council that his company has outgrown their main building of 10,000 square feet as well as the 4,599 square feet of space they have in the plaza. In addition to this, the company also rents another 2,500 square feet of storage space in two different locations.

An entertaining afternoon and evening was on tap as the sixth annual Haddo Jamboree in the Country, "Haddo You Do" was hosted by Haddo Recreation and the South Dundas Snowmobile Club. The lawn at the Haddo Recreation Centre, the old schoolyard north of Iroquois on Haddo road was rockin' to the country tunes as Larry Granger, Hughie McDonell, Randall Beckstead & O.C. Central, Runnin' on Empty and Bordertowne kept things moving throughout the day and evening.

The South Dundas Economic Development Commission had the good fortune and privilege of acquiring two young people, namely Kristen Gardner and Mike Phifer involved in a Youth Services Canada Project called Tourism 2000. Kristen had this marvellous idea of holding an Antique Festival. Earl Baker Park in Morrisburg was transformed into an Antique Festival on the weekend. There was something for everyone. The line up to enter the appraisers tent was evidence that this was a popular place to be despite the heat.

August

Rick Groves and his crew had everyone confused Sunday as they left the Tubie Race starting line in Mariatown. New rules in '99 stated that participants in the race could bend or shape their innertubes anyway they wanted, but they could not cut the tubes. When the Spirit Of The St. Lawrence slid comfortably into first place rounding the bend at Mariatown Park, whispers of a disqualification were rampant. But...it was missing a buoy that put this team out of contention, giving the victory to the Farlinger Squad.



Gran King greets Santa at the Hartford

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

High levels of bacteria have forced the Eastern Ontario Health Unit to close the municipal beach in Iroquois. Swimming lessons have been put on hold and water sample testing this week should reveal whether or not the beach will reopen. The EOHU monitors beaches on a regular basis and although Iroquois has had the occasional problem, this is the first time in recent memory the beach has actually been closed.

John Ross, President of Ross Video in Iroquois, was very pleased the South Dundas Minor Variance Committee approved his company's application. "We always wanted to stay here (Iroquois) but obviously we had to consider alternatives," he said in reference to the headline which appeared in the July 28 edition of The Chieftain - Ross Video Considers moving plant to Ottawa. At a meeting August 3, Mart Prost, Hennan DeVries and Bernard Lafontaine, members of the Minor Variance Committee, voted unanimously to approve the request.

Barring any last minute flip-flops by its municipal siblings, the Village of Cardinal will return to Leeds and Grenville Counties Council on December 1st. At Cardinal's regular meeting on Wednesday, Reeve Larry Dishaw predicted the required "triple majority" will come through to approve the measure. The counties have already given their blessing in an 11-8 vote.

Thirty two bowlers, representing 16 districts, rolled into Iroquois, August 14, to take part in the Provincial Lawn Bowling Playdowns. The top eight bowlers met August 15, to play for the gold, silver and bronze medals. "It's a first for our club and quite an honour," said Janet Davis about hosting the provincial championship games. According to Davis, the provincial playdowns are normally hosted by the larger centres.

Even the rain couldn't dampen the spirits! The Law Enforcement Torch Run Celebrity Golf Tournament for Special Olympics hurdled past the $10,000 mark. The first annual tournament, organized by Sergeant Brian Snyder from Cornwall Police Services and staff at Upper Canada Golf Course (UCGC) was a swinging success! All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Special Olympics.

From meagre beginnings with a nine-year old used Ford flatbed truck, Harland Veinotte created a transport business in Morrisburg some 35 years ago. Celebrating a milestone in the operation of a trucking firm that has grown steadily in Morrisburg over the past 35 years, the Veinotte family were on hand Saturday to host an Open House.

A fire control bylaw passed earlier this year in North Dundas Township has some taxpayers feeling hot under the collar. The bylaw limits fire sizes to no larger than one cubic meter and requires anyone wishing to start a fire, other than a campfire or barbeque, to get a permit from the clerk's office. Permits are free of charge. Not making that trip out to Winchester means the fire department might show up at your bonfire and put it out. A fine of $315, for burning without a permit can be expected to arrive by mail sometime later.

In an ongoing effort to create a future as bright as the past it grows from, the Mountain Township Agricultural Society offered a weekend of affordable family entertainment in true country style as the 107th Annual South Mountain Fair featured some old and some updated events, some new and some innovative ideas as the Fair prospered and provided fun for all.

Local community radio took another major step toward its on-air debut with the installation of a beefy new antenna on the top of Iroquois' water tower. On Monday, a crew of volunteers from the Iroquois Amateur Radio club and CISD "The Storm"; the new station to be located at 107.7 on the FM dial saw their 20' antenna hoisted to the top of the tower by a giant crane, where it was welded in place by a contractor.

September

After the sudden shock of a $35,000 bill for an upcoming hydro upgrade, Ross Video owner John Ross says South Dundas Council's recent decision to cover half the cost of filling the Anderson St. ditch beside his company production building is a "good compromise." Ross said he "nearly fell off his chair" at an August 19 meeting with the South Dundas Hydro Commission, after learning his company would be responsible for the cost of a new transformer emplacement to go with the planned expansion at the Ross video building. Work on the 11,000 square foot addition is expected to begin in October, 1999.

Premier Peterbilt at the 730 Truck Stop north of Cardinal celebrated their one year anniversary. Business is good according to Manager John Stubbs. A complimentary business at the locale.

Iroquois men won the coveted Valley League on home links as the Iroquois Golf Club hosted the event his year. In other Sports action the **Double T Bulldogs** took the Blooperball trophy home after a successful tourney netted them top spot over the runnersup, Shavers whose captain donated the gold.

Cardinal was big on history and school-time memories during its annual Community Festival last weekend. And September's scorching reminder that it, too, is a summer month will intensify the memories of the event itself. This year's Festival, a Labour Day tradition in Cardinal, was built on a couple of nostalgic themes: the 50th Anniversary of Benson Public School and the catch-all "homecoming." It was a double billing that excluded nobody with a Cardinal connection, according to Community Festival Chair Edna Magee, who was very pleased with the way the weekend turned out.

Flagg Creek Country Store hosted an open house and featured various of the area faremrs whose diverse product lines were on view. From pheasants to quail from feathers to preserves, from wool to eggs there was a minagerie of items here.

Iroquois Golf Club celebrated their 40th Anniversary by hosting a golf tourney. They raised some $4,628, which was donated to CHEO. Les and Anita Gilmour and Chris and Nancy Barkley were top teams. Forty year members were recognized as well. E.P. and Dorene Thompson, Shirley Fisher and Earle Fletcher.

Ambulance services in SD&G will need money to keep up to speed with the urban areas of Ontario, say those involved with the system. Until then, some patients will continue to die unnecessarily. A contingent of local paramedics and their administrators are pushing the United Counties to fund special training for about 30 paramedics, which would allow them to perform extra procedures on patients under their care. The group is presently lobbying Counties Council members on their political home turf at the lower tier. Last week, they appeared at the local council meetings for both North and South Dundas.

Over 50 motorhomes lumbered into the Iroquois Campground last weekend to attend a Family Motor Coach Association rally. The rally was put on by the Thousand Island Voyager chapter of the F.M.C.A., a group that counts 187 coaches from eastern Ontario, western Quebec and upper New York State among its ranks.

The Hospital Auxiliary at Winchester does a pile of good work and so when they donated $24,400, no one was surprised, but they were grateful. New beds and recliner chairs will be purchased with the generous donation.

Cardinal Council were burning the lamp oil late as they settled around the council table to set the budget for the year 1999. Things are looking pretty good for the people in the Village that did not amalgamate. Among the noteworthy items to result from strenuous deliberation and discussion is the fact that the 1999 total expenditures have actually decreased from $2,564,118 in 1998 to $2,437,105 in 1999. This puts the 1999 Residential Mill Rate for taxes at .014806351 and the Commercial tax rate at .036008058.

The number of FoodBank clients is up 24% over last year and some are having to come to the Bank more often. No dollars come from the provincial or federal governments to help the FoodBank, other than a one-time grant that allowed organization to take place in 1991. According to Judy Hilson, FoodBank co-ordinator, "There has been nothing since then from either level of government." Presently local gardeners have brought in fresh vegetables, and this certainly has helped, but the shelves sit nearly bare and empty at the FoodBank. "We need everything."

The first official stab at paring down the number of members who sit around the North Dundas council table in time for next year's municipal elections didn't get very far on Monday evening. In a split 5-4 vote, council rejected holding a special public meeting to even discuss the idea.

Racing snowmobiles on the grass has become a tradition in South Mountain. The Grass Drags drew a large crowd of entries and spectators to the fairgrounds to watch the sleds go. **Jim's Performance Plus hosted its annual Open House** and despite the sunshine and warm weather many are thinking snow and were looking for deals as they new Skidoos were on display.

A large number of war veterans along with political dignitaries and interested people walked along the final stretch of veterans

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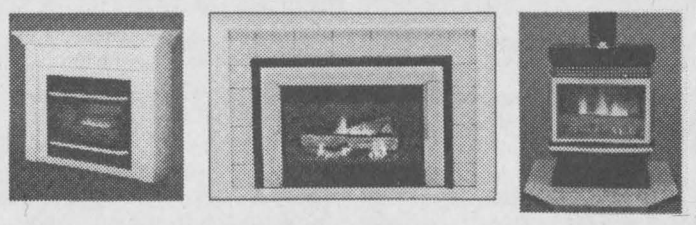

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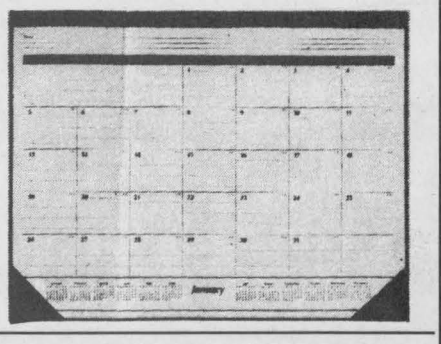

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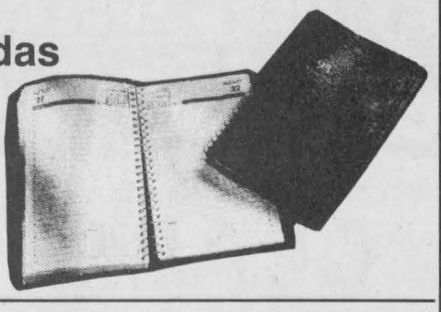

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Looking back at Iroquois and district over the year 1999

Looking back

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Memorial Highway 416 to be a part of the official opening of the final link between Ottawa and Highway 401. Premier Mike Harris was among those who came out. "In 1995, we promised to complete this Freeway before the year 2000. We kept our promise... and we are pleased to be opening the final phase ahead of schedule and under budget," said Mr. Harris. This event marked the early completion of the highway that presented builders with more than one challenge.

The sun shone brightly as things began to slowly take shape at the ball park in Williamsburg on Saturday morning. Food booth staffers started to fire up the grill and local eateries stood set to feed the hungries. From pancakes to burgers, from fries to chili, from beef to dogs there was a tasty treat to tempt your taste buds. The smell of things cooking filled the air in short order as Williamsburg's Annual Fall Fest began.

Cardinal's a four bloom town, according to the Ontario ommunities in Bloom Program. The latest ranking, handed down on e weekend, puts the village on top of its class in the province and into contention for a national title next year. "We got a total of 867 out of 1000 points. Great, eh!" said Lori Pennell, a member of the Cardinal in Bloom committee, shortly after arriving from Stratford.

A plan to hire a consultant to study one-tier government in Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry was narrowly defeated at Monday's meeting of counties council. The executive committee's recommendation, brought forward as a motion by the reeve of South Glengarry, Charles Sangster, was defeated in a 10 to 8 vote. South Dundas mayor Johnny Whitteker voted against the measure. "I was of the opinion the ink wasn't dry on the last amalgamations," he said, contacted at home on Tuesday.

Iroquois Minor Baseball handed out awards to deserving youngsters at the annual awards night as **CISD was ready** to hit the community air waves.

October

Cardinal Council passed some pertinent by-laws at their regular monthly meeting Monday evening. Among them was a by-law to deal with the motion to declare property surplus to the municipality. "There is a process to go through before we can actually sell the land and this is the first step in that process," noted Jack Walsh. The properties listed include: Those lots on Dundas Street East along the Galop Canal, property on Queen Street and County Road 2 across from the Municipal Building and the far westerly portion of the filled in part of the old canal, west of the new Convenience Store. These will be advertised "For Sale" now that the by-law has passed and signs will go up shortly to let folks know it is happening.

"One bad apple don't spoil the whole bunch"... well on Saturday, Morrisburg was apple pie heaven. Applefest is a terrific way to celebrate the heritage of South Dundas, the home of the Mighty McIntosh. Folks gathered to check out the party in the Morrisburg Mall. Whether you crumble your apples, turn them into sauce, or tuck slices between pastry, there was an apple adventure waiting for you.

Ross Broadcast Products opened their doors in Iroquois on October 7, 1974 and twenty-five years later looks back on numerous changes and challenges, renovations and decisions that have allowed the business to flourish in the high tech markets of the world and feel good about them all. Late last week, President, Founder, Engineer and Resident of the village, John Ross opened the doors at 8 John Street and welcomed back a familiar face. Louise Laframbise was one of the original three locals (dare we call them muskateers?!) Who started the operation in Iroquois alongside John and his first manager, Rex Ferbrache and Dale Wallace. Standing beside John who was flanked by Doreen Bailey, the third of the threesome (who still works at Ross Video) met as Louise returned to see how things have changed and greet old friends not seen in a while. She was suitably impressed with how everything has moved forward since she left.

Cutting council down to size got another go-round at the last egular meeting in North Dundas Township. And again a majority put the kibosh on an initiative to reduce the number of local politicians from nine, to five members. It was the second trip back to the table for councillor Keith Fawcett's motion to begin the downsizing process, and the second time councillors David Sloane, Estella Rose, Bob Riddell, Roger Cole and Gail Parker voted against anything connected to the idea. At the previous council meeting, the same five voted against holding a public meeting on the issue first. This time, a full house of spectators was on hand to watch the group quash the motion itself. All of the other local township councils in Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry have five members.

The Opthalmology Unit became reality thanks to the local Lions Clubs. The Antique Fair held in Morrisburg raised funds which were donated and with which a waterproof Doppler Monitor was purchased was thanked by the staff for the valuable contribution to the Birthing Suite at WDMH.

Seaway High School honoured 86 graduates at their annual Commencement exercises while the OPP presented Awards to deserving officers and civilians for their efforts.

The Great Escape challenged families and presented rewards that may never be harvested.

Fall marks a busy time even in the 1990s. Travelling back in time at Upper Canada Village it is easy to understand why folks in the 1860s needed to make such elaborate preparations for winter. Thanksgiving weekend, the last weekend the Village was open to the public for 1999 saw folks scurrying about getting things ready for winter. The entire village was busy as visitors stopped to watch, comment or ask questions, not to mention take a few snapshots. Many workers are up in arms as they will not be staying around after the Village closes for the season to prepare for winter. Questions about the wisodm of decisions made this year are being asked.

A newly invigorated marina committee in Iroquois is trying to secure $12,000 in millennium funding for improvements at the Galop Canal boathouse area. The committee of six, chaired by Bill Ewing, has applied for the money, which would be used to install public washrooms in the green building across from the boathouses. The money would also help spruce up some of the old lock machinery, affix interpretive plaques and such, and fix up the old grey lock master's hut, committee member Ron Cowalchuk said.



Seaway students entertained at their Concert.

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

St.Cecilia has champions, as the Junior Girls Soccer trophy came home with them and the boys likewise won the Senior Invitational Tourney.

In August of 1993, Goldie Van Allen died of cancer. As a result of that personal loss, her son Carl decided to host an event that would forever honour the memory of his beloved mother. He envisioned a tournament of some sort of sport that would be played in the area of their farm where his mother, Goldie would tend her garden. And so it was that by 1995, Carl and his supportive wife, Ruby, along with other people who shared his concern to raise money to fight the dreaded disease that affects so many of us... that took his mother, put together the first Volley for Cancer. Held in August to coincide with Goldie's death the word went out and the teams came, as did the support from far and near. Since that time, five Volley for Cancer events have been held, netting the Canadian Cancer Society a total of $94,000.00. Volley for Cancer is undeniably proud of this record and it is suspected by the organizers that Volley for Cancer is the largest non-commercial fundraiser in Dundas County.

Teenagers get a bad enough rap these days, and that's without even taking into account the young-blooded vandalism that has traditionally gone hand in hand with Hallowe'en. A youth group based at Community Christian Reformed Church in Dixon's Corners is aiming to change this perception, and on Hallowe'en night, no less, when they plan to hit the streets on a food drive. About 40 youths, age 14-20, are members of the youth group; not all of them members of the Christian Reformed Church. They want the community in the Morrisburg and especially the Iroquois area to know that they will be looking for non-perishable food items on the evening of Oct. 31.

Craig Packaging generously donated $2500 to the United Way of Leeds and Grenville and another $2000 to the Winchester and District Hospital. All donations are made on behalf of the employees at the South Dundas operation on the Carman Road.

The two neighbouring councils have been meeting since last January working towards the formation of an alliance that could be feasible and perhaps even beneficial for both before the provincial government steps in and forces a merger that is not satisfactory to either of them. Edwardsburgh Reeve Dave Dobbie noted, "If we don't do it, they are going to do it for us!" He continued, "We are searching for a locally driven solution to amalgamation so they don't step in and do it for us." Cardinal Council Chambers was as full as it has been in some time late last week as Cardinal and Edwardsburgh Councils hosted a public meeting to inform the residents what is happening as far as amalgamation is concerned. The majority of those present raised their hands in agreement after the presentation by the joint c ouncils. The few dissenters in the crowd, although adamant about their opposition to any amalgamation seemed nonetheless resigned to the fact they cannot stop it from occurring.

November

A plan by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission to give its old train to a group in Prince Edward County has probably been derailed. The SLPC learned last week that the Prince Edward County Railways Preservation Society, which planned to restore the train and put in on four-and-a-half mile tourist run between Trenton and the county, will likely not be able to secure enough money from the federal government's millennium fund, on which the outcome of the project rode.

The five young men from the Iroquois area had received their Queen Venturer Awards earlier this year at a ceremony that they would not soon forget as they were honoured at Queen's University. Now they were enroute to Queen's Park, in Toronto. A golden embossed invitation with the Lieutenant Governor's emblem had arrived for each QV recipient from The Honorable Hilary M. Weston, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario to receive the QV Award of the Provincial Council of Scouts Canada and then to be part of a reception in their honour in her suite at Queen's Park. Wow!! Quite an honour. Packed and ready to hit the highway, the five locals; namely Kevin Coville, Jeremy Johnston, Adam Lewis, Ryan McQuigge and Andrew Norton along with their Advisors - Sandra Lee and Roger Johnston were headed west on Friday afternoon.

Cardinal Council missed Charles Burrell from the table Monday evening at their regular meeting. Council unanimously passed a resolution that if endorsed (a majority of local municipalities necessary to pass) at the County level will restructure the make up of the county Council. The proposal came to the table after County Council accepted the restructuring proposals that amalgamate various municipalities within the Counties. Heads of Council from the new municipality will sit on County Council. The proposal describes the boundaries in detail, and the voting scheme according to number of electors.

Lest we Forget... A reflection of peace... A means of remembering those who bravely went into battle to preserve our way of life... As a two-minute silence fell upon the gathering, memories flooded back to the veterans present at the Iroquois Legion. The years have taken a toll on many who survived the devastation of war. The lines in their brows are testimony to what they endured and how they have no problem recalling the horrors. Surely too, they must recall friends and buddies who did not return home after the war... and they must certainly wonder why they were spared.

Renovations to the township office in Williamsburg are proceeding according to plan as $86,000 has been earmarked for the work. Council had recommendations that a move to Morrisburg might be a better idea than renovating the Wiliamsburg offices. The money comes from a grant that was to help defray amalgamation costs.

The Iroquois Legion, Branch 370 presented their annaul awards to those deserving Legionaires including the prestigious Legionaire of the Year Award, which went this time to Sheila Holmes.

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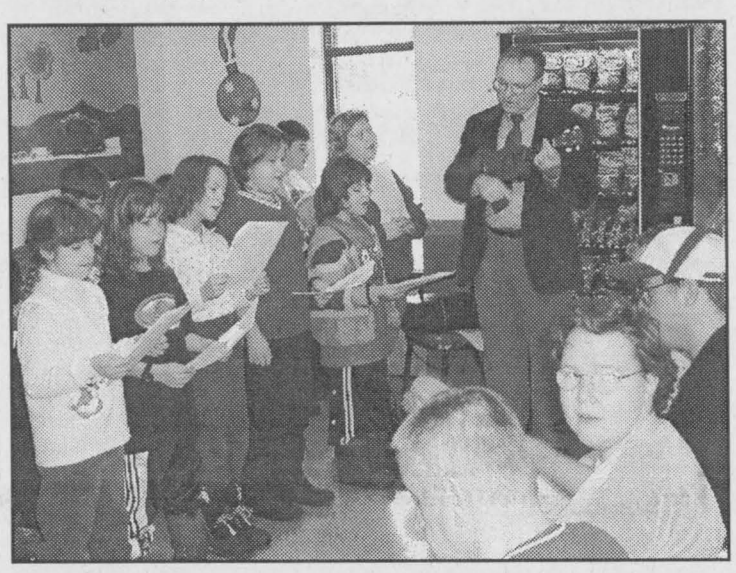

St. Mary's carolers at D. Community Living

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THANX!!

The editor at *The Chieftain* would like to take this opportunity to thank *Linda*, our bird column lady, *Dar*, the Legion gal, *all the coaches and helpers* who make sure we get score sheets etc., from the hockey games - *Dale, Nancy, Cindy and Barry* in particular and to the *dart folks (Glen)* who bring in their results. All is much appreciated. Your efforts are a great help each week.

Sandra Lee Johnston

LETTERS

Happy Y2K to you

Well, one of the great advantages that I have had this past year lying around for days on end being sick and tired (or is it tired and sick?, is that I got to watch lots of great TV. Yes, I've heard that the TV is full of garbage, but I'm here to tell you that this is just not so! TV is funny, profound, entertaining and just too darn odd for words somedays.

Take today for example, an old lady has a big Y2K problem and she is as cranky as could be about it. No, she does not depend on a computer. No, she does not even drive a car or own any fancy date-dependant equipment. yet still she is hopping mad! From her behaviour, I would guess that she is hopping mad much of the time.

So, what is the big problem? It seems that forty years ago when her husband died (some say he was nagged to death, but I digress!) that she did the frugal and even futuristic thing of having his tombstone also engraved with her name, her birthdate, a dash and a 19__ for the year of her demise. Well, guess what...in a couple of days it will be the year 2000 and that 19__ won't be right and she is angry!!

Angry that the tombstone man away back when could not see that she was healthy and mean enough to last another forty plus years! Angry that she paid him $15. extra dollars for that 19__ that she can't use now! Angry that the new tombstone man wants $500. to fix up the stone with the big 20__!

There's a very good chance that she won't be needing a 21__, so 20__ should be all right. Angry, yes and when she gets to heaven, she 's going to give that old tombstone man a piece of her mind.

Ok, let us analyze the big problem here. She has had a long, healthy, problem free life for the past 96 years. That doesn't sound all that bad to me!!

Have a Happy Y2K!!

Shelley Prins

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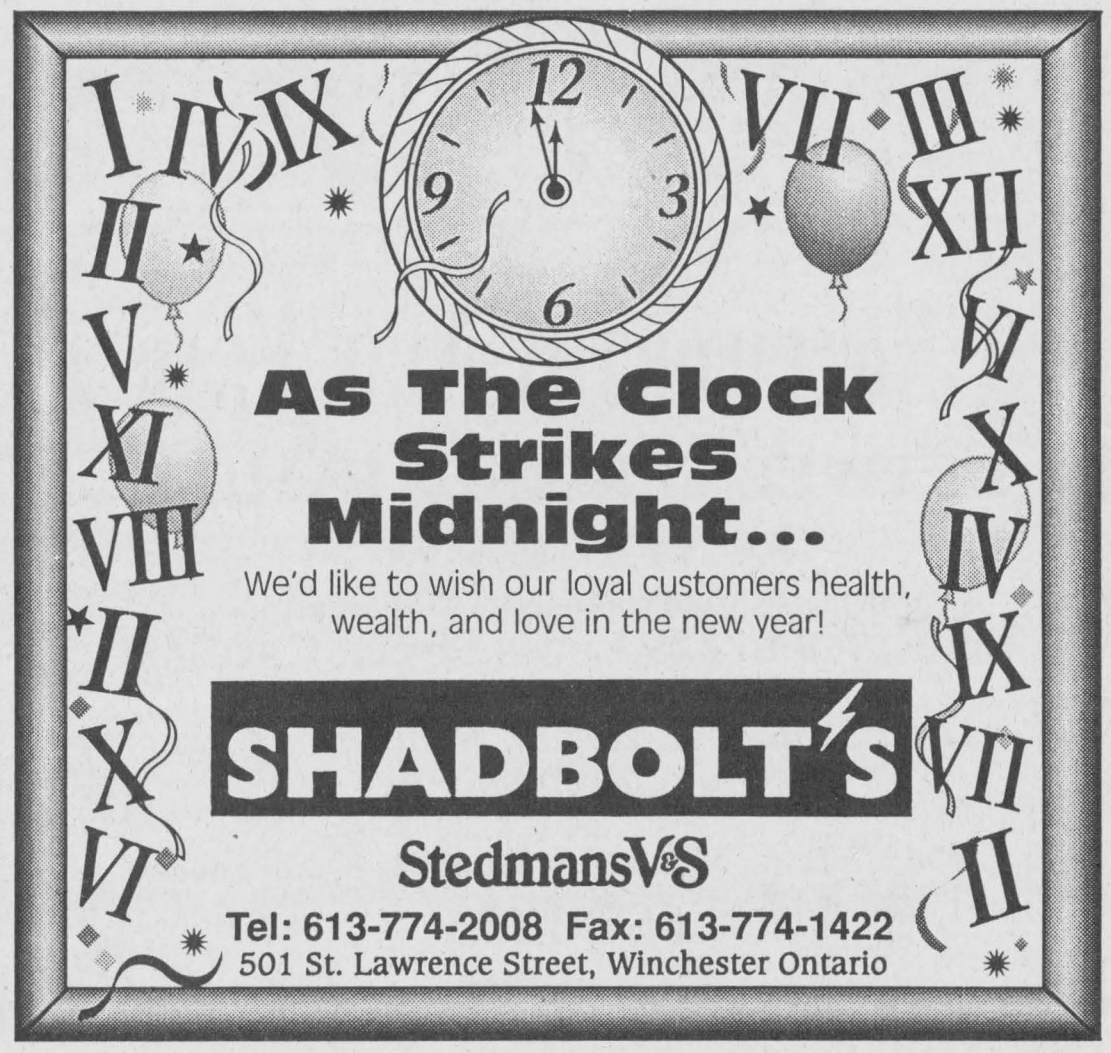

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Looking back

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Creating a South Dundas museum in the Iroquois Civic Centre could be an idea whose time has come. Nearly two years after the township's museum committee received a non-committal response from council about using the Civic Centre, there seemed to be some movement in that direction Thursday. Gordon McGregor, chairman of the committee, approached council with the idea of using the southern part of the "Civic Centre; the former village office and council chamber - as a museum. The rooms would be used without need for modifications, though it could be a possibility in the future."

Assisted by Mayor Claude Cousineau, MPP John Cleary, Dr. Bill Evans, Cancer Care Ontario (CCOR), CEO: Mr. Paul Hindo, Cancer Care Ontario: Dr. Diane Logan, CCOR Co-ordinator: Michel Lalonde WDMH CEO: Dr. Chuck Adamson, WDMH Chief of Staff; Jannie Van Nooppen. WDMH Board of Directors Chair and Lorna Dobi, Provincial OBSP Rep., the ribbon was cut to officially open the Ontario Breast Screening Program at Winchester Hospital. The Winchester District Memorial Hospital is now an affiliated site of the Ontario Breast Screening program, a program of Cancer Care Ontario.

A banner day in the village of Iroquois. Those who drop by the Plaza to shop, especially if they do any grocery shopping will notice that S and F FoodTown has changed yet again. In a never ending effort to stay abreast of the latest in customer satisfaction and product lines, S&F will make another change. As of this Saturday, Nov. 20th, S&F will change their banner name to S&F Foodland.

Upper Canada Playhouse earned over $60,000 at their Annual Christmas Auction. The money will help to keep live theatre in the area. CISD hosted a Remembrance Day program with a local flair as Keith Beaupre and Len Roberts were interviewed.

Wasn't that a party?! The McIntosh Country Inn was the scene as the members of the local Chamber of Commerce and their guests gathered to celebrate the Millennium Community Countdown Party II as we travel ever closer to the Year 2000. President of the Chamber Don Graham was nursing a very ill back condition, but popped his head into the dining area numerous times during the evening. Emcee for the evening, Margaret Lee welcomed everyone to the evening celebration as folks visited and exchanged ideas over cocktails. On hand to tie the evenings theme, Heritage into events, was Captain John Crysler, (aka Gerry Thompson) a prominent businessman of the 1850s... a symbol for the township. The guests were piped to the Heritage Buffet prepared by Gilles of the Inn by a most able young piper, Joshua Kelly. As the delicious meal was enjoyed by everyone, Seaway Classical Hi featured Sharlene Hoftyzer at the keyboard. The atmosphere was delightful and the sweet potatoes and apple were exquisite!

Emergency Room doctors at WDMH will be paid by the hour rather than the case in a one-year experimental program that is hoped will help with ER problems at hospitals across the province. OHIP pays by the patient and so doctors can earn more by staying in their offices and seeing patients than taking a risk in the ER and seeing fewer patients. Paying by the hour would seem better, except that even when your own doctor is in the hospital, you are only seen by the on-call, ER doctor...he is being paid to see you.But, no matter when, you will see a doctor. That is some piece of mind.

Donations to WDMH continue as the Tubie Weekend organizers gave $1000 and the Dundas Holstein Club donated another $500. All donations are used well in the facility that helps so many.



Another Sears winner-Agnes Traynor

Chieftain Photo by S.LJohnston

December

Sarah Charbot receives a Governor General's Certificate of Merit for saving Jim Pakeman's life after a water skiing accident which occured during the summer of 1998 in the Galop Canal. M.P. Bob Kilger presented it on behalf of the Governor General. Mayor Johnny Whitteker attended as did Sarah's family.

South Dundas Township's Insurance Company is putting pressure on the Counil to decide what they will do with the Morrisburg Arena...whether repair or replace is the answer. Council will research options, including a sharing idea and another engineering firm to assess the situation before a final decision is made.

The Youth Service Canada Contingent responded to South Dundas Council at their temporary location in Iroquois with a number of keen ideas on celebrating the Milliennium in the Township throughout the year and beyond. A maze and medallions were among the ideas tossed at members. Government funding is available for such projects as well.

Radio South Dundas, CISD, The Storm gets a hand from S&F Foodland as Jim Lewis presents Jim Millard, Seaway High Communications Teacher with a cheque for $1500 to be used for necessary equipment to kep the station on the air.

The wheels are in motion to allow five severances off the Cedar Glen Golf Course along Saddlemire Road.

The Iroquois/Matilda Lions Club donated $500 each to the House of Lazarus and the Dundas Food Bank to help at Christmas time.

The Seaway Junior gals Basketball, team wins the Upper Canada School Board Championship.

The Groniger lads brought home a number of awards from the 4-H Awards night. Richard was second in Senior Special Awards and the Bank of Nova Scotia Award, while Kevin won the Dundas Feed and Seed Award and Bryan the Ottawa Valley Harvestore Award.

Bayview Resorts is going ahead with expansion plans. Creating a 25-unit seasonal RV Park, moving some existing buildings to make a more esthetically pleasing, a B and B and a restaurant will round out plans. There may be 10 kayak docks installed, a playground and a lane to the river's edge coming in the future, if all parties give the okay.

Council acting on a recommendation by Township Officials are looking into tendering the janitorial services for six South Dundas buildings. Councillors are not in agreement on this issue.

Cardinal has their winter parking regulations in effect and offende will be prosecuted. Council took over the House Decorating Contest in the Village after the Lions decided they could not accomplish this in 1999.

Santa arrived via the Morrisburg Parade. A large number of entries made for the best yet in the village as floats, bands, animals and the community drew together to offer a fine parade in the spirit of the season.

Martin Habraken was the first Sears winner in Iroquois as the catalogue company sponsors terrific shop and win contest. Martin wins a cordless drill...Merry Christmas!!

North Dundas was encouraged at their final meeting of 1999 to "Go Black and White" as a way of fostering their Dairy Capital image. Using the holstein motif in various creative ways would help tourism and blend into the Dairyfest celebration hosted each year.

PeeWee House League Lions proved they are champions as they earned top honours and brought home the gold from Winchester's Tournament. The boys presented their trophy to Junior"B" player, Charlie Forment who helps Coach Dale Lewis with this group.

Jim Fraser turns 101 years old and celebrates at his favourite haunt, the Morrisburg and District Curling CLub with haggis, cake and laughter. Born in Scotland, Jimmy is well known throughout the area. A curler for the past 25 years, Jim was inetrviewed by CJOH as well.

The Tindale Home located across from the Iroquois Control Dam and Locks could become a haven of tourist and heritage information, that is if DIAMONDS and South Dundas Township Council can agree with the St.Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation which owns the structure presently.

South Mountain presents a Santa Parade each year, for some 15 of them now and this year was no exception as the jolly old elf arrived on the float sponsored by the IOOF of the Town. Floats were dressed in Christmas finery and showed that community means a lot in the town by the Nation.

Renaming County Road 31 to Bank Street as a continuation of the pavement that stretches from Ottawa to Morrisburg could come as a way to boost tourism along the Seaway. Economic development capitalizing on the Ottawa connection is what is the main objective of a group who see the standardization of signage and stretching the Tulip Festival southward as means to their end.

The Williamsburg Non-Profit Housing Coporation is planning to build 30 new rental townhouses and duplexes in Williamsburg this spring. Providing affordable housing in the area is a welcome event as the lack of same is evident.

Clerk of South Dundas, Bill Horner informs council that he is checking into "Voting without Ballots" as a possible option for the next election. Voting by phone or voting by mail are being checked into for the elections in 2000.

Benson Girls are Volleyball Champs as they spiked to victory at all levels they competed at as the season drew to a close. **The Benson mixed team** brought home a win in Newcombe Ball while the **Boys Volleyball squad** were runners-up at Eastern Regional Playdowns and semi-finalists at the Tourney of Champions.

The South Dundas Christmas Exchange was a huge success this year as students and parents alike did their part to supply food, gifts and various other donations, including volunteering to help as the exchange helped a pile of families enjoy Christmas, 1999.

Little Rikki's is on the move, east that is in the plaza to the former Baldi's location. Offering an extended line of food and converting the former pizza place into a store selling skate board items, skating outfits and other essentials not available in the Iroquois Plaza, they should do well in the new year as they settle into the new routine.

WDMH received average and above average on their report card and they are extremely pleased with the results. Hospital Report '99 suggests that patients in the 89 hospitals across Ontario are generally pleased with the level of care and attention they receive. Support services and volunteers did not get high marks across Ontario, and this is an area which can now be targeted for better results. WDMH sees the report as a guage and they will work on the low areas..positive improvement areas.

Trees in parks of South Dundas damaged by the Ice Storm of '98 will be replaced over the next three years. Hard woods like oak and sugar maple will be planted. The Township pays 25% of the cost, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing is offering the program funds.

If the train near Upper Canada Village is to be saved, a "Friends of the train" group has to be formed and formed soon.

A generator to prevent the compressors at the Arena in Morrisburg from freezing solid should be in place on New Year's Eve in case the Y2K bug does take action over a prolonged period.

Lou's Pantry celebrated their first anniversary, the **Aussie teachers at Seaway** High were sent on their way home and the students presented a terrific assembly for Christmas.

Coming Events

THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
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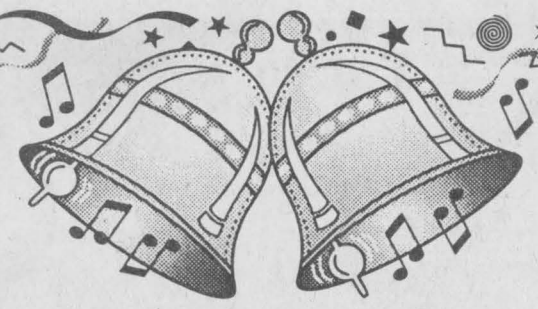
Dustin & Kurtis



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