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The Puck Drops Here

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Brian Gilligan and Stephen Whitfield, respective Catpains of the South Grenville Rangers and Swindon Ice Hockey Club of England wait for the official puck drop by Tom Elliott to get the game started. On hand were Edwardsburgh Cardinal Mayor Dave Dobbie, Rick Sabourin (District Chair), John Dickens (Swindon Hockey), Tracy Swan (Pres. S.G. Hockey), Les Matthews and Tom Elliott (Pres. ODMHA). A full house cheered both teams to a game of fun.

British Invasion a unique experience for players

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Anticipation and excitement filled the Cardinal and District Community Centre on Saturday morning as players and coaches and fans began gathering to be a part of the British Invasion. It was indeed a once-in-a-lifetime experience that would be of benefit to teams from both countries.

Friendly international minor hockey games were on tap and everyone was ready. Cardinal's Atom House League teams and their Bantam "C" teams were suited and ready to face the visitors...the Swindon Junior Ice hockey Clubs.

The international exhibition was the brain child of Richard Sennott, Executive Director of the Ottawa District Hockey Association. John Dickens, co-ordinator for the British tour which included games in Kanata the previous day, notes, "Richard came into our rink dressed entirely in Team Canada gear, we started talking and he asked about our coming over to Ottawa for some games." The fact that Head Coach Mark Beggs from the Swindon Club spent his formative years in Canada was a factor as well in the decision to bring the young players here.

Manager of the Swindon Club, Sue Aldridge explained that the teams that came across to Canada represent a very wide age and ability spectrum as the members are from various teams in their League. "A cross section of everyone who plays ice hockey for us." Number 44, Floyd Taylor for instance, is only 5 years old, but what he lacks in size he makes up for in determination.

The Jaguars Under 12 played the Atom House League teams while the Leopards Under 16 faced the Bantam "C" Rangers.

Each game was a three-in-one game in the Atom division as the House teams each played one period against the Swindon team. This gave as many local players the chance to play internationally as possible. Swindon went down 3-1, 5-0 and tied one at zero.

The Bantam game was highly competitive as the Rangers needed 3 goals in the third period to win a well played game 3-2.

While the local teams might have expected low key games, they were anything but as the British lads came out set to play. Swindon skated well and their passing was very good. Body checks were on their agenda as well as they were not afraid to give as they got. They need perhaps to work on their aggressive play especially in front of the crease where they are weak. The winning goal by the Rangers was scored by Mark Jenkins, while the picture perfect goal of the game was scored by Swindon's Chris Robson, #91. Demonstrating his speed he burst down his wrong wing, cut in front of the defence, waited for the goalie to

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Health Unit says 'wait & see' to West Nile Virus

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The medical officer of health at the Eastern Ontario Health Unit says he is taking a "wait and see" approach to this spring's predicted arrival of West Nile Virus.

Since its first appearance in North America in 1999, West Nile Encephalitis, a mosquito-borne disease common in Africa and the middle east, has spread outward from the New York City area. It reached St. Lawrence County, directly across the river from SD&G, last year.

"We've received no indication that it's crossed the creek," Dr. Robert Bourdeau said Monday.

At this point, the doctor says he plans to learn more about prevention before recommending a specific strategy. The subject will be discussed at an upcoming meeting of medical officers in Guelph shortly. A meeting with Ministry of Health officials is also in the works, he said.

Mosquitoes transmit the West Nile Encephalitis virus between birds and other species, including humans. According the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, less than one percent of people bitten and infected will develop the serious form of the disease, which causes swelling of the brain. Less than one percent of mosquitoes are believed to carry the virus in infected areas.

In the past two years, several deaths have been attributed to the disease in the United States.

Most people get over the illness in three to 15 days and are left immune. Symptoms include fever, headache, body ache, rashes and swollen lymph glands.

"The infection is more common than one would be left to believe," Dr. Bourdeau said.

Testing dead birds, especially crows, is a common method of detecting if the virus has arrived in an area.

Dr. Bourdeau said the Health Unit received a number of birds last year, but none tested positive.

Options for tackling the disease include spraying insecticides and encouraging people to clean up backyard junk, such as tires, which can hold stagnant water and encourage mosquito growth. However, decisions have not been made on any options.

"The thing will be to protect yourself against mosquitoes. That, I suspect, will be the bottom line."

1990s study found Crypto bug in Morrisburg, Iroquois tap water

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Microscopic bugs common to the St. Lawrence River that are resistant to chlorine and capable of causing intestinal upset were detected in Iroquois and Morrisburg's unfiltered tap water during a late 1990s study performed by researchers at the University of Ottawa's Department of Microbiology and Immunology.

The study was the basis of a master's thesis by then-graduate student, Kerry Nolan. She found Cryptosporidium (Crypto) eggs or 'oocysts' in 94 percent of treated water samples taken from the Iroquois and Morrisburg water treatment plants. On average, the positive samples contained 15 Crypto oocysts for every 100 litres of water. Giardia eggs or 'cysts' were found 61 percent of the time, with average 12.4 cysts per 100 litres.

Both treatment facilities were sampled approximately ten times between July 1995 and October 1996.

Crypto and Giardia are cousins — tough, single-celled parasites of the protozoan family whose eggs can withstand chlorine treatment. Ingested in large enough quantities, they cause illnesses with similar flu-like symptoms, including diarrhea. A 1993 water-borne outbreak of Crypto, after a filtration system broke down, sickened 400,000 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and was blamed in the deaths of several individuals with weakened immune systems.

Filtration is the primary weapon for keeping the organisms out of a water supply.

However, chlorination is the only method of water treatment currently performed in Iroquois and Morrisburg. The water is not filtered, in contravention of the Ontario government's August 2000 Safe Drinking Water Regulation. The regulation has compelled South Dundas Township to plan the construction of one or more new water treatment plants by a Dec. 31, 2002 deadline.

Until then, the lack of filtration will continue to allow Crypto and Giardia easy access to the waterworks in the two villages. They are not rare creatures, either; the study found them "ubiquitous" within the St. Lawrence. Ninety-one percent of raw water samples drawn from eight sites on the surface of the river over the course of the study were found to contain Crypto. Seventy-five percent of the raw samples tested positive for Giardia.

Overall, the study offers a rare glimpse at Crypto and Giardia levels in Morrisburg and Iroquois. Such information is quite unusual because the Ministry of the Environment doesn't require municipalities to test drinking water for the infectious duo; nor are there M.O.E. benchmarks for acceptable levels.

Rick Eamon, Vice President of the Thompson Rosemount Group, which runs the water treatment plants under contract for the township, said Monday that he expects the M.O.E. will expand current testing standards to include Crypto when filtration becomes a reality everywhere in the province, at the end of next year.

As a result, the twilight years of unfiltered water systems in Morrisburg and Iroquois has placed residents in something of a grey zone. On the one hand, the M.O.E. has declared their treatment plants don't meet the minimum filtration requirement. On the other, the water itself is not being tested for the presence of bugs that filtration would remove, so the water is still officially safe.

Could the water be causing illness now?

The question was put to Eamon: Is it possible that the water in Morrisburg and Iroquois has caused, or is causing, from time to time, some mild gastro-intestinal illness in some people because of Crypto?

Replied Eamon: "It's possible, simply because the (current) treatment is not effective at removing Giardia and Crypto."

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O.P.P. promote action plan in North Dundas

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

It was North Dundas Council's turn to hear the O.P.P.'s new business plan aimed at speeding and break-ins, Monday evening.

Members of the SD&G O.P.P. have been making the rounds of local councils and The Police Services Board in recent weeks and touting their plan, the first since the O.P.P. signed a contract with the counties last year.

"The business plan is our commitment to you," Detachment Commander Mike Aho told council.

Contact with, and visibility in the community will be the cornerstone of tackling the speeding and burglary problem, council heard.

SD&G residents identified the two issues as their top concerns in an October 1999 survey.

Sgt. Brent Mattice heads up the 10-member traffic unit, which will carry out the anti-speeding initiatives in the plan.

Acting on complaints and tips from residents, the unit will target areas for attention, record the results, and follow up for comment from the original complainant.

In short, the police are selling themselves and their service the way a contractor is expected to.

On the speeding file, the goal is to generate 450 "public contacts" with drivers every month, Mattice said.

He added the figure did not necessarily mean 450 speeding tickets.

Tickets, however, wasn't a dirty word for Councillor Roger Cole, thanks to a change of jurisdiction over Provincial Offenses Court.

"It'll be nice to see the P.O.A. revenue going to the counties and not the province," he said.

The police also hope to use a new electronic trailer unit that logs and records traffic speeds from the side of a road, storing the data for later retrieval.

Sgt Mike Mulhearn outlined

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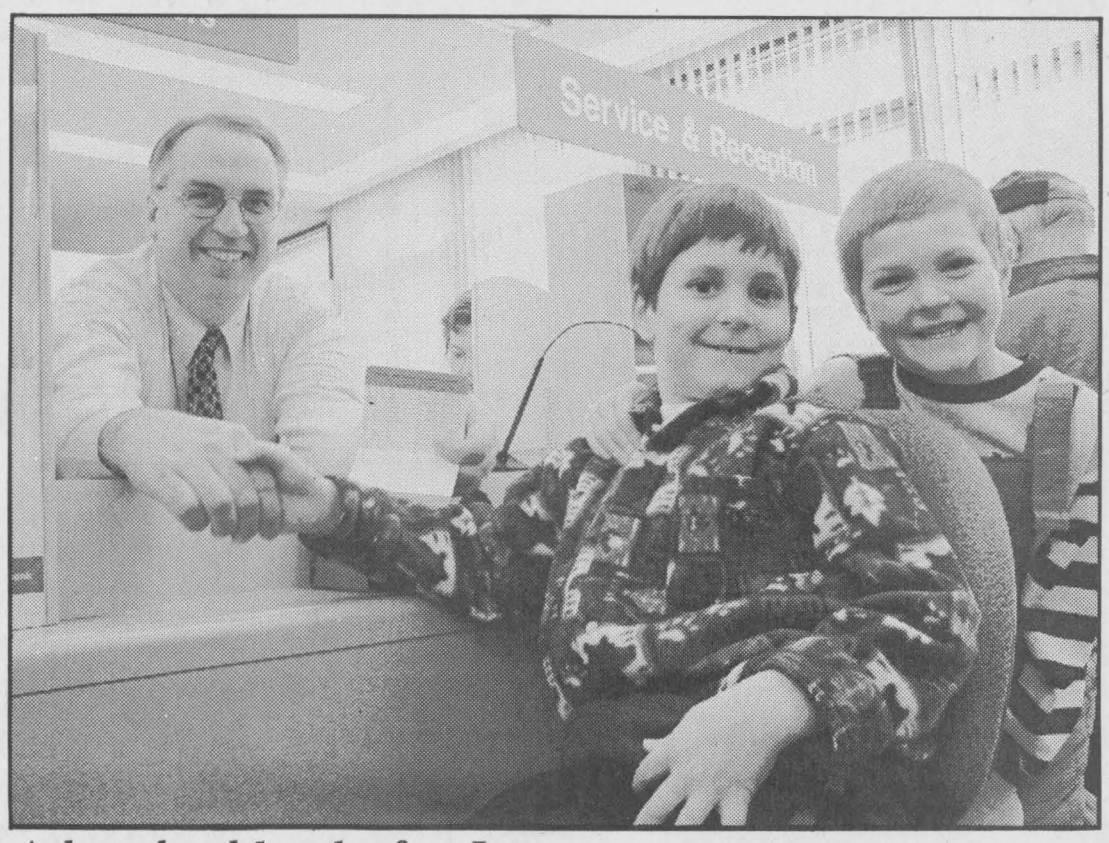

A hundred bucks for James

South Mountain Scotiabank Manager Hugh J. O'Neill shakes the hand of 8-year-old James Burgess, who won $100 in the bank's Getting There Savings Program for Youth. Every month, Scotiabank gives $100 to some lucky under-19 customer in Canada. William Burgess, 7, is happy for his brother, who plans to buy a new bike this season. James has had his bank account since 1992, when he was one month old, his mother Carolyn says. *Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen*

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Royal Canadian Legion Newsletter

by Dar

With the flu bug making the rounds in the area, only fifteen players (All men) showed up this past Saturday to square off in the Cribbage League competition. Wilf Summers won eight out of nine games played and captured first place with a 1075 total. Duane Kirker pegged 1066 points to finish second while Bernie Montroy snagged third spot with 1057. Joe MacDonald scored 1041 to play the role of "Bridesmaid." Only one half of a dozen skunks made an appearance, but Willis Douglas netted a pair of them. With nine weeks remaining in the Cribbage League schedule, Ron Perrin presently sits on top of the standings with an average 114.4 points per game played; however, he is closely followed by Paul Morrow and Joe MacDonald with 114.2, Willis Douglas with 114.1 and Wilf Summers the defending champion with 114.0.

At the Euchre tables on Tuesday, February 13th, there were thirteen tables being kept occupied and the first prize went to Bill Duvaul, while Everett Froats received the second prize and the door prize went to Maureen Welsh. It has to be the cold weather that kept the skunks away from the Branch for this particular evening!

At the Duplicate Bridge (played on this same evening) there were four tables kept busy and the top winners of the evening were Rick and Judy Darling.

Provincial Bursary Programs: This program provides financial assistance to the children and grandchildren of any veterans, Legion Members (which includes Associate Members) and Ladies Auxiliary members who are continuing post secondary education. Applications for the current school year 200/2001 MUST be submitted NO LATER than March 31, 2001. Applications may be obtained at the Legion during normal business hours.

Plans are now in the making for the St. Patrick's Day celebration. More on this as the Day gets closer.

This week's events:

Mon. Bingo at Johnstown hall 1pm.

Tues. Bridge in the small hall 7pm.
Euchre in main hall 7:30pm.

Wed. Line Dancing 7:30pm

Thurs. Men's League Darts 7pm.

Fri. Mixed League Darts 7:30 pm.

Sat. Cribbage League 1pm sharp in the lounge.
Caldwell's (St.Lawrence Corporation) Dart Tourney.

Take care...see you next week.



Darts for Hearts

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Margaret Reynolds, President of the Dundas Chapter of the Heart and Stroke Foundation, in the centre accepts a cheque for $1365 from Iroquois Legion President, Darlene Riddell and Sheila Holmes who organized the Annual darts for Hearts tourney at the Branch. A large group of players turned out to make it another resounding success this year.

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Snow Volleyball Tourney raises funds for Jason Hill Memorial

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The frigid temperatures on Saturday did not keep the hardy volleyball players snuggled at home. There were a lot of brave players bundled against the cold winter wind that bit at exposed skin. The clubhouse at Cedar Glen Golf Club near Williamsburg was warm and provided a crackling fire to ensure players were ready to head into the snow.

Volleyball is a favourite game and even in the snow which was deep and after the first game provided some challenges of its own as the serve brought the frozen volleyball across the net everyone was having a great time.

What a concept, fun in the cold snow while raising money to enhance the Jason Hill Bursary Fund for Seaway District High School graduates. Jason was taken all too suddenly and very much too soon in an accident a few years back now. The young man was well known at his school and the bursary established in his name will keep his memory alive for years to come. This volleyball in the snow enables some deserving grad to use the funds for post secondary education endeavours. The $1100 raised is a wonderful testimony to Jason and his spirit.

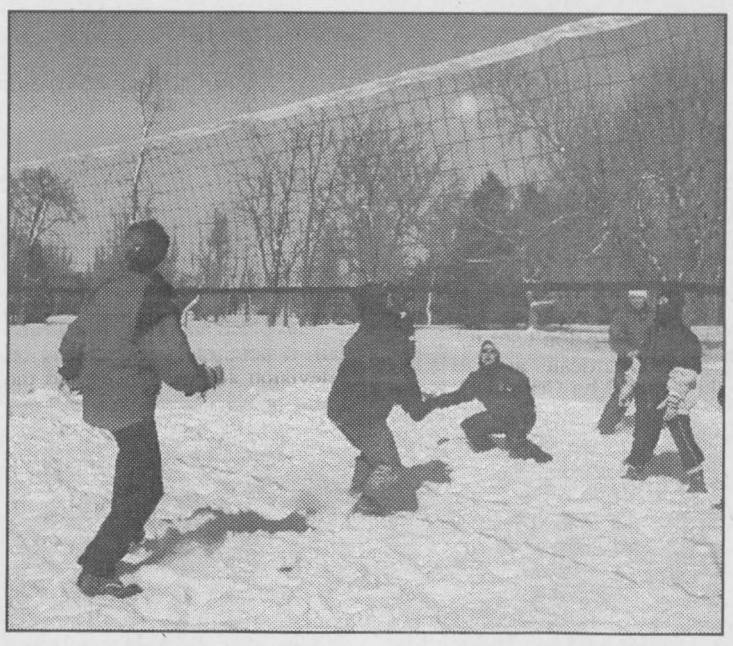
Thanks goes to Janice Gilmour, Jackie Fawcett, Tammy Henderson, John Bailey, Nancy Morrell and Jack Hill as well as the North Williamsburg Recreation Association for their efforts on behalf of the tourney.

A hearty round of appreciation to the players who came out and indeed made the day a terrific success.

When the snow settled and the volleyball came inside to thaw out, the "A" Champs were SSCS, which included Paul, Mark, David and Rob Casselman, Allison Banford, Shelley Coons, Derek Roles and Dinette Beaudry.

The "B" Champs were the Junior "B" Lions team which included; Jamie and Chris Barkley, Wayne and Bonnie Garlough, Jamey Robblee, Jon Chambers and Jeff McIntyre.

Congrats to the teams who won and to all who played for their efforts in a great cause. Playing volleyball with scarves, gloves, mittens, snow boots and heavy winter coats is no easy task, but the teams we watched did a great job. The laughter that rang across the barren golf course was reminiscent of summer days of golfing...soon the links will be green and the clubs will swing where Saturday a volleyball net provided a court and teams played hard to win.



Snow Ball

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Playing Volleyball in the snow is a wonderful way to keep warm on a blustery cold winter day. Come on Jamie get that ball over the net. Through the net are the "B" side Champions, the Junior "B" team. This event helped raise funds for the Jason Hill Memorial Bursary at Seaway High.

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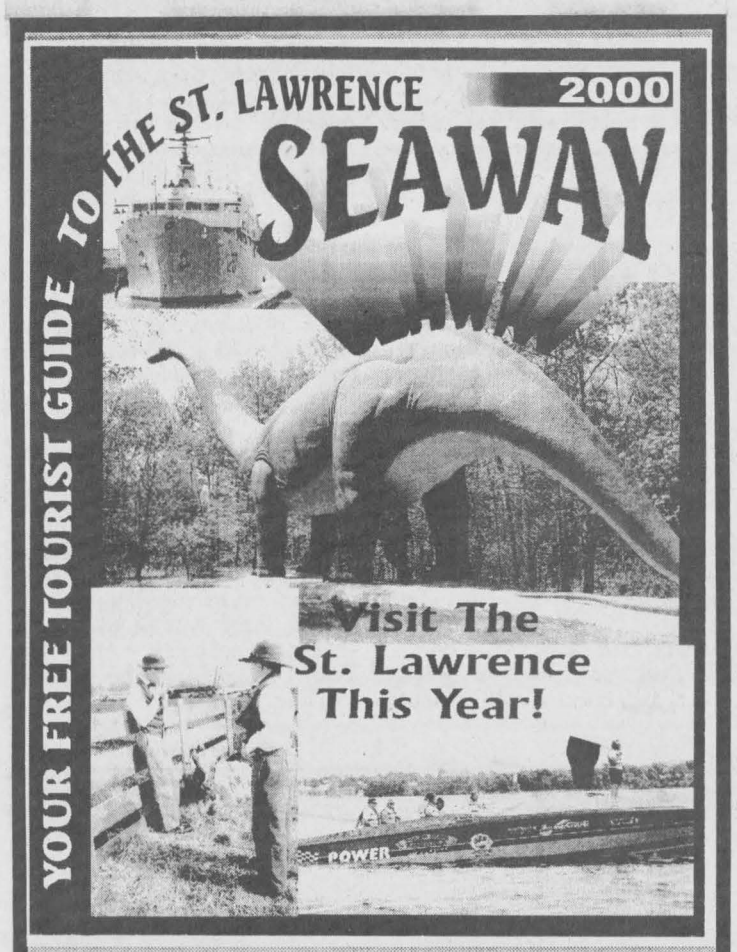

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Nationview Nugget

by Dana Kittle and Eric Duncan

This is the premiere edition of a bi-weekly article written by two grade eight students from Nationview to keep the community informed about what is going on at Nationview School.

A couple of weeks ago, our school held their Nationview Theatre Weekend. The movies that were playing included Charlie's Angels, Digimon and Running Free. There was a good turnout to all three movies and we are in the midst of planning another Theatre Weekend in March.

Recently, Nationview started a D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything And Read) Program in which staff and students participate in a fifteen minute reading time. Most classes have been doing this already, but now we all do it school-wide and all at the same time.

Both Junior and Senior Basketball Tournaments are approaching. Both of the male and female Senior teams are scheduled to play on Tuesday, February 27th and the Junior team will compete on Wednesday, March 7. The players have been training hard for the past couple of weeks and we wish them the best of luck.

Last week, on Valentine's Day. the whole school participated in a Red, White and Pink Day and there was good participation from both students and staff. Also on a Valentine's Day note, on February 16th the Grade 7 & 8 students enjoyed their Valentine's Day dance which featured Steven Barkley as D.J.

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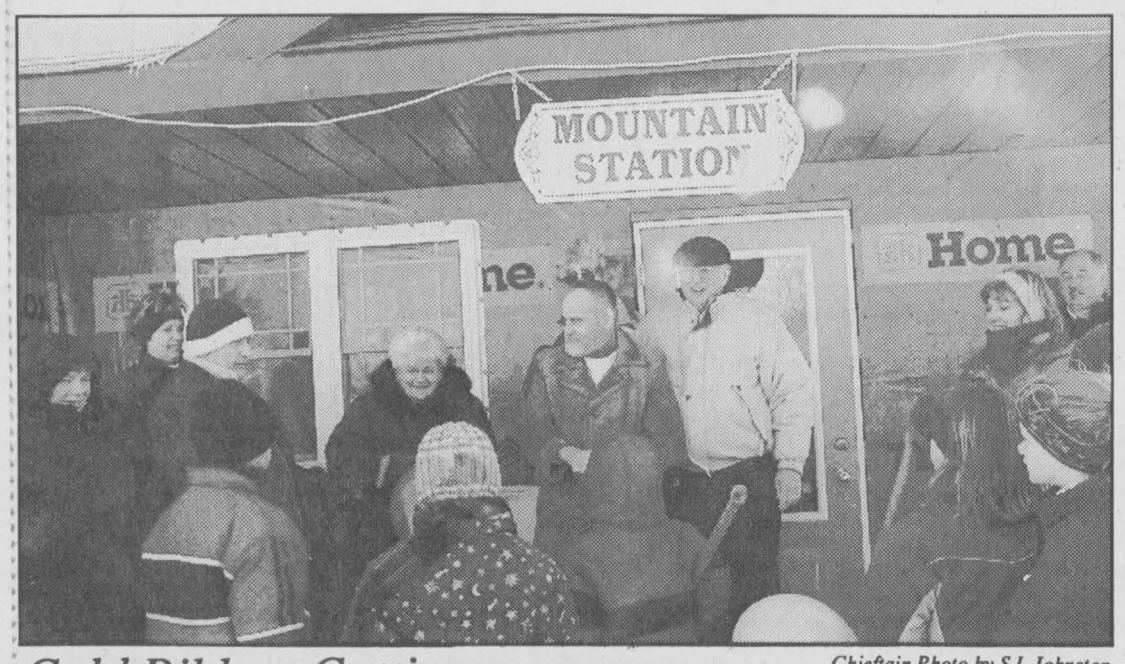

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Cold Ribbon Cutting

Deputy Mayor Alvin Runnalls officially cuts the ribbon to declare the new Mountain Recreation Building ready for use. The sign reads "The Mountain Station" and the structure resembles what used to be sitting along the tracks that pass through the hamlet. On hand despite the frigid temperatures were Ward reps on Council, Keith Fawcett and Estella Rose as well as numerous people involved in the financing of the project. Next week full coverage.

CONTINUED FROM THE FRONT

Water

He also agreed with the concept that some residents may have built up a physical tolerance to whatever bugs might be in the water.

Susan Springthorpe, a research associate at the University of Ottawa who assisted with the study data, was asked on Friday if she would drink the water in Morrisburg or Iroquois.

After a bit of a pause, she responded: "That's a good question. I would think, probably, I would. It's a question of how much you drink.

"There are two issues here. Visitors might be cautious about drinking the water because they are not exposed on a continuous basis. But if you live there, the chances are that you've been exposed."

In her opinion, Springthorpe said, "I would expect you do build up some immunity."

She added later, "I don't think there's any reason to think you have large numbers of people infected."

While it is possible to be sickened by ingesting just one oocyst, it would have to "get through the digestive system alive and come in contact with the right cells.

"The studies suggest you might need more than one to get infected."

The daily intake for an infection may require anywhere from 10 to 200 oocysts, she said, depending on the strain of Crypto involved.

At an average rate of 15 oocysts per 100 litres of water, receiving an adequate dose would require a very powerful thirst.

However, the actual number of occysts in the water on any given day, due to the lack of testing, simply is not known.

Proximity of water intakes to sewage pollution can play a role in Crypto levels, the researcher suggested.

Effluent comes from upstream sewage plants, but sewage levels are generally known to spike upwards in any given area of the Seaway if a ship illegally dumps its bilge tanks.

Crypto has also proven capable of getting past filtering water treatment plants, Springthorpe said.

Two filtration-capable plants were, in fact, included in the study — the Cornwall water treatment plant being one of them. Seventeen percent of the samples from those plants tested positive for Crypto.

But state of the art membrane filtration technology is even more effective at stopping the bugs, Rick Eamon said.

Thompson Rosemount has already recommended the "cost effective" technology for a planned water treatment plant in South Stormont and is looking at the option for South Dundas.

The lack of filtration also contributes to higher levels of chlorine-organic compounds that are linked to certain cancers.

Should visitors and guests be warned not to drink the water?

If it's public knowledge that Iroquois and Morrisburg's water treatment plants don't meet the province's minimum requirements, and that there is evidence of bugs theoretically capable of causing illness, do residents have a responsibility to warn guests and visitors not to drink the water?

"To be honest, I don't think I'm qualified to give that recommendation," Rick Eamon said, advising the question be addressed to the Medical Officer of Health at the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, Dr. Robert Bourdeau.

Eamon said the water itself meets the standard demanded by the current testing regime.

Dr. Bourdeau, contacted at his office Monday, said he is not recommending that residents warn visitors not to drink the water in the unfiltered jurisdictions of Iroquois, Morrisburg, Ingleside and Long Sault because "I don't have enough data."

"We're not aware of any Crypto outbreaks or even isolated cases" in the area, the doctor said. "We don't see it."

Dr. Bourdeau acknowledged there could be Crypto in the unfiltered waterworks. "Theoretically, it is always a consideration."

Added the doctor, "You would think if it was present, we would see an outbreak."

He didn't dismiss the idea that residents may have built up a certain tolerance to the bugs.

"People can become immune to certain (water-borne) organisms," Dr. Bourdeau said, noting the age-old example of drinking water in the Southern Hemisphere — not advisable for tourists but easily consumed by the locals.

So who is liable in lawsuit if a visitor with a weak immune system drinks the water in one of the villages and becomes ill? The home or business owner who didn't warn him? The township for not posting notices for visitors? Could the visitor argue the province was willfully blind by not mandating tests for Crypto at this point in time, while tacitly acknowledging the problem by demanding the installation of filtration?

But it would be tough to prove a case of waterborne illness in a lawsuit situation, Dr. Bourdeau said. "You'd first have to demonstrate the water was the cause."

Officials at the M.O.E. did not return calls.

According to the U.S. Centres for Disease Control, boiling water for one minute will kill oocysts and cysts. Some home-based filter systems will also remove them.

St. Lawrence Area Birdwatching

by Linda Anderson

Bone chilling cold, high winds and frequent snowfalls continue to buffet us about as we carefully pick our way over icy patches and crusted snowdrifts. One of the first signs of spring on the horizon is the return of **Horned Larks**. Our Irena Road birdwatcher spotted six of them on Highway 31 south of Whitteker Road on the weekend. The birds were feeding in a field beside the road.

About the size of a large Sparrow, Horned Larks are found in pastures and other open areas where you may spot a large group of them walking along the ground in search of seeds. Distinctive colouring in the face pattern...black forehead with "horns," a black line from the bill to the eye curving down behind the eye and a black breast shield, along with a pink/brownish back, make it stand out. The tail is black with white borders which flash in flight. As with other field species, such as Meadowlarks, it has a distinctive call but a weak song of high twittering notes.

Winter birds reported from our Irena road watcher include four **Hungarian Partridges** on the side of Rowena Road on Sunday, **Goldfinches, Tree Sparrows, 8 Blue Jays, 2 males and a female Cardinal** on Saturday. The Cardinals had left for a while but returned again.

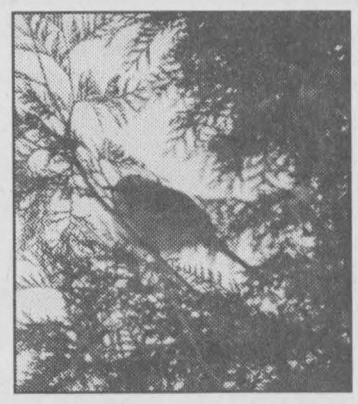
The **Bald Eagle** seen at Maitland last week was spotted again by our Chess Road watcher. He has seen the Eagle sitting on a tree near a barn on a short side road just east of Duponts.

An Island Park Drive resident reported two tiny **Golden-Crowned Kinglets** last Monday just after the column went to press. At just 4", this tiny insect-eating species is more closely associated with Northern Coniferous forests than the larger Ruby-Crowned Kinglet, although they both can be found in eastern deciduous forests, parks and residential areas. The birds have the nervous habit of flicking their wings almost continuously while feeding, picking insects out of the bark of trees.

In mid-January, a resident on the North Channel Road near Prescott reported a possible **Northern Mockingbird**. Hand delivery of photographs of the bird confirms its status (and thanks for that!)

With black and white wings and tail, it perches conspicuously on television aerials, fences and the outer branches of trees and shrubs. The only other bird it could be confused with is a Northern Strike, but it has a very hooked bill and black mask.

In Ontario the Mockingbird occurs irregularly north to Lake



Nipissing. It first nested in Ottawa in 1971 and in Sudbury in 1972. Occasional sightings of Mockingbirds occur in eastern Ontario but the main core of the range of this species is the Niagara Peninsula, where mild winters occur and here the bird is a frequent welcome visitor to gardens and suburban areas. It is considered a pioneering species with an erratic nature and there has been a slow but steady progression of its range northwards since the 1960s.

With spectacular and long-winded singing, the Mockingbird was once kept as a cage bird and it is thought that escaped cage birds became the first recorded occurrences in Ontario. Hopefully our North Channel birds will nest. We look forward to hearing more about these birds later in the spring.

Reports, observations and anecdotes are welcome to me at 652-2555.



Another accident

County Road 2 just east of the Brinston Road turnoff (County Road 16) claimed a couple of vehicles as a small pickup and a Chrysler Intrepid were involved in what appeared to be a head-o collision on Monday about noon. The Iroquois Fire Department was called as the Jaws of Life were needed and at least one person was transported via ambulance to hopsital. Drive carefully!!

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A new suit

A news article recently posted on the *Los Angeles Times* website brought to mind the whole *Twisted* tale of the North Stormont youth who put Tagwi High School on the map like no other ex-student of that institution. (It is a tale that, with the recent charges against a few other students at Tagwi, has now picked up some much-needed context, especially on those earlier protestations by members of the student body that the media was portraying the situation at Tagwi all wrong. Even the Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation had jumped into the fray to cryptically remind everyone that not all details of the *Twisted* case were available for public consumption. A very subtle way for a union worth billions to pursue its agenda of protecting its own against a single youth.)

The *Times* article, however, was rather startling for showing what could be a template for the North Stormont situation. To put it in a nutshell, the parents of a California teenager face some hefty legal bills after successfully defending her in a lawsuit brought by another teen who was kicked out of school because she had reported his allegedly threatening language.

The first family is now suing their local school board for legal fees incurred because they say their daughter was only acting as an agent of the school's anti-violence policy.

It's not hard to imagine the civil courts will busy themselves with the North Stormont situation, long after the criminal courts have delivered their verdicts. Who knows how things will end up, and who will end up paying?

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How Safe?

Do you know someone who has been injured on the job?

How safe is your own workplace?

How safe is your teenager at their place of part-time employment?

Have your youngsters been properly trained in all aspects of their job?

Do they know how to react to an emergency situation?

Who trained them?

Are they properly supervised when at work?

These are some of the questions being addressed by the Workplace Safety and Insurance Boards (WSIBs) new "Safety Starts With You" campaign.

The goal of this safety campaign is to spread the word that prevention is everyone's business and also that safe working practices should be promoted on the job, at home and in the community.

Based on some compelling accident stats, this is a vital part of our lives if we work or if our children work. For example of some 364,069 claims registered in 1999 in Ontario with the WSIB, more than 100,000 involved temporary or permanent impairment. In addition, more than one worker dies every week in a workplace accident and eighty people are injured every day by falling at work.

The campaign targets two of the most common causes of workplace injuries...falls and machine hazards.

Every person needs to know his/her right to a safe workplace. Workplace injury and illness have a ripple effect that involves the worker, family, friends, employers co-workers and the community at large.

Machines and people can be a deadly mix. It is vital to understand what you are dealing with and how to prevent movement when not in use, lockout procedures and guards need to be in place at all times on moving equipment pieces.

Falls are a troubling trend. Caused by poor lighting, missing protective devices, lack of training and rushing to meet deadlines, they lead to real trouble in the workplace. Hopefully these trends can be abated with knowledge and care.

Stop and look at your situation and especially that of your children who enter the workplace, yes even though it be briefly. Our young people are our future.

S.L.J.

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Doctor Gerry Rosenquist is now set for semi-retirement

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

focus

As the Lulu song asks, "How do you thank someone who has done so much for you?" Well family, friends, colleagues, co-workers and a large number of grateful patients came together on Saturday evening to attempt to express their gratitude and wish him well as he steps aside to enjoy some well deserved free time away from the rigors of the Obstetrical Department.

The Winchester Community Centre was gaily decorated as everyone gathered to celebrate a lifetime of dedication to a health care system, to a community and to a hospital. Doctor Gerry Rosenquist is settling into a sort of retirement as he leaves the OB Ward at Winchester District Hospital. He will, however remain in the Gynaecology branch of the local medical scene.

Coming to Williamsburg in the fall of 1960 as a 23-year old baby-faced graduate of med school, and a newly-wed, Gerry would deliver his first baby in March 1961 and after the healthy boy, Tom Hummell cleared his lungs, Doctor Gerry never looked back as it were, delivering his final baby, another healthy boy, Kaelin Humphries in December of 2000, delivering between four and five thousand babies throughout a lifetime of Obstetrics. This writer owes her healthy sons to him as well..and this after there were to be no children born into the family. Doctor Gerry received a very solid smack on the cheek when he provided the good news that this one was pregnant, not once, but twice!

An evening filled with female medical jokes, puns and remembrances, this was a great evening to say thanks for a wonderful life of giving to others. Memories flooded back of various deliveries, special moments in the delivery room, in the OR, throughout the hallowed halls of WDMH, of being awakened from a deep sleep to hear the cry of a new born, leaving family to attend to others...it was all there and even more.

Accolades were forthcoming from hospital personnel who worked for and alongside the Doctor. The Administration (Andre Rodier), the Hospital Board (Jannie Van Noppen), Municipal officials (Mayor Johnny Whitteker of South Dundas and Deputy-Mayor Alvin Runnalls of North Dundas), MPP John Cleary and Denis Sabourin (on behalf of MP Bob Kilger who sent his regrets) as well as colleagues like Doctor Graham Jacques (President of WDMH Medical Staff) and Joan Larmour and the WDMH Obstetrical Nursing Staff, Doctor Wayne Domanko, Bill Horner and Rosenquist family members spoke of great times and wonderful memories. Each fond memory brought a smile to the face of the good Doctor as he must assuredly have been recalling his own special tidbits triggered by the memories of those speaking.

Doctor Paul Coolican acted as MC for the festive evening and interjected with medical quips at appropriate times to keep things moving and on schedule.

Both the MP and MPP spoke of the 35 years of dedication to his profession and his community and wished him the best in the future.

Mayor Whitteker recalled how the tiny Hamlet of Williamsburg established a committee to lure a doctor to their community. Doctor Gerry's Uncle was the Reverend at the Lutheran Church and Rev. Blackwell sat on the Committee. Encouraging a young Doctor to leave the west and come to Dundas County in Ontario worked and in four days the Rosenquists were in residence. He suggested that there would have been no St. Lawrence Medical Clinic of not for Doctor Gerry (And Doctor Robertson). "A small area like ours is so very fortunate to have a hospital in the north sector and clinics in the two south

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First and Final
Tom Hummell was the first baby Doctor Rosenquist delivered at WDMH in 1961 and now towers above his Doctor. Dr. Gerry holds his last delivery (in December 2000), wee Kailin Humphries

The Golden Boots
Dr. Gerry has a pair of matching bookends. The OB staff nurses presented him with his former white rubbers in gold as souvenirs of a life spent in the delivery room! "No one else could fill them!"

Photos by S.L. Johnston

Pay close attention to Horoscope warnings

Just Plain Livin'
with Sandra Lee

Although we seldom paid heed to or really appreciate what our horoscope says each day, last Sunday was one day perhaps the warning should have been paid attention to. The big guy and the writer are under the same zodiac sign and usually one of us reads what the signs have to say and shares the info.

Sunday was the day we would trek west to Peterborough to Trent to bring the University kid home for Reading Week (formerly called March Break in high school and elementary school)... a break from the rigors of class and testing, deadlines, essays and lab reports. A much deserved week of R and R where mom does numerous loads of laundry (what does he do with all the quarters we send for the washing machine in the dorm?), cooks anything but pasta meals and gets some great hugs.

Back to the events of the day. Rising too early on a Sunday to head west and beat the traffic, get home with time to accomplish some writing, the big guy and the writer were out the door, armed with food and coffee, snow apparell and the cellular, all for the trip. Plans called for an arrival before lunch, a quick loadup and back on the road to be home in time for a visit, supper and various tasks of preparation for another Monday morning as we faced another workweek. Anticipation ran high since the kid was bringing a female friend to stay a few days with us and this would be our first meeting.

The highway was bare and the traffic light; what then was that dull ache in the pit of the writer's stomach? Why were the nerves in edge? All seemed well...until just before reaching Kingston when smoke, steam or some thing resembling these was noticed following the truck. Wistfully hoping that it was coming from the snow spray as the wind drove wisps of snow across the highway, or at least from another motorist on the highway we did not stop immediately...not at all, it was coming from us! A solid determination to get as close to the city limits as we could, we motored onward. Pulling off at Division Street, we stopped at the sign before entering the street and things seemed to take a turn for the worse, some burping, bucking and sputtering and we wondered if we would make it out of the traffic flow safely. Moving towards a gas bar, we were in the yard, stopped to back up out of the way of other motorists and nothing...we could not move forward or backward. The big guy got out and pushed, a sure way to warm his extremities, as I steered. The heft was too much and we decided it was fine where we were, just a bit out of the mainstream. Checking under the hood, there seemed to be nothing wrong, some red liquid underneath pointed to transmission fluid which was sprayed all over the undercarriage, the tires and the exhaust system...thus causing the steam.

A desperate moment of panic...Calling home for assistance and advice, we were not in luck either, the parents were not home, the first brother called was not either. Then the operator or whomever the voice on the cellular phone is explains there are only a few minutes remaining on this phone and so we make it fast...another brother is called, and we explain that we will locate a pay phone and get back to him. Perhaps he can get the keys to our car and come up? But this time, when we finally find a payphone, are told by the operator that it will cost $3 to start the call (we have a toonie and some quarters and a fifty spot), I decide to call collect. Then, in all my excitement I dial the wrong number, (close to the brothers number-this has happened previously) explain hastily our dilemma and suddenly realize I have the wrong number. This lady was good enough to accept the collect charges and suggest I call my dad! I finally get the brother back on line and ask for his words of wisdom. He is not very pleased with me and rightly so, but calling Ghost Busters would not have helped in this situation! With a promise to call when and if we locate the problem, afterall no use driving that far for a busted hose, etc. I hang up feeling a dull thud as my stomach lurches forward and then rearward to slap my spine.

Asking the attendant at the gas bar where we could get the help of a mechanic, she suggested CTC was the only place and so I began searching in the phone book for a number. Not knowing the city at all, I was really looking in the dark. A call went out and I was told there is no mobile service available. After carefully and patiently explaining how we were travellers off 401, far from home and unable to drive to their location, she apologized, sounded genuinely sorry and hung up. Rustling through the book again for a mobile mechanic who might work on a Sunday a young man stepped into the booth beside me. After he completed his call he

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the bottom line

THE JUNIOR 'B' LIONS HELD A 50/50 DRAW THAT WILL HELP THE TEAM as the Playoffs begin and the team finds itself travelling to Alexandria for the first round of play. The draw was made the other evening at the game in Morrisburg and the lucky winner was Margaret Richmire of Morrisburg who is $500 richer for the experience as is the team. Thanks to all who bought a ticket, your support is appreciated by the players. Congrats to Margaret.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 CANADIAN HOCKEY PRIDE WILL BE ON THE LINE at the Leo Boivin Arena in Prescott as the Rideau St. Lawrence Minor Bantam Kings host the touring Swedish Farjestads Bollklubb Bantam Hockey Club. This association has sent more than 20 players to the NHL including Magnus Arvidsson (Sens) and Jonas Hogland (Leafs). Several team members on the Kings are Morrisburg players, including Cody Casselman, Cory Cassell, Tyler Lafortune and Winchester youth Ben Baker and Travis Leach. Come out and see some of the future NHL players this weekend. puck drops at 1pm.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH ORGANIC FARMERS AND MARKET GAReners will meet at the Morrisburg Meeting Centre. Eleven workshops, 3 keynote speakers, a trade show and an organic lunch promise a rewarding day for all who attend. The first Eco Farm Day held last year attracted more than 130, and this year looks even bigger. To register call 1-613-525-4114 or e-mail to <faithphillips@hotmail.com>.

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Livin'

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asked if I was in trouble...he was kind enough to check the hoses, fluid levels and lines to the engine, the tranny and the brakes. All seemed in order, he suggested I start the truck, try to move it ahead, and back...and it moved. Checking things in neutral, seemed fine as well. Nothing dripping, no sign of trouble now, that is strange! He asked where we were headed, and where we lived. Returning back home seemed to be a plan since he felt we would reach home safely and I could see a smaller towing bill with every mile under the tires. We were off after a most appreciative thanks, reaching home and informing everyone why they had a call on their answering machines from an unknown number (our cell). A warm cuppa tea and a bowl of steamy soup and we were on the road again in the car this time just in case.

A call to the kid telling him what was happening and how we would be later than first suggested, we were almost three hours behind schedule.

We made good time despite the larger number of vehicles on the highway now, saw an accident where a transport driver had veered off the 401 to strike a rock face head on. Must have happened the previous night, but a lot of heavy wreckers were on the scene trying to dislodge the 18-wheeler from the rock, and there was not much cab room left, not an encouraging sight for us! Down to one lane, traffic was almost stagnant...oh well what the *** we are on no more schedule anyway now.

We finally reached the dorm, tried several methods of packing the car and finally were on the road again headed east. Almost nine hours on the road, an hour freezing in the cold in Kingston and we arrived at Swampview...settled into a warm cuppa, covered with a blanket we decided to read the paper and give those sore bones and joints a chance to ease the pain a little. The horoscope suggested that travel was not a good idea for us this day...too late and we know already!!

Too bad we have to face all these challenges in a simple drive to pick up the kids. The scenery is like a winter wonderland what with the snow clinging to trees and rocks, water frozen as it flowed out of rock cuts and the sun giving everything a sparkling facade as it peeked from under clouds. We should be enjoying it. The shadows cast along the highway as we passed tree lines and rock faces made designs on the highway. The road was bare with snow continuously swirling about us like a dust storm, some drifts were struck on the northern trek to Highway 7, but the municipal plows were out sanding the slick portions and plowing the drifted snow off to the side. All was still and quiet and driving along without much traffic on this small highway that connects 401 and 7 we could check things out and truly enjoy the trip, under other circumstances.

We watched the Italian movie with English subtitles, "Life is Beautiful" and once we tuned in the reading beacme easier. I had not realized this was about the Holocost, but found it well done.

Being out and about on Saturday on assignment was a chilling experience, but bundled up I made it alright. Afterall we are a hearty bunch in this country of snow and ice, are we not?!

The college kid has pulled another all nighter as assignments pile up and time seems to pass all too rapidly. He will be happy when his free week comes along!

The hour is getting ahead of me as well and the Sojgrens is acting in a rather hateful manner what with the stress and all. Oh, yes, the truck is operational; a clean filter in the transmission and a replenishing with fresh fluid helped too. The mechanic seems to have been a boost to the entire system, and we are not anticipating any more problems for a while anyway...is it us or are our vehicles jinxed? Probably we have no more troubles than anyone else, it just seems like it.

Take care and keep smiling. I know crying does not help any situation!! The wisdom comes from H. Jackson Brown Jr. who says "Never waste an opportunity to tell someone you love them."

Focus

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sectors," says Whitteker. He continued mentioning the Year of the Volunteer and how appropo it was that Gerry was being honoured..."There would be no Playhouse in Morrisburg if not for the efforts of the Rosenquists, both Gerry and his wife Lois were instrumental in the creation of the UCP." Runnalls thanked the Doctor on behalf of North Dundas and suggested that a great medical team operates in our area and mentioned the UCP as well and how much easier it is for a community when volunteers step forward.

Letters of appreciation were read by Dr. Coolican from Dwayne Holmes, President of the WDMH Foundation and from local Pharmacist, Al Belanger who said, "Gerry's dreams became our (His partner and himself fresh from school) dreams when in January 1972 we purchased the Pharmacies in Williamsburg and Morrisburg...Thanks for 30 years of shared dreams!!"

Mrs. Van Noppen thanked Lois for her tremendous support of Gerry, expressed the extreme gratefulness of the Hospital Board for his years and contributions, his sacrifice and the inspiration he has been to all who worked with him..."You loved your work and the people, and for that we are most thankful." She told of her involvement with the La Leche League and introducing it in WDMH 16 years ago and how Gerry did not stand in the way. She quoted scripture that said, "You care about people as much as you care about yourself, what more could anyone ask? She next echoed the thoughts of everyone as she noted, "We WILL miss you a lot!"

Mr. Rodier acknowledged how Dr. Gerry was instrumental in bringing state-of-the-art medicine to the WDMH OB Department. He went on to say that Dr. Gerry accounted for 15% of all the births in the entire catchment area of WDMH. He referred to the Doctor as a "true gentleman" and a "team player" who supported his colleagues ever searching for the learning in a situation. He noted that Dr. R. will continue to provide Gynaecolical services to the Hospital and presented him with a silver tray in recognition of "35 years of loyalty and dedication."

A fax from a former Nurse, well known to most, Sharon Dillabough was heart warming for Doctor Gerry as she mentioned his courage.."Leaving your practice and family to return to Queen's to specialize was brave...but you always tackled all situations head-on, whether right or wrong. You were always up front and your dedication was an inspiration which did not go unnoticed by your profession, Hospital or community.

Fellow physicians spoke of his never failing support in their times of need. "You brought calm and order to all situations and always were on-call to us...we your colleagues say Thank You!"

The Nursing staff described Dr. Gerry as a teacher, a mentor, an inspiration and a friend. Ms. Larmour noted there would be some things the Staff would NOT miss as there will be things about us you will not miss I am sure...I know I'll miss you saying, "Call me when you see the whites of their eyes!" She presented him with a pair of gold rubber boots, his white ones retired along with him from the deliveryroom. "We figured no one could fill them like you anyway!" Hoots of laughter filled the room.

A clock and pen set from the Nursing Staff was given by Linda Johnson of the OR, "Other areas of the Hospital sad to see you slow down Doctor R." She thanked the family for sharing him as well.

Dr. Domanko offered their applause on a well deserved slow down. "The course of my life changed some 30 years ago when a young man pursued me to come to a small clinic in a town I had never heard of. You had a great deal of vision." He used words like integrity, invaluable service to his Hospital and to his community, no lack of confidence and no self doubt, amiable, able, respect, gratitude, often going against the flow, available and accessible at a moments notice and suggested that "Time says you have done well, and it is time to take a break."

The family spokesperson was daughter Kim (Morrow) Rosenquist. Pride showed on her face as she spoke of her dad, recalling funny incidences as the family grew and how after becoming an adult has got to know her father in a different way. Compassion, truly special, a great grandfather, understanding, strong work ethic. Grandson Drew noted, "It is great to have a doctor in the family when you get sick!

Lois noted that being a doctor's family meant you never got sick, how things were tough when they started out and how things change. " No matter the pressure Gerry was always there for his children when they needed him," she said.

Summing up the evening, Doctor Rosenquist said it was all a bit overwhelming. "I see this as an ending and a beginning for me." He continued saying that when asked to recall the most memorable events, the ones that went wrong are the ones that stick. "We realize how frail we are, how little control we have over our lives. The good become commonplace and blend in, while the others become learning experiences." Remembering 2 home deliveries, being lost searching for a patient in those early years and people who have made a difference in his life as he welcomed other doctors to the Clinic and the Hospital (Dr. Chande and Mable Ogden RN). He concluded by saying, "All of you like everyone I have ever met have contributed to who I am and What I am. I will cherish forever your celebration with me tonight."

Edwardsburgh/Cardinal exempts local Legions from municipal taxes

by Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The local Royal Canadian Legion Branches do many things to make the community a better place to live and almost everything they make goes to benefit the community where it is located.

At the council meeting of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal on Feb. 19, council passed a resolution to exempt both the Cardinal and Spencerville Legions from the municipal portion of their taxes.

Council received a request from the Legion in Cardinal recently to approve this exemption, but decided to wait for Spencerville to make the request. Therefore they could both be approved at the same time.

The Municipal Act states that municipalities have the option to exempt Legions from this portion of their taxes and many other municipalities have done this. It can either be done for a long period or it can be approached year by year.

"I think that the way we should do this is one year at a time," said Mayor David Dobbie.

Local Branches of the Royal Canadian Legion are already exempted from the county taxes and now that this resolution has been approved they only have to pay school board taxes, which is about one third.

"I certainly agree with this exemption. The Legions pour everything they make into the community," said Councillor Peggy Taylor.

A by-law concerning the rate of speed for vehicles on the road known as Cedar Grove Road was addressed at the meeting, but was deferred to the next meeting.

The by-law stated that those travelling on the road are not to go over 60 km/hour. The Ministry of Transportation has already put signs up on the road.

Mayor Dobbie said that this by-law will give the OPP the legal right to enforce the speed limit on the road, but he would like the by-law to be more clear before it is approved.

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Prescott Invitational medal winners

Front, left to right: Lindsay Gilmer, 3rd Pre-preliminary Flight 2; Kristen Phifer, 1st Junior Bronze Flight 1. Back: Kaitlyn MacDonald, 3rd Pre-preliminary Flight 4; Karen Stevens, 4th Junior Bronze Flight 3. The girls did the Morrisburg Club proud Jan. 20 in Prescott. Karen also took a 2nd Junior Bronze medal at Seaway Valley Interclub in Winchester Feb. 10. *Chieftain photo by N. Zandbergen*

Novice B Lions win Tourney on Saturday

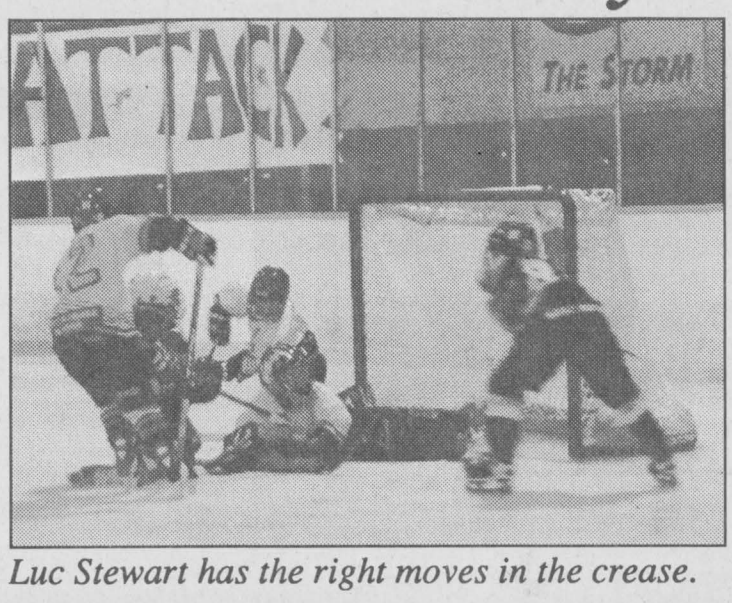
The 2000-2001 Novice "B" Lions completed a big week by winning six straight games. Along the way, the local team wrapped up first place in the East Division of the Upper Canada League and won the "A" side of their home tournament held Saturday at the Morrisburg Arena.

The week kicked off with a league game in Long Sault on Tuesday night which the visitors won by a 4-1 margin. Daniel Stevens, Michel Thurler, Jay Keller and Scott Summers all bulged the twine once for the Lions. Josh Veltkamp and Nick McCaslin both picked up a pair of assists for the winners.

Friday night the lads were in Chesterville to go head to head with the North Dundas Demons. The Big Blue Machine prevailed for a 5-4 victory. Prior to the game, Coach Dan commented that, "league rivals were starting to read Scotty Summer's favourite play rushing to his left and suggested that occasionally he might try something else." Scotty wisely took the "Go Right" approach and produced his fourth hat trick of the season. Daniel Stevens also put on a gritty display, popping in two for the visitors. Michel Thurler led the team with two helpers while David Toonders, Josh Veltkamp and Nick Thomas each added one.

Saturday morning the parents, coaches and hockey players were at the rink early to set up for what proved to be a very successful and well run tournament. What was even more rewarding, for the locals was that the hometown boys came through and grabbed the championship. The day lived up to its expectations and provided plenty of memorable moments that will be cherished forever by the team and their fans.

The host team showed their desire in the first game, coming out of the box flying and cruising to a 5-1 win. Daniel Stevens got the ball rolling in the first with help from Michel Thurler. The Selects knotted things before the period was out, but the Blue Machine caught fire in the second with three quick goals. Josh Veltkamp scored an unassisted goal at 8:37, then Drew Hutt took a pass up the middle from Nick Thomas and swooped past the South Stormont defenders to lift one high over the Selects goalie's shoulder. Nick McCaslin pinched in at the blueline and threw one over to Stevens who tapped it in for his second of the game. Big #10 would not be denied as he (Scotty) rounded out the scoring for Morrisburg in the third on a wicked shot that penetrated the top corner. Lions goalie Luc Stewart was awarded the "Hustler of the Game."



Luc Stewart has the right moves in the crease.

The second opponent for the Lions was the Gloucester Black Hawks in a game that brought more dynamic situations that many were comfortable with especially Lions Coach Dan. The boys came out flat and the visitors took advantage, jumping out to a 2-0 lead in the first. The Lions for the second game in a row roared back with a big second period. Josh Veltkamp got the crowd going with his second goal of the tournament with an assist going to Scott Summers. Then Michel Thurler did some nifty stick handling to set up Summers who rifled a bomb into the top corner of the Hawks net. Later, Nick McCaslin delivered a home run pass on to Veltkamp's stick who then went in alone. Josh drilled it high on the glove side, a play reminiscent of some of his great counters from the past. Gloucester tied it up on the power play in the third which sent the game into a shootout situation. The format for the overtime was such that five players from each team would shoot on the goalies and the one with the most tallies would win. After five shooters, both Morrisburg and Gloucester had scored twice. Summers scored a pretty one followed by Veltkamp who notched his third of this game. Now it was sudden death and it carried on for three more players before it ended. Daniel Stevens, who has been on a real roll of late, scored the winner and made everyone feel relieved. Nick McCaslin was chosen "Hustler" for Game Two.

The final game saw the Lions face to face with the Orleans Blue Lites, a team that they had tied in the Brockville Tournament just a couple of weeks earlier. Dan and Mike knew this was going to be a tough game for the team, but the boys responded with their finest effort of the day. After a scoreless first period, the home team jumped out in front at the 7:07 mark of the second. A Nick Thomas shot deflected off a leg over to Jay Keller. Keller unloaded a high shot that the Orlean's goalie juggled and dropped in front of him. David skated in for the rebound and slammed it home. David reacted with the "All knowing nod of his head" signifying to the fans that the Lions were hungry for the win. But Orleans answered right back less than a minute later on a goal by Craig Moore. The third period brought plenty of close chances at both ends. With four minutes remaining Captain Jay Keller chalked up the winner. Jay accelerating over the Orlean's blueline used his patented head fake to cut across the middle and promptly shot the puck toward the net. Keller caught the goaltender moving the wrong way in producing the winning goal of the game. Keller accepted the "Hustler" of the final game along with the "A" Championship Trophy on behalf of the team.

Sunday the Lions concluded their league schedule with a 5-3 win over the Charlan Rebels. Scoring for the Lions were David Toonders, Scott Summers, Nick Thomas, Josh Veltkamp and Spencer Peters with his first of the year, which incidently proved to the game winner. Helpers in this game went to Nick Thomas with two and Jay Keller and Josh Veltkamp each with one. Playoffs begin Thursday night in Morrisburg with the Lions entertaining the South Stormont Selects at 6pm.

Prescott has commanding lead in Interbranch Darts

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Current standings after a great night of darts in Prescott shows Prescott #1 with a commanding lead over all comers having amassed 167 points thus far in the schedule. Cardinal #2 hold tight in second earning 148 to stay ahead of Prescott#3 who have 142. Iroquois #7 have 130 points just ahead of Iroquois % who have 128. Iroquois #8 are in the cellar with 113 points.

Winning three games or more were David Haynes who topped the roster with 5 victories, then Tom Reston and Jake Summerfield came in with 4 wins each. Three-game winners were Art Ault, Ron Bradford and Bob Juby. Jake Summerfield was Highfinisher with 99.

High scorers were Tom Beach who came through with 180 and 127, some nice tossing for sure. Bernie Montroy threw a 140x2. Also throwing for 140 once each were David Haynes, Lorne Veley and Bob Juby. Tim Gonczowski with 138, Glen Adams 135-125, Tom Reston 134, Ross King 125x2, Darren Tyo 123, Bobby Sayeau and Jake Summerfield 121 and Ron Bradford 120.

Cardinal Fish and Game Club *News & Notes*

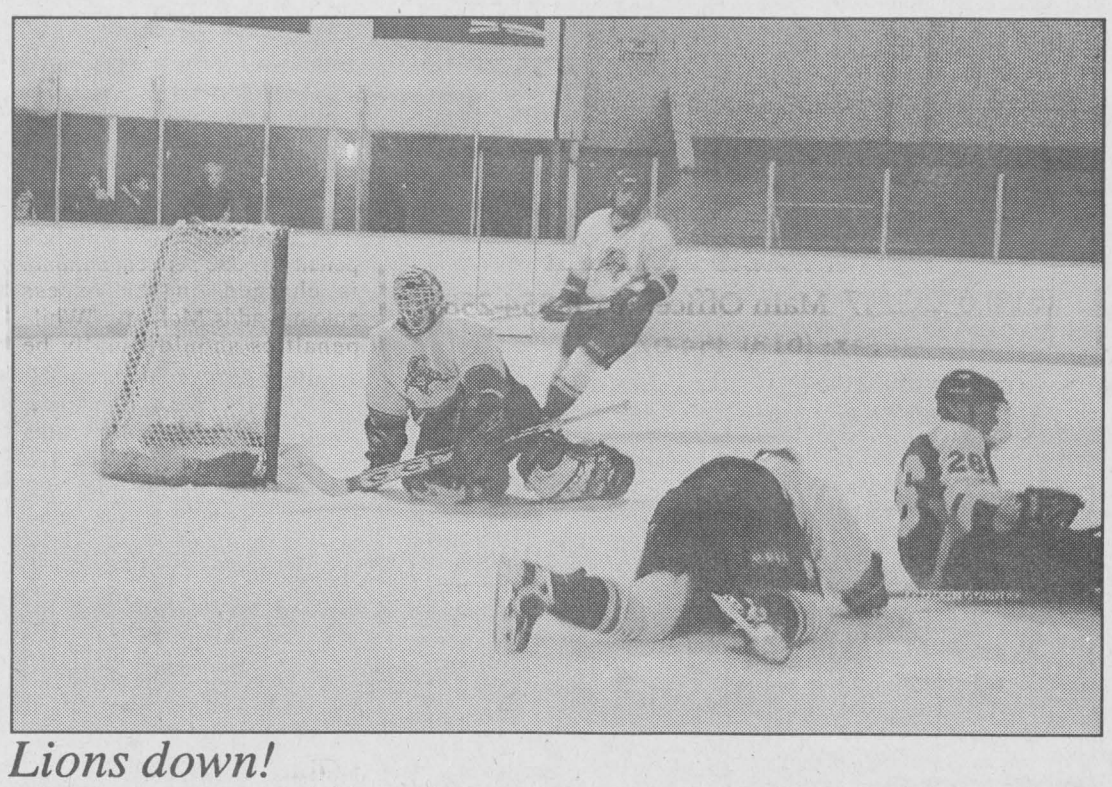
by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Big Buck Contest which was run last fall saw John Dugan come back from the hunt with a 9-point buck to earn first place.

Michael Haffey came in second with a 131-pound doe. Trevor Gill won the $50.00 ticket draw.

Membership tickets for the Club are on sale with costs remaining the same as last year with Seniors coming in at $10, Couples at $18, Juniors at $3 and a Family membership costing only $22.00. The tickets are available at Mustard's variety in Iroquois, the McEwen Gas Bar in Johnstown, the Rona and Pro Hardware Stores in Cardinal or from John Dugan or Toby Summerfield, or call 657-1081 for information.

The season is shaping up with fishing derbies for young and elder members, so if you are an outdoor enthusiast, like to drop a worm or lure into the water and try your luck or if hunting is your thing, get involved in this organization that provides a structure for your hobby.



Lions down!

The Lions goalie and several players as well as a Glen are sprawled on the ice after an unsuccessful scoring bid by the Alexandria Glens. Some good Junior hockey takes place on the ice in Morrisburg as the Lions went down in more ways than this on Wednesday evening. The Glens were too much for the local lads and beat them 3-1. The Lions need to get back on track as he playoff rounds get underway. *Chieftain Photo by S.L Johnston*

Junior B Lions set to face Glens in Play-Off action

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Junior "B" Lions found themselves in a slump last week as they dropped two games to remain in third place in the Division as regular season play winds down.

Due to the way the finals scores showed, the Lions will face the Alexandria Glens in the first round, the first game slated for tonight. They will host on Friday night in Morrisburg with the action starting at 8:15 and again on Wednesday the 28th and Sunday, March 4th. in the best four of seven series. The Kemptville 73s face the CharLan Rebels in the first round.

Things seemed to fall apart from the start when the Alexandria Glens came to town on Wednesday last week and left with a win under their pads. The Glens scored in all three periods, one per frame while the Lions were able to muster only one counter when Greg Millard took the pass from Nick Desneves and Wayne Garlough for the marker. The Coach was serving his suspension as Mark Millward took over the reins again. Jeff McIntyre was in the pipes for the Lions as Matt Dillabough moved up to stand by if needed.

The CharLan Rebels doubled the two counters the Lions were able to muster on Friday. Scoring first the Rebels put the Lions on notice. On a powerplay the Lions tied things at 5:14 of the first as Paul Gauthier took the pass from Chris Barkley and David Payette to put the Lions on the board. The Rebels came back with three unanswerd counters in the second as they pounded Alex McCormack in the Morrisburg pipes. At 4:25 of the third Peter Barnett scored the final goal of the game. Helping him were Wayne Garlough and David Payette as the Lions ended the game on the short end of a 4-2 score. Coach DeGray was back behind the bench for this one.

Facing the Akwesasne Wolves on Saturday evening the trip seemed to refresh the Lions as they roared once the hit the ice.

The score was knotted after one, the Lions goal being nailed in by Wayne Garlough with assists going to Sebastian Thibault and Peter Barnett. The Wolves snarled in the second putting the puck behind McCormack in the Morrisburg net three times. The Lions roared for four in the second frame to take a one goal lead into the final period. The first counter in the third came from Stef Champagne who back in the Lions lineup bulged the twine as he took the pass from Phillip Boots and Paul Gauthier. Jamie Leger got help from Garlough and also went in for a solo marker. Then it was Sebastian Thibault who found space and taking the pass from Garlough and Barnett made certain.

The Wolves were unable to score in the final frame as the Lions were just too tough. McCormack played solidly in the pipes and the team provided necessary coverage while still finding their mark. Three unanswered counters were dropped behind the Wolves goalie. Scoring these were Captain Garlough on a solo shot, Gauthier (with help from Boots) and Thibault who got a hand from Barnett to end this one. The final read 8-4 as the Lions doubled the Wolves.

Iroquois and District COMMUNITY CALENDAR

A public service provided by the businesses listed here in co-operation with this paper.

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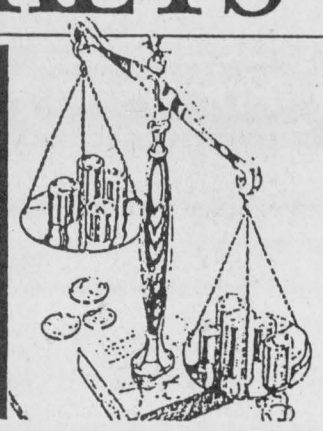

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You may also hold your own house mortgage in your self-directed RRSP, says Chong, although there are accompanying set-up and annual administration fees.

While self-directed RRSPs allow more control and investment flexibility, this should be weighed against any service or administration fees, which are not tax deductible. Ask your chartered accountant whether a self-directed RRSP is a good choice for you.

Over-contributing to your RRSP

If you have extra cash, does it make sense to over-contribute to your Registered Retirement Savings Plan (RRSP)?

"It depends on your individual circumstances,"advises chartered accountant Doug McLarty, a partner with McIntyre & McLarty LLP in Ottawa. "Canada Customs and Revenue Agency (formerly Revenue Canada) permits a one time permanent over-contribution of $2,000. While you can't use this $2,000 as a current deduction, it will generate tax-deferred income while in your RRSP and be taxed upon withdrawal. Accordingly, you must consider the length of time the over-contribution will remain in the plan to assess its overall benefit."

If you over-contribute beyond the $2,000 limit, a penalty of one per cent a month is charged on the excess amount, adds McLarty. "While penalties should usually be avoided, incurring a small penalty might be worthwhile if the over-contribution creates significant tax savings for future years,"he explains. But remember —tax rules and penalties around excess RRSP contributions are complicated. Ask a chartered accountant whether an over-contribution makes sense for you.

Spousal RRSP May Reduce Clawback of Seniors' Benefits

Spousal Registered Retirement Savings Plans (RRSPs) can help reduce taxes by shifting income from a spouse in a higher income-tax bracket to a spouse in a lower income-tax bracket.

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"For example, if you are a senior citizen with a net income of $70,000, you would have to pay back approximately $2,500 of your OAS benefits,"explains chartered accountant Doug McLarty, a partner with McIntyre & McLarty LLP in Ottawa. "But if you have used a spousal RRSP to split income, the net income for both you and your spouse will be less and the "clawback"of government benefits may be reduced or eliminated."

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Dear Editor,

Most people have heard about Nick Parsons who first came to public attention last year with his now-famous combine pilgrimage from Northern B.C. to Ottawa to bring public attention to low agricultural prices and the lack of long-term federal and provincial agricultural policies. At present, Canada's farmers have little equity with their trading partners. Prices have not improved, long-term agricultural policies have not been implemented and difficult weather conditions across the country have turned the situation into a crisis. Now all Canadian farmers are sharing the distress.

Nick Parsons is here again. He is the spark plug who has galvanized farmers into action across the country. He knew something had to be done and did not count the personal cost in doing it. Some money was raised at the Cornwall rally to help him get his combine, The Prairie Belle back home. There will be a collection centre at the Winchester Rally, this Thursday, February 22. Farm organizations and commodity groups are also going to help. Nick Parsons is a hero and the farming community must show its appreciation for his gallant effort on our behalf.

As we look forward with anticipation to the rally on Thursday, we are troubled by comments by some that farmers can afford "all that big, fancy equipment" so why do they need help? Farmers. like those in all other occupations try to work with the most efficient equipment to do their jobs. Farming, like just about everything else, has changed and larger equipment is one visible aspect of that. It should also be noted that all farm equipment is neither big nor fancy, but we also do not see many people driving around in Model Ts either.

Farming is a highly sophisticated industry using the latest technology. In Ontario alone, the agri-food industry produces over 600,000 jobs. The investment in farming today is immense. The returns in a normal year are not high, but the return on investment for most this year will be less than zero.

In closing we hope for a huge, peaceful and productive demonstration. We believe that there will be more rallies until once and for all, there is concrete, long-term policy to finally bring stability to Canadian agriculture. Other countries believe in national food security. Why doesn't Canada?

Yours truly,
Alvin and Dawn Runnalls,
RR2, Winchester.

CONTINUED FROM THE FRONT

Players

commit, go down and quickly shelved the puck into the top of the twine.

Sponsored by Art Neilson and his team of Sport Vision in Ottawa, the Swindon team looked sharp in their hockey jerseys. They also had tour tracksuits and jackets which distinguished them from their Canadian friends.

Marty McSorely of NHL fame is a coach in Britain in the Senior League, so another North American connection was evident.

Swindon has 8 junior teams, 3 recreational teams, one ladies team and a senior squad. the Junior teams include Rookies, made up of players from all age groups learning the basics of skating, and stick and puck control. Players move to age grouped teams from Under 10 Cubs, league teams and the Under 12 Jaguar players in an "A" league, as well as Under 12/14/16 Lions non league teams that play challenge games and tourneys. There are the Pumas, Under 14 league teams, Under 16 Leopards who were top of their league last season, Under 19 Cougars, also top of their league, some players here play Senior for the Phoenix who wear the crown of League Champs. The Top Cats are the gals with players from under 10 through to seniors, and they all play together.

Before their five day visit to Canada was over the Swindon teams took in the Senators-Canadiens game at the Corel Centre on Sunday and attended an Ottawa 67s practice on Tuesday. A tour of the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto was on the agenda prior to going home on Wednesday too.

A wonderful opportunity the teams exchanged souvenirs, were announced prior to their games, just like the NHL, had the flags of both countries hoisted by Adam Patrick and Mitchell McNairn whose Atom "C" and PeeWee teams did not take part in the matches.

The English could not say enough good about the experience, comments like, "Brilliant,

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most welcoming and so friendly, everyone has been so great, so prepared for us and each person involved has bent over backwards to make us feel welcome, it is smashing indeed!!"were echoed throughout the arena.

Perhaps it was best summed up by Dickens when he noted, "It turns out to be more than the games, and that is what it is really all about." Tom Elliott of Prescott who is the President of the Ottawa District Minor Hockey Association told the tale from this side of the Atlantic when he said, "It's all about the kids and that's how it should be." an educational approach that police hope will curtail break-ins.

Police will offer their expertise to business and home owners in how to make their properties less of a target. Areas that have been hit with a rash of break-and-enters will be targeted.

The community services officer will also participate by holding monthly seminars on security issues for property owners.

"Residents certainly have a concern for their homes and businesses," Mulhearn said.

Aho said results of the police initiative would be available on (Community Policing) Cpnet and in special report cards to council.

Councillor Estella Rose extracted a promise from Mulhearn that police would look into vandalism problems in Hallville.

A new recreation committee was being set up that night, she said, because former members had resigned in discouragement over the regular damages.

Mayor Cousineau noted that late-night vandals had recently smashed toilets "to pieces" at a recreation facility in Moreword.

Councillor Allan Armstrong suggested a joint meeting be set up with the police and all of the township's recreation associations, to look at ways of reducing the problems.

Council notes

Mayor named to panel

Mayor Claude Cousineau was named to a new Provincial Offenses Act Panel, a body created as a result of the counties taking over the P.O.A. courts from the province.

South Dundas Township Councillor Charles Barkley is the other Dundas County rep on the panel. He was named to the position last month.

Council shrinkage issue won't die

An anonymous letter imploring council to reduce the size of council from nine members to five didn't make it onto the meeting agenda. The township officially received the letter on Jan. 16.

"Get off your butts, show some intestinal fortitude and vote now to reduce the size of council!" the ghostwriter argues.

Prior to last year's municipal election, a majority on council defeated motions that would've reduced the number of seats around the council table.

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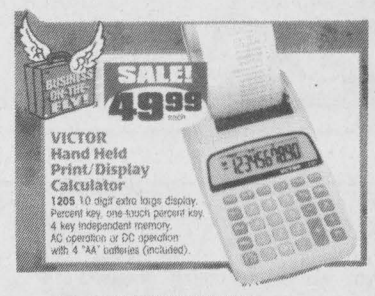













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Tom & Enid Casselman and family
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PALMER: Once again, I must thank my family, friends who visited me and remembered me with cards, flowers, gifts and food while I was a patient in the Wichester Hospital also the Brockville Hospital. Special thanks to Dr. Prins, Dr. Peters and nurses on first floor at Winchester, also Dr. Mirza & nurses at Brockville General Hospital. All these acts are truly appreciated.
Thanks Again,
Ida Palmer
F21-1tp

STEWART: The family of the late George Stewart would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to relatives, friends and neighbours for your expressions of sympathy, phone call, cards, flowers, charitable donations and food following the loss of a dear husband, father and grandfather. A special thank you to Dr. Dasilva and staff at Ottawa General, Dr. Wagg and staff at St. Vincent de Paul, Brockville. Thanks to David Lapier and Monica deBruijn at Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home for your kindness and help. A special thank you to Rev. Bert deBruijn for his comforting words at the services. Everything was greatly appreciated.
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In Memoriam

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The BIA was more than pleased with the participation as more than 5,000 ballots were collected during this event.

Residents of the local area constituting Morrisburg, Iroquois, Williamsburg, Winchester and Chesterville, as well as South Mountain and Ingleside including the rural route folks entered ballots showing the range of the customer base the area draws from. Ballots were filled out for a chance to win by folks from all the above locations. People from as far away as Toronto, Scarborough and Almonte were involved as they dropped into the Plaza. Ballots were filled out by people from Brockville, Prescott, Lunenburg and Prescott too.

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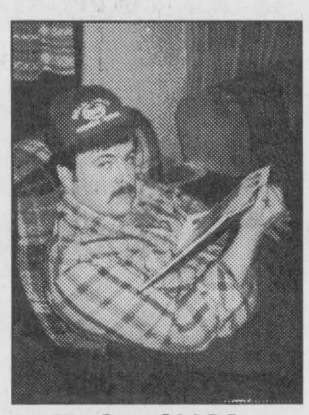

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Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

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PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The amendments amend policies of the official plan respecting consents, the Minimum Distance Separation Formulae (MDS) and salt conditions in Johnstown. The amendment deletes references to the number of consents permitted and to strip development. The amendment introduces exemptions in the application of the MDS. The MDS will not apply to buildings or structures which cannot be used as livestock facilities because they are too dilapidated, have been permanently converted to another use or have never been used as livestock facility. The amendment removes all references in the plan to salt contamination in the Johnstown area.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal presentation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan amendment. If a person or public body that files an appeal of the decision of the Council of the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal in respect of the proposed Official Plan amendment does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the municipality before the proposed Official Plan amendment is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

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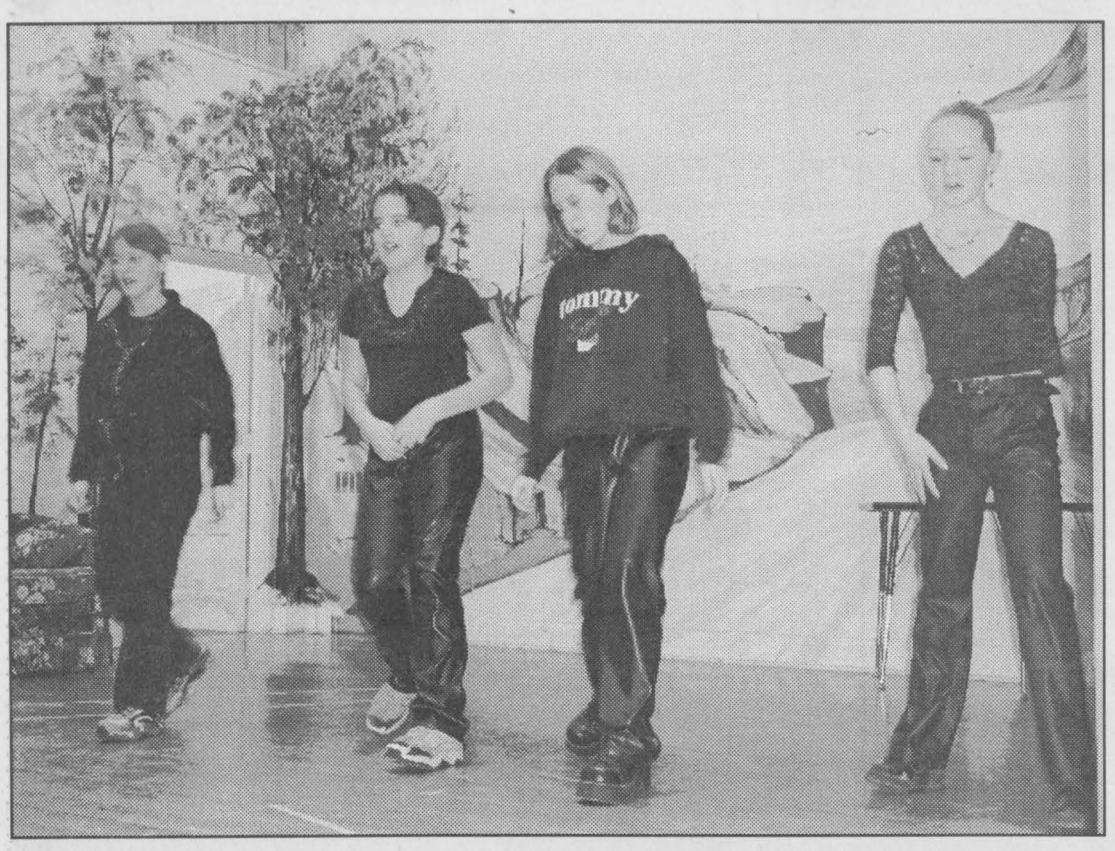

Stephanie, Erin, Ashley and Tiffany dance to Britney Spears.
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Benson School holds Talent Show

Benson Public School celebrated the season this past week with a number of fun events. Friday was Talent Show Day and some twenty groups or individuals took part in the fun, as they entertained the student body as well as staff and visitors, in fact extra chairs had to be put up as the audience swelled larger than anticipated.

Britany Spears was a favourite as more than one person chose her songs to sing or dance to. Up first was Tiffany Campbell, Bekki Crawford, Devon Conklin and Courtney Searson who danced to "Sometimes" by Spears and she was featured again as Ashely Conklin, Tiffany Hanes, Stephanie Hoffman and Erin Knapp also danced to one of her songs, "Oops I Did It Again." Nathan last changed the tune of the event a bit as he played Phantom of the Opera on the ivories.

Kristen Jesome and Vanessa Elliott danced to the Back Street Boys, "Get Another Boyfriend,"and were good enough for second place honours. Tied for third place overall with Amanda Smith who sang a BSB tune, "Back to Your Heart" was a dance trio; including Emma Patrick, MacKenzie Gill, Jenna Toupin and Erin MacDonald who strutted their stuff to Boom-Boom-Boom by the Vanga Boys Tashina Sorell, Jessica Holmes, Anne McNairn and Megan Tobin danced and sang to Barbie Girl by Aqua. First place went to Erika MacDonald, Tina Jin, Jessica Carriere and Nick Bradford who presented a play entitled, "Raptures."

Among the others who took part vying for the winning were Jennifer Schrader who played the piano (Over the Rainbow). Erin Duonard and Alisha Vanderale recited in unison a poem, "Daisy." tyler, nathan, Alex and Chad gave a commercial break with a Campbell's Soup contribution. Mitchel Davies sang original lyrics to Smash Mouth. Everyone has heard the song "Who Let the Dogs Out," well Brittany V. and Lego, Amanda Adams, Sebastian Last, Jordon Grootjans, Zack Stitt, Jeremy Groux and Charlene Smith danced to this little number. Holly Alexander played Silent Night on the piano and Charlene Smith danced to another Spears number, "What You See is What You Get." Miss Crosby composed "No Turnin' Back" and sang it with Krista Schrader and Jessica and James Halladay sang "I've Got My Eyes on You" by Jessica Simpson.

A lot of talent exists in Cardinal and Benson is filled with terrific singers, dancers and actors. Well done indeed.

South Dundas Food Bank on the table

A meeting was recently held to discuss the feasibility of establishing a food bank in South Dundas. Representatives from various local churches, the Christmas Exchange and concerned citizens were in attendance.

Because some 57 per cent of those who use the food bank in Winchester and 38 per cent of those who use the one at the House of lazarus in Mountain are in fact from South Dundas, it is felt that the need exists to warrant a food bank in this part of the county.

The next step in the process is to meet with existing food bank representatives to discuss how best to proceed cooperatively in this venture. It would in all probability be a satellite of the present food bank in Winchester.

In the meantime, the people responsible for the initiative are searching for a possible location for such an enterprise. The site should be on ground level as hauling bags or boxes of canned goods up and down stairs can be a problem for many people. Should you know of a suitable location, please contact either Robin Lane at 543-3412 or Gail McCooeye at 543-0945.

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Saturday, February 24, 2001
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OPEN HOUSE
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9 am - 3 pm and 7 pm - 8:30 pm.
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
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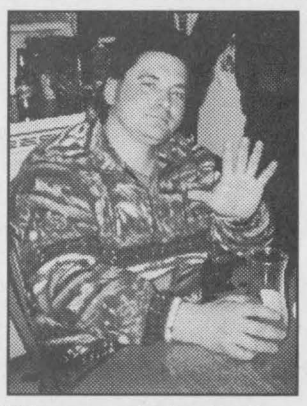

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