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Draft budget proposes 3% municipal tax hike

WILLIAMSBURG – A three percent municipal tax increase is slated for South Dundas Township, according to a draft budget prepared by treasurer Lorna Seibert.

Though the final budget has not yet been approved by council they will do so at the next regular council meeting on March 27, 2003.

Taxes are comprised of three portions, the municipal portion, the Counties portion, and the education portion.

The three percent increase is on the municipal portion only, amounting to $4.34 on a $100,000 residential assessment, according to Seibert.

"I haven't received anything yet, on the education portion," said Seibert, who anticipates no change on that portion of the taxes.

The Counties portion of the levy, which makes up the largest portion of residential taxes, has not been released.

Seibert notes that because this year, and every year from now on, are assessment years, many people's taxes will change because of their assessment change. The three percent increase for the 2003 taxation year is based on the new assessments.

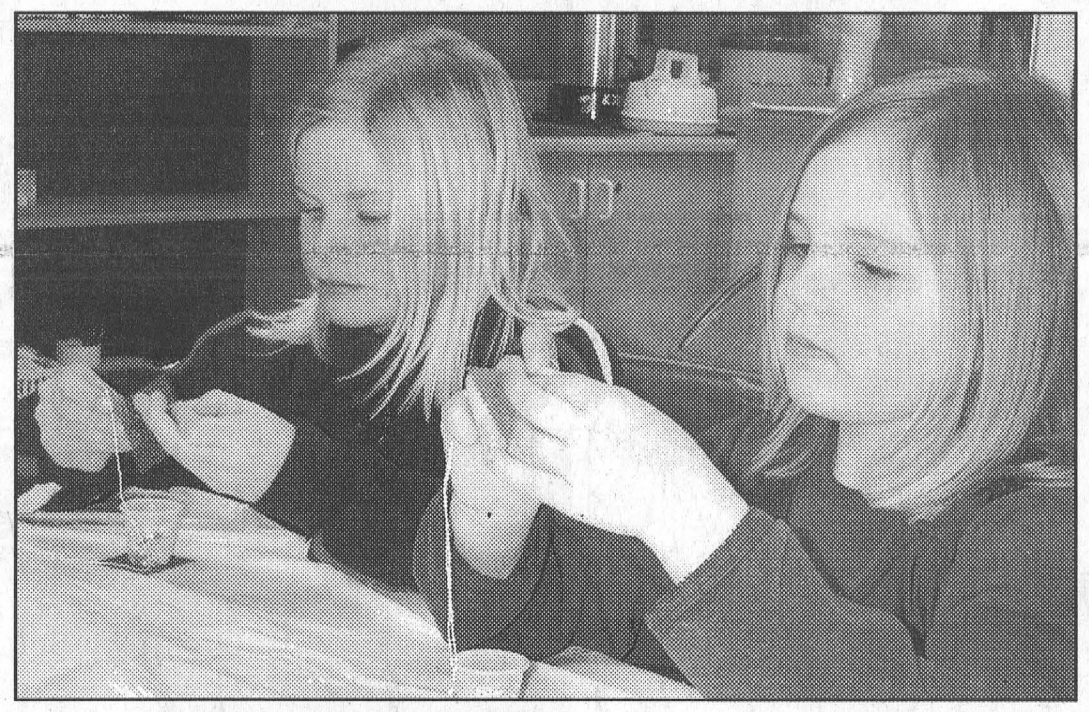
Overall in the municipality of South Dundas the assessments are up about three percent, said Seibert. "That would be great if it was because of new homes and businesses," she says. Instead, it is due to increased assessments on existing homes and businesses.

Seibert says that the timing of the interim tax bills is ideal, because it is calculated based on the new assessment, giving people a chance to look at increases resulting from their reassessment, before any tax increases are implemented.



March Break at the Sanctuary

The Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary was a bird's nest of activity last Wednesday as area youngsters spent the afternoon under the guidance of the Friends of the Sanctuary making craft projects and getting a big kick out of the chickadees. Above, Benjamin Smith from St. Andrews uses his hand as a bird feeder and below, Cassandra Meuller of Vernon (left) and Lydia Zandbelt of Metcalfe work on making their bird feeders.



Lions Club

Carving Cunningham

MORRISBURG – A "rare character" of South Dundas will be the centre of attention, at a Roast and Dinner hosted by the Morrisburg Lions Club to carve up Glen Cunningham. Proceeds from the Cunningham Roast will go towards the Renewing the Vision Campaign.

"Glen is a character of South Dundas and the roast will reflect that," says Lions Club member Kirsten Gardner. "It will be interactive, and it will be memorable."

Glen has been involved in every aspect of South Dundas over the years, "political, social, and community," adds Lion Earl Wood.

The event will be both a celebration of Cunningham and South Dundas, because no one is as proud of this area as Glen, agreed Wood and Gardner.

Cunningham's involvement in the community is endless and includes the Lions Club, Mural Committee, Save the Train Committee, Winchester Hospital and Upper Canada Playhouse.

Politically he was councillor and deputy reeve of the former Williamsburg Township, and sat on Counties council.

Wood also calls Cunningham a great humanitarian and speaks of his work with the Dundas County Hospice.

Gardner, also notes Cunningham is a traveller, which has given him an appreciation of South Dundas. "He comes back believing that South Dundas is one of the greatest places in the world."

Cunningham has been a farmer, a carpenter, a cabinet maker, and was employed for 30 years with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission. "He is into everything," says Gardner.

"He fills the sheet," says Wood. "He has the personality to get things done." He's tough on everyone and involves everybody. This part of Cunningham's personality is what has a lot of people stepping up for this roast.

Anyone who has dealt with Glen will love to come out, and will enjoy themselves at this dinner, says Gardner.

Wayne Domanko will act as master of ceremonies, for the roast and dinner April 19, at the Morrisburg Meeting Centre. Tickets ($75/single, $125/couple) are limited and available from any Morrisburg Lions Club member.

Sidewalk clearing extended

WILLIAMSBURG – Public Works Manager Hugh Garlough received a complaint about sidewalk snow clearing in Williamsburg.

A rate payer complained that the sidewalks are not cleared far enough north. "I explained that other towns only have one third of their sidewalks maintained year round," said Garlough.

The policy for Williamsburg is only the concrete portions of the sidewalk are cleared of snow explained Garlough.

"We shouldn't differentiate between concrete and asphalt," said Mayor Johnny Whitteker. "A sidewalk is a sidewalk, and it should be done."

Sidewalk clearing in Williamsburg will be extended to the north, including the asphalt portion sidewalk. "They can look forward to having better service in the fall," said Whitteker.



Happy Winners

Calahan Bilmer (left) and Kristen Markell (right) were the lucky winners of tickets to the Little Ray's Reptile Show at Winchester Public School, donated by the Happy Face Nursery School. These two three-year-olds attended the show on Saturday where they saw tarantulas, lizards and snakes.

Construction starts for expansion at St. Mary's

MORRISBURG – For students at St. Mary School in Morrisburg who made their return to classes Monday after their March break holiday, some very noticeable changes were in place.

During last week's March break some initial groundwork was completed in preparation for the construction to take place at the school which will see an expansion to accommodate the amalgamation with St. Cecilia Elementary in Iroquois.

At the Friday assembly before March break, St. Mary principal, Donna Neilson explained what the physical changes to the current building would be and what these changes would mean to outdoor activities.

"When we come back you will have only one hallway, " she said. "And today, when you leave school by the back door it will be the last time, because when you come back that door won't be there anymore."

The March break construction work included the move of a portable classroom to a location south of the school and the blocking up of the hallway that led to the portable.

The area affected is now marked off with orange safety fencing.

The students were told that they would now be required to line up at the school's east (or front) door which means they will be walking through the east parking lot.

As a result parents will no longer be allowed to drive into the east parking lot to drop off or pick up students.

"Your parents will drop you off in the Church parking lot and we are asking them to accompany you to the front door of the school."

"It is going to be inconvenient, but we must make sure you are safe," said Neilson.

To be sure the proper safety procedures are in place, Neilson had Morrisburg Fire Chief Robert Hamilton come to the school for an inspection. Hamilton recommended the use of the front door for regular everyday activity as well as for fire drills and emergencies.

"Things are changing over March break, but we can do this," said Neilson.

However, one young student didn't quite agree and asked, "Why couldn't you just close the school down if you are worried about safety?"

Neilson smiled as she suggested he think about his question during March break and come back with an answer.

The expansion at St. Mary School here in Morrisburg is to accommodate the senior grades who will begin attending classes here next fall.

Three classrooms are being added to St. Mary's along with a new 3,200 square foot gym.

A multi-use room at the school is being converted into a kindergarten classroom.

Classroom construction is to be completed for September and the new gym should be ready by November.

The capital budget for the project is $1.26 million.

WDMH Auxiliary fulfills pledge

WINCHESTER – At a recent meeting of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, the volunteer organization's president, Joan Farlinger presented a $50,000 cheque to WDMH Vice President, Phil Marleau for the Auxiliary's second installment of their $250,000 Renewing the Vision pledge commitment.

The Auxiliary was one of the first organizations to jump on board and make a major commitment to the campaign. Since then they have handed over $100,000 to the capital campaign.

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Morrisburg, Ontario
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Church 543-2005 Home 543-0142
Organist: Gary Postma
Sunday, March 23, 2003
11:00 am. - Morning Worship
11:00 am. - Sunday School
Everyone Welcome!
Nursery Available

Morrisburg Pentecostal Tabernacle
Pastor: Rev. Duncan Perry
Office 543-2681
Sunday, March 23, 2003
9:45 a.m. - Family Bible Hour
10:45 a.m. - Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship
Tuesday –
7:00 p.m. - Bible Study & Prayer
Friday –
7:00 p.m. - Youth Aflame
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Williamsburg United Church
Minister
Rev. Sandy Macpherson
Organist
Susan Barkley
Sunday, March 23, 2003
10:30 a.m. - Welcome to Worship with Us!
Sunday School & Nursery Available
Third Sunday Each Month
8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

The Anglican Parish of Morrisburg-Iroquois-Riverside Heights
invites you to worship with us this Sunday
St. James, 20 High St., Morrisburg
St. John the Baptist, Lakeview Dr., Iroquois
Holy Trinity, Riverside Heights
543-3904
The Rev. Bill Byers, Rector
The Rev. Pat Martin, Assistant
Visitors welcome, Members expected
Sunday, March 23, 2003
8:00 a.m. – St. James'
9:15 a.m. – St. James'
11:00 a.m. – St. John's

Roman Catholic Churches
Rev. Fr. Sebastian Arikat
Phone: 543-2544
St. Mary's, Morrisburg
Saturdays - 7:30 p.m.
Sundays - 11:00 a.m.
St. Cecilia's, Iroquois
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.
Confessions before weekend masses

St. Lawrence Evangelical Lutheran Parish
Pastor: Rev. Jo Barkley-Probst
Office: 543-3154 or Office: 543-2480
WORSHIP & LEARNING
Sunday, March 23, 2003
ST. PAUL'S, Morrisburg
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
4:00 p.m. Sharing Our Faith
ST. JOHN'S, Riverside Heights
11:15 a.m. Worship

The United Church of Canada
LAKESHORE DRIVE UNITED CHURCH
Morrisburg, Ontario
Rev. Jean Udall, Minister
Office Telephone 543-3079
Organist & Choir Director
Joanne Minish
Sunday, March 23, 2003
10:30 a.m. - Worship Service
Children's Chatter, Sunday School

Christian Reformed Church
Williamsburg, Ontario
Pastor Rev. George Rowaan
Tel: 448-2351
rowaangj@ncf.ca
Sunday, March 23, 2003
9:30 A.M.
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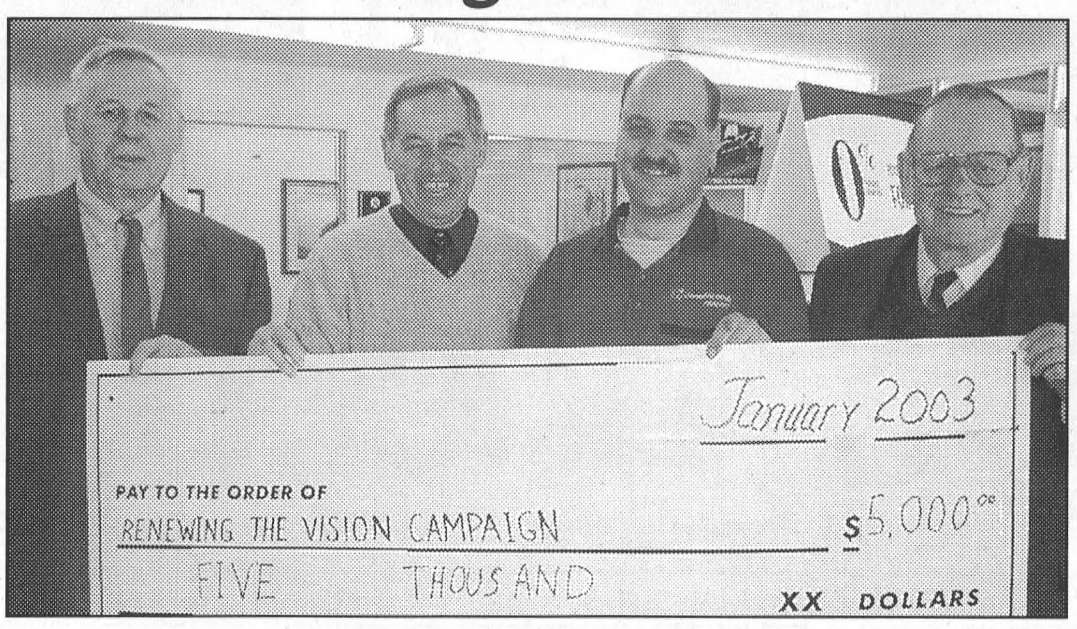
Renewing the Vision



Another Booster Shot for Renewing the Vision Campaign
Local campaign committee members for the Winchester and District Memorial Hospital's Renewing the Vision Campaign, Mike McInnis, (left) and Earl Baker (right) accept a cheque for $5,000 from Upper Canada Motor Sales. Presenting the cheque are Upper Canada Motors Sales Manager, Hubert Massie (centre left) and Service Manager, Marc Goupil (centre right).

Stock up on books

Libraries to close

MORRISBURG – "We are excited to begin the changeover to a new library computer system which we anticipate will start this fall," says United Counties Library Administrator Rudi Denham in a news release.

Before that happens though, Denham says a little housecleaning on the data base is required, along with a, first time in many years, inventory.

The inventory is taking place at all of the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry County Libraries, and as a result all branches will be closed from April 1 through Saturday, April 12.

"We apologize, for any inconvenience," says Denham who invites everyone to drop in at their local branch and take out an extra pile of books to get them through the closure.

The CAP computer trainers are also finishing their term with the libraries at the end of March.

"Many members of the public have benefitted from the free Internet and word processing training offered by these very personable and capable young people," says Denham. "We will be very sorry to see this program end."

Denham says he hopes for a funding announcement soon, that will continue this federally-funded program.

Voice of rural Eastern Ontario

Eastern Warden's Caucus created

CORNWALL – A coalition of senior municipal officials representing 12 counties in Eastern Ontario has launched a public campaign aimed at pressuring the provincial government to take action on a number of initiatives that will help avert a financial crisis in the region.

The senior elected official from each of the 12 Counties have banded together to create the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, in order to develop a coordinated approach to indentifying and implementing actions that are needed to deal with common problems and issues for the mostly rural counties.

A primary objective of the group is to initiate an effective collaboration with the Province, and as a first step, the Wardens' Caucus met last week with Ontario's' Associate Minister for Rural Affairs, Brian Coburn, to present their case.

In a letter dated February 24, 2003, Minister Coburn formally recognized the Wardens' Caucus as the collective voice of the Eastern Ontario Counties, and states his "...interest in, and his Ministry's support for working cooperatively with you (Wardens Caucus) to identify and implement actions to overcome the region's difficulties..." based upon a number of proposals put forward by the Wardens.

These proposals stem from a broadening perspective among the municipal officials in Eastern Ontario that the region has been moving deeper into a financial crisis over the past few years, and it needs special attention from the Province.

At various meetings with provincial government officials over the past couple of years, the rural representatives have constantly been told to get some evidence to support their claims.

In response, the 12 Eastern Ontario Counties created the formal caucus of Wardens, commissioned a research report by an independent accounting firm to gather the proof of the financial realities that needed to be dealt with, and have now launched the campaign to make the government take action.

The research study, called "Future Directions", identified and quantified a number of specific problem areas, including issues such as limited assessment growth, the property tax base, downloaded highways, local services realignment, infrastructure investment requirements, and taxation and public land ownership issues (crown lands, hydro corridors).

The study identified a number of proposals for moving forward in dealing with the problems being experienced in Eastern Ontario, which include three categories of actions – activities the Counties could undertake, supportive actions that the Province could take and specific funding initiatives that are needed to address regional needs and inequities.

In the meeting with the Associate Minister last week, the group asked the Province to take short term actions that included a formal recognition of the special needs of Eastern Ontario, and an allocation of resources to deal with those needs; the establishment of an annual capital allocation of at least $36 million for road and bridge infrastructure, and the setting of a uniform tax rate province-wide for commercial and industrial tax rates.

The longer-term issues identified by the Caucus relate to hydro corridors, crown lands, and the legacy of the Local Services Realignment that downloaded a broad range of responsibilities to municipalities across the province.

The Minister's letter stated that some of the short-term proposals "can be implemented quickly, while others will require collective efforts over a longer period of time".

The letter also noted, "that the forthcoming recommendations of the Smart Growth Panels will provide the framework around which we can implement our effort in support of community growth and prosperity."

The Wardens' Caucus group, while pleased with the initial response from the former Minster, is now intent on ensuring new Ministers will share the same sentiments, and that those good intentions will translate into concrete support and funding initiatives in the coming weeks.

Individual Wardens and other senior officials from each County are now preparing to meet with their respective MPP's and related stakeholder groups to present their case and seek support for their proposals.

They will also be seeking meetings with provincial candidates in each riding and the campaign organizations for each of the Provincial parties.

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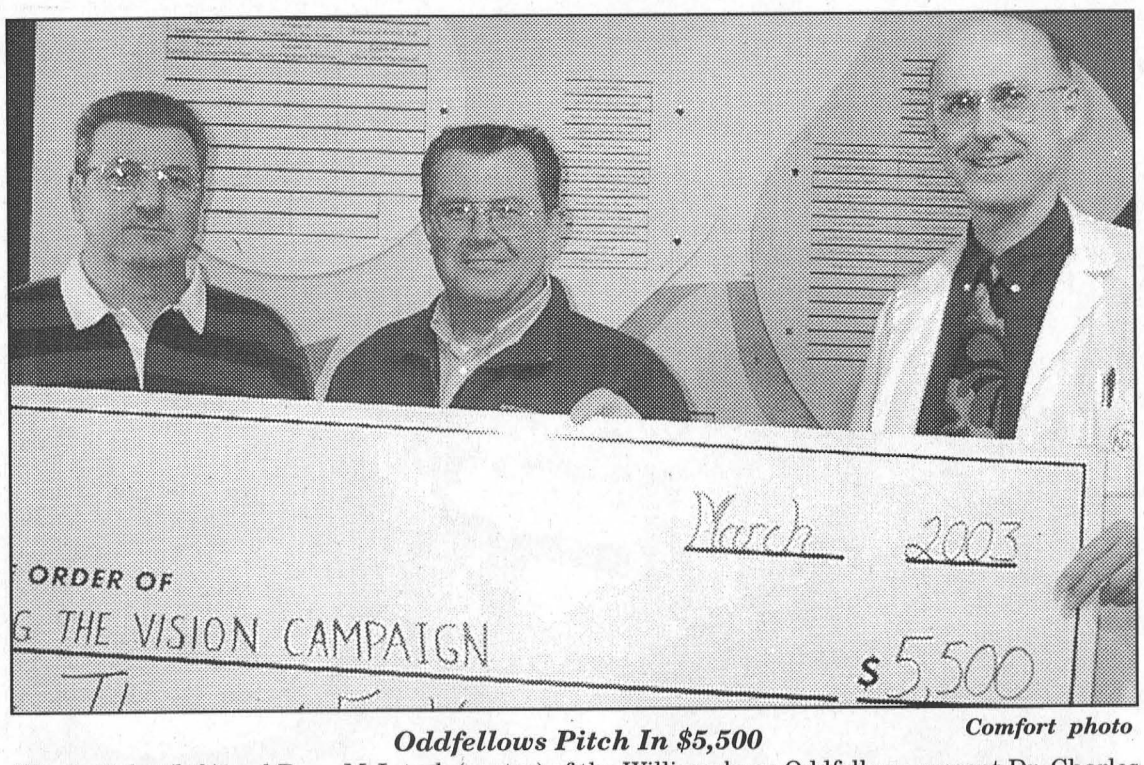

Oddfellows Pitch In $5,500 *Comfort photo*

Wayde Roles (left) and Dave McIntosh (centre) of the Williamsburg Oddfellows present Dr. Charles Adamson (right), WDMH Chief of Staff, with a cheque for $5,500 in support of the Renewing the Vision Campaign. The money was raised at their annual Surf and Turf dinner and auction on February 15, thanks to the generosity of area merchants and business owners as well as the guests of the dinner and auction. Over 50 items were sold in the silent and live auctions.

CEONET awards contracts

ALEXANDRIA – The Communities of Eastern Ontario Network (CEONET) is pleased to announce that it has been awarded funds by both the federal and provincial levels of government to support its community broadband infrastructure initiatives.

On January 24, 2003 Industry Canada awarded funding to CEONET under its Broadband Rural Access for Rural and Northern Development (BRAND) program for the development of a comprehensive broadband business plan.

On February 25, 2003 the Ministry of Enterprise, Opportunity & Innovation awarded funding to CEONET under its Connect Ontario: Broadband Regional Access (COBRA) program for the development and deployment of broadband infrastructure.

The goal of both of these federal and provincial funding programs is to improve access to Broadband infrastructure in the region of Eastern Ontario which CEONET serves. The Phase One map of CEONET's broadband initiatives includes the communities and unserved areas of: First Nations Akwesasne, Townships of La Nation and Champlain, North and South Glengarry, and North and South Stormont.

On Friday, March 14, the CEONET Broadband Committee of the Board awarded four contracts to assist with the initial research for these broadband projects. They include: Greenfield Services Inc., Alexandria for a Client Inventory, Nearlight Consulting Inc., Ottawa, for the Business Plan Development, Prophet Technologies Inc., Morrisburg, for an Assets Inventory within the Townships of North an South Stormont, RComm Radio Inc., Hawkesbury, for an Assets Inventory within First Nations Akwesasne, the Townships of La Nation and Champlain and North and South Glengarry.

The work of these companies will contribute to the initial phase of CEONET's RFP process and subsequent business plan development for the development of new and improved broadband infrastructure in our region.



Certified Wellness Home *Comfort photo*

Suzanne Strader hosted an open house Sunday to showcase the products that have her living in a Nikken Certified Wellness Home, one of only five in Dundas County. Wellness Home status is achieved by incorporating Nikken rest and relaxation, nutrition, fitness and water filtration products into your home and lifestyle.

South Stormont artist showcase

LONG SAULT–South Stormont Chamber of Commerce will once again showcase artists at its third Annual Home and Trade Show on April 25-26 at the Long Sault Arena.

"With between two and three thousand visitors to the Home and Trade Show this will be a great opportunity for local artists. It also allows the community to see the creative depth of our arts community," says Show Chair, Nicole Giroux.

Previous showcased artists include writer/author Maggie Wheeler and visual artist Anne-Marie Shields.

Artists in any medium, living in South Stormont, are invited to submit an artist bio or statement with slides, if available, to the South Stormont Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 489 Ingleside, Ontario KOC 1MO. For any information call Glenda Eden at 613-537-8711.

Determined by a selection committee, the successful applicant will have the opportunity to showcase his or her work at the Home and Trade Show.

The deadline for submissions in April 2, 2003.

Vehicle Fire

SOUTH DUNDAS–Shortly after 3 a.m. on March 15, 2003 police attended the scene of a vehicle fire, along County Road 2 in South Dundas Township.

Police discovered a 2000 Mazda van, silver in colour fully engulfed in flames.

The vehicle is believed to be from the Scarborough area and the owner has not been located at this time.

The investigation by Const. S. Lamarche is continuing.

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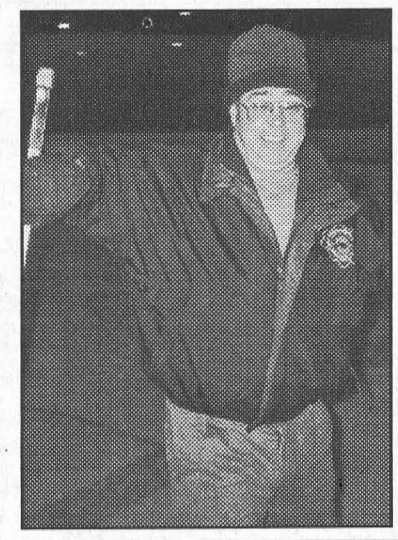

Friends and family are invited to help Keith celebrate on Saturday, March 23 from 1-4 p.m. at Riverside Hall
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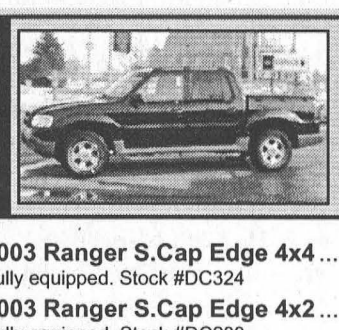

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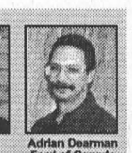
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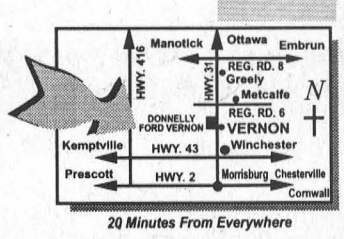

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Smoking bylaw meeting coming up this Thursday

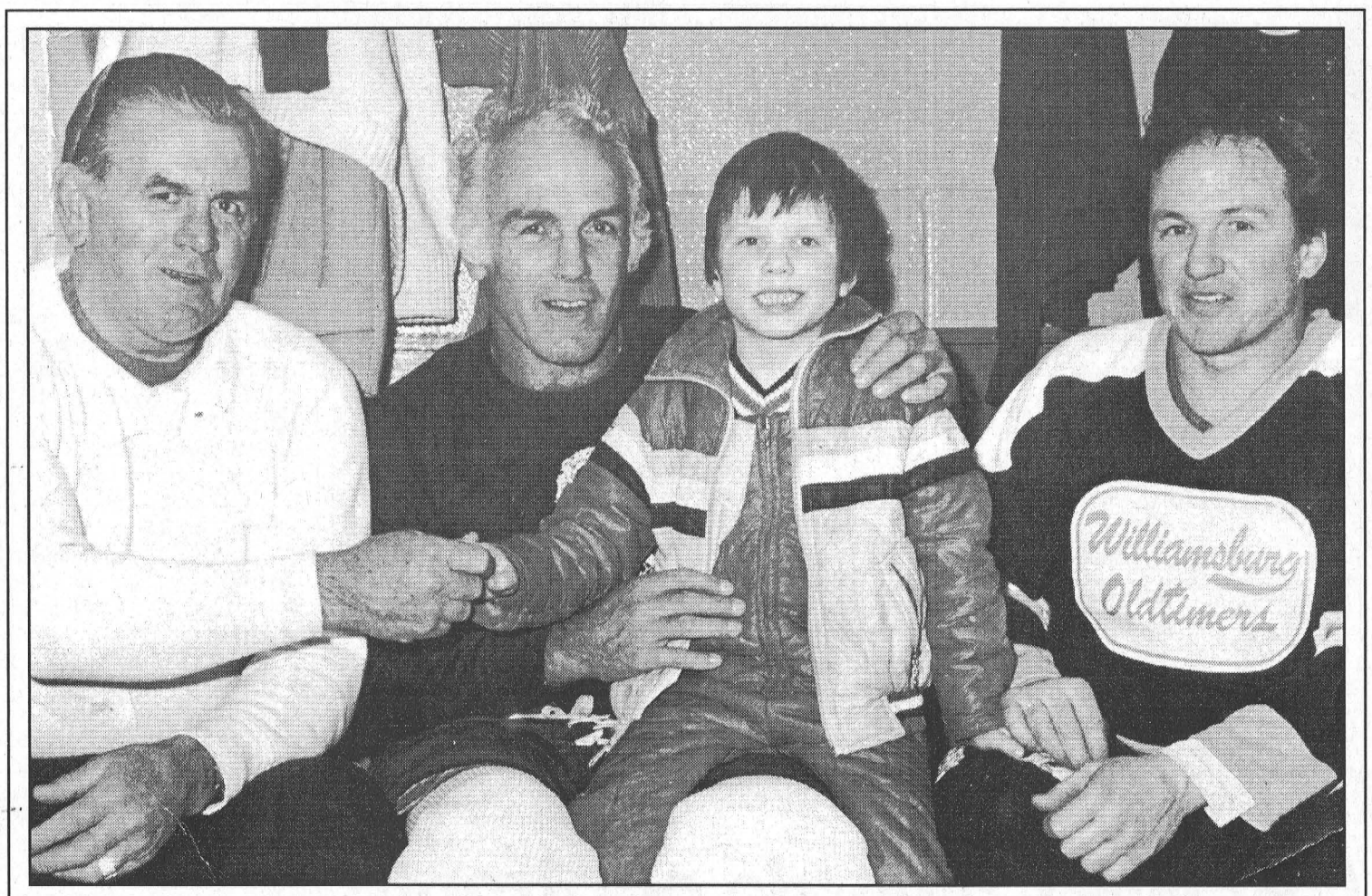
This Thursday night, March 20, the Township of South Dundas together with its Smoking/Non-Smoking Committee that is studying the issue of smoking in public buildings not already covered by Provincial Legislation, is hosting a public meeting. The meeting will take place at Matilda Hall in Dixon's Corners and will start at 7 p.m.

Individuals and businesses in South Dundas have been encouraged to make a presentation to the committee at this meeting. Presenters are limited to five minutes and were required to register to speak by contacting the Township Office by Tuesday, March 18.

When all is said and done the Township is hoping to have the feel of the community to determine if a bylaw should be created to ban smoking in bars, restaurants, golf, curling and private clubs.

Some businesses in South Dundas are now smoke free. Some are not. Some are looking at going smoke free and some are not. Some have smoke free areas, and some don't. Some are worried about what such a bylaw will do to their business. Some are not. Some are hoping the bylaw will go through so they won't have to make the decision themselves and offend some of their customers. Some are not.

There is no question second hand smoke is dangerous to everyone, and a smoke free environment is not only healthier but so much more pleasant. The only question left then concerns who should be making the decision. And that is where there are differing opinions from smokers and nonsmokers alike.



Montreal Canadiens great, Maurice "The Rocket" Richard, shakes hands with Shane Gillard at Morrisburg arena Jan. 21, 1981. Shane is sitting on Henri Richard's lap. His father, Williamsburg Oldtimers' Robert "Rowdy" Gillard is on the right.

Seen 'n Heard Around the Town

A reminder to all residents of South Dundas that this Thursday night the five member committee appointed by South Dundas to look into a municipal smoking ban is hosting a public meeting at the Matilda Hall in Dixon's Corners beginning at 7 p.m.

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All you young soccer players out there should have this weekend marked on your calendars. Registration for the newly-named South Dundas Soccer Association (formerly the Iroquois and District) is set for this weekend at the Public School in Iroquois. Participants can sign up from 6-8 p.m. this Friday night, March 21 and again on Saturday morning, March 22 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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We are hoping the weather will cooperate this week to get the sap running at a good pace at the Crysler Sugar Bush reopened by the St. Lawrence Parks Commission this spring. The bush is open and pancakes and syrup are now being served so if you are looking for something to do outdoors this is probably just the spot.

At long last it is upon us. That's right. Spring arrives this Friday, and while we had out doubts about the weather cooperating for the last couple of weeks, it now looks like we may be on target.

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A reminder to parents to warn youngsters of the danger of ditches at this time of the year not to mention that rather large waterway that borders us on the south. The spring thaw is happening and due to the large amount of snow piled up many of the ditches could become quite full of water.

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Next Tuesday night, March 25 is the Annual General meeting of the Morrisburg and District Minor Hockey Association. This year's meeting is set for 7:30 p.m. at the McIntosh Inn in Morrisburg and parents of children currently, or anticipating playing, are encouraged to attend.

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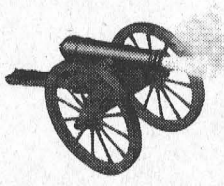
Members of the Morrisburg and District Figure Skating Club are now preparing for their annual skate show. Mark Saturday night, March 29 on your calendar for this one.



The Leader Blast from the Past

Compiled from The Leader's files

1993

Headlines in the March 17 issue asked: Are you up for the challenge of the hunt? The Morrisburg BIA had brought the Hidden Key contest out of retirement to help kick off spring. The hunt was to begin on March 24, and the key to the treasure chest that was up for grabs would be located on public property somewhere in Morrisburg. Clues would be available in local stores.

Four runners from Seaway District High School, Jamie Pollick, Tony Brown, Suzanne Schraner and Rhonda Beckstead, were among 60 high school athletes who would take part in the torch relay for the Ontario Winter Game being hosted in Cornwall.

Over the weekend 34 centimeters of snow had fallen bringing the total to 57.8cm so far in March. The area had 85.8cm fall in February and 46cm fall in January. In the month of March there had only been seven days above freezing and the high was plus 4 Celcius.

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions claimed the St. Lawrence Division pennant in front of 600 screaming, cheering fans for the second year in a row with a 5-4 victory over the CharLan Rebels. Scoring champ and league MVP, Captain Yvon Besner was presented the Alex English cup by league president John Shorey. The Lions would now advance to take on the Athens Aeros.

Local entrepreneurs, David Lee and Bonnie Baker, were preparing to open their new shop, "Seaway Gallery of Art Crystal and Fine Gifts in the East End Promenade.

1983

The March 16 issue reported that preserving history with constant production, the resident overseer of agriculture at Upper Canada Village, Roy Barkley, was the proud breeder of another daughter of the threatened Canadian horse Wal Ken Valliant Dolly. Dolly, as she was to be affectionately known at Upper Canada, was one of a diminishing breed estimated at 130 full blooded Canadian mares and 42 Canadian stallions.

Pictured on the front page was Sue Jones who was taking advantage of the mild spring temperatures and sunny skies to get in a little early season tennis with opponent Edi Connolly.

For the third consecutive year, the Winchester Hawks were on the road to the local Junior B division championship having for as many seasons, defeated the Morrisburg Lions quite handily in the semifinals. The Hawks took the series in four games, the final win a 10-3 blow to the Lions.

Hills defeated the Flyers in Town League hockey playoffs 4-1 for the championship. Jim Notman led the scoring with a hat trick and Cam "Rock" MacLennan nailed the winner. Fred Harper scored the lone Flyers goal. Wining goaltender was John "Rugsy" Vaughan.

The issue reported on the heart wrenching oration given by 12-year-old Mat Bowen concerning the numerous problems and frustrations he dealt with as a deaf child. He placed fourth in the Counties Public Speaking.

1973

Local residents were notified that the Tom Sawyer movie filmed at Upper Canada village in the fall of 1972 was being shown on CTV Channel 13. Stars in the movie included Buddy Ebsen, star of Barnaby Jones and Jane Wyatt, fondly remembered as costar of the long running Father Knows Best series some years earlier.

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions proved they weren't a team to give up when they went to work to carve out a 7-3 win over the Metcalfe Jets. The Lions went into the game facing elimination as they trailed the Jets 3-0 in the series. Gary Hess led the way to the win with a hat trick and Chuck Irvine scored a pair. Singles came from Ernie Duvall and Allan Hare.

It was estimated that between $6,500 and $7,000 was needed to sponsor Old Home Week "73".

The Morrisburg girls broomball team defeated Prescott 1-0 in the first game of the finals. Kathy Duvall scored the Morrisburg goals from Susan Jordan. Mickey Baker was in net for the shutout.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham J. Hess announced the engagement of their daughter, Judy Ann, to Elzeon George Raistrick of Winchester.

The Mohawk Lacrosse Company was interested in buying hickory at $185 a cord.

1963

The March 15 issue reported the flags were flying, posters were in evidence and a stiff north breeze was blowing at the CNR station when some 200 enthusiastic Tories turned out o see Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker. The Diefenbakers spent an informal 20 minutes in Morrisburg.

William Dillabough, 32-year-old Morrisburg businessman was chosen Social Credit standard bearer for Grenville-Dundas. Dillabough had served on Morrisburg Council for two years and was a well-known hockey player. He had attacked Ontario Hydro's treatment of people in the St. Lawrence Valley during the Seaway.

1953

The March 20 issue reported Morrisburg Chief Constable Clare B. Biccum had tendered his resignation to municipal council after serving as police chief for 16 years. He was leaving to accept a position with the Security Police of the Ontario Hydro Electric Power Commission. In the same issue the village was advertising for a police constable. Salary and car allowance ranged from $2,200-$3,200 depending on qualifications.

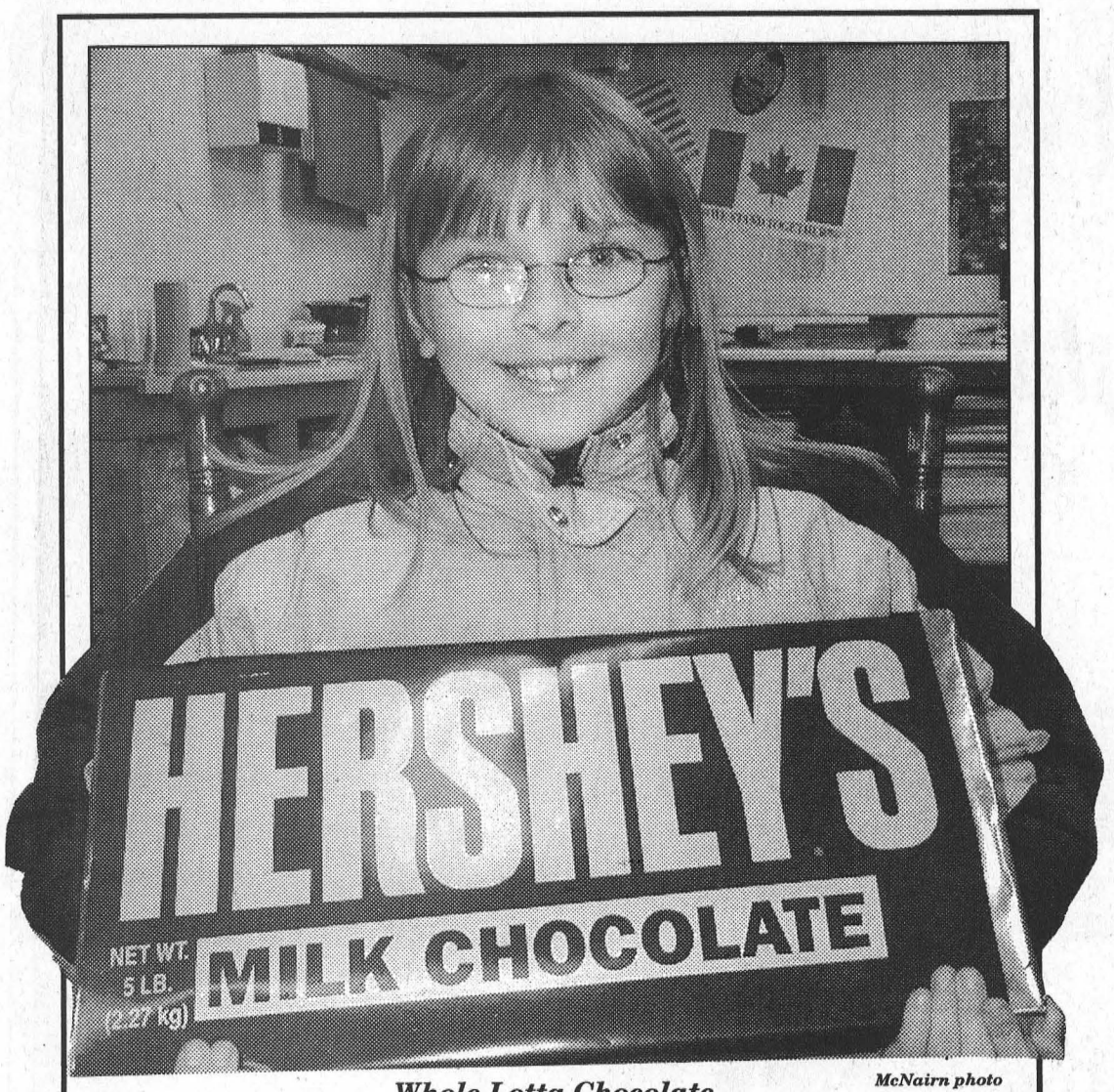
Audrey Tracey announced the opening of her salon, Audrey's Beauty Salon. She had taken over Betty's Beauty Parlour.

Savers was presenting Fashions for 1953 at the Iroquois town hall and Morrisburg Public School auditorium.

1943

This issue reported Flying Officer Herbert Lindsay Coons, 25, of the Royal Air Force was one of three Canadian officers awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. Flying Officer Coons was one of three brothers serving in the air force. His brothers were Flying Officer Gilbert Coons and Sgt. Willis Coons. He had been serving with a Sunderland flying boat squadron, flying out of Sierra Leone, Africa. He was a member of the 95 sSquadron. On two occasions his aircraft had been forced down at sea and three times he had participated in engagements with enemy aircraft.

The Aultsville Correspondent wrote that after some mild weather the area experienced a snow storm out of the east which turned to a sleet rain. Roads were in very bad condition. Progress was slow for horses and almost impossible for cars.



Whole Lotta Chocolate *McNairn photo*

There is a whole lotta chocolate here, five pounds to be exact, but 10-year-old Cassidy Tupper says that's okay, she's up to the challenge. Cassidy, a Grade 5 student at Morrisburg Public School won this dieter's demise in a draw at the Bargain Shop here in Morrisburg last week. Cassidy expected it would take all of March break to work on her prize which she would share with the family. Her Dad, Dale, worried it might make her, her dentist's best friend.

Letter to the Editor

Water level questioned

To the Editor:

Apparently the Seaway Corporation has had some second thoughts about the early opening of the Seaway. Perhaps they thought they could jam "winter navigation" down our throats without anyone noticing. Because that is just what it would have been and still may be.

The postponement opening date to March 31 is not going to be much better. As long as we have near zero temperatures at night, it is going to take a heat wave to make changes.

It is extremely frustrating to me, as a person involved in water level issues, that whenever we complain to either the Board of Control or the International Joint Commission, we get told that the "orders of approval" say ... Well for everyone's information, those "orders of approval say that the Seaway will be open from April 1 to December 15.

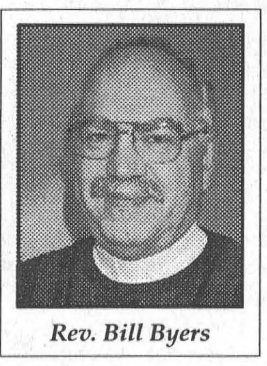
How can these "orders" be altered for one group of people (The Seaway) and yet they are cast in bronze for those of us who care about water levels?

Speaking of water levels, right now Lake Ontario is 3.5 inches above chart datum! It is over a foot below average for this time of year and 1.5 feet below last year at this time. Wouldn't it have been nice to have the Board of Control save some of that water from last year?

Bea Schermerhorn
Hammond, NY.

What On Earth Am I Here For?

Perspectives



Rev. Bill Byers

Most people ask this question at least once in their life. Many ask it over and over again. Increasingly, many of us believe that we are here to acquire possessions and wealth. There is too often a pervasive belief that he or she who dies with the most toys somehow wins. Proverbs 11:28 says *A life devoted to things is a dead life, a stump; a God-shaped life is a flourishing tree.* So, what on earth are we here for?

Recently, I discovered *The Purpose Driven Life,* by Rick Warren. It is a forty day Lenten adventure that I am sharing with a friend. Each week we get together to reflect on what we have read over the past seven days. Forty days seems to be a spiritually significant time. Whenever God wanted to prepare someone for his purposes he took forty days. Noah's life was changed by 40 days of rain. Moses' life was transformed by 40 days on Mount Sinai. God gave Nineveh 40 days to change its ways and the entire city was transformed. After his baptism by John in the Jordan, Jesus spent 40 days in the wilderness being tempted by the devil and emerged empowered for his ministry. The disciples were transformed by 40 days with Jesus after his resurrection.

The purpose of our life is much greater than our own personal fulfillment, our peace of mind, or even our happiness. It is bigger than our family responsibilities, our careers, and our ambitions and dreams. It is certainly bigger than the toys we amass and the fortunes we salt away. All of this is about *us* and God's purpose is *not* about us. Warren tells us that many of us never find the answer to this important question because we begin in the wrong place. We succumb to the temptations of the *ego* and we start asking self-centred questions. What do *I* want to be? What are *my* goals, *my* ambitions, *my* dreams? To get the answer to this all-important question we must start with God, our Creator. The question we should be asking is, *"What is God's purpose for my life on earth?"* We were made by God and for God. God's purpose for our life is the same as the ultimate purpose of the universe. It is to show the glory of God. That is why everything exists and that is why we exist.

Warren tells us that the glory of God is who God is. It is the essence of his nature, the weight of his importance, the radiance of his splendour, the demonstration of his power, and the atmosphere of his presence. The glory of God is all around us. Everything created reflects the glory of God in some way. I have found God's glory in the intricately beautiful patterns one can see only with the aid of an electron microscope and I have found God's glory in the breathtaking panoramas of nature.

All this and more is how God's glory can be experienced, but the best way to experience God's glory is through Jesus Christ. Jesus, the Light of the World, illuminates God's nature. Jesus came to live among us so that we might know God and know how God wants us to live. Now it is our turn. We are to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to the world.

Each of us has a sphere of influence. There are people who come within it every day. The purpose of our lives is to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to these people in what we say and what we do. Most often it be sharing Christ's love in a smile or a friendly

gesture. Sometimes, it will be seizing the opportunity to share our faith. When our lives make real the love of Jesus Christ to another then we are achieving our purpose on earth and God's glory is made real.

Proverbs 19:21 says *"Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that will prevail."* It has been suggested that one might develop one's life purpose statement based upon what you would like to have God say about you at your funeral. To do this you might want to answer the following questions: *Am I putting Jesus at the centre of my life? Am I developing his character? Am I devoting my life to serving others? Am I communicating his message and fulfilling his mission? Am I loving and participating in his family?* As Paul said, *"Our goal is to measure up to God's plan for us."* (2 Corinthians 10:13) Lent is about taking stock and making wrongs right in our lives.

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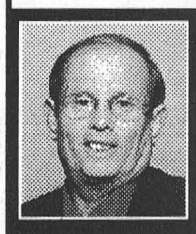

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Further information about these funds and a proposal format are available at the Social Support Services offices located at: 111 Water Street, Cornwall; 17-B Industrial Dr., Chesterville; and G.T.L. Building, 3525 Hwy. #34, South, Alexandria.

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The deadline for the next round of submissions is April 30, 2003.

Leader Sports & Leisure

Irven part of New England Championship

MORRISBURG – In the fall of 1999 Kayla Irven was excited about having made the cut for the National Capitals Peewee AA Hockey team in Ottawa, and it was evident that the quiet 13-year-old was in hockey for the long haul.

Three years later (fall 2002) she was playing for the Berkshire Bears Division I hockey club and attending Berkshire School in Sheffield, Massachusetts.

Three weeks ago, the Bears, seeded second going into the Division 1 finals, produced a 5-4 victory over top-seeded Cushing to win the New England Championship.

Kayla wears the Bears number 20 sweater and plays wing on what has become known as the Canadian Connection. Her line mates are both from Canada's east coast and Kayla is the first player the Bears have had from Ontario.

As the season progressed the Canadians became a line to be reckoned with and were responsible for three of the five goals in the 5-4 championship win over Cushing.

The Bears had a regular season 21-3-1 record, and the New England title win was the school's second in five years. They last won the New England title in 1999 while playing at the division II level. Last year they lost out to Nobel in the Division I final.

Kayla and her Dad and Mom, Jim and Lynn Irven were first approached by Berkshire when Kayla travelled with her summer hockey team to a showcase tournament in St. Andrews, New Brunswick in the summer of 2001. Hockey coaches from various high schools in the U.S. were there and she was approached by two.

She had the opportunity to make her move that year, but she, and her parents, agreed she was too young. They did, however, keep in touch with the schools, and in February 2002 they travelled to Berkshire. Right from the start it felt right says Kayla.

"It's like a little town ," she says. "It's way out in the country and surrounded by mountains. It felt homey."

Berkshire is a private school with a yearly tuition in the $30,000 (American) range. It has a population of 380 students. Kayla went through intensive interviews and testing in February after which, "We came away feeling that, even if she didn't get in, it was a great experience," says Lynn.

"We found they were looking at the whole package...her grades, her character and her hockey."

Kayla met the requirements the school was looking for, and after graduating Grade 10 at Seaway High last spring, completing the season with the National Capitals in Ottawa, and working the summer at Tim Hortons (401 Westbound), she was on the road to Massachusetts.

The only sacrifice she made was to repeat grade 10 which is her sophomore year in the American system. The school recommends repeating a grade to help the students adjust. The American freshman year compares to the Canadian grade nine, and sophomore is followed by junior and senior years.

Although she is repeating Grade 10, much of the subject content is different. Class sizes range from eight to 12 students who are encouraged to seek out extra help from teachers, many of whom live on campus.

Kayla lives in a dormitory and her roommate, with whom she gets along with really well, is from the area. Students come from throughout the United States, and she has met others from Germany, Hong Kong and Japan.

"I have three dorm parents and they pretty much make sure we are doing our work," says Kayla, adding, "I am doing well and my marks are going up."

The students are responsible for keeping their rooms clean and their own laundry. They eat in a cafeteria, which "is excellent. You can have whatever you want."

Kayla attends classes six days a week from 8 a.m. until 2:15 p.m. and had shortened days when she had hockey games on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The school has its own rink.

In the evenings the phones are shut off in the dorms for study period which runs from 8-10 p.m. "From 10-11 we can call home and then they shut off the phones at 11."

During each school year the students participate in three sports of their choice. Kayla started last year with field hockey, something she had never played before, and something that proved to be quite a challenge. Standing six feet tall at age 16, she found the 36 inch field hockey stick a little on the short side.

She did, however, make the varsity field hockey team which, after an undefeated regular season, lost out in the New England finals.

Kayla started her ice-hockey season in November and early on pulled a groin muscle. At Christmas she picked up a virus, so it wasn't until she got back on the ice after the holiday that her game came together.

"We practise every day except Sunday and have games on Wednesdays and Saturdays. We are always on the ice."

During the season the Bears play teams from other prep schools in Massachusetts and bordering states. Some bus trips take two to three hours.

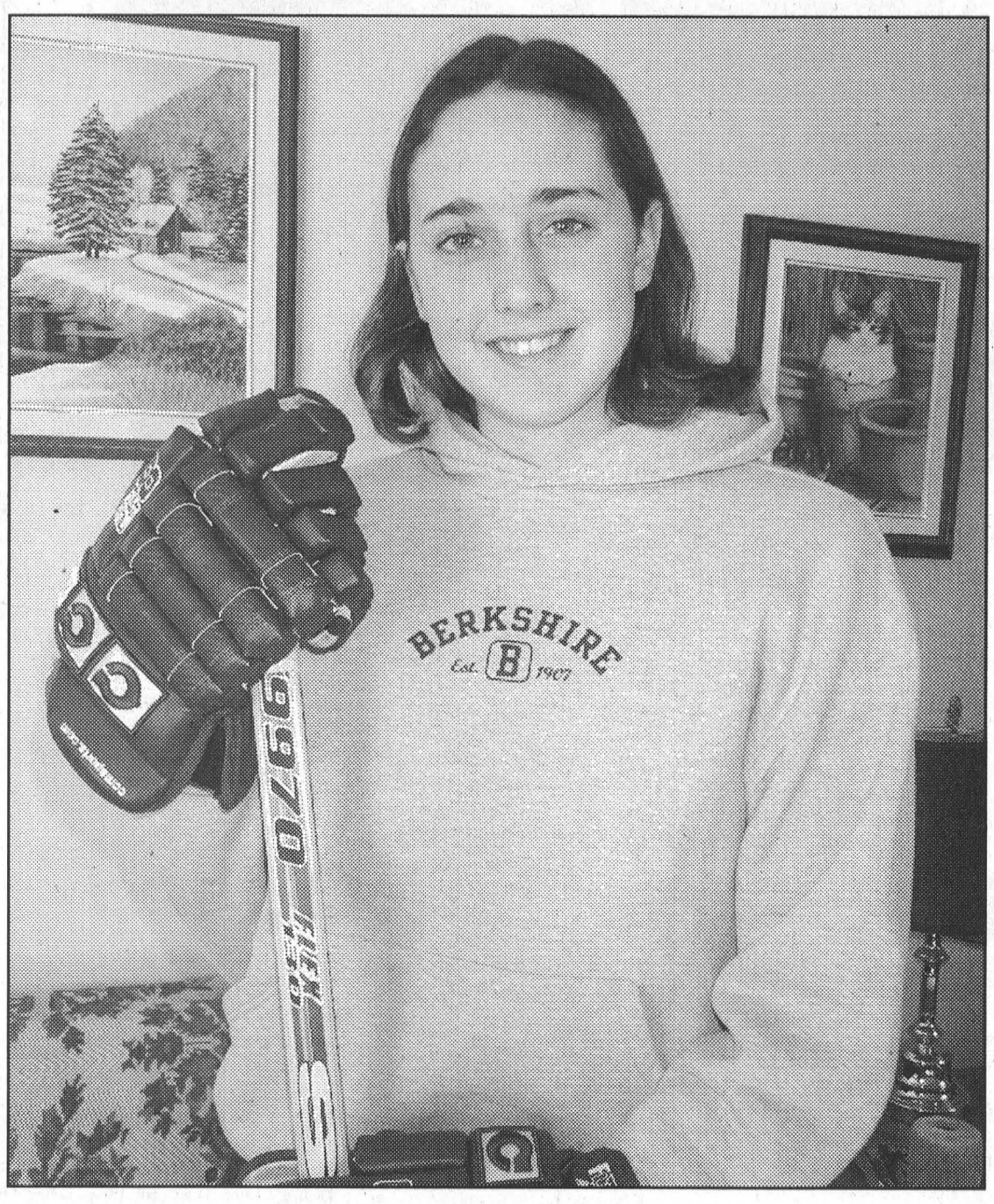
The hockey she says is really great. "I find it intense. It is more physical, and you can get away with a lot of stuff."

The Bears are coached by Lori Charpentier, who, in her senior year, was the women's hockey team captain at Dartmouth College. "She is a great coach and the practices are...whew."

Kayla says that winning the New Englands was fantastic. To get there the Bears defeated Loomis Chaffee 3-2 in the quarter finals. Kayla scored the second goal in this contest.

From there they headed to the Ice Den in Hookset, New Hampshire for their semi-final game against Nobel Greenough on Saturday March 1. Kayla provided one goal in the 5-3 win which put the Bears in the final against top seeded Cushing.

Kayla contributed one goal in the 5-4 upset win over the favoured Cushing team.



Golden Opportunity for Local Girl

Kayla Irven, now playing Division I hockey for the Berkshire School Bears, started playing the game in Morrisburg where she played for two years on a mixed team. She played two years with a Cornwall girls team and then made the cut for the National Capital girls Peewee AA club in Ottawa.

Home for March break last week, Kayla says everything has worked out really well. The school is great and winning the championship was fantastic.

Although she misses home, just a bit, she keeps in touch by phone and email. Her grandparents, Howard and Louva Irven of Morrisburg, had some reservations about her leaving home at such a young age, but went out and purchased a computer so they could keep in touch and follow the team's performance.

In fact her whole family, which includes big sisters Tracy and Alison and younger brother Todd, are thrilled for Kayla and very supportive.

When Kayla returns to school after her three week March break, she will be playing softball, and next fall she has selected crew because she likes being on the water and figures the rowing will help to build upper body strength.

School ends May 30, and Kayla plans to return to Tim Hortons for summer work and hopefully play some summer hockey here in Canada.

As for the future, she is open to most anything. The high school varsity teams are watched closely by colleges and universities and she hopes this will result in a hockey scholarship.

As for where she is now, she says she feels that, thanks to the support and guidance of her Dad and Mom, she has made the right choices and is where she should be.

"Being on my own, I have really matured. It is an all-around great school and winning the New England title was huge."

Bantam C Lions win Upper Canada East

MORRISBURG – Heart and desire played a big part in the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's Bantam C Eastern Division playoff championship last week.

The Morrisburg and District Bantam C Lions went into the four point series against highly favoured South Stormont clearly hungry for the win, and when it was over it was the Lions grabbing four points in three games for the championship.

"Physically they had the size and strength, but the more they hit us the harder our kids tried," said coach Garry Beckstead of the Stormont team which was undefeated during the regular season. In fact South Stormont had only one blemish during the season and that was a 1-1 tie against the Lions.

The Lions opened the four point series in Long Sault Friday night and worked their way back from a 4-1 first period deficit to grab a single point on a 5-5 tie.

Game two in Morrisburg Saturday night was a totally different story as this time the Lions pumped home four first period goals and added a single in the second for a 5-0 win.

This put them up three points to one heading into game three and meant a win or a tie would give them the championship.

It was a 2-2 tie that did it.

The Lions had a big bench of 19 players and it was 19 players playing as a team. "We played as one, and they played as 16," says Beckstead.

It didn't look good for the Lions as they went down 4-1 in the first period of the series opener in Long Sault.

Jordan Tryon, with help from Scott Speer and Peter Coolican, put the Lions on the scoreboard for a 1-0 lead, but then South Stormont took over with four unanswered goals in the last six minutes of the period.

Michael Wheeler got it started followed by goals from Anthony McDonald, Ryan Alguire and Jonathan Cutler.

"We were down 4-1 after the first period and then Mr. Tupper (goaltender Andrew Tupper) closed the door. That let us get our legs, and off we went."

"The kids just built after that. We went up, and they went down."

The Lions put together a pair of goals in the second period from Sheldon Beckstead and Craig Duvall which cut the gap to 4-3.

Duvall and Brandon Elliott had the assists on the Beckstead goal and Elliott and Dustin Gillard made their contribution on the Duvall goal.

Anthony McDonald hit for his second tally early in the third period to give South Stormont a 5-3 lead, but just over a minute later Sheldon Beckstead got his second with help from Andrew Adlington to keep the Lions in it.

With 2:56 left in the game, Duvall tied it 5-5 with help from Scott Speer and Bryce Fournier, and the Lions hung on for the 5-5 tie.

The Lions went to work quickly on South Stormont in game two going up 4-0 in the first period and counting their fifth goal late in the second.

"In game two we scored one in the first minute and one in the second minute," says Beckstead. "We came out bang, bang, and took them right out of it."

"Jarred (Dallas) played one heck of a game. He stood on his head to make saves. When we needed him he came up big."

Craig Duvall and Sheldon Beckstead had two goals each and Brandon Elliott provided one. Ryan Morrow had two assists, and Beckstead, Colin Chesbro, Andrew Adlington, Elliott, Tyler Mills and Duvall had singles.

Game three was anybody's to

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Bantam C Lions Win Eastern Division Playoff Championship

The Morrisburg and District Bantam C Lions pulled together last week to down highly favoured South Stormont and win the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League's East Division playoff championship four points to one in the four points series. Above, front row l-r, the champions are Scott Speer, Bryce Fournier, Jarred Dallas, Peter Coolican, Isaac Streit, Kurtis Corry, Dustin Gillard, Andrew Tupper, Darren Baldwin and Colin Chesbro. Back, l-r, Bob Duvall, Barry Elliott, Adam Schnurr, Craig Duvall, Brandon Elliott, Tyler Mills, Jordan Tryon, Ryan Morrow, Sheldon Beckstead, Andrew Adlington, Jarrel Green, Garry Beckstead and Dale Tupper.

Peewee Cs

Lions lose to NGS

MORRISBURG – The Morrisburg and District Peewee C Lions put up a good effort against a formidable opponent in their bid for the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League championship but in the end NGS prevailed.

The series opened in Morrisburg in a game that saw the Lions nipped for a 3-2 loss. Games two and three were both played in Finch last Tuesday and Thursday nights.

In game two the Lions held their opponents to a 3-3 tie to force the four point series to a third game.

Game three saw NGS take the series with a 3-1 win.

In game two last Tuesday night, NGS came out strong taking a 2-0 first period lead on a pair of goals from Justin Villeneuve.

But the second period belonged entirely to the Lions. Drew Hutt kicked off the Lions scoring with an unassisted tally, and that was followed by goals from Evan Harper and Connor Hodgson.

Hodgson also picked up the assist on the Harper tally and Thomas Corden offered his help on the Hodgson goal which sent the Lions into the third period ahead 3-2.

They hung on to their advantage, until six minutes in, when Trevor Currier tied it at 3-3, and that was the way it ended.

The tie set the stage for a third match between the two clubs with NGS holding the point advantage at three points to one. The Lions needed a win to stay alive in the series.

A scoreless first period showed the determination of both teams, and a little over six minutes into the first period Paul Norman gave NGS the jump. That was backed by a Trevor Currier tally and NGS was up 2-0.

The Lions got their lone tally from Evan Harper, unassisted with 23 seconds left in the second period.

NGS put one more by Lions goaltender Steven Baird midway into the third period for the 3-1 win.

Bantam C Lions win

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win throughout the three periods.

Brandon Elliott, from Duvall and Beckstead, scored less than a minute into the first period, and the 1-0 lead held until the final minute of the frame when Anthony McDonald tied it. Midway into the second period Jonathan Cutler pushed South Stormont into a 2-1 lead.

Goaltending then became the key issue and neither Jarred Dallas for the Lions nor his opponent, Colin McKay, would give up anything more.

"Our game plan was to skate, and they stuck to it," says Beckstead. Dallas again came up big in the net, stopping "at least four break-aways."

"Everyone pulled together, everyone back-checked. It was a big team effort. Even the smaller players hung in there. They knew they were going to get hit, and they took it."

Finally, after a lot of big hits a lot of big saves, and the minutes ticking away in the third period, Brandon Elliott and Adam Schnurr went to work setting up Sheldon Beckstead who blasted home the tying goal.

That was it. The Lions held on for the tie and the single point which gave them the Eastern Division playoff championship four points to one.

"Bottom line is we had a bigger heart," says Beckstead.

The Lions now advance to take on the Western Division Champions. At press time it was not known who they would be meeting or when.

Riverside Darts

RIVERSIDE–**Rosebuds-5 wins.** Outs: Darren Tyo 2, Terri Sypes 2, Colleen Keeler.
Double Trouble-4 wins. Outs: Gerry Sypes 2, Cecil Tyo, Sharon Lewis.
Arabs-7 wins. Outs: Brenda Sypes 3, Linda Birch 2, Jeff O'Neil 2. H.S. Birch 121, 105.
Roundups-4 wins. Outs: Charlie Hancock 3, Cecil Lewis. H.S. Hancock 140.
Canadian Team-5 wins. Outs: Cecil Keeler 3, Peter Montroy 2, and H.S. 140, 117.
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Fun Gang-8 wins. Outs: Tony Barkley 6, Merle Burke 2. H.S. Barkley 140.
2 Guys-4 wins. Outs: Ronnie Moore 2, Diane Chater, Elva Baker. H.S. Lyle Beckstead 140.
Two Chicks-4 wins. Outs: Bernie Montroy 3, Frank Beaulne. H.S. Montroy 140.
Eric's Bombers-5 wins. Outs: Eric Sypes 2, Caroline Geertsma, Vera Burke, Art Thompson. H.S. Geertsma 103.
Born to Cry-5.5 wins. Outs: Wendy Casselman 4, Larry Lalonde. H.S. Dave Svendsen 102.

Rosebuds	289	Pointless	254
Double Trouble	281	Fun Gang	253
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THE WEEK IN CURLING

This has been a busy week at the Morrisburg Club. We had entries in the 284-team City of Ottawa International Bonspiel, one of the largest in the world, senior men's teams entries in the McClennan Cup in Cornwall, and several teams in the Hospice Bonspiel held on Saturday at the home club.

In the Hospice Bonspiel, local curler Alice Thompson skipped her team to the championship, winning all three of her games. Interviewed later, the skip emphasized that it was a team effort and praised Dave Salsman, Sandra Beckstead and Bob Fortin, who had first crack at the prize table with her. A number of other local teams participated, and some came from far afield to take part. The St. Patrick's Day theme was evident in the costumes of the twelve teams, and in the Irish music played through the day. Special thanks are due to the ice crew, Wally McDonald, Dave Salsman, Jim Locke and to bartenders Paul Robertson and Ron Brown, who made the day run smoothly. The organizers were delighted with the day, and report that the bonspiel realized $2100 for the very worthy charity.

In the City of Ottawa competition, the team of Robert Houze, Joe McCooeye, Mike Felker, Rob Delegarde and Bev McQueen won two of their games in the open division, but were finally eliminated on Saturday. The Ottawa Club's Robillard foursome was the overall champion. We had two senior teams entered: Jack Dikland, Don O'Brien, Peter Zeran and Wally McDonald curled well, but finished Friday night. John Lyon, Steve Thompson, Bill Magee and Charles Farlinger had more luck, defeating a strong Rideau foursome, but were also eliminated before the weekend. Members of the winning senior team from the Ottawa club had previously knocked off the Morrisburg entry in the Senior Mixed Zone Final.

In the Senators (age 65 and over) division, Sid Morrell, Neil Williams, Gerry Thompson and Bob Bedingfield were another story. They played in seven different rinks, and ended play with a 4-3 win/loss record The division final was Sunday night at the Granite Curling Club against the home team. After eight ends, Sid was up by one. A check of the rules, however, confirmed that ten ends were required, and the curlers went back to work. Granite won 9-8 and our fellows shook hands with the victors. Well done on your first Senators competition, fellows!

The senior men's teams went to Cornwall on Friday and each won their first game, and each losing by only one point in their final match. The 'A' team was comprised of Martin Schneckenburger, Tony Toonders, Dave Salsman, and Ron Brown. Following their lead in the second draw were Arnold Centen, Ted Herriman, Arnold Barkley and George Barrey. Well done, fellows!

The season is rapidly coming to an end. Don't forget to sign up in the lounge for dinner tickets for the awards banquet and general meeting on Wednesday, April 9th. At that time we hope to place a proposal for club improvements, including a funding plan. Don't miss the meeting. Also, in case the banquet and dance following our Centennial Bonspiel March 26-30 interests you, see an executive member for tickets. The Legion needs to know exact numbers by this Friday, for the dinner on Saturday, March 29. *Good curling to all!*

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The Club House is open Sat., March 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. to accept membership dues which cover the period Jan. 1, 2003 to Dec. 31, 2003.

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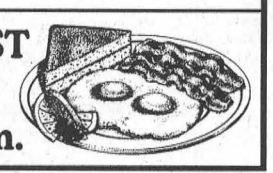

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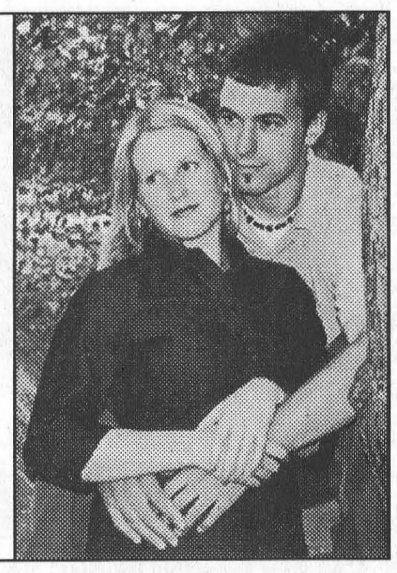

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Dundas County Hospice

Curlers raise over $2,000

MORRISBURG – Over $2,000 was raised by 48 players on 12 teams participating in the St. Patrick's Day Curling Bonspiel for the Dundas County Hospice, Saturday, at the Morrisburg Curling Club.

The Dundas County Hospice, formed by a group of concerned community members in 1992, has trained 120 volunteers who have volunteered over 20,000 hours providing care for any patient, adult or child, and their families at any stage of a life-threatening illness.



Awarded Most Honest Team *Comfort photo*

Over $2,000 was raised for the Dundas County Hospice in their St. Patrick's Day themed curling bonspiel held at the Morrisburg Curling Club Saturday. This is the third year organizer, Joyce Francis and her team, Tracy Vanbruinessen, Lynn Scrbic, and Sheila Hughs have curled together, having a lot of fun and raising money for the Hospice. They won the "Most Honest Team" award.

Last year over $15,000 was raised for the Hospice through a number of events including their Hoedown, golf tournament, curling bonspiel, and sales of baked goods, playhouse tickets and Christmas cards, as well as a quilt raffle.

This year the curling bonspiel contributed just over $2,000 to the Hospice. The top sponsor award went to Louise Beckinsale who raised $262. Graham Pemberton was second bringing in $215.

The top curling team on the day was Alice Thompson's team which included Sandra Beckstead, Bob Fortin and Dave Salsman.

Graham Pemberton captained the second place team which included Glen Pemberton, George Baker and Claire Robinson.

The most honest team award went to organizer Joyce Francis and her team, Sheila Hughs, Lynn Scrbic, and Tracy Vanbruinessen.

"The event was well received, and everyone had a great time," said Francis.

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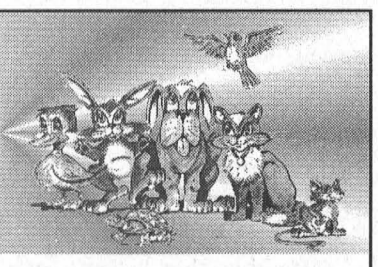

MORRISBURG – Well, here we are, just a few days away from the first official day of spring and it is wonderful. Many of us were worried as the cold temperatures appeared as if they were going to hang on forever, but they didn't.

One of the most noticeable things about the temperature warmup is the sudden increase of bird song early in the morning. Had us up before seven all weekend.

The Back to Nature desk finally received the call we have been anticipating. Monday afternoon, Patty Gunther in Ault Island phoned to tell us she had spotted a flock of eight to 10 Red-Winged Blackbirds.

Patty actually spotted them at her feeder on Monday, but had heard their squeaky call on the weekend. The Red-Winged Blackbirds are usually one of the first harbingers of spring, and their return is quickly followed by the robins.

It is interesting to note that all of the birds were males easily identified by their red shoulders. The females of this species resemble large sparrows, but are more heavily streaked and often have a red tinge on their shoulder or throat. Makes you wonder how you can call a female Red-Winged Blackbird by that name at all.

Monday, we were greeted by a pair of robins, (most likely a pair that have wintered here) as they visited our bird feeder for their breakfast.

On Sunday afternoon at the Morrisburg Golf Club, we took a break from the golf lessons to stroll out on the deck and enjoy the nice temperatures. To our surprise, we could hear the calls of Canada Geese coming from the southeast corner of the course. They too are probably some that wintered here, but just the fact they are out and around is probably a good sign.

Our most exciting visit this weekend was from a single house finch.

A pair of wild turkeys is becoming a common sight in a field near the Muttonville Road. They feed there often, so keep an eye out when you are driving in that area.

Remember to give us a call on any plant, animal or bird subject. A word of caution though: If you want to be sure your information makes it to this column, you must speak to Rebecca or Bonnie. Call us at 543-3611.



McNaney photo

Counties Official Plan still under budget

WILLIAMSBURG–The Counties Official Plan is still under budget, and so far "we've had pretty good bang for our buck," says South Dundas Planner Donald Lewis, though confusion still exists at the South Dundas council table over how the plan will be implemented.

Correspondence to council from Counties Planner, Joanne Haley shows the total budget for the Counties Official Plan is $167,600 and the money spent to March 3, 2003 is $115,123.33.

Haley anticipates the document will be approved by September 2003. "However if the Official Plan is not meeting the needs of council and staff then we will postpone that deadline."

The Township of North Dundas has requested that a review of the second draft of the Official Plan with consultant Glenn Tunnock and County Planner Joanne Haley set for March 25-27, be postponed.

The municipality would like to have a chance to meet with the five other townships in the United Counties, to review the second draft, prior to meeting with the consultant.

According to their correspondence with the Counties and the other municipalities, "We believe this approach will provide an opportunity to build consensus among the Townships, will streamline the issues, and will reduce the time required with the consultant."

Lewis believes a meeting of this nature "will be quite valuable," for sharing opinions, ideas and interpretations, with township councils, CAOs, clerks and planners all invited to attend.

Lewis says he is having a great deal of difficulty getting feedback on the changes he submitted, having yet to receive mapping to go along with the schedules for the plan's second draft.

There is disagreement at South Dundas council about how the plan will be implemented, because opinions on major issues such as severances differ between the municipalities.

Councillor Robert Gillard points out North Stormont wants no severances allowed on agricultural land and South Dundas Mayor Johnny Whitteker continues to argue for severances on land designated agricultural in South Dundas.

"My concern is severances on agricultural land," says Whitteker, "As long as there are severances we can live with that."

Gillard doesn't believe the implementation of one official plan can accommodate the needs of all of the municipalities. "Each municipality wants their own official plan. They won't all agree."

The confusion at South Dundas concerns whether the official plan will be implemented by the Counties, or whether each municipality will adopt a plan for itself based on the planning already done at the Counties.

Lewis thinks each township will adopt the format (of the counties plan) as their own official plan, but South Dundas CAO Andy Brown does not think there will be an overall Counties plan. Brown feels the money spent will not be wasted because the information gathered and planning work completed will be used by the municipalities in their own plans.

"They will use the work already done, but have their own official plan," agrees Lewis.

Whitteker, who sits on Counties council, along with Cam Martel, disagrees. "I think you will have a Counties Plan with exceptions for each municipality."

"As long as we have some input unique to our municipality, I can live with it," said Councillor Charles Barkley.

NEWSLETTER

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
Seaway Branch #48
10 Legion Street
Morrisburg, Ontario
Tel: (613) 543-3091

The big news is Branch 48 will be hosting a musical comedy benefit show on Thursday, April 3, at Matilda Hall in Dixon's Corners. Canada's top musical comedy act, "The Jimmy Flynn Show" featuring the popular Maritime star will commence at 8 p.m. The doors will open at 6 p.m. with refreshments available. Tickets for this show are $20 each and are available at the Legion Bar in Morrisburg and Iroquois and at Whitteker Meat Market in Williamsburg. Come join your friends for an evening of fun, with foot stomping music and side splitting laughter. Bus transportation will be provided. Bus leaves Iroquois Legion at 6:30 p.m.; Morrisburg Legion at 7 p.m. and Whitteker Meat Market in Williamsburg at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, March 15, all the Irish and those who would be Irish enjoyed a great Irish dinner of corned beef, cabbage and potatoes served up by the main branch under the guidance of Victor Brooks.

Winners of the cribbage tournament on March 9 were 1st Linda Barclay's brother (not the smart ones), 2nd Brian Erratt, 3rd Ellie Belmore, 4th Evelyn Schwerdtfeger and winner of the skunk pot was Goldie Daoust. Chief Bullfrog sitting in the bushes Hummell took home 1st prize for the euchre tournament on March 16, 2nd Muriel Gow, 3rd Evelyn Schwerdfeger and 4th Arnold Barkley. There was no money in the skunk pot.

A reminder to those who have not renewed their membership for this year, you can still renew your membership and become a member in good standing. Members are reminded of the general meeting on Wednesday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m.

A sign of spring – the first Legion Steak Barbecue will be held on Friday, May 2, with another to follow on the May 30 if the creek doesn't rise. With this sure sign we can say goodbye to the winter blues and get ready for the golf and boating season.

Now I will remind those in Receipt of Pensions of the brave Lord Willoughby. To the soldiers that were maimed and wounded in the fray. The queen allowed a pension of fifteen pence a day; and from all cost and charges; She quit and sent them free; and this she did all for the sake of brave Lord Willoughby.

Coming Events

- Bingo every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
- Sunday, March 23, Cribbage Tournament at 1:30 p.m.
- Tuesday March 26, Senior's Pot Luck Dinner at 12:30 p.m.
- Sunday March 30, Euchre Tournament at 1:30 p.m.

Traffic Update

DUNDAS COUNTY – In the past week, police were called to investigate 14 motor vehicle collisions in Dundas County.

Other investigations resulted in the issuance of three 12-hour driver's licence suspensions, one seizure of liquor under the Liquor Licence Act, and the apprehension of one suspended driver.

No charges were laid in connection with alcohol related drinking and driving offences.



The Parks of the St. Lawrence, an agency of the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation manages recreational areas from Kingston to near the Quebec border. This tourism driven organization encompasses the internationally acclaimed Upper Canada Village and Fort Henry, 12 campgrounds and day-use area parks, Crysler Park Marina, Upper Canada Golf Course, Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Long Sault Parkway, 1000 Islands Parkway, St. Lawrence Bikeway and a variety of dining and shopping experiences.

PARK WORKER

Riverside-Cedar Campsite / Crysler Beach (east of Morrisburg)
Manual Worker – May 5, 2003 to September 7, 2003
(Group 1 Non-Recurring Position)
36-1/4 hours per week - $15.94 to $16.55 per hour
(Where candidates lack the full qualifications, an appointment may be made at a lower classification and salary level.)
file no. SLPC-P&R-1/03(6)

JOB DESCRIPTION: As part of a work group, the successful candidate will support customer services initiatives by carrying out a wide variety of park-related manual and clerical duties such as: garbage collection and waste recycling; doing minor repairs and painting of buildings; cutting and trimming grass; cleaning and maintenance of washrooms, shower buildings, gate houses, including flower beds; clean-up of aquatic vegetation on beaches; operating tractors and various equipment and tools for park maintenance and grass mowing; welcoming and being responsible for the registration of all visitors; meeting and giving assistance to campers and day use visitors to the park; providing back up services for day-use group reservations, i.e. moving tables, securing reservation areas, etc.; providing assistance and back-up services for programmers and program events in the park; observing and monitoring all possible areas, i.e. noisy campsites; informing campers of the regulations of the SLPC, checking for violations and enforcing park rules; treating all staff and visitors with a high level of respect, hospitality, and friendliness.

QUALIFICATIONS: Good communication and customer service skills to deal effectively with staff and the public; physical ability to carry out a variety of manual duties such as cleaning, groundskeeping, moving picnic tables, lifting garbage cans, etc.; ability to learn basic computer and clerical skills; ability to balance receipts and monies and prepare bank deposits; ability to learn about Eastern Ontario tourist attractions; willingness to work variable shifts including weekends, holidays, evenings, and nights; valid driver's licence.

In your application/résumé, please indicate specifically how your experience, skills and knowledge relate to the duties and qualifications stated above. Applications/résumés quoting **file no. SLPC-P&R-1/03(6)** must be received by no later than **Friday, March 28, 2003** at **4:30 p.m. SEND TO:** Human Resources Division, The St. Lawrence Parks Commission, 13740 County Road No. 2, Morrisburg, Ontario, K0C 1X0, telephone (613) 543-3704, fax (613) 543-2847, e-mail Pierre.Pinet@parks.on.ca.

We thank all candidates for applying, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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UPPER CANADA VILLAGE
(11 KM EAST OF MORRISBURG)

SALES AND CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Merchandiser 2 – May to October (Seasonally Recurring) - 36.25 hours per week - $13.80 to $14.08 per hour
(Where candidates lack the full qualifications, an appointment may be made at a lower classification and salary level.)
file no. SLPC-UCV-1/03(4)

JOB DESCRIPTION: The Village Store, located at the entrance to Upper Canada Village and one of Eastern Ontario's largest gift shops open to the general public, offers a challenging opportunity for a motivated individual to be part of a strong sales team, providing program and product information, and excellent customer service to our visitors. Duties will include: selling merchandise and programs to the public; welcoming and greeting groups and individual visitors, clients and dignitaries; providing information to visitors on saleable products, programs, services, events, and other attractions; resolving routine customer complaints; soliciting and reporting feedback from visitors or clients as appropriate including product development ideas and suggesting new product lines where appropriate, maintaining and creating attractive store displays; restocking shelves and maintaining store inventory levels; keeping store and work place clean, organized, and appealing to visitors; operating point of sales terminals, handling cash, making change, processing charge sales by using auto authorization machines, processing discount sales; verifying floats daily; preparing and processing daily cash count sheet.

QUALIFICATIONS: Ability to sell merchandise, operate a network point of sale register, handle cash with a high degree of accuracy; ability to learn a large amount of information in a short period of time and impart it to the public or apply it in a team environment; communications skills to provide excellent customer/client service and provide information to the public; ability to work effectively during peak periods with sudden influx of customers; ability to work weekends, evenings, and holidays.

DOMESTIC WEAVER

Artisan 2 – mid-May to mid-October - approximately (Seasonally Recurring) - 36.25 hours per week - $18.63 to $19.46 per hour
(Where candidates lack the full qualifications, an appointment may be made at a lower classification and salary level.)
file no. SLPC-UCV-2/03(4)

JOB DESCRIPTION: To interpret textile production in a domestic setting in the mid-19th century by spinning, dyeing, weaving, and all related operations, reproduction of 19th century textile; to interpret Village life and features; to support Upper Canada Village programming and customer service initiatives; to act to ensure the safety of visitors and staff and to protect the resources of the site.

QUALIFICATIONS: Strong communications skills to communicate effectively with a large number of visitors; ability to study and learn the interpretative and historical informational material relating to the position; excellent and proven ability to perform tasks such as weaving and spinning; ability to perform duties such as preparing a warp and dressing the loom; understanding the social, economic, and political environment to a level typical of a domestic weaver of the 1860s.

INTERPRETER – COOK'S TAVERN LIVERY *(TWO POSITIONS)*

Artisan 1 – mid-May to mid-October - approximately (Seasonally Recurring) - 36.25 hours per week - $16.82 to $17.54 per hour
(Where candidates lack the full qualifications, an appointment may be made at a lower classification and salary level, rangng from Interpeter 2 [$13.62] to Interpreter 3 [$15.52].)
file no. SLPC-UCV-8/03(4)

JOB DESCRIPTION: To interpret and portray the life, work skills and activities of an 1860s tavern livery worker; to interpret and to participate in the operation of various transportation services; to act to ensure the safety of visitors and staff and to protect the resources of the site.

QUALIFICATIONS: Strong oral communication skills to communicate effectively with a large number of visitors; ability to interpret the work and lifestyle of a tavern livery worker in the 1860s; ability to study and learn the interpretive and historical informational material relating to the position; ability to perform tasks such as scything, milking cows by hand, ploughing, splitting wood, handling and feeding livestock in an 1860s historical manner; ability to set-up and maintain both historical and modern implements; understand the social, economic, and political environment to a level typical of a farmer/farm worker in the 1860s; excellent/proven horse driving skills in single, double and four-horse hitches to fulfil the safety requirements of the position is essential.

NOTE: *Candidates will be required to take a comprehensive horse related/driving practical test. Candidates must pass this test to the satisfaction of the Supervisor of Farms Unit and Domestic Interpretation in order to continue with the remainder of the interview.*

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS OFFICER

Museum Assistant 1 – mid-May to mid-October (Seasonally Recurring) - 36.25 hours per week - $16.69 to $18.67 per hour
(Where candidates lack the full qualifications, an appointment may be made at a lower classification and salary level.)
file no. SLPC-UCV-14/03(4)

JOB DESCRIPTION: Under the direction of the Senior Officer, Children's Programs, to coordinate and deliver the Live-In Adventure Program and the Children's Activity Centre; to assist with the research, planning, coordination and implementation of other children's programs at Upper Canada Village.

QUALIFICATIONS: Knowledge of the 1860s, methods of historical interpretation, and historical activities used to portray the ways of life during the period (i.e. military drill, open-hearth cooking, handwork, historical trades); ability to communicate effectively with children and adults, to greet and co-ordinate program participants; ability to interpret and demonstrate a range of historical activities and roles within the context of the children's programs; ability to perform program-related research and develop program activities; ability to perform a range of administrative and support tasks; ability to provide leadership and operate as an effective team member; valid first aid and CPR certificates; valid driver's licence.

In your application/résumé, please indicate specifically how your experience, skills and knowledge relate to the duties and qualifications stated above. Applications/résumés quoting either **file nos. SLPC-UCV-1/03(4)** or **SLPC-UCV-14/03(4)** must be received by Pierre Pinet or **file no. SLPC-UCV-2/03(4)** or **SLPC-UCV-8/03(4)** must be received by Lise Paauw no later than **Friday, March 28, 2003** at **4:30 p.m. SEND TO:** Human Resources Division, The St. Lawrence Parks Commission, 13740 County Road 2, Morrisburg, Ontario, K0C 1X0, telephone (613) 543-3704, fax (613) 543-2847, e-mail Pierre.Pinet@parks.on.ca or Lise.Paauw@parks.on.ca.

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COMING EVENTS

MORRISBURG GOLF CLUB
SENIOR MEMBERS & GUESTS
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"My Big Fat Greek Wedding" Tues., March 25, at 6 p.m. 11-12p

MORRISBURG & DISTRICT SKATING CLUB PRESENTS
"DE JA VIEW"
Sat., March 29, 7 p.m., Morrisburg Community Centre. 12-13c

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
The executive of the Morrisburg & District Minor Hockey Association encourages all parents of children currently or anticipating playing in the association, to attend the annual general meeting, to be held on Tues., March 25, at 7 p.m. sharp, at the McIntosh Inn. Come out and help make a great association even better for our kids! For more information contact John Hanson at 652-2618. 11-12c

VILLAGE ANTIQUES & TEA ROOM
As of April 6th The Village Antiques & Tea Room in Williamsburg returns to summer hours. Serving lunch and dinner Wednesday through Sunday. Phone 535-2463, for your reservation. 12-14c

WEEKLY BINGO

BINGO
Monday night bingo every week at Riverside Heights. Doors open at 6:15. Bingo starts at 7:30. Everyone welcome, 18 and over.

BINGO
Sponsored by Morrisburg Legion Branch 48 Ladies Auxiliary every Thursday, 7:30 p.m. in the Legion Hall. 20 x $30 games; 3 x $50 specials; 3 x 50/50 games; Bonanza pays 60%; Winner Take All. Jackpot $30 Cross Game, continued until full card for $300 - consolation $100. If 60 present Jackpot goes for $300.; 70 people - $400.; 80 people - $500.

COMING EVENTS

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
If you want to drink that's your business. If you want to stop, that's ours. Call AA, 543-3484 or 652-1414. ALANON–for families of alcoholics, 543-3484 or 652-1870. Meeting every Thursday, 8 p.m., Lakeshore United Church. 46tfc

VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY
Open - mixed volleyball tourney Sat., April 5, at Seaway District High School. Prizes and door prizes. All proceeds to grad bursary fund. Phone Gord 652-2458. 11-12c

SEAWAY VALLEY PHARMACY FREE SCREENING CLINICS
For cholesterol, glucose and blood pressure Thurs., Mar. 20, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. By appointment only, 543-2823. Free coffee and dietetic snacks. 11-12c

SANDERS MAPLE PRODUCTS & PANCAKE HOUSE
Hwy. 43, Finch, will be open daily starting March 1st through April 20th for the 2003 maple syrup season. 613-984-2368. 7-13c

SWIM LESSONS
Red Cross Program levels 1 to 12 at SanMar Pool - rural Williamsburg, 543-3350, evenings and weekends. 11-12p

SINGLES DANCE - CORNWALL
Every Sunday, 7:30–11:30 p.m., Jazz Magnolias Restaurant, 1541 Vincent Massey Dr., Cornwall. Casual attire, light lunch, coffee/tea, licensed LLBO. www.sundaysingles.com 12p

BRANCH 370'S 2ND ANNUAL CAR RALLY, DINNER & DANCE
Sat., March 29, Iroquois Legion, Branch 370. Rally $3; dinner $5; dance $7. Music by Shad's Disco, 6 p.m.–11 p.m. Registration 11 a.m.–1 p.m. 12-13c

YOGA CLASSES
At Allan Hall: Tues., 7:30–8:30 p.m., meditation, April 8–May 27; Thurs., 9:30–10:30 a.m., postures, April 10–May 29. Cost: $38 per session or $5 per class. Register: 543-4075. Instructor: Marni Marriott, certified Kripalu Yoga Instructor. 12-14p

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 48, MORRISBURG UPCOMING EVENTS
Sun., March 23, cribbage, 1:30 p.m.; Sun., March 30, euchre, 1:30 p.m. Wed., March 26, euchre tournament at 7 p.m. Entrance fee is $5 with all money returned as prizes. These tournaments are open to anyone. 12c

GOSPEL QUARTETTE CONCERT
To be held in Morrisburg, April 26, is sold out. 12p

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BR. 48, MORRISBURG PRESENTS THE JIMMY FLYNN SHOW
Popular comedy and musical star Thurs., April 3, at Matilda Hall, Dixon's Corners. Admission $20 per person. Doors open 6:00 p.m. Tickets available at Legion in Morrisburg and Iroquois and Whitteker's Meat Market in Williamsburg. Bus leaves Iroquois Legion 6:30 p.m., Morrisburg Legion 7 p.m. and Whitteker's 7:30 p.m. 12-14c

1000 ISLAND CHARITY CASINO
March 29, leaving Iroquois Mall, 10:30 a.m. Cost: $10 per person. Book your seat today, 652-2467 or 652-4332. 11-12c

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WANTED TO BUY–Used coin operated color photo machine, as in shopping malls, etc., to take your picture. Reasonably priced. Phone 347-3452. 11-12c

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CARD OF THANKS

McNAIRN–We wish to thank our families for the special evening and beautiful gifts to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary.
–Ivan and Alice McNairn 12p

MERKLEY–I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to my friends and family for their phone calls, cards and visits white I was a patient at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. An extra special thank you to the girls at Brister Insurance for contacting my daughter Laurie and taking such great care of me until the ambulance arrived. To the paramedics in taking me to the hospital and to Dr. Jacques and the nurses during my stay. Your acts of kindness will never be forgotten.
–Gerald Merkley 12p

BIRTHS

MONTROY–Allison Montroy wishes to announce the early arrival of her wee cousin, Alessia Elena weighing in at 4 lbs. 13 ounces at the Brantford General Hospital on March 1, 2003. Proud parents are Mike and Jennifer Montroy (Alessio). Ecstatic grandparents are Donna and Orio Alessio of Cornwall and Ursula and Raymond Montroy of Morrisburg. 12p

IN MEMORIAM

CHARLEBOIS–In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather, John, who passed away March 19, 1996.
As time goes on without you, John
And days turn into years,
They hold a million memories
And a thousand silent tears.
To us you were so special
What more is there to say
Except to wish with all our hearts
That you were here today.
–Sadly missed by your wife Marilyn, sons Kevin, Terry and families 12p

WOOLSEY–In loving memory of our dear mother and granny, Helen, who passed away March 20, 2002.
We are standing upon the water edge.
A ship at our side spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the blue ocean. She is an object of beauty and strength. We stand and watch her until at length she hangs like a speck of white cloud just where the water and sky come to mingle with each other.
People say, "She is gone!" "Gone where?" Gone from our sight only. She is just as large in mast and hull and spar as was when she left our side and she is just as able to bear her load of living freight to her destined port.
You are now our Angel at peace to guide and help us all continue to grow.
–Forever loved and always in our thoughts, Brian, Chantal, Shane and Matthew 12p

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED–Lifeguards, instructors for the summer swim program at the Iroquois Municipal Beach. Send resume and copies of your Red Cross Instructor and NLS certifications to: Iroquois Recreation Committee, Summer Swim Program, c/o V. Ryan, P.O. Box 237, Iroquois, ON K0E 1K0. 12-13p

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Work your own hours. Be your own boss. In March receive a free gift. Avon, 232-8585. 12c

HELP WANTED–Looking for bricklayer helper and learn to be a bricklayer or a bricklayer full-time, seasonal. Phone 535-2475 or 535-2079. Fax resume to 535-2475, days. 12tfc

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WORK WANTED–Fully licenced carpenter and cabinet maker. Large or small jobs. Home repairs. Furniture. Reasonable rates. Phone 613-543-3533. 46tfc

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FOR RENT–Ground floor commercial space in Winchester, over 1200 sq. ft, equipped with kitchen, bathroom, boardroom and full basement. Phone 774-5825, for more info. 10tfc

FOR RENT–Mini storage units (various sizes), commercial/industrial units and office space (long or short term lease). Contact Andy Bowers at Prospect Rentals, 613-543-3437, Morrisburg. 43tfc

FOR RENT–Luxury 1 bedroom apt. available Jan. 1, 543-3655. 51tfc

FOR RENT–One bedroom apartment in Ingleside. Phone 543-3604. 51tfc

FOR RENT–Commercial space available in Morrisburg. Phone 613-925-4270. 42tfc

FOR RENT–3 bedroom apt., $375 month plus utilities, references required. 2 bedroom apt., $350 month plus utilities, references required. Apply to Box 367, Morrisburg, Ontario K0C 1X0. 8tfc

APTS. FOR RENT–In Williamsburg, heat and hydro included. 1 and 2 bedroom, $500 and up. Large bachelor available May 1st, $435. First and last month required. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., 822-6635, or after 7 p.m., 535-2208. 12-17c

FOR RENT–Mobile home, Morrisburg Park, 1 bedroom and a small bedroom, porch, paved driveway, storage shed. $525 plus gas heat and hydro. Vacant. 774-3408. 12tfc

FOR RENT–Apartments, assorted sizes, in Morrisburg. Phone 543-3598, Thom Realty Ltd. 44tfc

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"Three crosses on a lonely hill.
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And, in between, the Son of God...
How wide the gulf-how wide!
Yet one thief spanned it with the words,
'Oh, Lord, remember me;'
The other scoffed and turned aside
To lost eternity.
Forsaken is the hilltop now.
And all three crosses gone.
But in the believing hearts of men
The center Cross lives on.
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First met earth's wondering view,
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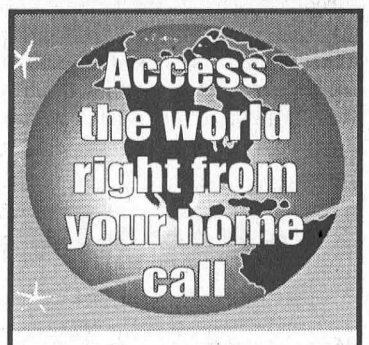

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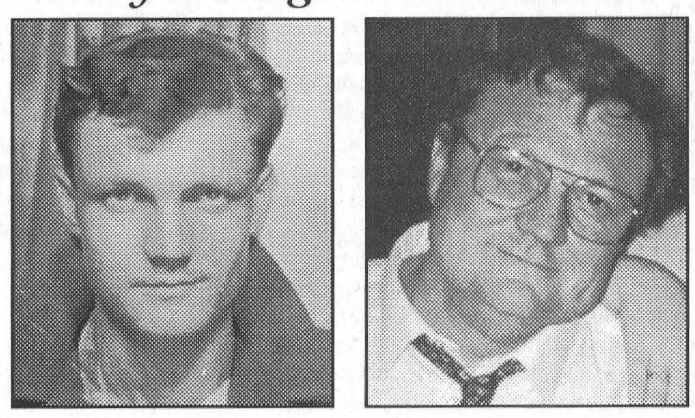

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REMINDER
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Lorna D. Seibert, A.M.C.T.
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OBITUARIES

Ramon Casselman

A lifetime resident of Williamsburg, Ramon Casselman, passed away at home on Tuesday, March 11. He was 76 years of age.

Born July 31, 1926, he was the son the of late Alfred "Keno" Casselman and the former Alice Empey.

On May 3, 1952, he married Barbara Hess, at Williamsburg United Church, who survives.

Ramon owned and operated Instant Water Wells for many years, and was an Honourary life member of the Williamsburg Fire Department, having been one of the original members of the Fire Department.

Ramon's love of the outdoors was an extremely important aspect of his life. Whether it be at the Rideau River, the Hoasic Creek, fishing and hunting at Lake Dumont, or just walking through the bush. But his love of his family and community were his number one priority.

Along with his wife, Barbara, he will be sadly missed by his daughters Karen Casselman of Ottawa and Pam (Doug) French of RR2 Williamsburg; by his sisters Norma (Bert) McIntosh of Williamsburg and Moyra Workman of Ault Island; by his grandchildren Cameron and Colin French, as well as by an aunt Hilda Shaver of Cornwall and several nieces and nephews.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Williamsburg on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. The funeral took place at the Williamsburg United Church on Friday, March 14, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Sandy Macpherson officiating.

Interment of cremated remains was held at Maple Ridge Cemetery, Chesterville.

Pallbearers were Gerry McPherson, Gerry Robinson, Carl Barkley and Rex Weegar.

Donations to the Lung Association or Winchester Hospital would be appreciated by the family.

Helen Irene Smith

A resident of the Dundas Manor Nursing Home, Winchester and formerly of Williamsburg Township, Helen Irene Smith, passed away at the Winchester Hospital on Wednesday, March 12. She was 94 years of age.

Born June 5, 1908, at Williamsburg Township, she was the daughter of the late Andrew Barkley and the former Annabel Hudson.

On September 2, 1939, she married Harold C. Smith at Ottawa, who predeceased her.

Helen taught school for over 35 years. She began teaching at Maple Ridge Public School and she eventually taught at several local schools including: Forward Road Public School, Boucks Hill Public School, Dunbar Public School, and Williamsburg Public School. The last 15 years of her career were spent at City View Public School in Ottawa.

She was born, raised and educated in Williamsburg Township and lived there until the late 1950's, when the family moved to Ottawa.

Helen lived in Ottawa until 1985 when she moved to the Park Drive Villa in Williamsburg and she has lived primarily in the Williamsburg area since that time. She was a member of the United Church of Canada and the Women's Institute.

Helen will be sadly missed by her children Gordon (Margaret) of RR1 Chesterville, Ralph (Barbara) of Osgoode, and Edie Beckstead of Ottawa; by her grandchildren Todd Beckstead, Steven, Jeffrey and Neil Smith, as well as by a sister-in-law Olive Barkley of Morrisburg, and by many nieces, nephews and Smith family sisters and brothers-in-law.

She was predeceased by brothers Edgerton and Reg Barkley, and twin sister Hilda McMartin-MacDermid.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Williamsburg on Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m., and Saturday from 1-2 p.m. The funeral took place at the funeral home, on Saturday, March 12, at 2 p.m., with Rev. Sandy Macpherson officiating.

Interment was at Maple Ridge Cemetery, Chesterville.

Pallbearers were Todd Beckstead, Steven Smith, Jeffrey Smith, Robert Barkley, Brian Barkley and Bob Scott.

Donations to Winchester Hospital or Williamsburg United Church would be appreciated by the family.

Raymond Alvin Roderick

A resident of South Mountain and formerly of Morrisburg, Raymond Alvin Roderick passed away at Winchester Hospital on Wednesday, March 12. He was 42 years of age.

Born October 10, 1960, at Winchester, he was the son of Raymond William Roderick and Carolyn (nee Casselman).

On April 9, 1977, he married Nancy Tremblay, who survives.

Along with his wife he will be sadly missed by his parents; by his son Shawn; by his grandchildren Ashley, Jordan and Travis Roderick; by his brothers and sisters Gerald, Teresa, Michael (Mary), Pat (Sandra), and Kimberly (Darryl Dizzatel); by his nieces and nephews Annette, Shannon, Christopher, Corey, Leeanne, Chris, Stephanie, Joshua, Kyle, Nathanal, Jamie, Matthew, Ryan and Justin; by his brother and sister-in-law Leonard (Lisa) Tremblay and Heather (Allan) Racine; and by his mother and father-in-law Donat and Ethel Tremblay.

Arrangements were entrusted to Byers Funeral Home.

Gift shop gives $15,000

WINCHESTER – Marj Phillips, coordinator of the WDMH Gift Shop, accompanied by Joyce Francis, shop treasurer and Elinor Jordan, buyer and shop volunteer, were pleased to hand over a whopping $15,000 cheque to Graham Barkley treasurer of the WDMH Auxiliary.

This is the second year that the shop has achieved this level of profitability. Marj Phillips explained, "This is really most impressive. We have reached the same level of success - $15,000 profit - as in 2001 and this past year we were closed for most of the month of December due to the gastroenteritis outbreak. We are very pleased."

The Gift Shop has been operating in one form or another by community volunteers since the hospital opened in 1948. The shop provides a range of items for patients, family members and staff ... from notions, magazines and candy to gift items for newborns, hand knitted sweaters, afghans, floral arrangements and much more.

Many of the attractive gift items in the shop come from shopping expeditions undertaken by Elinor Jordan and Auxiliary president, Joan Farlinger. Elinor said, "It is great fun. We hit the gift shows a couple of times each year. It is really a challenge deciding what to get. There are so many interesting gift items to choose from."

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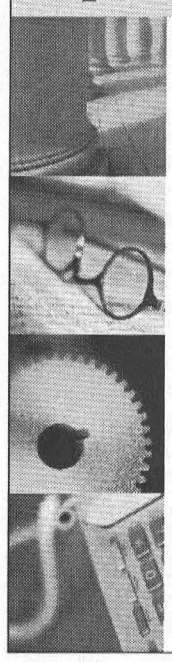

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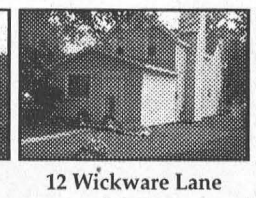
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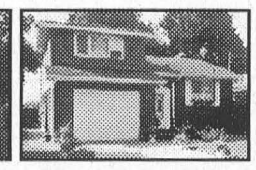
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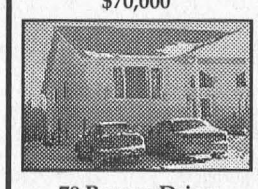
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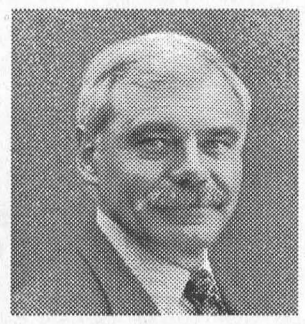

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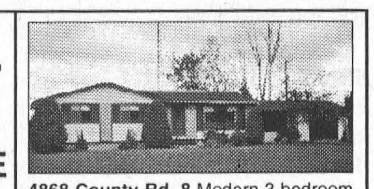
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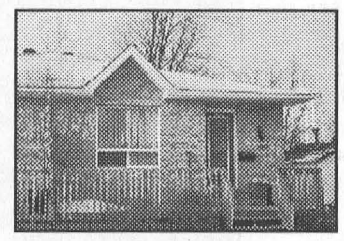
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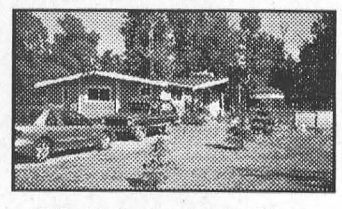
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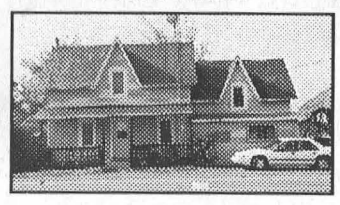
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Food Bank gets helping hand

MORRISBURG – The holiday tradition that brought joy to families during the holiday season, continued to brighten the lives of those living in Dundas County Monday, when the County Food Bank received a $1,000 donation.

Canadian Tire Associate Peter Oliver and The Foundation for Families Morrisburg Store Coordinator, Victoria Davidson presented the cheque to Dundas County Food Bank chair, Diana Pethick and Morrisburg location coordinator Marilyn Byers.

The money was raised through the Canadian Tire Foundation's Family Tree Program which runs during the Christmas holiday season at Canadian Tires Stores across Canada. Through this program $5 from the sale of every full size artificial tree is donated to the Foundation for Families to benefit local charities.

Canadian Tire Financial Services donated an additional $5 when tree purchases were made using a Canadian Tire card or Options MasterCard.

This year, The Family Tree program raised more than $730,000 to bring hands and hope to families in need in communities right across the country. The program is a national annual holiday fundraising initiative of the Canadian Tire Foundation for Families and has raised more than $3 million since the program began four years ago.

"For many families, decorating the holiday tree is a family tradition, and it's wonderful to be able to link this important tradition to helping families who may be facing difficult circumstances," said Oliver. "Thanks to the generosity of our customers and our Foundation for Families, the Family Tree program has enabled us to help our partners at the Dundas County Food Bank continue to make a difference in the lives of those in need in our community."

The mission of the Canadian Tire Foundation is to provide a helping hand to families in need, ensuring that life's basic needs are met – food, shelter, clothing and essential goods.

Pethick and Byers were most appreciative of the $1,000 donation. Pethick pointed out that after the Christmas holiday, there is a big drop in both food and financial donations to the Food Bank.

"This is a very nice donation," said Pethick.

Davidson explained the majority of the $1,000 came from the sales of trees and the remainder was collected through cash box donations.

"There is no money coming in now and the food donations have really dropped off, so this is wonderful," said Pethick.



Big Gift from Under the Christmas Trees

A little Christmas Cheer was dispensed at the Canadian Tire Store in Morrisburg on Monday when a $1,000 donation was made to the Dundas County Food Bank through the fourth annual Canadian Tire Foundation for Families' Family Tree program. Above, Canadian Tire Association Dealer, Peter Oliver and Foundation for Families Store Coordinator, Victoria Davidson present the $1,000 cheque to Dundas County Food Bank representatives, chair Diana Pethick (far left), and Morrisburg location coordinator Marilyn Byers (far right).

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