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Council to butt out of smoking ban

by **Gerrit Bosma**
Press staff

WILLIAMSBURG — After months of debate and analysis, the South Dundas smoking committee recommended council remain status quo on the public smoking issue. Council agreed.

At the regular meeting in council chambers on April 24, South Dundas council voted unanimously to retain the status quo of no municipal smoking ban in public places. The six-person committee formed in January voted 4-2 in favor of the decision. The committee included three smokers and three non-smokers.

Committee chairperson Herm Hansen delivered the extensive report to council, and most members of the group were in attendance. Besides Hansen, the committee consisted of Fred Guse (Matilda), Ann Leal (Williamsburg), Judy Wemerman (Morrisburg), Sandra Bailey (Morrisburg) and Keith Clingen (Eastern Ontario Health Unit).

The report found that 32 of the businesses contacted wished to continue allowing the owner/membership decide the smoking policy, as it relates to their clientele. These statistics included five organizations, three of which were restaurants that had non-smoking policies. Of the total 39 businesses to which the tobacco control act doesn't apply, three are national chains with no-smoking policies and four were not able to be contacted.

Statistics from the EOHU stated that it's estimated cigarette smoking is responsible for more than 250 deaths per year in the five eastern Ontario counties. Second-hand smoke (SHS) contains more than 40,000 chemicals, 50 of which are cancer related. Due to this, health costs in the United Counties related to smoking are estimated at \$18.5 million a year.

On the flip side of the argument, the report also found the three local Legions allow smoking, but also donate over \$80,000 to charitable endeavors, most of which goes into the South Dundas community. The majority of the committee members also felt that public smoking legislation should be left in the provincial government's hands.

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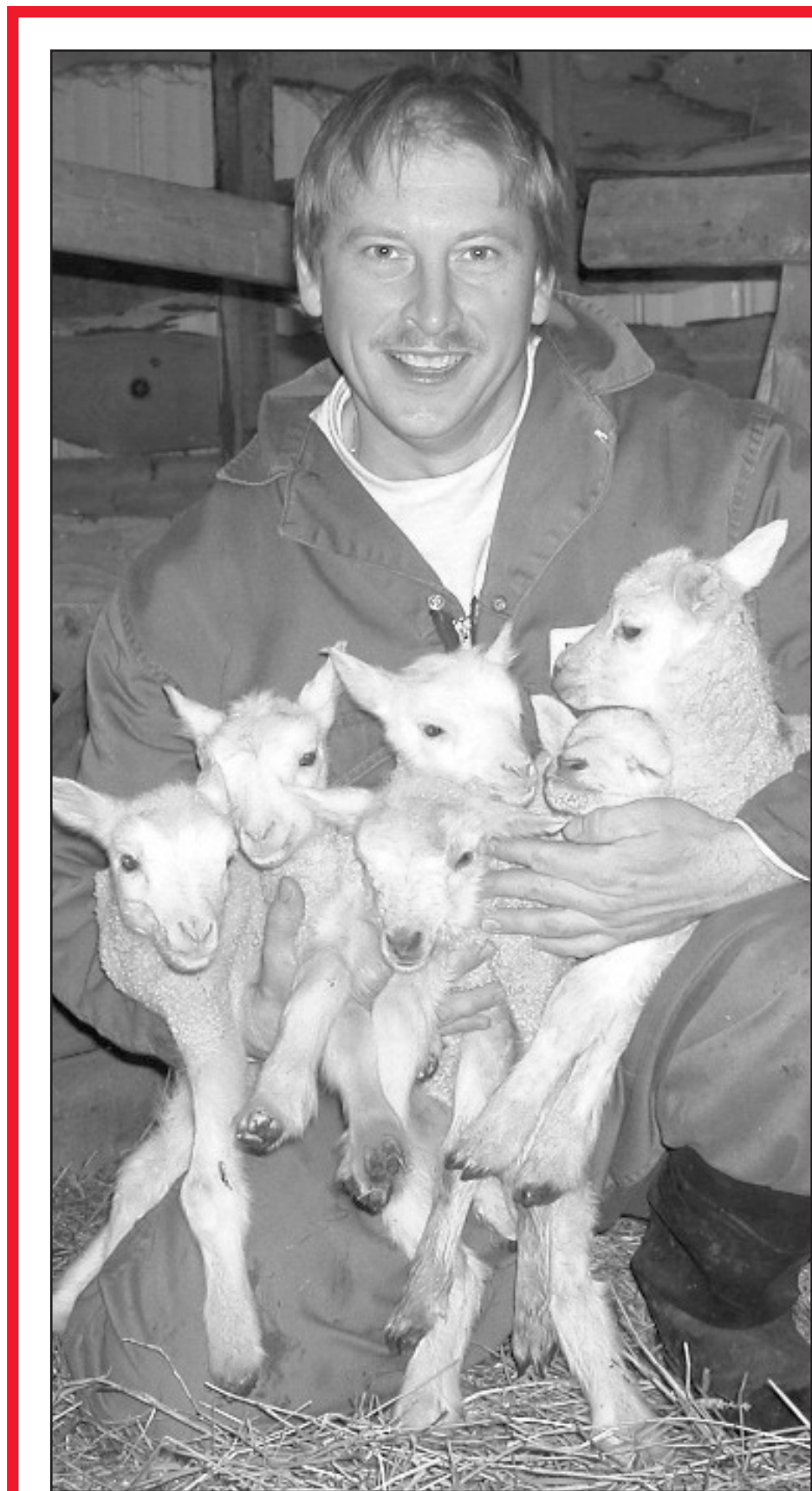
Premier calls S-D-C winnable for Tories

by **Gerrit Bosma**
Press staff

MORRISBURG — There is reason to believe campaigning has begun in Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburg (S-D-C) for the next provincial election — whenever that may be.

This past Monday morning, April 28, at the McIntosh Inn in Morrisburg, provincial Tory Energy Minister John Baird spoke about the importance of the riding. He also stressed the involvement of local PC candidate Todd Lalonde, and the Cornwall native's strength lending another voice representing eastern Ontario.

"Todd Lalonde is an excellent candidate and it is a real pleasure to be here with him in the Stormont, Dundas and Charlottenburg



Six-pack

Winchester sheep farmer Greg Stubbings had two ewes deliver litters of six over the Easter weekend. His Rideau Arcott flock is demonstrating an incredible fertility rate. Stubbings and his wife Anita Gilmer raise sheep in a hobby operation west of the village. See story on page 14.

Press Photo — Zabel

ND forces overhaul of Official Plan

by **Chris Zabel**
Press staff

CORNWALL — A North Dundas motion to stop work on the SD&G counties Official Plan (OP) was tabled following debate at the April 21 meeting of counties council. Although three additional township councils had previously supported the controversial motion, that support had dissipated by the time of the counties council meeting.

"We've got everybody aroused now," said Cousineau, looking back on the benefits of North Dundas having generated debate on how the OP is being put together. After three years of work, \$153,000 has been spent bringing the OP to a second draft.

The resolution passed by North Dundas council on April 7 requested that counties council stop work on the OP for the United Counties. The alternative plan recommended in the document was that the current draft of the OP be used as a model for the six townships to adopt local official plans. The

North Dundas resolution was circulated to the other five townships in SD&G, and it was supported in South Dundas, North Stormont and South Stormont.

Cousineau said that North Dundas is the only township affected by the plan that has held meetings to discuss it. He said the attention of township planner Calvin Pol helped draw council to question how the OP document is being generated. "He red-flagged some stuff for us, and we've pointed these things out to the other townships," said Cousineau.

Among the main problems North Dundas council has with the OP is that it's too long. Still years away from completion, the second draft is 130 pages long. Cousineau said the document is full of "fluff" and is repetitious. "You have to be a Philadelphia lawyer to figure it out," he said.

The mayor stressed that the OP should be a user friendly document that will be accessible to property owners and builders with questions over zonings and municipal codes.

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Sludge spreading creates mess

by **Chris Zabel**
Press staff

WINCHESTER — North Dundas councillor Estella Rose was cautioned at Monday's (April 28) council meeting for taking her opposition to biosolids spreading in the township too far. "I take great exception to members of council trying to influence staff," said mayor Claude Cousineau.

Rose was accused of contacting the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) office in Chesterville, and asking staff to re-examine a decision made by council on how to dispose of township sludge.

At its April 14 meeting, council decided that sludge removed from the lagoons in Winchester and Chesterville would be spread on farm land. The \$24,000 cost for the spreading was included in the 2003 budget.

At the time, Rose insisted that spreading human waste is a health risk. Her alternative was to have the sludge disposed of at the Lafleche landfill site in North Stormont.

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Support pledged

Executive members of Royal Canadian Legion Winchester Branch 108 met Monday night (April 28) with Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation chairman Dwayne Holmes to pledge \$25,000 to the Renewing the Vision Campaign. President Tom Beck reported the pledge is a portion of \$83,000 Branch 108 has donated to community projects over the last 12 months. Front (left): Bev Ibbetson, Dawna Hoy, Christine Mercier, Dawn Korteweg, Bev Beck. Back (left): Tom Beck, Duncan Levere, Jim Ibbetson, Roger Francis, Vince Morrow, Jack Yourt, Dwayne Holmes. Missing Buck Cairncross. Press Photo — Van Bridger

This week in the Press

The NDDHS production of *Fiddler on the Roof* opens today (April 30) and will run through Sunday.

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The North Dundas Devils wrestled a pair of rugby victories away from the Smiths Falls Redmen.

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Village Vision total announced tonight
The total raised for the Renewing the Vision Campaign during the door-to-door drive in Winchester will be announced tonight at 7:30 pm (Wed., April 30). WDMH with honor its volunteers at the Winchester Lions Hall. The door-to-door campaign began last fall. All volunteers will be awarded certificates of appreciation.

Check out the district's most widely read community newspaper at www.winchesterpress.on.ca

Continued from the front page...

Official Plan

North Dundas council has also expressed concern that final approval of all zoning issues will be made in Cornwall, not at the local level. The townships will still have public meetings on zoning issues, but the upper tier will be added as an additional level of government approval. Cousineau also stressed that there is no guarantee that counties council will always approve the decisions of township councils. "They say they wouldn't go against local councils, but it wouldn't be the first time," he said.

By coming forward with a request to scrap the current OP process, North Dundas has succeeded in interesting its neighboring townships in taking a more active role in its development. On May 5, a three-day series of meetings will begin in Cornwall with consultant Glenn Tunnock who has been assembling the OP.

"Basically, we're going to meet with the consultant directly, and see if he'll take direction or not," said Cousineau. The mayor said he sees the problems with the OP as having developed when there was no system put in place for townships to offer input on the document.

All six townships will be sending their clerks and planners to the meetings in Cornwall. All interested councillors are free to attend, although Cousineau said most councils will only have their counties representatives involved. Councillor Roger Cole is the other North Dundas representative at the upper tier.

"We're going to go line by line and page by page through the draft," said Cousineau. He said marathon meetings would continue through May 7.

The North Dundas motion to stop work on the OP will again be introduced at counties council on May 26, at which time a vote could break the document into individual plans for each township.

Sludge

The estimated cost of disposal at a landfill was estimated at the time as being \$55,000. In a recorded vote, Rose and councillor Gail Parker were the only members of council to vote against the plan to spread the sludge.

At Monday night's meeting, township clerk Howard Smith said that OCWA had reported to the township office that Rose had phoned and instructed them to contact the Lafleche landfill to get another estimate on tipping sludge. He said when OCWA staff contacted him, they didn't know what to do.

Rose defended herself, explaining that she was not telling OCWA staff what to do. "I was just updating them that the prices were negotiable," she said. Rose insisted that she had simply passed along information when she contacted the OCWA office, which she said is part of her job as a councillor.

The sludge in question is material accumulated in the Winchester and Chesterville lagoons. OCWA manager Blair Henderson said 20 per cent of the sludge in each of the lagoons will be removed over the next year,

amounting to roughly 400,000 cubic metres from each site. The last time this was done was 15 years ago.

Henderson said the routine maintenance will be accomplished by draining single cells of the lagoons at a time, letting the sludge dry, and then removing it with a bulldozer.

At the April 14 meeting when council decided to proceed with the cheaper spreading option, Rose furthered her objections by distributing a four-page document, listing many of the pathogens which can be present in sewage sludge. Before the vote to determine the fate of township sludge, Rose asked council to consider the hazards her document described.

Cousineau told Rose she wasn't speaking to the resolution before council, which was how to dispose of the waste in question. He also said that because Rose's documents didn't include documentation of where they came from, they couldn't be trusted as sources of information. He said that he could easily produce material that would describe the benefits of sludge spreading. "I've told you time and time again, farmers love this stuff," he added.

At Monday night's meeting, Rose continued the debate. Before the minutes from the previous meeting were adopted, she objected to implications two weeks before that her information was more or less fictitious. "I do have a copy of the documentation I presented at the last meeting," she said, and produced a study on the pathogen content of treated sludge and biosolids, prepared by the Department of Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Ottawa.

Rose said she's been working with a group called Ottawa Citizens Against Pollution by Sewage. "We are going to be heard, and I hope to live to see the day that happens," she said. Support came from a member of the audience who stood up and asked to speak, and was allowed to do so although he wasn't on the agenda. "I just would like to ask the councillors if they would take the time to read what Rose presented," said the citizen.

South Dundas

They also believe township would experience a harsh impact if a smoking ban was implemented, as an adult population of 8,000 isn't large enough to replace any loss in business.

Both Wemerman and Clingen felt the question was more primarily a health issue. They had previously outlined the adverse effects of SHS, and were backed by a presentation by EOHU chief medical health officer Dr. Robert Boudreau to council on April 24.

Boudreau attempted to make a link between the move toward pasteurized milk due to high morality rates in the area, and the banning of smoking in public places. He also stressed the debate is a health issue, not an economic one. Hansen said he found council's decision to allow Boudreau to speak after an earlier presentation at a public meeting "offensive."

Guse, the only non-smoker in favor of remaining status quo, confessed that in the debate it was difficult for him to commit to either side. While Guse acknowledged the dan-



Breakfast meeting

John Baird, Ontario minister of energy, speaks with reporters during a brief press conference following an S-D-C PC Riding Association breakfast engagement, as area candidate Todd Lalonde looks on, on Monday, April 28, at the McIntosh Inn.

gers of second-hand smoke, he was concerned with possible substantial negative impacts on the area Legions. He mentioned their extensive charitable work and the fact many veterans had been given cigarettes and forced into the habit to calm their nerves during wars.

A questionnaire on the issue was distributed in the township tax mail outs and produced 1,345 replies, with 57 per cent (777) favoring a smoking ban bylaw and 43 per cent (568) against one. Hansen warned that at least 30 known ballots were duplicates and the survey can't be considered completely accurate. A petition submitted from the Morrisburg Legion was signed by 300 individuals from the Morrisburg, Iroquois and Williamsburg branches against any municipal bylaw.

After the presentations, council had time to openly discuss the issue. Deputy-mayor Cam Martel said there were "compelling arguments on both sides."

"It is the responsibility of the municipality to protect people's right to a healthy environment," Martel said. "On the other side, we must protect the rights of the individual landowner and operator in the municipality. Where do you go with this? Before, I was 100 per cent no. (no bylaw) Now it is more like 40 per cent."

Mayor Johnny Whitteker made his view on the topic blatantly clear.

"This is a health issue," he said. "I don't think the province has enough guts to deal with it."

Whitteker also congratulated the entire committee for its thorough report and the information it provided council.

Tories

Baird also touched on the Tories' make-work program and on giving unemployed Ontarians a "hand-up not a hand out," as well as the vital importance of using tax payers' dollars more efficiently to support the health care and education systems.

During a brief press conference afterwards, Baird spoke to growing concerns over the province's energy reserves and possible summer brownouts or even blackouts.

"We had a really hot summer and really cold winter this past year and set records for energy demand," Baird said. "We're hoping for more stable weather patterns."

Counting on the weather may not be the safest bet, but Baird said Ontario residents should be assured there will be enough energy "in the tank" this summer to prevent brownouts. The Nepean MPP also mentioned the increased power supply from new nuclear and hydro energy such as the Bruce Nuclear Power Plant providing 1,500 megawatts of energy.

Blood donor clinic Monday

WINCHESTER — Canadian Blood Services will be holding a blood donor clinic next Monday (May 5). The clinic will be in the gym at Winchester Public School from 2 to 8 pm.

The target for the clinic is to attract 222 donors. For eligibility information or to book an appointment, call 1-888-236-6283.

No reason for alarm

SARS precautionary measures continue at Winchester hospital

by Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

WINCHESTER — While SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome) is splashed across the front page news in Ontario, besides continuous precautionary measures, all is relatively normal at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Lynn Wilson, WDMH community relations coordinator says there is no reason for alarm in Eastern Ontario, though screening of volunteers, visitors, staff and patients still exists within the local hospital.

Volunteers and visitors are continuing to be allowed in the hospital, under restrictions concerning the SARS outbreak in Ontario. Volunteers will also resume work, using the staff door only and go through SARS screening tests, which include a series of questions on possible symptoms and temperature readings if warranted.

Wilson said any individuals who have travelled to Toronto and been vigilant with avoiding SARS, have

no reason to panic. "Washing your hands is most important," she stressed.

A maximum of two immediate family members per patient are permitted at one time during the hours of 2-4 pm and 7-9 pm. Exceptions to these restrictions remain for compassionate grounds. Visitors to the hospital must enter via the admitting/outpatients entrance, and pass the SARS screening test. They are also required to wash their hands with sanitizer in advance of visiting patients.

Wilson said there is much to be learned about SARS and the extent of its transmission. While similar to the common cold, symptoms and the degree of illness, is vastly diverse.

Anyone experiencing possible symptoms of SARS, which include a fever at or above 38 degrees, general muscular aches, persistent headache, respiratory difficulties and a dry cough, can call Telehealth at 1-866-797-0000. Members of the public who need SARS information should call the Health Infoline at 1-888-668-4636.



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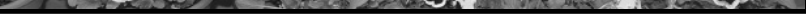
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Entertained

The CountryGirl buyers were royally entertained by French Dressing Clothiers at the annual OFE's Divas and Oscars in Toronto in March. Attending were: (front, left) retiring owners Joel and Rhonda Steele. Back: (left) Lisa Martin - manager Country Attic, Lynn Durant - new owner, Tammy Redmond - CountryGirl manager.

CountryBoy retiring, store will remain open

WINCHESTER — For 31 years the CountryBoy/CountryGirl Shop has been a cornerstone of Winchester's business community.

Owners Joel and Rhonda Steele have not only watched the business prosper but they have thrown their energies behind many activities in the village. They have offered their support to many organizations and special events, including Winchester's Hawks Junior "B" Hockey Club, Country Christmas Parade of Lights, Dairyfest and most recently, the Winchester District Memorial Hospital's Renewing the Vision Campaign.

Joel Steele and the CountryBoy Shop have been one of Winchester's biggest boosters.

In 10 days, Joel and Rhonda Steele will turn in the keys to the front doors at 494 Main Street and begin retirement.

But the former North Dundas District High School teacher insists little will change at the CountryBoy once he leaves.

"We will be handing over the keys on Mother's Day weekend. The store is staying open and all of the staff is

staying on the job," explained Steele.

Steele is confident the new ownership will follow in the CountryBoy tradition of supporting the local community because one of the new owners is a former employee.

Lynn Durant (formerly Kelly) and her husband Keith Durant are the new proprietors. Lynn, 37, was employed by the Country Boy for seven years before leaving 11 years ago to begin raising her family.

Keith, 41, and the Durants have farmed on the Boyne Road since the mid-1800s. He noted that his great-great-grandfather settled the Boyne Road by walking to the present day site from Chesterville in 1862 to stake out the land.

The Durants have three children — Courtney, 12; Evan, 9; and Justin, 7 — who attend Chesterville Public School. Both parents have been very active serving with the Dundas Federation of Agriculture, the Chesterville Public School committee, Dundas Dairy Herd Improvement Association, Dundas Farm Safety and the Chesterville Fair Board.

At the present time, the Durants are milking 46 cows on their 350-

acre dairy operation and are planning to combine both businesses.

"We didn't cut all of the connections with the farm. Who knows, maybe the boys will want to take over some day. The farm has been good to us and hopefully the CountryBoy will also be successful," said Durant.

"Basically, things won't change. Lynn and Keith are local and very involved in the community. They will remain community-minded. They are also going to stress Canadian-made merchandise. Rhonda and I are happy to see someone local, who cares, take over the business. Had the store closed, it would have left a pretty big hole in our small community," explained Steele.

In spite of losing over 60 years of experience with the departure of the Steeles, there will still be 69 years of experience remaining to serve the public. Dan Lecours has been with CountryBoy for 26 years; Linda Thompson; 14 years; Tammy Redmond, 10 years; Lisa Martin, eight; Lynn Durant, seven; Gini Burri, four years; Brenda Moran and Debbie Caselman will also remain with the team.

Steele reports he was very impressed by the reception he and his staff received at the clothing industry's gala OFE Dinner, Divas and Oscars in Toronto on March 23. "Everyone was so nice to us. It is the biggest ladies clothing show in Canada and they treated us like royalty."

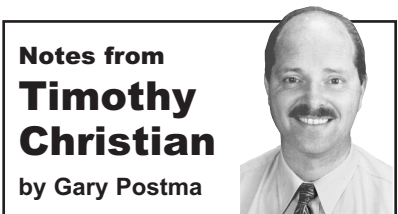
He also reported Lynn Durant won a \$1,000 prize at the fundraiser.

HELP WDMH

Tagged as The Country Tradition Continues, the Steele family is inviting everyone to come and meet the new CountryGirl and CountryBoy on Sat., May 10.

There will be free flowers for the first 200 ladies, starting at 10 am on Saturday morning. There will also be a benefit beef and ham on a bun barbecue to support the WDMH Renewing the Vision Campaign (11:30 am - 1:30 pm). Three days of Mother's Day shopping (May 8 - 10) will feature Country Bucks. Shoppers will receive \$25 bonus bucks with every \$100 purchase.

"Hopefully, we can raise some money for the hospital and the new owners," stated Steele.



**Notes from
Timothy
Christian**
by Gary Postma

Students entertain their grandparents

WILLIAMSBURG — "Become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe." Philipp. 2:15.

As I write this, we're just beginning our Christian Education Week at Timothy Christian School. The theme this year is Shine Like Stars. TCS works along with families and churches to build strong children, children who are able to discern right from wrong, children who are able to stand up for God, children who are equipped to shine like stars!

We began our Christian Education Week (CEW) with a very well attended Grandparents' Morning. We had a special assembly for them, asked them into our classrooms and then provided them with a lunch. It was a great time.

Throughout CEW there are special activities. From a staff vs. Grade 7 volleyball game to a movie to a fun fair, the week is loaded with neat activities — activities that will also raise money for the Ontario Alliance of Christian Schools of which TCS is a 40-year member. The OACS uses the money that comes in from the 75 member schools to produce quality, Christian, Canadian curriculum materials.

This year's CEW concludes on Sunday night (May 4) with an ecumenical church service at the Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church. The service, beginning at 7 pm, is open to all and will feature a lot of students singing, dancing and reading. This week is also our school's annual drive week. The finance committee is hoping to raise \$35,000.

Plans to upgrade our playground are really taking shape now. A little over \$7,200 was collected for the project and a number of parent volunteers will be getting to work on some improvement projects soon. Organizers are hoping that all of the playground work will be completed by June 28, the date we officially celebrate our 40th anniversary!

Our website has also underwent a nice upgrading. Check us out at tcswilliamsburg.ca.

Marathon bridge party closes season

WINCHESTER — The closing marathon bridge party sponsored by the Winchester Curling Club was held in the club lounge on April 23. After an evening of bridge, prizes were presented to Orman Savage as high score for the men, and to Bev Welk as high for the ladies. The door prize was won by Anne Marie Smith.

Prizes for the men's marathon bridge were presented to Mac MacGregor and Bud Craik for the highest score, and to Bill Appleby and Wayne Irvan as runners-up. In the mixed marathon bridge, Marj and Doug Phillips were the winners and Marg and Ed Boyd were the runners-up. The ladies marathon had two sides. Side one was won by Marg Boyd and Micheline Cayer, and Marion Droppo and Muriel Milne were the runners-up. On side two, Marg Boyd and Sybil Curtis were the winners and the runners-up were Marj Phillips and Bev MacMartin.

A delicious lunch was served at the end of the evening by the committee. The committee thanked the people for participating and hoped they would continue. If anyone is interested in joining the men's, ladies or mixed bridge, contact Sybil Curtis at 774-2144.

Police blotter

Teen faces serious charges

MORRISBURG — As a result of an investigation by members of the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry OPP into a report of an altercation on Fifth Street in the Village of Morrisburg on April 24, one person is facing criminal charges.

Charges of uttering threats, obstruct/resist police, assault with a weapon, and failing to comply with a disposition (two counts related to keep the peace, and alcohol conditions) are pending against a 15-year-old Morrisburg male, who has been held in custody since his arrest on April 25, and made an appeal in court in the City of Cornwall on April 25 for the purposes of a bail hearing.

Morrisburg home victim of B&E

MORRISBURG — Police began an investigation into a break and enter, which occurred in the Village of Morrisburg on April 23.

Between the hours of 11:30 am and 12:45 pm, an entry into a Farlinger Drive home resulted in the theft of a Playstation 2 unit, along with games. Const. J. Moores is investigating this incident.

Police seeking help in hit and run

SOUTH DUNDAS — The Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry OPP were called to the scene of a motor vehicle collision, which occurred along County Road 2 in South Dundas Township, approximately one kilometre east of County Road 8.

At approximately 12:20 pm on April 13, a 1995 Dodge Caravan, green in color, had been eastbound and had been preparing to make a left turn at Riverside Drive when it was struck in the right rear corner by a dark grey two-tone Oldsmobile Cutlass. During the time the police were being contacted, the driver of the Cutlass left the scene and has not been located. The driver of the vehicle is described as a middle-aged male, medium build, with brown/grey hair.

The investigation is being co-ordinated by Const. L. Morris and anyone with information in relation to this vehicle or driver is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Booze and cash stolen from eatery

HALLVILLE — Police attended the scene of a break and enter which occurred at a commercial property in Hallville on April 25.

Overnight, a forced entry into The Vinaigrette an Eatery resulted in the theft of alcohol products and a small quantity of cash.

Approximately \$650 in damages were sustained to the building during the theft.

The investigation by Sr. Const. M. Burton is continuing.

Vandalism occurs across county

DUNDAS COUNTY — In the past week police were called to three incidents of vandalism which had occurred in Dundas County.

On April 22, railings outside a Winchester apartment building had sustained damage as a result of persons skateboarding on the rail during the previous weekend.

The same day, damage was sustained to the exterior of the Winchester Public School when graffiti had been written on the walls and windows, and the glass of an outside door was smashed.

On April 24, a private residence in the Winchester Springs area was the site of vandalism when a fire extinguisher was emptied on the property, resulting in damage to a lawn ornament.

Anyone with information in relation to this is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.



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Dundas County ideal for a farmers' market

Up until the middle of the last century, farmers' markets were a staple source of food for families. Then they nearly died out with the development of the modern grocery store. Today shoppers in Ontario are looking for an alternative to the big box store. The modern shopper is looking for freshness and friendliness, two features a farmers' market can deliver.

Most of the produce available at a farmers' market has been picked within 24 hours of its arrival at the market booth, and much will have been harvested that morning. Another benefit is that the person selling the food also grew the food, and lives within a short drive of the local consumer.

A "farmers' market movement" has been identified in Ontario, one that is still growing. In 1989 there were 60 farmers' markets spread out across the province. Today there are approximately 130. Farmers' Markets Ontario (FMO) was established in 1991 to provide step-by-step advice to small groups organizing new farmers' markets. FMO remains funded by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food. After more than doubling the number of farmers' markets in the province over the past 12 years, the Ontario program is recognized as probably the best in North America.

"There will be a farmers' market in Chesterville," said FMO's enthusiastic executive-director at the Chesterville Legion last Thursday (April 24). Although he was speaking to a small group, he's organized 80 farmers' markets, and was completely sincere in believing that Dundas County could easily have its own local produce for sale to the public every Saturday morning.

FMO has had great success leading small groups of interested market vendors through a step-by-step process of starting a market. The potential assistance of the FMO was attracted to Dundas by Chesterville Fair board director Shaun Funk. A non-farmer, Funk has lived in Chesterville for five years and works for Canadian Forces. He has a vision of a local farmers' market, possibly located in the exhibition building at the Chesterville

Fairgrounds. He'd also like to sell pickles and bottles of his own barbecue sauce recipe.

The market needs at least 12 vendors who will commit to the May to September season, with the market open Saturdays from 8 am to 12 noon. Funk has already secured commitments from some vendors. Following the light turnout at last week's meeting, the core group is now on a recruiting drive.

Farmers' markets have grown into large businesses across the province. A study by the University of Guelph estimates that \$500 million in products are bought at farmers' markets in Ontario each year. With roughly 750,000 people in the province shopping at these markets, many municipalities have invested in malls to house them. Chorney mentioned that the Byward Market in Ottawa will benefit from \$130,000 in city funding this year to purchase new canvases for the stalls. If the current group of organizers in Chesterville can attract enough interest to get a local market off the ground, FMO will also be of assistance in accessing grants.

The University of Guelph study also identified that 93 per cent of market shoppers come for the fresh produce. Shoppers want fresh asparagus, beets, cauliflower, peppers, eggplant, leeks, tomatoes, rutabaga, spinach, radishes, radicchio and potatoes, as well as muskmelon, peaches, plums, strawberries, blueberries, cherries and crabapples.

In his presentation in Chesterville, Chorney also pointed out a frequent grammatical error made on market signs. The apostrophe after the "s" in "farmers' market" is important because the whole point of the market is that the farmer is selling directly to the consumer. Most markets stipulate that vendors can only sell what they grow or produce themselves. There are plenty of food producers in Dundas County, and lots of people who would love to be buying directly and eating what they grow.

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More efficient sheep

Over the Easter weekend, Winchester sheep farmer Greg Stubbings was thoroughly surprised at the number of lambs his herd of Rideau Arcott ewes was producing. His hobby operation on the Holmes Road, not far west of Winchester, keeps 82 ewes. Among the third of the flock that had lambed, the five top producers had given birth to a total of 23. And he had two mothers deliver litters of six, which is virtually unheard of.

Stubbings is modest describing the reasons behind this amazing reproduction rate.

"To my mind, it's all genetics, and a small amount of management," he said. He attributes the bulk of his success to the Rideau Arcott

variety, developed over 20 years of research by Agriculture and Agri-foods Canada. Development of the breed began in 1966, when Agriculture Canada's Animal Research Centre in Ottawa began selecting fertility characteristics from its mixed flock of Shropshire and Suffolk sheep. The results are evident today on the Stubbings farm.

From a ewe producing six lambs, the average weight will be two to three pounds, compared to an average of 10 to 12 pounds in the case of a single birth. What's miraculous is that quadruplets, quintuplets and sextuplets from Rideau Arcotts will all finish and be ready for sale at the same rate as the single births from traditional breeds.

The genetic mix of the Rideau Arcott is 40 per cent Finnish Landrace, 20 per cent Suffolk, 14 per cent East Friesian, nine per cent Shropshire, and eight per cent Dorset horn. The remaining nine per cent consists of Border Leicester, North Country Cheviot, Romnelet and Corriedale. They grow rapidly. The Rideau Arcott is an excellent producer even in an accelerated cycle where they are lambing every eight months. Although primarily a meat breed, their wool is of medium quality.

The Rideau has been the most successful of three Arcott breeds developed entirely in Canada by the federal Ministry of Agriculture. The Canadian Arcott is a short and thick breed, producing a meaty carcass with good meat-to-bone ratio. And the Outaouais Arcott is well adapted to carrying larger litters of good sized lambs without losing condition. In 1986, the Canadian Sheep Breeders Association recognized the Rideau Arcott commercially.

The benefits of the Rideau Arcott breed are evident in the Stubbings barn. While the day-old lambs are light as feathers, they are curious and speedy as they should be. Lambs can be seen displaying their propensity for gleeful leaping, bouncing as though on springs for no other reason than they're happy and healthy. The Rideau Arcott shows the potential of Canadian agricultural research, and is a prime example of what can be achieved through biotechnology development.

Modern livestock production has achieved remarkable results without the use of genome technology to alter DNA, or the use of cloning. Traditional methods of trait selection have produced a sheep breed adapted to Ontario, which out-produces other breeds. The fertility of the Rideau Arcott demonstrates how efficient modern agriculture can be.

Last week, the regular commentary distributed by the Ontario Federation of Agriculture focused on the efficiency of farms in Ontario. A study by the University of Guelph shows, for example, that in 1991, dairy farmers in the province produced 2.9 per cent more milk using 849,000 fewer animals and 573,000 fewer hectares of land than were used 40 years earlier. Similar advances have been made in the production of chicken meat and eggs.

There is no question that research in agriculture has made the industry more efficient. The federal Agricultural Policy Framework encourages Canadian farmers to specialize their operations to supply the needs of biotechnology, and yet in Ontario, funding to OMAF as well as agricultural schools including the University of Guelph has continued to shrink since the mid-'90s.

Ontario advertises itself as "Foodland," and the name is accurate. As with sheep farming, all producer groups continue to build their yields. To maintain Canada's position beside international competitors in premium agriculture, two things are required: government support for research and a public in the province willing to accept advancements in their food production system.

Winchester, Canada

by Chris Zabel



1923

With a provincial election approaching, the race between the three parties in Ontario was too close to call. Strife and division had hurt all factions and voters in Dundas County were confused. There were no clear numbers showing support for any part in Dundas and conventions were expected to be full of enthusiasm and include a lively battle for first. The Liberals were in power and were being pursued by both the Conservative party and the UFO. The Liberals claimed they would have the largest group, while the Conservatives said they would sweep to power.

This week in...

by Gerrit Bosma



1933

The Germans are coming; the Germans are coming! Well, actually there were no fears and the Second World War had not yet begun, but 50 German passengers were to arrive from Hamburg, Germany in Winchester. The visitors (canaries) were looking to be adopted by local families, and had aspirations to settle in the area. At the T.O. Keyes' General Store, Winchester residents had the opportunity to buy German bird cages and to book an opera singer.

1943

Winchester reeve Albert Turner urged all citizens to support their soldiers in the Second World War and buy into Canada's Fourth

Victory Loan. The local objective was to raise \$140,000, while the national goal was \$1.1 million. Residents were asked to buy as many bonds as they could from one of three salesmen on the road, W.J.L. Boyd, Allen Summers and C.R. Robinson. The reeve said he hoped Winchester would continue its strong support and raise the full desired amount. "We must once more go over the top," said Turner.

1963

Construction of Winchester's new Royal Bank Branch began and was expected to be completed by late summer. Before the bank structure could be erected, a partial dismantling and moving of an old Baptist Manse was necessary. The Sullivan brothers from Chesterville were the contractors and they moved the 55-by-30-foot Manse across Mill Street, just south of the Main Street intersection. The house's new location was to be on Main Street East.

1973

Associate executive secretary of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, William Hamilton, told a group of Winchester Centurions gathered for a monthly meeting that Canada had the lowest food costs in the world. He said while it was hoped costs didn't exceed the wage scale, food had never even risen on the same scale. Fifty Centurions and guests were present for the annual Rural Night. Messages on the lapel buttons in the room read: "I am proud to be a farmer."

1983

Parents in Chesterville fought to keep an early French immersion program at the Chesterville Public School, while the SD&G Board

of Education said the program would be cancelled. One of the irate parents was awaiting a ruling by the elementary panel of the board. The matter was then left in the hands of the director of education. The immersion program was to be discontinued if late French immersion was made available at Maple Ridge Public School. Parents in Chesterville were not against the late immersion program, they simply wanted to preserve the early system.

1993

A surprised Joel Steele, Winchester businessman and owner of the CountryBoy, was honored as a local recipient of a Canada 125 Award, commemorating the nation's 125th anniversary of confederation. Awards were

presented to individuals who had made significant contributions to their communities. Steele was the chairman of the village's Business Improvement Association and was involved in Dairyfest celebrations. Steele was also instrumental in organizing the village's centennial celebrations.



Lucien's Playhouse return a smash hit

New Brunswick comedian sells out week-long engagement

by Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

MORRISBURG — Lucien is a unique and unforgettable caricature of the northern New Brunswick working man — as he would say “me I know.” Marshall Button, the actor and creator of *Lucien*, was welcomed with standing ovations at the Upper Canada Playhouse in Morrisburg where he was booked all last week.

In a sense, it was a homecoming for Button. He was the artistic director at the Upper Canada Playhouse and lived in Dundas County from 1988-1997. For this *Press* reviewer, *Lucien* was a small part of home brought to me.

You see, coming from Miramichi N.B., this *Press* reporter is quite familiar with the Northern New Brunswick blue collar, paper mill employee persona of Lucien. The crowd at the playhouse for the matinee on April 23 seemed comfortable with the Acadian funnyman as well.

Lucien didn't disappoint.

His continuous phrases of “safety first,” “take a break,” and of course “me I know,” were familiar to the hundreds of fans who showed up to see the one man show. The setting hasn't changed — a paper mill on N.B.'s north shore. As Lucien proudly exclaims “there is no shore, like the north shore, that's for sure.”

The blue chip hero once again finds himself enlightening a young college kid on the ins and outs life at the mill. As usual, the material of Lucien's banters with the student employee are topical and current, right to the day. There was a multitude of politicians mentioned “Bushwacker,” “Tony the Tiger,” “Mike Harassment” and “Suckhole Day” to name a few.

“Suckhole Day, that's for sure,” Lucien told his invisible young co-worker. “He had a better chance to win an election than Dubya does becoming the Canadian champion for Reach for the Top.” This was one unoffensive line from Button's act which can be printed (apologies to Stockwell Day fans).

He kept his material fresh too.

Lucien didn't hold back on his satirical workplace chats, going after all so-called sensitive and taboo topics of the day, with subtle digs on the war in Iraq and SARS. Button's



“Me I know”

Marshall Button, portraying the northern New Brunswick mill worker in his one-man show, *Lucien*, wowed audiences with sold-out shows at the Upper Canada Playhouse all last week.

alter ego explored the controversial issues with the pure honesty and sincerity which one may hear in the mill in Campbellton, NB or any blue-collar town in Canada.

According to Lucien's logic, the problem with the world today is all politicians are “on the dope.” “Bushwacker isn't after Iraq's oil,” Lucien advised his young friend. “He is after the crazy Iraqi, wacky tobacco.” The number one reason Canada didn't join the coalition of the willing, “The army was on stand-by in case Toronto had another snow storm.”

The crowd was in tune with Lucien throughout the performance, especially during the Chretien gags. The appreciative audience roared with laughter and applauded all week long.

Of course, Lucien always manages to evoke a feeling of compassion and sadness for his character as well. In stories of a family break-up or a dead co-worker, Lucien mentions the impact of divorce along with the importance of safety in the workplace and union protection.

Fittingly, he wraps up the first act with a soliloquy of his own version of Shakespeare's *Seven Stages of Life*.

At the end of the show, Button acknowledged the local crowd for their response and legacy of his career. “It is tremendous to be back here on this stage after all these years. You really have the best audiences here in Morrisburg.

After the show Button sat down to discuss the longevity of *Lucien*, (over 1,500 performances across Canada) who was introduced by Theatre New Brunswick in 1986.

He described Lucien as having a flypaper mentality — he hears something being said and it sticks.

Button was happy to be back in the Dundas region where he worked for nine years and where nearby employees of the Domtar mill in Cornwall grew to love Lucien. He must also be aware of politicians and events in the various regions of Canada. Here it was more about Ontario politics, events, and of course the ever popular bashing of Parliament Hill.

The repertoire of *Lucien* is also constantly changing. This was evident, he said, from his performance on live TV at the National Arts Centre on April 22 in Ottawa and his matinee in Morrisburg.

To censor Lucien would be to lose him. “To not let him talk about a certain topic would be to lose the reality of the character,” Button added. “You would lose the humanity that we have become used to, even if it is pretty harsh at times. Humor is not just for the good times. A sense of humor is what separates us from all other living beings.”

Button is currently freelance acting on a permanent basis and recently completed filming of both a television program and a movie with Mary Walsh, in his native province. He is now serving as artist-in-residence at the Capital Theatre in Moncton. He lives with his wife Patricia and three children, ages 15, 12, and 23 months.

Business manager Roseann Kelly worked with Button during his many years in Morrisburg. She was thrilled the sold-out Lucien shows coincided with the Upper Canada Playhouse's 20th anniversary celebration last weekend.

“It is just wonderful to have him back,” Kelly said. “He still has a big following in this area and it is tremendous he is here for our big 20th anniversary celebration.”



Good for nothing

The Winchester division of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit launched Safe Kids Week (April 26 to May 2) so that their destruction of unsafe equipment event would coincide with the Winchester Sidewalk and Garage Sale. Winchester firefighters Mike Lovely and Dave Howarth destroy unsafe kids' equipment with the jaws of life to ensure they would never be used again.

Photos James



Keeping kids safe

From left to right: Eastern Ontario Health Unit representative Julie Ethier and Winchester volunteer firefighters Dave Howarth (left), Mike Lovely, Brad Holmes and Sandy Johnston show off a pick-up truck full of unsafe children's equipment they destroyed on Saturday (April 26). The items judged to be too hazardous to use included cribs, strollers, car seats. The Eastern Ontario Health Unit thanks the Winchester Volunteer Fire Department for their help with the project.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Shopper had the time of her life

The Editor:

I'd like to thank the people who helped me on my three-minute shopping spree at Andy's Foodland in Winchester on Sat., April 26.

First of all, thank you to Andy and Louise Hamel. I can't believe how fun it was to race around your store like a mad woman. Running in a store ranks right up there on the list of fun things to do, like jumping on beds and playing in the rain.

Thanks also to Chris Laflamme for all of the wonderful cuts of meat that I so frantically grabbed and threw into my cart. Once I got home and packed my freezer, I realized what a great prize I had won.

All of the staff was so helpful, passing me carts and opening doors.

Thank you to all of the people

who cheered me on and my special helpers Paul, Kaitlyn and Hannah.

I've never won anything like this before so it was a really exciting experience. Only in “small town Winchester” can you get that kind of support.

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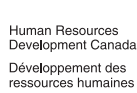
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Monique Roffey and daughter Danielle purchased a deluxe condo for their hamster Minnie at one of the local garage sales on Saturday.



Curling Club member Louise Beckinsale (right) makes a sale to Margaret Schuurmans at the Curling Club's Rummage Sale on Saturday. Schuurmans picked up a leather suitcase at a bargain price.



Bonnie McGillivray and Marie Simser were well prepared for the chilly temperatures on Saturday (April 26) as they sold new mittens and other knitting as well as rug hooking in lieu of garage sale items. They happily modeled some of their wares.

Closets emptied for village garage sale

by Bonnie James
WINCHESTER — Winchester's village-wide Garage Sale on Saturday (April 26) suffered from chilly temperatures and drizzly conditions, but there were still about 20 garage and yard sales throughout the village. The rain held off until late morning, and everyone knows the best garage sale shopping is done in the early dawn and that serious bargain hunters are not deterred in the least by the weather. By about 10 am some sellers had little left, having sold the bulk of their merchandise already.

Besides the usual garage sale fare of used books, clothing, china, and children's toys, there were some more unique items to be found. Perhaps the most unusual

was a live snake. A strange gold plastic bust of a woman's head, a colorful handmade hammock, and a piano were a few of the other notables.

Winchester residents also used Saturday as an opportunity to make a few dollars from their talents, with knitting, crafts, baked goods, and starter houseplants being offered for sale.

It was obvious that it had been a while since many people had cleaned out their attics, garages or the depths of their closets. Old-style roller skates are practically antiques now. A white ladies jumpsuit screamed late 1970s. Smurfs, CareBears, and Cabbage Patch Kids are all long past their pop-culture expiry dates, though Straw-

berry Shortcake is making a comeback and Barbie seems to be timeless.

There were some dusty kitchen witches; remember when every kitchen had one? "DOS for Dummies" was one of the dregs of the book pile and no one wanted the 14.4 modem either.

A few folks didn't even know what some of the things they were selling were for. "It beats me," replied one vendor when asked about the use of a peculiar looking kitcheny item, possibly some type of strainer. "We hung it on the wall," was the only clue.

Visiting garage sales also provides some insight into human foibles. There were several exercise machines for sale — barely

used. One well-preserved 1960s art deco styled box promised the contraption within would apply the principles of Swedish sauna directly to your midsection, resulting in a lean trim form. Nearly new skis, craft projects still in their boxes, and books that looked as though they had never been opened, all spoke of hobbies given up as new interests were pursued.

The best thing about garage sales is the delight of chance: the joyful discovery of the perfect thing that you didn't even know you were looking for. If you go with a particular objective, you may come home frustrated and empty-handed. Garage saleing with an open mind, however, can take you on a pleasant adventure.



Mike Paquin did quite a sales job on this piano during Winchester's village-wide garage sale on April 26. The price was \$200, and moving the piano was the responsibility of the purchaser. Photos—James

Tories may ask province to butt out: Eves PA hints at mandatory public smoking-bans

by Gerrit Bosma
Press staff

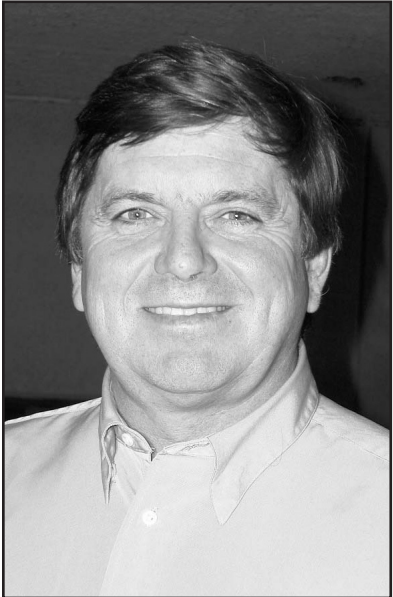
WINCHESTER — The entire province may soon be asked to butt out in public. This was the word from Parliamentary Assistant to Premier Ernie Eves, Garfield Dunlop, following a throne speech consultation session at the Winchester Community Centre on April 16.

Dunlop was discussing Eastern Ontario residents' concerns about health care and his government's revised vision on healthy living, to sustain the \$27 billion annual health care system. He hinted that it is only a matter of time before his provincial Tory government implements an Ontario-wide smoking ban in public places.

"We need to exercise more, eat properly and limit harmful second-hand smoke," said the Simcoe North MPP. "Personally I am opposed to smoking in public places."

Dunlop said a private member bill to be introduced in Queen's Park in the near future, will mandate all municipalities to pass non-

smoking bylaws for public establishments. Also the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Dunlop is also issuing a bill himself in regards to the extreme dangers of second-hand smoke (SHS). He



Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier, MPP Garfield Dunlop — for smoking-ban.

wants to make it illegal to smoke with a child in the vehicle while driving in public.

"I believe it is unfair to blow smoke in a three-year-old's face," Dunlop said. "We know the dangers of second-hand smoke. It is a form of child abuse, in my opinion."

Dunlop would like to see citizens take responsibility to provide a healthy environment for young people. He believes no youth under 16 should be in a car or public facility around cigarette smoke. With the proven perils of second-hand smoke in society, Dunlop doesn't understand how parents could smoke in front of their children. For this reason he has no regrets if his government goes ahead with the forceful bill.

"I say why not do it," Dunlop said. "There are some teachers who have kids in the classroom who are always coughing and have runny noses. Those same kids smell like cigarette smoke each day."

There is no specific date on when such a province-wide smoking ban bill would be brought to Queen's Park.

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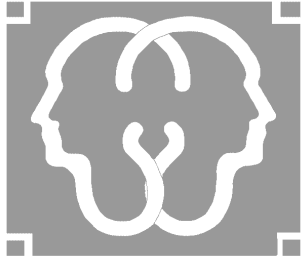
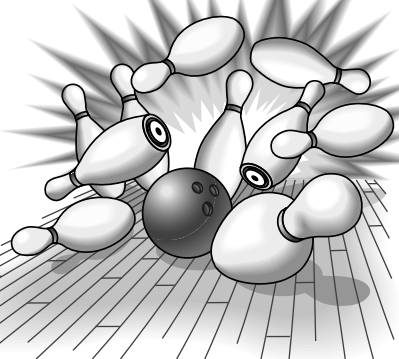
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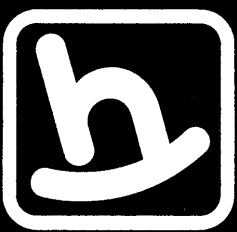
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Council notes from South Dundas



CERV team to be established

WILLIAMSBURG — The recommended model for volunteer emergency response programs, Community Emergency Response Teams, was adopted by council after a presentation by Philippe Goffrion, EMO. Neighbors helping neighbors was the resounding theme.

After the ice storm which devastated the area in 1998, emergency response became a priority among the townships of Dundas County. The idea of neighbor helping neighbor already existed, but through CERT, it would become efficient, well trained and ready for any emergency which occurred. Volunteers are trained in various roles, lifesaving skills, disaster response skills, light search and rescue operations, disaster psychology, teamwork/decision making, and self-help emergency functions.

Goffrion praised rural citizens for their emergency volunteer efforts and smooth transition to such rough situations. “We’re all responsible for emergency management,” he said. “And, I think rural people are the most equipped.”

In the first year, the province will pay up to 100 per cent of the municipality’s cost. In the following years, the province will provide a maximum of 50 per cent of costs. In order to receive such funding the township will have to meet program criteria. The cost breaks down to \$240 per volunteer, over a chosen time period. Most expenses are for instruction and equipment, though Goffrion said fundraising and goodwill donations can go a long way to help.

Bank closure discussed

Council members again talked about the scheduled October closure of the Williamsburg Bank of Montreal — the only bank in the village. A public meeting was held at the Park Drive Villa seniors home on Mon., April 28, but CAO Andy Brown said bank officials from the Toronto head office may not be able to meet with council for another two to three weeks. Councillor Charles Barkley cautioned the other members not to delay too long on searching for an alternate bank to take the Bank of Montreal’s spot in Williamsburg.

South Dundas to vote by phone/net

By an unanimous vote, council members passed a motion accepting the WISPR election by phone/Internet system for the 2003 municipal election. No real debate occurred over the system presented during the previous meeting, though councillor Charles Barkley asked about the \$4.30 per vote cost up to 45 per cent and \$5 per vote up to 65 per cent of the electorate voting. Township clerk Brenda Brunt confirmed the last mail-out election system cost \$27,000 for 58 per cent of the vote. However, she admitted costs of polling booths and other expenses made the total even higher. The original concern about possible confusion in voting for mayor and council has also been corrected. Mayor Johnny Whitteker also made it clear that a station in each of the four wards would be set up to assist voters in using the new phone and Internet system.

Details on NMA compensation

Mayor Whitteker encouraged council to send another letter to the provincial Tory government asking for clear commitments in compensation for farmers having to comply with the Nutrient Management Act. Large livestock farms have been exempted from NMA implementation until 2005, while other farms are to fall under the new regulation by July 1 of this year. “They have told the farmer what they are going to have to do,” Whitteker said. “What they haven’t done is tell us what they are going to pay.” CAO Andy Brown said the township would send a letter asking the provincial government for further information on the NMA.

Farmers deserve land compensation

During a brief discussion about road widening, mayor Whitteker suggested farmers who have land taken away in the process, should be compensated. Deputy mayor Cam Martel said more information would need to be gathered before debating the mayor’s proposal. CAO Andy Brown said he would make a note of Whitteker’s suggestion and look into it.

Stop the downloading

Council supported a motion from South Stormont for the provincial and federal government to cease downloading infrastructure such as water/wastewater, bridges and roads. The motion asks for the Government of Canada and Ontario provincial government to make commitments for financial programs for various types of municipal infrastructure.



OBITUARIES

Mary B. Foley

Mary B. Foley died at Bayfield Manor on April 21, 2003 at the age of 75.

She was born in Avonmore on April 20, 1928 to the late Gerry Foley and Hanna (nee Glaster). She was stepdaughter of the late Geraldine Barkley.

She was a former resident of Cornwall. She worked as a registered nursing assistant. She was a member of the Roman Catholic Church. Bayfield Manor Nursing Home had been her residence for the previous one and a half years.

She is survived by brothers Terry (Maryann) Foley of South Mountain and Mike (Annette) Foley of St.

Catharines. She was aunt of Jamie (Kristine), Connie Smith (Darwin), Karen Moriello (Frank) and Kevin (Dana). She was great aunt of Dylan Smith; Michael and Frankie Moriello; and Alexandra and Cameron Foley.

Arrangements are entrusted to the Byers Funeral Home in South Mountain. A memorial mass will be held at St. Daniel’s Roman Catholic Church on May 10 at 11 am, with Father W. J. Lynett officiating. Cremation. Followed by interment at St. Daniel’s Catholic Cemetery.

Donations to the Bayfield Manor Activity Fund would be appreciated by the family.

First-year dancers take silver medals

CHESTERVILLE — Ten dancers from the Ultima Dance Centre in Chesterville competed in two Ottawa dance competitions this month, bringing home four silver awards and a second-place overall score in the duet/trio novice division.

Their first competition was the American Dance Awards, held the weekend of April 4-6 in Stittsville. The second competition was Dance Dance Dance, held the weekend of April 25-27 at the Centrepointe Theatre in Ottawa. The nine girls and one boy in the club had been practicing their jazz dances since last November.

Dances performed included a duet with Lindsay Allen and Brandon Labrecque. Also a small group performed including Montana Dodds, Ashley Eby, Emily Galley, Charlie

Lannin, Autumn Merkley, Michayla Metail, Cassidy Scheepers and Mikayla McLeod. Instructor Kym Hanes was thrilled with the performances of both groups. A yearly recital will take place on June 6. For information call 448-1994.

PICTURED AT LEFT:

Students from the Ultima Dance Centre in Chesterville won four silver awards in competitions during April. Performing jazz dances in front of judges for the first time were Cassidy Scheepers (front left), Michayla Metail, Mikayla McLeod, Ashley Eby (centre left), Charlie Lannin, Autumn Merkley, Emily Galley, Montana Dodds, Lindsay Allen (back left), and Brandon Labrecque.

Margaret Eva Keck

Margaret Eva Keck of Morrisburg died at Ottawa General Hospital on April 22, 2003. She was 38.

She is survived by husband Steven Rutherford.

She was born on November 13, 1964 in Winchester to Gertrude Keck (nee Beaudoin) the late Charles Keck. She was a member of the United Church.

She is survived by daughter Amber. She is also survived by sib-

lings Brian (Barb), Glen, and Linda Simser (Dale). She was aunt of Chris and Katie Keck; and Carrie and Todd Simser. She was daughter-in-law of Iva Rutherford; sister-in-law of Laurie Rutherford (Gerry Chater); and aunt of Kaitlyn and D.J. Keeler.

The funeral was held in Byers Funeral Home chapel in South Mountain on April 24, officiated by Shirley Nichol. Cremation followed.

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Green Party alternative for province, Manley told

MORRISBURG — The Greens of SDG and Green Party candidate Tom Manley conducted their first outreach activity at the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce Spring Home and Trade Show, April 11 to 13, and the response was positive.

"We are pleasantly impressed by the positive reactions and the public interest in the Green Party," said Manley. "So many people are disappointed with the current state of politics, and they are happy to see a new face. We repeatedly hear 'I am glad to see the Green Party in the race — now we have a real choice.' A local businessman even compared the choice between the Liberal Party and the PCs as a choice between shooting himself in the left foot or shooting himself in the right foot!"

Tom Manley, Green Party candidate for Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh in the upcoming provincial election, was on hand with party volunteers to meet the public, discuss concerns and offer information about the Green Party. Manley is a native of Berwick, where the Manleys have farmed for over a century and his grandfather Peter Manley was the MPP for SD&G for 12 years in the 1950s and '60s. Being a local boy and operating a successful agriculture service business, the crowd in Morrisburg recognized him.

At the Green Party's booth, many people also expressed concerns about struggling communities, and cash-strapped farms and businesses. Manley noted many local individuals have been working at changing things themselves by adopting recycling, better food choices, and reduced pesticide usage. Manley suggested there is still a need for leadership through the important choices that lie ahead.

"My experience in the organic farm trade has shown that we can develop prosperous local economies and sustainable farms. But there are currently many structural obstacles to small businesses, thriving communities, and our general well-being," Manley emphasized. "The Green Party will get to the roots of fundamental problems. We have great ideas and a solid plan for a better way to live."

For more information on the Green Party, contact Manley at 613-984-0489 or Tom.Manley@Green-sofSDG.ca.



There were 16 students participating in the Writers in Electronic Residence program at NDDHS this year, the second year for the program at the school. Participants were Melinda Crump (front left), Justin Poitras, Steve Dykstra, Amanda Smith-Millar, Megan

Lummiss, Becky Vollrath, Russell House, Adam Byron (back left), Brendan Trickey, Mike Gorman, Judy Lugg, Angela Svenson, Breckyn Fowler, teacher Sandi Strickland and librarian Elaine Newton.

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Online writers critique students' efforts

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

MAPLE RIDGE — For the second year at North Dundas District High School, students are taking advantage of an innovative program to build their creative writing skills. Writers in Electronic Residence (WIER) is a program organized by York University, allowing students to have their work critiqued by professional writers.

Sixteen students participated in WIER this year, meeting Wednesdays after school in the library. The group wrapped up its scheduled meetings earlier in April. All of the participants agreed that the program helped them grow as writers.

The WIER program uses the Internet to offer many of the benefits of actually having a professional writer in residence at NDDHS. Through the winter, students had the chance to post three creative pieces of poetry or prose up to 750 words long on the WIER Internet site. In due course, the writers hired through York University read the students' work, and e-mailed back tips and creative criticism.

Schools all across Canada participate in the program, and everything students produce for WIER is posted online. This means participants can read other students' work, and receive additional feedback from their peers.

"A lot of the feedback is encour-

agement," said participant Steve Dykstra. "I find it's just encouraging to come here to write." Dykstra said he's been developing his poetry through WIER. He describes his work as "weird," but said he's found support for his ideas in the group.

Another student writer said the feedback she received encouraged her to add more description to her work. Working on a horror story, she made reference to the Black Dahlia murders in the United States in the 1930s. While famous, the murders aren't necessarily common knowledge. By spelling out the reference to the real-life crime more clearly, the story became more accessible.

"My writing before was more trivial," commented Angela Svenson. "The program has started to give my writing more depth."

The students participating in WIER aren't necessarily planning careers as poets or novelists. Many are drawn to the genres of science fiction, fantasy and horror. Several students are working on projects they intend to build to novel length. The young writers have enjoyed playing with clichés and writing alternate versions of historical events. Many are more interested in poetry than prose.

Students commented that simply having an audience helps them write. "In the past, I'd just write to put down my emotions," said Justin Poitras. "Now that I have these peo-

ple to share my writing with, it puts my imagination to the test."

There were three writers providing feedback to students through WIER this year. Susan Musgrave is a Vancouver writer. She's written three novels, the most recent being Cargo of Orchids, as well as numerous volumes of poetry. Elizabeth Ruth is from Windsor and her first novel, Ten Good Seconds of Silence, was published to wide acclaim in 2001. She also teaches short story writing at George Brown College. And Martin O'Malley is a writer, journalist and screenwriter. He's written for Canadian national newspapers and magazines, and has written nine non-fiction books.

NDDHS librarian Elaine Newton explained that WIER costs \$650 each year to operate in the school. After a successful first year of the program, this year the Upper Canada District School Board had no hesitation in providing full backing.

The WIER program follows a strict schedule over a four month period. Now that it's finished, Newton said the students are still interested in meeting and talking about what they're writing. They group may continue to meet, organizing a writer's circle where students read each other's work and then discuss it among themselves. Newton said the group is also hoping to assemble an anthology of the pieces produced through WIER this year.

Thank You

The family of the late Jules Bossel would like to express their sincere thank you for the support received during this time of grieving. To our amazing family of community members, neighbors, and friends, to the staff and students at North Dundas District High School, and to all those too numerous to list, fear of forgetting someone special, let it be known that we will never forget your love. You will always hold a special place in our hearts for the tremendous support, expressions of sympathy, prayers, masses, flowers, cards, visits, meals and for all the charitable donations made on Jules' behalf. Thank you to the ICU staff, Dr. Cardinal, and Rev. John at the Ottawa General Hospital, to Dr. Burke and Dr. MacLean, for their care and personal kindness to Jules and the rest of his loving family. Thank you to Father Lynett, the organist and choir of St. Daniel's Church and to everyone who took part in the funeral service, a sincere last homage to a very special husband and dad. Thank you to the ladies of the Catholic Church for the much-appreciated lunch served after the funeral. Thank you to the staff at the Byers Funeral Home in South Mountain for their compassion and professionalism. A sincere thank you to all; your kindness will always be remembered.

— Mary' Lou, Steve, Yann and Laure Bossel



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If you are wondering just where to begin, a two-hour workshop will be held this Thursday (May 1) from 7 to 9 pm at the Winchester Baptist Church. The workshop entitled Write From the Heart will help people get started writing a faith jour-

nal. There is no fee for the workshop, although a free will offering for the church will be appreciated.

The workshop facilitator is the lay-pastor at Winchester Baptist Church, Mollie Pearce McKibbin. She is formerly the editor of Country Roots Magazine and one of the four founders of the Valley Writers' Guild based in Kemptville.

Come and join us on May 1 and learn how to praise God in ink! Just bring a pen and a Bible, and the Holy Spirit will do the rest.

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30th anniversary planned

by **Donella MacIntosh**
WINCHESTER — Winchester's Golden Years Society met in the Lions Hall on April 18 with 72 members and three guests in attendance. President Percy Armstrong welcomed everyone and led in singing O Canada, and reciting the Lord's Prayer.

April's birthdays and anniversaries were honored. Minutes were read and the treasury report was given. Orma Earl reported the zone executive meeting will be held in May and the zone rally will be June 18 at Matilda Hall.

Orma Earl and Muriel Reoch have arranged some interesting trips for this season and information sheets were given to members.

June is Seniors Month, and at the same time the Golden Years Society will celebrate its 30th anniversary. Plans are being made for these events.

Armstrong read information con-

cerning the use of cell phones while driving; the benefits of health cards with pictures; and concerns about hydro electricity, home heating and gasoline.

Armstrong read a few humorous stories, and Isobel Baker had humorous stories to tell concerning policemen and Meals on Wheels.

Guests Gerry and Bonnie Wallace were introduced and Gerry gave the blessing, followed by a delicious potluck lunch.

Bonnie Wallace played her guitar and sang gospel music. Gerry read from the Gospel of Luke and told the Easter message, illustrating what he described with pictures. The Wallaces also organize a travelling Sunday school.

The Wallaces were thanked by Vivian Jackson, and presented with a small gift and an Easter lily.

The next meeting will be on May 15.

WI celebrates Easter potluck

by **Norma Wylie**
WINCHESTER — The Winchester Women's Institute April potluck supper meeting was held at the village's Lions Hall. President Ileen Robinson decorated the hall and tables with an Easter theme and four ladies were the winners of the centrepieces.

After a delicious meal of favorite recipes, the business was conducted and annual reports presented and it was announced that an area convention will be attended by four members. Rollcall was answered by

twenty-eight members paying their dues for the coming year. Executive and convenors will meet at Marjotir Shadbolt's on April 29; Jean Porteous volunteered to do the programs.

Due to the absence of Irene Broad, her nominating report was given by Helen Holmes, who reported that all officers are willing to serve for the next year.

The meeting closed with a thank you by the president to everyone for the past year and the singing of God Save The Queen.



Experienced floor installer Mike Lacelle (left) and owner Lee Mainville, in front of the vinyl tile display at Winchester Flooring, located in Lannin's Tim-Br Mart. Press Photo – Bosma

Laminants: wave of future

by **Gerrit Bosma**
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Name a style of floor and Winchester Flooring has it and guarantees it will be installed by a wealth of experience.

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extremely durable and requiring little maintenance.

While carpeting is still requested for certain bedrooms, basements and stairways, both Mainville and Lacelle said fewer people are interested. They said carpets are seen as dust collectors by some concerned parents, due to allergies and asthma that children are susceptible to today.

Winchester Flooring serves all of Eastern Ontario and has served customers as far away as 75 kilometres east of Cornwall. They do mainly residential jobs, but are for commercial clients as well. The new business's first project was the front entrance of the Winchester Legion and its second-floor apartment.

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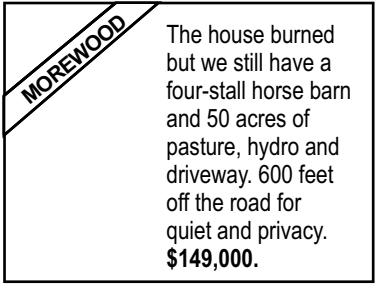
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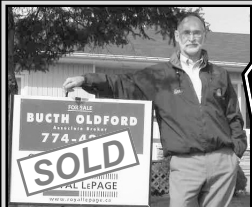


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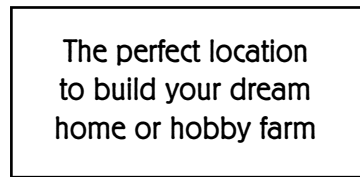
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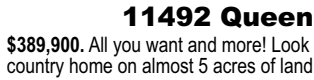
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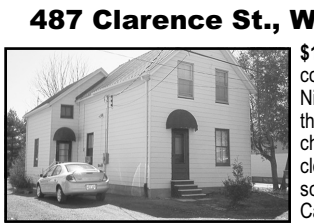
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Two ewes deliver sextuplets at Winchester farm

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WINCHESTER — When Greg Stubbings saw a farmer on the cover of the Ottawa Citizen with a ewe that had given birth to five lambs, he wasn't impressed. Over the Easter weekend, he had two ewes that each gave birth to six lambs. "I've got a couple of six-packs here that might be of interest," said Stubbings when contacting the Press.

Stubbings was surprised on April 18 when one of his 82 ewes delivered a litter of five. His surprise mounted when a litter of six was delivered on Easter Sunday, and another group of six on April 22. "Among five lambings, we now have 23 lambs," said Stubbings. "Twenty-three lambs is incredible."

Spring lambing season is actually a vacation for Stubbings. He works for the Canadian Food Inspection Agency in the forestry section, and raising sheep is a hobby project he undertook with his wife Anita Gilmer. "This is my farm vacation. People at work think I'm crazy," he said.

This is the sixth year that Stubbings has had sheep on his property west of Winchester, and he is modest about taking much credit for the amazing fertility of his flock. When he decided to raise sheep, he chose the Rideau Arcott breed, a variety developed by Agriculture Agri-Food Canada that has only been available since the late 1980s. "They basically selected sheep from four or five breeds, selecting key char-

acteristics for high birth rates, and also carcass quality," said Stubbings.

The Rideau Arcotts have a reputation for delivering large litters. Stubbings said his two groups of sextuplets represent a very rare occurrence, but probably not a miraculous one. Traditional breeds such as Suffolks tend to have mainly single births. Rideaus will have twins and triplets. With his Rideau Arcotts, Stubbings has come to expect quads and quintos among his spring newborns.

Stubbings has also noticed strong maternal characteristics among his ewes. The one that delivered on Easter had delivered four and five lambs in past years. "She's just had an ability to raise them," he said. What's unusual is that the ewe has a damaged udder and only one teat, following an accident in her first year. "Normally, you'd think about culling one without two functional teats," said Stubbings. But to see the ewe prodding her babies around with her nose, maintaining an orderly queue to the food source, she's clearly capable and in charge.

An average single lamb will weigh 10 to 12 pounds. The lambs in Stubbings litters of six only weigh about four pounds. He said their low birth weight doesn't affect their health. They will soon catch up in size to the larger lambs in the barn. Stubbings said the main limitation with large litters of lambs is that the mothers only have so many teats and so much attention to give them.

Lambing is actually easier with

large groups. "It's the big singles that are a problem," said Stubbings. A 12-pound lamb will be harder to deliver than a four-pound one. The larger lambs can run into problems if their legs aren't forward during delivery. The small ones come out easily.

For the farmer, the main challenge with large litters is being on hand during delivery to assist the mother in tending the lambs. In a single birth, after the lamb is delivered, the mother will immediately start licking and feeding it. Lambs are generally on their feet and hungry within 20 minutes. If there are six lambs, however, the first one will be up and wandering around while the mother is still in contractions.

Stubbings said he can read the behavior of his sheep to know when a ewe is just about ready to give birth. They will find a warm place in the barn to settle into and they will stay there, even when grain is available. Over the snowy Easter weekend, Stubbings was constantly in and out of the house to check the mothers in the barn. If he wasn't there to keep track of the large groups being produced, one of the tiny soaking wet lambs could have wandered outside the barn and quickly have suffered hypothermia.

With three children, Stubbings said the whole family enjoys the sheep. He's had kindergarten classes tour his farm and his kids have taken lambs to school. "We do it as a family. It doesn't take a lot of equipment and everyone enjoys the animals," he said.



Nimble day-olds

Winchester sheep farmer Greg Stubbings knows that keeping track of a litter of six newborn lambs is not an easy chore. Over the Easter weekend he had two ewes deliver litters of six. The four-pound lambs are all perfectly healthy and move quickly.

Press Photo — Zabel

West Nile topic of seminar

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — How to prevent the spread of the West Nile virus will be the topic of a seminar on Wed., May 7 at the Mountain Agricultural Hall in South Mountain. Dr. Lesley Woodcock, a veterinary scientist specializing in disease, will lead the presentation from 7-9 pm.

Rapid spread of the virus poses a human threat. Woodcock will focus on West Nile equine encephalitis. Among horses positively tested for the virus, the death rate is 20 to 40 per cent. The current extent of the virus may not fully be realized as only one-sixth of the horses in Ontario were serviced by veterinarians in 2002.

Local veterinarians will be on hand for the seminar to answer questions. A \$3 admission will be charged. Registration for the session will begin at 6 pm. Refreshments will be provided.

Preceding the presentation on the West Nile virus, feeding and trailering horses will be the topic of discussion at 6:30 pm. The session will be led by Marc-Andre Blouin, a Purina equine technical service director.

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Horticultural group plans plant sale

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The RDHS will also be taking orders for tulip bulbs to be available in September. The tulip sales are for a special MacDougall Park Renovation Fund. Members from the United Counties Master Gardeners will be on hand to help you solve some of

your gardening mysteries.

The RDHS holds nine meetings a year with interesting speakers and June and October plant auctions plus hands-on workshops, and garden tours in July. In August the group will hold a flower, fruit, vegetable and photography show for both senior and junior groups.

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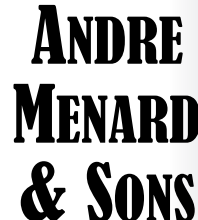
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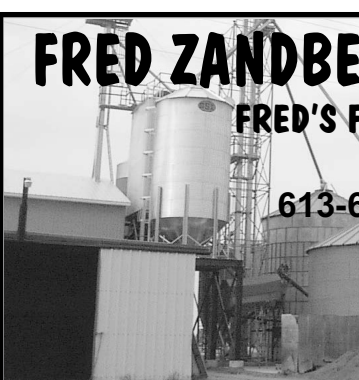
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Farmers' market recruiting drive starts

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

CHESTERVILLE — A small group attending an organizational meeting for a Dundas Farmers' Market rallied last Thursday (April 24) at the Chesterville Legion. They were encouraged to branch out and start recruiting vendors after a presentation from Farmers' Markets Ontario (FMO) executive-director Bob Chorney.

Chesterville Fair board director Shaun Funk is the driving force behind the plan to build a farmers' market in Dundas County. With a core group established, Funk said they have to branch out into the community to find more support. If 12 vendors will commit to the season, from May to September, the market can open in a few weeks.

Chorney described to the group exactly how they should go about organizing a farmers' market. Farmers' Markets Ontario was formed in 1991, and has since assisted in more than doubling the number of markets in the province to about 130. Chorney himself has assisted in putting together 80 farmers' markets, most of them in Ontario although he's worked with markets throughout the United States as well.

A fee of \$15-\$16 was Chorney's recommendation for a daily booth rental at a Dundas market. Vendors signing on for a season could be offered discounts and first choice of booths. Chorney had complete confidence that his small audience was all that was needed to get a market off the ground.

There's no questioning that new farmers' markets in Ontario are finding success, and most have been built on the model offered by FMO. Chorney's central message was that markets have to be producer-driven, meaning that if you don't grow it, you don't sell it. Consumers enjoy meeting the people who grew the food they are going to eat.

"The shopper does not beat down the farmer on price, it just doesn't happen," said Chorney. He said shoppers at markets aren't looking for bargains; they see value in fresh

local produce. "Come for the freshness, stay for the fun," is a FMO slogan. "People go to a farmers' market for a sense of community, and they like to talk about having been there," said Chorney.

Farmers' Markets Ontario has found an eager public wherever markets have been organized. Besides a proven recipe for success, the provincially-backed group also offers assistance in gaining grants.

Chorney described the key market elements that have recently helped build markets. "Children are welcome," he said. "Make sure you're including kids' activities. Have a petting zoo once a year." He emphasized how time-stressed young families will see a visit to the farmers' market as a fun family outing.

"It's not uncommon to see people standing around chatting at a market," Chorney said. He recommend-

ed markets as a place for people to meet their friends. Most market patrons go every week. Chorney said benches and tables are important elements of every market.

Markets have also found useful partners in local service groups. Chorney suggested that markets should provide free booth space every weekend to community groups, and build partnerships with these organizations. Chambers of Commerce, church groups, and service clubs regularly work with markets in the province organizing special events. Proceeds from a corn boil, for example, could benefit any group willing to set it up.

"Have commodity groups participate," said Chorney. He recommended demonstrations by groups such as beekeepers. "And introduce the Master Gardeners to a market. They're a big help for bedding plant

vendors," he said. Although fresh meat can't be sold at most markets, sheep farmers have attracted a lot of attention with shearing demonstrations. And all vendors can take orders for meat at markets.

People go to a farmers' market to have fun, and market organizers can find many ways to create a fun atmosphere. "Look at having a minstrel," said Chorney. Ambiance and vitality are generated at many markets by fiddlers and accordion players. Everything, however, doesn't have to be "old-tyme." The market in Creemore found municipal support to purchase a mascot's outfit for Crispy the Carrot. "Kids wanted to meet him and have their picture taken with him," said Chorney.

In Ontario there are 25 markets that have been in operation for more than 100 years. The market in Kingston is 250 years old. The markets in Brockville and Belleville are each more than 180 years old. These markets, as well as new ones, have the support of FMO.

The provincial organization provides price cards to vendors along with other marketing supports. Chorney said that all shoppers like to see the prices on items. The theory is that many shoppers will be reluctant to ask for a price, in case it's too high and then they feel badly about declining a purchase.

But aside from using price cards, Chorney encouraged vendors to take every opportunity to differentiate themselves in the market. "It could be a hat you wear, or a table cloth," he said. He also highly recommended taking special care in arranging produce, building attractive piles of vegetables and fruit to catch the eye of the shopper. Chorney said many producers arrive at 4:30 to set up for 7 am market, just so they'll have the time to make everything perfect.

The group organizing a farmers' market in Dundas is looking for potential vendors producing fruit and vegetables, as well as bread, sausages, honey and syrup, flowers and all types of local produce. For more information on participating in a market, contact Shaun Funk at 448-4308.



Fleet dispersal

Eric Suto loads his truck with purchases after the auction at the R.S. Allison & Sons shop in Winchester Springs on Saturday (April 26). The business which has been a fixture in the hamlet for roughly 45 years sold the bulk of its equipment, paring the operation down to a single truck. A long line of R.S. Allison & Sons trucks were auctioned off in the sale.

Photo — James



Ready to sell

Spearheading a plan to organize a farmers' market in Dundas County is Shaun Funk (right), a Chesterville Fair board director. He welcomed Farmers' Markets Ontario executive director Bob Chorney to a recruiting meeting on April 24 at the Chesterville Legion. Press Photo — Zabel

OAC honors agriculture volunteer

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WILLIAMSBURG — In honor of 25 years of service to his local agricultural community, Williamsburg farmer Gord Garlough has received an Agri-Food and Rural

Volunteer Recognition Award. He was given the framed certificate at a banquet organized by the Ontario Agricultural College (OAC), University of Guelph on April 21.

"Gord Garlough has provided leadership for the agricultural community of Dundas County for over 25 years," reads the certificate.

The list of volunteer work Garlough has done over the years includes an active role in the Dundas Federation of Agriculture, having served as president, as well as a local and provincial director.

Garlough has been a director for the Dundas County Soil and Crop Improvement Association. Volunteering with the Canadian Food Grains Bank, he toured Ethiopia and Kenya. Representing the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, he spent time in Russia and Ukraine working with farmers to help them improve their methods.

Outside of agriculture, Garlough is a retired school teacher. He is an active member of the Williamsburg United Church. And he has served on the board that organizes non-profit housing in Williamsburg.

The Rural Volunteer Recognition Award was established in 1997, and is awarded to a maximum of 14 people each year across Ontario. Garlough was nominated for the award by his peers in Dundas County.

Garlough said the awards established by the OAC in recent years serve an important purpose now that the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food has been scaled back. "The awards are an attempt for the OAC to keep in touch with rural producers," he said.

In the late 1990s, many of the services previously funded through OMAF (then OMAFRA) were transferred to the OAC at the University of Guelph. Research facilities that were once operated by the province are now operated by the OAC, with provincial funding. By developing an annual awards banquet to honor the work of volunteers, Garlough said the OAC is keeping in touch with active members of Ontario's agricultural community who might not otherwise have contact with the university.



At his farm in Williamsburg, Gord Garlough holds the Agri-Food and Rural Volunteer Recognition Award he received from the Ontario Agricultural College. The award recognizes his 25 years of volunteer work in the Dundas County farming community. Press Photo — Zabel

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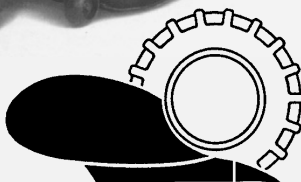


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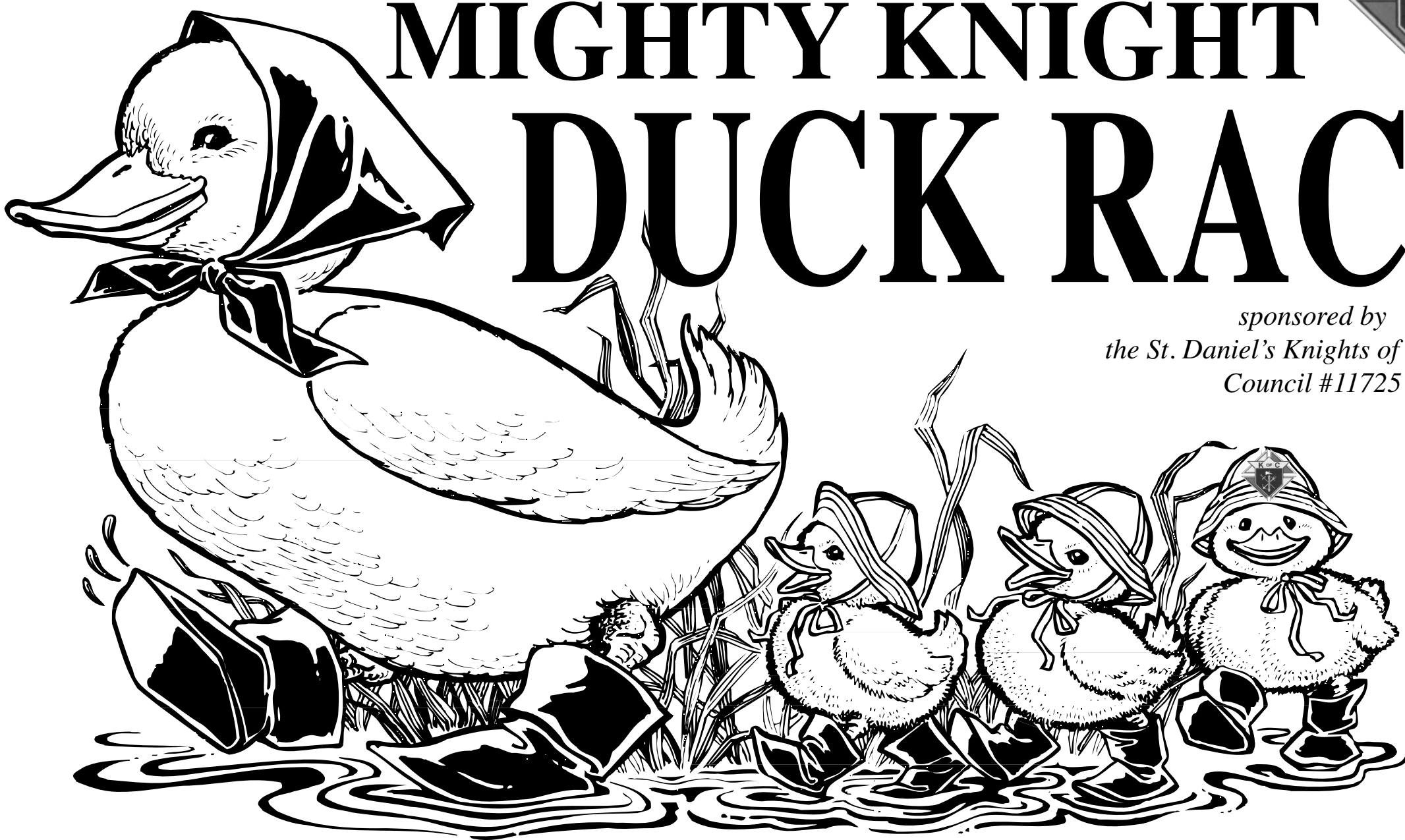
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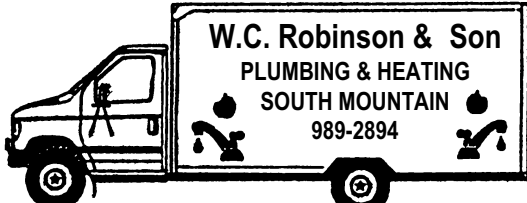
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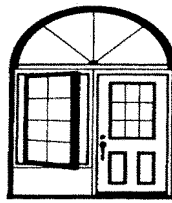
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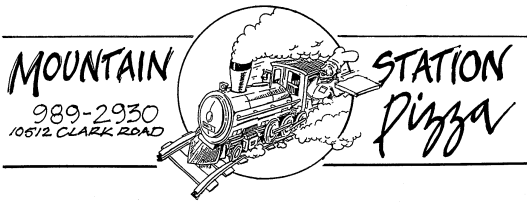
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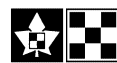


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Courtesy photos

Red Hawks soar to title

FINCH — Backed by Jackie Yelle's solid goaltending the Red Hawks were able to capture the 2002-03 Finch Co-Ed Broomball League championship.

Yelle recorded six shutouts and allowed just 13 goals helping the Hawks finish the 14-game season with a 9-1-4 record and a total of 22 points. The champs outscored their opponents by a 31-13 margin.

League president Terry Colligan recently released reports on each of the seven clubs. The Hawks he noted were led offensively by Steve Norman, Clinton Leroux as well as ladies Christine Casselman and Joanne Smith. With Jackie Yelle blocking shots for them the Hawks finished the campaign winning three consecutive games, all against top contenders. Chris and Jackie Yelle teamed up with Steve Norman to organize the team while G&J Yelle provided sponsorship.

Colligan explains that the Finch Co-Ed Broomball League is a recreational, no body contact sport. The games are played each Saturday evening at the Finch Arena (8 pm to 11 pm) beginning in late September or early October. The organization is always looking to add members so if you are interested call Terry Colligan at 613-292-1895 and leave a message. The registration fee is \$100 per player.

Alexandria finished the season in second place, four points behind the Red Hawks, with a record of 8-3-2. They finished second in offence cracking in 33 goals and second in defence allowing 22. Marc Dereprentigny and Robert Seguin provided the offensive pop while Ivan Conway anchored the defence. Marc and Christine Dereprentigny organized the squad and Bourgon Seeds provided the sponsorship.

Finch E.O.M. was a new team this season and with some additions acquired from the Huskies had the ingredients needed for a successful third-place finish. They played a solid defensive game (28 GA) and ran one of the top offensive schemes which netted 32 goals. With scoring provided by Lance Ouder Kirk, Gary St. Pierre, Moe Isaad, Dara Ferguson and Sheena Flanagan the team finished one point of second place.

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A total of 20 race dates have been scheduled including 18 Friday night, one Tuesday evening and one Sunday afternoon card. Weekly divisions will consist of DIRT 358 Modified, Sportsman, Novice and 4-cylinder rookie classes. Evening events are slated to start at 7:30 pm while the final event of the calendar, the \$5,000 Monster Fall Enduro on Sun., Sept. 14, will go at 2 pm.

In week one (May 16) the Rockway Pontiac and Hudson Ford 50-lap season opener will be featured. There will also be a full show of 358 Modified, Sportsman, Novice and Rookie machines.

Shelp, Weegar lead field

WILLIAMSBURG — Darrell Shelp and Lindsay Weegar carded the best "A" class scores as Cedar Glen Golf Course hosted its first Men's Night of the new season.

Shelp shot a low gross 38 on April 24 while Weegar's 35.5 was low net in "A" class.

Jeff Johnston topped the "B" class contingent with a low gross 43. Kenny Konink fired a low net 37.5.

Jack Hill led the "C" flight with a low gross 54 and Dave McIntosh recorded the best low gross (48) in

The Fri., May 23 date has been tagged the 1000 Island RV Centre event.

The first ESS Super Sprints showdown will be presented by Swiffer and is set for Fri., May 30. There will also be a full supporting card. The second instalment of the ESS series is slated for Fri., Aug. 15.

The opening races of the 2003 Coca-Cola Classic 100-lap 358 Super DIRT Series will be run on Tues., June 24. The second will go on Fri., Sept. 12.

Other highlights include the Kemptville Truck Centre Big Rig time trials on Fri., Aug. 22 and the Mid State Antiques (full show) on Fri., Aug. 29.

The schedule is subject to change. All changes will be made in sufficient time to notify spectators and participants.

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The opening Ladies Night is set for today, Wed., April 30. The first swing is slated for 3 pm. Cedar Glen's Opening Day Tournament will be played on Saturday (May 3) starting at 11 am. On Sat., May 17 the Dr. M.W. Locke Memorial Tournament will be played with the first shot being fired at 3 pm.

The Junior Night league will open on Mon., May 26 at 4 pm.

Ladies Ball Hockey League

Fewer teams - longer games

CHESTERVILLE — Play in the 2003 Chesterville/Winchester Ladies Ball Hockey League season is set to begin tomorrow night, Thurs., May 1. The league has changed its format for the new season dropping the six-team, one-hour games concept for four-teams, and 90-minute matches.

Last season six squads, each staffed by 10 players, worked through one-hour matches. On most nights players were missing so a list of spares had to be contacted to fill out the rosters. This year the league executive decided to try stocking four teams with 16 players, thereby eliminating the need for spares while still providing plenty of playing time through 90 minute games.

Week number one (May 1) will pit Jane Sachs' Team Green (No. One) against Roxanne Backes and her Blue Team (No. Two) in the 7 pm game. At 8:30 pm captain Heather Erwin and Team Yellow (No. Three) will take on Janice Casselman and her Red Team (No. Four).

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TEAM THREE: Yellow - Captain Heather Erwin, Julia Baker, Allison Banford, Patti Hall, Laura Shay, Joanne McMillan, Sarah Shay, Kelly Cummins, Kate Hoogeveen, Nicole Cardinal, Kelly MacGregor, Amy Lynch, Shelley Sanders, Kim Norman, Holly Plumb, Linda Smail.

TEAM FOUR: Red - Captain Janice Casselman, Jackie Morris, Mary Lynn Plummer, Jenny Van Gorp, Sandy McCadden, Joanne Ralko, Monique Rutley, Sherri Nugent, Meghan Horseman, Meghan Shay, Angie Van Gorp, Courtney Barkley, Sara Gravelley, Janet Munro, Chantal Thomas.

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Eastern Ontario dominates final

JOLIETTE, PQ — When it came down to deciding who was the best juvenile team in Canadian women's broomball, the gold-medal battle was between a pair of clubs from Eastern Ontario.

And when the final whistle had sounded on April 19, the Seaway Valley Devils had defeated the Eastern Thunder 2-0. After finishing as silver medallists for 11 years, the Devils were able to claim gold-medal status in the 2003 event. It also was a banner day for the Thunder who struck silver in just their second appearance at the Canadian Juvenile Women's Broomball Championship.

Members of both teams have their roots in the sport in the Finch Minor Broomball League which boasted 250 players from sprout to midget this season.

In their seven games, the champion Devils allowed just two goals and those came in the opening match against the Thunder. Goalie Jackie Hoozeveen posted six wins, five by shutout. Melanie Dodier registered a zero in her one appearance.

This year's gold-medallists also earned an armful of individual awards. Christine Fortney was named MVP in the round-robin and Cindy Kavanaugh in the championship game. Fortney was also named to the first all-star team as a centre, Catherine Lafleche earned the first all-star team's right wing position and Chantal Legault was named second all-star team left winger. Lafleche was also chosen by her teammates as their MVP and was named the top 19-year-old female player in eastern Ontario. Gilles Labelle was named as an all-star coach.

Cindy Kavanaugh and Michele Gibson counted the goals after Nicole Robinson and Andrea Achtereekte had provided the passes as the Devils blanked the Eastern Thunder in the gold medal match.

To get to the championship game the Devils had to eliminate Les Pantheres (Quebec) in the semi-final round. Christine Fortney cracked in a feed from Chantal Legault and Kavanaugh to support Jackie Hoozeveen in the 1-0 win.

ROUND ROBIN

Seaway Valley had to win five games to reach the semi-final bracket. They opened with a 3-2 verdict against the Eastern Thunder. A goal by Robinson put the Devils up 1-0 but the Thunder roared back and gained a 2-1 lead on goals by Trisha Leduc (unassisted) and Lana Begg (from Leduc). Chantal Legault scored to knot the count at two and Catherine Lafleche scored the winner from Fortney at 11:26 of period two. Robinson was the game MVP.

Fortney had a goal and an assist and was named game MVP as the Devils blanked Quebec 3-0 in game two. Lafleche potted a pair of goals while Josee Lafleche, Sarah Vanderveen, Chantal Legault and Robinson picked up the assists.

Fortney continued to swing a hot broom in the match against Manito-

ba, slapping in both goals in a 2-0 win. She also earned her second straight MVP award. Catherine Lafleche supplied both assists and Melanie Dodier posted the shutout.

Quebec No. Two was no match for the Devils who rumbled to a 6-0 victory and stretched their undefeated string to two games. Chantal Legault had two goals and one assist. Fortney (2), Nathalie Legault and Andrea Achtereekte completed the scoring. Assists went to Catherine Lafleche (2), Josee Lafleche (2), Ashley Heagle (2), Marie-France Lafleche and Amanda Wheeler. Fortney was named MVP a third consecutive time.

Fortney turned in another MVP effort in a 1-0 win over Saskatchewan as the Devils improved their round-robin record to 5-0-0. She had the game's only goal on a play created by Catherine and Josee Lafleche.

SEAWAY DEVILS

Members of the gold-medal winning Seaway Valley Devils are: Melanie Dodier, Jackie Hoozeveen, Sarah Vanderveen, Josee Lafleche, Andrea Achtereekte, Catherine Lafleche, Michelle Gibson, Ashley Heagle, Chantal Legault, Cindy Kavanaugh, Cynthia Weaver, Amanda Wheeler, Nathalie Legault, Marie-France Lafleche, Nicole

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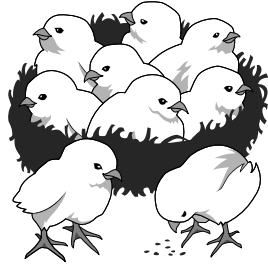
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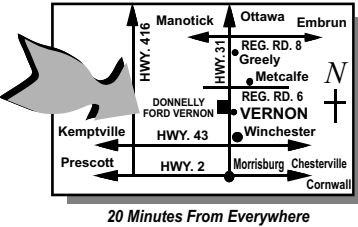
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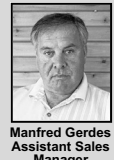
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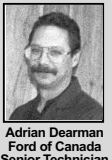
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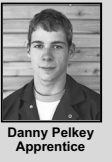
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Deadline for tags extended

PETERBOROUGH — The deadline for the adult moose validation tag draw has been extended this year to Mon., June 2. The deadline was extended to ensure hunters have ample opportunity to apply for the draw after they receive notice of 2003 moose quotas in May.

The deadline for paper applications to reach the Ministry of Natural Resources is 5 pm on Mon., June 2. A paper draw application is provided when the hunter purchases a moose licence from a licence issuer. The address for mailing paper applications is printed on the application — Ministry of Natural Resources, Fish and Wildlife Branch, Box 929, Station

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The most convenient way to purchase a moose licence and apply to the draw is by using the toll-free, automated telephone system at 1-800-288-1155. The deadline for applying to the moose draw by phone is 11:55 pm (EDT) Mon., June 2.

Hunters who purchased a moose licence in 2001 or 2002 will be mailed a Moose Hunter Fact Sheet in May. The fact sheet will contain the moose tag quotas and the guaranteed group sizes for 2003, as well as other useful information. The fact sheet for 2003 applicants is available at www.mnr.gov.on.ca/MNR/pubs/pubmenu.html.

Turkey season opens this week

TORONTO — A sustainable wild turkey population in Ontario has allowed the expansion of hunting opportunities in eastern and southern Ontario, reported Natural Resources Minister Jerry Ouellette this week.

"We are committed to sustainable recreational hunting opportunities," said Ouellette. "This gives hunters more opportunities to hunt for turkeys in additional areas of the province and provides a boost to the provincial economy."

Over-harvesting and loss of habitat wiped out wild turkeys in Ontario in the early 1900s. Ontario started its restoration program in 1984 with the help of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH). By 1987, a sustainable population was established with birds transferred from the United States. In recent years, the National Wildlife Turkey Federation has also contributed to the restoration program. There are an estimated 48,000 birds in the province now.

The new opportunities are in Wildlife Management Units 62, 86A,

86B and 94B, which increases the number of hunts from 63 to 67. In 2003, wild turkey hunting started on April 25 and will run until May 31.

To qualify for a turkey hunting licence, hunters must attend a wild turkey seminar and pass a test. The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) has partnered with the OFAH to deliver the required training seminars and exam.

Accredited wild turkey hunters can apply for a wild turkey licence by calling the MNR's toll-free Electronic Licensing Line at 1-800-288-1155. It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week until today (April 30). To use this system, hunters need their 15-digit Outdoors Card number, a valid credit card number, and either a touch-tone or pulse telephone.

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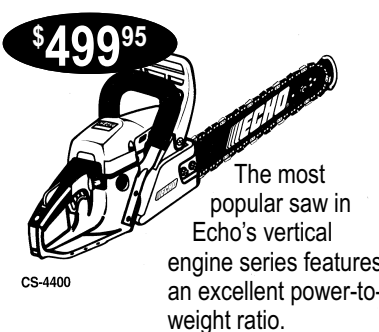


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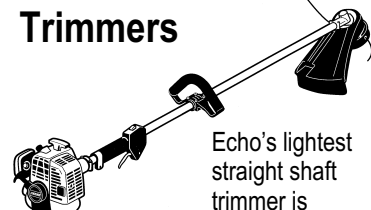
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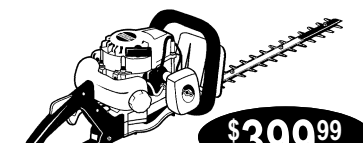
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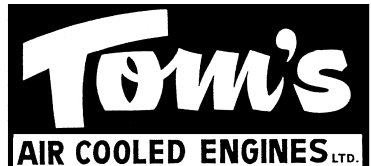
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place north side of road – OR – from
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SATURDAY, MAY 3
commencing at 10 am
REASON FOR SALE
Farm Has Been Sold

Tractors and Farm Machinery: Ford 6600 tractor with Allied loader (straight); Cockshutt 1800 tractor; Kiwanee 10' disc; 4-furrow Oliver drag plow; 3-furrow Oliver drag plow; cultivator; 7' stone fork; post-hole auger; 6' single auger McKee snow-blower with hydraulic chute; 13-run Cockshutt grain drill with grass seed; 5-section spike harrows with eveners; Hesston #10 haybine; Cockshutt side delivery rake; HH #270 square baler with thrower; Little Giant elevator; 3-pt. hitch woodsplitter; 8' front-mount blade; nice old horse cutter; old sleigh; 2 sets of double Draft horse harness; quantity of halters and other harness including complete dog harness; ox yoke; whiffle trees and eveners; buffalo robe; two 30-gallon milk cans; 8-gallon milk cans; 3 rolls of barb wire; Co-op portable air compressor; Stihl 0-28 chain saw; Pioneer chain saw; cutting torches; 20" metal brake; 2 aluminum extension ladders; 1976 Yamaha 100 cc motorbike, as is; set of heavy chainfalls; gas weed eater; power tools including bench grinder, drills, skill saw and more; assortment of hand tools including flat wrenches, socket wrenches and more; 38" Rigid pipe wrench; cant hooks; log chains; assortment of used lumber; jet pump.

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EVENING AUCTION SALE
ANTIQUES,
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND
MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES

In the Vernon Recreational Centre,
Vernon, Ontario. 1/2 mile east of Food-
town Grocery Store, just off of High-
way 31, approximately 20 miles south
of Ottawa.

FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 9
commencing at 5 pm
viewing from 4 pm

On behalf of a well established Ottawa Valley home and some quality consignments the following will be sold: Eastlake ash flat-to-the-wall cupboard; original pine 2-drawer, 1-door storage cupboard with hardware and keys; pine 2-board top harvest table, approximately 4'; Mission style oak desk with drawer; Mission oak settee and matching chair; Eastlake chair; cupboard; flat-to-the-wall curio shelf; walnut deco mirror hall table; church pew, 46"; sideboard and china cupboard; Hoosier style cupboard; antique china cabinet; chests of drawers; pressed Morris-style oak rocker; wash-stands; cedar chest with drawer; maple chest of drawers; side tables; telephone table with mirror; half-moon Duncan Phyffe table; parlor tables; piano bench; folding bookcase; platform rocker; dresser with mirror; old slatted nursing rocker; painted rocking chair; pressback chair; single pedestal round oak table, 48"; 6 oak captain's chairs; oak buffet with mirror and bow front doors; oak china cabinet; Victorian marble top side table; wicker chest; easel; teak table and 3 chairs; coffee table; 2 Windsor style chairs; arrowback chair; magazine stands; 2 wicker chairs; night stands; book stands; teak coffee table and end tables; beds; bedroom set; leather covered trunk; pull-out couch; old basket, original colors; wicker bassinet; German wicker sewing box; brass tea wagon; old radio; vintage chalkware carnival clown, 27" high; large cookie jar; cast-iron door stop; press and cut punch bowl and stand; biscuit barrel; silver chafing dish; press glassware; depression glass; old pottery; electric "Gone With The Wind" lamp; oil lamps; hall lamp; table lamps; stain glass window; linen; quilts; assorted other glassware; Toshiba color 32" TV; Toshiba DVD player; JVC VCR; Hotpoint refrigerator; GE stove; Whirlpool washer; Kenmore dryer (appliances are white); many other interesting items.

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AUCTION SALE
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miles west of Kemptville on County
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SATURDAY, MAY 3
commencing at 10 am

NH #477 haybine; NH #273 baler; Kuhn rotary rake, 3-pt. hitch, new condition; pipe elevator; Bogballe fertilizer spreader; Kverneland 3-furrow plow, 3-pt. hitch, excellent condition; drag harrows; drag discs; cultivator, 3-pt. hitch; pieces of pine and cedar lumber; drainage pipe; used page wire; section riveter; baler twine; small wagon load of farm related articles

PROPRIETOR
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Selling Immediately Following For
The Estate of James Sanderson

MF #255 with MF loader; Kongskilde 3-furrow plow, 3-pt. hitch, excellent condition; Dunham Lehr tandem discs, 10'; Triple-K cultivator; MF 33 seed drill; MF mower; NH 56 rake; Allied automatic stooker, hydraulic drive; co-op sprayer; A.C. manure spreader; McKee 620 snow-blower; posthole auger; fanning mill; beam scales; grain auger; McCormick walking plow; tractor chains; Echo chain saw; small wagon load of farm related articles; IH #624 tractor; White 285 cultivator.

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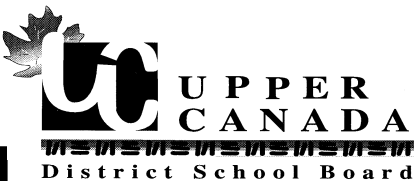
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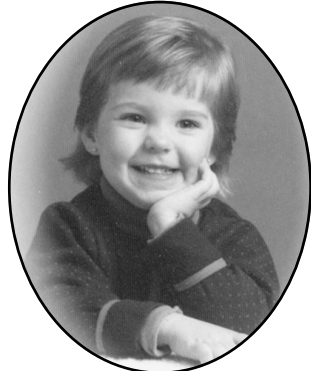
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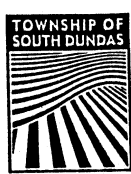
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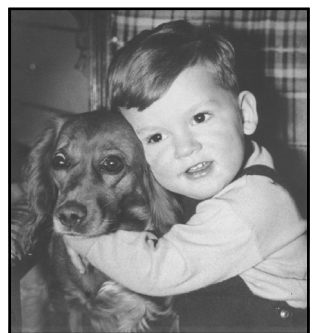
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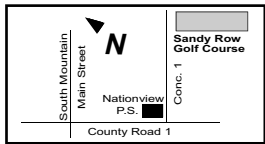
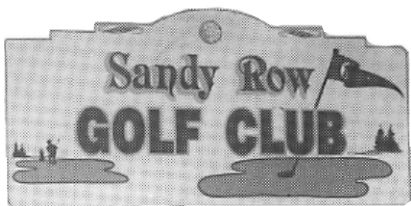
Thank You

The family of the late Jean Christie extends a sincere thank you to relatives, friends and neighbors for the many expressions of sympathy in flowers, cards, food, prayers and charitable donations. Thank you to the Winchester Hospital and the nurses in ICU for their care and personal kindness to Mother. Special thank you to Dr. Steele and Dr. McLean. A special appreciation to everyone who took part in the funeral service, which was a wonderful tribute to Mother; to Rev. Blair Paterson for his kindness and understanding; to Helen Hyndman and the Hallville choir for their gift of music; to her granddaughters Vicki and Corrie, who read the scriptures; to her son Richard for his eulogy to our mother; to the pallbearers, grandsons and grandsons-in-law (Brett, Duncan, Alexander, Ken, Gary and Greg); to the Hallville UCW for the delicious lunch served after the service. Many thanks to the Byers Funeral Home for their compassion and professionalism. Your kindness will always be remembered.

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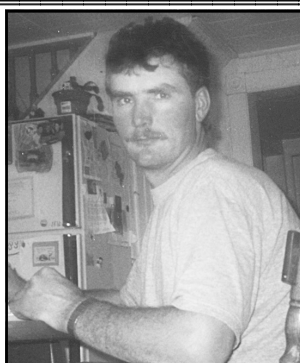
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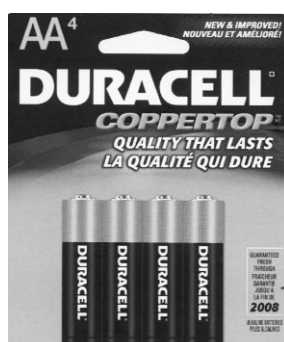
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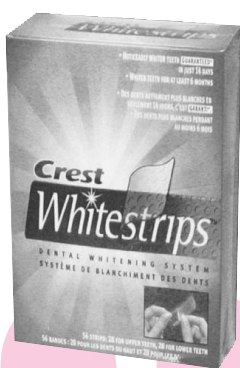
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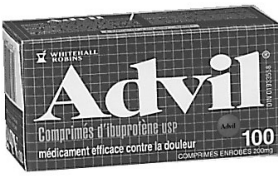
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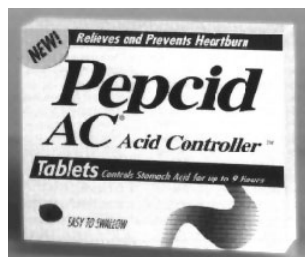
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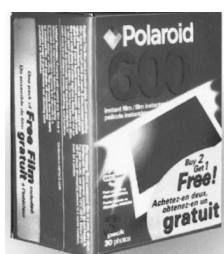
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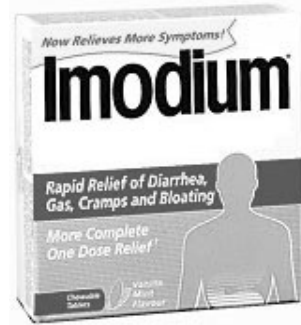
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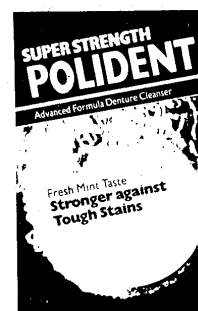
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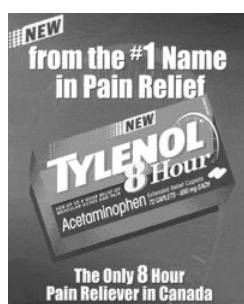
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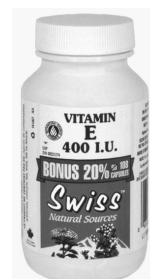
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