Council decides to back Golf Club expansion

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Five years ago in December a delegation from the Iroquois Golf Club came to the monthly Council meeting to ratify an agreement which gave the Club executive the right to plot the destiny of the course.

Among the many aspects discussed and included in the agreement signed, was one stating that no trees or shrubs were to be planted on the leased premises until approved by the Village and complaince with Canadian Transport regulations for airports being met.

No altering of existing ditches, drains or drainage patterns would be tolerated without written consent from the Village, and the Village reserved the right to enter the premises when necessary to inspect its property.

Last Tuesday evening almost five years to the day, the Council of the Village of Iroquois agreed to support the Golf Club Executive Expansion Committee's proposal to expand the nine hole course to eighteen holes.

The 1.3 million dollar project will not cost the taxpayers of Iroquois any money according to Mr. Leightizer one of the expansion committee members. At a Public meeting held two weeks ago different financial scenerios were looked at and it was felt that even if the worst case scenerio were to happen, the Golf Club would still be able to make its loan payments.

However, because the Club does not own the land or the Club house, they have no assets to base a loan on and asked that the Village back their loan request.

At the Council meeting last Tuesday evening, the Clerk Treasurer pointed out that if the Village backs the Golf Club, or lends them the money, it could limit the Village's borrowing power for capital projects of its own.

Deputy Reeve E.P. Thompson, also a member of the Expansion Committee, agreed with Council's decision to allow the expansion of the course, but stated that he felt the Club should try to attain as much financial support as possible on their own. "The only way this will go ahead in my own opinion is with a 50 percent government grant. If they go ahead and in five years time they fault on their loan, the Village would be responsible. But if you look at the projections, in five years it would be completed, a good sum of the loan would be paid off and it would be a gold mine."

The Club currently brings in about $134,000 in revenues per year including green fees, memberships, bar and pro shop proceeds and according to Expansion Committee Chairman Mr. Lyons, grants are being explored through Community Futures and related programs.

Deputy Reeve Thompson also noted that during discussions with the Committee, there had been mention of paying the Village rent on the property after the loan has been paid off.

"They made that comment on a couple of occasions," said Councillor Brown, "but I think they're barking up a tree they'll never live up to in that regard. Once it's paid for in twelve years, that $50,000 or $60,000 a year payback towards their debt is going to be set aside for future what ever! They're going to spend it. In all fairness if we said to them, fine, the Corporation will back the Golf Course, but in the event of a default of your loan, we take over all rights liabilities and assets of the Golf Course, and at the end of the payback period we want minimum $30,000 a year in a lease agreement, I don't think they would sign!"

The rest of Council however disagreed with Councillor Brown saying that they felt the Expansion Committee would agree to such a proposal.

"I think it would would be a good opportunity for us to further an industry and exploit our natural resources," said Deputy Reeve Thompson. "The only thing that bothers me, is that if we back the note, as far as the Ontario Municipal Board would be concerned is that it would limit our borrowing power."

"I think it is a jewel in the rough! The comparisons have been made with Morrisburg and Prescott in particular and they have done fine. We have been waiting

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Matilda Council opens and awards three tender contracts

by Shelley Cumberland
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A number of tenders had been called for contracts throughout Matilda Township, and at last Thursday evening's meeting, they were opened and awarded.

Four tenders were received for operation of the recycling pick-up in the Township. The bid of Doug Peters, at $31,772, including GST was accepted and awarded even though it was exactly the same as another tender submitted by Claude's Disposal Service For Garbage Pick Up, of Chesterville. Mr. Peters was awarded the contract because he is located closer by. The bid works out to $26 per unit per year for 1222 households.

Kevin and Sharon Markel tendered as well at $34,800 plus GST, as did PV Moving and Recycling at $43,560.

Tenders were opened and awarded in the waste disposal site department. Bidding $18,977.49 plus GST per year, for a term of two years, was Gerald Dickson, which was accepted. The tender was considerably less than that accepted last year. Rob Andrunik, who held the contract last year, tendered $27,000 plus GST, and Randy Richmire bid $30,000.

Frank Ault Excavation was awarded the maintenance contract for the Smyth Drain, at $2,466.95 per year. Others in the running were Willis Kerr who tendered $4,140.90 and Quintan at $5,788.70.

An item which had been deferred from the last meeting until full council was present, was discussed. A letter from the County Planner, Kay Stone, informed Council that they are in the process of setting up a one day workshop for Council, Clerks and other members of municipal staff, tentatively for January 22nd or 29th, 1993.

Topics pertaining to the Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Natural Resources have been offered as examples with panel members including the County Engineer, a Transportation Officer with the Public School Board and a representative of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

Council was also requested to provide a list of local contractors who might be interested in attending, and also to recommend topics for the agenda.

South Dundas Recreation coordinator Paul McAllister brought in a draft budget for approval by

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Chieftain to publish Tuesdays

Publishing dates and deadlines will be different than the norm for The Chieftain over the holiday period.

Next week's paper will be published on Tuesday, December 22nd, and deadlines will be this Friday, December 18th for display advertising, and Monday December 21st, at 12 noon, for the classified advertising and editorial departments.

The following week's paper, the Looking Back issue, will be published on Tuesday, December 29th, with deadlines being Monday, December 28th at noon. So it is best advised to plan a week ahead so that we may accommodate your advertising needs. The first issue of 1993 will be published on January 6th.

The Chieftain office will be closed December 25th next week, and January 1st the following week. We will also be closing at 4 pm. on Christmas Eve, December 24th, and New Year's Eve, December 31st.

Check with you local businesses, banks, post offices, etc., to confirm their holiday hours, or check their advertisements in the paper and Christmas Greetings section to avoid last minute shopping disappointments.

We wish the best of the season for you and your family and above all, have a safe and happy holiday.

Rec. coordinator updates Council

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

At last month's Morrisburg Council Meeting, the Village agreed in principal to support the South Dundas Recreation Council's 1993 budget. At that time Council in Morrisburg passed a resolution to rotate the job of Clerk Treasurer on the Recreation Council to each of the three municipalities.

Morrisburg's resolution was to limit the term of the South Dundas Recreation Council's Clerk Treasurer to three years. Morrisburg also asked that the bookkeeping be either leased out to a private firm or rotated around as well.

Both resolutions were brought before the South Dundas Recreation Council and passed unanimously, but after discussion with the present Clerk Treasurer of the Council, Mike Waddell, both motions were rescinded.

Mr. Waddell pointed out that when the S.D.R.C. was formed, the Municipality of Williamsburg volunteered his services after consulting him, and that it would not be fair to pass the job on to another person without their consent.

"If you have someone who is willing to take the job that is fine," said Waddell. "When the S.D.R.C. was formed we told the other municipalities that if they wanted the job they could have it. However, it is a volunteer job, and I don't feel it would be fair to pass it on to someone who doesn't want it."

The Director of the S.D.R.C. Mr. McAllister also pointed out that with the Council just starting to develop, it was felt that constraints of this kind could hinder present

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Getting ready for the big run

Santa takes a break with the little woman in front of the fireplace. This scene could be just before he heads out into the cold December night to begin his rapid delivery around the world on Christmas Eve. The hot chocolate is inside to warm him as he travels, and things seem pretty content.

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

Snow storm blankets the area and causes problems

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Waking up Friday morning to a blanket of white with the skies pelting more of the same upon the ground, many found themselves shoveling before they could move. As many crawled from under their warm bedding, they knew that frosted windows and cold driving winds would greet them as they battled the drifts searching for their vehicle.

Where was that walkway, that driveway, that car???

The immediate area saw a load dumped on the ground, as clearing crews were out and about even before the storm was over.

The Toronto Weather Office called the storm "monumental" as most areas had their average snowfall for the month all at once.

Snow in Ontario ranged from 22 centimetres in the nation's capital, which broke a 50 year record. Peterborough had more than 60 centimetres fall and Toronto was hit with more than 30 centimetres.

The west bound 401 highway was closed for some time when a tractor trailer jack-knifed and hundreds of vehicles backed up behind it unable to move.

Sections of 401 were also closed into Saturday. Some people had been stranded in their vehicles for 18 hours. Others sought shelter in a hostel set up in Quinte Secondary School at Belleville. The driving became too hazardous.

Some 100 students, staff and parents from South Grenville Secondary School in Prescott were stranded in separate service centres enroute home when the storm stranded them.

One of the bus loads was stranded at the Scotts Service Centre at Port Hope when the storm necessitated the lay over. Further complications set in when a power blackout occurred. The facility provided free coffee and food, and the students pitched in and did what they could, waiting tables and mopping floors. No relief workers could get into work and those waiting to be relieved were at the mercy of the storm. Returning to the bus to get warm when the power went out, the students have a once in a lifetime experience.

The two buses left Toronto where the passengers had been to the Phantom of the Opera at the Pantages Theatre at about 6 pm Thursday. The lead bus pulled off at Trenton about four hours later and arrived back at Prescott Friday at 1 pm.

The stop over at the MacDonald's for this load saw them receive great service from the staff, as well as free coffee and cookies. The two groups were in contact with one another and the school, so parents were kept updated on the events. Leaving Trenton at 9 am following a transport, everyone was happy to see the Fort Town once again.

The second bus did not get back until 5:30 pm.

This is the third year for the trips and the first that anything unusual happened enroute.No injuries or illnesses were reported and the students will not soon forget their adventure.

Cars and trucks, even snowplows were ditched due to the weather conditions. Clearing was a problem until the storm subsided. It is a fruitless effort to plow until the snow stops falling, and then the task can be horrendous, what with abandoned vehicles in the way and people stranded in them for long periods of time.

Iroquois dug out from under the pile of snow slowly and as the storm tapered to flurries clean up was achieved. The snow had a coating of ice pellets under it and so the conditions were slippery so driving presented a problem for anyone who forgot to adjust to such things.



Christmas 1846

The chill in the air was evident and hung like a wet blanket over those who gathered in Prescott. The one thing that did, however, provide some warmth was the hot apple cider. A special recipe handed down through the ages, the soldiers in the picture above were not giving any of the secrets away. Saturday and Sunday the annual Christmas open house at Fort Wellington was a huge success as visitors came from as far away as Ottawa and Quebec.

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.

North pole goes rock 'n' roll

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Hey, it is certainly a thought.

Wonder if the jolly old guy in the red suit ever gets depressed and wants to change his image?

Well the children at Iroquois Public School got the chance to experiment with the idea...as they presented a very successful Christmas Concert much to the delight of family and friends who packed the gymnasium for both the morning and the evening shows.

Santa was feeling down and even though things were on schedule, the elves had everything under control as it were, the fat guy was not happy. Gone was his Ho-Ho-Ho, and his belly was not shaking like any jelly. The grade 4/5 sang about his being, The Same Old Santa.

He was ready for a change, and so began his adventure into various new lifestyles. The grade 6 class suggested options as they sang, "What Can I Be?"

He felt that a sled with reindeer was outdated and so looked for new modes of transportation, from a risky skateboard to a motorcycle.

The workshop at the North Pole was transformed into a real Rock and Roll joint. A jukebox provided the encouragement as R and R belted forth, a rather hip group of elves worked away making the toys that youngsters would get this Christmas. Complete with shades, neon clothing and baseball caps they had become true hipsters. When they sang, Jingle Bells in true 50's rock style, no one was surprised.

Mrs Claus was not pleased and she let the big "C" as he wanted to be known now, just how upset she was with this entire crazy idea.The grade 3/4 sang to her, suggesting, "You've Got the Blahs, Mrs. Claus."

All the while Santa seemed to be enjoying himself. Dressed in denim

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this week

Destreaming
Is it best for our children? Please check the letters on page 5 for a clue.

Farmers honoured
Soil & Crop honours farmers, check page 7.

True spirit
Christmas Lane visited on page 9.

Traditional Christmas
Fort Wellington and the Carman House celebrated, see pages 10 and 14, please.

For the birds!
Page 14 will introduce you to the world of bird feeding...

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Lise Coulter
Beach St., Iroquois

"I try to support the local businesses as much as possible in Iroquois. It is convenient and I feel it is important if we want to keep them here and going. They contribute to our community in many more ways than providing products and services."

Tracey Beckstead

"I believe in trying to support my own home area first. If it ends up we don't have our own stores in the future it's our own fault as consumers. We try to spread our purchases out around town, to give everyone a little bit if possible."

Verna Gibson
R.R. 2, Iroquois

"It's close to home and convenient. The business people know you and are friendly; they're people you grew up with. I do as much shopping here as I possibly can, to support our own community first."

Ann Hartle

"I shop in Iroquois mostly because I live here and I want to suport the town where I live. It is a matter of convenience, but having lived here all my adult life, I want to do my part to keep this town going."

Gloria Froats
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Nationview winners

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Honours and Awards Chairman of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 370 Iroquois, John Wilson congratulated all the Nationview Public School winners in the annual Remembrance Day poster and literary contests. Congratulations went to: (Front l-r) Robin Hamilton; Brittany Wagner; Marc Melki, 1st in Intermediate B & W poster; Amanda Walker, 1st in Intermediate Colour; Josh Westover, 2nd Intermediate Essay; Sarah Hollands, 3rd Jr. Poetry; and (back l-r) Jennifer Pilon, Doug De Vries and Devon Cinnamon, all Honourable Mentions in Intermediate Essay. Missing from photo was Sheri Adamson (B & W poster hon. men.).

Bird Notes

by
E. G. AVERY

Goldfinches fighting furiously for space at a niger-feeder on Elizabeth Drive provide entertainment as well as satisfaction concerning the experiment with the new type of food. Everyone who has offered the fine black niger-seed has been surprised at the quick success as both Goldfinches and House Finches flock to the feeders. They are leaving the Sunflower seeds to the Blue Jays and Chickadees.

An Irena birder has remarked that one Junco is enough, thank you, if the resulting snow-storm last week is any indication of the truth of the saying that Juncos foretell snow.

Most of the natural food sources are now under the white blanket, and attendance at feeders is increasing at last. In the above-mentioned area, Downy Woodpeckers were enjoying a seed-bell, Blue Jays were making innumerable trips back and forth to the Sunflower, while Goldfinches and Tree Sparrows dealt with the mixed seed.

As the closing date for the St. Lawrence Seaway is near, we can say goodbye to the Gulls, as their departure for warmer weather and coastal areas always seems to be in the same time frame.

In the Ottawa area, Evening Grosbeaks have been appearing at feeders, so we should soon have them coming here. So far we have had only one Snowy Owl report but there will soon be more of these. Young Snowy Owls have touches of grey in their plumage, while the adults are pure white.



Silent Night...

The Seaway District High School Choir travelled to Morrisburg Public last Friday afternoon to entertain students, along with the senior and junior bands. The group sang Christmas carolls and all who listened were impressed.

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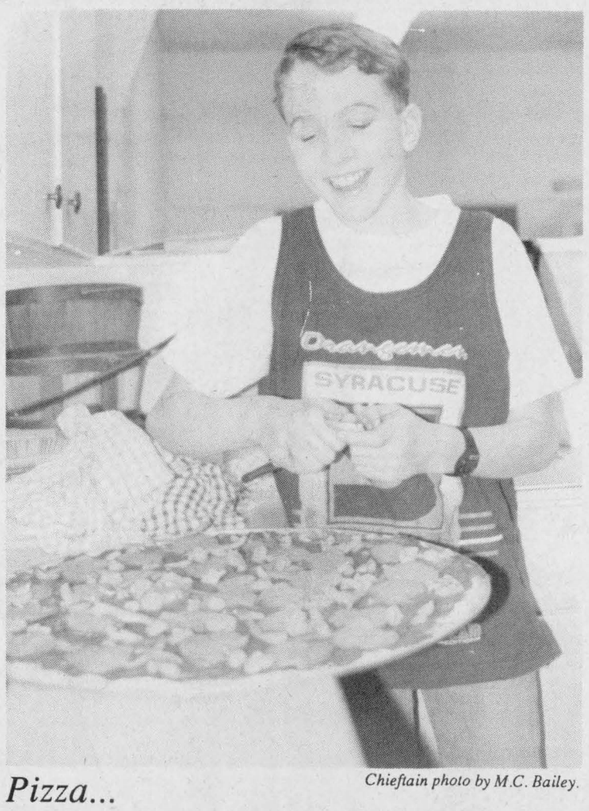

Pizza...

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Friday afternoon when most Seaway District High School students were sitting comfortably on their buses heading home, the cast of Anne of Green Gables and the musicians who helped them out, were busy making supper. Fresh pizza made by band members was devoured in short notice and a great time was had by all.



And a one.. and a two...

Under the direction of Miss Alguire the Seaway District High School Band performed a medley of Christmas tunes and some old Christmas favorites. Frosty the Snowman seemed to go over big Friday afternoon. The highlight for the children in the audience came when Darrick Casselman performed a drum solo.

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FROM THE FRONT

Iroquois

for a long time for something to come to this town, and I think it has been right under our noses. We have a very dedicated group out there who can pull this off and whether or not we are golfers is immaterial, it's a growing industry and it will be good for the Village," said Reeve McAllister.

Before the Village backs the loan there will have to be certain stipulations and conditions to be met, but Council has agreed in principal and the details will be worked out at a later date.

Matilda

Council, requesting they pass a resolution approving the terms of reference for a feasibility study.

The owner of a wrecking yard, Randy Richmire, of the third concession near the boundary, attended the meeting at Council's request, and agreed to stop parking cars on the road and in the ditch. Mr. Richmire was asked to speak to Council after two complaints were received.

The Essroc plant, located on Highway #2, who produced cement blocks received a reduction on their taxes fore 1992, amounting to some $21,551. Their assessment was reduced by over $70,000, and was originally not quite $80,000.

Council made their decision on the sign issue which will be forwarded to Counties Council later this month. Guaranteed for 20 years, members felt that the white signs with blue lettering were much more attractive, and they come complete with a four foot post cover, where as the other option would be mounted on a steel post. Each marker costs $28.50, minimally more than the other option.

It is hoped that all the signs in the United Counties will be uniform, but each municipality can state their preference, as the next phase of the emergency grid system takes shape.

Council will reconvene, January 14th, 1993 for their first regular meeting of the new year.

Morrisburg

progress.

"Over the next two to three years we will develop policies and procedures that any proper department should have in which those kinds of limitations can be installed, but at this time we did not see it as being necessary," said McAllister.

At the meeting Morrisburg Council pointed out that it was not their intention to offend the other municipalities. "Dr. Schnurr's hope was that the bookkeeping position and the Clerk's position, would be looked at as two different jobs. So that the bookkeeping would continue being done at Williamsburg, but the Clerk's position at the table with the Council would rotate every three years," explained Paul.

Mr. McAllister mentioned that eventually this could happen, but at this time it was not feasible. "Obviously it is not fair for Williamsburg. There are cost incurred by the Municipality of Williamsburg to do this job as a favor to the other three Municipalities and none of that money has been requested to be refunded. Obviously it is a lot of extra work for Mike and his staff and it is greatly appreciated," said the Director.

"We volunteered to do the job and if one the other municipalities wants to take over that is fine," said the Clerk Treasurer. "After discussing the matter however, we didn't feel that legislation was needed. We are not trying to take the job from someone else we just felt that the job of Clerk Treasurer should not be forced on someone if they are not interested."

IPS

and leather, sporting a new attitude completely....Santa's Gone Hip the grade 1 class sang to everyone and indeed he had.

He invited some children to visit to show off his new style. "We're Gonna Have Company" sang those adorable elves..When the company arrived, the youngsters were afraid they were in the wrong place...they sang "Who is He?" and explained that they do not know THIS Santa and do not care to, they liked him just the way he was originally.

The Junior Kindergarten (what a delightful group of youngsters, all dressed in their holiday duds, faces with the broadest smiles ever, and so proud of their accomplishment, and justly so, they were terrific) sang Jingle Bells in the traditional way and then everyone assembled as Santa went back to his famous red suit, trimmed in white, and seemed to settle back into the old mould again. The finale was grand!!

During the show, the choir sang, Jazzy Jingle Bells, Just a Little Baby and Skate Boardin Santa, as they touched on the varied aspects of the season.

The Senior Kindergartens handled the task of Welcoming everyone to the concert in fine fashion and they are so darling, it was tough to listen to them, everyone wanted to watch their playful waving at mom and those smiles are killers!!

Sarah Charbot was a great Santa, while Julianne Bygott played Mrs. C with class. Amy Holmes, Sarah Dulmage,Sarah Hawn, Emily Millard, Melissa Gibson and Kaitlyn Shaver were the cutiest elves ever, and Angela Felker was the tour guide at the North Pole. (Editor's note: Sorry Angela, your name is incorrect in the Christmas Greeting section!!Our error!)The children who came to see their favourite fellow, included, Dana Hasson, Alexis McQuigge, Jeremy Johnston,Jennifer Miller, Melissa MacMillan and Stacey Cassell. John McNeil was the delivery boy who Mrs. C was not happy to see as he delivered a leather jacket to Santa.

A tremedous job was done by class co-ordinator, Ryan Henry as every group came into take their positions on cue and left on the mark as well. There was the efficient stage crew who handled scene changes with the ease of professionals, they were Andrew Henry, Greg Millard, Joel Adams and Erika Coughler. Stephie Law and Eric Worth distributed programs and the staff who were behind the scenes did just an excellent job. This was no easy concert to prepare, but the finished product left no doubt that it was second to none!!!!

Crimestoppers needs your help

Crimestoppers needs your help in solving a theft from a Beach St. residence in Winchester. Theft occurred sometime during the latter part of September and the first two weeks of October.

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Seaway High news

The Christmas season is fast approaching, and life is busy here at Seaway! Everyone is counting the days until the break!!

The Music Department has been spreading Christmas cheer while doing their annual tour of the public schools. There will be a concert tonight at 7:30 in the gym. Everyone is welcome!

Students' Council has organized activities for this last week of school. Monday a homeroom-door-decorating contest was held with 12A coming up with top honours.Tuesday Yuks Yuks Comedy Club came to entertain us. Wednesday, the ladies in the cafeteria are serving a special Christmas dinner, and finally, on Friday, there will be an annual Christmas Assembly, featuring various students and teachers showcasing their talents!

School resumes January 4th.

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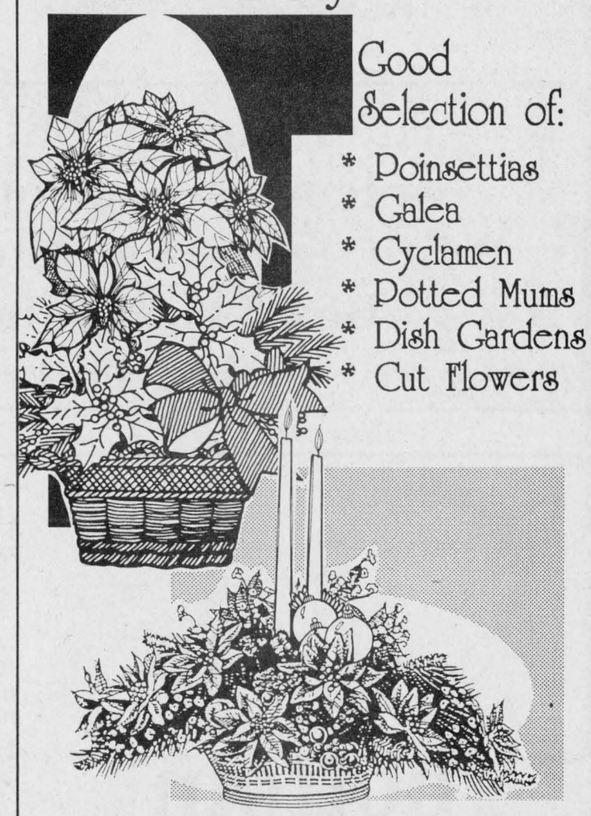
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A message of Christmas cheer

Just plain livin'

with Sandra Lee



Well, the Friday off was to be the final shopping crusade for the Editor. What is it they say about the best plans of men and mice??? Well, girls, the same holds true for the fairer sex. These plans were shelved about midnight, when son number one was very ill from that time until late the next day. The dreaded flu bug that has been seeking a shelter from abuse found solice with him for some hours. The Mother always gets the enviable job of holding fevered heads and cleaning after the barfing is done with...you too??? Every time things settled down somewhat and the idea grew to tip toe back to the bedroom, son number one would request that someone stay with him, just in case. Now, who is going to wait until he is sick again? Who is going to stay close by just in case? Yes, mom will do it!!! Sleep was not to be had and so besides being tired out, a sick young man on my hands, the worst snow storm in years dumps piles of the white stuff on our piece of the planet. Roads are treacherous and the white-outs make driving something only to be done in an emergency. Is finishing the Christmas shopping going to qualify?? NOT! Staying put indoors and attempting to shrink that ironing pile as well as looking at the soapies kept us both occupied. There were some trips to the kitchen for crackers and tea, but the patient recovered and life will carry on until the next casualty.

The weekend was fun at Swampview for the most part. There was the cheese to be sorted and packed by the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers on Friday evening. Shoveling snow is a wonderful exercise. It is most vital to remember to stretch a bit before starting to plug through the mounds of snow. The cheese effort was done up in short order and with a minimum amount of hassle, but then the sleeplessness caught up with the writer and that was all she wrote for Friday!

Saturday saw the bulk of the last minute items grabbed for Christmas and then it was a stop at the Carman House to enjoy the mouth watering treats prepared by their members, what a wonderful way to usher in the holiday season, too bad more folks do not show up to enjoy this afternoon each year. The craftspeople showed how to do some great, practical items for Christmas giving.

On Sunday some good friends and a terrific family came over to help decorate the tree. This poor little tree seemed overjoyed to be taken into the house. It has a bad crook in the trunk, and is about as shapely as a bent twig blowing in a heavy wind. It was however put in a place of honour for the big day and decorated within inches of its' very being...and just like Charlie Brown's tree, looks majestic and pretty darn great.

After the task was accomplished and supper devoured, we struck off to the west for an experience of a different kind. The true meaning of the season is often lost and so we hoped to grasp it along with the sons. Christmas Lane was a treat that showed us the story as it was told in the Bible. Well done too.

Son number one has been busy with the junior band Christmas

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What is wrong?

Reading in a local daily on Monday last, the headline reached out and grabbed this writer by the throat. Exerting continuous pressure as the story was devoured by these hungry eyes, a mixed bag of emotions surfaced.

How can this happen a mere 28 miles away?

What is wrong with a system that allows this to happen?

What a wonderful Christmas story?!*

The story that is referred to is that of the serial killer who butchered a fellow patient then committed atrocities on the corpse.

This creature and a fellow patient at a local Psychiatric Hospital have pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity to the first degree murder in the brutal slaying of a 27-year old in the woods behind the Hospital they were resident in. This all took place last summer when the killer had been released on a three hour pass with his co-killer, as his escort....what!?

Now, their plea has been accepted, I am surprised? NOT!Presently though the trial is being held to put the evidence on public record..wow!

Listen up, folks, a Psychiatrist has testified that ,"When the opportunity presents itself again, it is predictable, he will in my opinion, will kill again, he is dangerous."

Add to this the fact that this Doctor as well as another in the field agreed that this killer can NEVER be cured.

Wait, this is not the end of this matter either, this serial killer, who will continue to kill people when the chance comes along, who cannot be made better, who will be near someone...seeking the opportunity to kill again, may be housed in a medium security institution like BPH and permitted to go out, into the community ocassionally....WHAT????

Allowed out?

Going to be in the community with the rest of us?? Walking down the sidewalk, shopping in the same stores, standing on the corner waiting to cross the street????

Oh, excuse me, perhaps I am too quick to judge...."he will only be allowed out if closely supervised by professional staff, well aware of his delusional beliefs." Hey, now doesn`t that make you feel a whole lot safer??? Me either!!

The court was told that this creature, for he cannot be a human being, can he? Well, he lives in an alien world dominated by a make believe society he calls the Brotherhood, or the Praetorian Guard.

This dumpy and unassuming creature, is intelligent and quite articulate, according to doctors, was able to dupe other patients into accepting his secret society as a powerful organization with money, power and influence.

So convincing was he that the co-killer in his case was led to believe that the act of murder would make him a knight commander in the organization.

This man who helped with a murder was sure in his own mind that members of this guard would watch his moves, dispose of the body and spirit him away to Montreal where he could receive treatment for his temporal lobe epilepsy.

Back to the creature that has me upset with our system. What kind of a system allows this type of being out to strike again?

His record is one of child molestation (before he was 17), he freely admits to 70 or more.

His crimes are devastating and cruel and he justifies them with his delusional system. He has been institutionalized for some 34 years and used all these years to recruit members into the guard. Taking them through ranks, which called for killings and mutilations, what should be done with him?

Laws do no affect him, because he can justify his moves, no matter how gross they seem to society in general.

All atempts to help him have thus far failed.

Do you want to run into him on the street? Not me!!!

Am I as ruthless as he if I want the death penalty instituted in such cases as this?

I do not want my children to have to face such destructive creatures as this in their lives. Am I selfish?

What rights should a human like described above be entitled to?

Does he have any?

Did he give them up when he decided to kill others for no reason except that in his mind it is what is right?

What use will he ever be to society?

What can anyone hope to accomplish when working with him, searching for an answer to his mental problems?

He could not make friends, and became disenchanted with his family...

Who will his next victim be?

How will I know if I see him?

What could I do if faced by him?

Why do I have to worry? What is the system doing to protect me?

This is a ghastly situation, and it is happening right on our doorstep.

This man has been in Penetanguishene after confessing to a murder of a 4 year old, who he mutilated, when he was not yet 17. Killing two young boys, he was never prosecuted for these...again the system failed the rest of us as well as him!

Is it fair to subject society to the likes of this derangement???

We better pay close attention... What can we do? Hopefully the judge in this matter will be tuned in and something will be done with this outcast.

S.L.J.

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Edwardsburgh goes to polls twice

One Year Later

Edwardsburgh Township would be going to the polls once again on March 3rd to elect a new Reeve, even though the municipal elections had just been held a month earlier. Besides the by-law to call an election, Council also passed a resolution quickly to accept Pat Grant's letter of resignation, after only one day, from the position of Reeve to which she had just been elected. The political dilemma was also given another twist when Peter Gfeller, who lost the Deputy Reeve's seat by 16 votes, requested a recount.

After Pat Grant's initial resignation, the elected Reeve once again came forward to reclaim the position and then turned around and resigned again. A new election was held and David Dobbie was elected as the Reeve of Edwardsburgh Township.

LOOKING BACK

5 Years Ago

Local Council in Iroquois dealt with a short agenda at its regular meeting. A delegation from the Iroquois Golf Club Incorporated, **Brooke Leightizer, Russ Fader** and **Wilfred Haggarty.** The purpose of the meeting with these club representatives was to officially sign an agreement between the club and the village. The club was to become self supporting and pay all its obligations.

At the Matilda Township Council meeting, a request by **Albert Zandbergen** for a lot severance, Concession 4, lot 31, on Carman Road was passed and it was announced that a public meeting would be held to discuss zoning requests by Mr. **VanDodewaard** and Mr. **Farlinger.**

At the Morrisburg Council meeting no action was taken on a proposal by **Blakely, Craig and Company Chartered Accountants** to assist the village in developing a pay equity plan. Councillor **Gerry Rosenquist** wanted to wait until more information from the Municipal Association was available.

At the regular monthly meeting of Cardinal Council, two residents **Lois Grey** and **Margaret Connolly** asked why the sidewalks in front of their residences were never cleared of snow. Public works supervisor **Bill Richardson** told those present that the village had neither the time nor money to clear every sidewalk in town.

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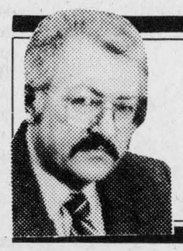
The Candy Cane Campaign

Peter Hessel



by Peter Hessel

The enamel of my children's teeth is bombarded all year round with corrosive and unhealthy substances. We used to belong to a dental plan. This meant that other people helped us to foot the bill for dental care,preventive dental care and dental hygiene. Now I'm setting aside roughly $2000. a year for that purpose. Why do we have to pay such a horrendous amount for dental protection?

I'll give you one reason: people keep feeding our kids hard candy. There are candy Valentine hearts and candy Easter eggs, there are lollipops; for birthdays, gooey candy kisses for Hallowe'en. But at no time of the year is the onslaught as overpowering as in December, the Month of the Canada Cane Campaign.

You can't walk down any street in town with your kids these days without somebody thrusting a sticky candy cane into their eager little hands.

Don't tell me to use my parental authority to prevent this nonsense. I've tried everything. But I'm going to give up trying. The Candy Cane is too big for me.I admit defeat.

Each of our kids can expect an average of five candy canes per day between the end of November and early January. That's about 600 candy canes a season for the three of them together. The total purchasing value of these sweet weapons is probably less than six dollars, but they cause hundreds of dollars worth of damage.

We go to the Santa Claus parade, and there are clowns walking on both sides of the street, handing out candy canes by the bucket. They make sure that no one from infant to teenager is missed. Our kids have become too big to sit on Santa's knee at the mall, so what does Santa Baby do? He gets up from his throne, walks over to them and gives them candy canes. Why doesn't he take an industrial diamond and scrape away their tooth enamel?

Whenever the kids come home from a Christmas party, their pockets bulge with candy cane wrappers. Everybody who happens to come in contact with our kids during the "festive season", seems to consider it an unwritten law that candy canes must be dispensed "to make the children happy". Does it never occur to these benefactors that they are making the parents unhappy? And the children sick? For heaven's sake, it's forbidden to feed the animals at the zoo, so why do you feed poison to my kids?

The kids aren't strong enough to say: "No, thanks". Maybe we should hang cardboard signs around their necks saying "Please, don't give me any candy cane". What's in this stuff anyway, apart from sugar and artificial colouring? Probably all kinds of other harmful substances. I can't understand how parents who take the greatest care in supplying their children with a nourishing, balanced diet, who screen out all other junk food, will stand idly by and smile while their offspring are sucking or biting these disgusting, cheap, unwholesome sticks.

Would any of my older readers remember (that is anybody my age, for example) whether they had a steady diet of candy canes when they were young? I'm also wondering whether any other parents are upset about this phenomenon. Or is it only me? Do I have this "Thing" about candy canes?

Last year I tried to stem the tide by offering my kids a quarter for every candy cane they turned in. This worked for a short while, but after they had collected about twenty dollars each, they broke down and made up for what they had missed earlier in the season.

When I become benevolent dictator, I will slap a hefty tax on candy canes. About a dollar a piece should do it, don't you think? That'll reduce the free handouts. And if that won't work, I'll order total prohibition. Or allow candy canes to be sold only in state-operated monopoly outlets. And I'll have them put warning stickers on every candy cane: "The Minister of Children's Welfare Advises that Candy Canes Constitute a Major Health Hazard".

the bottom line

THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has appointed a task force to chart the future course of the music industry . A cross section of industry representatives will analyze the impact of techology, examine government policies and make recommendations to ensure the long term health of the business. The final conclusions will be made public in three years. Interim reports may be made.

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THE TORONTO BLUE JAYS are busy regrouping for the season that looms ahead. Gone are the three Daves, Cone, Stieb and Winfield. Also traded was Kelly Gruber who had a poor attitude, and deteriorating work habits that made him expendable. Manny Lee is gone as well,but the Jays may be forced to bring him back. They no longer have Tom Henke, but Dave Stewart will stand tall on the mound this year for the Toronto fans to cheer. Many fans will be glad to know that Joe Carter will be back, as will Luis Sojo who was with the Jays a while back.Could be an interesting season!?

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THE MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL with Michael Caine as Scrooge with those magical Muppets, including Kermit the Frog complete with new voice, populating the familiar roles, make this a fun, funny version of a tale retold numerous times and ways. This is a strangely moving version of the classic and should be seen. The very young will miss some of the twists but older folks will have no problem.

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KERRIN LEE -GARTNER of Calgary won bronze on the weekend in the Women's World Cup downhill. She was beat out by two German ladies. Vogt won for the first time in her seven year career in World Cup, and beat her teammate, Gutensohn by a mere .74 seconds. Vogt finished the course in 1 minute, 42.06 seconds. Lee-Gartner completed it in 1:42:93. These are so very close.

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CLAUDE RYAN, QUEBEC'S LANGUAGE MINISTER said Friday that he would like to see the province's controversial sign laws modified. He asked the advisory board to check into changes in five areas, including, Language on Commercial signage, allowing English road signs where public safety is at stake, eligibility of students to attend English schools, promotion of French in the workplace, and the withdrawal of a municipality's bilingual status.

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REMEMBER, there are only EIGHT shopping days left until Christmas Day!!!

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THIS WEEK'S BOTTOM LINE: "Faith is to believe what we do not see, and the reward of this faith is to see what we believe."-St. Augustine.

Alex

by Aydin Suatac



LETTERS

Open Letter ro MP Bob Kilger

Dear Mr. Kilger:

During the past year you have paid a lot of lip service to grass roots participation. In your latest publicly paid for propaganda "Ottawa Report", you state that "our country's constitution belongs to the people and that any attempts to reform it must first obtain approval of the people".

Noble words, but lacking in action. You voted as Mr. Chretien told you with regard to the New Brunswick proposal to amend the Constitution to allow French and English as Official Languages within that Province, without first consulting with your constituents.

The fact is Mr. Kilger, that your constituents told you, in the October 26 Referendum, that they did not agree with the "Liberal" approach of two founding races. We disagreed with the concept of special status for any group being entrenched in the constitution. We also told you that we did not trust you or Mr. Mulroney with the job of amending the constitution.

And now, you would ignore this instruction and vote in Parliament for the New Brunswick proposal?

I accuse you, Mr. Kilger, of totally ignoring the wishes of the constituents of Stormont-Dundas, and of bowing down to the wishes of the Leader of the Liberal Party, at the expense of the people that elected you. You have once again failed to represent the people that elected you, and have attempted to represent Mr. Chretien to us.

Mr. Kilger, you represent a party (obviously not your constituency) that would add to our children's debt, a debt that was created by your party in the first place. The choice left to voters in Stormont-Dundas, is between the Liberals and REFORM. For me, there is no choice. With Liberal representatives like you, I'll take REFORM any day.

Yours truly,
Richard Mitchell



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Teachers concerned

Dear Editor:

We, the undersigned teachers at Seaway District High School, wish to express our very serious concerns pertaining to the new Ministry of Education policy which will re-structure the makeup of classes in Grade 9 in 1993.

Destreaming appears to be fact and the schools in Ontario are being told to proceed.

The Ministry is implementing "destreaming", a term which means that classes will no longer be divided according to levels of ability presently known as basic, general and advanced; rather, students of mixed abilities will be grouped together in one class. Students, then, will be taught a common curriculum which, at Seaway, has yet to be decided.

However, proceed we will as best we can but there exist serious deficiencies and profound questions which need to be asked and for which few answers have been given.

The purpose of these measures, we are told, is to provide students with yet another year in which to develop socially, emotionally and academically without the pressures of having to choose subjects which may limit future career choices.

In our opinion, the result will be another year of elementary school, leaving students with one year less in which to prepare themselves for college, university or the world of work. Our specific concerns are as follows:

1. Grade 9 courses will no longer count as credits towards a secondary school diploma.
2. Promotion will be automatic.
3. It is uncertain in what manner student progress will be reported and how evaluation will be done.
4. Little in-service preparation has been given to assist teachers in the development of teaching strategies.
5. A new curriculum is required to meet the realities of mixed classes; NONE exists as the Ministry has yet to provide new guidelines for these courses.
6. In recent years, a great deal of time, resources and effort have been devoted towards reducing the drop-out rate, particularly among students taking "general" courses. We have been quite successfull in structuring content and evaluation in ways which reflect the demands of the workplace. Now that students will be taught in blended classes, what will happen to the dropout rate? We fear that problems of frustration will increase thereby contributing further to the situation.
7. Teachers are not afraid of change, but is there a sound pedagogical basis for the implementation of destreaming? If so, it has not been revealed.

We enter the 1993 school year fearful that clever students will be held back, unchallenged and bored; the weaker students will have difficulty grasping the content and the student with special needs will be overlooked.

Increasingly difficult demands on teachers in the classroom are being made in order to deal with such factors as marital breakdown, sexual education, AIDS, sexual and physical abuse and violence; in many cases, we are not trained to deal with such painful matters which affect our students and their performance and readiness to learn.

On the other hand, the principle of accountability and the needs of the workplace in the 21st century dictate that our graduates emerge upon secondary school with the social, academic and technological skills necessary to make Canada a competing nation.

Will these new initiatives of the Government of Ontario assist students in achieving higher marks and improved credibility in relation to students in other countries? Will our graduates have better work habits? Will they have the broader education required for the future?

It appears to us that communities such as ours in the 1993-1994 school year will not be receiving value for their educational dollars!

If you are concerned about what will happen with this issue, voice your concern to the following individuals:

-Tony Silipo, Minister of Education, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario M7A 1L2
-Mary Anne Pitre, Trustee
-William Dillabough, Trustee
-James Dilamarter, Director of Education.

Yours sincerely,
Concerned Teachers of Seaway District High School

Thanks to volunteers

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the W.D.M.H. Womens' Auxiliary, I would, at this joyous season of the year, like to thank our many dedicated volunteers who go to hospital every morning, rain, sleet or snow, whatever the weather conditions to help out with any task asked of them for patient care.

I would like to wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Adult Co-ordinator,
Edna Levere.

A gift to save lives

Dear Editor:

In order to assist your readers to have a safer Christmas, we in fire fighting business suggest they "Give a Gift to Save a Life..."

Looking for a novel, yet practical gift to give this holiday season?

Our fire department suggests smoke alarms or portable fire extinguishers for family or friends. What better way to show you care than to give a gift to save a life.

For details of what to look for when purchasing fire safety gifts, call your local fire department.

Have a fire safe and happy holiday.

George Mallett
Cardinal Fire Department
657-3260

Recognition of support

Dear Editor,

During the past year, over 500 volunteers throughout Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry have generously contributed their time and expertise to the S.D. and G. Industry-Educational Council. As a result of this outstanding community support, the Council has been able to instigate and develop career exploration, student retention, business and entrepreneurship, and Science and Technology programs which link the community to the educational system.

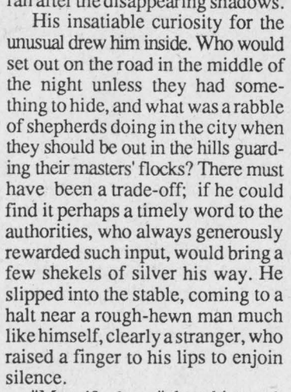
On behalf of the Council, a very special thank you to all IEC volunteers and best wishes for a Happy Holiday Season!

Yours Truly,
Flip Flockton,
Executive Director.

View from the Point

with Guy de Puyjalon

A Christmas fable



The second-floor room they had rented provided barely enough wall space to accommodate the tiny window overlooking the rocky hills beyond the city walls. He had stood there gazing out idly over the deserted countryside while his wife readied herself for the good night's rest she would need before the tedious process of lining up for most of the following day under a broiling sun, in one of the endless rows leading to the place where the census takers would record their names on Caesar's scrolls.

He glanced at his wife as she tried to find a comfortable position in which to drift off to sleep. His face softened. How pretty she looked in the half-light of the lamp, her eyelids already beginning to droop in welcome to the blessed respite of the night. She had travelled well in spite of her advancing pregnancy; his fears for the safety of the unborn child, their first, and his irritation at the Romans for insisting that they present themselves in person for the tally, continued to bother him in spite of her repeated assurances that she felt just fine. Having to travel all that distance in the fourth month of pregnancy represented a risky gamble for which he would not easily forgive the Romans.

He brushed her forehead with a tender kiss, snuffed out the lamp and let himself silently out of the room.

The dining hall below rocked with the boisterous laughter of the men who had drifted quite naturally to the packed and overheated public room for the usual boastful exchanges, the give and take and rough humour of travellers impatient to leave behind them the dusty heat of nearby Jerusalem's bustling, noisy days, the cries of armies of beggars working the alleys, the pushing and the shoving to line up for food, for the temple, for water, for the census takers.

He edged his way toward the exit, nodding at a few familiar faces in the steamy crowd, until at last he found himself in the cold crispness outside. The contrast was immediate. He drew his coat closer and took a deep breath; the night would be cold, again. He felt little pity for the small groups of people huddled in shapeless mounds of shivering humanity along the walls of the inn. Either they couldn't afford a room, or hadn't had the intelligence to send a message and a bribe to the innkeeper with one of the earlier caravans, as he had. Thoughtless people, he reflected with scorn, deserved no better than they received. He would be careful to teach his first born son - it had to be a son - to be as prudent as his father in these matters.

He jingled the coins in his purse. No gambler, he, like those laughing fools inside rolling dice in hopes of easy gain; he had nothing but contempt for those who placed their faith in the illusion that comfort and power could ride on a toss of numbered cubes. He would teach his son to stay away from idiots like that and to tie his future to real winners, to move among the strong and the quick, those to whom real power flowed as if attracted by the flux of the earth. It was in the shadow of such people that success was bred. "Tie your future to a star", he would teach him, "not to losers like these".

His musings had brought him close to the stables. He shivered from the oppressive cold which seemed to cover the darkened courtyard like a heavy shroud.

Strange. As he drew closer to the stables he sensed the furtive movement of people around the entrance. For a moment, he could have sworn three large shadows moving silently along the walls and into the darkness of the outer pathway resembled the lean, sleek desert camels of eastern traders; they were there, in the corner of his eye, for only a moment before melding with the featureless background of the buildings across the way.

He almost tripped over a couple of sour-smelling shepherd boys who scurried quickly out of his way and ran after the disappearing shadows.

His insatiable curiosity for the unusual drew him inside. Who would set out on the road in the middle of the night unless they had something to hide, and what was a rabble of shepherds doing in the city when they should be out in the hills guarding their masters' flocks? There must have been a trade-off; if he could find it perhaps a timely word to the authorities, who always generously rewarded such input, would bring a few shekels of silver his way. He slipped into the stable, coming to a halt near a rough-hewn man much like himself, clearly a stranger, who raised a finger to his lips to enjoin silence.

"My wife sleeps", he whispered. Then, with a warm smile lighting up his face, he pointed to the tiny bundle at her side, wrapped in swaddling clothes. "My son", he added, "our first born".

The two men looked with different eyes upon the scene. One saw new life; the other's eyes passed quickly over the child, taking in the small sandalwood boxes lying in the straw at the baby's feet. He caught the sweet and pungent smell of frankincense rising from the small pewter dish on the mud floor below the manger.

He looked at the new father and thought he recognized the profile. "Are you from Nazareth?", he asked. The proud father nodded.

"We are almost neighbours, then", the man said, "and soon, I"ll be a father, too. Perhaps our sons will be friends."

He turned to leave. There was nothing to report here, and it was time for him to return to his wife.

As he made his way carefully out of the stable the other followed, stopping at the entrance. "Yes", he said, "perhaps, if your new child is indeed a son, they could play together. There are not too many children in Nazareth. How shall I find you? What is your name?"

As he folded into the darkness, the visitor turned and said: "Iscariot". In the next instant he was gone, only the dull clink of the coins in his purse marking his passage towards the faint outline of the inn.

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Lions blank Alexandria

The Morrisburg Novice Lions shut out Alexandria in their first win of the regular season. Bruce Lewis picked up two goals for Morrisburg while teammates Stefan Barkley, Shawn Hitsman, James Markell and Mike Shaver each added one. Great game Lions...

Casselman leads Lions to victory over Hawks

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Despite fowl winter weather and terrible road conditions, Tim Casselman and the Morrisburg Jr. "B" Lions travelled to Winchester for a Friday evening game. Although the Lions have secured first place in the division, the game was critical from a confidence standpoint.

On Sunday the team was to meet Char Lan to decide who would take the second birth in the Boxing Day Tournament. Winchester had nailed down the first spot earlier in the season and the Lions wanted to go in to Sunday's game on a positive note.

In the first, Josh Gowsel got things rolling for the Lions when he took a pass from Travis Froats and Mike McAllister. Winchester was playing a man short (Steve Johnston had taken a interferance penalty), and the Morrisburg power play line dominated action the second the puck was dropped.

Testing Hawks goalie Chad Smith's ability to pivot, the Lions rocketed shots around the netman. Eighteen seconds in to the power play, Froats on the point drilled a pass to McAllister left of the net, McAllister faked the shot, slid one infront of the net to Gowsel, who picked the bottom righthand corner, and the Lions were up by one.

With nine minutes remaining in the period, Winchester right winger Jessie Pulfer took a checking from behind penalty putting the Lions in to an excellent position to go ahead by two.

On the power play for the second time in the first, Morrisburg struggled with the puck for a minute and a half, but when Yvon, Rob and Geoff hit the ice with defencemen, Tim Casselman and Derreck Holmes, the Lions came alive!

Rob Casselman picked up the lead off pass and carried it in to Hawks territory. Firing a shot into the left hand corner, Besner beat off Winchester defenceman Bruce Cameron to bring the puck out and in the process found Holmes open on the point.

While concentration was directed at Holmes, Tim Casselman on the far right began skating in towards the net. Holmes, catching Tim out of the corner of his eye waited until the last possible second and then hit Casselman with a picture perfect pass.

Casselman, on the move with his stick aired in anticipation of the pass, unleased an explosive blast that sent the Winchester netman reeling, putting the Lions ahead by two with twelve seconds remaining in the Pulfer penalty.

Less than a minute later Morrisburg took an interferance penalty putting Winchester on the attack. The Hawks held the puck in the Morrisburg zone but lost control when Travis Froats intercepted a pass. Froats found Rob Domanko breaking down the ice, Domanko put the puck on Martin Pancirov's stick and Pancirov drove home the Lions third of the night.

With a litle over a minute remaining in the Lions penalty, Pulfer made up for his penalty by sliding a shot past Dennis Villeneuve to keep the Hawks alive in the first.

With 3:34 remaining in the period, Dennis Dodd capitalized on a Scott Barkely and Derek Brannen pass to make it a one goal game.

Five minutes in to the second, the Lions watched as Doug Armstrong tied the game for the Winchester squad.

In a defensive battle both teams struggled to score the go ahead goal. The action was fast and furious for the next seven minutes. Finally a 7:09 Yvon Besner drilled a Shawn Hummell pass past Smith and the Lions were back in the lead.

With the momentum firmly on their side the Lions went to the Hawks zone off the faceoff. Josh Gowsell fired a shot to Mike McAllister, McAllister nailed one to Tim Casselman and Casselman doing what he does best, flashed a blistering slap shot a few feet above the ice surface past a shell shocked Chad Smith.

Morrisburg's Andrew McEwan went on to finish off the second with a goal at the 19 second mark, and then two more late in the third, while Besner added another for the Lions.

Winchester's Dennis Dodd picked one up a quarter of the way through the third, but Casselman's second period goal assured the Lions victory.

With Friday's win planted firmly in their minds the Lions went in to Sunday's game with the confidence needed to achieve their goal.

In the first the Lions crushed the Rebels out shooting them and out scoring them. Besner hammered two past Trevor McMillan, Rob Casselman fired one in to the mesh as did Mark Donnelly.

In the second Char Lan attempted a come back beating Hopkins twice, but "Blades of Steel" Casselman's early second period counter dashed hopes.

Steven Serviss got the puck sliding in the third when he opened up the final frame with a beautiful goal on a pass from Rob Domanko and Jonothan Hunter.

Dennis St. Jean along with teammate Graig Gobri each added singles for the Rebels, but Besner retaliated by capping off his hattrick with eleven minutes remaining in the game.

Char Lan scored once more in the third, but Morrisburg responded with Rob Domanko who's relentless offensive attack throughout the game paid off with a late third period counter.

The Lions first goal of the season has been accomplished and things haven't looked better! Get out and cheer on the Lions as they move into the new year!

Iroquois dart league

I bet the Kong Fu team won't forget Friday 11th of December in a hurry. They took all 12 points to 78 1/2 points, remaining in the lead. Guys & Gal 68 1/2 points, Senators just one point behind with 67 1/2 points, Misfits and Mabel's Boys tying for fourth place 57 1/2 each, Unicorns 57 points, Taz 53, Three & One 49, Maybes 46, Braves 45 1/2, Blue Jays 40, and showing a little interest in the game Pearl's Oysters "39 points and climbing".

High Scores: James Carkner 126-100; Glen Adams 125-100; Larry Mills 100x100; Ray Kenney 119; Barney Ault 116; Barb Merkley 107; Trevor Easter, Bill Dodge, Duane Kirker and Billy Dodge each had a 100.

Most Games Won: Duane Kirker 7; Glen Adams 6; Larry Mills 5; Trevor Easter 4; Reg Farmer, Eric Sypes, Ron Hodgson, Bill Dodge, and Billy Dodge 3 games a piece; Barney Ault, Art Ault, Dan Rainey, Glen Easter, Maurice Gagne, George Peters, Pearl Roy, Joe Roberts, John Trayner, Mabel Roberts, and Joe MacDonald took two games each, and with one game each, Ann Nesbitt, Lil Roberts, Trish Peters, Barb Merkley, Doris Trayner, Sandra Dodge, Danny Dodge, Jean Greenough, Nancy Borris, Ron Strader, and Leo Merkley.

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Morrisburg minor hockey

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Novice A

Chuck Barkley's Senior Novice A team was looking for their first win of the regular season on Sunday, and the team did it in style!

In the first period Bruce Lewis blasted a shot past the Alexandria netman and the Lions never looked back.

In the second period the action heated up when Lewis scored his second of the night followed by a goal from teammate Stefan Barkley.

In the third Morrisburg added three more to their score as Shawn Hitsman, James Morrell and Mike Shaver went to the net for the home team.

Ryan Tuttle in net for the Lions played a spectacular game recording his first shut-out of the regular season.

The final score, Morrisburg six - Alexandria 0.

Atom B

Nicolas Hart held the North Glengarry Stormont team to one goal in hockey action last Sunday in Morrisburg. The Morrisburg netman allowed only one to cross the crease in the final minutes of the first and then his forwards came to life in the final two periods.

Bartt Notman, Jason Denio, Scott Barkley, Greg Millard, Joel Adams and Rob Annable, each scored once to give the Lions the 6-1 victory over their competition.

PeeWee C

The Morrisburg netmen were hot Sunday night and the PeeWee C Lions goalie Jason Coligan was no exception. Coligan stopped a barrage of shots to help his team defeat Kemptville 5-2.

The 73's opened up the scoring in the first period, but the Lions came back in the second with two goals from Jeremiah Lemay and a single from David Trude.

In the third the Lions jumped out infront by two when Jamie Paradis scored on a pass from Mat Dejong, but Kemptville cut the lead back to one on a goal from J.M. Seguin.

With seven minutes remaining in the game, number 14 for Morrisburg, Jamie Fortier, hammered a shot past Nick Young in the pipes for Kemptville to ensure the Lions win.

Bantam C

Morrisburg Bantam C goalie Corey Locke came oh so close to a shut out Sunday night as his team defeated North Dundas 4-3.

Late in the first period, Matt Foley trickled a lucky shot past the Morrisburg netman to put his team on the board and ruin Locke's shut out.

Morrisburg picked up two goals in the first from Matthew Jackson and Kenny Hamilton, and then two more in the third from Chris Lee and James Donaldson.

Curry Hitsman, Kristian Bygott, Derek Roles, Paul O'Brien and Jonathan MacGregor picked up assists in the match.

Collins scores two to upset Raiders

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Rideau St. Lawrence Minor Atom "AA" Kings played two games on the weekend defeating Nepean and Gloucester.

Saturday at the Sportsplex Ben Knapp handled the Raiders with ease during the first two periods of action, but in the third the Nepean squad managed to slip two past the Kings netman.

In the first, Ryan Ballantyne rocketed a shot to teammate Matt Collins and Collins put the Kings on the board. In the second the Kings once again capitalized on a Tyler Dukelow goal assisted by Ballantyne and Asselin.

In the third period Matt Collins unassisted goal at 11:03 was all the team needed for the win.

On Sunday in Winchester the Kings met Gloucester and ended up defeating the visitors 4-3.

Adam O'Meara scored twice for the kings while Brad Potter and Billy Henderson each picked up singles.

Dundas delegates attend convention

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) held its 1992 annual convention, centering on the theme, "The Family Business," at theRegal Constellation Hotel, in Etobicike, November 22, 23 and 24. Delegates attending from Dundas County included Archie Mellan, Connie Beggs, Reg Gilmer, Dawn Runnalls, Gordon Garlough and Greg Vandenbosch, along with directors Max Sabey and Alvin Runnals.

Representing the Ontario Farm Women's Network (OFWN), was Mrs. Corry Martens, of RR 2 Iroquois. The OFWN is one of 28 farm groups that are organizational members of the OFA. Approximately 20,000 individual members comprise the OFA.

The annual convention was opened on Monday morning, November 22nd, by the Honourable Henry N.R. Jackman, the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.

Speakers included: Lynda Kemp, Stats Canada, 1991 Census; William Heffernan, of the University of Missouri, Corporate Concentration; Meg Claxton of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, Agriculture Image; Ontario Minister of Agriculture and Food, Elmer Buchanan; Federal Minister of Agriculture and Food, Bill McKnight; and The Ontario Commission on Planning Reform, Sewell, Urgod and Penfold.

The OFA members returned the executive for the new year, with incumbent president Roger George, of Powassan, Ontario, and vice president Jack Wilkinson, of Belle Valle, Ontario, returned to their offices by acclamation.

Second vice president Bill Weaver, of Dresden, was elected by a narrow margin over contender Tony Morris, of Mildmay, Ontario.

The Board of Directors of the OFA elected four directors at the annual convention, from the Board to complete the executive committee. Seven directors campaigned for four positions, and the winners were all incumbent members of the OFA executive: Dona Stewardson, Thedford; Gerry Carey, Prescott; Tony Morris, Mildmay; and Ed Segsworth, Milton.

Former communications specialist with the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, Meg Claxton told OFA delegates to get busy and tell the Canadian farm story to consumers. In an address to the convention, Claxton convention, Claxton said that the majority of consumers in Canada are aware of the plight of the farm population in the nation, and are ready and willing to learn more. The Saskatchewan consultant challenged the 400 delegates and visitors to capitalize on that positive consumer attitude.

"First decide on the message that you wish to take to consumers, and second, devise an action plan to reach that goal," she told the audience. "Then get busy! Do it!"

Consumers want the message to come from the farm community, she stressed, and not from the government.

According to Claxton, surveys show that over 75 percent of Canadians recognize that Canada's farmers are in trouble. She said now is the ideal time for farmers to tell their story to consumers. "Farmers must give consumers an image of what is needed to restore health to Canadian farms."

1992 field crops in Ontario are not a pretty picture, and at the annual convention, considerable time was devoted to issues surrounding the weather, crop, financial situation in Ontario.

Henry Ediger, Ontario Crop Insurance Commission, estimated that as of November 23rd, 1992, 12-15 percent of Ontario corn was harvested, and that fields producing below Grade 5 corn would be considered a write-off for Crop Insurance purposes.

Ontario Corn Producers president Frank Anthony outlined the provincial situation. Ontario corn represents about $600 million, fare gate value, with about 990,000 acres of insured crop and about 800,000 acres without insurance.

General manager of OCPA, Terry Daynard, stressed the fact that even #4 corn has 95 percent of the feed value of #2, yet it is being discounted in the marketplace by up to 50 percent. He hoped that with time, some common sense would prevail in the price of #4 and #5 corn.

Several resolutions came to the convention floor, relating to the crop-weather situation.

The Ontario Corn Producers Association is holding a series of open meetings across Ontario to evaluate the gravity of the problem.

Also speaking at the 1992 convention, University of Missouri Professor William Heffernan, painted a startling picture of the agri-food sector in North America. Professor Heffernan said that for each major agri-food commodity in North America, there are four corporations, or less, that have control of 40 percent or more of each of those commodities.

These numbers were compared to the few million farmers, and millions of consumers, who with those corporations, form the commercial food chain. It was inferred by example, that both farmers and consumers are relatively powerless in dealing with that degree of corporate concentration.

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Casco holds on to first

The first place team in the Cardinal Broomball League stretched their lead after last week's game against the Vipers, which ended 3-1.

The first period of play went virtually scoreless, until 24:19, when Phil Johnston of the Vipers scored with a little help from teammate Trevor Gill.

Casco claimed the second period as their own, and their goalie Darren Stitt (W, 8-1, 1.30 GAA) fended off the opponents leaving the Vipers scoreless in that period.

Ken Murphy combined with Rod Stitt and Kevin Patrick for the first two Casco goals, and then Patrick picked up another assist on the third, scored by Rod Stitt.

Ron Earl, in net for the Vipers, held on to his first place standing in the league, with 1.20 GAA.

This Thursday, December 17th, the Vipers take on Hostess at 8:30 pm., and the Scorpion Restaurant faces Casco Inc. at 9:30 pm.



King of the week

Billy Henderson a solid left winger for the Rideau St. Lawrence Kings has proved to be a valuable asset to the team. Last Sunday in Winchester the ten year old winger scored a late third period goal to help his team beat Gloucester. His hobbies include hockey, skidooing, collecting hockey cards, camping, fishing, playing with his dog Winston and teasing his older sister.

Temple euchre and bridge

Temple Euchre and Bridge was held at the Masonic Lodge Hall, in Morrisburg on December 4th.

In Euchre, Kezia Wells and Dwain Harper took top honours for the ladies and gents, while Muriel Cassaboom and Cecila Lee took second respectively.

First, second and third in Bridge honours went to Frank Bickerdyke, Hubert Lapier and Dick Gaiser.

Helen Gillespie and Lee Oudekirk each won a door prize and the 50/50 winners were, Garnet Empey, Phyllis Jones, Ruth McCullough, Elsie Dowson and Edith Baker.

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Top Salesmen Again!

Jeremy Johnston (left) and Matthew Hartle (right side) do battle royal each Christmas season as the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts sell cheese gift boxes. The annual fund raiser has the boys selling packages to help defer the costs of camps and equipment. These two try to be the top seller, and for the past few years they have been close. Jeremy moved to Scouts and Matt is a Cub. They each sold over $600. worth of cheese. Here they accept their prizes. Well done guys!

Farmer of the Year - Arden Schneckenburger



Arden Schneckenburger

The Federation of Agriculture is pleased to recognize Arden Schneckenburger, RR #1, Morrisburg as their 1992 Dundas Farmer of the Year.

Arden operates a 1440 acre cash crop and beef feedlot. Arden owns 1240 acres and rents an additional 160 acres. In 1992, he grew 974 acres of corn, 54 acres of soybeans, 85 acres spring wheat and 110 acres of forages.

Arden finishes about 400 head of beef cattle per year. He buys mainly Western cattle in the 600-750 pound range and finishes them on corn silage, high moisture ground ear corn and a concentrate mixture of roasted soybeans and spring wheat.

Cedar Lodge Farms has on farm storage for corn, and corn is sold to Casco and to local feed mills.

Arden has been an innovator in tillage and soil conservation work. He received a Soil Conservation Farm Gate Sign from DSCIA in 1989.

Arden graduated from the University of Guelph in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture - major Crop Science, minor Ag. Economics. He is also a graduate in the second class of the Advanced Agriculture Leadership Program.

Arden has been very active in farm organization work. He is a past county director to the OFA and is currently on the executive of the Dundas Federation of Agriculture. He is a director of the Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association and a representative in the Dundas Farm Safety Association.

He is a past president of the Dundas Cattlemen's Asspciation and past secretary of the Dundas Wheat Producers. He has been a 4-H leader for 15 years and is currently chairman of the newly formed Dundas Needs Assessment Committee that is responsible for making decisions on the kinds of training programs that will be offered to Dundas farm families.

Arden has also provided leadership to his local community: a board member of Winchester District Memorial Hospital; an executive member of the Dundas Environment Resource Centre in Morrisburg; and past president of the Morrisburg Canadian Club.

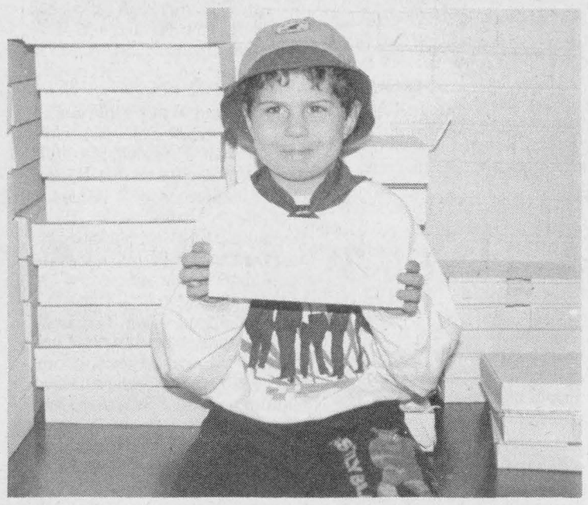
Arden is married to Rhonda and they have three children, Warren, 7, Dayna, 4, and Leslie, 18 months.

Commitment to agriculture and the betterment of our rural community make Arden a very worthy winner of this award.



Silhouette opens

Betty Gibson, owner of Silhouette Hair Styling in the basement of the 730 Truck Stop in Cardinal, has been busy this Christmas season. Ms. Gibson specializes in barbering and enjoys meeting the many people who visit her shop. In the chair for the picture was Scott Boucher. No appointment is necessary but Ms. Gibson can be reached at 657-1424. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*



Top Overall Salesman!!!

Trevor Bradford just became a Beaver this past fall, and this is his first time ever to sell cheese boxes for the Scouting movement in Iroquois. If this year is any indication, fund raising will take on a new meaning...Trevor sold almost $900. worth of the great stuff. Congrats, for sure!!! The money will help pay extra expenses incurred by the three groups, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts.

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Dr. Armstrong wins Award of Merit

The Eastern Ontario Soil & Crop Improvement Association is pleased to recognize Dr. William Armstrong, Winchester, as winner of the 1992 Award of Merit.

Dr. Armstrong is a partner in the Dundas Veterinarian Service, and graduated in 1983 from the University of Guelph with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. He also has a Bachelor of Science in Biology.

Following graduation, Dr. Armstrong came to work in Winchester, for Dr. Larry Gray. In 1984, he opened his own clinic on the corner of Highway 31 and Main Street.

Having grown up on a small farm in Bishop Mills, William worked on neighboring farms to further develop his keen interest in agriculture and animals.

Dr. Armstrong promotes preventative care in his practice. Many of his clients are on a monthly herd health program that includes ration formulation and production monitoring services.

A 4-H Club leader for the Dundas Vet Club, many young people have benefited from his knowledge of livestock and pet care.

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Dundas Vet Services is a very generous contributor to local community and farm organizations. Dr. Armstrong is a director of the Central Canadian Veterinary Association.

Willie is married to Michele, also a partner in Dundas Vet Services. They have three children, Shannon, Erin and Jeffrey.

Cardinal seniors hold Christmas celebration

The seniors held their annual Christmas Dinner on December 10th with 32 attending. Special guests were Jim and Joan Grant.

A thank you is extended to the United Church Women for their delicious turkey dinner afterwhich Christmas carolls were sung, led by Jim Grant.

Euchre was played and Verna Keeler took first spot, followed by Stewart Cook in second. Low score was Pauline Peters.

Instead of exchanging gifts this year, all members attending gave a donation which will be given to Palliative Care Services at St. Vincent de Paul and the General Hospitals.

Thursday, December 17th will be the last meeting of the year, and will resume for the first meeting of the new year on January 7th, with a pot luck luncheon, 12 noon, at the United Church Hall, Cardinal.

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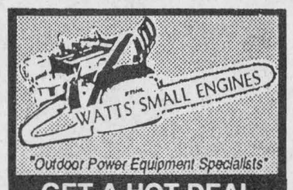

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DATED: at Morrisburg, Ontario this 14th day of December, 1992.
Klaas Grootjans
Executor,
BY:
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MORRISBURG, Ontario
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Christmas Greetings

To my Neighbours, Friends and Relatives
Best Wishes in this Season of Caring
Joy to all, and a Blessed New Year
Ruth Coons
D16-1tp

My wish for my family, relatives and friends is
God's Blessings at Christmas Time and in the New Year
Mrs. Grada Lieverdink
Iroquois
D16-1tp

Cards Of Thanks

DUNDAS HOSPICE: Dundas Hospice wishes to express sincere thanks to all those who helped make our "Light up a Tree" project a success. Over $1400.00 was realized and many people became aware of our Hospice Services. Thanks go to: Town of Morrisburg, Park Villa Manor and to all those volunteers who braved the elements.
Committee members - Wendy Byvelds, Robin Lane, Peter Johnston, Nancy Dulmage, Judy Vasey
D16-1tc

SIPES: We wish to thank all the friends and family for their kindness and support, at the time of our loss of a dear husband, and brother, Lee Sipes. Thanks to first floor nurses. Special thanks to Dr. Thomas and Cathy Kair for looking after him and all VON nurses who looked after him at home. Also thanks to Rev. Angela Bailey for her visits and prayers. Rev. Kurchinski and Legion members Br. 538 for their services. Many thanks to Robert Stephenson for his great help and support and those who sent cards, flowers and donations to Cancer Society. Your kindness will always be remembered.
The Sipes Family
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Today recalls sad memories
Of a dear brother gone to rest.
And those who think of you today
Are those who loved you best.
Sadly missed by a brother Garnet and sisters and brother-in-laws Lulu Gilmer and Mabel Wallace
D16-1tp

FAWCETT - In loving memory of a dear brother, brother-in-law and uncle, Dwean Allen, who passed away December 21, 1991.
A smile that's not forgotten.
Sadly missed and always remembered, Raymond, Doris and family
D16-1tp

FAWCETT - In loving memory of a dear mother, Mabel, who passed away December 12, 1991.
Sadly missed along life's way,
Quietly remembered every day,
No longer in our lives to share,
But in our thoughts you will always be there.
Sadly missed and always remembered, Jim and Viola Fawcett and Family
D16-1tp

ROBERTSON: In loving memory of a dear friend, Percy Robertson, who passed away December 15, 1988.
Those we love don't go away
They walk beside us everyday.
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still missed, still loved and very dear.
Lovingly remembered by Alton, Shirley, Tim and Cindy Cassidy
D16-1tp

SALMON, Chris - Cherishing memories of a dear son and brother who passed away 5 years ago on December 15, 1987.
Our hearts are filled with memories
Of other Christmas days,
When you were here to share them
With your so special loving ways.
Though it's our fifth Christmas without you
We still can't believe you're gone
But the traditions that you loved so dear
We still try to carry on.
So again We light our Christmas candles
Within our hearts for you
They glow with love and tender thoughts
Today and all year through.
They burn with cherished memories
And keep you ever near.
We're loving you, We're missing you
We're wishing you were here.
Missed so much by Dad, Mom and Nicole
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Just livin'

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entertaining and so class projects have been getting a stab at home. He has not had much time for fun but will be the better for it. His Christmas break should prove to be a real good time for him to recover and get set for the final days of semester one in grade 9.

Presents will be wrapped and set under the tree this week as we get the plans underway for the cuzzin Christmas fast approaching , and it only took several telephone calls to each family involved to get things established for this event....

Son number two did a great job in his school concert and they practise for the Sunday School event this Sunday, he is Joseph and pretty proud too! He skated on the pond, but the clearing is pretty rough so the surface was minute, some adult help will get a better rink going for sure.

Winter is not officially here until the 21st but snow and ice make for winter driving conditions, so have a care and get that shopping done, there are only a few days left !

The annual cheese delivery was accomplished in record time , maybe son number two is growing faster than we give him credit for. He was top Scout salesman this year and was pretty proud. His hour or so on the phone seems to do the trick and the organization appreciates the business. This fund raiser helps with camp costs and other large items so everyone can have fun.

The bros and the dad who snow plow were bogged on Friday, seems that some folks demand that they wait until the first real snowfall to determine whether or not they want to be on the list of drives to be plowed. This presents a bit of a dilemma,since the plowing starts in the dark hours of early morn when the flakes are drifting to the ground below. Tough to fit another person in and hard for the phone answering lady to find out where the plowers are at any given time....a routine will be established and things will go smoothly before winter is over. At least we hope so! We were on the list, but the big fixed car made her way out of the snowbound yard to the snow bombarded roadway and through the thick of the storm, past vehicles in the ditch and though blinded by the driving snow, the teacher was on time for school...there were no formal classes since no buses attempted the routes. An early day was his reward...

Enough, time flies when you type, and the grandfathger time piece tells that sleep is in order, so grab the festive spirit and welcome Christmas into your home and heart.

Looking back

Continued from editorial page

Mr. **Peter Brookes** presided over a brief Ontario Municipal Board hearing in Cardinal.

Charles Taylor, Secretary of the Slender Friends of Cardinal and District Home Support Program presented **Angie Champagne** with a Certificate of Appreciation for the Friendship Memory Tree bulbs she sold.

Rev. **Bruce Ross** and his wife **Helen** of Cardinal were in the process of planning a 21 day adventure to the South Pacific.

Angie and **Andrew Thompson** were part of the excellent entertainment enjoyed at the Iroquois United Church as their Annual Christmas Festivity was an unqualified success.

Stacey and **Jaime Walsh** met with **Santa** at the Iroquois Legion. Both girls were shy but Santa took care of that and found out what he was expected to deliver to their Church Street house, Christmas Eve.

George Currier, the Reeve of Maxville, was elected Warden on the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry for 1988. **Keith Fawcett** of Mountain Township was the Warden in 87.

Brown Owl **Donna Miller** and Tawney Owl **Mary Lou Lewis,** along with Tweenies, **Dawn Levere, Michelle Ver Bruggen, Tera Lewis, Jamie Walsh, Jennifer Miller, Erica Coughler** and **Melissa MacMillan** became Brownies at a special ceremony.

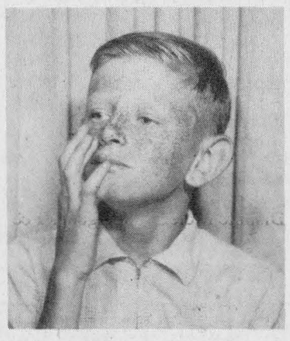
Students from Nationview who were to carry the Olympic torch posed for a quick picture before the run. The students included, **Troy Timms, Jason Roach, Amy Valiquette, Neil Picard, Kevin Williams, Hazel Booth, Shelly Shaver, Melissa Collins, Glen Meekes, Craig Belanger, Sandra Beggs, Martin Wicke, Robyn Lewis, Mat Gordon, Karen Dalrymple, Sean McLeod** and **Jason Fawcett.**

Seaway District High School had three girls gain Honourable Mention in the Intermediate Section of the Legion Poetry awards. The girls were, **Carrie Barkley, Mary Dulmage** and **Tracy Finlayson.**

The Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association was pleased to announce that **Willem (Bill) Zandbergen,** of Brinston had been elected Farmer of the Year. **Willem** and **Coby** owned and operated Zandbergen Farms Ltd. which boasted 460 acres of land and 115 milking cows.

Dixon's Corners won its share of Legion awards, winners were, **Chris Wilson, Andrew Lewis, Chris Wicke, Tammy Henderson, Ben Comfort, Tom Smyth, Gory Gainer** and **Len Roberts. Dr. Peter Playfair** presented the prizes.

At Iroquois Public School, **Chris Fetterly, Melanie Thompson** and **Lawrence Chan** won in the Intermediate Division of the Legion poetry and poster contest.



LORDY - LORDY LOOK WHO IS FORTY!

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Dec. 7/92 - $20. - Susan Diening, Kirkland, Quebec.
Dec. 8/92 - $20. - Nancy Drake, Winnipeg, Man.
Dec. 9/92 - $20. - Charles & Vie Cameron, Kanata.
Dec. 10/92 - $20. - Michael Laurie, Nepean.
Dec. 11/92 - $20. - Jim Cook, Chesterville.
Dec. 12/92 - $50. - Ivan Lalonde, Ingleside.



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All Additional	7.23c per kW.h
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Friday, December 25th, 1992
Monday, December 28th, 1992 and
Friday, January 1st, 1993

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Applications will now be accepted for Matilda Citizen of the Year
If you know someone who is always ready to lend a hand, who is the type of person you feel represents what Matilda Township means to you...enter their name!!!!
Applications due by Jan. 4/93 at the Clerk's Office

Applications are now being accepted for a MATILDA CARNIVAL QUEEN to be chosen on January 9, 1993 at the Matilda Community Hall
All applications must be submitted by Jan. 3/93 to the Clerk's Office 652-4403 or Cindy Peters 652-2482.
Contestants must be 16 years of age or older, and a resident of Matilda Township.
Prize donations accepted, but sponsorship of contestants not accepted.
Photos for the papers will be taked on Monday, Jan. 4/93 at the high school

SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST
Judging between Jan. 4 and 9/93
Phone Clerk's office when sculpture is ready.

Anyone, young or old, interested in participating in
AMATEUR NIGHT
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WANTED!!!!
Volunteers are greatly needed by the MATILDA RECREATION COMMITTEE!!!
Anyone interested in being a volunteer, or in becoming a member of the committee, please contact the Clerk's office or any Recreation member.

OBITUARIES

Betty Beatson

At Brockville Psychiatric Hospital, December 4, 1992, Betty Ann Beatson. She was born on November 11, 1952, at Cardinal Ontario.

Betty had lived her entire life at RR 1, Cardinal. A member of the Cardinal Free Methodist Church, Betty was predeceased by her parents, James and Bessie Beatson.

She leaves to mourn the loss, brothers, Tom, Alex and James, all of Cardinal; a sister, Mary (Mrs. Charles Lewis) of Surrey, British Columbia, as well as numerous nieces,nephews and cousins.

Friends called at the Marsden-McLaughlin Funeral Home in Cardinal from where the service was conducted by Reverend Ger. Johnston. Interment was in St. Andrew's and St. James Cemetery, Cardinal.Pallbearers were, Tom and David Beaston, Richard, Kevin and Jamie Billings and Michael Styles.

Lee Sipes

Friends in Iroquois learned with regret the passing of Lee Sipes, a resident of Morrisburg and Iroquois for a number of years, at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital, on December 3, 1992.

A World War II veteran, Lee was born on January 20, 1922. He was 70 years of age.

Loving husband of Isabel Sipes of RR 1, Iroquois, whom he married in Matilda Township on April 4, 1982; Lee was the dear father of Susan Behagg, Sheila Austen and Peter, all of England.

He was the brother of Cephus and Ken, both of Iroquois and Evelyn Lapier of Brinston, Goldie and Shirley Lapier, both of Morrisburg. Also surviving the loss are many nieces and nephews.

Legion Branch 370 held a Royal Canadian Legion service at the Marsden-McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois on December 4, 1992.

Lee was a member of the Brinston United Church, and thus, Reverend Angela Bailey conducted the service. Interment followed at Spruce Haven Cemetery, Brinston. All pallbearers were Legion Members, and included, Gerald McPherson, Lloyd Smirle, Lloyd Eady, Don Thompson, Garnet Empey and Bill Strader. Honourary bearers were, Robert Stephenson, Fred Beatty, Claude Bretzke and Larry Empey.

Leland Van Allen

A World War I veteran, Leland Van Allen at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital on December 1, 1992. He was 94 years old. He lived at RR 1, Morrisburg prior to his death.

Born at Iroquois, on November 9, 1898, he worked as Lock Master at Iroquois and Cornwall until he retired.

Predeceased by his loving wife in 1988, Wilhelmine Pyke, as well as his parents; Emma Ellis and Wesley Van Allen, Leland was a member of the Pentecostal Church, Morrisburg.He was predeceased as well be 2 sisters, Nina Fetterly and Letitia Casselman, and 3 brothers; Orlie, Alvin and Lloyd Van Allen.

He will be sadly missed by his children, Robert and his wife, Sandra; Barbara Geraldine Castleman and her husband, Gordon , all of Morrisburg. Also survived by a loving niece, Violet Froese of Niagara Falls. Sadly missed by 6 grandchildren; Barry and Michael Van Allen, Nancy Waldroff, Brenda, Ronald and Donald Castleman and by 4 great-grandchildren; Carrie, Mathieu and Brandon Van Allen and Blake Waldroff, too. He is survived by 5 sisters, including, Olive Wimp, Lauretta Van Allen, Dora Leishman, Laura Locke and Edith Gatien and several nieces and nephews.

Friends called at the Marsden-McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois. Service was conducted by Reverend Terry Pitt in the Morrisburg Pentecostal Church, followed by interment at Fairview Cemetery.Pallbearers were, Barry and Michael Van Allen, Ronald Castleman, Garnet Waldroff, Harry Froese and Arlie Locke.



Quarter Century Club

Iroquois Fire Chief, Philip Thompson poses with former Deputy Fire Chief, Dean McCurdy after Dean received his 25 year pin and certificate from the Ontario Fire Marshall, Bernie Moyle at an Awards ceremony for Long Service medals and certificates. Dean's wife, Faye received a Companions' Broach as well for her years spent supporting her husband as he volunteered as a firefighter in the Village. *Courtesy Photo.*

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Nous vous prions de noter que le siège social du Conseil des écoles catholiques de Stormont, Dundas et Glengarry sera fermé pour affaires durant les vacances de Noël à compter du jeudi 24 décembre p.m. 1992 au vendredi 1er janvier 1993 inclusivement.

NOTICE

Please note that the Central Office of the Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Catholic School Board will be closed for business for the Christmas holidays from Thursday, December 24 p.m., 1992 to Friday, January 1, 1993, inclusively.

Roger Davidson, Directeur général, Director of Education
Jacques Leduc, Président, Chairman

The true meaning on display at Christmas Lane

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Utilizing real people and animals, the Centennial Road Standard Church presented the story of Christmas and those who saw it were impressed.

The lineup was long, the vehicle headlights seemed to stretch forever, but the wait was well worth it.

Once the drive through began the excitement grew in our truck. We had planned to take the hay ride through the display, but that line seemed too long.

Christmas Lane is lit with candles in paper bags along the snowplowed path. An aura seems to hang over the scene as we head forward.

Each part of the display is accompanied by a Biblical statement. A passage from the Bible is with each scene. The first scene we witness is the "I want Shop." Gift giving has been part of Christmas since the Wisemen visited the baby Jesus. But, do you get caught up in the hastle and bustle, the desire to buy everything in sight? Take a few minutes and travel back in time to revisit the real reason for the season...Jesus...and we were on our way, just as the shepherds did so long ago. Anticipation grew and we could not wait...

Carollers greet us with Christmas songs and we have no problem getting into the spirit of Christmas. "Sing praises to God for it is time to celebrate the birth of Christ. It happened nearly 2000 years ago and we still sing about it today..

The Angel visits Mary and tells her not to be afraid, that glad tidings of great joy is hers.Carola Johnston plays Mary and has her entire family taking part for the first time this year.

The sets are all lighted and the actors and actresses are in costume. Live animals are there and the fact that more than 200 people are involved at some level in the overall production makes it seem that much more special.

With two lanes allowing drivers to cruise through the presentation, the story unfolds before everyones' eyes.

Every man had to return to his origin and pay taxes, as well as be counted in the census. Caesar Augustus sits master over all. The Church Pastor, Laurence Croswell plays the part well.

Joseph and Mary, travel 75 miles to Bethleham to satisfy the decree. Mary is great with child and, as we get closer, we realize that sure enough, there she is on a real donkey, being led by Joseph.

No room at the inn, they go to the stable and the baby Jesus is born.A real baby is in the manger!

The baby Jesus was placed in a manger, here we meet Rick Pybus and Wendy McArthur as a doll lies waiting the arrival of shepherds and Wisemen.

Nearby the Shepherds watch their flocks of sheep...some are real, some are not. Some of the shepherds seemed pretty young, a cute wee one was easily spotted as he trugged around the field.

The Angels were beautiful, as they should be. They were spreading their message to all.

The shepherds came to see the babe in a manger and the Wisemen saw the star in the east leading them to the stable. They came, found the Christ Child and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense and Myrrh. The outfits were fabulous.

The cebturians with their broom wisk helmets and the drive through arches, the numerous well wishers along the route, Merry Christmas seemed just right to say to one and all.

The final scene has a modern day family enjoying a Christmas like many of us would recognize.

The 15 minute drive is free but donations are welcome and after the experience there is no one who would not gladly give something to the barrel.

The folks taking part in the outdoor enactment rotate every 20 minutes to give actors and actresses a chance to get in out of the cold and have a warm drink or something to eat.

The people taking an active part in the presentation seem to enjoy it as much as those who drive through.

The Pastor noted that while the community seems to look forward to the event each year,it is something the congregation enjoy. "We've substituted this for something we would do for ourselves, and each person seems to be happy with it."

The crowds that came each night were overwhelming, a testimony to the job being done.

If a comment were required, it would be that perhaps walking through would bring an even better appreciation for the task undertaken by the people as well as for the real Christmas story.This was indeed the true meaning of the season.

Well done!!!!

Good Companions Christmas dinner

Tuesday, December 8, was the annual Christmas dinner for Senior Citizens of Iroquois. Donalda Banford, Audrey Moke and Leida Kinnie were on the decorating committee and the tables were set up beautifully in seasonal attire.

Card games and socializing was enjoyed. Then a delicious Christmas dinner was served, buffet style to 83 members and their guests, following the singing of our grace, accompanied at the piano by Muriel McGruder. Lou Anderson and Marjorie Keyes were in charge of the programme; Dennis Whitteker and Art Barber entertained with singing and music.

Lou Anderson in her usual style gave a humourous reading, "The Changing Times", Marjorie Keyes rendered a piano solo, "Star of the East." Many sang along to this beautiful,old, music.

Several draws were made, and Bill Doumont won the door prize of a poinsettia. All joined in the singing of Christmas carols and We Wish You a Merry Christmas .

Marjorie and Lou along with Joan Dumont demonstrated Line Dancing.

Our appreciation goes to all who made this a most enjoyable afternoon. Special thanks and appreciation goes to all those who provided transportation.

The January meeting will be held on January 12, 1993, at noon hour. Come early and enjoy Cards. There will be cards played on January 5, 1993 at 1 pm as well, for those wishing to join the fun.

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UNITED COUNTIES OF STORMONT, DUNDAS AND GLENGARRY

NOTICE OF MEETING

The first meeting of the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, for the second year of the current term of office, will be held at the **County Buildings, 20 Pitt Street, Cornwall, Ontario** commencing at **10:00 a.m. on Monday, December 14, 1992.**

R.J. Lapointe
Co-ordinator/
Clerk-Treasurer



Christmas tree - oh...

This Charlie Brown style Christmas tree is in all probability what the Carman family would have had gracing their kitchen in 1860. Sparce was good. Homemade decorations make it complete. The Women's Institute really know how to celebrate Christmas. The annual party at the Carman House is always good, the food terrific and the company wonderful. From the wreath on the door to the candles in the windows, things were done up properly. I enjoyed it loads!! Merry Christmas. *Chieftain photo by S.L. Johnston*

Tommy Makem to play Cornwall

For over 30 years Tommy Makem has been a star on the international stage. Armed with his banjo and tin whistle, an irreverant wit, inimitable stagecraft, bottomless store of songs, and, most of all, that magnificent baritone voice, Makem has become, as one New York reviewer writes: "unquestionably a legend in his own time."

Makem, along with some musical friends, will perform at the Aultsville Hall Theatre in Cornwall; Sunday, January 31st at 8 p.m. Reserved seating tickets are $17.50 (including GST) and go on sale Wednesday, December 16th, at Ran Gal Photo in Brookdale Mall (613) 938-7779.

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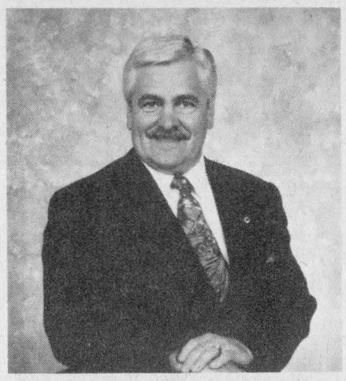

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Garrison Christmas celebrations at the Fort

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

In the still of the night the guards stood at their posts watching and waiting. A cold chill hung in the winter air as steam rose off the St. Lawrence.

A young boy ran from post to post with piping hot apple cider for the men. Tonight was like no other and the men, women and children of the Fort knew this.

It was Christmas Eve!

This past weekend Fort Wellington welcomed visitors to Prescott to experience Christmas of the past. The large double doors mounted in a stone archway at the north end of the fort were open and as visitors shuffled into the court yard they were greeted with a hearty hello and a cup of steaming hot apple cider warmed over an open fire in a large black kettle.

The drab, dull existance of the soldiers who inhabited the Fort in the 1840's was made more colourful as the women and children spent days transforming the barracks into a place old St.Nick would not soon forget.

Holly wreaths, spruce and pine boughs along with other homemade trinkets adorned the Fort and set the mood for the celebration.

During the year enlisted men suffered a diet of boiled meat and potatoes, while officers dined on fresh venison, roast beef, veal and a wide assortment of well-prepared dishes, but at Christmas time everyone ate well.

The day itself was celebrated with a feast like none other all year. A roast of beef or pork or a leg of lamb was centre table. While the women and children sang songs of merriment, the elders would enjoy a carafe or two of brew .

The interpreters were dressed in costumes that would have been worn in 1846. The soldiers were garbed in the green uniform of the Royal Canadian Rifles. Their insignia RCR is on items from uniforms to rifles. Beaver hats kept heads warm and thick great coats were able to keep the cold from penetrating.

The second floor barracks housed the men of the garrison and their wives and children. In contrast to officers, they lived under appalling conditions which were crowded and unsanitary most of the year, but at Christmas the 65 men and 26 women along with the children, all pitched in to clean it up.

In preparation for the celebration women baked cookies and special desserts, while children strung popcorn on thread to wrap around the Christmas tree. The barracks lit with candles and a few of the more modern coal oil lamps created an ambiance not found in todays society.

Christmas of the 1800's had not been commercialized as it is today. By today's standards the gifts given, an orange, a carved toy, or a warm pair of mittens, might sound a bit meagre, but everything was appreciated and welcomed, with the true spirit in which the gift was given coming before anything else.

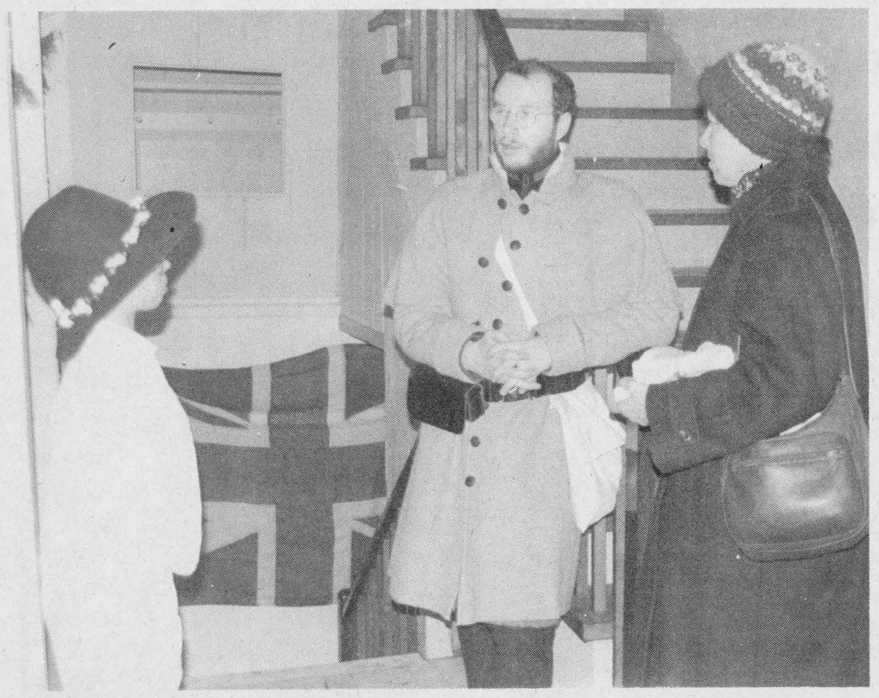
The first Fort Wellington was built during the War of 1812 to protect British shipping between Upper and Lower Canada. Situated just upstream from an eighty kilometre stretch of rapids, the fort was constructed at a strategic location where the bateaux and Durham boats used to navigate the rapids and transfer their cargoes to lake vessels.

The improvement of British relations with the United States reduced its military importance, however, and by the 1830's it had been abandoned and left to decay.

The present fort was built in 1838 as a result of the outbreak of rebellions in Canada. When the rebels failed to overthrow the colonial governments, many of them fled to the United States. There they gained support for an invasion of the Canadas. The British Government, meanwhile, in response to the threat, ordered the reconstruction of Fort Wellington in its present location.

The fort was completed in 1839 and although it was never attacked, its garrison, did however, take part in the Battle of the Windmill at a site a little more than a kilometre east of the fort.

Christmas may have changed drastically from the time 146 years ago; there weren't decorations like today, but the feelings of the yuletide season remain the same no matter the year.



A piece of history

This young woman listens to one of the soldiers of the Fort. Visitors from all over came to Prescott to help celebrate an 1840's style Christmas. The gifts of the day were meagre and often consisted of fresh fruit, mittens or small hand carved toys. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*



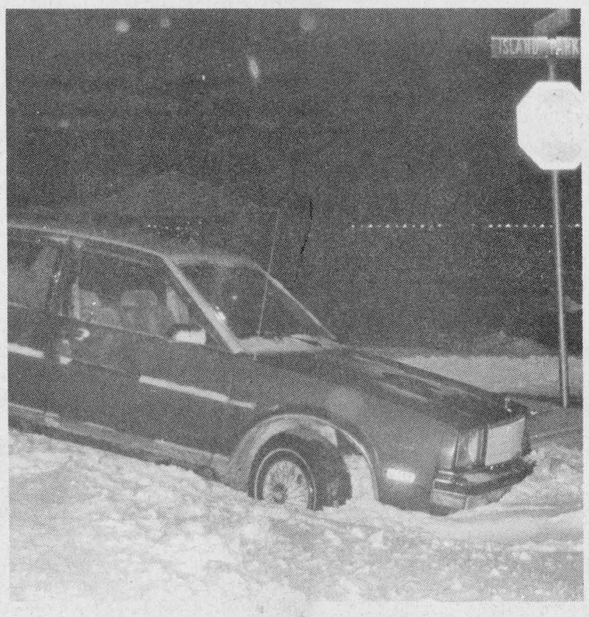
Decorations...

In the 1840's you could not run down to Home Hardware and pick up a string of lights, bulbs, or other various Christmas decorations. Everything was handmade and Elizabeth Allingham demonstrated her technique for stringing popcorn last weekend at the Fort in Prescott. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*



Cleaning up...

Hayley Arthurs and Andrew Allingham were two of the young interpreters helping the staff at Fort Wellington in Prescott provide a realistic 1840's Christmas setting and celebration. The drab, dull existance of the soldiers who inhabited the Fort in the 1840's was made more colourful at Christmas time. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*



Slip, slidin' away...

The driver of this car must really have been paying attention to the sign at the corner of Island Park Drive and Beach Street. When the first winter storm hit last Friday area residents were treated to a look at what is yet to come! Wonder what happened to the passenger and driver? *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*



Santa visits South Mountain

Last week's snow storm arrived just in time for Santa's visit to South Mountain Saturday afternoon. A good number of children and adults lined the village's main street to witness the jolly old elf and his helpers.

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Good things come from the kitchen

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The aroma of fresh Gingerbread tempts the nostrils as you enter the kitchen and so it should, afterall, we are at The Gingerbread House on Dundas Street in Cardinal.

The smells that bombard the senses as one steps over the threshold on any day are toooo much. The scents that fill the air are super marvellous, always. On this day, we are going to be a part of a marvellous workshop.



The icing on the season

These two creators pose with their teacher; Kallee MacDonald and Abby VanCamp did an excellent job of creating a unique Gingerbread House. Each gal was proud of her completed project. It took about four hours from the time the girls started until they had completed their masterpieces. Kelly Trillo taught the basics and the girls let their imaginations do the rest. They seem happy with the results. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

There are many of us who want to learn how, or who have youngsters who plead each Christmas to be allowed to make them. They are terrific seasonal instruments. They really get the creative juices flowing...what is she babbling on about, why Gingerbread Houses of course!

There is nothing quite like the aroma of Gingerbread baking to tell us that Christmas is in the air. In many homes, this deliciously spiced dough is traditionally made into fanciful items that can serve as decorations. Those who do not become too attached to their creations can later nibble the tastey material for a post holiday snack..

While one can make one dimensional Gingerbread articles, like Santa, snowmen and Christmas trees or bears and hang them on the tree, this day, we are going to witness the creation of Gingerbread houses, 3-D jobs..

Kelly Trillo, a local gal who graduated from KCAT in May as a Food Service Manager (qualifies her to supervise food preparation etc. in nursing homes etc.)was unable to find work and so after a summer vacation decided to take her husband's advice and on a whim began baking. Her homemade candies, chocolates and cookies are sold at the Gingerbread House under the business name of "The Sugar Plum Factory" and they are scrumptous.

She is going to be the workshop instructor and we are truly fortunate since on the second day of the event, there are two young students who came to learn how to make their own Gingerbread House under Kelly's watchful eye.

Creating a Gingerbread House can be a very rewarding family project and we learn that a mother and her young daughter took part as well, great quality time spent together!!

Kelly has stirred up the holiday spirit and has the Gingerbread dough cut into the templates, each piece to be a part of the frame of the houses. They are all precut and sit waiting to be used. Kelly explains, "I like to make the dough one day ahead, to be sure it is ready to use in the creations."

Gingerbread dough was first formed into shapes during medieval days when fairs in England, France, Germany and Holland featured cutouts of animals, kings, queens, flowers, hearts and knights in armour. It was not until the 18th century that molds were used to create complicated gingerbread castles, windmills and other confectionary wonders. At about the same time, German and British settlers introduced the joys of gingerbread to the New World, and soon the German custom of crafting the crisp cookie-like dough into houses became a part of America's holiday heritage. Gingerbread Houses were at their most elaborate during the Victorian era; they are the direct ancestors of todays highly decorated structures. (in a kind of turnaround, ornate architectural ornamentation on real houses is called Gingerbread.)

With a wide choice of candies, cookies, icings and other edible trimmings easily available, modern bakers can really give their creations a personal stamp.

These young ladies had a multitude of choices to make before they could begin their masterpieces.

They first had to decide what they wanted their houses to look like when completed.

Using five basic colours,(white, blue, yellow, red and green) they chose how their doors and windows should appear. They were carefully instructed that they could let their imaginations go as far as they wanted when the decorations of the houses began. Wreaths, candles and candycanes added in just the right places make a statement for sure. In the windows, a candle or a wreath looks great!

The entire house is held together with Royal Icing. It dries hard in a very few minutes after being put in place.It is not too tastey, and so Kelly puts some peppermint extract into her recipe ,"Just in case some finds its way too someone's mouth!" She stresses that damp cloths have to be kept over the icing to ensure that it does not harden before you get a chance to use it.

Gingerbread is made with 5 cups of all-purpose flour, 2 teaspoons ground ginger, and 2 of ground cinnamon, 1 teaspoon each of nutmeg, cloves, baking soda and salt. 1 cup of vegetable shortening, and 1 of sugar. 1 and a quarter cups of molasses and 2 beaten eggs. The oven is preheated to 350 degrees. Combine all ingredients as far as salt. Melt shortening , then cool to lukewarm. Process sugar, shortening, molasses and eggs. Add flour mixture until well blended, and form into a ball. Roll out to desired thickness, and place templates on to cut into pieces. Bake on cookie sheet for 15-20 minutes. Cool and use to make creations that only your imagination can detail.

Royal Icing as stated is the glue that holds Gingerbread creations together. It can be tinted or used in its natural white colour. Piping or spreading it on the pieces of Gingerbread (and adding candies etc. to create an interesting design) it is tough to get used to using it, but once you master this you are on your way!

Royal Icing is a large egg white, combined gradually with 2 and one half cups of confectioner's sifted sugar and a pinch of cream of tartar. (half the sugar actually). Add the rest of the sugar, a spoonful at a time, after the consistency is that of heavy whipped cream and stir until icing forms firm peaks..Do not mix with electric mixer. Add food colouring if you want colours.

Now, the time has come to create that ideal you have planned. Adding the delectable decorations...the sky's the limit, smarties, jelly beans, M and Ms, hard candies, nuts, raisins, crackers, cereal pieces, shredded coconut, silver dragees, candied fruit....

Using icing piping to outline the windows and doors, the candies are attached to the house with dabs of icing and by mixing and matching textures, colours and ideas, and perhaps the best news is that a mistake can be picked off as soon as the icing dries hard. Use a toothpick and be careful.

A fun adventure, everyone had a great time and the end results were pretty satisfying.Each house was indeed special and showed the true spirit of the season as each individual sees it.

The writer wants to thank Judy Markle for allowing an intrusion so this story could be attained, the treats and the friendly smile...Merry Christmas!!!!



A little extra help

Kelly Trillo shows nine year old Abby VanCamp some intricate details concerning the Royal Icing on her Gingerbread House. The decorations can sometimes be tough to get exactly the way the imagination sees them. Exerting the right amount of pressure on the icing bag can be tricky. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*



Practice makes perfect

Kallee and Abby learn to work with the Royal Icing on the glass table top before attempting to ice their Gingerbread Houses. The icing bags have to be worked with in order to realize how much energy is required. These gals had a fun afternoon and learned a lot about making Gingerbread Houses as Judy Markle of Cardinal's own Gingerbread House gave up her kitchen for Kelly to offer the workshop. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Environmental Resource Centre

Christmas just wouldn't be Christmas without a tree. In many homes it becomes the centrepiece for the season's festivities: the family trip to buy or cut, the decorating, the poking and peeking at gifts piled underneath and of course, the gathering around on Christmas eve and morning.

No one should feel guilty about cutting down a natural tree from a recognized Christmas tree farm. Approximately 10 trees are grown for every one that is cut, providing positive benefits of soil stabilization, water retention and oxygen-carbon dioxide exchange. The real environmental problem posed by natural or artificial trees occurs when festive season comes to an end:disposal.

Since an artificial tree is not biodegradable, it should be carefully packed away for reuse next year.When it is no longer wanted, try donating it to someone else or to a charity, or use its branches for Christmas decorations next season.

After Christmas, a natural tree should be disposed of in a location where it can quickly decompose. Call your municipal office to enquire if they have a composting or a chipping facility for Christmas trees. If such programs do not exist, try the following approach:

-trim the branches and any remaining needles from your tree and add to your flower beds for increased winter protection.In the spring, place the branches in your backyard composter to increase air circulation for faster decomposition of your organic wastes.

-chop the tree trunk into short lengths and dry it for firewood or donate to a neighbour.

Avoid sending your Christmas trees for burial in the local landfill. With compaction and burying, these natural wastes are denied air, water and sun and will take many years to decompose. It has been estimated that a village the size of Iroquois or Chesterville can divert up to two tons, by volume, of waste from the landfill by composting or chipping Christmas trees alone! With many local landfills near the end of their capacity, we can no longer afford to take up this amount of space with materials that are compostable.

Whatever kind of Christmas Tree you use this year, please give serious consideration to it disposal. You will be doing the environment a favour.

Our office staff would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our readers a happy holiday season. Watch for our next column in which we will provide ideas for those important New Year's resolutions.

National Energy Board
Notice of Proceeding

Inquiry Concerning the Transportation Safety Board Recommendations on Stress Corrosion Cracking in Pipelines and the Reassessment of TransCanada PipeLines Limited's Pipeline Maintenance Program
Proceeding MHW-1-92

Between March 1985 and March 1986, there were three breaks on natural gas pipeline number 100-2 of TransCanada PipeLines Limited ("TransCanada"). These breaks, which occurred in Northern Ontario near the towns of Ignace, Lowther, and Callander, did not result in any fatalities or injuries to the public or to TransCanada's employees. The cause of the failure for the three failures was subsequently identified as external stress corrosion cracking ("SCC") of the pipe.

As a result of the failures, TransCanada implemented a Pipeline Maintenance Program ("PMP") to investigate and find a solution to the SCC problem. Since 1985, the Board has been actively involved in monitoring and inspecting TransCanada's progress with respect to SCC and has approved the expenditures related to TransCanada's PMP.

After the implementation of the PMP, no operating failure attributable to SCC (with the exception of a leak on line 100-3 near Brandon, Manitoba) occurred until December 1991 when there was a break on line 100-1 near Cardinal, Ontario; then in July 1992, another line break occurred on line 100-2 near Tunis, Ontario. Again, neither of these two breaks resulted in fatalities or injuries. In addition, none of the breaks occurred in heavier wall pipe, which is required for populated areas.

The last two breaks were investigated by the Transportation Safety Board ("TSB"), which has since issued interim recommendations to the National Energy Board. In its Commodity Pipeline Safety Recommendations released on 5 November 1992, the TSB recommended that:

"The National Energy Board ("NEB") ensure that the internal pressure in all federally regulated natural gas pipelines, where stress corrosion cracks have been found or are likely to exist, is below the threshold level for the origin or propagation of stress corrosion cracking;

The NEB, in collaboration with industry, develop improved methods for detecting and specific directions for repairing stress corrosion cracks; and

The NEB, in collaboration with provincial authorities and in consultation with provincial authorities and in consultation with industry, develop a set of operating restrictions to be applied industry-wide where stress corrosion cracking is suspected to exist in natural gas pipelines."

The Board has decided that an inquiry with input from parties concerned about SCC would be an effective means of responding to the TSB's recommendations and of reassessing TransCanada's PMP. Anyone wishing to file comments is invited to register as an interested party with the Secretary by 11 January 1993. The Secretary will issue a List of Interested Parties shortly thereafter. Anyone requesting a copy of the procedures for the inquiry (Proceeding No. MHW-1-92) may call the Board's Regulatory Support Office at (403) 292-4800.

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Tempting a bird's pallet

A local display gives you an idea of just how many different types of feeders are out there. The easy decision would seem to be what seed combination is best suited to the birds one wants to attract. Feeders are as diversified as the feathered creatures they tend to during the winter. Also available are furry animal deterrants to keep squirrels from robbing the feeders. Enjoy this wonderful way to experience nature. *photo by S.L. Johnston*

The best time to start feeding birds is in early fall, when the tiny feathered fellows are searching for reliable food supplies and will no doubt remain where they find them.

Chickadee and Junco flocks form in the fall and stay in a fixed area that will encompass good feeding spots. Once you begin a feeding program, it is very important that you do not stop abruptly in the winter time. If you must be away, gradually taper off your feeding, as the birds then have time to find other food sources.Better yet, have a friend or neighbour fill your feeders while you are gone. Do not fear...birds will not only feed at your feeder, they do not forget how to feed on their own. They are very resourceful little fellows and will continually explore, eating a wide variety of wild foods.

Many people stop feeding the birds in the spring, when insects, seeds and other wild foods become abundant. It is however, perfectly fine to feed the birds all year round.

If you are feeding birds for the first time, place the feeder away from the house, in an area that you can see, but that is also near trees or shrubs visited by the birds. Birds feel safer and are less hesitant to come back to a feeder if vegetation is nearby. Once they are used to the feeder, you can gradually try moving it closer to your house for better viewing. Putting it near a window will afford you the best vantage point. You can hang a feeder from a tree, mount it on a pole or hang it from a wire strung between two supports. It is important to use baffles on the feeder to keep away squirrels.How soon birds discover and start using your feeder depends upon many things, like where you live, whether there is a good bird population in your area, and whether some of the birds are already familiar with feeders. The key is to remain patient and they will arrive soon.

A hanging or pole mounted feeder that contains only sunflower seeds is desirable because sunflower seeds are the number one choice for most song birds. Birds attracted to sunflower seeds include Chickadees, Titmouse, Nuthatches, Cardinals, Common Flickers, Grosbeaks, Starlings, Blue Jays, Gold Finches, Purple Finches, House Finches and Woodpeckers.

Sunflower seeds are available in striped seed or small black oiled, which have black hulls and a higher per-centage of oil for their weight. Sunflower seed is also available with the shells removed; this is referred to as hulled Sunflower or Sunflower Hearts (Chips). An added advantage is that there are no empty hulls to clean up under the feeder.

Birds that are attracted by ground feeders include Cardinals, Junco, Sparrows, Mourning Doves, Titmouse, Chickadees, Blue Jays, Starlings, Grackles, Blackbirds and Pigeons.

To create a "ground feeder" that accommodates most birds, first scatter seed directly on the ground at the location you want to entice the birds to come to. You may want to place the seed on an elevated feeding tray. A hopper type feeder, either hung or pole mounted and filled with mixed seed will also atract some of these afore mentioned birds.

Sprinkling the seed over a large area so that flocks of birds can feed all at once is effective too.

The main type of seed to use at a ground feeder is the bird seed mixtures. These contain Sunflower seed, white or red proso millet, cracked corn, peanuts, canary seed, milo, wheat and oats.

Suet in a nylon mesh container or, a wire, either hung or attached to a tree trunk does a good job of attracting Woodpeckers, Chickadees, Titmouse, Nuthatch, Starlings and Mockingbirds. Suet is a high energy food source for birds and a favourite food of Woodpeckers. To make a suet feeder, you simply have to buy some suet, place it in a container of some sort that birds can easily fly to. Suet feeders can be hung from a tree, the eaves of a house or another feeder. They can also be attached to the trunk of a tree. In the colder months, beef suet can be used right from the store, while in hot weather, suet melts and so it is advisable to use commercially made suet cakes for best results. These are rendered and so harder.

As you gain experience in feeding the birds, you may want to add some new elements such as offering the tiny feeders treats like fruit, baked goods or chopped nutmeats. You may want to expand and add new feeders as well. Thistle feeders can be set up to attract Finches. Thistle is actually niger seed, which comes from Ethiopia and India. When feeding niger seed, a special type of feeder is required. It has tiny holes in it, due to the minute particles of seed it is.

When buying bird seed, buy in large quantities because it is less expensive that way. Store your feed in clean, dry, covered containers like trash cans. If the seed is kept outside, keep lids on the containers to prevent rodents from getting into the seed.

Feeders should be cleaned regularly by thoroughly scrubbing them with hot water and detergent. Always dispose of any old or mouldy food at your feeder, including ground feeders to avoid possible harm to the birds. Put out only the amount which the birds that come to your feeder devour quickly.

If you put a feeder in an area where squirrels frequent, they will no doubt be attracted to it as well as the feathered friends you want. Afterall, you are offering up a free meal, and the little furry creatures assume that it is intended for them. Some people get so obsessed with keeping squirrels away from their bird feeders that bird feeding becomes a most unpleasant experience for them.

There are two goals to aim for where squirrels and your feeder are concerned: keeping squirrels from getting to the feeder, and if they do in fact sneak past and manage to reach it...keeping them from eating seed or chewing the feeder apart as they go after the seed. Therefore it is best to hang your feeder at least 8 feet away from the nearest access, such as a tree trunk or limb, and 5 to 6 feet off the ground. Even this may require some adjustment if you encounter a squirrel with exceptional jumping ability. If you have a plastic tubular feeder that has a seed catching tray attachment which the squirrels are using as a landing platform, remove the tray. It is wise to use baffles, either round or umbrella shaped physical barriers that squirrels are unable to crawl over, on any wire that leads to the feeder. If a pole-mounted feeder is used, place baffles at least 4 feet up on the pole below the feeder. Remember to place the feeder far enough away from trees so a squirrel cannot jump to it. Squirrels will be unable to chew at your feeder if it is made from hard plastic and has a metal bottom and top, as well as metal-reinforced portals where the birds get the seed. There are several types of feeders that actually prevent squirrels from eating out of them once they land on them. One such design is a plastic tubular feeder surrounded by a grid of tough vinyl-coated wire. Another is made from steel and has a platform on which the weight of a squirrel, but not that of lighter birds, closes the feeder door.

Some people worry when they have no birds coming to their feeder. If you have the right feeders, seed and plantings in your yard, just hang tight, be patient, they will come. It takes them longer in some areas to locate and begin utilizing the feeders than in others.

There is a possibility that it is also the wrong season. At certain times of the year, especially in late summer, fall and early winter, there tends to be an over abundance of weed seeds and berries for the birds to enjoy, and so they do not have the need to seek out feeders.

It may as well be the wrong time of the day. Many people become discouraged, when they have no birds and will attest to the fact that they watched their feeders ALL day long...who can keep their eye trained on anything all day long??? Birds can come for very brief periods of time, just at dusk or daybreak, and then may not return at all, or not until night when they cannot be spotted.

Birds change their feeding habits, and routines. Temperature, weather, the time of the year, the day or their mood seem to all have an influence on their feeding behaviour. In mild weather for instance, when wild food is plentiful, birds will naturally use the feeders less frequently. When they are under more pressure to find food, like during snowstorms, they will come on a more regular basis to your feeder.

Some species come to feeders only during certain years. These include the Pine Siskin and Evening Grosbeak, which may be abundant one year and then absent the next, depending upon how much food is available in the North.

Your neighbours may have put up feeders. Some birds may have gone to their feeders.

You may live in a location with few birds. If there are not many trees, shrubs or grasses in your area, there will be no natural nesting areas nor food, and so few birds. If you add trees and or shrubs to your property, you may be pleasantly surprised at how the birds will be attracted to your site.

You or your neighbour's cat will keep a watchful eye on the feeders. It is vital to eliminate any possible hiding places around feeders so that the birds who do come have clear vision of all and any feline in the vicinity. Fence your feeders in if they are ground feeders located near brush piles or shrubbery.

Bird feeders are popping up all over, as people learn the enjoyment they can gain from doing something good and being a part of the natural scene all at once. Watching the birds as they come each morning is fun and creates a wonderful learning experience as well.

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Iroquois W.I. celebrate Christmas at Carman House in 1860's style

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The fire crackled in the hearth, much like it must have done over a hundred years ago.

The smells of fresh corn meal baking and the aroma of hot cider filled the nostrils as guests arrived.

Standing proudly in the corner of the kitchen was the Christmas tree. Meagre, homemade decorations transformed it into a tree fit for a King. Hand crafted tinsel, cloth covered balls hung from the branches and the paper garland showed as it wound through the sparse undergrowth.

Homemade soup boiled gently in the pots and over in the corner, quiet as a church mouse sat a wee slip of a gal peeling apples to be hung to dry near the fireplace. The apple rings would taste pretty good in the cold winter which loomed ahead.

Across the table sat an older gal threading popcorn and cranberries on a string to adorn the tree further.

The scene could be from a movie, or the actual 1860s when the Carman House in Iroquois would have been inhabited and welcomed the festive season.

It is in truth, the annual Women's Institute Christmas celebration. Utilizing the House and the time period, the ladies dress in costumes fitting the period and create a Christmas party that even the Carmans would have been proud of.

Hanging in a black iron pot over the fire is a chicken simmering away, and the table in the kitchen is set with treats and sweets to tempt everyone.

Venturing further inside the House, we find Bernie Sisty explaining how to make very interesting and beautiful Cards. A true craftsperson, she has patience and creativity galore.

In the next room, are numerous crafts ladies showing their handy work.. Lou Anderson was smocking and knitting, while Shirley Kirkby was working on an applique and Anna Wylands was yarn sewing and hooking. Jean and Brenda Loucks along with their apprentice, Sandy Decker were creating Christmas decorative balls for the tree from cloth scraps. The Carman House was buzzing with activity and seemed to enjoy the afternoon a great deal.

Gwen Casselman greeted guests at the door and encouraged them to visit, eat, drink and make merry for a brief time as they checked out the crafts.

Cooking on this day were, Jean Shaver, Jean Wharm, Beryl Bennett, Brenda Risk, with young ladies, Sherri and Kaitlyn Shaver helping out as they were needed.

The atmosphere was one of cheerful enjoyment and everyone who came seemed to enjoy the experience.

The food was tastey and the company terrific. Watching and learning how to create is a wonderful way to spend a winter afternoon. The Carman House was decorated for the season's festivities, with pine boughs in each deep window well, centred with a red candle, and often a red bow. Popcorn sat in iron pots and it was so very pleasant, it was hard to go home again!

The cozy kitchen and the friendly faces, the chit chat, it was like going back in time just by stepping across the threshold. Being in another time when Christmas was special and meant less commercialism than today presents, a peacefulness takes over and time seems to stand still.

Donations go to the Institute and even though the ladies were not pleased with the low number of guests they entertained on this day, they were happy to see those who did venture out to see what was going on.

Next year they will again try to bring some of the Christmases past back to be enjoyed and shared. Come out and see for yourself how it must have been in the Carman House when the Carman family gathered for the festive season.

From the red bow welcoming everyone as it burst off the kitchen door, to the warm welcome inside, this was a unique experience and those who took advantage were happy they had...the treats were scrumptious. Hot corn bread fresh off the hearth is tough to beat, the soups, pea and veggie were terrific, the hot cider always just perfect on a cold winter day, the sweets tempting and the company second to none.

Thanks ladies it was once again a wonderful way to get into the right frame of mind for Christmas. A simpler time perhaps when a little went a long way, and being together and well was enough for many.



An Old Fashioned Christmas

The W.I. ladies again hosted their annual Carman House Christmas on the weekend. This foray into the past is a wonderful idea and anyone who enjoys Christmas should try to attend. The spirit of yesteryear is alive and well and the aromas coming from the cracklin' hearth make the trip worthwhile before you endulge! *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

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LADIES - Santa Fe; L'Aimant; Emeraude; Lady Stetson; Exclamation; Sophia; Tribe; Wild Musk; English Lavendar; Jovan Musk Tweed; Cachet; Luna; Aviance Night Musk; English Rose; Spring Flowers; Chantilly, Musk; Lutece.
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