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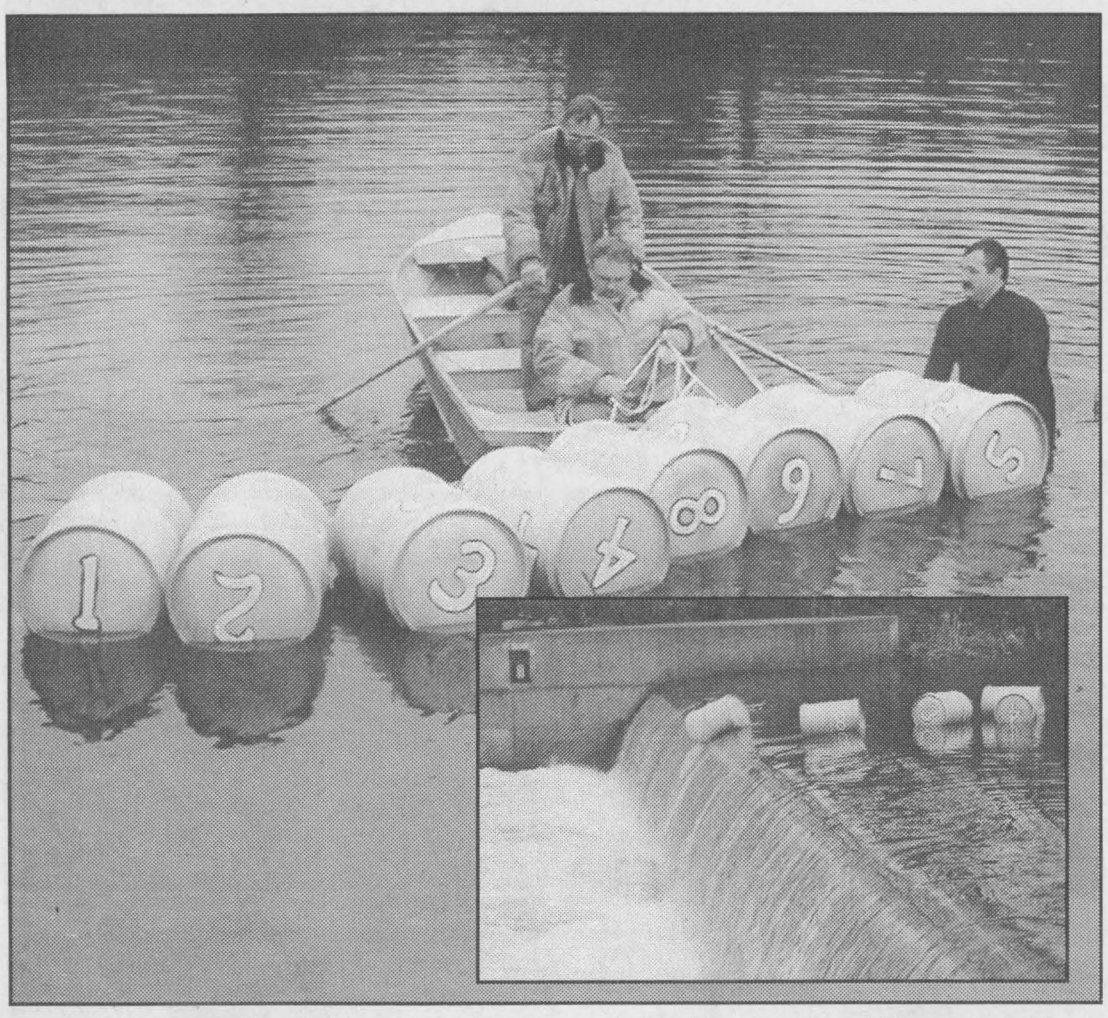

Annual firefighters barrel race a Spencerville tradition

Eight numbered barrels were released briefly into the South Nation River at the Spencerville Mill in Spencerville on April 17 for the Edwardsburgh/Cardinal Firefighters Association's barrel race. Each barrel represented a raffle winner before the race and Tori Flammig won $100 for first place (barrel 8), Monica Johnson won $50 (3) and the Spencerville Mill won $25 (2).

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Water meters were focus of discussion at S. D. Council

By Brianna Palubeskie
Chieftain Staff Reporter

One of several discussions to come up at the recent South Dundas Council meeting was the installation of water meters in South Dundas.

Andy Brown stated that the township has a contract with GC Toshack for the installation of these metres.

Some residents have objected to having meters installed. Mr. Brown estimates this number to be roughly 50 or 60 people.

Councillor Charles Barkley had some question as to whether commercial meters were also part of the contract or not.

"I was under the impression that all meters had to be new," he said.

Mr. Brown explained that the Toshack contract was just for residential meters.

The majority of the new metres will be going into Iroquois, as many of the existing meters are anywhere from 20 to 30 years old.

In Morrisburg, many residents have newer models that may only need minor adjustments.

The installation of the meters will be paid for by the Township through its reserve funds, up until May 18.

After that date, the installation will be at the expense of the owner.

The council was also given a brief update on youth incidents in the township.

Councillor Ron Delegarde expressed his concern that residents may not have been notified of the water meter installation.

Mr. Brown replied that letters have been sent out to all residents of South Dundas informing them of the installation of the water meters.

The South Dundas Council received a request for a letter from Tom Henderson during the meeting.

Mr Henderson is looking to purchase a new composter for his business, and he needed was a letter from the council in order to go ahead.

"I need a letter (saying) that you are aware of what I'm doing," he said.

The machine will be using for processing garbage, among other things, into compost.

In order to store his compost,

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Fibre Optics report made public at meeting April 20

By Brianna Palubeskie
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Township of South Dundas has made their report of the new fibre optics system public.

Officially made public at the April 20 meeting of Council, the document contains an overview of the meetings and reports that have taken place regarding fibre optics since February 11.

These meetings included a preliminary meeting between Barrie Crampton and Council, conversations held with Christine Cosgrove at Industry Canada, and a joint meeting between Council and Industry Canada.

The 57-page report, put together by Mr. Crampton of Lanark Networks Associates, also contains some of the financial aspects of the network, as well as several other reports.

These reports include one focusing on community networks in other communities in Ontario, as well as an Oxford County newspaper report and an Eastern Ontario Communication Network Board Composition report.

Financially, the report includes a report from Howard Allen regarding the financial impact of the current network.

This report was made public during the council meeting a day after a public meeting was held in Dixon's Corners regarding fibre optics.

During that meeting, the public had an opportunity to bring their concerns to the panel, which included Mr. Crampton, Mr. Allan, CAO Andy Brown and several members of Council.

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OPP offer tips for home visits

By Brianna Palubeskie
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Two officers from the Stormont Dundas and Glengarry Ontario Provincial Police were in Williamsburg offering tips on home visits.

On April 22, acting Sergeant Julie Cyr and Senior Constable Al Lummiss were at the Dundas Interagency Committee's luncheon at the Park Lane Seniors Centre to make their presentation.

Entitled "Knowing Your Personal Risks When Visiting Clients," the two officers gave tips to the various agency representatives on how to protect themselves when they go to a clients home.

"Different agencies have different policies about home visiting," said Sergeant Cyr, adding that the presentation was an opportunity for the different agencies to share their ideas with each other.

Some suggestions about going into a client's home included doubling up and sharing reports with other agencies.

"You could have an agency that walks in and has a problem, and someone else could walk in completely blind," said Constable Lummiss, adding that sharing reports could give other agencies some warning before they go in.

Having a look around the house, seeing any potential problems, and finding a direct line out in case there is a problem, was also recommended.

"Sometimes when you walk into a house, something doesn't feel right," said Constable Lummiss. "Don't be afraid to walk out."

"Don't be afraid to trust your gut instinct," added Sergeant Cyr.

Taking anything that could be used as a weapon into a house could create problems as well.

"Anything you can carry in and use as a weapon, if it's taken away from you, now they've got a weapon," said Constable Lummiss.

If there are weapons, such as guns, in the residence that are a concern, Constable Lummiss stated that these concerns should be brought to the OPP's attention.

If there is also a question as to whether or not the guns are registered, the OPP can run a check, provided they have a person's name and birth date.

Another safety tip put forth was checking the vehicle before getting in and driving away.

Leaving the car door unlocked in case something comes up inside the house was also suggested.

Constable Lummiss stated that leaving an itinerary with someone when going out on the road is a good idea, should something happen.

"The big thing is letting people know where you're going and what you're doing," he said.

He also suggested carrying "Call Police" signs in the vehicle, should anything come up.

Loose dogs at a client's home could also pose a safety risk.

Some dogs may not have had their shots, or they may not be friendly.

In rural areas such as South Dundas, dogs are more likely to be loose on the client's property.

"Put the dog in a room and close the door" if there is a concern, said Sergeant Cyr.

Calling ahead and telling the client to lock up the dog is also an option.

Having electrical devices, such as cell phones or Global Positioning Systems, can help in an emergency.

Sergeant Cyr explained that a phone that is not under contract can still call 9-1-1.

Other numbers that can be called

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General Meeting for DIAMONDS

By Brianna Palubeskie
Chieftain Staff Reporter

During their Annual General Meeting on April 22, the DIAMONDS Conservation Land Trust reviewed their past year, and were looking to the upcoming year.

Last summer, DIAMONDS, or Dundas Iroquois and Matilda Morrisburg Ontario Natural Development Seaway Shorelines, saw roughly 800 people pass through the Lockmaster's House.

"It has been a good year, in that we are standing straight up," said DIAMONDS president Don Graham.

In addition to the high number of visitors, the membership of DIAMONDS grew from 12 to 25.

Among some of the highlights from the past year include the opening of the Two Creeks Trails, located along County Road 2 between Iroquois and Morrisburg, the opening of the Canal Cafe, and the fox hunt.

DIAMONDS also released their first newsletter last year, which was entitled *Shorelines*.

It included a short history on the Galop Canal, Shipping News, and a brief look back at some of

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RCMP Musical Ride set for May 16

One of Canada's most recognized icons, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) Musical Ride, will be performing at Fort Wellington National Historical Site, Prescott on Sunday, May 16th.

The Musical Ride will be performed on the beautiful ground of historic Fort Wellington. A great afternoon of heritage and entertainment is planned. The show starts at 1:30 p.m. with the Brockville Lion's Club Steel Band's concert, at 2:30 the Immigration Drug Sniffing Dogs show their talents, with the Musical Ride commencing at 3:00 p.m..

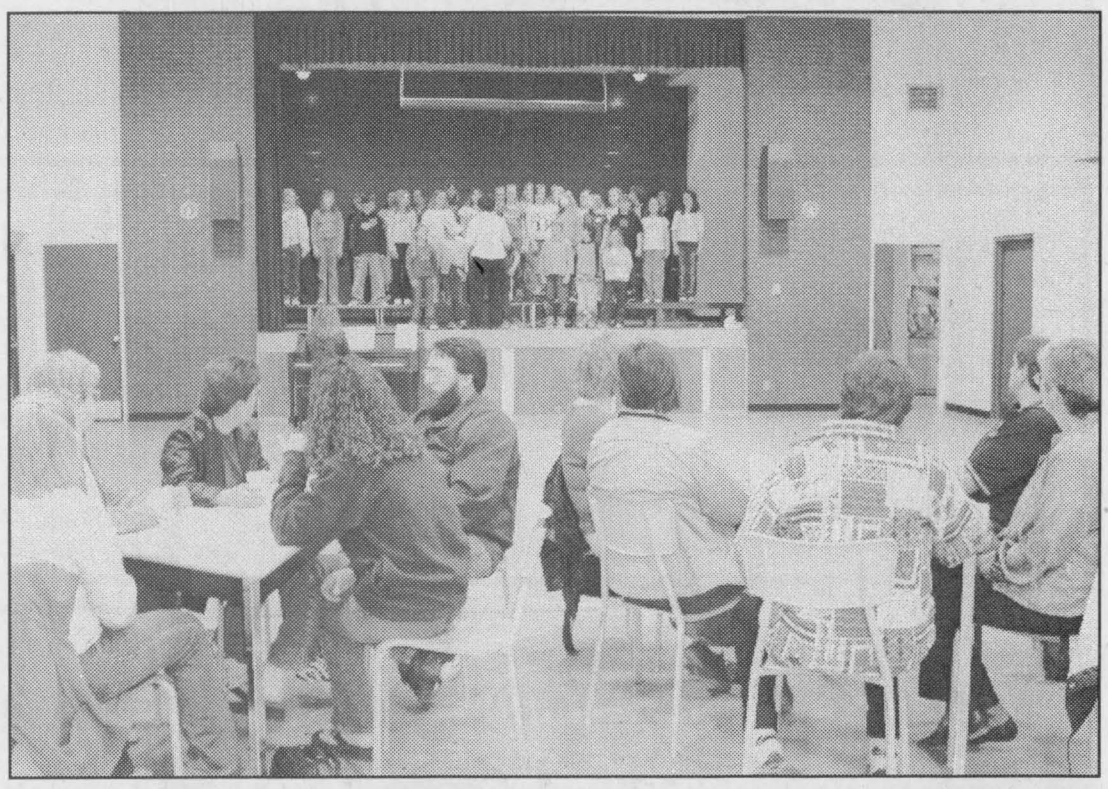
The RCMP Musical Ride represents a colourful tradition. The troop of 32 horses and riders will perform a variety of cavalry drills choreographed to music. Working through a unique medium, they support the RCMP community policing efforts throughout Canada. The Musical Ride and the Prescott Home Team would like to thank the Canadian Tourism Commission for their assistance in brining this truly Canadian performance to Prescott.

The Musical Ride was developed in 1876 by early members of the North West Mounted Police to display their riding ability and entertain the local community. It has evolved over the decades into a uniquely Canadian performance enjoyed by tens of thousands of spectators every year.

Members of the Musical Ride are first and foremost Police Officers. They all have at least two years experience in active police work before volunteering for duty with the Musical Ride. Surprisingly, most have no prior riding experience.

The Musical Ride is being presented by Fort Wellington National Historic Site, Town of Prescott, Prescott and District Chamber of Commerce, Prescott B.I.A., O'Reilly's Y.I.G., Lions Club, Money Concepts, Royal Bank, St. Mark Church, Prescott Rotary Club, and the Prescott Skateboarders. Admission to this event is free.

For more information please contact Fort Wellington at (613)925-2896.



School volunteers enjoy lunch and entertainment

Volunteers at the Dixon's Corners Public School were treated to lunch and entertainment on April 23 during the lunch hour. Above, the volunteers enjoy music from the Junior Choir, which had won the silver medal at the Kinsmen Music Festival. This choir was made up of students from grades 4-6. The Grade 3 Choir and the Grade 2 Choir also performed.

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Fire Department receives donation

By Brianna Palubeskie
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Iroquois Fire Department will be able to add some new equipment to one of their rescue vans.

Carol Geurkink, the Public Relations Officer of the Matilda Women's Institute, presented Fire Chief Phil Thompson with a $400 cheque on April 22 to purchase some new items for the fire department's second rescue van.

As the van is used primarily for medical assists and extrication calls, the new items will certainly be a big help to the fire department.

The items will include hand lights, a Water-Jel burn kit and a set of straps for the van's spinal backboard.

"It's basically equipment that we're going to put into our extrication vehicle," said Chief Thompson.

These items were on a wish list from Chief Thompson to the Matilda Women's Institute, at the request of Ms. Guerkink.

"We try to do things for the community," she said, which includes making donations to non-profit or charitable organizations.

"It certainly helps us out," said Chief Thompson. "We appreciate everything we can get."

He also stated that the fire department is always appreciative of the community's support.

"I find that the public is very generous to the fire department," said the chief.



Fire department gets donation

The Iroquois Fire Department will be able to purchase some equipment for one their rescue vans, thanks to the Matilda Women's Institue. Carol Geurkink, left, presents Chief Phil Thompson with a $400 cheque for the equipment.

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NEWS BRIEFS

WINCHESTER

Volunteers to be honoured

Volunteers at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital will be honoured at the Winchester Lion's Hall on April 29. The annual Volunteer Celebration Tea will get underway at 1:30 pm. Local MP Bob Kilger and Chairman of the Hospital Board Bill Smirle will be on hand to thank the volunteers for their work. Dr. Gabe Slowey will be providing entertainment.

IROQUOIS

Local man on Regional Contact

Mike Anderson, the owner of Anderson's Strings and Things in the Iroquois Plaza, will be appearing on Regional Contact on May 8. The show starts at 6:30 pm on CJOH.

MORRISBURG

Water festival for kids

Upper Canada Village will be one of three sites set for the Eastern Ontario Children's Water Festival. Grade four classes will be spending an entire day involved in interactive and exciting education about water. The dates set for Upper Canada Village are October 13 to 15.

Repairs to Cardinal & Johnstown pools

By Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Johnstown and Cardinal pools are ready to undergo some renovations and repairs in preparation for the summer season.

The Johnstown pool will have new interlocking patio stones. Currently the existing patio stones are being removed in preparation for the work which is scheduled to commence next week.

Recreation Director for the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal, Mike Spencer said that the work will take about a week depending on the weather and is being done by Carefree Pools in Brockville.

He added that the existing deck has shifted and decayed. Each year the Ministry of Health inspects the local pools because they are public pools and notifies them of any concerns.

One of these concerns last year was the deck and Spencer says this was also a concern of theirs. The cost to repair the deck is $15,536.46. They were waiting for word from the Trillium Foundation at the time.

They applied for the grant in February 2003 and received word in late 2003 that Trillium would only be able to fund the costs of one pool's renovations. Since Cardinal needed more repairs it was then decided to use the funds for that pool.

The Cardinal pool is currently undergoing a complete facelift at a cost of $45,500. Some of the repairs include high pressure washing the liner, the cement coping being removed and new coping put on, the tile on the inside of the pool being scrapped off and new tile being put on, applying a new white marble pool plaster on the complete pool surface and tiling racing lines on the pool. Spencer says they are hoping to be wrapped up in the next three weeks.

Industry Canada support for CFDC

Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MP Don Boudria and Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh MP Bob Kilger are pleased to announce a federal government investment to the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Community Futures Development Corportation for its ongoing operations and investment activities in the City of Cornwall and surrounding townships, to enable the corporation to support a local innovative company and to complete a regional economic analysis.

The SD&G CFDC is one of 60 CFDCs in rurual Ontario funded by Industry Canada's Community Futures Program. They deliver a wide variety of programs and services to support community economic development and small business growth.

CFDCs employ local staff and are governed by a volunteer Board of Directors made up of local residents of the community at large.

"CFDCs play an integral roale in stimulating and sustaining economic growth and diversification through their investment in local small and medium-sized companies," said Mr. Boudria.

"The work being done by CFDCs such as the SD&G CFDC is particularily important to our rural communities, as they create jobs and opportunities for our youth," said Mr. Kilger.

In the last five years, Ontario CFDCs, through their investment and business councelling activities, invested in more than $196 million to help the small business sector create or maintain 22,288 jobs. Last year, the SD&G CFDC investing $279,950 and assisted in creating 20 jobs, contributing to an enhanced business community.

Industry Canada will provide a total of $670,280 to the SD&G CFDC. Of this amount, $300,000 will support the CFDC's ongoing operations, and $200,000 will provide financing for local small and medium sized companies. Two projects are being funded through Industry Canada's Innovation and Knowledge-Based

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Woman faces charges of production of marijuana & possession for the purpose of trafficing

On April 22, officers from the Grenville County Ontario Provincial Police and members of the OPP Drug Enforcement Section executed a search warrent at a County Road 44 residence in Edwardsburg/Cardinal Township. Officers arrested one adult female without incident.

Several items were seized, including 625 marijuana plants in various stages of growth with a current street value of approximately $220,000, along with growing equipment, valued at about $16,000. The potential street value of the 625 plants grown to full maturity is approximately $625,000.

An Ottawa woman faces charges of Production of Marijuana, Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking contrary to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act and Theft of Electricity contrary to the Criminal Code.



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Interesting History

One of the good things about being a reporter is finding interesting stories within the local community. Sometimes, that includes some of the history of the community.

The Seaway Valley, as I am finding out, has a very interesting history, and definitely a lot of interesting stories, surrounding it.

In talking to people in the area, I'm finding out more and more of the interesting history surrounding the Seaway Valley.

During the DIAMONDS annual general meeting last week, Terry Beahan and Don Graham gave me a brief history of the Galop Canal, and some of the ships that come through, and of some of the local shipwrecks that rest on the bottom of the St. Lawrence River between Cardinal and Ingleside.

As well, I was told a bit of the history of the Lockmaster's House, from when the Harkness family moved in as the first residents of the house in 1913, to when the Tindales moved in during 1923 and used the property as a highly successful orchard, to when the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority used it as the Iroquois Locks and Control Dam was being constructed from 1954 to 1958, right up to when the lockmasters moved in after the completion of the construction to when DIAMONDS finally took over the building in 2002.

As well, the Lost Villages bring their history to the area, as they were flooded under the St. Lawrence in 1958. There are seven of these lost villages, along with four hamlets and part of Morrisburg.

Much of the history is still alive and well along the river, as is evident in my daily trips along County Road 2. It's not just in South Dundas, but anywhere along the river.

There are several organizations and locations throughout Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry that focus solely on the history of various areas and aspects of the counties.

In addition to that, there are life-long residents of the area who have seen or heard many of the changes that have occurred over the years, and are more than willing to pass their stories along.

Although I never had much interest in history before, I am now starting to gain a new appreciation for it now, as I hear about the local shipwrecks, the building of the Seaway, and other interesting stories in the area.

I highly encourage anyone living or visiting the area to find out as much as possible about the Seaway Valley and how it came to be. I know I'll be looking into it a little more myself.

B.P.

Girls Incorporated of Upper Canada continues to offer many worthwhile programs

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By Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Girls Incorporated of Upper Canada currently has 31 girls from the Grenville area registered with them. Programs that are offered to them are the One to One Matching Program, the Birth Companion Program and several of the girls have attended group programs in the past year.

A series of workshops called "A Traveller's Guide to Making Choices" at Kemptville Public School was offered in 2003. This program "teaches kids how to build skills and competencies, increase confidence, manage risk, and make good decisions."

Their newest program is the Birth Companion Program, "an adult, female volunteer with a pregnant teen or young woman during the pre and postnatal experience." The program has been working closely in Kemptville with the Good Food for Healthy Baby program and the Ontario Early Years Centre.

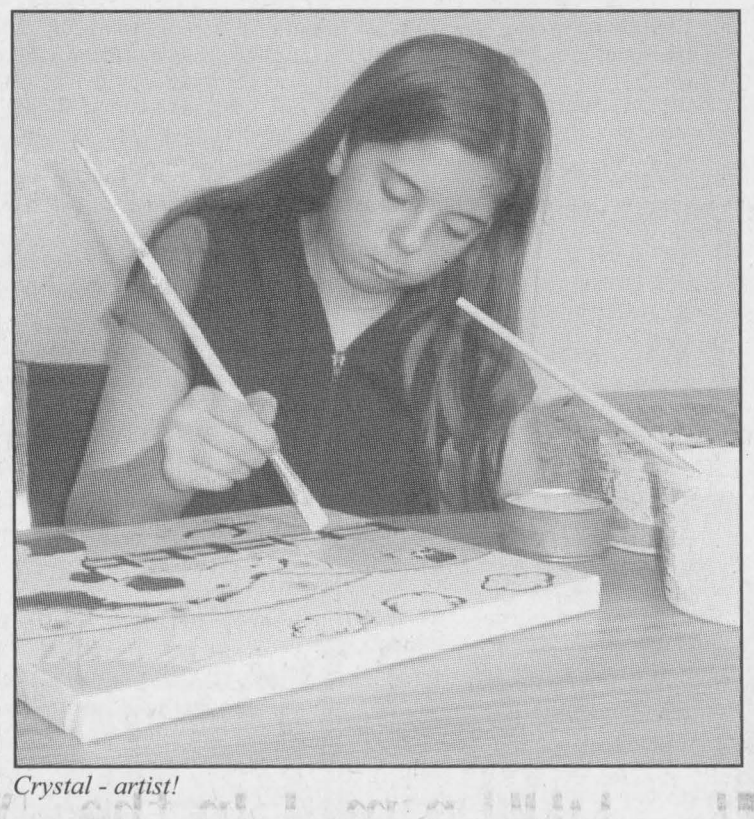
Since is started they have had three young women matched in Grenville, "all of whom have received the support they needed through their volunteer one to one match, to access prenatal classes, learn about better self care, attend community workshops in coordination with other services and generally receive the moral support and help they have required to encourage a healthy birth."

They will be holding their largest fund raising event, the 11th Annual Dream Auction on Saturday, May 8 to raise funds for programs.

"Everything has been going really well and we have been receiving lots of donations. We have received a fantastic response from the community," said Auction Coordinator Carol Vandertol.



Little sister



Crystal - artist!

Proceeds raised from the Dream Auction help keep programs going for girls at Girls Incorporated and over 400 individuals and businesses have contributes to make this year's auction a success. There will be hundreds of items will be auctioned off on May 8 from 10 am to 4 pm at the 1,000 Islands Mall and Cogeco 10 TV will broadcast live. A complete listing of all live auction items will be in the May 6 edition of The Recorder and Times. Bids can be made by phone at 345-3295 or by coming to the Mall. Those who wish can also view items and bid online before the event at www.girlsinc-uppercanada.org.

"We constantly see positive differences in girls who are matched with a One to One volunteer, or who regularly attend group programs. Girls who get involved with us build practical skills and take part in activities that build their confidence and help them make positive dreams for the future. One of our most popular programs has been "Get Smart", a program that gives girls the opportunity to practice being a mechanical, chemical, or civil engineer in a really fun environment," says Marcia Francis, Program Coordinator.

"The proceeds from our Annual Dream Auction are needed to help us make matches and host programs for 200 girls. People don't always realize that lots of kids in Leeds and Grenville deal with issues around poverty. With rises in cost of living, a lot of children can't afford to join clubs, or participate in activities that other kids might take for granted. For some families, one meal a day is not uncommon, as rising heating and electrical costs put added pressures on an already tight budget," she said.

Breast Cancer awareness

Breast cancer no longer needs to be among the most frightening words a woman hears if it's been detected early and receives appropriate therapy.

Since there are currently no established methods of breast cancer prevention, all women-including teens and seniors need to be aware of their breast health to increase early detection and survival.

Know the Facts

The average Canadian woman has a 1 in 9.5 chance of developing breast cancer and a 1 in 26 chance of dying from it.

75 per cent of all breast growths, whether malignant or benign, are discovered during self-breast examinations.

70 per cent of all women diagnosed with breast cancer have no known risk factors*

8 out of 10 breast growths are non-cancerous.

According to Canadian Cancer Statistics released in 2001, there has been a marked decrease in breast cancer mortality rates since 1986. This is due, in part, to more effective detection through mammography as well as advances in treatment.

The Ontario Breast Screening Program, which is covered under OHIP, offers Ontario women 50 and over a clinical breast examination by a trained nurse examiner, two-tier mammography and a one-on-one demonstration of breast self-examination

Cancer Can Be Beaten

Breast cancer can be cured if caught in time.

The odds for a complete recovery from breast cancer are highest (90%+) when the disease is detected early.

• Examining your own breasts regularly is your greatest weapon in the fight against breast cancer.

• 80 per cent of all breast lumps are non-cancerous, but inform your physician of any new findings in your breasts. A physician is the only one who can make the proper diagnosis.

Tales from the past... a look back in our files

Five years ago
April 28, 1999

Under the guidance of two talented musicians, conductor **Steven Kenwood** and accompanist **Christine Hickman,** 38 children from the **Dundas Millennium Children's Choir** performed for area audiences. The children ranged in age from seven to 13 and reportedly produced beautiful music.

Seaway District High School was to present the **'Concert of the Century'**, which was to include performances by the school bands, the choir, vocal solos and a dance group. The students were to perform numbers from throughout the century in costumes ranging from the early 1900s to present-day.

Cardinal celebrated **Earth Day** in style, with the students of Benson, teaming up with **employees of CASCO** to plant two trees as a way to create a greener future. The students would also bring a 'litterless' lunch and concentrate on composting.

Dixon's Corners Public School also marked **Earth Day** with a tree-planting. One tree per class was planted on the school's grounds. Trees were donated by teacher **Clayton Barclay.**

The **Upper Canada Playhouse** welcomed its new artistic producer. **Producer Michael Bianchin** said he was attracted to a career in theatre since the age of 14.

James Delegarde and **Derek Swank** captured first place in the SD&G high school doubles championships held at **La Citadele** in Cornwall. The pair pulled through to win a tough quarter final, 2 sets to 1. The dropped set was the only one they lost during the eight games of the tournament.

Chris Bazinet of the 1st Morrisburg Cub pack had the fastest Kub Car at his home race as well as at the District Rally held in South Mountain. The car he built had a time of 2:49 and Chris carried off a trophy for his efforts.

The banks of Sawmill Creek was lined with youngsters as the **Cardinal Fish and Game Club** hosted its annual Junior Fishing Derby. The weather was cool and the wind was brisk, but the true fishermen/women knew it was a good day for fishing. Winners in the derby included: **Brittany Robinson, Bryce Fournier, Jason Witteveen, Jordan Farengruber, Ryan Robinson** and **Brittany Myers.**

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370 in Iroquois presented awards to its Cribbage season winners. **Joe MacDonald** received the award for Singles and Overall champion, while **Willis Douglas** was named Doubles champ.

Ten years ago
April 27, 1994

The popular Home Grown Café was in the area to audition local residents for the seventh season of the show. Auditions were to take place at Seaway District High School, with groups for ages five to 12, 13 - 19. CJOH weather newscaster **JJ Clark** was producing his weather segment from the **Iroquois Locks.** Right on cue, the only ship to pass through the locks all day, went through during the broadcast.

Students at **Seaway District High School** braved high winds to celebrate **Earth Day** by picking up garbage along streets and ditches in Iroquois. And members of Seaway's track team pitched in to help renovate the school's aging track.

The **S&F Foodtown** was one of the first businesses in Iroquois to install an 'Interac' Direct Payment machine in the store. Customers ewer then able to purchase products using a bankcard.

Russ Lackey defeated **Duane Kirker** to win the first annual **Iroquois Legion Ray Kennedy Memorial Snooker Tournament.**

Upper Canada Golf Course opened for the 1994 season with golfers getting on the course on April 27.

Fifteen years ago
April 26, 1989

The **Premier of Ontario, David Peterson** made a stop at **Upper Canada Village** as part of an Eastern Ontario tour. He was on his way to a scheduled meeting in Cornwall.

Ingrid Buttner, a horticulture specialist, spoke to the monthly meeting of the **Morrisburg and District Horticultural Society.** The society was seeking new members, any age, with a love of horticulture, whether their thumbs were 'green' or not.

The local **Scouts, Beavers and Cubs** were to plant trees as part of the "Trees for Canada' conservation program. The exercise also provided valuable training in conservation and reforestation for the boys.

Members of the **Cardinal Fire Department** were inviting the public to an open house at the Fire Station on Queen Street. The event was to allow residents to view recent renovations to the hall and see what equipment the department has to ensure their safety.

Ken Ferguson was honoured at a retirement party held at the Legion in Iroquois. About 200 guests turned out for the event for 'Fergie', who was retiring after 34 years in the trucking business.

The **Iroquois Public Library** presented "The Dreamburger Dilemma' with the **Sudbury Theatre Centre Touring Company** playing at the Civic Centre. The play was for grades Kindergarten to Grade 6, and featured a rollicking comedy mystery about eating the right food when the choices are disguised in a confusing world of hard sell aimed at our diets. **Premier David Peterson** announced that Ontario's controversial French Language Services Act was here to stay. Peterson was attending a banquet for party members in Cornwall.

Ontario Dairy Princess Donna Beggs joined **Dundas Dairy Princess Isabella Farlinger** for a visit to Iroquois Public School. The pair were promoting the goodness of milk and dairy products. The princesses also visited **Winchester District Memorial Hospital** to entertain long-term care patients.

The Spring Fling held at **St. John's United Church** in Cardinal was a huge success. The evening was filled with talented entertainers.

the bottom line

All fishermen and women are invited to come test their skills and have fun at the **Cardinal Fish and Game Club** (CFGC) pike derby on **Saturday, May 1 and Sunday, May 2**. There will be cash prizes awarded to the top five finishers with first place being **$100**. There will be two weigh-in sessions each day from 11:30 am to 12 noon and 7:30 to 8 pm at the Cardinal Legion boat ramp.

Looking for something to do to help both yourself and your community?

Then the **Spencerville Agricultural Society Volunteer Recruitment and Motivational Fair** is the place for you. The event will be held on **Sunday, May 2** at **1 pm** at the **Drummond Building in Spencerville.** This event offers residents to learn about volunteer opportunities with the Spencerville Fair/Spencerville Agricultural Society. The special guest for the day is **Tom Van Dusen**, Journalist. For more information call 989-1098.

The Cardinal Sea Cadets will be taking part in the annual **Battle of the Atlantic ceremony** on Sunday, May 2. The day will begin with a march to **St. John's United Church** for the 11 am service followed by a march to the cenotaph for a short ceremony. The ceremony will include members of the **Cardinal Legion**. The event is held to commemorate the sacrifices of the sailor and merchant seamen who gave their lives for their country while defending the convoy routes of the **North Atlantic**. **The Sea Cadets** will also be holding their tag day on **Saturday, May 1** and will be stationed around the area selling tags to raise funds.

Come out to an evening of great entertainment at the **Winchester United Church** on **Friday, May 7**. **The Osgoode Township Male Choir** will take to the stage at 7:30 pm. Tickets for the evening are **$10** each and are available at the **Seaway Valley Pharmacy in Winchester, Chesterville and Morrisburg and Clara's Dressmaking in Winchester.**

The **Spencerville Mill Foundation** is offering local canoeing enthusiasts a way to make use of their skills and get some exercise on **Saturday, May 8** with their **2nd Annual Canoe Poker Run.** The run begins at **10 am at O'Hagens Bridge** 2 kilometers south of **Roebuck** and 8 kilometers north of Prescott on County Road 18. **Registration is $10** per person and canoes and kayaks are available for 20 people at no charge by pre-registering. To pre-register please call **Bill at 658-2146.** Canoes and kayaks are courtesy of the **Grenville Fish and Game Club** and the run finishes at the Spencerville Mill where a canteen will be available and prizes will be awarded.

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Bottom Line:

The weather lately has been nice and warm who knows how long we will go without rain. So take this opportunity to turn off the television, maybe grab the children and get outside for some fresh air and family fun.



Iroquois Locks sees Breeze come through

Known as both the Spirit of Ontario and Breeze, the fast ferry made its way through the Iroquois Locks around 1:30 pm on April 26. The ferry, built in Australia, was heading to Toronto, where it will be making round trips from the city to Rochester, New York. That trip is estimated to take about two hours and fifteen minutes. *Chieftain Photo by B. Palubeskie*

Screening for early Cancer detection does saves lives

Cancer is no laughing matter. Considered a death sentence not so long ago, different types of cancers are now largely preventable.

Survival rates of breast cancer and cervical cancer patients keep improving all the time. These diseases can be detected early with simple, free tests.

"All sexually-active women should get screened for cervical cancer regularly," says Nicole Laplante, program coordinator at the Eastern Ontario Health Unit.

"Lifestyle issues can greatly affect its incidence. Women who have had sex before their 18th birthday, have had multiple sexual partners, are smokers and are carriers of the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) are at high risk of developing cervical cancer. They should get screened regularly."

Cervical cancer is screened through a simple Pap smear conducted in doctors' offices.

Breast cancer screening is recommended every two years for all women 50 years of age and over or for women with a family history of breast cancer.

"Mammographies and physical examinations by specially-trained nurses are done in selected sites in our region," continues Laplante. "Women have the choice of going to the Winchester or the Hawkesbury screening centres offered by the Ontario Breast Screening Program."

The existing tests to detect breast or cervical cancers are easy and available in this region.

There is no reason for either breast cancer or cervical cancer to go undetected early anymore. Make an appointment today to get screened.

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Economy initiative: $125,000 is being provided to invest in a local company for the commercialization of a new product, while $45,280 will enable the completion of a regional economic analysis.

"We can now continue to provide businesses and communities access to vital services and much-needed investment capital," said Charles Sangster, chair of the SD&G CFDC.

Through this initiative, the Government of Canada is acting on its commitment to support economic growth and diversification in rural communities.

Funding for this initiative was provided for in the March 2004 federal budget and is therefore built into the existing fiscal framework.

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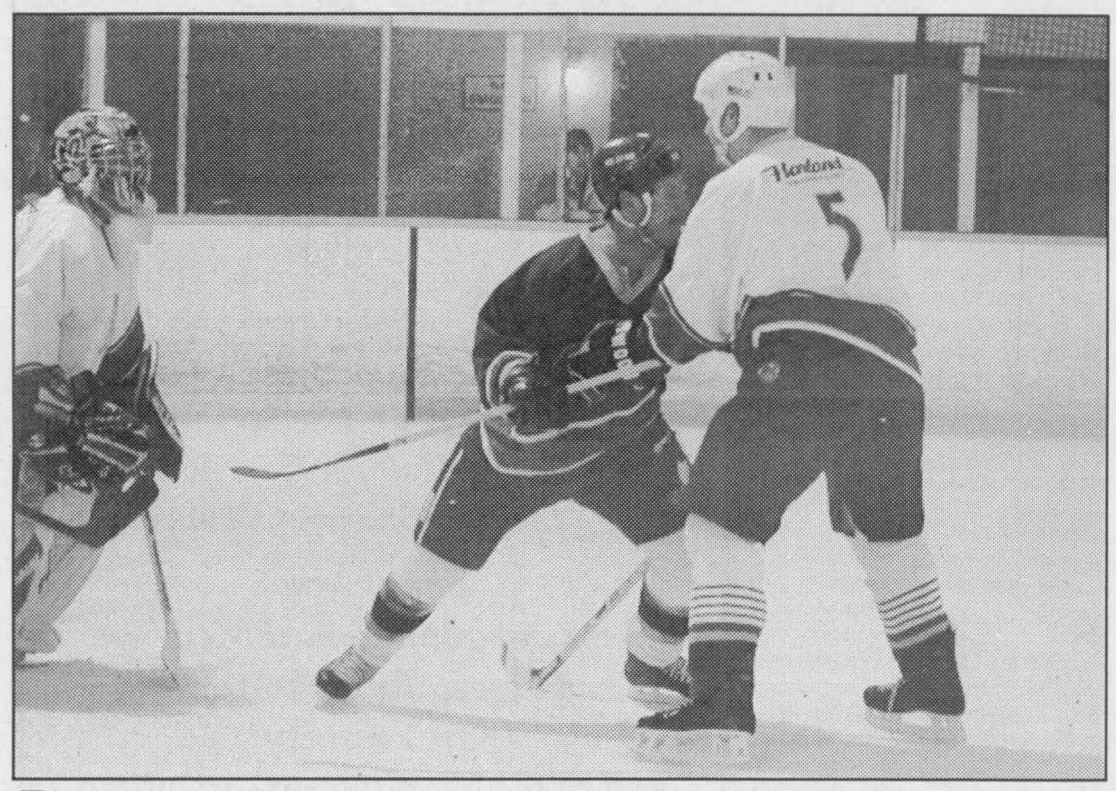

First ever alumni game for the Junior B Lions

The Morrisburg Lions Junior B hockey club held their first ever alumni game on April 24. Above, players battle in front of the net during the game. Although the younger team went on to win the game, both team enjoyed playing in the game, and are no doubt looking forward to next year.

Chieftain Photo by B. Palubeskie

St. Lawrence Islander Minor Peewee AAA place second

The spring hockey season has begun for the St. Lawrence Islanders winning two of their three games this past weekend in Cardinal. Game one against the St. Lawrence Thunder from Massena, NY, was a surprisingly offensive affair that resulted in only three goals, ending in the Thunder's favour 2-1. The line of Cody Johnston, Jesse Zannuta and Michael Karam had a particularly strong game. The lone Islander goal came from Mitchel Chartrand assisted by Mike Prosper. The highlight of the game was the play of Islander goaltender Rober Nault who did everything but stand on his head. He was awarded the teams hustler award for his effort.

Game two saw the Islanders take on the Upper Valley Vipers. A spirited game with many penalties and power play opportunities on both sides. The Islanders squandered a long five on three and failed to capitalize. The Vipers on the other hand with a similar opportunity tied the game at 2-2 in the third period. Once again the Islanders had exceptional goaltending, this time by Taylor Warren. The tie was broken late in the third by Eric Morotti who put on a stick-handling clinic before finding the back of the net with a hard wrist shot. Other Islander goals came from Jesse Zanutta and Cody Johnson. Mitchel Chartrand, Mike Prosper and Cody Johnson chipped in with assists.

The Islanders third game against the Montreal Ice Storm was cancelled and the Islanders instead faced the Vipers in a second game. Both teams battled exhaustion which resulted in a lot of broken, and at times, humorous plays. The game was sparked with end to end action and outstanding goal-tending at both ends of the rink. Islander goals came from Michael Karam, Mitchell Chartrand, Eric Morotti and Cody Johnson. Helpers came from Scott Forbes, Mike Prosper, Curtis Van Allen, Eric Morotti, Mitchel Chartrand, Quinton Potter, Colin Halladay and Jesse Zanutta.

The Islanders head for Kingston next weekend for their second tournament of the AAA season.

Seaway students come away with gold

By Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Grade 12, Seaway District High School students Adrienne Leroy and Richard Potvin competed in the Senior Tournament on April 14 and came home with the gold medal in the mixed doubles.

This qualified them for the EOSSA which was held on Wednesday, April 21 in Rockland. Leroy and Potvin were matched against last year's OFSSA winners.

"We played well and hard, but we didn't move on to OFSSA," said Potvin.

There were other Seaway students who competed and did well in badminton play. On April 7, the Midget and Junior Tournaments were held and Sarah Myers placed second in the Midget singles and Katherine Choi and Kayleigh Hallam were semi-finalists at the tournament.

"Over the last three years, we have had a team go to EOSSA and this is due in a large part to the club run by Jeffrey Beaupre. Without the community involvement the kids wouldn't be as successful," said Badminton Coach Heather Williams.



Seaway students strike gold

Seaway District High School students Adrienne Leroy and Richard Potvin won gold in the mixed doubles badminton at the Senior Tournament on April 14. They compete in EOSSA on April 21. Left to right: Adrienne Leroy, coach Heather Williams and Richard Potvin. *Chieftain Photo by T. Roach*

Skating club to hold General Meeting May 12

The Morrisburg and District Skating Club will be holding their Annual General Meeting next month.

The meeting will be taking place on May 12 at the skating office in the Morrisburg Community Centre, starting at 7 pm.

The agenda will be a busy one, as there will be a new executive appointed, and a number of motions will be taken into consideration.

Among the items to be brought up will be the purchasing of various new equipment, alternating the skating schedule, changes to the current policies, and accepting policies for the Special Events Chair, the Competitions Forms Chair, Ice Chair, and Parent Reps.

Other motions to be discussed will include: allowing a skater to register on more than one program as a full or partial member on first come first serve basis, to accept the adult skate program package, to have a suggestion box and donation box for special events and to set aside a budget for a skater development/office improvement fund.

The meeting is open to all members of the club, or parents of the members who are minors.

Anyone with any questions should get in touch with Laurie Patterson.

Golf course set to open

Golfers will have one more golf course to play at this weekend.

The Upper Canada Golf Course will be opening up on April 30, weather permitting.

This year, there'll be a new fleet of golf carts, completed golf cart paths, and a new pro shop partnership with Tommy and Lefebvre.

For more information on the Upper Canada Golf Course, or to book a tee time, visit the webpage at www.uppercanada-golf.com, or call 543-2003.

The golf course is located on County Road 2 east of Morrisburg.

Tackle Share set for new season

As Ontario's spring metamorphous welcomes another fishing season, thousands of anglers will be lured to dockside, shorelines and waterways to take part in Ontario's most popular outdoor pastime.

Better known locally as "opening day," the start of the spring fishing season is celebrated by outdoor enthusiasts of all ages and all walks of life.

While recreational fishing is promoted as a healthy, family-oriented activity, a revolutionary new program is casting across Ontario, giving aspiring anglers a chance to enjoy this sport.

"OFAH Tackle Share makes it easy to go fishing," said Robert Pye, youth programs coordinator for the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters. "Thanks to OFAH Tackle Share, children and families can sign out rods, reels and tackle supplies the same way they would borrow library materials."

OFAH Tackle Share, the first and only program of its kind in Canada, has effectively bolstered interest in fishing sports, particularly among Ontario's urban youth.

Since its launch in 1998, OFAH Tackle Share has become a province-wide success, with 110 loaner sites hosted by Ontario Parts, public libraries and Conservation Authorities.

OFAH Tackle Share is proudly sponsored by Canadian Tire, Shimano, Berkley, Ontario Parks, KTL Canada and Lucky Strike Bait Works.

"Many OFAH Tackle Share participants have reported catching their very first fish. With so many young people now growing up in cities, the OFAH believes it's important to promote outdoor participation," said Mr. Pye, explaining that just one fishing experience helps foster environmental awareness, and inspires a lifelong dedication to conserving natural resources.

For more information, visit the OFAH Tackle Share web page at www.tackleshare.com.

Notice

Rideau-St. Lawrence Kings MHA
2004 Annual General Meeting

May 13th, 2004 at 7:00 PM at the Youth Arena, Brockville

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Iroquois first in playoffs

The Iroquois #5 team placed first in the playoffs in the Seaway Interbranch Men's Dart League this year, and were presented with their hardware on April 24. From left to right: Glen Adams, Rick Sayeau, Bobby Sayeau and Jeremy Adams.

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Banquet ends mens dart league season

By Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Seaway Interclub Mens Dart League ended their 2003-2004 season with their banquet on Saturday, April 24 at the Royal Canadian Legion in Cardinal.

The evening began with dinner followed by the individual awards presentations. The runner-up with the high finish was Glen Adams with a 120 and the high finish went to Jeremy Adams with a 121.

Peter Bissonette and Glen Adams tied with a 174 for the high score runner-up and with a 177 Tom Rae earned the high score award. The runner-up for the most games was David Haynes with 93 and the most games won award went to Tom Rae with 105.

This year's 180 club, made up of those who scored perfect 180 during the season, consisted of Bob Juby, Tom Rae with six, Wayne Bellinger, Ron Bradford, Jerry Carr, Glen Adams, Tom Coville with two, Tim Gonczowski and Tim Yandeau.

The team awards were the next item on the agenda starting with the fourth place in the league which was presented to Iroquois #7 Bill Hutt, Ron Bradford, Gary Bradford and Duane Kirker. Prescott #1, consisting of Ron Juby, Tim Gonczowski, Tom Coville and Peter Bissonette, earned third place in the league.

Bragging rights for runner-up in the league went to Iroquois #5 Glen Adams, Rick Sayeau, Jeremy Adams and Bobby Sayeau. First place in the league was taken by Prescott #6 consisting of David Haynes, Tom Rae, Ross King and Bill McCubbin.

The playoff awards were presented next, starting with the fourth place in the playoffs which went to Cardinal #4 Wayne Bellinger, Jerry Carr, Barry Esson and Tim Yandeau. Prescott #1, Bob Juby, Tim Gonczowski, Tom Coville and Peter Bissonette earned the third place in the playoffs position.

The playoff runner-up team was Prescott #6, consisting of David Haynes, Tom Rae, Ross King and JP Pidgeon and the first place playoff award was presented to Iroquois #5 Glen Adams, Rick Sayeau, Jeremy Adams and Bobby Sayeau.

The Jim Vaughan Memorial for Most Sportsmanlike was a tie this year between Wayne Bellinger and Glen Adams. The next item on the agenda was to donate a dart board to each branch, which includes Prescott, Cardinal and Iroquois. The league does this each year.

The executive for next year, which includes Duane Kirker as Chair, Glen Adams as Secretary/Treasurer, Tim Gonczowski as Recording Secretary, Barry Esson as the Cardinal Representative, Gary Bradford as the Iroquois Representative and David Haynes as the Prescott Representative, was then introduced to the players. The evening concluded with a dance.



Prescott first place in league

The Seaway Interbranch Men's Dart League held their banquet on April 24 at the Cardinal Legion. The Prescott #6 team finished first in the league. Left to right: Tom Rae, Ross King, David Haynes and Bill McCubbin. *Chieftain Photo by T. Roach*



180 club members rewarded

All those who scored a perfect 180 this season at the Seaway Interbranch Men's Dart League were rewarded on April 24. Front, left to right: Tom Rae, Jerry Carr. Back, left to right: Tim Yandeau, Wayne Bellinger, Tim Gonczowski, and Tom Coville. Absent: Bob Juby and Ron Bradford. *Chieftain Photo by T. Roach*

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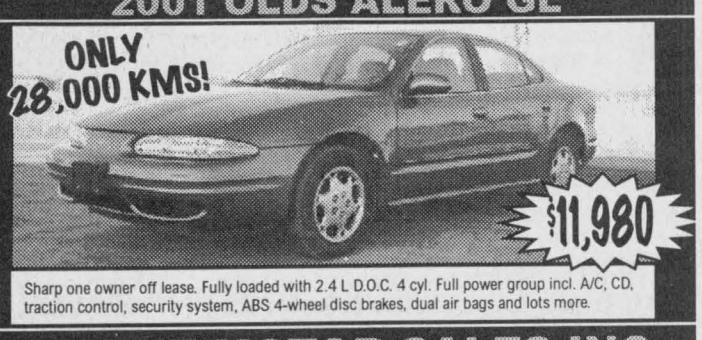

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Legion hosts third annual car rally

The Iroquois Legion hosted its third annual car rally on April 24. Above, Vicki Tetley, left, waits for Lyle Fickes and J.K. to sign in for the rally. The event brought in positive feedback from the drivers. When they got back, they enjoyed a bowl of chili, prepared by the Legion's Ladies Auxiliary.

Chieftain Photo by B. Palubeskie

POLICE Report

There were a total of 45 calls for service to the SD&G OPP in North Dundas, 44 in South Dundas, five alarm calls, one 911 activation call and five calls to Highway 401.

South Dundas- A traffic stop along County Road 31 in South Dundas Township during the early morning hours of April 23 has resulted in Criminal Charges against two youths, and the seizure of a small quantity of marijuana.

A 14 year old Morrisburg male will be facing a charge of Possession of a Substance, while a 15 year old Morrisburg boy will be facing a charge of Failing to Comply with the Conditions of an Undertaking when they appear in Youth Court in the City of Cornwall on May 27.

South Dundas- A domestic related investigation on April 23 at a County Road 2 property in South Dundas Township has resulted in charges of Assault and Forcible Confinement against a 38 year old South Dundas man, who was released following his arrest.

The man will be scheduled to appear in Provincial Court in the Village of Morrisburg on June 7 to respond to the charges.

South Dundas- On April 24, Constable S. Lamarche of SD&G OPP began an investigation to mischief having been caused on the evening of April 23.

Investigation revealed that four youths were observed damaging lights on the roof of the Morrisburg Plaza. Extent of the damage has yet to be determined.

Anyone having any information in regards to this incident is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

South Dundas-On April 23, SD&G Opp officers attended a residence on County Road 2 in South Dundas Township with regards to a domestic dispute.

Investigation revealed that an argument took place between common-law spouses at which time the female was pushed and held by her male partner.

A 38-year-old male of that address has been charged with Assault and Forcible Confinement.

He is to appear in Morrisburg Court on June 7.

Constable B. Onstein is investigating.

South Dundas-While conducting a RIDE program on County Road 2 in South Dundas Township, SD&G OPP checked a motor vehicle at their checkpoint.

An open bottle of an alcoholic beverage was observed in the cup holder.

As a result of the investigation, a 53-year-old Augusta man was charged with Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle, Criminal Code, and Drive Motor Vehicle with Open Container of Liquor, contrary to Liquor Licence Act.

He is scheduled to appear in Morrisburg Court on May 31.

Constable J. Falle is investigating.

North Dundas- An investigation into an incident of threatening, which was reported in the South Mountain area of North Dundas Township on April 20, has resulted in charges of Uttering Threats to Cause Death or Bodily Harm, and Assault against a 13 year old South Dundas male.

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Bessie was born on April 29, 1922 in Osnabruck Township in Ontario to Wallace Gallinger and Jessie Brownell.

After marrying Stan, they moved to RR#1 Chesterville and they lives there for many years.

After Stan died in 1987, Bessie moved to Morrisburg and she lived there until September of 1998 when health problems forced her to move to the Dundas Manor.

She was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter 83 in Morrisburg, where she served as Worthy Matron of the Lodge in 1993-1994.

Bessie was predeceased by her brother Lloyd Gallinger.

She will be fondly remembered by 7 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by nephews and nieces.

Donations to the Winchester Hospital would be appreciated by the family.

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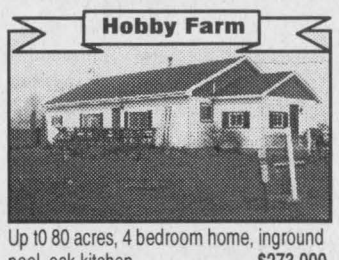

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Curse of the Werewolf successful in first weekend

The cast of the *Curse of the Werewolf* pose for a picture after April 23 show. Back row, left to right: Rick MacKenzie as Buzz Haliburton, Doug Peters as Borris Haliburton, Ruth Robertson as Mrs. Grimm, Glenn Swerdfeger as Hushabye, Joan Mann as Tarbuckle, Jim Mustard as Sheriff Birdsong, and Charles Marsden as Colonel Snipes. Front row, left to right: Margaret Swerdfeger as Connie Pigeon, Reina DeJong as Veronica, Donna Swank as Little Messalina, Barry Fawcett as Humpfrey and Liz Asselin as Olga.

Chieftain Picture by B. Palubeskie

Great turnout for opening of Curse of the Werewolf

By Brianna Palubeskie
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Opening weekend proved to be a good one for the Iroquois-Matilda Lions.

Their play, called *The Curse of the Werewolf*, had a near-full house for their first show on April 23, followed by a sold out show on April 24.

The Lions were able to deliver an entertaining show that kept the audience laughing for most of the show.

From Jim Mustard's role as Sheriff Birdsong to Barry Fawcett as Humpfrey to Rick Mackenzie as the main character Buzz Haliburton, the Lions provided an entertaining evening.

The cast in general did an outstanding job with the play, and their hard work in preparing for opening night showed.

Their opening night show was an excellent one that saw the players receive a standing ovation from the audience at the end of the show.

This play is a great way to spend an evening, as it provides a great deal of humour and entertainment.

The play will continue with an evening show on April 30 and a matinee and an evening show on May 1 at the Upper Canada Playhouse in Morrisburg.

There are still tickets available for the shows, available at Prescott Jewellers, the Upper Canada Playhouse, the Village Green, Mustard's Variety and Beaupre Jewellers. Tickets are $15 for the evening shows, and $12 for the matinee.

The money raised through the play will be going towards local charities.

This is the eleventh show in the past twenty years for the Iroquois-Matilda Lions. They usually perform their plays every two years.



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Osgoode Township Male Choir appearing at Winchester United Church, 519 St. Lawrence Street in Winchester on Friday, May 7 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $10 and are available at Seaway Valley Pharmacy in Winchester, Chesterville and Morrisburg and Clara's Dressmaking in Winchester.
A21-3tc/15844

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE, May 8 from 8:45 am to 4 pm at Community Christian Reformed Church in Dixon's Corners. Topics include Spiritual Gifts, Unopened Gifts and Healing. For more information or to register please call Cindy at 652-4435. Registration deadline is May 1, 2004.
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By Dar

Although it was the final day of Cribbage Legion play for the winter season, there were twenty-two die-hard players competing in the "Play to Loose" competition.

Taking first play with the lowest score of the day was Bob McKee followed by Andy Acelvari in second and in third place was Bernie Montroy.

When all the awards were handed out for the day, Bob Esford came in first place, taking a fair share of the hardware and was the top champion of the season. At the end of the day, they all enjoyed a sumpious Roast Beef Dinner served by the Ladies Aux. The League had a very successful season and will resume their activities on the first Saturday following Labour Day.

Although the Euchre was down some in numbers (probably due to the hockey play-offs), there were still six tables being occupied. Picking up the first prize was Phyllis Thompson followed by Allan Kelso taking the second prize and Nina Seely capturing the Door Prize. Low score honors for the evening went to Velma Casselman. Not too many skunks were found invading the Branch and managing to get one each were Carol Thompson, Cecil McDermott, Jean Bozak and Irene Roy Smith.

Bridge was cancelled for Tues. evening also, but will resume the following Tues.

Pot of Gold winner was Gary Easter, who was NOT signed in. Oh, well, that just makes the pot a little more sweeter for the next week.

For this coming Friday's luncheon, the menu is to be Baked Pork Chops, home fried potatoes and harvard beets. Dessert is to be Berry Cake with ice cream.

Last Sat. our Branch hosted the 3rd Annual Car Rally. Those that participated also gave positive reports on the good time they had. Upon returning, to the Branch, a bowl of Chili was available.

A special word of thanks go out to Wendy Leslie and Vicki Tetley who took some time to assist the Ladies Aux. in getting the tables ready for the "breakfast" they had to have ready for Sunday morning. This is really appreciated!

Although our team consisting of Glen Adams, Jeremy Adams, Rick and Bobby Sayeau were not fortunate enough to have any wins when they participated at the Prov. Darts at Port Rowan, Ont., they found it to be quite interesting. Better luck next time guys!
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Official Opening & Blessing for St. Mary-St. Cecilia Catholic School in Morrisburg

Preparations are well underway for the Official Opening and Blessing of St Mary-St Cecilia Catholic School in Morrisburg on Thursday. May 6, 2004.

School Principal Donna Nielsen says a full program is planned for the occasion, including a ribbon-cutting ceremony, special guests and tours of the newly renovated school.

The Opening and Blessing Ceremony, scheduled from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. will be celebrated by Father Sebastian Arikat, from the St Mary and St. Cecilia Parishes.

The student choir will perform during the prayer service. The school's new gymnasium is to be dedicated to the memory of long-time Trustee Peter van Moorsel in a special presentation by Ron Earner, Chair of the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario.

Two former teachers will also be on hand to share some of their favourite memories of St Mary and St Cecilia Schools.

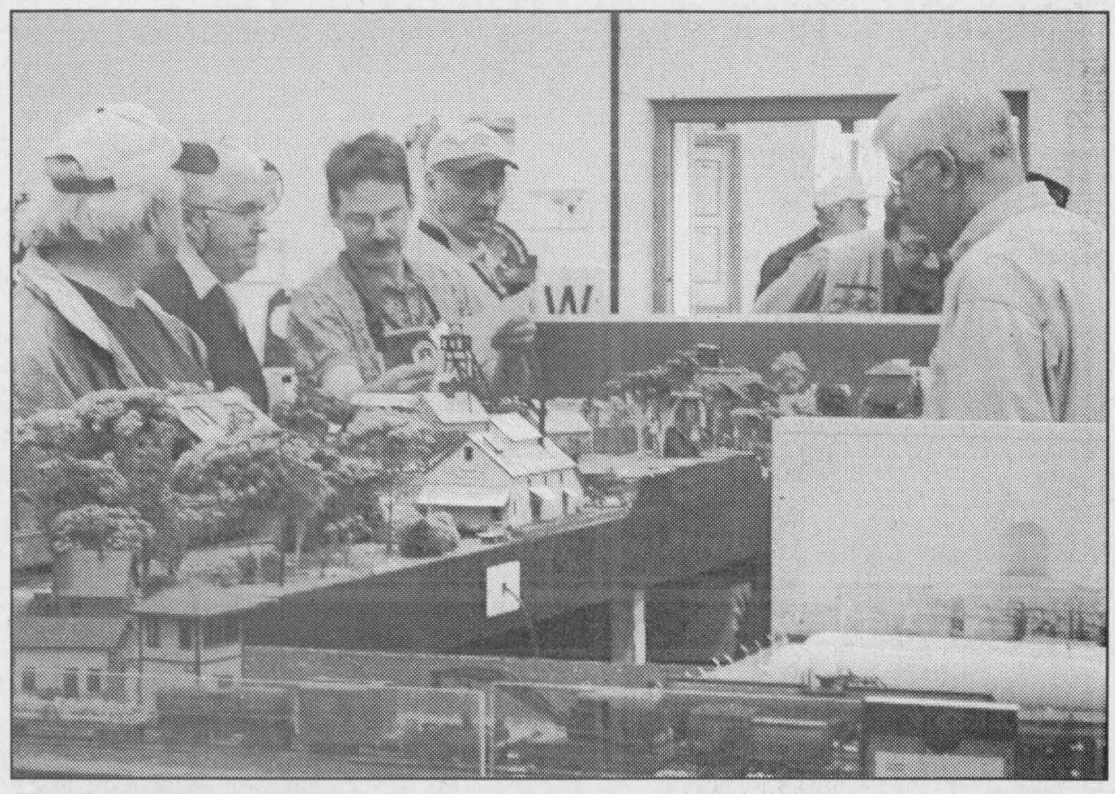
Retired teacher Eleanor Allison, who taught for over 30 years at St Mary, will present a brief history of St. Mary Catholic School in Morrisburg, while former teacher Walter Baker will remember some fond stories from St. Cecilia Catholic School in Iroquois.

The two schools were amalgamated in September of 2003. with students from St. Cecilia transferring to St. Mary School. The combined schools actually started the year at the old St. Cecilia site until renovations and construction work on three new classrooms and a gymnasium were completed in late September in Morrisburg.

The Official Opening takes place during this year's Catholic Education Week.

Other featured guests for the evening include Carolyn Weegar, Catholic School Council Chair Stormont-Dundas Trustee Denis Sabourin, CDSBEO Director of Education Greg McNally and Superintendent of Education Dr. Donaleen Hawes.

Parents, students, staff and the greater Catholic community in Morrisburg and Iroquois are invited to attend the Official Opening and Blessing Ceremony at 7:00 p.m. (Seating is limited) School tours and refreshments will take place from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.



Railroaders show held at high school

The Prescott Depot Railroaders held their annual show at Seaway District High School in Iroquois on April 24 and 25. Above, people have a look at one of the working displays. There were also a number of vendors, historical displays, and entertainment. The show provided something for everyone who went.

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Dr. Franc to be guest speaker at Dixon's

As part of the Education week activities at Dixon's Corners Public, Dr. Valerie Franc, ND, will speak to all interested parents in our area on Wednesday, May 5th at 7 pm.

She will be discussing the effect of diet, nutrition and lifestyle on children's behaviour and their ability to learn.

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Valerie Franc, Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine, completed her medical training at the Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine and has an undergraduate degree in Nutritional Sciences from the University of Guelph.

She currently practices at the Millennium Health Centre in Cornwall.

Along with lecturing extensively throughout the area, she is also the editor in chief of the newsletters produced by the Ontario Association of Naturopathic Doctors, and was recently featured on a health program on 93.1 F.M.

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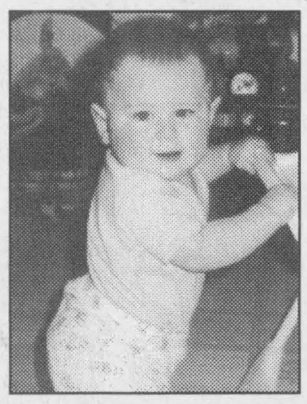

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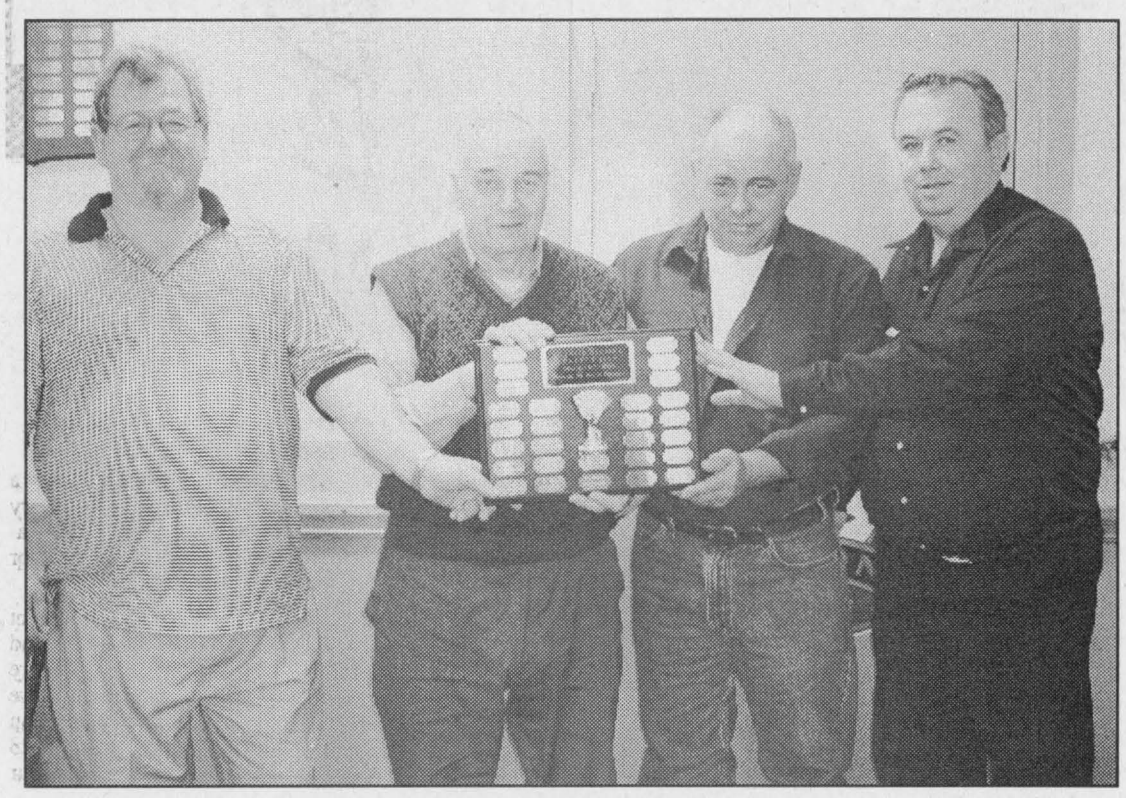
The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) is responsible for enforcing the Public Lands Act and Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act.

Individuals and contractors who do work without the necessary approvals can face both fines and rehabilitation orders from the court.

In the past year, local courts have heard; a number of related cases including: a construction company that was fined $60,000 for dredging a small stream of the Jock River and creating a new channel to drain water from a quarry; a construction company which was fined $5,000 for allowing silt to enter a creek leading to the Rideau River; and two waterfront property owners who were fined $4,000 for placing arid removing sand on the shoreline of the Ottawa River

The public is asked to help protect our natural resources by reporting violations to their local MNR Office or by calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



Cribbage league hands out awards to league's best

Willis Douglas, second from left, presents the award for the most perfect days (nine wins in one day) to Bob Esford (left), Karl Kirkwood and Bob McKee. The awards were handed out at the Iroquois Legion on April 24, which was the last day of the winter cribbage season.

Chieftain Photo by B. Palubeskie

Edwardsburgh/ Cardinal donates fire truck

By Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal donated a fire truck to the Spencerville Agricultural Society at their council meeting on April 19.

The truck is a 1971 GMC model and the Agricultural Society has already been making use of it for the past few years. The main use of the truck is to water the tracks down and it has a special pump that makes it excellent for this purpose.

The truck is not really roadworthy and the society needs the track wetted down the day before the fair to keep the amount of dust down.



Crib player sweeps up at awards

Legion Cribbage player Bob Esford collected quite a bit of hardware at the awards presentation on April 24. He picked up plaques for High Average in Doubles Play, High Average in Singles Play, and was the Overall Champion.

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Four face drug & weapons charges

On April 19, 2004, Project "Paragon" officers with assistance from the OPP Canine unit, and members of the Winchester OPP Detachment, conducted an investigation regarding the unlawful production of cannabis marihuana. OPP members attended a residence on Nation River Road in South Dundas Township and executed a search warrant pursuant to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.

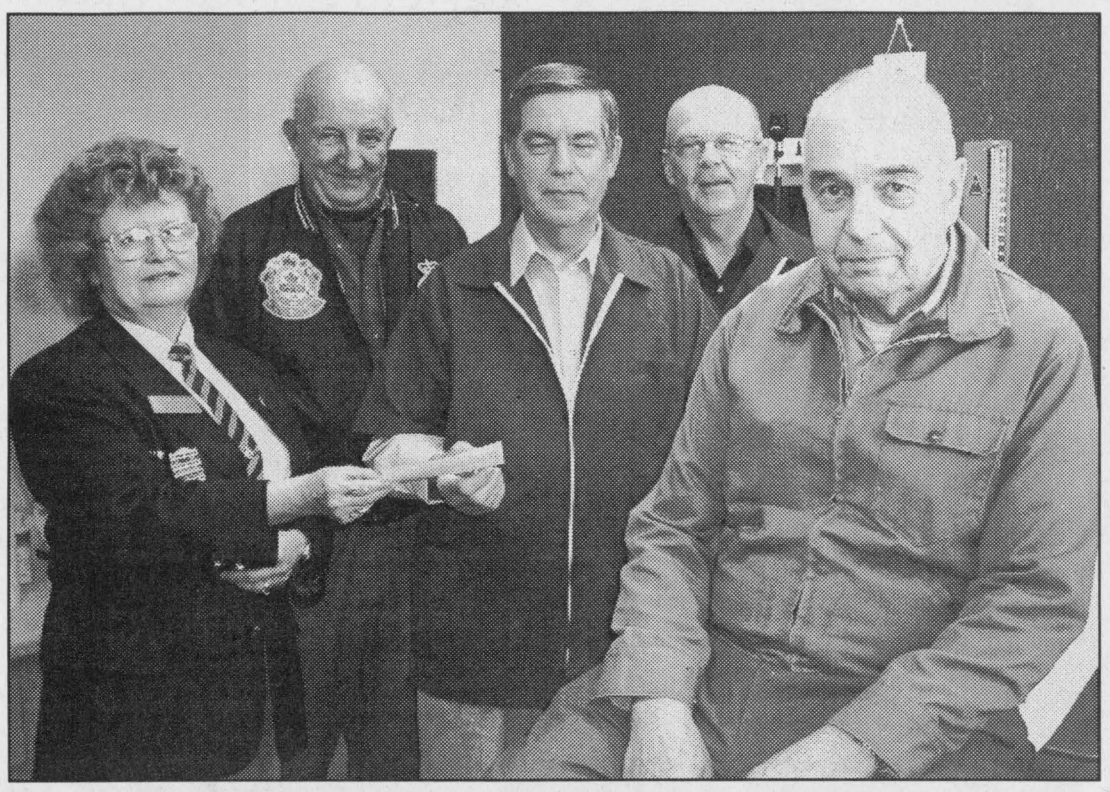
As a result, an indoor marihuana production operation was discovered on the property. Police seized the following: 100 cannabis marijuana plants with an estimated value of $10,-000.00, 4477 grams of cannabis marijuana with an estimated value of $67 155.00, a loaded 9 millimetre handgun, a loaded 12 gauge shotgun, a stolen all terrain vehicle and various equipment consistent with items used for the indoor production of cannabis marihuana

Furthermore, police discovered that electricity was being stolen based on the altered electrical panel.

During the course of the investigation and search, three adult males and an adult female were arrested.

As a result, all three have been charged with numerous criminal offences relating to firearm charges, drug charges and theft charges, contrary to the Criminal Code of Canada and the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act.

All the accused have been released from police custody pending a court appearance in the town of Morrisburg.



Medical Centre gets new bed from Legion

The Iroquois Legion presented the St. Lawrence Medical Centre with a cheque for a new bed on April 23. From left to right: Legion president Darlene Riddell, Ted Gratton, Dr. Henry Prins, Dr. John Marston and Willis Douglas.

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Total all the amounts from box 28 of your T4A, Statement of Pension, Retirement, Annuity and Other Income slips that you received in 2003.

If the scholarships, fellowships, or bursaries you received were for a program for which you can claim the education amount on line 323 — Tuition and education amounts, report the total amount that is more than $3,000. Otherwise, report the total amount that is more than $500.

An artist's project grant is a scholarship, fellowship, bursary or prize used in producing a literary, dramatic, musical, or artistic work.

Add all of your artists' project grants that you received and report the amount that is more than either (whichever is more beneficial): $500; $3,000 if you can claim an amount at line 323 for the program; or your expenses.

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Mr. Henderson said that he would need a cement pad with a covered building.

He was unsure at the time of what material would be used for the building, which would also be opened at the north and south ends and would contain bunkers.

At the moment, Mr. Henderson is losing money in order to move his compost.

"Right now, it's costing me $5,000 to move my product," he said. "I can't absorb $5000."

The Ministry of Environment would be supervising Mr. Henderson's venture.

He stated that his compost is "the best compost to get things started." He added that in time he could bring in top soil.

Council agreed to provide Mr. Henderson with the required letter.

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However, they may not always work, as the batteries could die, or there may not be any service in a particular area.

"Don't put your faith in it," said Constable Lummiss. "Don't rely strictly on cell phones for help." Sergeant Cyr added that "mechanical devices can fail."

Constable Lummiss stated that a person should try to anticipate any safety issues beforehand.

"You want to put yourself in as much control in your safety (as you can)" instead of relying on somebody else, he said.

Fibre Optics

These concerns ranged from exploring other options to fibre optics to the financial side of the network to who would own the new network.

"We're getting the impression that we're only talking about fibre optics, but that's not the case," said Mr. Crampton. "Unfortunately, we've spoken too much about fibre optics, but that's not the final option."

Perhaps the biggest concern that was brought up was the division of the community because of fibre optics.

"What really worries me is the division of the community," said local resident Richard Zandbergen.

Mayor Lyle Van Allen addressed Mr. Zandbergen, saying he agreed.

"It has brought neighbour against neighbour and possibly friend against friend," said the mayor.

Morrisburg Jim Jordon had asked how much actual money has been brought back into the township, after a $1.4 million expenditure on fibre optics.

Mr. Crampton explained that the revenue for 2003 was $29,-000, up from $13,000 in 2002 and $9,000 in 2001.

Anyone interested in obtaining the township's report can contact the township office at 535-2673. Electronic and hard copies are available.

DIAMONDS

the events that had taken place.

There was a suggestion put forth that DIAMONDS keep better records of their events, such as the ones mentioned above, for future reference.

Although DIAMONDS managed to fair better financially during 2003 than they did in 2002, their expenses were still a little more than their income.

"A significant amount of this is from running this house," said Vice President John Polok.

There was some discussion about adding a by-law that would see a member removed from the board of directors if they missed more than two or three meetings in a row.

In appointing the board of directors for the up-coming year, there was a lengthy discussion of how many people should serve on the board.

The DIAMONDS by-law regarding this matter states that there can be anywhere from five to nine members on the board.

"I guess it depends on the size of your organization," said Chris Findlay.

It was decided that the board of directors from last year would be re-elected for this year.

The next major event for DIAMONDS will be "Connections for Healthy Community Development," which will be held on June 5 at the Iroquois Civic Centre.



CANO celebrate first National Oncology Day

Oncology nurses at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital celebrated the first National Oncology Day on April 20, held in conjunction with Cancer Month. From left to right: Barb Filion, Marg Joldersma, Jane Sachs, Dawn Erickson, Karen Froats, and Linda Johnson. WDMH has 38 active patients in their chemotherapy program. *Submitted Photo*

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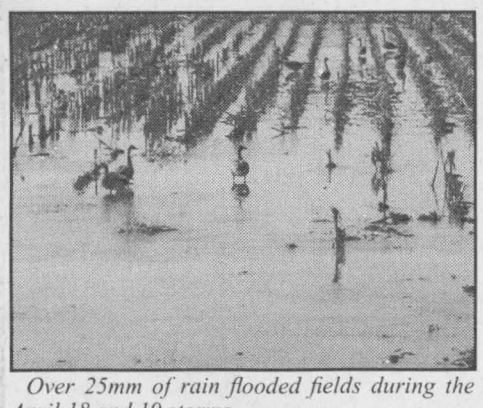
High winds blast area

By Stephen Balena
Special to *The Chieftain*

A fierce windstorm swept across Ontario on Monday, April 19 producing wind gusts close to 90km/h in some communities. The highest winds were reported in the St. Lawrence Valley between Kingston and Cornwall. There were numerous reports of damage in the area including tree limbs down and some signs toppled. Shingles were torn off roofs and traffic on the Prescott/Ogdensburg International Bridge was slowed to a crawl.

Weather from the Valley

Peak wind gusts in Kemptville were in the 70km/h range. The winds were caused by a sharp cold front sweeping across the province. The pressure gradient between high pressure to our east and the advancing cold front generated the southwest winds. This has been a common occurrence this month as winter reluctantly releases its grip.



Over 25mm of rain flooded fields during the April 18 and 19 storms. *Photo: D. Scovil*

Between fronts some sunshine broke out on Monday pushing the mercury up over the 20°C mark for the first time this season.

Unfortunately the temperature dropped the other way just as quickly, and we have been experiencing colder than normal weather since. Also a persistent cold wind has been blowing as well. Some parts of the province even reported snow and freezing rain on Sunday, April 25.

The forecast: A slight improvement will occur this Thursday and Friday with sunny skies and temperatures warming once again to slightly above normal values (19°C). This will be short lived however as it appears that the coming May 1st weekend will be unsettled and very cool for this time of year. No real warm up is in sight at this point across Ontario. The *Farmer's Almanac* however is calling for a hot summer with near normal precipitation for Eastern Ontario and the Ottawa Valley. Let us hope so!

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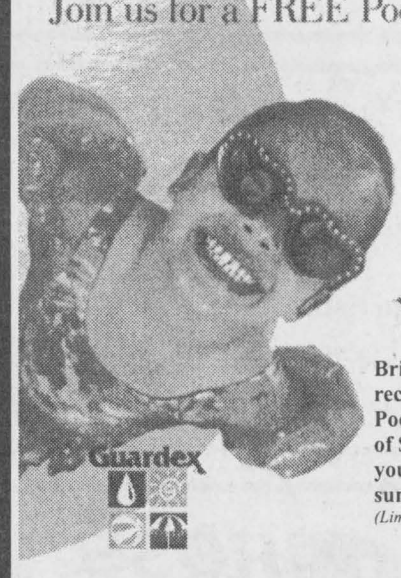

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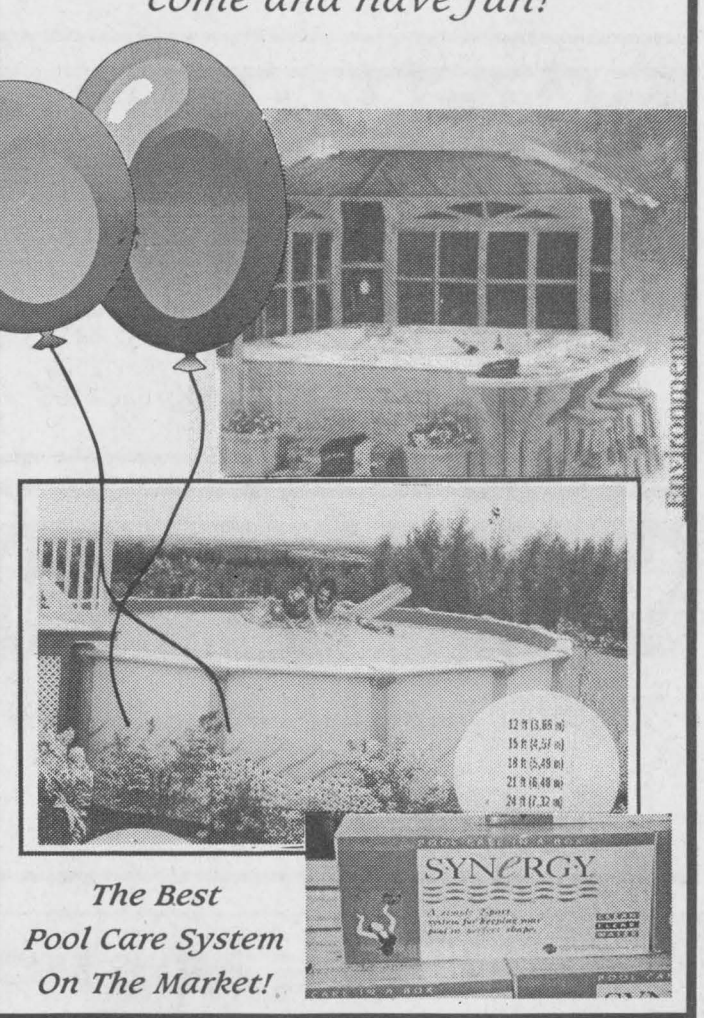

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