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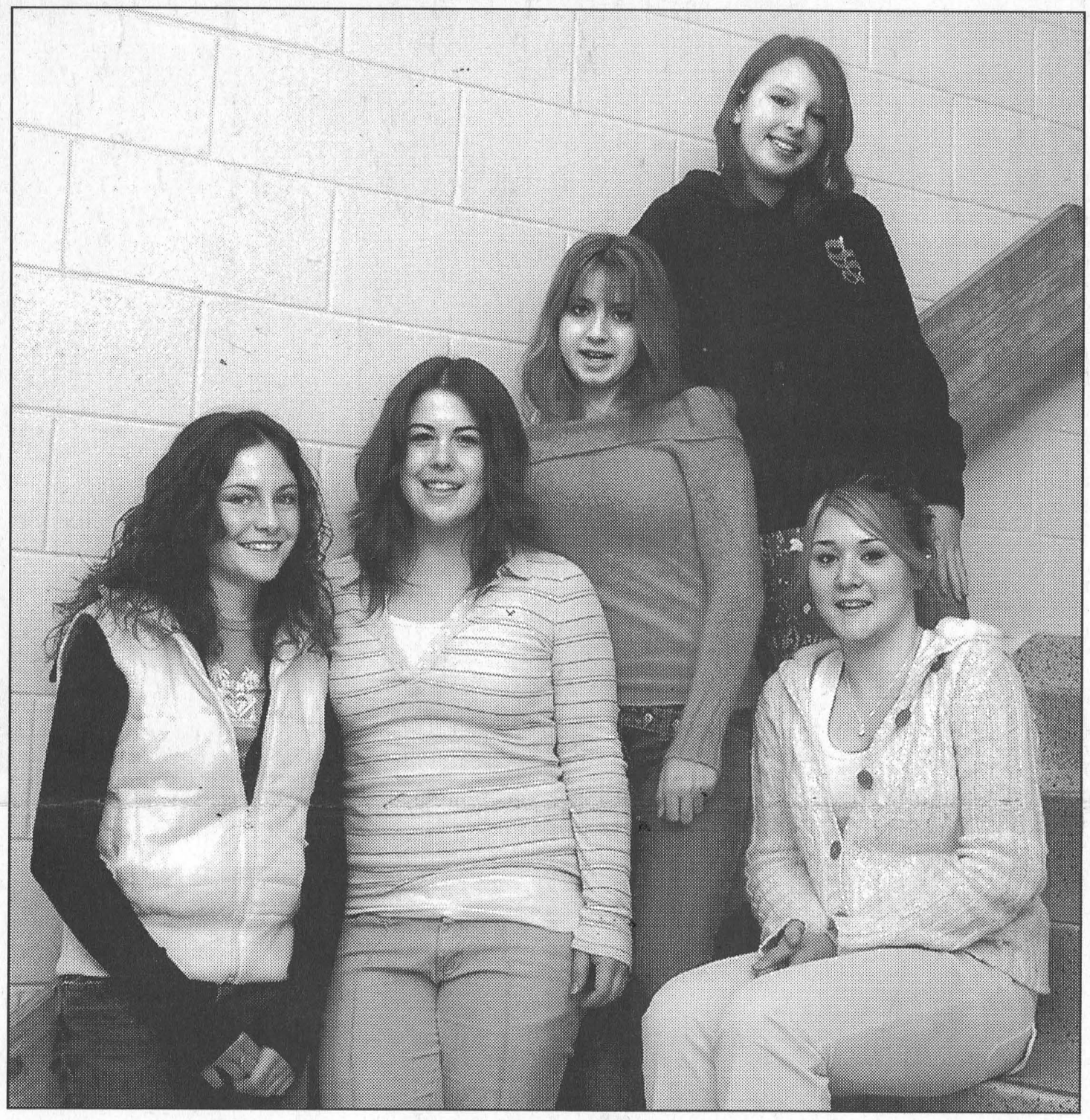

One Will Be Queen *Comfort Photo*

The ever-popular Matilda Winter Carnival Queen Contest will kick off a weekend of events. Vying for the title of Carnival Queen Friday night are seven girls. Standing left to right are contestants Jenna Shay, Erinn Fader, Brittany Markell and Sarah Thompson. Seated is contestant Hayley Carr. Melissa Kennedy and Kerri Ward were unavailable for the photo.

Repair bill of $897,829

WILLIAMSBURG – Expecting to award the tender for repairs to the Morrisburg-Iroquois water treatment plant at the January 10, council meeting, the township was thrown a bit of a curve ball.

After terminating their contract with the company who was building the water treatment plant, the remaining repair work was put to tender.

The township received three tenders Tuesday, January 10.

However, they also received a letter from the company which submitted the lowest bid, saying that they had made an error.

"It was a qualification to the tender which made it a non-compliant bid," explained South Dundas CAO Steve McDonald yesterday.

Council met Monday evening to receive legal advice on the matter and discuss the issue, after which, they awarded the tender for the repair work.

"Once the low bid was eliminated, it was awarded to the next lowest bidder," said McDonald.

The contract was awarded to Eastern Welding from Summerstown for $897,829.

According to McDonald, the amount of the tender is "within

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Fatal collision near Winchester Springs

WINCHESTER SPRINGS – A head-on collision, Monday, just north of Winchester Springs resulted in fatal injuries to a local man.

The SD&G OPP were called to the scene of the two-vehicle collision, shortly after 5 p.m., January 16.

A 2002 Chevrolet Cavalier, driven by 27-year-old Tanya Whitteker of Morrisburg, was travelling southbound on County Road 31. While attempting to pass another southbound vehicle, she collided head-on with a northbound, 1995 Jeep.

The Jeep was driven by 46-year-old Henry Westenbroek of Winchester Springs. He received fatal injuries as a result of the collision.

Whitteker was airlifted to an Ottawa area hospital, where she remains, receiving treatment for her injuries.

An OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigator was called in to assist with the ongoing investigation.

St. Lawrence Corporation "winding down operations"

IROQUOIS – It's like the loss of a family member, says South Dundas mayor Lyle Van Allen of last Wednesday's announcement by the St. Lawrence Corporation in Iroquois to its employees that it will be winding down its operations this month.

Van Allen's concern is first and foremost for the 100 plus employees, many of them longtime, of the textile mill, and adds the possibility of the plant's closure is, "sort of a double whammy, more than double actually. It's the loss for the employees who work there, the property tax base and the loss of the corporation's payment towards the water project for Iroquois and Morrisburg."

St. Lawrence Corporation pays $338,000 in property taxes.

Although the announcement to the employees is worded as "winding down its operations" and the employees have been notified they "will be laid off indefinitely" the company has not formally announced a definite closure.

"They were going to be paying a pretty healthy share (of the water), so I don't know what is going to happen," says Van Allen.

"It affects everybody, whether we live in Iroquois or not," says Van Allen of the possible loss of employment and loss of tax revenue. Part of their taxes go to the counties as well. Now it is going to have to be picked up by everybody."

"It's a sign of the times. The textile industry in Canada is gone. The whole manufacturing sector is hurting here in Eastern Ontario," he says in face of the fact the St. Lawrence Corporation could join Nestlé in Chesterville and Domtar in Cornwall on the list of area closures.

"It's not good news, so far it's not a happy new year."

"They are the last surviving textile mill around," says Anne Marie Waddell, economic development officer of South Dundas. Over the years, St. Lawrence Corporation has hung in there. "We will just have to keep going and find alternatives."

St. Lawrence Corporation cites global competition, a stronger Canadian dollar and adverse market conditions as factors for the winding down of its operation, and says Waddell, "those are things you can't control. From a local level it is very frustrating."

"It affects everybody, whether we live in Iroquois or not"

– Mayor Lyle Van Allen

"Realizing the employee loss to the workforce of South Dundas, the economic development can offer assistance to those laid off by helping them look for work, suggestions for retraining or perhaps a few will consider starting their own business."

Rick Eamon, of the Thompson Rosemount Group, the engineering firm handling the South Dundas Water project, says the possible closure would definitely have an impact on the project's capital cost recovery strategy.

According to Eamon, St. Lawrence Corporation uses 40 percent of the water consumption in Iroquois and for comparison purposes about four times the water that Rohmax in Morrisburg would use.

Eamon says that in the original project planning stages, St. Lawrence Corporation looked at the possibility of taking over the current Iroquois water plant. "They did an analysis and found it would be too expensive to put in their own separate lines."

As a result, their needs were built into the current water project and they are a large contributor in the capital cost recovery scheme. Now, should they close, the cost would remain, but their contribution would not.

"The reality is there is a significant cost, and it has to be recovered one one way or another," says Eamon. "It is a significant blow, and there will be a significant cost in terms of the St. Lawrence Corporation contribution to the water costs."

On the brighter side, Eamon says the municipality took into account the struggles in the textile industry, and the possibility of a problem at the plant, and therefore had made an allowance in its cost recovery formula.

"So in some ways, it is not as bad as one might think, but it will still have an impact," says Eamon.

"On a positive note, we have a lot of additional capacity." Not only was the water plant capacity planned to accommodate the St. Lawrence Corporation, but to allow for a growth factor.

"In the long term we have

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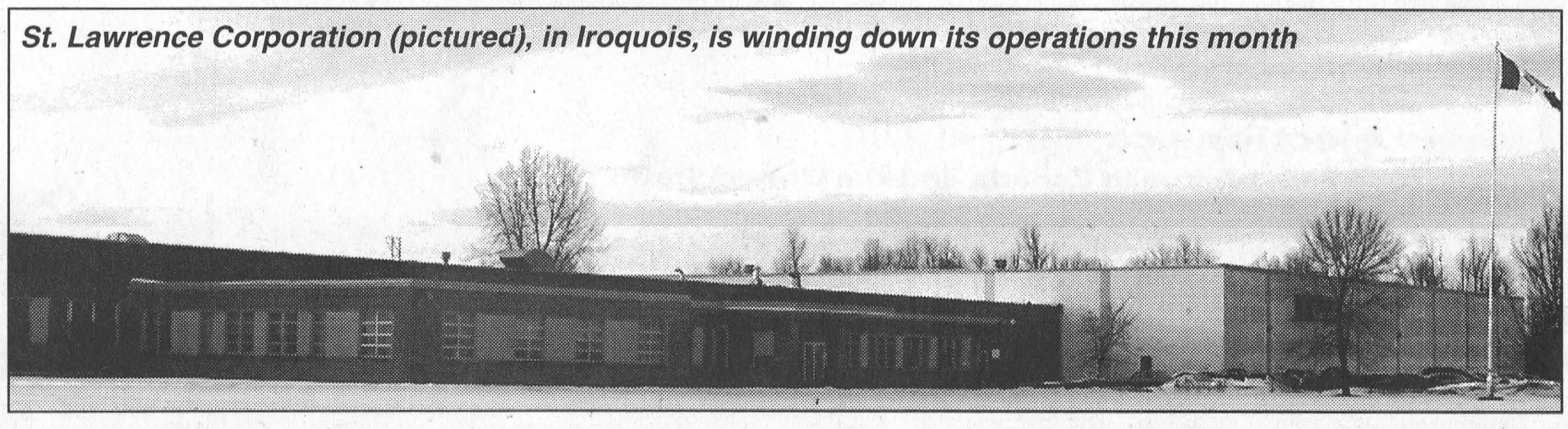
St. Lawrence Corporation (pictured), in Iroquois, is winding down its operations this month



IROQUOIS LEGION NEWSLETTER

Royal Canadian Legion

Branch #370

IROQUOIS – Only 10 Cribbage players gathered in the lounge on Saturday, as most of the regulars were in the Zone Euchre held at Branch 48 in Morrisburg. Leading the pack of 10, with 1,083 points, was Darin Eden. Bob Esford was second with 1,062 points and Ted Grattan claimed third with 1,025. Dennis Wright claimed the bridesmaid honours with 1,011 points. Only three skunks were found skittering around the lounge, and Joan Ault said to forget about them.

There were 12 tables of Euchre on Tuesday evening, January 10. Luckily, picking up the first prize was Tracy Easter while Andy Acelvari won second prize. Marguerite Campbell won the door prize and Inez Farmer won for low score of the evening.

Sorry, a report on Duplicate Bridge is not available.

The Pot of Gold winner was Wilf Summers who was Not signed in, which is hard to believe, because Wilf is in quite often playing cribbage.

This week's Friday meal is scalloped potatoes and ham. Dessert is berry pudding with a sauce.

Comrades are asked to please remember the Legion General Meeting this Thursday, January 19 at 7:30 p.m.

Until next week, take care.

NEWSLETTER

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

Seaway Branch #48

10 Legion Street, Morrisburg, ON

The Branch patrons are in for a treat on Superbowl Sunday. The pub will host a party with pub snacks and a lot of good hospitality. Come and join the fun and be prepared to root for your favourite team.

At the Legion Zone Euchre Tournament here Saturday there were 132 players. First place went to Kemptville, 2nd Merrickville, 3rd Chesterville, 4th Cardinal, 5th Chesterville, 6th Kemptville. These winners will advance to the District Euchre Tournament.

Special thanks to all those who helped make the day such a success: Terry Laurin, Rita Fowler, Lillian Thatcher, Debbie Shaver, Delores Prosser-Morris, Janice Warner, Michele Liddy-Brooks, Janice Harper, Cherie Norris, Jim Hamilton, Doris Pycraft, and of course the organizer, Jim Scott, as a good day was had by all. Thank you!

Cribbage results Jan. 15th were 1st Evelyn Schwerdtfeger, 2nd Marie Mattice, 3rd Janice Warner, 4th Glen Mattice. The skunk pot went to Goldie Daoust and the 50/50 to Evelyn Schwerdtfeger,

The Branch General Meeting has been cancelled until next week, Wed., Jan. 25, due to the hall being painted

Thurs., Jan. 26th is Bingo in the banquet hall – come out and try your luck.

Until next time . . . ***Comrade Bill***

31st Annual

Matilda Winter Carnival this weekend

IROQUOIS – The reign of the 2006 Matilda Carnival Queen will start Friday night, and this year there are seven girls who will take centre stage in hopes of winning the crown.

The Matilda Winter Carnival Queen contest has remained for many years one of the most popular events of the winter festivities, and is slated to take place this Friday night starting at 7 p.m.

Contestants this year include Brittany Markell, Sarah Thompson, Hayley Carr, Erinn Fader, Jenna Shay, Melissa Kennedy and Kerri Ward.

All of the girls participating are students of Seaway District High School, and a few of them took the time last week to speak to *The Leader* about the contest.

Brittany is 16-years-old and in grade 11. She lives in Dundela and is the daughter of Sherry and Kevin Markell. She has an 11-year-old sister, Chantal. Asked why she decided to participate in the contest, Brittany says, "I went to it a few times, and I liked it so I thought it would be something to try."

Sarah is also 16-years-old and in grade 11. She lives at Dixon's Corners, and is the daughter of Kevin and Crystal Thompson. She has a 13-year-old brother Matthew. Sarah says she is participating in the contest because, "I want to make a difference, and I try my best to help others."

Fifteen-year-old Hayley Carr of Iroquois, is the daughter of Pam and Wayne Carr. Hayley works at Stinson's in Iroquois, and says she is participating in the contest because, "My bosses suggested it, and it will be a good experience."

Erinn Fader is the 15-year-old daughter of Lisa and Kevin Fader. Erinn is in grade 10. She has an older brother Kyle, who is 19, and an older sister Ellen, who is 18. She is from Iroquois, and says someone suggested that she participate in the contest and she decided that she would because, "it's a different experience and it's an opportunity to get all dressed up."

Jenna Shay, of Iroquois, is the 15-year-old daughter of Murray Shay. Jenna is in grade 10 and has an older brother, John, who is 19. She says that she is participating in the contest because, "I think it will be fun. I always go to see it, and it's pretty cool."

Friday night, the official opening ceremonies take place at 7 p.m., followed immediately by the Carnival Queen Contest.

Also starting Friday night is a silent auction.

Saturday is rally day. The annual Dr. Tom Maxwell Memorial Car Rally, which is sponsored by the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club, kicks off the day. There will be a chili lunch, and a ham supper.

Afternoon entertainment will be provided by Mary Perry and the Country Classics. Redneck will entertain at the dance following the rally. Tickets will be available at the door.

Entertaining at the pancake brunch will be an illusionist. After pancakes, there will be games for the whole family in the parking lot from 1-3 p.m.

Sunday evening the Matilda Winter Carnival wraps up with an ecumenical service and hymn sing.



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Voting hours for your polling station are indicated on your voter information card and on the Elections Canada Web site at www.elections.ca by clicking on the Voter Information Service icon.

If you haven't received this card, you are probably not on the voters list. To be able to vote, all you have to do is go to your polling station on election day, January 23, and present an official document that includes your name, address and signature. If you do not have such a document, you will be given the opportunity to swear that you are eligible to vote at the polling station you are in, as long as you are accompanied by a voter registered in the same polling division who can vouch for your identity.

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St. Lawrence Corporation

Indefinite layoff notice

IROQUOIS – Employees of St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation, in Iroquois, received notice of impending and indefinite layoffs, last Wednesday morning.

"To the employees of St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation," reads the notice.

"Due to increased global competition, a stronger Canadian dollar and adverse market conditions, St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation will be winding down its operations during January, 2006," it continues.

"Regrettably, we are unable to determine at this time when, or if, we will reopen. All employees will be laid off indefinitely."

The notice is dated, January 11, 2006, and is signed, St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation, For the Board of Directors, By John Evans, Chairman of the Board.

The notice was forwarded to *The Leader*, last Wednesday afternoon, by Plant Manager Cornelius Paauw, who had no other comments on the matter.

Union leader at the plant, Carl Gibson could not be reached for comment.

Last Wednesday, a meeting was held with staff, who in turn met with their employees to notify them of the impending layoffs. The aforementioned notice was also posted.

Some employees at the plant said they were definitely surprised by the layoffs.

"When we left before Christmas we had a bunch of orders, and a lot of the machines were running," said one employee who found the notice shocking.

Some said that they could see it coming. "We could see what was going on," said one employee. "But, a lot of people still can't believe this is happening. Especially since some of them have worked here for so long."

Since notice was given last week, employees are saying the feeling around the plant is one of shock and disbelief, but mostly people are upset.

Although the exact number of layoffs could not be pinned down, it is estimated that between 70 and 130 people will be affected by the layoff.

Winding down

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enough capacity to supply Winchester."

Eamon says meetings are scheduled with council and township personnel to determine just what the impact of a St. Lawrence Corporation closure would have "on everyone else".

The municipality is attempting to secure additional funding from the provincial and federal governments and he says that he would hope a permanent closure of the St. Lawrence Corporation would have some impact on negotiations.

The St. Lawrence Corporation, previously known as C.S. Brooks Corporation and prior to that Caldwell Linen Mills has been a major employer in Iroquois since it was founded by Robert Caldwell in 1923.

The 286,000 square foot facility was built at its current location at the time of the Seaway.

Van Allen says he has heard rumours of the sale of the facility, but at this time these are unsubstantiated rumours.

He adds though that he hopes there is some fact in these rumours.

www.southdundas.com is gaining in popularity

WILLIAMSBURG – The Township of South Dundas website, www.southdundas.com is experiencing continuous growth in popularity, and December was the best month yet.

The new and improved South Dundas website was launched in mid November of 2004, and has been a continuous work in progress.

South Dundas Economic Development Officer Anne Marie Waddell spoke about the increase in the site's popularity at the January 10, regular council meeting.

In December 2005, a total of 6,823 distinct visits were made to the site. Just under half of the visits came from a known geographic location, and it is from those known locations which the following data was generated.

Of the 3,000 visits, 2,540 were from North America, 311 from Europe, 159 from Asia, 15 from Africa and 10 from Oceania.

In North America, the most visits come from the United States on a consistent basis, averaging 500 more visitors per month, over the last six months, than from Canada.

Visits from Canadians peaked in July and August, and have steadily declined, but with the opposite trend for visits from the US, December was the most popular month for the website.

As the next biggest user, most of the visits from Europe in December were from the Netherlands (81), followed by Switzerland (65), the United Kingdom (52), Germany (21) and Sweden (21).

In December 2005, most of the Asian visits were from China (51), followed by South Korea (16), Malaysia (14), Vietnam (13), and Thailand (12).

Waddell believes the site's events calendar and the broadcast feature of the RSS feed has really helped increase the visits to the site.

Dairy Farmers of Ontario Praise Liberals

In a press release the Dairy Farmers of Ontario praised the work of Liberals at the WTO talks. Dairy farmer Bruce Saunders, chair of the organization said "We need to recognize the effort put forward by all Canadian representatives at the conference. Federal Trade Minister Jim Peterson, Agri-Food Minister Andy Mitchell and the entire Canadian delegation worked tirelessly to accomplish Canada's objectives, not only for agriculture but for all sectors of the economy,"

Liberal candidate Tom Manley said "Paul Martin reaffirmed his commitment to supply management in Cornwall. He has kept his word" Tom Manley went on to say that the Liberal Party has a long history of protecting supply management.

Tom Manley grew up on farm near Berwick and clearly understands farm issues.

"What really concerns me is the attacks on the Milk Marketing Board by internal forces. The Canadian Restaurant and Food services Association and The Fraser Institute have launched attacks on farmers getting a sustainable price for their milk" The Fraser Institute is a Canadian conservative think tank who has Mike Harris as one of their senior fellows.

A vote for Tom Manley is a vote for candidate that understands agriculture.

A Proven Economic Plan That Can Work

Despite the solid economic leadership by Paul Martin's Liberal government, region represented by Stormont, Dundas and South Glengarry has faced tough challenges. A falling US dollar has hurt Cornwall's exports. A global economy is stealing job from Cornwall and SDG to developing countries. Unfair trade and foreign subsidies disadvantage our farmers, manufactures and their products.

Tom Manley has released a plan to rebuild the local economy. Mr. Manley said "I am excited about the plan and I am looking forward to working on these initiatives as the MP and rebuilding a vibrant community that gives everyone an opportunity." Mr. Manley emphasized that his plan is ambitious, achievable, and real.

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Manley unveiled his plan centered on 6 initiatives:

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- ✓ Construction of Rail Overpass on Boundary Road
- ✓ Micro-generation of Energy
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- ✓ Feasibility Study for a Museum Attraction in Cornwall
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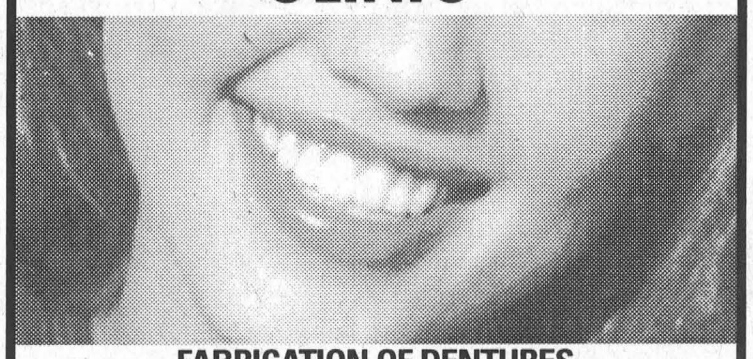
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It's time to mark your X

It's down to the wire as we head towards Federal Election Day on Monday, January 23. Locally, we have the choice of several, who we feel, are very good candidates to represent our riding in the Federal government. In fact, when we remove the consideration of the party leaders and party loyalty from the equation, the decision of who to cast our ballot for locally becomes even tougher.

But in this Federal election, it has become impossible to sort through all the bull, name calling and mud slinging that we have experienced particularly through the television advertising campaigns. Wow! It makes one wonder if we really want to vote for any of these people or have any of these people running our country.

However, as much as we may be turned off by it all, voting is our responsibility and our right as Canadian citizens. This time around, even though we've been reeling from one promise to another, it appears that Canadians are prepared to exercise these rights, and to do so in large numbers if advance polls are any indication.

And speaking of polls, recent polls are now telling us that the Conservatives are within reach of a majority government, and definitely in the position to win a minority government. With this now the case, and these polls are always said to be correct within a few percentage points, we wonder why any one is bothering to waste any more time on making a decision. It is apparently all over but the counting.

We are happy to say, that no matter what the result of Monday's voting is, the sun will come up Tuesday morning, we'll still pick up our morning coffee, and we'll still head off to work. We'll all continue to pay our taxes, and complain about all the same issues until we all get the opportunity to vote on the same issues the next time around. *BMc*



1984 Matilda Winter Carnival–Competitors watch as Dave Shaver makes his toss. Others in the photo include Kevin Markell, Jim Roberts, Dennis Cooper, Jim Adams and Pat Murphy.

Seen 'n Heard

Around the Township

Unfortunately, the return of winter (extremely cold temperatures and extremely high wind) on Saturday forced the cancellation of the annual Christmas Tree Burning ceremony at the Morrisburg Beach. The tree burning is hosted by the Morrisburg Fire Department and we have been told it will be rescheduled. We'll keep you posted.

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We've all been couch potatoes long enough. To shake the winter blues we advise everyone to get up and get moving and you can start it all off by attending the various events scheduled for the 31st annual Matilda Winter Carnival this weekend. It all kicks off Friday night at 7 p.m. with the opening ceremony and the Carnival Queen pageant. The annual Dr. Tom Maxwell Memorial Car Rally, sponsored by the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club, will run Saturday, along with afternoon entertainment, a chili lunch and a ham supper. The day will end with the always popular Carnival Dance. Sunday's pancake breakfast will be followed by fun and games for the whole family in the parking lot at Matilda Hall from 1-3 p.m. The Carnival will wrap up Sunday evening with an ecumenical service and hymn sing.

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The public is invited to attend the next meeting of the Board of Directors of Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, January 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the lower level conference room at the hospital. For more information you can contact Chris Cross at 774-2422 ext. 5250.

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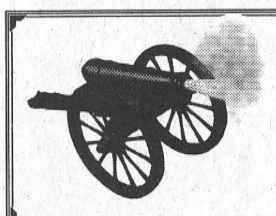
If we haven't gotten you up and off the couch yet maybe this next item will do the trick. As everyone knows, the outdoor arena located on the south side of the old high school here in Morrisburg is a popular spot for a game of shinny, and now John Schenk tells us he has added a second ice surface, a skating oval on the east lawn for those who simply like to skate. Everyone in the South Dundas community is invited to use the new facility, and our thanks go to John who has worked hard on both ice surfaces to provide us with the opportunity for some outdoor recreation.



The Leader Blast from the Past

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1996

Pictured on the front page of the January 17 issue was Blake Cruickshank as he received congratulations from Lions Club president Jim Adlington for being with the club for 36 years. Sporting more than 100 pins on his Lions' vest, Cruickshank was proud of his 36 years with the club. When he joined the club in 1960, he was one of only 10 members. It now had 44.

A mass vaccination program against red measles was to take place in area schools. Ontario now had more cases of red measles than anywhere in North or South America.

After 37 years on the Williamsburg Volunteer Fire Department, including 21 years as fire chief, Lyal Kehoe was retiring. Looking back over the years, Kehoe recalled the two largest fires he fought were the Locketon Lodge fire and the Timothy Christian Church fire.

1986

Pictured on the front page of the January 15 issue were 15 Matilda Township girls who were seeking the Matilda Carnival Queen crown.

A core study outlining specific promotion, beautification and maintenance projects for the Morrisburg shopping plaza was to be in council's hands by the end of January.

The issue featured a story on the Winchester Springs Trap and Skeet Club which was estimated to have been in existence for about 25 years. It was founded by Tom Holmes of Winchester Springs and Trevor Crowder of Morrisburg and situated on land owned by member Lawrence Holmes. It boasted a clubhouse and three trap houses, two used for skeet shooting and the other for trap. The club hosted one shoot per month.

Arena manager Don Smithson had his fingers crossed that the cold weather would hold as that was all that was keeping the ice in since the oil pump on the ice plant had broken.

Allan McNairn, Dennis Daley and Mike Branchaud scored two goals each and Donald Black, Pat Carson, Bob Deleavey and David Lapier added singles as the Lions settled for a 10-10 tie against Cardinal.

1976

The January 23 issue reported the success of the Morrisburg Lions Club Winter Carnival. The event included a public skating party, a broomball tournament, curling bonspiel, exhibition hockey games, a Bingo and Casino night, a children's night at the arena and figure skating displays.

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions lost their third game of the season to the Metcalfe Jets.

Rate payers in Williamsburg Township were notified that effective January 15: Before any construction of a residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural building was started (and this included the required foundation) a building permit had to be obtained from the building inspector.

Effective February 2, Ontario drivers were to slow down with new provincial regulations lowering the speed limits on provincial freeways from 70 to 60 mph and on the King's Highway system from 60 and 55 mph to 50 mph.

John Allison Real Estate was advertising a two-storey frame home, on a 160 X 180 foot country lot for sale. The buyer could expect to pay $144 in yearly taxes.

1966

The January 21 issue reported that Donald Kyle, popular reeve of Williamsburg Township, was sworn in as Warden of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry in a ceremony in the new jury courtroom of the United Counties Building.

While there was no junior hockey team in Morrisburg, Haddo, a member of the St. Lawrence Jr. League, had amongst its ranks, several locals. Joe Billings, Morrisburg's lacrosse net-minder was trying his hand, Jim Notman and Steve Casselman had positions on defence and Mick Mabo was playing centre. The Haddo team, played its home games in the Morrisburg Community Centre and was coached by Frank Sisty of Iroquois. Iroquois locals included the McCurdy brothers, Tom, Terry and Dan and the Montgomery brothers, Dave and Doug.

Street lights were soon to appear in Dixon's Corners. Matilda council had passed a motion authorizing Ontario Hydro to erect five street lights.

1956

The January 20 issue reported that at the January session of United Counties Council, Harold Ouderkirk, reeve of Finch was elected warden. At the same session, George E. Beavers, reeve of Morrisburg was elected chairman of the Seaway Committee for the United Counties. The purpose of the standing committee was to protect the interests of the Counties in matters involving the St. Lawrence Power and Seaway Project.

The rink of J.E. Christensen, Jeff Christensen, Jerry Harrington and H. Steinburg qualified in local action for the right to participate in the Jubilee curling finals in Montreal.

1946

The January 11 issue reported the Brockville Recorder and Times, Ontario's oldest newspaper was preparing to celebrate its 125th anniversary.

Local and district service personnel arriving in New York, aboard the Queen Elizabeth on January 15 were Pte. C.L. Bouck of Elma, Cpl. W.D. Gore of Morrisburg and Cpl. D. Ladouceur of Moulinette.

The Morrisburg Intermediate Hockey Club defeated Cardinal 5-4. Bun Devaul scored twice and singles were scored by Howie Eamon, Osler and Tindal.

Williamsburg service personnel arriving in Halifax aboard the troopship Mauritania were Cfn. R. Gerald Norval and Pte. Charlie Algire.

Letter

Good news, bad news

To the editor,

In regards to the voters in this riding and the upcoming election, I have some good new and some bad news.

First the good news. We finally have a candidate running for a party that stands for the same morals and values as the vast majority of people in this riding do.

The Christian Heritage Party is the only party that has taken a definitive stand on moral issues such as same sex marriage, abortion, and the family.

As well as being a champion of all of these causes, this party also has sound plans in place regarding health care, trade and national and provincial finances.

Now for the bad new. The local media seems to be ignoring the fact that this party, or its candidate exists.

In my opinion they are doing this for two reasons. The first is that they don't believe what this party stands for should be taken seriously. The NDP have their health care issues, the Green Party the environment, the Liberals finances (which to their credit, they can still maintain a straight face while discussing) and the Conservatives, which in the last few years have become a 'Liberal Lite' party and just seem to be the lesser of two evils.

Then you have the Christian Heritage Party, whose main platform is morals and societal values - and if we don't think that should be taken seriously, then we are in a sorry state indeed.

We should not be voting with just our wallets, our OHIP cards or our blue boxes, we should be voting with our consciences.

The second reason I think this party and its local representative Carson Chisholm are being largely ignored by the media, is that the media feels this party has too little chance of winning.

My response to that is very simple; if people voted for the candidate who would best represent their voice in parliament, Carson Chisholm would win by a landslide. Remember, it is always better to light one candle than to curse the darkness.

Sincerely,
Amanda Lane

Entering a new year in God's hand

Perspectives



Rev. Janet Evans

There is a beautiful poem that begins like this: "I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year–give me a light that I might tread safely into the unknown but he said, 'put your hand into the hand of God', that shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way."

In this year, 2006, may we put our hands into those of our Saviour–may we be assured that our Lord will cherish us, guide us and support us always. At all times, in all places our God walks with us. We are never alone.

It is hard to believe that the holiday season is now behind us. Our Christmas services and celebrations, the hymns of praise and adoration to the babe in Bethlehem are over, but what they signify is not over and never will be. We can even remember that Jesus, God's only begotten Son, was born into our hearts and lives and will always offer us His promises of hope, peace, joy, love and eternal life.

God surrounds us with His compassion and concern and calls everyone of us to share such wonderful news with people far and wide.

God loves us, and will never allow us to fall out of His caring embrace. May we be assured that our Creator can bring light out of darkness, consolation even in our moments of grief. May we know that Jesus offers us new life in his arms. In Him we can be transformed individuals who turn away from any of our old paths.

In 2006, we have the opportunity to truly honour our God and care for one another. Will we accept this challenge? Will we seek justice, love, kindness and walk humbly with our Lord?

God has taught us to believe that the life before us in the new year is part of His plan and will unfold for us as it can, if we are prepared to accept Christ's guidance.

This New Year may surprise us, overwhelm us at certain moments, touch us in unexpected ways. Yet let us believe each hour of each day that all things can work together for good for those who trust in the Lord. God is good and His mercy endures forever.

Rev. Janet Evans
Iroquois United Church

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Exchange says thank you

Dear Friends of the
South Dundas
Christmas Exchange!

Another year has come and gone, and Christmas 2005 is now just a memory. But, as in years past, what a memory! The part you played in making this such a successful venture is truly appreciated, both by the organizers and the recipients.

Thanks to your participation, the South Dundas Christmas Exchange Food Hamper and the Morrisburg Lions Club Toy Program were wonderfully successful, bringing a bit of cheer into the lives of some of the most needy people in our community.

This year, we were able to provide the makings of a good Christmas Dinner to 192 needy families. And thanks to the overwhelming response to the various Angel Trees, Book Trees, etc., gifts were distributed to almost 200 kids aged 12 and under. For some, these may have been the only gifts under the tree!

Although the Christmas Exchange and the Food Bank are separate projects, we share similar goals. The Christmas Exchange, however, has as its main goal providing those extras that help to make Christmas a bit special, and only operates for the Christmas Season.

Any excess food collected was passed on to the Morrisburg Food Bank, ensuring that those most in need would continue to benefit from your generosity over the coming months.

The success of this annual project is only possible because of the generous moral, financial and physical support provided by so many in our community ... people like you, who have recognized a need, and responded from the heart! We truly have a community to be proud of.

The organizers again thank you for your contribution to the success of this year's campaign, and look forward to your support again in 2006.

With sincere thanks, and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year.

Carol Richer

Auxiliary thanks community for support over the past year

The Editor,

I am taking this opportunity to write on behalf of Winchester District Memorial Hospital's Ladies Auxiliary to thank everyone who has supported us during the past year. Our Auxiliary has been serving our hospital since 1948, by providing volunteer services to patients and by raising funds through various fundraising initiatives.

The funds we raise through in-memoriam gifts, gifts given to the Auxiliary in lieu of flowers, proceeds from our gift shop, our annual bazaar and our unit events are invested in purchasing state of the art equipment for our hospital. In 2005, we turned over $114,000 to the hospital. We are very proud of this accomplishment, and it would not be possible without our community's commitment to the work our Auxiliary does.

I want to take a moment to recognize Freda Mellan who operates a highway motor coach tour business. She has come up with a fun way to help our Auxiliary out and involve more people in supporting our local hospital.

In the spirit of fun travel, Freda imposes a 25 cent fine for every person who is caught calling a highway motor coach a bus! This past year, when the tours were completed for 2005, Freda found she had collected over $634.45. Over the past four years, Freda's fine account has raised over $2,000 for our Auxiliary and our hospital is better equipped for this contribution.

I want to thank Freda for her support–a quarter at a time. It keeps adding up. The end result is that Winchester District Memorial Hospital is one of the finest community hospitals in the province–an accomplishment we can truly all be proud of.

Sincerely,
Elinor Jordan.
President,

Repair bill

– Continued from Page 1

the level of expectation we had."

"We are in the process of exercising our rights under the performance bond to recover those costs," he said.

The amount of the performance bond is sufficient to cover the cost of repair.

He said that the contract is to "repair deficient welds."

Although he does not know the exact percentage of welds which were found to be deficient, he did say that there are a significant number of welds to be repaired.

McDonald explained that the welds were deemed deficient through independent x-ray testing, of a representative sample of the welds in the plant. The testing was done by Accuren of Cornwall.

There is other work that needs to be finished before the water plant is up and running. "It is basically completion of work already started," said McDonald, who is "hoping to retain the subcontractors who have worked on the project."

Although the exact details of the work schedule are not yet available, the plan is for the work to get started right away. The tender document outlined a completion date of April 30, 2006.

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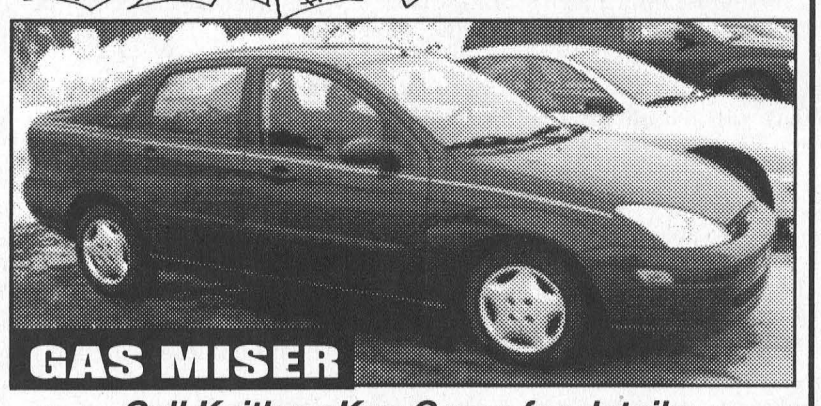

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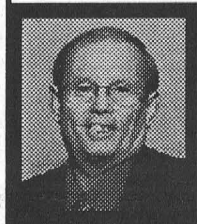

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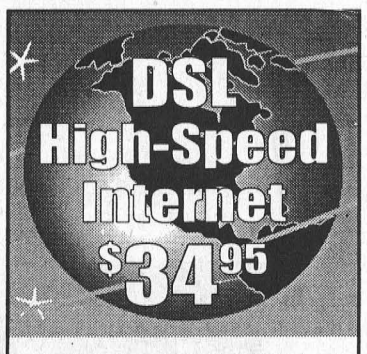

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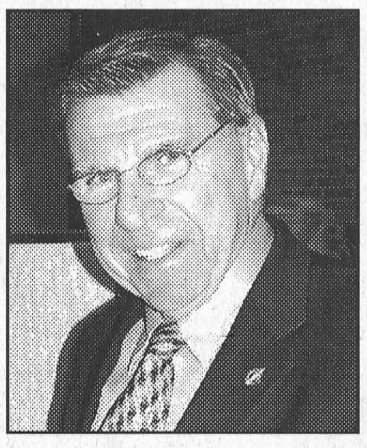
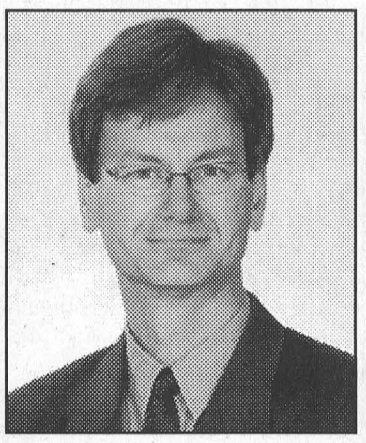
God Leads One Step At A Time

Face of the January 23, federal election in Stormont - Dundas - South Glengarry

SDSG – Monday, January 23, is election day, and across Canada voters will be going to the polls to cast their ballots. Here are the faces of the ballot for Stormont-Dundas South Glengarry.



Guy Lauzon
Conservative



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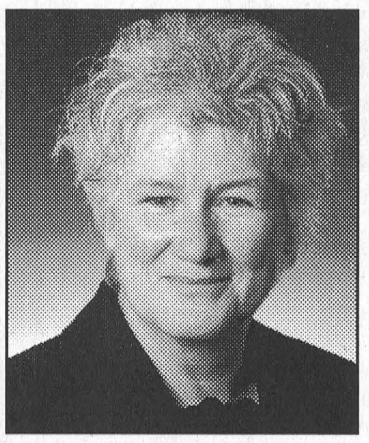
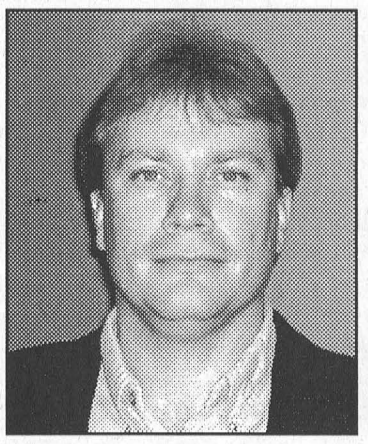
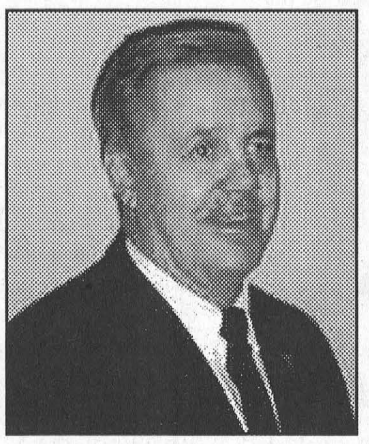


Elaine MacDonald
NDP



Doug Beards
Green Party



Carson Chisholm
CHP

Incumbent Member of Parliament for SDSG is Guy Lauzon. Conservative, Lauzon, has served one term since defeating Liberal Bob Kilger in this riding in the June 2004 election.

In Parliament, Lauzon was appointed Opposition Critic for Treasury Board and Official Languages issues, a member of Multi-partisan Border Caucus, member of the 'Assemblée Parlementaire de la Francophonie', and served on Caucus Policy Development Committee prior to the 2005 Conservative Policy Convention. Lauzon has a perfect record of participation in Parliamentary votes, has held 10 public meetings in Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry on various issues, and has been very active on border issues, BSE, economic development, criminal justice and family issues.

Lauzon was born and educated in this riding, and is fluently bilingual. He is known for his enthusiasm and strong work ethic. Professionally, Lauzon has a background in government, community, labour, agriculture and private industry. His is the former general manager of Tri-County Protein Corp, located in Winchester, and his career has included employment at Domtar, Courtaulds, Metropolitan Life Insurance, and for 22 years he was with Human Resources Canada as a counsellor, supervisor and manager. He retired from that position in 1996.

Lauzon was the fundraising team coordinator for the new Aquatic Centre in Cornwall, former chair of the Public Service United Way Campaign for HRSDC and formerly part of the Multiple Sclerosis Campaign in Ottawa. He is fundraising chairman of the Parish Council, St. Andrews West Roman Catholic Church, Chair of Cornwall's Canada Day Celebrations and a member of the Ontario Parole and Early Release Board.

For the first time, Tom Manley is running for election as a Liberal candidate. In the 2004 federal election he was a candidate for the Green Party of Canada. He was agriculture advocate and Deputy Leader of the Green Party of Canada.

Manley was born into a political family. His grandfather, the late Peter Manley, was Liberal MPP for 12 years in the 1950s and 60s. In high school, Manley was active in student government and at age 17 was president of the local Young Liberals Association in SD&G.

He grew up on a family dairy farm in Eastern Ontario, and went on to obtain a BSC in Computer Science at Collège Militaire Royal in St-Jean, Québec. He served as the telecommunication officer at the Canadian Forces Base Montreal, became a network engineer for Quebec's lottery system, and then went on to work at Bell Canada as a network sales engineer, before becoming project leader for the development and launch of Bell Sympatico Internet Service. In 1997, Manley took over the grain and feed processing at Homestead Organics and moved it to the feed mill in Berwick. It is now the leading organic agri-service business in Ontario.

Elaine MacDonald ran in the June 2004 Federal Election as the local NDP candidate, and is doing so again in this election.

Rooted in Alexandria and Williamstown, MacDonald received her high school diploma from Iona Academy in St. Raphael's. After graduating from Teachers' College in Ottawa, she alternated teaching with studying, acquiring a B. A,. a M. A., and supplementary qualifications. She teaches at St. Lawrence Intermediate School, in the Arts, Communications Technology and English departments, of which she is curriculum leader.

MacDonald sits on the Board of Directors for the United Way of Cornwall and District, and is a founding member of the SD&G Coalition for Social Justice. She serves as chair of the Status of Women and Human Rights Committee of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, leads the Cornwall Chapter of the Ontario Health Coalition and is president of the Cornwall and District Labour Council.

Local Green Party candidate, Doug Beards is a 40-year-old electrical engineer who works part-time for an electronics startup company, and with his wife, runs a small farm in North Dundas, where they have lived for almost 10 years. Born in Calgary, Beards was raised in Ottawa by a single mother with two jobs and four children. He is a graduate of Carleton University and holds a masters degree in Electrical Engineering. He worked at Nortel for 10 years before leaving to pursue a more balanced lifestyle.

While living in North Dundas, Beards became interested in organic, sustainable methods of agriculture. This interest led to a greater awareness which eventually led to his involvement with the Green Party in SDSG. He was president of the local Green Party Riding Association before becoming the local Green Party candidate for this federal election.

Carson Chisholm is the Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry candidate representing the Christian Heritage Party. Chisholm was born and raised on a farm in St. Andrew's West., and now lives on a hobby farm and has six children.

He has been a real estate broker since 1984, and a self-employed real estate broker/auctioneer since 1990.

Chisholm is an active board member of Cornwall Pro Life, and has been for over 20 years, serving one term as president. He organized, chaired and spearheaded the Coalition for Action on Child Sexual Abuse, which resulted in the Public Inquiry slated to go ahead in the new year in Cornwall.

Chisholm found out about the Christian Heritage Party through the Elections Canada website in August 2005. He attended their National Convention in October and was so impressed with their platform that he ended up becoming the local candidate.

TCS completes first initiative

WILLIAMSBURG – Timothy Christian School (TCS), key provider of Christian education in the area for children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8, raised $104,000, completing its first initiative under its new five year Strategic Plan.

"The school's membership and supporters have shown a strong desire for Christian Education and we are extremely grateful for their support and dedication," said Board Chair Paul Oosterhof.

The Strategic Plan, launched last September, focuses on six key areas of the school: Financial Stability, Quality Programs, Community Relations, Facility Enhancement, Human Resource and School Governance.

Within this framework, a plan was developed to direct the school board and committees to focus on key result goals to accomplish over the next five years and beyond.

TCS's profile in the community will increase as a result of the activities being planned this year starting with a Discover TCS Information Session scheduled for Friday, Jan. 20 (7:30 - 9:00 pm) and Saturday, Jan. 21 (9:30-11:00 am) designed to inform about the blessings and benefits of Christian education and encourage young families to send their children to the school.

"The minute we stepped into TCS it felt like home and I knew that our son would be loved and would grow the way we dreamed about," says newly enrolled parent, Melanie DeJong. "It's been four months since we started TCS and already my son has learned so much... never once have we regretted our decision."

The school aims to prepare children to make life's many decisions by teaching skills rooted in Christian values. Children who have graduated from TCS in the past have excelled in continuing education and have contributed to society through various occupations, including Self-Proprietorships, Teachers, Electrical Engineers, Architectural Engineers, and the Arts.

Timothy Christian School is a vibrant growing community providing a challenging Christ centred learning environment through a variety of programs in facilities that meet the educational needs of its students. For more information about the school, contact the principal Gary Postma at 613-535-2687, or visit the school's web site at www.tcswilliamsburg.ca.



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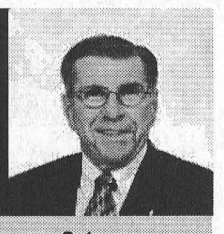

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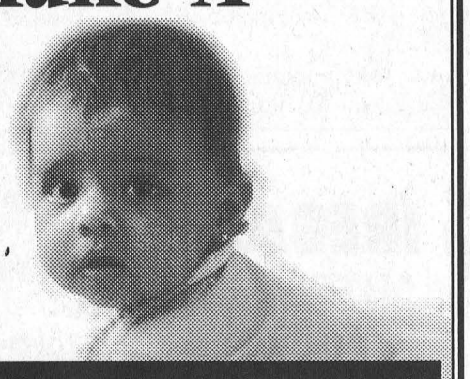

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January 22-29

Week of Prayer

IROQUOIS– "In the midst of fog, the church can be a beacon," says the Reverend Craig Bowers of the Anglican parish of Morrisburg - Iroquois and Riverside Heights, describing the upcoming Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

One week in January has long been designated by the World Council of Churches as a special time for Christian denominations everywhere to come together to talk about what it means to be Christian in the world today. The week has been celebrated continuously since 1894, and is held around the world.

January 22 to January 29 has been named the official Week of Prayer this year. The key text for the Week of Unity comes from Matthew18:15-22. "For where 2 or 3 are gathered in My name, I am there among them."

A Joint Committee from the World Council of Churches has created different themes for each of the 8 days of celebration.

Reverend Bowers and Reverend Geoff Howard of Knox Presbyterian Church in Iroquois are using the Week of Prayer as an opportunity to bring their congregations together for joint services. On January 22, Reverend Howard will bring a Presbyterian angle to the 11 a.m. service at St. John's. On January 29, Craig Bowers will bring the Anglican perspective to 11 a.m. worship at Knox Presbyterian Church.

Everyone is welcome to "come and see", and share in a celebration of Christianity.

As part of Winter Carnival activities, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will begin with a special Ecumenical Service, to which everyone is welcome, at the Matilda Township Hall on January 22, at 7 p.m.

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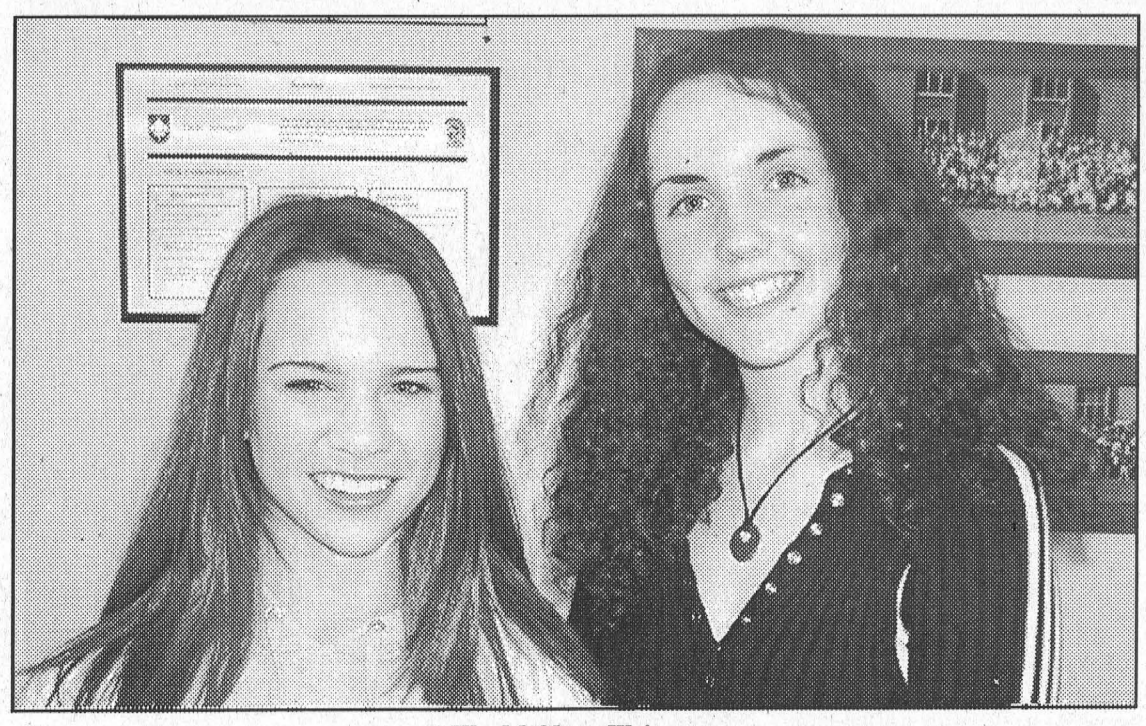

World Class Writers
Sarah Bowers and Sydney Sheppard demonstrated that they were world class writers by winning a world-wide essay contest sponsored by the Republic of Korea.

Seaway students win international contest

IROQUOIS– "We entered the contest just for the fun of it. We were shocked, but delighted to learn that we had actually won," says Sydney Sheppard, a 14 year old student at Seaway High School. She and fellow Seaway student Sarah Bowers, also 14, won first and second place in an essay contest sponsored by the Korean Culture and Information Service.

The contest was designed through the Korean embassy to "encourage high school students to research, explore and express in written form, their knowledge of an aspect (or aspects) of the Republic of Korea."

Open to students from grades nine to twelve, across all of Canada, essay topics could include Korean-Canadian relations, Korean history, art, music, politics, customs or other similar themes.

Sydney's Grand Prize winning topic was Korean Pottery. Sarah's second place winning subject was Korean technology.

Teacher Kim Lalonde, who originally announced the competition in early September, praised the efforts of the two students. "It was wonderful that these two grade nine girls would be that excited about a writing contest in the first months of their high school careers. And it was very impressive that two students from the same local high school would place first and second Canada-wide."

Sydney was directly contacted by the embassy before Christmas with the news of her grand prize win. Sarah received a letter notifying her of her second place achievement in January.

Both Seaway students are interested in writing, but entered this particular contest as "something to do with their spare time." Neither really expected to hear back from the embassy after the November 10 deadline.

There were approximately 90 third prize winners from around the world, and 30 second prize winners world wide. Sydney was the sole Grand Prize winner.

Sarah was awarded a Samsung MP3 Player. Sydney won an all-expense paid trip to Korea, sponsored by Korean Air, including a week long exploration of Seoul and the surrounding areas.

Seaway Scribbles & Bits

by David Jones

IROQUOIS – With the Christmas holidays behind us, students return to Seaway for the final stretch of semester one.

Student Council Scoop - Before the holiday season officially began, the annual Christmas Concert, organized and executed to perfection by Student Council, went ahead as scheduled.

It was a complete success. As had been expected, a number of comedic and musical acts were performed. The highlights of the show included what can only be described as a truly memorable comedy skit starring Ryan Morrow, Sheldon Beckstead and Adam Schnurr; an expertly produced video featuring Mr. Kennedy and Mrs. MacIntyre and their experience at Seaway on a "Snow Day"; and a contemporary adaptation of Scrooge starring Ryan Hehn.

Sports Centre - As mentioned before the break, the Senior Boy's Basketball team had two games before leaving for the holidays.

With an already impressive record of 3-0, the team was looking to extend its unbeaten streak. With point guard Jon Locke and forward Craig Douma leading the way, the boys won both games handily. The team seems to have found a winning balance of offense and defense that will hopefully allow Seaway to continue leading the standings in boy's basketball.

Student Vote 2006 - As the federal election enters the critical final week, the students of Seaway are preparing to make their choice. After reviewing the Conservative, Liberal, NDP and Green Party platforms of the Seaway teacher representatives, the students are ready to make an informed decision.

In the coming days, the students of Seaway will have the opportunity to make their voices heard, casting their vote in the "Student Vote of 2006". I'll have the results of this vote in the coming weeks.

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Obituaries

Donald Eugene Gill



Donald Eugene Gill passed away peacefully at North Bay General Hospital on Monday, December 26, 2005. He was 85 years old.

Son of the late Frederick Gill, and the late Normia McAuley Sterling, Donald was born September 25, 1920, in Brockville. He married Lottie May Bragg on October 7, 1944, at Botwood, Newfoundland.

Don joined the army at the age of 17, and continued to serve in the Canadian Armed Forces for 33 years. He served as a Chief Warrant Officer. It was while he was stationed at Phillip's Head, NFLD, that he met and married Lottie.

Their first son, David, was born in Grand Falls, NFLD; their second, Donald, arrived while the family was stationed at Halifax, NS. Daughter Barbara was born while Don was serving at Shiloh, MB.

While his family was growing up, Don took them camping and fishing every weekend, especially during summer vacations.

Family get-togethers continued as Don and Lottie's children married and had families of their own. He and Lottie settled in Morrisburg 20 years ago. When Don retired, he traveled overseas with his wife, and enjoyed cruises.

Don loved boating. For over 25 years, he and his wife would spend their winters in Fort Myers Beach, Florida.

His family was always first and foremost in Don's thoughts. He looked after every detail for Lottie. Whatever task he undertook, Don did it well and with precision.

Don was predeceased by his son David, and a brother, Eric.

Donald is survived by his beloved wife, Lottie, and his sister-in-law, Isabel Gill of Peterborough.

He will be lovingly remembered by his children, Donald of Cornwall and Barbara of North Bay. He was the dear grandfather of seven grandchildren: Tony Cote of Calgary, AB, Jason (Lyn) Cote of North Bay, Matthew (Leena) Cote of Calgary, AB, Michael (Phyllis) Gill of Embrun, Brian Gill of Toronto, Tessa-Ann Gill (A.J. Thompson) of Cornwall and Clifford Gill of Kanata.

He also leaves nine great-grandchildren: River and Hunter Cote of North Bay, Julia and Paige Cote of Calgary, AB, Quinton and Jessica Gill of Embrun, Skylar and Kain Thompson of Cornwall and Derrick Gill of Kanata.

A Memorial Service was held at the Parker Funeral Home, Morrisburg, on January 6, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. Reverend Darren May officiated.

Interment will take place in the Cardinal Anglican Cemetery in the spring.

Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Heart & Stroke Foundation will be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Condolences and donations may be made at parkerfh@personainternet.com

Mary Algire

Mary Algire passed away peacefully Sunday, January 1, 2006, at Dundas Manor Nursing Home. She was 94 years old.

Born on January 7, 1911, Mary was the daughter of the late Charles Whitteker and the late Emma (nee Barkley) Whitteker.

A life long resident of this region, Mary was married to the late Grant Algire. She moved to the Dundas Manor Nursing Home three weeks ago.

Mary was predeceased by one brother, Bernard Whitteker.

Mary enjoyed music very much. She also played cards, and was an enthusiastic quilter.

She will be fondly remembered by her sister-in-law, Edna Whitteker of Morrisburg. She is also survived by nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews.

The funeral service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Thursday, January 5 at 11 a.m. Reverend Isobel Black officiated. Spring interment will be at the Spruce Haven Cemetery, Brinston.

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

May Gelette



A native of Red Deer, Alberta May Gelette passed away at the Versa Care Centre in Uxbridge on January 9, following an illness of two weeks. She was 91 years old.

The daughter of the late Charles and Margaret Eyerley, May was born on July 9, 1914, in Red Deer. On November 24, 1932, in Shellbrook, Saskatchewan she married the late Clarence Gelette.

During her lifetime, May lived in a number of locations including: Red Deer; Shellbrook, Saskatchewan; Noranda, Quebec; Pembroke; Morrisburg and Park Drive Villa in Williamsburg. She has resided at the Versa Care Centre in Uxbridge for the last two years.

May enjoyed travelling, singing, lawn bowling and playing cards.

May will be lovingly remembered by her children: Dorothy Lowrey of Otter Lake, Quebec; Glenn (Carol) of Uxbridge and Gerald (Shirley) of Whitby.

She was loving sister-in-law of Wilbert (Grace) Gelette of Burlington and Donald (Phyllis) Gelette of Alberta and dear grandmother of Shari Truax, Nancy Kearl, Tim Gelette, Carmen Gelette, John Lowrey and Michael Lowrey. She was great-grandmother to Jayde, Kaya, Samantha, Autymn, Michelle, Amber, Cassie and Jessica.

May was predeceased by an infant daughter Betty Anne, a sister Madie Eyerley, and brothers Coady Eyerley and Jack Eyerley.

A memorial service was conducted by Rev. Isabel Black at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Friday, January 13 at 2 p.m. Spring inurnment of cremated remains will be at the St. Lawrence Valley Union Cemetery in Long Sault.

Obituaries

Francis "Allan" Clement



Allan Clement passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, January 8, with his family by his side.

Active in his community, Allan served on both Chesterville Village and Winchester Township councils, Chesterville and District Agricultural Society, Knights of Columbus, St. Mary's School Board and St. Mary's Parish Council, and the Chesterville Chamber of Commerce.

Friends were received at the Chesterville Funeral Home, on Tuesday, January 10.

The funeral service was held Wednesday, January 11, at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father John Gillis officiating.

Special music was provided by Tammy McRae and Jennifer Buhr.

Pallbearers were Abe Douma, Matthew Clement, Jack Lannin, Arie Oosterman, Richard Casselman and Don Shane.

A reception followed at Branch 434 Royal Canadian Legion hosted by St. Mary's Helping Hands. Interment will take place in the spring at St. Mary's Cemetery.

Allan was born in Chesterville to Bernard Clement and Lorella (O'Shea), both of whom predeceased him. He was also predeceased by his sister, Jewell, and by his brother, Paul.

Allan married the former Anne McDonald in 1957. Together they raised four children: Laurie Clement (Bryan Cochrane), Danny (Maureen Palmer), Cathy Clement (Paul Nooyen), and Carolyn (Lindsay Weegar). He loved his "14" grandchildren who brought him many hours of joy and pleasure.

Allan was the proud owner and operator of Clement Feeds from 1958 to 1986. Allan and Anne loved country life and had lived on Highway 43 since 1964. Allan adored his family and always had some "Irish" wit for them.

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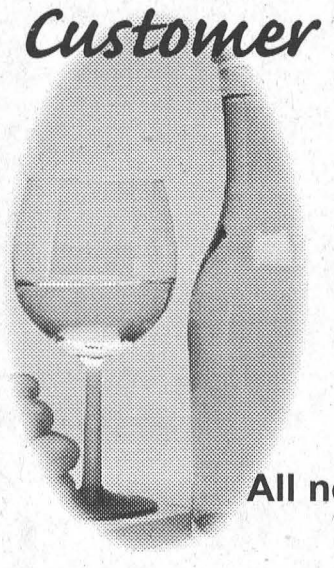

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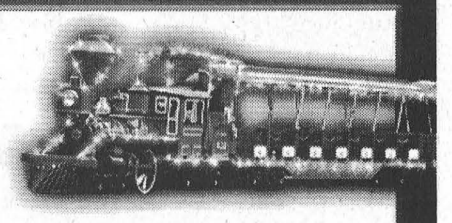

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Leader Sports

Jr. B Lions precariously in first place

73s in town Friday night for big game

MORRISBURG – The top of the St. Lawrence Junior B division standings continues to be very crowded, with the leading teams, the Morrisburg Lions, the Alexandria Glens and the Kemptville 73s refusing to let up.

This weekend the Lions were busy with three games, the results of which (one win and two ties) puts them narrowly in the lead in the St. Lawrence division points standing.

The Lions and the Glens opened the weekend Friday night in Morrisburg, where despite trailing the Lions 4-2 early in the third period, the Glens mounted a comeback to salvage a 4-4 tie.

The tie did not alter the two point lead the first place Glens held over the Lions going into the evening action.

However, the Lions were in Williamstown, Saturday night where they downed the Char-Lan Rebels 8-5, and on Sunday they picked up a single point from a 4-4 tie against the Rideau Division's Athens Aeros.

The three game weekend results in the Lions now having played 35 games, while the Glens, who did not have any other regular scheduled games, have completed 33.

Lions 4 – Glens 4

To the delight of the home-town fans, the Lions opened the scoring Friday night at 8:04 of the first period with a Brad Gager goal assisted by Tyler Lafortune and Jamie Gadway.

It didn't last long as the Glens' Pat Brunet evened it at 10:20 of the frame, and the two played even at 1-1 until 19:13 when Lance Stewart counted to allow the Glens a 2-1 lead going into the second period.

The Glens were unable to put anything past J.J. Gargour in the second period while the Lions claimed two against Michel Bouchard.

Just 52 seconds into the second period, Peter Barnett counted with help from Dylan Graveley and Cory Gove to tie the game 2-2. Pat McLeod put them ahead 3-2 at 13:14 of the period and the Lions one goal advantage held until 2:06 of the third period when Gager counted his second of the game for a 4-2 Lions' lead.

The Glens began their come back with a power-play goal from Pat Brunet while the Lions were serving a slashing penalty. That got them to within one, and the game remained that way until 13:50 of the third when Jami Jean-Louis struck for the tying fourth goal.

The 4-4 tie held throughout the remainder of the game and in the overtime.

The Glens scored two power-plays goals in eight opportunities while the Lions were unable to take advantage of the Glens' seven minor penalties.

Lions 8–Rebels 5

The Lions jumped into a quick lead in Williamstown, Saturday night on a Jamie Gadway goal and their 1-0 advantage held until the second period. It was a seesaw battle throughout the second period, with the two trading three goals allowing the Lions to carry a 4-3 lead into the third frame.

Kent Nugent, Dylan Graveley and Justin Elliott all counted for the Lions in the second while Troy Sinfield, Jess Pileau and Steve Jarvo answered for the Rebels.

Julian Moffat quickly evened it all off in the third period, but then the Lions came charging back with three in a row to lay claim to the win.

Tyler Lafortune opened it up with a pair of goals, the first while the Lions were on the power-play, and Peter Barnett made it 7-4 at 9:57. The Glen's got one back at 18:39 from Charlie Laplant to cut the Lions advantage to 7-5, but that would be the final goal they would put past Lions goaltender Andrew Pearson.

Dylan Graveley scored once more in the open Rebels net for the 8-5 Lions win.

The Lions were assessed four minor penalties and one double minor, while the Rebels sat out four minors and one 10 minute misconduct.

Lions 4–Aeros 4

Sunday afternoon in Athens, the Lions met with all they could handle from the Rideau Division's last place Athens Aeros, and the two settled for a 4-4 tie.

Three games in as many days, perhaps caught up to the Lions who were slow to get rolling and found themselves trailing the Aeros 3-0 by the end of the first period.

They got back on track in the second with goals from Cory Gove, Dylan Graveley and Tyler Lafortune for a 3-3 tie.

The Aeros pushed ahead with a B.H. Smelser counter at 9:02 of the frame and Peter Barnett counted the Lions' fourth goal at 10:13

The third period remained scoreless and neither team was able to count in the overtime.

J.J. Gargour was in net for the Lions who sat out 10 minor penalties and one double minor. The Aeros were assessed eight minors.

Coming up this Friday, January 20, the Lions host the Kemptville 73s in an 8:15 p.m. game. Saturday, January 21 they are in Winchester for an 8:15 match.

JR. B SCOREBOARD

St. Lawrence Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Morrisburg	35	22	11	2	46
Alexandria	33	21	9	3	45
Kemptville	33	21	11	0	43
Winchester	35	14	16	4	33
Char-Lan	34	12	16	2	29
Akwesasne	33	1	31	1	3

Rideau Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Westport	33	28	4	0	57
Sth. Grenville	31	25	6	0	50
Brockville	32	15	14	2	33
Gananoque	32	10	17	2	25
Athens	32	7	23	1	16

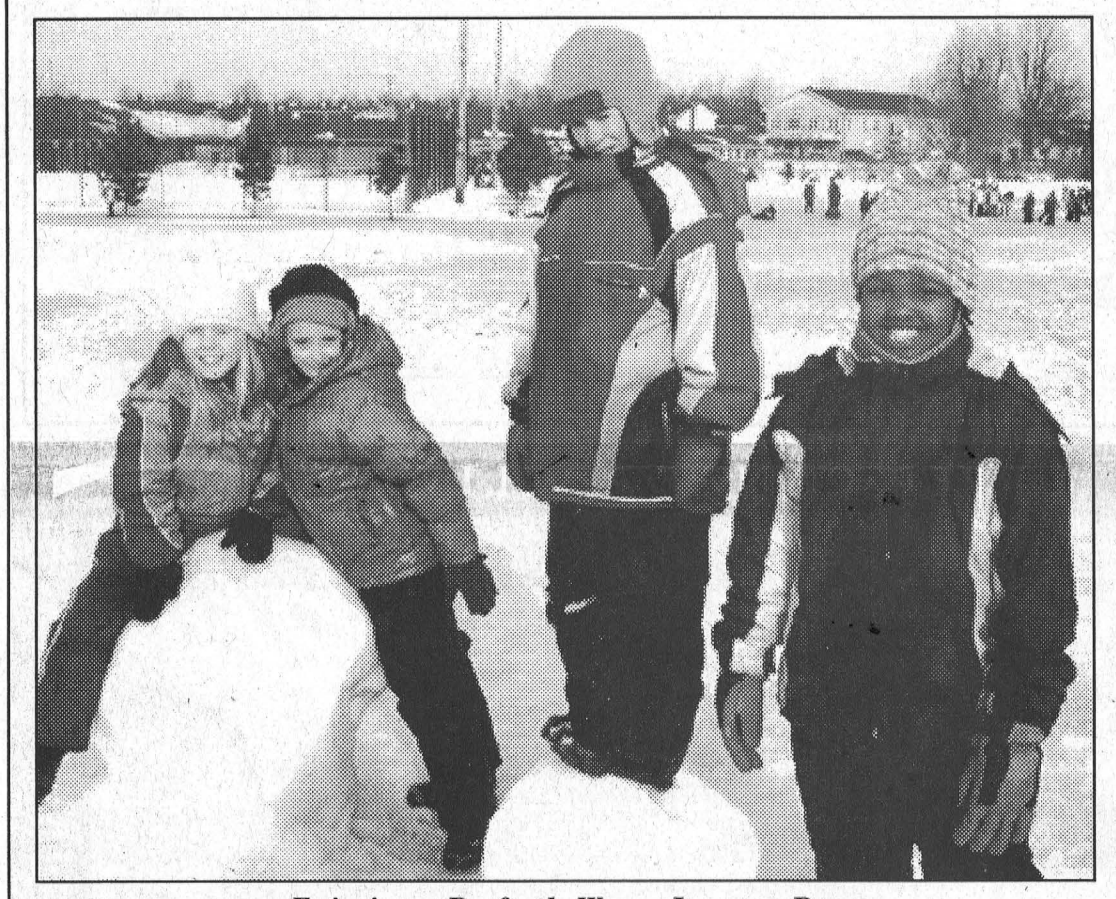
Teams losing in overtime or shootout receive one point

Results

Friday, January 13–
Akwesasne 3 at Westport 11
Sth. Gren. 6 at Winchester 4
Alexandria 4 at Morrisburg 4 OT
Saturday, January 14–
Morrisburg 8 at Char-Lan 5
Winchester at Akwesasne PP
Sunday, January 15–
Kemptville 4 at Gananoque 0
Morrisburg 4 at Athens 4 OT
Char-Lan at St. Gren PP
Brockville 4 at Akwesasne 1

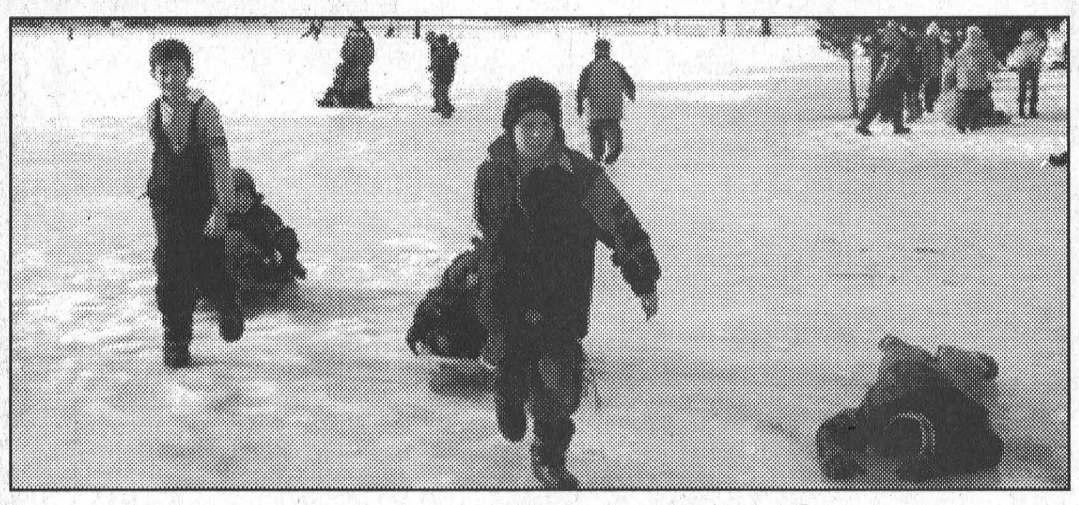
Coming up:

Friday, January 20: Kemptville at Morrisburg 8:15 p.m..
Saturday, January 21: Morrisburg at Winchester 8:15 p.m.



Enjoying a Perfectly Warm January Day

Students at Morrisburg Public School were definitely enjoying last Friday's balmy temperatures and the ice that was left behind from last week's January thaw. In fact there was activity everywhere in the village as people headed out of doors to enjoy the day, take down their Christmas decorations or simply bathe in the warm sunshine. The teaser though is over and it's back to winter. However, in just a couple of week's we'll be looking to those famous groundhogs for the answer of just how much winter there is ahead.



Some Rides on the Wild Side



Building a Winter Fortress



A Full House, Euchre Zone Tournament

It was a packed house in the Jim Fraser Memorial Hall at Morrisburg Branch 48 of the Royal Canadian Legion on Saturday as euchre players from throughout the area gathered to compete in the annual zone tournament. When the last card had been played it was Kemptville taking the win. Pictured above is several Morrisburg players, Jim Scott (white shirt), with Dick Armstrong behind him at the next table and playing at the third table back is Judy Laurin (also with a white Legion shirt).

The Week In Curling

MORRISBURG – Three local senior mixed teams from the Morrisburg Curling Club entered a Russell bonspiel last week. Jack Dikland, Susan McIntosh, Wally McDonald and Sandra Beckstead split their games, while Steve and Alice Thompson, Len Bellamy and Dorothy Culkin finished out of the prize money, but enjoyed the delicious hot meal between games.

In the late draw, Gerry and Cheryl Thompson, and Betty and Jim Locke had a challenging day as well, but enjoyed the fellowship and hospitality Russell always provides.

Wednesday brought the ever-popular Bernie Brunt Memorial Bonspiel, our senior men's invitational competition. Teams from Eastern Ontario and West Quebec competed, with Graham's Prescott foursome taking the trophy in a squeaker, while Dumontier's Cumberland quartet ended up a close second. Winchester, Brockville, Rideau, Navy, the R.A., Buckingham and Cornwall were also represented. Thanks to Doug Brannan, who, with his able committee, organized and ran this successful event again this year.

In local league play, Sid Morrell's senior men's team went undefeated in the current draw to win the Bowman Trophy. Assisting Sid were his teammates, John Wilson, Jim Locke and Art Carkner. Worthy of note was the effort by the Don O'Brien foursome, whose sole loss was to the championship foursome. Competition in the 12-team league is already underway for the Bowman Trophy.

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Bobby Jack Hart organized another two-person spiel on Sunday. Thanks to a new sponsor, the competition will be known in future as the Centennial Pizza and Dough Spiel. Thanks are due to McDonald's Restaurant as well, a secondary sponsor for the event. As usual, winners were declared in three divisions. 'C' Division saw John and John C. Toonders victorious over Steve and Alice Thompson. Moving up a level, Bobby Hart and Mike Perry pulled off a win against Dave and Susan McIntosh to take 'B' Division honours. And finally, in the battle of the undefeated teams, in the 'A' Division final, Derek Tupper and Keith Brannen eked out a victory over Wally McDonald and Raymond Benoit. The finals especially were close, hard fought affairs, and the spectators were treated to some fine shot making. Bobby thanks those who helped him run the event, and hopes to arrange another one for next month.

Apologies to Dave King, who really was in the Kemptville Bonspiel last week, rather than Dave Salsman, as reported in error. We're told that some of our curlers played in Brockville over the weekend, and another team was in Carp on Monday. Perhaps we'll have more details on them next week.

Good curling to all!

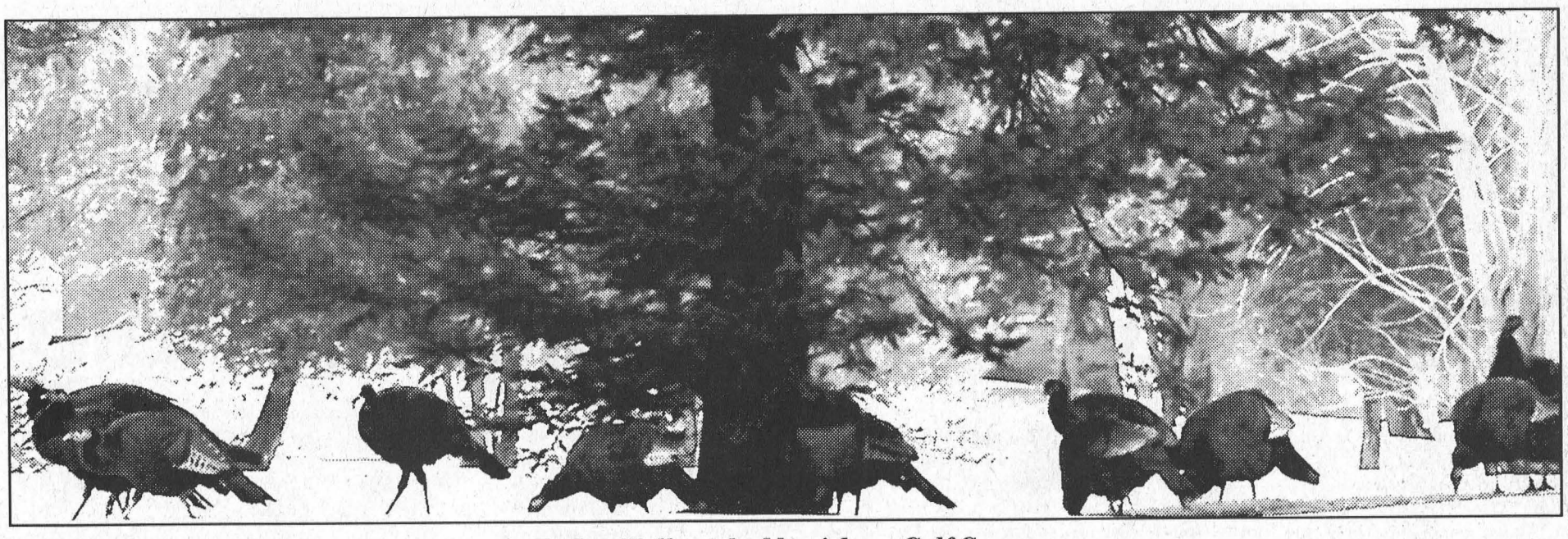
Cornwall man wins $50,000

CORNWALL–Jim McDonald of Cornwall got a nice surprise when he looked at the Ontario 49 winning numbers from the December 10 draw: They were his own numbers which he has been playing since the game started in 1997. The numbers made him the winner of the second prize worth $50,000.

"This has certainly lightened the load," McDonald told Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation's Prize Office staff in Toronto when he collected his $50,000 cheque.

McDonald said he plans to buy the biggest big screen TV he can find, a hot tub for the new house which is under construction and "new grips on my golf clubs". The 64-year-old retired machine tender from Domtar Fine Papers has two daughters and four grandchildren.

The winning ticket was purchased at MacMillan Milk on Cumberland Street in Cornwall.



Turkey Walk at the Morrisburg Golf Course

Last Thursday morning, a group of 20 wild turkeys were seen walking across the Morrisburg Golf Course. They lined up and made their way along the cedar trees on the east side of the number one fairway.

Comfort Photo

Reported by police

• Approaching assault •

MORRISBURG – At 1:30 a.m., January 1, 2006, OPP officers responded to a reported assault on Victoria Park Crescent.

The investigation by police revealed that a 21-year-old man from South Dundas approached another man, on foot, and proceeded to assault him.

Steven Marsolais, was arrested nearby, and held in custody pending a court appearance in Cornwall. He is facing charges of assault, and causing a disturbance. In an unrelated incident he is facing charges of failing to comply with condition of release and is also charged with possession of a controlled substance as a result of marijuana seized on the accused at the time of arrest.

Constable Dave Budzinski is the investigating officer.

• Parts missing •

IROQUOIS – January 3, police began an investigation into a break-in and theft at a business in Bridlewood Court.

Sometime between December 24/05 and January 3/06, a building was entered and snowmobile equipment, including a motor and skis were stolen. Constable Steve Watters is the investigating officer.

• Sled taken from shed •

IROQUOIS – Theft of a 2001 Ski Doo was reported to police January 4.

The yellow 2001, 800 Ski Doo Mach Z was taken from a residence on Carman Road, Iroquois.

The snowmobile (Registration #883095) was taken from a shed on the property overnight, January 3 - January 4.

Constable Paul Barkley is the investigating officer.



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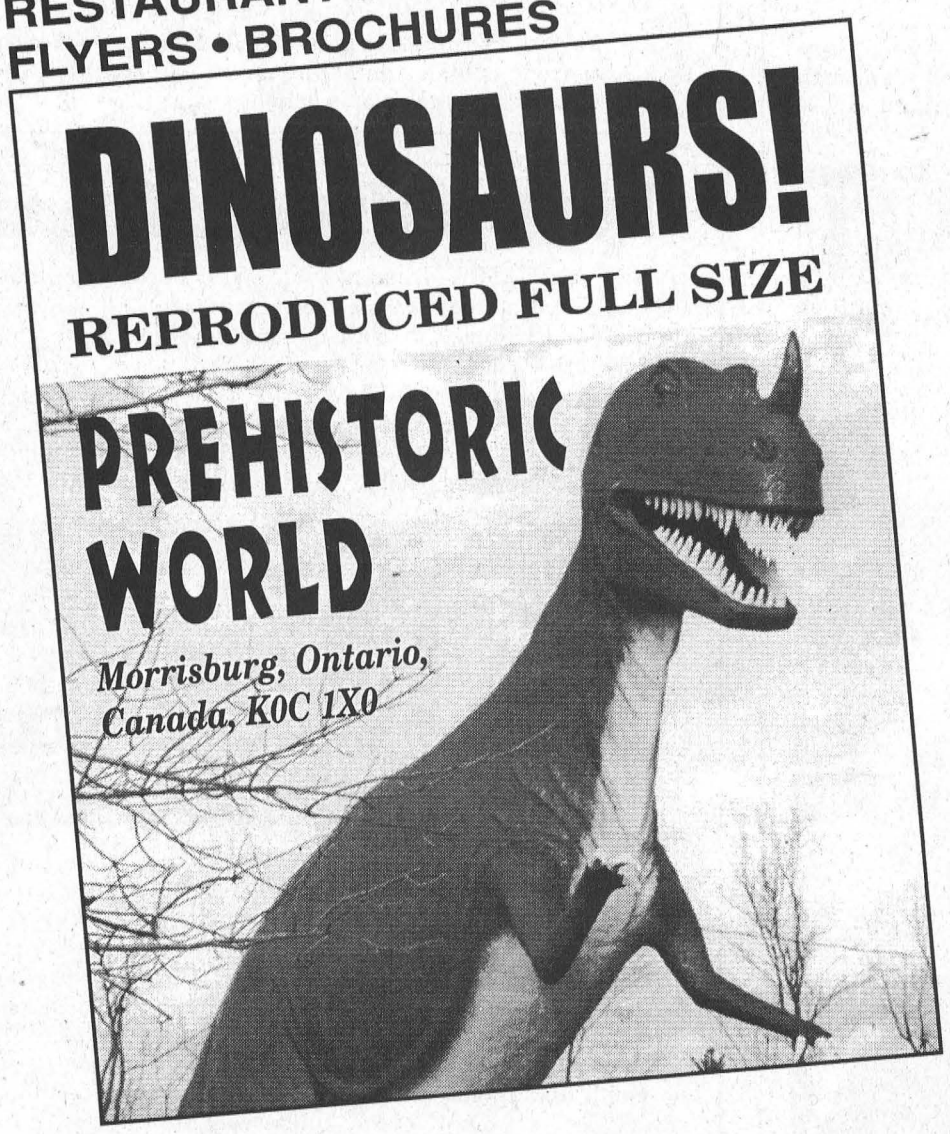

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Beth Smith leaving Seaway Gibb photo

Beth Smith, the vice principal of Seaway High School, will be leaving at the end of the semester to take up duties at the newly amalgamated Central Boundary Public School.

Career coming full circle

Seaway vice-principal leaving

Wendy Gibb-Leader Staff

IROQUOIS – Beth Smith, current Vice Principal of Seaway High School, will be leaving February 6, 2006, to assume the duties of vice principal at the new Central Boundary Public School in Prescott.

Smith, who has served as the VP of Seaway for a year and a half, has mixed feelings about her new posting. While she is excited to take up the challenges of the newly created public school, she says that she will be truly sorry to leave the staff and students of Seaway.

"The staff at Seaway is very caring and nuturing," says Smith. "They are committed to the students and to their community. I will miss that."

Smith has many fond memories of her time at Seaway. She recalls the retirement party for five senior teachers last June as an example of how the Seaway teachers and support staff care for and celebrate each other's accomplishments.

She also remembers last year's Winter Carnival organized and run by the students. As staff and students took part together in outdoor and indoor activites, she could see the Seaway spirit at its best.

Seaway has always been a community school, Smith feels. Parents regularly donate time and money to support the many special projects and events which are part of the academic year.

Among other activities, the community has been helping to raise funds for a permanent sign outside the building. Parents and community members also made the fall Trivia Night a memorable one.

Smith feels that in some ways, with her move to the combined Central Boundary Public School, her career is coming full circle.

She began her career 25 years ago as a grades one and two teacher on Amherst Island, eventually taking over a grades three/four class. Now she will be back at the elementary level as an administrator.

Smith has had a varied background in education. She has taught in public and private schools, worked in alternative and adult education, and has served Seaway as an administrator for the last year and a half.

She remains a strong proponent of literacy, retaining a personal love of reading that she hopes to bring to her new role at the elementary level.

"Elementary school is a place where books can make a tremendous impact on a child's life that will last throughout his years of schooling," Smith says.

Following semester final exams, Smith will be heading to Prescott to assume her new duties. She will miss the Seaway family she leaves behind. "Teaching is truly a vocation, a calling, and not for the faint of heart," says Smith. "I continue to love every minute of it."

From the Detachment Commander's desk



SD&G – The OPP and the Police Services Board have finalized the business plan for our detachment area and its implementation will be February 1, 2006.

Through consultation with interest groups, council and public interviews the board and OPP have identified areas of concern that will be targeted over the next year. Our plan will consist of nine main commitments. Over the next nine weeks I will identify each one and give you the explanation of them.

Reduce Violence and Property Crime

The goal is to implement strategies to reduce and respond effectively to acts of violence toward persons and property.

We will conduct/confirm violent and property crime analysis, identifying/confirming hot spots and directing strategies to areas of greatest concern. We will develop/implement appropriate community problem solving and other partnership strategies with stakeholders in areas of violent crime, drug investigations, property crime, terrorism activities and emergency response activities. We will support public education programs relating to crime prevention. We will support and implement crime management review recommendations, which support violent and property crime response. We will form a street crime team consisting of drug, property crime, domestic violence and sexual assault investigators. We will participate in emergency planning scenario exercises with community partners/stakeholders.

Inspector Ray Westgarth
SD&G OPP Detachment Commander

Atom Kings play strong

GLOUCESTER – The Rideau St. Lawrence Major Atom Kings participated in the prestigious Bell Canada Cup, which welcomes teams from all over the world, in Gloucester last month.

In their opening game, the Kings played a strong game against host Gloucester, and won 5-2.

Scoring the goals for the Kings were Marc Beckstead, Eric Cornel, Adam Norton, Jody Sullivan and Brett Vanstralen. Picking up assists were Beckstead, Broydon Stufko and Sullivan.

The Kings won their second game, against the Selects, 4-2. Beckstead scored two goals, Dillion O'Niel and Sullivan, scored the other goals.

The Kings lost their final game of the tournament, against Humber Valley 1-0.

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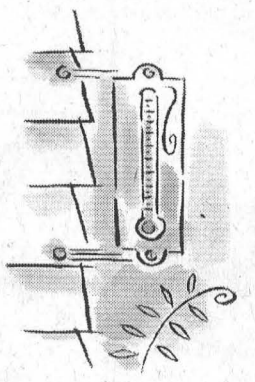

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–Anne Clement and family 3p

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Building Partnerships and Bridging Gaps

Snowmobiling at the council table

WILLIAMSBURG – As part of the initiative to Build Partnerships and Bridge Gaps, representatives of the District 1 Snowmobile Association spoke about the impact of snowmobiling to South Dundas council, January 10.

Project coordinator Lynsey Eikelboom, and District 1 Manager John Boals told municipal representatives about the vast volunteer-based organization which creates employment, generates business and brings tourists to areas like South Dundas.

District 1 consists of 28 snowmobile clubs and 5,000 kilometers of marked groomed trails from Napanee, to the Quebec border and north to Calabogie.

The district is part of the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs.

According to Eikelboom's presentation, the sport, which began 75 years ago, has grown into an organized family activity with over 4 million riders.

"There are more kilometers of trails in Ontario than kilometers of provincial highways," said Eikelboom.

She reported that snowmobiling activity generated $847 million in Ontario last year.

Because of the nature of organized snowmobiling, all of that economic spin-off "costs nothing, because volunteers support it. The trails are built and maintained by the clubs and their volunteers," said Eikelboom.

"There are strong roots here is SD&G for snowmobiling," added Boals, with eight groomers in the three United Counties, covering nearly 2,000 kilometers of trails.

"Snowmobile clubs have come a long way," said South Dundas Mayor Lyle Van Allen, adding that the clubs and the volunteers are to be congratulated for their work.

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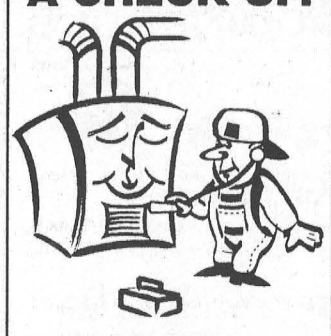

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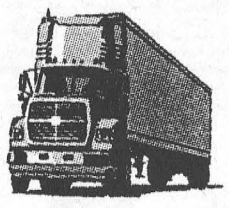

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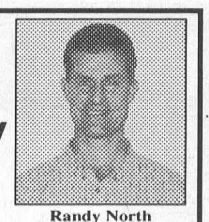

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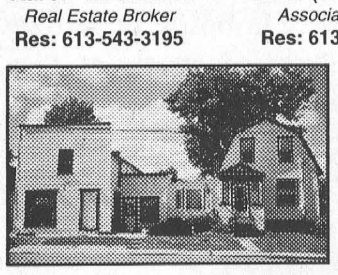

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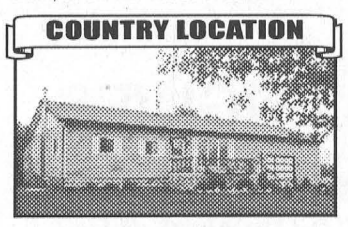

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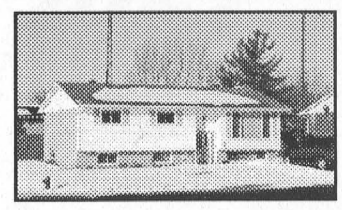
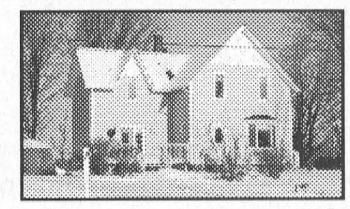


9 Lanhurst Dr., Morrisburg – Three bedroom raised bungalow in move-in condition. Open concept living and dining area, lower level family and rec room. Covered patio and above ground pool for those warm summer days. $174,900.



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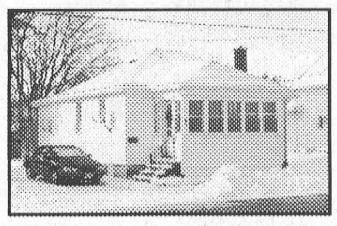
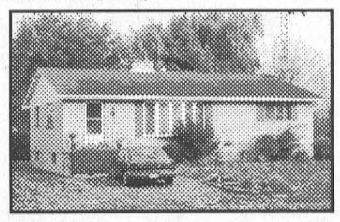


40 Sir James Morris Dr., Morrisburg – Three bedroom bungalow close to waterfront park with river view. Modern gas furnace with central air, ideal as a family or retirement home. $89,900.



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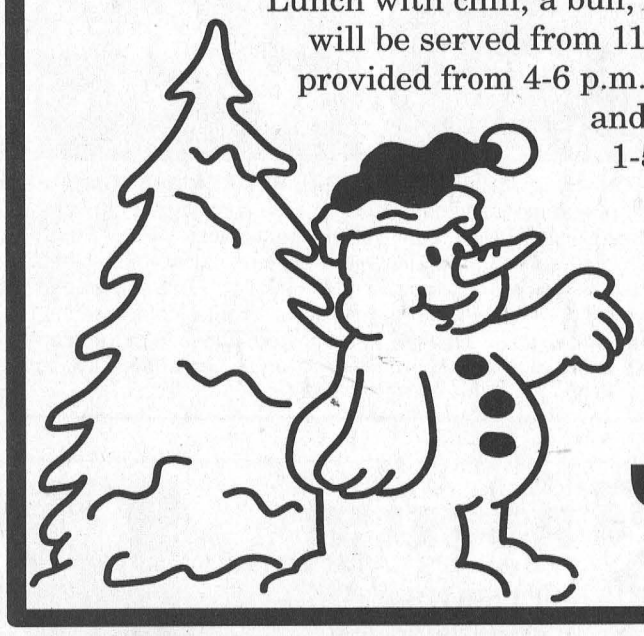
Saturday, January 21st –
CAR RALLY/DINNER & DANCE

This year the car rally is being organized by the Iroquois & Matilda Lions Club. Registration starts at 11 a.m. and concludes at 1 p.m. Lunch with chili, a bun, donut & coffee for $5 per person will be served from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and dinner will be provided from 4-6 p.m. by the Brinston United Church and Mary Perry will entertain from 1-5 p.m.. The day wraps up with a dance featuring music by REDNECK. Entry into the rally is $5 per person, Ham & Scalloped Potato Dinner is $7 per person, under 5 yrs. old free (take-outs available) and admission to the dance is $8 per person advance, $10 at the door.



Sunday, January 22nd –
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The newly crowned Carnival Queen will be serving up pancakes from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. The day will be filled with entertainment for the kids featuring the Magic of Michael Bourada with 2 shows from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 a.m.
Sunday 7:30 p.m. – Ecumenical Church Service.

All events take place at Matilda Hall. There will also be Family Fun Games at Matilda Hall and Skating at Dundela Rink (weather permitting)

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