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Township wants higher building fees

by Matthew Uhrig

Press staff

WINCHESTER – In an effort to keep pace with neighbouring municipalities, the Township of North Dundas is undertaking a comprehensive overhaul of its building permit fee structure.

According to Calvin Pol, director of planning, building, and bylaw, other area locales are in the process of reviewing and revising their fee schedules, largely forcing the municipality's hand in order to remain financially competitive.

"We're proposing to go to an 80-per-cent recovery [of costs]," he said.

Pol added that there is a "wide, diverse range" of how each municipality collects and evaluates permit fees and factors, and staff must consider the philosophy of providing municipal services, risk management and management style, and infrastructure planning.

North Dundas' chief building official, Greg Trizicky, noted that while data from neighbouring townships was gathered and pooled, there is no perfect algorithm to be used.

"It's apples to oranges... Everybody has a different rationale," he said.

When looking at North Dundas' various class permits, such as a standard residential build or a new barn or accessory farm building, staffers in the township's building department stacked gathered totals against the rates currently charged in the municipality in order to devise the new fee.

For a residential home build, the most primary source of building revenue in North Dundas, the average price was 75 cents per square foot. In the township, there is a nearly 80-per-cent cost recovery rate at the present 50 cents per square foot fee.

• see BUILDING FEES on next page

Sweet treats up for grabs at pie auction

WINCHESTER – Have a sweet tooth in need of a fix?

You're in luck with the North Dundas Fire Department's Winchester detachment set to host its yearly pie auction tonight (Wed., March 23).

The eighth annual event kicks off at 7 pm (the hall is located at 547 St. Lawrence St., but the public is asked to use the Clarence Street entrance) with local auctioneer Hugh Fawcett doing the calling.

Donated treats will be accepted at the station beginning at 2 pm and up until the first piece is put on the auction block.

• see PIE AUCTION on next page



Hoppy Easter Bunny

Lydia Malcolm was excited to see the Easter Bunny Sun., March 20 during the Royal Canadian Legion Winchester Branch 108's annual visit with the furry fellow. For more on the event, see page 10.

Trouble on the trails...

Police charge trio with trespassing

WINCHESTER – Three area men were apprehended early last week following complaints of trespassers on Nation Valley All-Terrain Vehicle Club (NVATVC) governed trails.

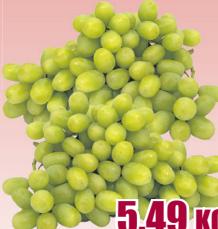
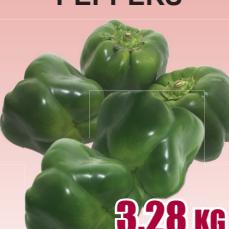
Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry OPP officers were called in Sun., March 13 to apprehend the troublemakers. Once located, each man was charged with trespassing under the *Trespass to Property Act*.

NVATVC members note that trespassing on the local network continues to be a problem, especially on its Township of North Dundas located routes.

After the charges were laid, club participants took to Facebook to condemn the actions of the three individuals: "Our members respect the landowners and volunteers who work tirelessly to make our trails possible. Please stay off closed trails, and report anyone trespassing to a club warden or the OPP."

The local police force, meanwhile, is asking that everyone respect the rules of the NVATVC, as well as the laws described in the *Off-Road Vehicle Act*. These include staying off trails when they are marked as closed (all trails are currently closed for the spring thaw), and keeping off trails if one does not have the correct pass, safety equipment and documentation for the all-terrain vehicle.

Failure to comply with the regulations can result in access and rights to trails being revoked, charges under either act, or even criminal charges of mischief.

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OPP prepping for Easter weekend seatbelt campaign

WINCHESTER – A recently released OPP report finds that when it comes to seatbelt-related deaths, it is men who place far less importance on wearing the device than female fellow drivers.

Throughout the past five years, a total of 332 people have died in collisions on provincial police-patrolled roads as a result of not strapping in. According to the compiled data, 261 of the victims were males and 71 were females.

With that in the mind, the OPP is preparing for an Easter weekend seatbelt campaign, and shedding some light on attitudes when it comes to seatbelt wearing and why the force believes almost four times as many men are killed.

"Our data suggests a strong presence of male drivers and male passengers who believe that they are at a

lower risk of being involved in a collision than other people, and who do not see a need to wear a seatbelt," OPP Commissioner Vince Hawkes said. "The attitude works against our efforts to save lives on our roads."

The force also notes that all drivers and passengers need to acknowledge the fact that if they do not buckle up, the risk of dying in a collision is significantly greater.

Findings also show that in the same five-year span, more than three times as many unbuckled drivers (252) died in collisions as unbuckled passengers (80).

Parents are also encouraged to set a good example of seatbelt use for their children, as between 2011 and 2015 nine children were killed because they were not properly restrained in the vehicle.

Building fees • continued from the front

If approved, the new fee would be bumped to 77 cents.

In his notes, Trizisky said a standard house permit is likely to increase by \$400 with the change.

Seven examples were also provided in order to better outline the fee increases. For a 30-by-50-foot bungalow with a two-car garage, valued at \$180,000, the average fee total paid is \$1,566.50. North Dundas' fee at that value is \$870, but will jump to \$1,347 with the proposed changes.

In all cases, the township's fee total remains lower than the average, except when it comes to a 62-by-80-foot industrial repair garage (valued at \$457,000). The average rate found is \$3,043.50, while North Dundas' current

numbers would level that at \$2,728. Factoring in the fee hike, the total increases to \$4,216.

That was the one example that politicians zeroed in on.

Trizisky reasoned that when using the averages, staff factored in the unit prices of building supplies as opposed to what the actual costs are.

"The problem with the unit price per 1,000 square feet is everyone has a different idea of what it is going to cost," he said. "It adds some complications at the [building department] counter, and leads to arguments about materials."

Council was expected to discuss further changes to the fee structure at North Dundas' Tues., March 22 meeting.

Pie auction

• continued from the front

All proceeds from the fundraiser will be used for the purchase of needed fire-fighting equipment, and since its beginning the event has raised thousands of dol-

lars for the detachment.

For more information or to make a donation, contact Winchester detachment deputy-chief Tony Fraser at 613-223-0746.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Way past the limit, twice

FINCH – A Finch woman faces a slew of charges following separate incidents with the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP.

On Fri., March 18, police officers intercepted a vehicle on County Road 12 just after 6 pm, and the stop revealed the female driver was under the influence of alcohol.

Upon arrest, the accused became resistant with the officers involved.

Courtney Worboys, 30, faces charges of driving a motor vehicle while ability impaired, driving a motor vehicle with more than 80 milligrams blood alcohol content, and resisting a peace officer.

She was released, with a court date set for Thurs., April 7 in Cornwall.

However, on Sun., March 20, officers responded to a report that Worboys had taken a vehicle without consent, and was again driving under the influence. She was intercepted in Berwick.

She now faces two more charges of driving a motor vehicle while ability impaired and driving a motor vehicle with more than 80 milligrams blood alcohol content, and a charge of taking a motor vehicle without consent.

This time Worboys was held in custody pending a bail court hearing in Cornwall.

Drugs seized

CHESTERVILLE – On Wed., March 16, just before 9 pm, SD&G OPP officers intercepted a vehicle on County Road 43, with the stop resulting in seizure of a quantity of marijuana.

The male driver, Mason Bortolussi, 20, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance.

He is to appear in Morrisburg court Tues., May 10.

Domestic incident

WINCHESTER – A township resident faces an assault charge following an incident at an unreported home Mon., March 14.

Just before 8 pm that day, SD&G officers responded to a reported domestic situation. The investigation indicated that an altercation between an adult male and his common-law spouse resulted in the female being assaulted.

A 50-year-old man was arrested, and charged with assault.

He was released on a promise to appear in Cornwall court Tues., April 5.

Camper theft

MORRISBURG – SD&G OPP are urging the public to be on the lookout for a large camper trailer after it was removed from a County Road 2 property sometime between Tues., March 8 and March 14.

The trailer is a 2014 Jayco Jay Feather 17Z white camper with an Ontario licence plate numbered L7999T.

Anyone with information about the disappearance is asked to contact police at 1-888-310-1122 or CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Details published in the police blotter are provided by the OPP. The Winchester Press typically publishes information about alleged crimes occurring in and around Dundas County, as well as other information of interest to our readership. All suspects are considered innocent in the eyes of the law unless proven otherwise in court.

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Updated flood outlook

FINCH – South Nation Conservation (SNC) is warning residents that water levels will remain high for the upcoming week in the lower portion of the jurisdiction, while levels are expected to increase in the upper portion and the Ottawa River.

Environment Canada has forecasted periods of rain and snow throughout the week, with above-freezing temperatures during the day and below-freezing temperatures at night.

The water levels in the South Nation River, from Spencerville to Chesterville, are receding, and flooding is not a concern at this time;

however, the water levels in the Bearbrook and its tributaries are still increasing, and low-lying areas are expected to flood. The confluence of the South Nation and Ottawa Rivers is still ice covered, which may result in higher water levels upstream of this area.

The Ottawa River Regulation Board has forecasted water levels and flows in the southern section of the Ottawa River to remain above normal throughout the week.

SNC encourages the public to visit www.nation.on.ca to provide feedback with respect to changes in water-related conditions in their area.

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MPP petitions on behalf of special needs students

QUEEN'S PARK — Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG) MPP Jim McDonell recently launched a petition to halt the government's potential shuttering of several special needs schools in Ontario.

Last month, prospective parents of Belleville's Sagonaska Demonstration School and Sir James Whitney School for the Deaf received letters stating the registration process for the severely learning disabled has been put on hold while the Ministry of Education reviews the specialized curriculum.



Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MPP Jim McDonell

Sagonaska Demonstration School — which shares the same site as Sir James Whitney School for the Deaf — is one of three English-language demonstration schools under consultation by the provincial government as part of an efficiency initiative.

"Local students with special needs are being left behind by this government's mismanagement," stated McDonell. "Several families have come forward expressing dismay that years of diligent work to establish their child's needs, and finally getting them placed on the enrollment list for the educational institution best suited to them, may all be for nothing."

McDonell added that parents are waiting on a firm answer from the government — a wait that could detriment-

tally impact their child's development and learning.

While Sagonaska has the capacity to serve approximately 150 students, enrollment is capped at a maximum of 40 students per school year. There are currently 39 students enrolled.

Prince Edward-Hastings MPP Todd Smith demanded a commitment from the government to keep the schools open, which McDonell supported with a letter stressing the importance of the specialized training.

"Families in (SD&SG) were looking forward to their children's enrolment at Sagonaska," added McDonell. "It's not fair that after all this time, energy, and money [spent] to finally get approval for the 2016 intake, that these parents and their children are now left without an answer."

According to education minister Liz Sandals, no decision has been made and the province is still in a "consultation" process.

"We've asked the schools to suspend the application process until we've finished the consultation process," she said. "The issue is that there's a lot more children who have severe learning disabilities that aren't part of the 160 children that are getting very effective [education]."

McDonell's petition can be accessed at www.jimmcdonellmpp.ca/petitions.

Correction

In the Wed., March 16 edition of the *Winchester Press*, a photo accompanying Garden Villa Retirement Residence's pancake breakfast incorrectly identified president of Aluvion Living, Sandra-Lynn Thomson, as general manager. General manager Darlene Sherer was absent from the photo. The *Press* regrets the error.

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Triple B Ball's Burger Barn opened its doors to the public Thurs., March 17, and has filled a fast-food void in the village. Pictured are owner Graham Ball (left), Alyssa Ball, Dorothy Serre, Alyssa Cooper, Casey Oschmann, Alicia Barton, Shaye Vanden Bosch, Kelly Williams, and Katie Lefebvre. Press Photo – Gosselin

Burger barn, it tastes like summer

WINCHESTER — The crisp aroma of fresh-cut fries wafting from the newly opened Triple B Ball's Burger Barn has filled a void within the village.

The quaint snack shack officially opened its doors Thurs., March 17, offering a free small fry or milkshake with any order for its first day.

"We thought opening on St. Patrick's Day would be perfect," said owner Graham Ball, who, along with his wife, Lori, purchased the establishment on Dawley Drive late last year. "We even made green milkshakes to celebrate."

Right now, Triple B is the only fast-food roadhouse of its kind in Winchester, and was filled with curious and hungry locals coming to support the one-of-a-kind venue on opening day.

For 10 years, the Chesterville couple said they had it in the back of their minds that they eventually wanted to venture into the food industry.

When the property became available for purchase in September 2015, the couple purchased it on a whim, citing that the "timing was right."

With Ball also working full-time at Green Tech Ag and Turf — just a stone's throw away from Triple B — he had first pick of the property.

It took months of completely revamping the place, and Ball and his brother gutted the building and undertook most of the renovations themselves. They still have a few upgrades to complete — including the siding of the building, and installing a company sign — but will move forward once township grants have been approved

for the small business.

Once they've "beautified" the building — expected to be done by May — the Balls will be hosting another grand opening to celebrate.

"Once everything is done, then we can celebrate," chuckled Ball. "I also want to add a few new picnic tables [onto the property] when it gets warm enough to sit outside."

The menu consists of all the fast-food hot eats and cold treats imaginable, and includes a few special items, such as their grilled paninis and deep-fried pickles.

Already, Triple B has hired 12 employees to undertake kitchen and serving duties. It will be open seven days a week, from 11 am to 8 pm.

"Everything fell into place," added Ball. "If you build it, they will come."

March is fraud prevention month in Ontario

ORILLIA — The Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre have launched their annual Fraud Prevention Month public awareness campaign earlier in March.

Every year, thousands of Canadians fall victim to fraud, amassing losses in the millions of dollars. Re-

gardless of age, gender and location, everyone can take basic steps to better protect themselves from becoming victims of fraud. Some basic tips include never giving out personal information at your door, over the phone, through social media, or on dating websites.

During the month of

March, the OPP and its partners — the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and the Competition Bureau of Canada — are joining police services across the country to promote public awareness to help prevent all Canadians from becoming victims of fraud.

The OPP are posting

tips and links to various resources online.

If you or someone you know suspect they've been a victim of fraud, contact your local police service, the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), or online at www.tipssubmit.com/start.htm.

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Russell Ladies' Night to replicate an 'Evening in Paris'

RUSSELL — This year, the Russell Agricultural Society's Ladies' Night Committee is teaming up with the Alzheimer Society of Cornwall and District to host its Fri., May 6 event at the Russell Arena.

The women-only event consists of a silent auction, dinner, live auction, and entertainment.

"We are inviting the ladies to treat themselves to an 'Evening in Paris' to celebrate Mother's Day and to support a great cause," said Judy McFaul, co-chair of the 2016 Ladies' Night Committee. "Our event has raised more than \$310,000 for various causes [throughout] the past 12 years thanks to the ongoing support of our sponsors and partners, the generous contribution of auction items and services donated by individuals and businesses, and the participation of

the 500 ladies who attend our event every year."

One hundred per cent of the funds raised during the silent and live auctions will be donated to fund research, programs, and services for people in the community who are living with Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia.

According to Lynne Rochon, event co-chair and Scotiabank's account manager of small business, the Russell Scotiabank branch will match the funds raised for the Alzheimer Society up to a maximum of \$5,000.

Tickets are \$50 each and must be purchased in advance (reserved seating) either online at www.russellfair.com or at 613-445-4161. All tickets purchased before Fri., April 8 will be eligible to win a prize. For details, follow Russell Ladies Night on Facebook.



The Russell Agricultural Society's Ladies' Night event will take place this year on Fri., May 6, with proceeds going to the Alzheimer Society of Cornwall and District. Pictured are Colin Sanders (back, left), co-chairs Lynne Rochon and Judy McFaul, Suzanne Perras Campbell, Lynda Kemp, Linda Duhamel, Adrian Bugelli, and David Turley; and Kristina Bercier (front, left), Sarah Dupont, and Kelly Jobson.

Courtesy photo — Maria Baker

WDMH achieves breast-care milestone



The mammography team at WDMH recently received recognition for having quality breast care programs with a three-year accreditation. Pictured is medical radiation technologist Chantal Tremblay.

WINCHESTER — The Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH)'s mammography team recently received a three-year accreditation, recognizing that the program has continued to meet the highest standards for breast care.

Throughout the past three years, the team has supported 4,805 patients, conducting 993 diagnostic tests and 3,812 screenings.

The voluntary program includes peer reviews, as well as evaluations of hospital staff qualifications, equipment, image quality, and overall performance. The accreditation takes about eight months to complete, and has a two-step process, including a review of documentation and processes, as well as an image audit carried out by

independent radiologists.

Each year, information is updated and approved by the Canadian Association of Radiologists' Mammography Accreditation Program.

"We congratulate our great team on this achievement," said Lynn Hall, senior vice-president of clinical services. "The women in our community tell us they appreciate the program and the quality of care provided. This is shown by the number of repeat requests to return to WDMH for testing."

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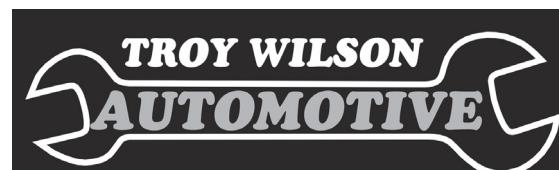


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Council notes from
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SOUTH DUNDAS

Dundas to preserve history

MORRISBURG — At Tues., March 15's council meeting, South Dundas council authorized staff to form a Dundas County Archive Committee that will investigate options for an archive location to store historical records.

The objective of an archive is to acquire, preserve, and make accessible to the general public the historical records from private sources and local government in both South and North Dundas.

The municipality has earmarked \$15,000 for the project, with \$10,000 of that being put towards hiring a student to help archive all of South Dundas' records. The other \$5,000 will be put toward the committee — a sum that has also been matched by the Township of North Dundas.

The decision comes on the heels of North Dundas' approval to form the committee the week before.

The collective will be comprised of two representatives from both North and South Dundas, two mayors, two clerks, and a member of the United Empire Loyalists.

Fire 'director' wanted

The search for a new fire chief is on.

South Dundas council approved a recommendation from staff to hire a new full-time director of fire and emergency services as soon as possible.

The municipality has been without a fire chief since January when former chief Chris McDonough went on an unexplained leave of absence. He eventually resigned from the position officially at the end of February.

The 2016 budget includes the replacement of the position, which came on the recommendation of the Office of the Ontario Fire Marshal in 2010.

The overall purpose of the position (as stated in the job description) is for the chief to be responsible for "the effective general and financial management of the fire and emergency services department."

According to CAO/treasurer Shannon Geraghty, the establishment of a fire chief has proven to be a benefit and a necessity within the municipality's fire departments.

Grants awarded by council

South Dundas council approved two out of three grant applications that were submitted during budget deliberations.

Council members directed staff to provide a recommendation regarding donations to the Friends of Crysler's Farm Battlefield for the War of 1812 Re-Enactment; the Renegade Bass Tournament; and the 2016 Canadian Plowing Championship in Ottawa.

Staff used the Ontario Tourism Regional Impact Model (TREIM) to determine the economic impact of visitor and business spending in the area during the event.

It was determined that the War of 1812 Re-Enactment would generate approximately \$771,031 in the community for 2016, and was granted the \$500 requested.

Based on one day pre-fishing and the one-day tournament, the TREIM report estimated that the Renegade Bass Tournament would generate approximately \$63,641 in the community for 2016, and was granted an in-kind donation (in the amount of \$1,920) by waiving launch fees during the tournament.

The grant request from the Canadian Plowing Championship was denied, as the event will be hosted more than 60 kilometres northeast of South Dundas, and the economic and tourist impact on the municipality will be very limited.

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COC to take lead role in 'face-to-face' tourism services for upcoming season

by Alicia K. Gosselin

Press staff

MORRISBURG — It takes a village to raise the tourism industry to new heights.

That's why South Dundas council members decided at Tues., March 15's meeting to approve an ongoing touristic partnership between the municipality and the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce (COC) for the upcoming year.

The agreement means that members of the COC are to provide services for both Visitor Information Centres in Iroquois and Morrisburg during peak season, and in Morrisburg during off-peak season.

The municipality agreed to back the supplemental services with \$10,000 (through invoicing), which will be used to hire two summer students — one student for each centre. If full or partial funding for the students is received through a grant program, the remaining funds will be used toward other areas of tourism upon the approval of council.

Services would include welcoming visitors to the community, assisting them with inquiries, providing any print material they may require, and recording statistics.

The COC will also support and communicate with festival and event organizers, and assist South Dundas not-for-profit organizations with tourism-related funding applications and fundraisers.

Through the use of the COC's website, social media, and various newsletters, the municipality can have a broader reach within the region in regards to promoting community activities and events.

"This partnership would help us expand our services efficiently, and help us move to promote events quicker," said communications and tourism coordinator Katherine Wells. "It would also help expand our presence during the off-peak season."

Mayor Evonne Delegarde agreed that it would be a benefit to provide "face-to-face contact" during the off-peak season.

Due to its centrally located office, the COC already receives a large portion of tourists and provides information and brochures about the area as needed.

Since last year, the municipality and the COC have been working to provide a more comprehensive and collective approach to tourism services. Although

there is visitor information to be found at the municipal office — such as brochures and maps — there isn't always someone in person to supplement the information.

This year's partnership came on the heels of a successful agreement between the municipality and the COC in 2015, which had the COC provide services at both Visitor Information Centres during the summer. According to a report provided by the COC, their office recorded 307 visitors, and distributed more than 700 brochures from May to July of last year.

Councillor Marc St. Pierre noted that the COC had once brought forward an idea to form a tourism committee consisting of business and COC members, and said he thought that would be a benefit going forward. The intention of the committee was to provide marketing services.

However, because South Dundas is already in partnership with the Township of South Stormont, as well as Cornwall and the Counties Tourism to provide advertising and promotional tourism services for 2016, plans to form a committee will be considered next year when the agreement with the COC is to be renewed.

SD working to help smaller businesses

MORRISBURG — The Municipality of South Dundas and the Small Business Enterprise Centre are joining forces.

South Dundas' economic development officer Rob Hunter announced that the partnership will assist new entrepreneurs and existing business owners in the community.

"Beginning [this month], business consultant Candy Pollard will be coming to the municipal office in Morrisburg each month," he said. "Pollard will be available for appointments with our budding entrepreneurs, as well as established business owners, offering information on business topics such as registering a business, developing a business plan, marketing, using social media, financing, HST regulations, and much more."

Interested parties who

would like to make an appointment can do so by contacting Hunter at the municipal office at 613-543-2673.

The Small Business Enterprise Centre is operated by Cornwall Economic Development, and funded in part by the provincial government.

The centre helps small business owners and entrepreneurs by offering information, tools, and support during the start-up and growth stages of business operation. The centre also offers seminars, workshops, and networking opportunities that are designed with the entrepreneur in mind.

"We are very pleased to have established this partnership with the Municipality of South Dundas," added Pollard. "We look forward to working with the business community."

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Docking fees to rise at township marinas

MORRISBURG — South Dundas council approved a staff recommendation at Tues., March 15's meeting to increase the docking fees at both the Morrisburg and Iroquois marinas by two per cent this year.

Members of the Marina Committee — a group that oversees South Dundas' waterfronts — voted at their latest meeting to increase the prices.

Council supported the decision, as the increase is on par with the inflation rate, and docks at both marinas are full with several boaters on a waiting list.

According to CAO/treasurer Shannon Geraghty, there was no increase in fees last year, and prior to that, prices hadn't risen by two per cent in about five years.

There is no implication on South Dundas' 2016 budget.

Staff will be returning to the next council meeting with an official bylaw for the fee increase.

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Don't overwhelm downtown with residential space

In the Township of North Dundas, there is a sense of separation anxiety developing when it comes to existing commercial properties. Building owners want to make money from rentals, but the local government's desire is to support business.

With an equal mix, both sides can profit. However, as certain sites sit vacant for varying lengths of time, owners have started making inroads to shift the equation, turning their attention to financial success through residential use.

This is nothing new, however. It has happened countless times in Winchester, in Chesterville and South Mountain, too. Eight times in a half-decade, in fact.

Each case has seen businesses shuttering or swapping locations, and their former homes dormant for a lengthy amount of time.

One cannot blame an owner for wanting to profit. That is, after all, the reason to take on landlord status. With fees from business owners drying up and a growing demand for apartments (and all forms of diversified housing for that matter) in the municipality, it seems like the logical next step.

But at what point should the local government be mandated to put business interest above the desire of property owners?

This is far from an argument for capitalistic integrity or property rights, but a rationed account of the needs of the township's villages if entrepreneurs wish to continue with efforts to stabilize an ever-fluctuating market.

Through the years, the tides have turned countless times and businesses have come and gone. Ask one of the handful of owners who have continued to balance their bottom lines and persevered despite sometimes overwhelming odds and shifts in public appeal.

The latest drama unfolding centers on the former Vice family funeral parlour on Church Street in Winchester. Years removed from its original purpose, a stop before the ultimate resting place for many, the site was transformed for a local dance studio before illegal renovation began for second-floor apartments. Now, the building's owner is looking to go by the book and officially rezone the property for up to six apartments.

What's needed in a village's core is a dynamic of commercial and residential. Allow shops at street level and living spaces above. A full conversion leads to nothing but more lost business space — for good.

Council is right to finally to speak out on the matter.

Remember when...

1936

This week, the *Winchester Press* announced that spring had arrived — but it had nothing to do with the weatherman's forecast: "The *Press* has, at last, received word that the Rose Haven robin, that certain pre-runner of spring, has arrived in its familiar haunts. Mrs. Barton Derby phoned this office to inform us that the robin had made an appearance. Our readers may now rest assured that spring is really here."

1976

It was reported in this week's *Press* that wildlife officers in the Winchester area were being forced to shoot household dogs to protect the deer population, as almost 10 pregnant does were slaughtered by the pets: "The heavy crust that has formed on the snow makes it possible for even large dogs to speed over the fields, while the tiny sharp feet of the deer break through and make them easy prey for dogs bent on destruction."

1986

"Ault Foods to face pollution charges," said a *Press* headline this week: "The company, plant manager Cecil Simpson, and waste treatment plant manager Gary Munro were charged in mid-January by the Ministry of Environment with unlawfully allowing waste water from the plant to flow into the Annable Drain."

1996

"In a matter of weeks, there will be 11 fewer beds for patients at Winchester District Memorial Hospital," reported the *Press* this week. "There will also be the equivalent of 12 fewer staff to tend to these patients. They are two of the cost-cutting measures the hospital is taking after the Ministry of Health cut WDMH's annual budget by 3.16 per cent this month."

2006

An editorial in this week's *Press* reported that the public views farmers as some of the most trustworthy people in the nation: "The poll surveyed 1,500 adult Canadians. The results showed that 92 per cent of people trust farmers. As a comparison, only 14 per cent of people believe that politicians are trustworthy."



This week in 1996, Winchester resident Ashley Christie, 7, made friends with Chrissy and Bonnie, two of the Belgian horses giving wagon rides at Stanley's Olde Maple Lane Farm.

1956

"Two-headed calf born on District farm," was a featured headline in this week's *Press*: "The use of a Caesarian operation probably saved the life of a two-year-old purebred Holstein heifer which gave birth to a two-headed calf last week at the farm of Allan K. MacDonald near Ormond. It was the second such birth for Dr. S.W. Dawley in seven years of practice."

1966

"Eastern Ontario cheese makers have been informed that carelessness is costing them business," reported the *Press* this week. "R.H. Gillan, federal chief of grading and inspection, said although Britons pay a premium price for Canada's top quality cheese, they complain about foreign objects such as 'nuts and bolts, hairs, needles and band aids' in it."

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To you from failing hands we throw the torch

I was looking through some of my special things last week. I came across my coolest autographed item on perhaps the most unusual of pictures. It is a McDonald's tray liner from 1996. It is a picture of Guy Lafleur, Jean Bélieau, and Rocket Richard. They are standing at centre ice of the Montreal Forum on March 11, 1996 – the three greatest Montreal Canadiens in history. The photo has Ghostbusters-looking spirits floating among them. The McDonald's tray liner is autographed by all three legends and laminated.

They have the torch. It is symbolic of Montreal Canadiens history – not the PK Subban Montreal Canadiens, but the real Montreal Canadiens. These were the larger-than-life Montreal Canadiens that generations grew up worshiping and idolizing and wanting to emulate. With the exception of Carey Price, that great Canadian math equation of boy-plus-Hab-equals-worship is no longer relevant.

It seems like yesterday that those three heroes stood together at the last game at the Montreal Forum. I guess that's the problem with being on the back nine of life. Time seems to speed up. Things that are a lifetime ago and then some for our children yet seem like they just happened for us. Maybe that's why we cling to our love for our hockey idols. Watching them on those Saturday nights on CBC were the good old days. I watched, awestruck, with

chills crawling up my back and tugging at the hair on the back of my neck, yearning for my good old days.

Maurice Richard, the kind and revered gentleman whom I had first met at a Montreal Expos game and had seen several times over the next decade-and-a-half at hockey card shows, stood on the ice at the Montreal Forum.

It was 20 years ago. I was glued to the television, fighting back tears. I watched generations of Montreal Canadiens greats as they were paraded out for a last twirl on the ice. Even Aurel Joliat, one of Canada's greatest superstars of the 1920s and 1930s, was out there wearing his trademark cap. A collective gasp from across the country was let out that evening as he stumbled over the red carpet.

But that night belonged to the Rocket. He walked out onto the red carpet and received a 12-minute standing ovation. Tears streamed down his face. The funny thing about history is that we usually don't recognize something that happens in front of our eyes as historical. But this night was different. I felt like I was watching a piece of Canadian history unfold in a special way that brought all Canadians together, regardless of the team or their emotional affiliation.



From the
Other
Side
by Jeff Morris

I met Rocket Richard for the first time in April 1983. It was at the Expos' home opener. My friend Stu Thompson and I were in our first year at Carleton, and we had a couple of days off between exams. We drove to the Big O and went to the Expos game.

We got 300-level tickets – baseball tickets were not expensive in those days – and in about the third inning we saw a commotion around us followed by people clapping. We looked around and realized that Rocket Richard was sitting right behind us, in the next row.

After a few minutes and during a stoppage in play, and I turned around and introduced myself as a fan and said something really cheesy like, "Hey Mr. Richard, two minutes for looking so good!" That was the line from the really bad commercial he was in for Grecian Formula. He fake a half smile and shook my hand, and he autographed my ticket stub.

The people around him were not impressed, though. I was like an English pig dog from Ontario of all places who dared to speak directly to Maurice Richard. A true Quebecer would be more dignified and understand that we are all sub servants of the Rocket, and we would dare not disturb

his greatness with trivial minutiae and a mundane introduction.

However, rather than asking him questions through prayer to the Virgin Mary, I talked to him some more, and he turned out to be a kind and talkative man once he got past the fact that I may have been, as the Diva so tactfully puts it, a little extra.

Over the next decade and a half, I saw him and chatted with him at a number of hockey card shows, at the NHL All-Star Game, and at some corporate events. When I was the NHL Brand Manager at Pinnacle in 1997, I had this brainwave of bringing back Bee Hive Photos as a hockey card set. I got to work with the Rocket as he would be our spokesman for the project.

Now, I look back to those days. The Expos are gone, the Forum is gone, and the Rocket is gone. And so is that feeling. I thought that maybe when the Montreal Forum was turned into a theatre, maybe there is some sort of curse on the hockey team. After all, they haven't won a Cup since 1993.

But I think that around the time the Forum was closed, hockey had become a business more than a fruit of passion. It's about contracts now, not pride and dignity. I start to wonder if we will ever see another Rocket Richard or Gordie Howe or Wayne Gretzky. If we do, how great he will be will probably depend on who his agent is.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Canadians should have legislation to entrench right to clean water

The Editor:

Canada has one fifth of the world's fresh water, a quarter of its remaining wetlands, and its longest coastline.

But Canada is the only G8 country without legally enforceable drinking-water-quality standards at the national level. More than 80 per cent of the *Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality* relating to chemical contaminants provides less protection for public health than other industrialized nations.

On any given day, more than 1,000 boil-water advisories are in effect across the country, many in Indigenous communities. Places like Shoal Lake 40, Grassy Narrows, and Neskantaga have been under boil-water advisories for decades.

At the provincial level, Canada relies on a patchwork of water policies, which jeopardizes people's health, and compromises clean water for future generations.

More than 110 countries (essentially half of Earth's nations) recog-

nize their citizens' right to live in a healthy environment.

Canada's *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* is silent on the issue.

A federal environmental bill of rights would help compensate for this omission and promote better environmental protections, build healthier communities, and position Canada as a leader on environmental rights.

An environmental bill of rights that recognizes, protects, and fulfills our right to a healthy environment – including our right to

clean water – would provide clear guidelines for government, industry, and citizens to manage resources, economic development and the health and well-being of communities in ways that are transparent, predictable and sustainable.

More than 20,000 Canadians die prematurely every year because of exposure to environmental hazards, and the total cost of pollution in Canada is more than \$100 billion a year. We can't afford not to take action.

More than 120 communities, representing more than 12 million Canadians, have passed environmental rights declarations at the local level. It's time for the federal government to take action.

It's time for the federal government to implement the right to clean water in Canada by passing an environmental bill of rights that respects, protects, and fulfills our right to a healthy environment, including the right to clean water.

L. Leblanc
Kemptville

Blotter 'circus sideshow' not fit for printing

The Editor:

I am a law-abiding citizen. In fact, you could describe me as a fan of the law.

Don't get me wrong, however, I am not perfect. I have gotten a speeding ticket. I neglect buying my dog tags. But overall, I am an appreciator of law and order.

However, I take issue with the weekly "Police Blotter" published in the *Winchester Press*.

I see it as more of a circus sideshow that attracts the gawkers rather than "news." In fact, I feel it is a downright breach of confidentiality and privacy, in particular the briefs about domestic disturbances.

Granted, it is stated in the fine print below the blotter that all suspects are presumed innocent in the eyes of the

law until proven otherwise in court. Great. This is the disclaimer. What about the presumptions that are formed in our small, gossipy community, that are never cleared after the final verdict is in? What about the whispers and stares, and failed job interviews because of the public printing of personal information?

In the case of domestic disturbances, even if names aren't mentioned, rumours fly around our small towns, and incorrect assumptions are validated by nosy people. These situations are never as simple as the blotter makes it seem. These are complicated two-sided stories of troubled people at the worst times in their lives, and they are placed on display for the whole community to read about.

Imagine how it feels to children already involved in these horrific situations when the story is printed in the local publication. I imagine they feel like a, that's right, circus sideshow.

Young people involved in drug charges are already segregated from the community in a manner of speaking, and are usually troubled and barely treading water.

I'd far rather see our local paper reporting on support programs for troubled youth than printing details of a crime aimed at validating the rumour mill.

I would like to see the *Press* discontinue the blotter. We have social media and coffee clubs to spread the word on alleged crimes.

Zena Reoch
Winchester Springs

Resident sick of 'negativity' toward our local hospital

Editor's note: This letter is in response to several past letters to the editor, including "Answer questions, don't sidestep them," in the Wed., March 9 edition, and "Chair did not answer question," in the Wed., March 2 edition.

—M.U.

The Editor:

It seems I have quite a lot of time on my hands lately, being there for my husband who is quite ill right now, and I read the *Winchester Press* cover to cover for myself and him.

Negativity does not help; it is like a cancer on its own and spreads like the real thing. I am sick to death of it.

Our hospital does not need your vicious comments nor does it ask for them. Try being in the system for months, and see how our hospital looks from the cheap seats. We should be on our knees for what we have in Winchester. Instead of picking it apart, try helping out and volunteering.

We are at least once a week, and most times more, in the vicious circle of trying to live with what has been given to us. I pray you never have to go through what others have to, but I tell you from my heart, you will be grateful for what we have right in our own backyard.

I have said my piece and I pray that you leave the negative thoughts just behind the automatic doors, and just let the people do what they are trained to do.

Gloria Byers
South Mountain

Councillor's company bypassed tender

The Editor:

I read in the paper recently that the expenses for South Dundas council increased by 16 per cent for 2015, and Councillor Bill Ewing had the highest earnings of anyone on council, excluding Mayor Evonne Delegarde.

One thing that was not included was the earnings of Ewing through his towing business, Bill's Towing and Recovery. I refer to two payments made to Bill's Towing

[from the municipality] for the transportation of a sidewalk plow to Williamsburg and Iroquois.

I know for a fact that he was paid a total of more than \$2,209 for December and January, through a *Freedom of Information Act* request.

He continued to provide this service for the remainder of the winter, and this was not tendered out, nor did they even approach any other business to provide a

price for this service.

Mr. Ewing apparently used his position on council to prop up his income for his personal business without having to face any competition. I realize it is not a conflict of interest to provide services to the municipality unless he participated in a vote on the matter if it were brought before council. However, maybe this should have been brought to council so the work could have

been awarded fairly to the business willing to provide the best price? After all, Mr. Ewing is quick to complain if there is the appearance of any other unfairness in municipal processes.

I am sure if you check further you will find that Bill's Towing and Recovery made much more than the amount above and eluded any competition for this service.

Jim Graham
Morrisburg

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At South Nation Conservation (SNC)'s annual general meeting Thurs., March 17, Lorne Strader (left) was recognized by the authority as an invaluable contributor who helped protect and promote the natural environment. Strader is pictured with SNC general manager-secretary-treasurer Dennis O'Grady.

SNC recognizes past chairman as 'invaluable'

FINCH – Board elections, standing committee briefings, and financial reports were all part of South Nation Conservation's (SNC) annual general meeting held in Finch Thurs., March 17.

But perhaps the main highlight of the St. Patrick's Day meeting was a tribute to past chairman Lorne Strader toward the end of the agenda.

Strader served on the board for 15 years, beginning in 1977 as an elected representative from Matilda Township.

"[Strader] was a very active member of the board at a time when SNC was engaged in some of its biggest projects," said general manager Dennis O'Grady. "His contribution was invaluable."

Current chairman, Doug Thompson, officially recognized Strader's contribution.

Throughout the past few years, SNC has introduced a practice of honouring residents in its jurisdiction who have gone the extra mile in helping to protect and promote the natural environment.

"It's not just for past board members," O'Grady said. "People from all walks of life have been acknowledged."

A former municipal politician, agricultural activist, and community volunteer who received a Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Medal, Strader became a member of the SNC executive committee in 1979 and vice-chairman in 1981. He moved up to chair of the authority in 1983.

Some of the projects he helped implement include the Chesterville channelization, the Crysler flood control dyke project, a critical area tree planting program, and preservation of the Spencerville Mill.

Continuing after his past chair position, Strader played an important role in the Conservation Awareness Advisory Committee, serving as chair from 1989 to 1991.

"Those projects are part of the foundation of what SNC has become today," O'Grady said.

SNC seeks volunteers with a love of the land

FINCH – For those who are passionate about their community and advocates for environmental causes, South Nation Conservation (SNC) is looking for you.

The conservation authority recently announced its need for new volunteers to help out in many of the organization's activities.

"Volunteers are a commodity much in demand," said SNC's communications and outreach lead Ronda Boutz. "They're the engine of many rural organizations. At SNC, we've been blessed because we've always been able to attract many dedicated local residents who donate their time and energy to the environmental cause."

SNC needs help with park cleanup; fish, wildlife and water monitoring; habitat rehabilitation; seedling distribution; and representation at special events.

Volunteers are also needed for SNC committee work. Boutz pointed out that the authority operates four committees entirely made up of volunteers with varied skills across the jurisdiction. The committees include communications; clean water; fish

and wildlife; and forestry.

Comprising up to 15 members each, the committees meet four to six times a year, with mileage expenses covered and a modest lunch served.

The committee's review projects are developed by staff, and offer recommendations to be presented to the board of directors. They help build strong programs with broad-based support.

For example, the revamped community environmental grants program supports events that protect the environment or promote natural heritage and recreational use of the river.

Non-profit organizations and municipalities are encouraged to submit an application to receive a grant of up to \$300 for their event or activity. Groups are encouraged to get their application in early. The program offers four types of grants to cover rivers, heritage, agri-environment, and community outreach initiatives.

To download a copy of the application form, visit www.nation.on.ca/water/grant-programs/community-environmental-grants.



Don't spoil your soil

The Eastern Valley Regional Soil and Crop Improvement Association hosted an interactive workshop for close to 60 farmers Fri., March 18, which focused on soil health and maintenance to increase yield. Local growers learned how to "bring soil to life," by using methods such as no-till farming and cover crops to manage soil erosion, fertility, and quality. Guest speaker and soil conservation expert Odette Ménard (pictured) said she believes that the color and texture of soil indicates exactly how healthy the soil is. She also acknowledged that earthworms are vital to establishing this healthy soil. Dean Glenney, 2015's OSCIA soil champion, was also a guest speaker who talked about his method of "fencerow" farming.

Press Photo – Gosselin



Top of their class

Three local winners were presented with hardware courtesy of the Ottawa Valley Seed Growers Association, whose awards ceremony was held in conjunction with the 89th annual Ottawa Valley Farm Show earlier this month. Sevita International, headquartered in Inkerman, won the Commonwell Mutual Insurance Group Award for the best entry in the seed auction. Lisa Hall accepted the plaque from Commonwell's Allan Lowry.



The NK Brand, Syngenta Seeds Award for the best exhibit of corn silage went to Tibben Farms of Briston. Mark Tibben (right) accepted the trophy and plaque from Summit Seeds' Richard Lavigne. The Tibben family also won the Embrun Agricultural Co-op Trophy for the champion exhibit of shelled corn.



David Chambers (right) of Chesterville's Riveredge Farms won the SynAgri Trophy for championship ear of corn in the open and 4-H classes. Steve Wellein presented him with the award.

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THE DEAN'S LIST

Maple: spring staple

What better way to ring in spring than tasting maple taffy at the local sugar shack? Stanley's Olde Maple Lane Farm near Edwards was a hub of activity during March Break, with families visiting from far-and-wide to experience the heritage-style maple farm. Admission was free during the break, and families were able to watch the sap-to-syrup process, check out the farm's 100-year-old sugar shack, taste fresh pancakes, and enjoy horse-drawn sleigh rides.

Press Photos – Gosselin



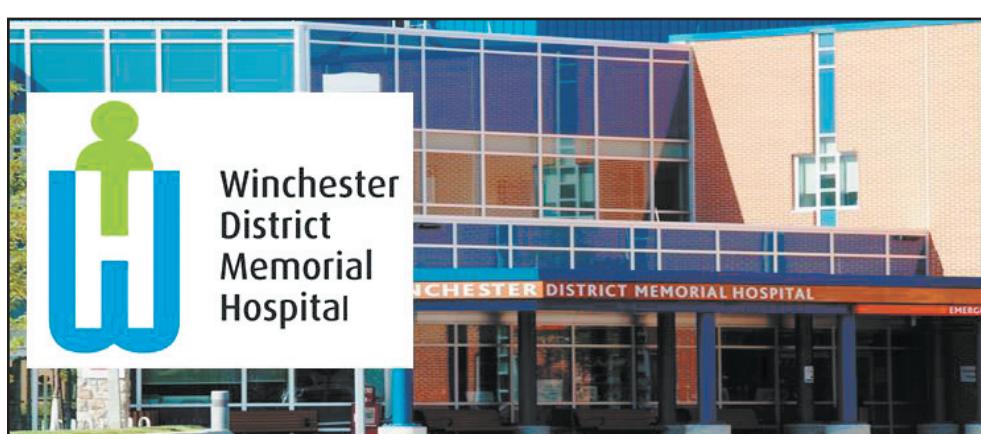
Brittany Luloff (left) and Cassidy Clifford checked out Stanley's 100-year-old sugar shack, which houses a wood-burning sap evaporator. It takes 50 gallons of sap to make a gallon of syrup, and up to three gallons of syrup to make a pound of sugar.



Bentley Graham (left), Emma, and Johnathan Seguin enjoyed the sap-to-syrup process.



Horse-driver David Hanson looked on as Tristan Blanchard pet the Belgian horses before a sleigh ride through Stanley's Olde Maple Lane Farm.



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4-H UPDATE

First 4-H lasagna club cooked up

by Cassidy Porteous

WINCHESTER – The first meeting of the Dundas County 4-H Lasagna Club was held in early March at Rose Stewart's house. Leaders for the club are Sue Belanger, Michelle Begg, and Rose Stewart. Members started the meeting by reciting the 4-H pledge, with elections following.

Election results put Bruce Porteous as president; Hailey Hodge as vice-president; Caitlin Begg as secretary, and Brooklyn Begg and Cassidy Porteous as press reporters.

Members then divided into three groups and decided to make three lasagnas each meeting. Next, each group chose different kinds of lasagna that they would like to make each meeting. The group will be having a veggie night, a chicken night, a beef night, a dessert night, and a free-for-all night.

The club's second meeting was set for Mon., March 14. Members are all very anxious to start cooking!

Ladies Aid focuses on Easter

by Kathy Spruit

WINCHESTER – The latest St. Paul's Ladies Aid meeting was centred around Easter, with members being welcomed by Kathy Spruit and an Easter-themed poem.

The ladies then took a part in the Easter Worship Service as outlined in the March issue of *Glad Tidings*. The theme of the service was based on transformation, and how God can transform each of our lives as He transformed Christ from the dead on Easter. To illustrate the process of transformation, the ladies were given various types of bulbs to take home and plant. When watching the plants emerge from the brown bulbs, the ladies were encouraged to ponder on how past hurts and pain need to be left behind in order to be able to embrace change.

Roll call response was a scripture reading, poem and hymn related to Easter.

Donna Wilson pointed out that she received beautiful

cards created by a 4-H group that uses the church building for its meetings. They will be given to Ladies Aid members on special occasions.

Business items were then discussed, including the World Day of Prayer which was hosted by St. Paul's on Fri., March 4. The service was written by ladies from Cuba and the theme was "Receive Children, Receive Me." Money donated from the offering totalled \$553.75 and will help provide grants in Canada and worldwide.

St. Paul's also hosted a Lenten lunch in late February, with the goodwill offering amounting to \$88.

Before the ladies moved on to decorate eggs to display on Easter Sunday, Spruit read the "Legend of the Dogwood Tree," and closed the meeting with the "Lord's Prayer" and the singing of "A Blessing for my Friends."

Donna Wilson provided a birthday dessert in honour of Helen Kerr's birthday.

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Thurs May 26	✓		✓	✓	✓			
Thurs June 9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thurs June 23	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Thurs July 14	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Thurs July 28	✓		✓	✓				
Thurs Aug 11	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Thurs Sept 1	✓	✓	✓	✓				

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At left: Nicholas Collier was one of the youngest children to participate in the Easter colouring contest.

Below: Makenna Hall tried her hand at colouring eggs.

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Easter Bunny makes early stop to visit youngsters at Branch 108

WINCHESTER – Who could miss the giant rabbit standing on Main Street Sun., March 20 waving cars down?

It was all part of the Royal Canadian Legion Winchester Branch 108's annual visit with the Easter Bunny hosted at the village facility, where local families came out to celebrate the eggstra-special holiday early.

The fluffy fellow welcomed families with chocolates and treats, who were also able to enjoy a hotdog lunch. Throughout the event, there was an egg-colouring activity, a craft station, cookie decorating, and a colouring contest for the kids to get involved. A silent auction was also on for the day with various donated items available for bid.

"Today wasn't about fundraising – it's just a fun community event that families seem to enjoy every year," said organizer Kim Sheldrick.



It was a full house at Metcalfe's Old Town Hall Thurs., March 17, where close to 100 people showed up for Councillor George Darouze's first-ever Irish Tea event.

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Darouze goes Irish for community tea

METCALFE – Osgoode Ward Councillor George Darouze hosted his first-ever Irish Tea event at Metcalfe's Old Town Hall Thurs., March 17.

Close to 100 residents showed up to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with the politician, enjoying desserts, coffee, and tea for the afternoon.

Several musical acts graced the stage for the event, including a waltz clog and Irish jig performed by the Cookie Cutters, and a fiddle act put on by Osgoode Ward residents Reid and Kelsey Warren.

Nepean-Carleton MPP Lisa MacLeod also showed up to the event to show her support for the riding, decked out in a festive and flashy getup.

"I do not have an Irish background," joked Darouze. "But on March 17, we are all allowed to be Irish."



Reid (left) and Kelsey Warren played Celtic music for the crowd.



NDDHS Notes

by Patricia Barlow

Back to the books

MAPLE RIDGE – North Dundas District High School students are back to work after a relaxing March Break! This week, however, is just the calm before the storm.

Grade 10 students are preparing to write the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test, which is a requirement for graduation. The test will take place Thurs., March 31. Good luck!

A reminder that our prom fundraising bottle drive is coming up next week, from Tues., March 29 to Sat., April 2.

Students will be going door-to-door in Chesterville and Winchester to collect bottles. Please call Patricia (613-448-2660) or Kelsey (613-989-1852) if you would like to arrange to have bottles picked up in advance.

Also, April Fool's Day (Fri., April 1) will be sweet this year! The prom committee is organizing a bake sale for this day. Grade 12 students are asked to bring in baked goods for the cause.

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East/West championship series

Lapier's four points propel Demons to 6-3 win

WINCHESTER — Ben Lapier sparked a second-period rally as the North Dundas Pee Wee "B" Demons rallied from a 2-0 first-period deficit and defeated the Kemptville Panthers 6-3.

Monday's (March 21) meeting at the Joel Steele Community Centre was the first in the 2015-2016 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's East/West championship finale.

Because the North Dundas roster is a combination of talent from both North and South Dundas Minor Hockey Associations, game one of the showdown attracted a large, enthusiastic audience from both ends of the county.

Rally time

First period goals by Nicholas Compeau and Evan Davidson handed Kemptville a 2-0 lead.

Lapier ignited the Demons' offence burying a Nolan Henry relay at 13:09 of period two. Mason Carr knotted the count at 2-2 finishing a three-way play started by Lapier and Cole Eikelboom at 7:49.

The Panthers pulled ahead 3-2 when Carson Ferrie put a puck behind North Dundas 'tender Jordan Papineau with 3:45 left in the stanza.

Period three belonged to the Demons who cracked three unanswered markers sealing their 6-3 win and giving them a 2-0 lead



Sure shot

North Dundas Pee Wee "B" Demons assistant captain Ben Lapier (left) fired this shot on Kemptville Panthers goaltender Filani Otota during the second period of Monday's (March 21) playoff game. Lapier cashed two markers while line mate Mason Carr (right) sniped the single as the De-

mons rallied and carried a 3-3 tie into the final period. North Dundas then cracked three unanswered goals on their way to a 6-3 victory in the first game of their Upper Canada Minor Hockey League East/West championship series.

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in the five-point series. Henry cashed an opportunity created by Lapier and Adam Barkley into

the GWG with 8:49 to play in the game. Joshua Broad finished a scram-

ble involving Lapier and Henry at the 6:14 mark for a 5-3 advantage.

Captain Barkley (unassisted)

then took control of the puck, dangled up ice, eluding would-be Kemptville checkers before snapping a hard shot into the twine with 4:58 showing on the clock.

Papineau, with help from his defence, held off the Panthers as North Dundas registered a 6-3 victory.

Next games

Game two was played in Kemptville last night (Tues., March 22). The third encounter will be played in Winchester tonight (Wed., March 23) at 7 pm.

The dates for games four and five (if necessary) haven't been determined.

Background

North Dundas (19-5-0) finished first in the East Division regular season standings with 38 points. Kemptville (18-5-1) topped the West Division rankings with 37 points.

The Panthers won both regular season meetings defeating the Demons 6-5 in Winchester (Dec. 16) and 4-3 in Kemptville (Jan. 11).

North Dundas claimed the eastern pennant first eliminating the Alexandria Glens 4-0 and then the NGS Braves 5-1.

Kemptville shut down the Brockville Jr. Braves 4-0 before ousting the South Grenville Rangers 4-0.

Final sign-up for minor ball April 2

Ball hockey registration starts tonight

WINCHESTER — The first of three registration sessions for the 2016 North Dundas Minor Co-ed Ball Hockey League season will be held at the Joel Steele Community Centre this evening (Wed., March 23) from 6 to 8 pm.

The second will take place tomorrow (Thurs., March 24) at the Chesterville Arena (6 to 8 pm).

A third session is scheduled for the Joel Steele Community Centre on Wed., March 30 (6 to 8 pm).

The games will be played weekly in Winchester. The registration fee is \$70 for juniors (8-11 years) and \$75 for seniors (12-16 years as of Jan. 1 2015).

For more information, contact Lee Bowers at northdundasminorballhockey@gmail.com.

Sox baseball

Winchester Sox Little League Baseball (ages 3 to 18 years) is holding its final registration session Sat., April 2 at the Joel Steele Community Centre from 10 am until 2 pm. Registration fees and forms must be returned by Fri., April 15. For more information contact Steven and Kathy Cochrane at 613-774-1934.

Winchester's Julia Gibson has emerged as a skilled rugby fullback who runs with power, speed and determination, which her North Dundas District High School coaches feel has evolved from her many hours of training and competing as a member of the Ottawa Bicycle Club (OBC) Racing Team. Gibson will represent the OBC and the Ontario Cycling Association (OCA) at the 2016 National Track Championship (April 1-3) in Milton.

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Qualifies for Canadian cycling championships

Julie Gibson on track for nationals

WINCHESTER — Winchester's Julia Gibson, a North Dundas District High School honour student, has not only distinguished herself academically, but has excelled on the rugby pitch, on the basketball court, and as a cross country runner.

One would think that those extra-curricular pursuits would fill the bulk of her non-scholastic hours. That, however, is not the case.

This winter, when possible, the Grade 10 student attended the

"rising young stars training camp" at the Mattamy National Cycling Centre in Milton.

Provincial championships

The Winchester cyclist turned in a solid performance taking part in the 2016 Ontario Cycling Association Track Racing Provincial Championships (March 4 – 6) at the velodrome in Milton. Gibson's results qualified her for the 2016

National Track Championships to be held in Milton (April 1-3).

Gibson finished first in the U17 Women 200m (3.5 laps) sprint 3-4 final, clocking a deciding speed of 13.77552.269 km/h. She qualified fourth (nine riders) in the event, won her quarterfinal heat and placed second in heat one of the semi-finals.

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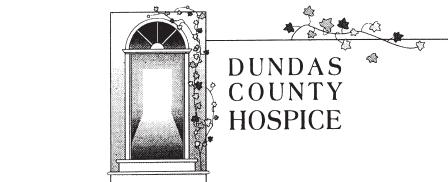
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Thurler's Thunder forces another town league game

WINCHESTER – Fighting for their playoff lives, Thurler's Thunder pulled off an 8-7 overtime victory and forced a fourth game against the Red Roosters in the battle for the 2015-2016 Winchester Town Hockey League championship and the Melvin Cup.

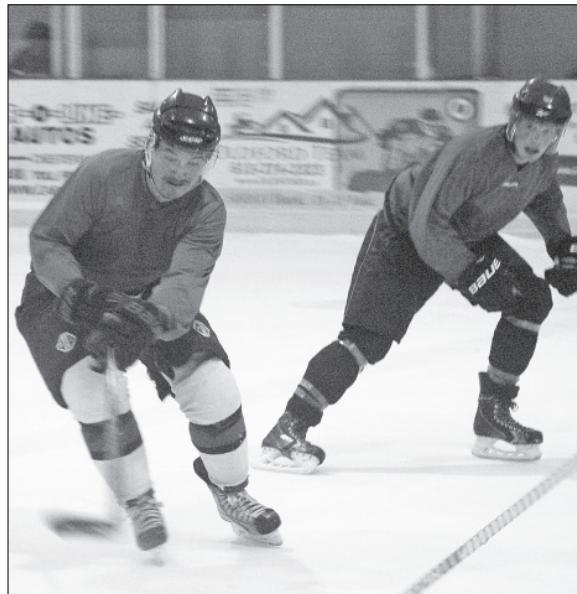
Former Winchester Junior Hawks' captain James Kirkwood parlayed his pro-hockey experience into the game-winning goal at 15:47 of sudden-death overtime in last Tuesday's (March 15) third game of the best-of-five series.

Prior to last week's encounter at the Joel Steele Community Centre the pennant-winning Roosters held a 2-0 series lead on the strength of 7-3 and 9-8 decisions against the number-two ranked Thunder.

Fast and furious

Ben Walkowiak (Travis Rowe at 19:32) and Ray Smegal (Rowe, Clayton Kohn at 11:40) scored early goals for the Roosters. The 2-0 difference held up until Adam Schofield (Rob Thurler, Kyle Sobering at 7:51) sliced the Thunder's deficit to 2-1. Walkowiak (Smegal, Kohn at 6:11) restored a two-goal lead for the Roosters only to have Schofield (Rob Thurler, Sobering) close the gap to 3-2 with 2:13 left in the half.

The second session featured more wide-open, end-to-end rushes



Rally time

A pair of former North Dundas Junior Rockets, Dustin Tinkler (left) and Pete Klein-Swomink (right), were key contributors to the 8-7 overtime victory Thurler's Thunder handed the Red Roosters in the third game of the Winchester Town Hockey League's Melvin Cup championship series. Both shooters sniped a pair of goals as the Thunder rallied from a 5-2 second-half deficit. Klein-Swomink (No. 4) buried goal number seven on this play with 7:28 left in regulation time in last Tuesday's (March 15) tilt.

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as the teams combined for nine goals, five by the Thunder.

Brandon Buma's (Alex Krumins, James Gilmer at 24:35) first of two goals opened up a 4-2 lead for the Roosters. He then netted his 12th (in five games) of the post season burying a feed from Krumins and Trevor Morozuk at 21:20 creating a 5-2 advantage for the red team.

Down by three goals the Thunder unleashed a five-goal offensive, which created a 7-5 advantage. Dustin Tinkler (Kirkwood at 18:19) instigated the rally. Kirkwood (Pete Klein-Swomink, Colton Stitt at 16:28) cut the difference to 5-4 and Klein-Swomink tied it up netting a Kirkwood feed at 13:13.

Tinkler (Stitt, Michel Thurler at 10:37) cashed the go ahead marker and Klein-Swomink made it 7-5 snapping Schofield's rebound into a wide open cage after Rooster tender Colin Ion slide out of position with 7:20 left in regulation.

Cue the comeback. The Roosters regained their composure, stormed back and deadlocked the

total at 7-7. Shots fired by Dwyer Penk (Buma at 3:37) and Smegal (Krumins, Kohn at 1:11) dented string in the back of Craig Moran's cage and forced a sudden death showdown.

After close calls at both ends Kirkwood dangled up ice and converted Tyler Browns' pass into the GWG 4:53 into the extra frame.



In form and informed

North Dundas District High School students Jeffrey Faye and Lyndi Christopherson multitasked during a recent fitness class. According to North Dundas staff member Deanna Corbett-White, who submitted the photo, the two students caught up on the local news reading a copy of the Winchester Press while riding stationary bikes. Corbett-White said her classes not only keep students fit, but also informed.

Gibson

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A third-place finish in the eight-lap qualifier U17 Women Keirin (in which six to eight riders sprint to victory following a speed-controlled start behind a motorized or non-motorized pacer) advanced Gibson to the eight-lap final in which she finished second. The winning time was 13:636 and speed 52.801 km/h.

The OBC rider, wearing bib number 191, picked up another second-place ranking in the U17 Women 500m (two laps) time trial final, clocking a time of 40.295 at a speed of 44.671 km/h.

In her first-year as a member of the Ontario Cycling Association's U17 women's team Gibson earned a bronze medal in the Team Pursuit at the national championships. She also finished seventh in Canada in the Individual Pursuit.

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PLAYOFF RESULTS

Melvin Cup Final
March 1: Game one
Red Roosters 7 - Thurler's Thunder 3
March 8: Game two
Red Roosters 9 - Thurler's Thunder 8
March 15: Game three
Thurler's Thunder 8 - Red Roosters 7 OT
March 22: Game four

PLAYOFF STANDINGS

	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Roosters	4	1	0	31	29	8
Thunder	3	2	0	33	31	6
Maulers	0	2	0	10	18	0
Leaguers	0	2	0	6	14	0

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Brandon Burna, RR	12	4	16
Clayton Kohn, RR	7	6	13
Nik Paas, RR	5	8	13
James Gilmer, RR	1	12	13
Rob Thurler, TT	4	8	12
Ray Smegal, RR	9	2	11
Kyle Sobering, TT	8	3	11
Dwyer Park, RR	3	8	11
Pete Klein-Swornim, TT	4	5	9
James Kirkwood, TT	4	5	9
Adam Schofield, TT	4	4	8
Alex Krumins, RR	0	8	8
Dustin Tinkler, TT	3	4	7

Central Canada Hockey League**Tier 2****RECENT PLAYOFF RESULTS**

Richardson Division Final
Perth eliminated Athens 4-0
Stittsville eliminated Westport 4-3
March 16: Perth 7 - Stittsville 3
March 18: Stittsville 5 - Perth 1
March 20: Perth 6 - Stittsville 3
March 24: Perth @ Stittsville

Martin Division Final
Casselman eliminated Alexandria 4-0
Ottawa West eliminated Metcalfe 4-2
March 17: Casselman 6 - Ottawa West 1
March 18: Casselman 5 - Ottawa West 2
March 20: Casselman 6 - Ottawa West 1
March 21: Casselman 7 - Ottawa West 0

Casselman eliminated Ottawa West 4-0

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	OT	GF	GA	PTS
Casselman	40	3	1	266	116	81
Ottawa West	27	15	2	209	161	56
Metcalfe ***	26	15	3	184	168	55
Alexandria***	24	16	4	209	164	52
Winchester *	17	21	6	166	199	40
Char-Lan**	17	21	6	178	208	40
Ottawa	13	28	3	126	199	29
Clarence	13	30	1	139	205	27

* Eliminated wild card

** Eliminated tiebreaker

*** Eliminated 4-0 by Casselman

**** Eliminated 4-2 by Ottawa West

National Capital Junior Hockey League**PLAYOFF RESULTS**

South Division
Embrun eliminated North Dundas 4-1
St. Isidore eliminated Vankleek Hill 4-2

North Division
Papineauville eliminated Cumberland 4-1
Gatineau eliminated Rockland 4-2

South Division Final
St. Isidore vs. Embrun
March 16: Embrun 2 - St. Isidore 0
Embrun wins series 4-2

North Division Final

Papineauville vs. Gatineau
March 11: Papineauville 4 - Gatineau 3 2OT
Papineauville wins series 4-0

League championship series

Papineauville Vikings vs. Embrun Panthers
March 18: Embrun 4 - Papineauville 1
March 20: Embrun 4 - Papineauville 3 OT
March 25: @ Embrun
March 27: @ Papineauville

FINAL STANDINGS

	STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Embrun	25	7	2	180	104	52	
Rockland	18	14	2	144	132	38	
Gatineau	17	14	3	172	155	37	
Cumberland	17	16	1	145	137	35	
Outaouais	6	27	1	85	178	13	

South Division

Embrun 28 6 0 215 88 56
St. Isidore 19 14 1 160 118 39
Vankleek Hill 19 15 0 146 150 38
North Dundas 12 20 2 122 177 26
Morrisburg 3 31 0 55 185 6

TOP SCORERS (P/O)

North Dundas Rockets G A PTS
Bryden van Kessel 6 4 10
Chris Marchand 3 2 5
Shawn Simms 1 3 4
Brandon Mullin "C" 2 1 3

Will Fawcett "A" 1 2 3

Liam Morrow 1 2 3

Jordan Leigh 1 1 2

Justin Rutley "A" 1 1 2

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Up 2-0 in final**Panthers close in on another title****Title tilt**

Thomas Roussy was the only Viking to put a puck in the back of Pollex's cage in the opening game as Papineauville trailed 2-1 after the first 40 minutes.

Embrun wrapped up the southern title last Wednesday (March 16) in St. Isidore and have since secured a 2-0 lead over the North Division champion Papineauville Vikings in the best-of-seven showdown for the NCJHL championship.

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They

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Another

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Tyler

Casselman Vikings eliminate Ottawa West in four games

OTTAWA – A four game sweep has qualified the Martin Division pennant-winning Casselman Vikings to compete for the inaugural Central Canada Hockey League 2 (CCHL2) championship.

Casselman had a 3-0 stranglehold on their best-of-seven division final series with the Ottawa West Golden Knights and Monday's (March 21) 7-0 waxing applied at the Barbara Ann Scott Arena advanced them into the CCHL2 championship final.

Casselman will challenge either the Perth Blue Wings (38-4-1), the Richardson Division's regular season champs, or the second-place Stittsville Royals (30-12-1) for the right to be designated the first CCHL2 champion. Perth currently holds a 2-1 advantaged in that set with games four and five scheduled for Stittsville on Thursday (March 24) and Perth on Friday (March 25).

Casselman (40-3-1-0) swept the Alexandria Glens (24-16-3-1) in four quarterfinal matches and eliminated the number-two ranked Golden Knights (27-15-1-1) registering 6-1 (March 17), 5-2 (March 18), 6-1 (March 20) and 7-0 (March 21) decisions.

De Meis sharp

Vikings goaltender Gianmarco De Meis polished off Alexandria blanking them 8-0 in the fourth and final meeting of that series and through the four encounters with Ottawa West he surrendered a minuscule four goals while his mates struck string 24 times.

Perfect finish

De Meis was unbeatable stopping all 27 shots as the Vikings ended Ottawa West's season administering a 7-0 shellacking in the Knight's barn.

Mark Golberg (Ethan Wensink at 4:04) cracked the GWG early in period one. Maxime Choquette (Evan Mantha at 7:48) and Miguel Laurin (PPG, Choquette at 17:35) followed as Casselman established a 3-0 lead.

A second period goal by Kyle Millett (Sam Gosselin at 13:33) made it 4-0.

The Vikings locked up the Martin Division silverware as Choquette (PPG, Golberg at 5:24), Wensink (unassisted at 10:11) and Jeremie Lefebvre (unassisted 13:12) pumped pucks into the Knight's net in the final frame.

Game three

Knight's Jack Kilrea (PPG) gave Ottawa West a 1-0 edge 5:36 into the first period of game three on Sunday (March 20), but by the end of that session the Vikings had carved out a 4-1 advantage.

Golberg (Nick Clark, Wensink at 5:54) tied it and then cracked the GWG set up by Tye Terrance, Mantha at 9:55. Goals by Kyle Collette (Carl Faucher, Gosselin at 16:22) and Laurin (Clark, Faucher at 18:50) opened up the 4-1 lead.

Choquette (PPG, Wensink, Gosselin at 18:05) scored in the second stanza and Sean Davis (PPG, Golberg, Choquette at 2:52) netted the sixth and final marker in the final session.

The Vikings outshot Ottawa West 35-29. Nick Macina worked 40 minutes in the Knights net. Austin Cain gave up four goals on 10 shots and took the loss.

Game two

A three-goal second period was the difference in game two as the Vikings skated to a 5-2 victory.

Brendan Deavay (second period) and Matt Connolly (PPG, third period) beat De Meis.

Faucher and Choquette (PPG) each potted a pair of goals for the winners. Oliver Castleman (GWG) sniped the single. Faucher (2), Gosselin, Nicholas Legault, David, Harrison Wood, Laurin and Choquette drew the assists.

Casselman outshot Ottawa West 30-25.

Game one

Connor O'Reilly's second period tally was the only shot De Meis wasn't able to handle in the Vikings 6-1 verdict in the series opener.

Shots fired by Brett Faber (Golberg, Wensink at 0:13), Gosselin (Sebastien Plante, Choquette at 1:39), David (unassisted at 12:48) and Wensink (unassisted at 17:22) created a 4-1 advantage for Casselman after 40 minutes of play.

Castleman (Gosselin, Wood at 9:49) and Kyle Collette (unassisted at 18:17) inflated the final total to 6-1.

The Vikings outshot the Knights 32-28.

SNC, Mohawks harvest eggs to rebuild fish population

FINCH – This spring, a group of volunteers from the Mohawks of Akwesasne are harvesting eggs from the South Nation River's walleye at their hatchery facility to support the recovery of local walleye populations in the St. Lawrence River.

Hoop nets will be used to catch approximately 12 to 15 adult walleye during their spring spawn, and after removing the eggs and milt, the unharmed fish will be returned to the South Nation River. The eggs will then be cultured and released into tributaries of the St. Lawrence River.

"This activity is not expected to have any impact on the local walleye population," said Naomi Langlois-Angus, South Nation Conservation (SNC)'s senior fish and wildlife technician. "The locations where they will set up hoop nets are mainly in the upper South Nation River, near Spencerville and South Mountain."

Mohawk Council of Akwesasne Grand Chief Abram Benedict noted that with the decline of walleye and other fish species, "council will ensure that every effort is made in order to assist with the revival of walleye populations, while ensuring that the spawning beds and local habitats are not disturbed in the process."

Walleye is one of the most economically valuable species of fish in Ontario, but anglers have noted declines in local populations. They believe over-harvesting of adult females as part of the reason for declines of spawning adults in the Cornwall area of the St. Lawrence River.

Walleye prefer turbid lakes and streams that protect their light-sensitive eyes. The South Nation River provides an ideal habitat for this species, as it is turbid and muddy looking due to the clay soils of the surrounding lands.

Walleye are found throughout the main stem of the South Nation River from Spencerville downstream to the Ottawa River at Wendover.

Monitoring conducted by SNC staff on the South Nation River indicate that in the last 15 years walleye populations are stable.

"Although angling pressure may be less on the South Nation River compared to the St. Lawrence River, studies show that most eggs to do not hatch successfully in the wild due to predation by birds and other fish, and low water levels that expose the eggs," added Langlois-Angus. "That's what makes efforts such as these, conducted by the Mohawks of Akwesasne, crucial in supporting recovery efforts of this species."



Off to provincials

Winchester Skating Club (WSC) coach Leanne van der Zweep (left) posed with club member Joelle Menard following last month's Eastern Ontario STARSkate Invitational Competition (EOSIC) in Whitby. Menard competed in Bronze Triathlon placing sixth and Junior FreeSkate placing third, a ranking that qualified her to represent the WSC and Eastern Ontario Section at the provincial championships in Sudbury. Three other Winchester skaters also competed in Whitby: Erin Wheeler – Star 4 FreeSkate; Alyssa Cooper – Junior Silver FreeSkate; and Sam Cormier – Star 5 FreeSkate – third in her flight, qualified for finals.

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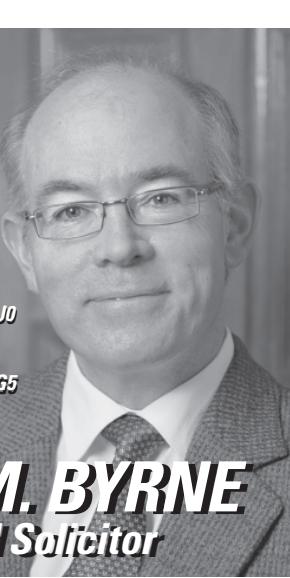
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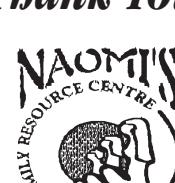
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*The Staff and Board of Directors wish to extend our sincere
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*A special "thank you" to the team at
St. Clare's Anglican Church for providing the delicious
meal and the beautiful ball.*

OBITUARIES & DEATH NOTICES

William "Bill" Hill

After a courageous battle with cancer, Bill Hill died at home with his family by his side on Mon., March 14, 2016. He was 69.

He was the beloved husband and best friend of Joyce Hill (nee Golden). He was the loving father of Gord Hill (Lesley), Dawn McLaren (Tim Baker), and Barry Hill (Tanya). He was the proud grandfather of Tori Hill, Courtney Carriere, and Allie Carriere. Bill was the dear brother of Beth Williams (Bob), Elsie Sprague (Ralph), Greta Hill (David Bird), Grace Hill, and Jim Hill (Wendy). He was the son of Willis and Irene Hill. Bill will be fondly remembered by his many brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, and nephews.

Family and friends paid their respects at the Daley Family Funeral Home in Metcalfe from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 pm on Fri., March 18. A memorial service was held in the chapel of the funeral home on Sat., March 19 at 11 am.

Donations to Winchester District Memorial Hospital or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

Loretta Warren

Loretta Warren (née Wall) passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, at Dundas Manor in Winchester on Wed., March 16, 2016. She was 89.

She was the beloved wife of the late Edward John Warren. She was the devoted mother of Betty (Douglas Duvall), Edna (the late Dave Collier), the late Ted, Helen (Rene Lalonde), John (Nadine), Theresa Warren (the late Jean Cote), and Julie (Mark Jarvis). She was the proud grandmother of 15 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson. Loretta was predeceased by her parents, Agnes (née Madore) and Alfred Wall, and all of her brothers and sisters.

Family and friends paid their respects at the Daley Family Funeral Home in Metcalfe from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 pm on Sun., March 20. A funeral mass was celebrated at St. John's The Evangelist Parish in Osgoode at 1 pm on Mon., March 21, followed by interment at St. John's Parish Cemetery.

Loretta was a devoted caregiver to many in their time of need, and asked that memorial donations in her memory be directed to the Activity Department at Dundas Manor, 533 Clarence St., Winchester, ON, K0C 2K0.



William Walter Beecher Shadbolt

William Walter Beecher Shadbolt passed away peacefully at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Mon., March 21, 2016 in his 95th year.

Walter leaves behind his beloved wife and "registered nurse" of 68 years, Marjorie (nee Jackson), and their three children, Stephen (Cathy), Jamie (Elaine), and Patti-Ann. He will be missed dearly by his grandchildren, Nicole Shadbolt (Bradley Coates), Emma Reaney (Scott), Treena Beckstead (Kelly), Kaley Guy (Tyler Brown), and Brandon Wagner. In his final years, his 12 great-grandchildren brought him a lot of joy.

He was born in Hybla, Ont. to William Henry Shadbolt and Alexina Beecham. He is survived by his brother, Garland (the late Jean) and Reginald (Audrey), and their families. He was predeceased by his sisters, Jessie Steinburg (Morley), Bessie Whiteman (Tom), and Irene Whiteman (Frank).

Walter and Marjorie Shadbolt moved to Winchester in 1964, when they took ownership of the Stedman's Department Store on the main corner. Walter was a well-known and successful business owner who always advocated for the betterment and growth of our community. He was an active member of the town council, serving as reeve for two terms. He played an instrumental role in having Dundas Manor built in Winchester, and the Bank of Montreal brought to town.

He was a stubborn man who fought hard for what he believed in – this served his family and community well.

Last year, Walter received his 60-year membership pin from the Lion's Club. He was a dedicated member, and in 1968, he was successful in bringing the Lion's Club to Winchester. He was also a longstanding member of the Masonic Lodge and the Shriners, and a devoted Christian. Those close to Walter knew that he was a great worrier – this was a sign of his love. He worried about a great many things, but never about his journey Home at the end of his days.

Friends are invited to visit the Daniels Chapel of Hulse, Playfair & McGarry, 472 Main St. in Winchester (613-774-1117) on Wed., March 23 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 pm. The service will be held in the chapel of the funeral home on Thurs., March 24 at 11 am.

Donations in memory of Walter made to the Alzheimer Society or Spruce Haven Cemetery in Brinston would be appreciated.

Condolences, tributes, and donations may be made online at www.hpmcgarry.ca

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Sybil Marguerite Diack (née Empey)

Nov. 12, 1926 - March 12, 2016

Mom peacefully passed away on Sat., March 12, 2016.

She was the loving mother of Nadine, Linda (Bruce), and Leigh (Kathy). She was the kind grandmother to the late Erin, Ben (Vivian), Kellen (Michael), Jonathan, and Jessica (Michael). She was Great-Gram to Leyla, Wynn, and Olivia. Sybil was predeceased by her loving husband, Jim; the father of her children, Kenneth Derick; and her sister, Jen Robinson. She will be sadly missed by all of Jim's family.

Our Mom/Gram passed knowing she was loved by all of her family.



Myrna Doreen Walker

Myrna Doreen Walker (nee Baldwin) of Walkerton died on Tues., March 8, 2016 in her 91st year.

Myrna was the loving and generous mother of John (Karen Hehn) of Kemble, Ont., Mary Jo (Peter Morrison) of Toronto, and Maureen (Rick Schuler) of Walkerton. She was the cherished grandmother of Kyle (Alison) Schuler of Walkerton, great-grandmother of Grady and Axel Schuler, and the dear sister-in-law of Janette Baldwin of Nepean, and Pearl Burd of Manotick. Myrna was predeceased by her loving husband, Ralph, of 65 years; her beloved grandson, Scott Schuler; and five siblings: Harold (Edna) Baldwin, Mary (Robert) Bronson, Luella (Ross) McGregor, Elva (Burt) Hodgson, and Keith Baldwin.

Myrna was born and raised near the small village of South Mountain. She and Ralph were wed in 1947, and together they moved to Walkerton, where they owned and operated Walkerton Dairies Ltd. for 25 years.

Myrna was passionate about many things. She was active in her community, and a faithful member of St. Paul's United Church. Curling, skiing, gardening, reading and showing prize-winning Standardbred horses with Ralph were some of her interests. She cultivated friendships with people of all ages and thrived on getting to truly know them.

She will be remembered as a devoted mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, and friend.

Myrna's funeral service was held at St. Paul's United Church in Walkerton on Fri., March 11. Her love of music, and her strong Christian faith were central to the service.

As expressions of sympathy, donations to Victoria Jubilee Hall, the Walkerton and District Hospital Foundation, or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

The arrangements were entrusted to Cameron Funeral Home in Walkerton. www.cameronfuneralhomes.com.



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"We are excited to be coming to Winchester, and we want everyone to dance and laugh and sing and enjoy a really fun evening," noted member Trent Richer.

For more than a decade, Johnny and the Cruizers have been entertaining crowds with their fun show and great music.

"You never know what we'll do," added Richer. "There could be hula hoops, guests onstage, or dance contests...Not to mention 90 minutes of great music."

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Johnny and the Cruizers are ready to perform in the village for the Jumpin' and Jivin' for Winchester District Memorial Hospital Gala Sat., May 14.

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est priority needs.

Early bird tickets are now on sale for \$115 each. The evening includes dinner, dancing, a silent auction, a

50/50 contest, and much more.

For tickets, please contact the Foundation office at 613-774-2422, extension 6162.

Winchester euchre club winners

WINCHESTER – Winchester Senior's euchre winners were recognized at the Thurs., March 10 meeting.

Share-the-wealth offerings went to Charlotte Malowski, Joyce McIntosh, and Mal Byers.

Blue-card winners were Debbie Patenaude and Lisa Streng.

White-card winners were Jerry Crowder and McIntosh.

Gary Malowski and McIntosh took home the door prizes.

The next euchre event is set for Thurs., March 24.

Golden Years hold Irish meeting

WINCHESTER – Winchester Golden Years members met Thurs., March 17 for their St. Patrick's Day meeting.

President Debra Ann McBride welcomed 46 members and four guests.

Dawn Campbell played the piano for the singing of "O Canada," and the "Lord's Prayer" followed.

Guests Mavis Duncan, Margaret McChesney, and Lorraine and Pastor Thurland Brown were welcomed.

Doris Prescott read the birthdays and anniversaries,

which were acknowledged by the members.

At the April meeting, there will be more information on the bus trip in June.

The executive will also be updating the seniors' constitution at that time.

On Sat., April 2 from 8 am to 12 pm, there will be a pancake breakfast open to the public at the Winchester Lions Hall. There will be beans, bacon, sausages, pancakes, syrup, fruit, coffee, and drinks, costing \$8 for adults and \$3 for children six years old and under.

Pastor Brown said "Grace" before Lyle Skuce and the kitchen committee served a lunch of Irish stew to the members.

Lula Hanes won the share-the-wealth offering for the second time.

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