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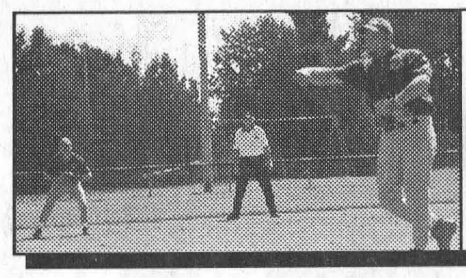

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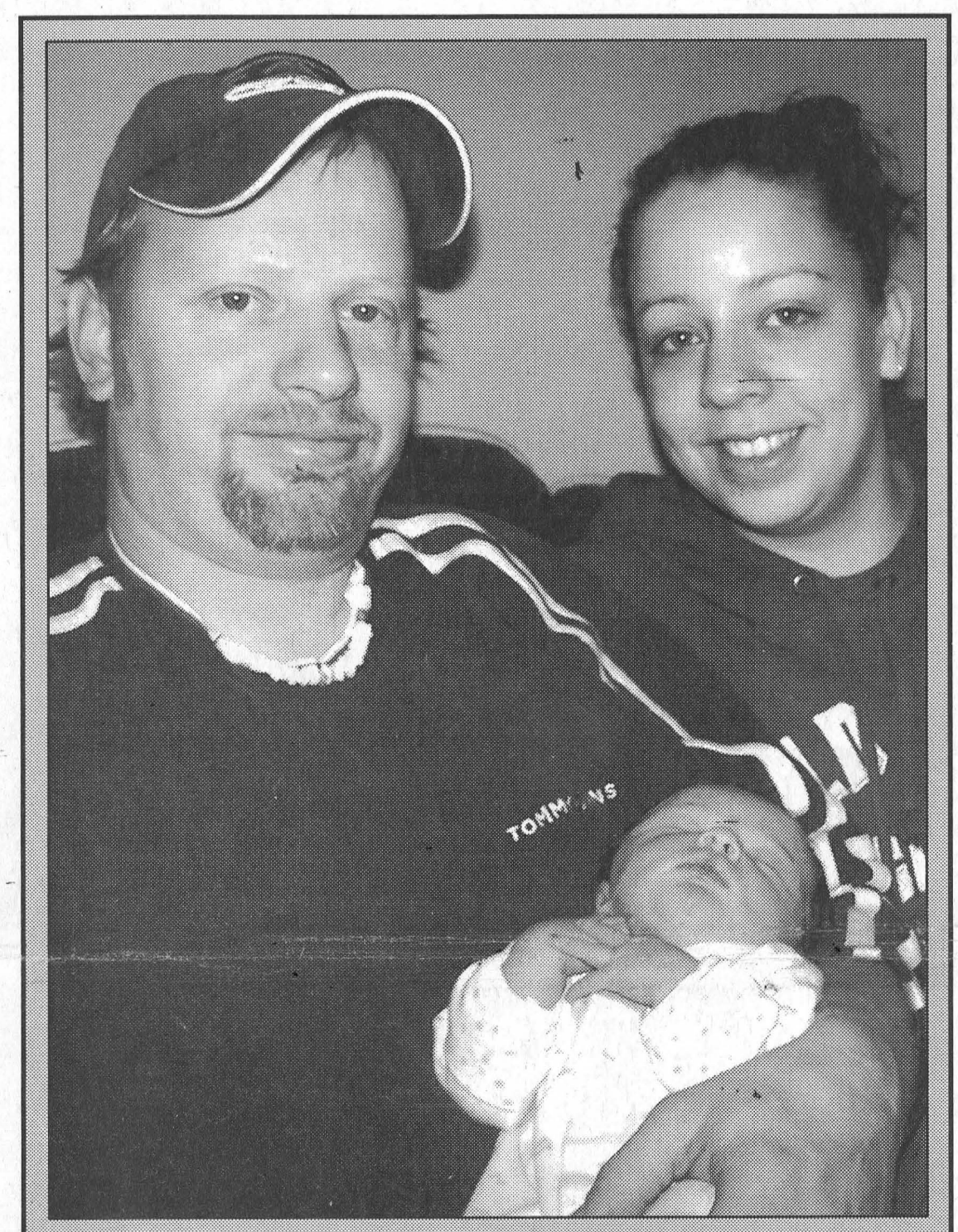

Another holiday, another baby welcomed to the Veinotte Family

Karrie Veinotte (right) was adamant that she and Victor (left) had to make plans for New Year's Eve this year. Little did they know, that their plans would be interrupted by a welcome addition to the family. Not due until January 10, a healthy 7 pound 1 ounce, 19 inch, baby girl, Hannah Elizabeth Turcotte made her appearance a little early, taking the spotlight as Winchester Hospital's New Year's baby. It was just a week prior, on Christmas Day, that Karrie's cousin Shawntel had a baby boy, and Don Veinotte told everyone very seriously that Karrie was holding out to have the New Year's baby. At 4:29 a.m., he was right. Being in labour 24.5 hours Karrie said it wasn't that important to her at the time for Hannah to be the New Year's baby, and Victor agreed. "But it's all well worth it now," says Karrie. As the first baby of 2005 the family received a number of gift certificates and gift baskets filled with teddy bears, bottles and blankets. Karrie and Victor said they should thank the maternity staff at Winchester Hospital for their help and patience. "It was my first experience, and it was a good experience now that it's over," says Karrie.

Council has little say

Official Plan vote not about what South Dundas council wants

WILLIAMSBURG – The right answer isn't always the answer hoped for. That was the case at the December 21, South Dundas council meeting, when discussing the upcoming official plan vote.

It is estimated that counties council will vote on the final draft of the countywide official plan in March.

On hearing that date, South Dundas councillor Charles Barkley, asked when they as a council would have the chance to further comment on the plan.

"There is no way I would support it now," said Barkley. "I want some input."

He then went on to discuss the public information sessions concerning the plan hosted by the Counties in late November, and said, "Those public meetings did not satisfy me. All we heard at those meetings was that it's not cast in stone." However, Barkley said that once the plan is signed, it is.

South Dundas manager of planning and enforcement, Donald Lewis suggested that council meet in early January to comment on the plan, and comprise a list to be forwarded to the counties in a timely fashion.

Councillor Sandra Bailey said that the official plan should be brought to this council for a vote.

"If this council is not in favour, are our members obliged to vote what this council wants?" asked Bailey. "Do our members (of counties council) have to support our decision?"

"The answer simply is no," said South Dundas CAO Andy Brown. He went on to explain that as a member of counties council, counties representatives are making decisions for the betterment of the entire county, not just to represent their local municipality.

Councillor Johnny Whitteker, who is one of South Dundas' two appointed counties council members, suggested that this council should have a meeting to get things sorted out before the counties vote.

"I don't see anything wrong with the counties official plan," he said. "Having our own official plan will cost $100,000 and it will have to conform with the counties official plan."

Barkley disagreed saying that it might cost $40,000, but it would be worth it to have some control.

"They say they'll work with you," said councillor Ron Delegarde.

"But the county has the final say," said Barkley. "Where does it say municipality? Nowhere."

Lewis explained that the township could pay to have their own tailored plan, but the province still has to okay the document. "I'd rather have final approval local, at the counties, than provincial."

South Dundas' other counties council representative, mayor Lyle Van Allen, did not voice an opinion on the plan at the council meeting.

Red Cross raises $70,000

Incredible local outpouring

CORNWALL – Volunteers and staff agree that this has been the most incredible outpouring of assistance that ever experienced at this office.

The local branch of the Canadian Red Cross has raised $70,000 to date. This incredible amount has been because of the generosity of more than 600 donors who have contacted the local branch in person or by phone.

"Our community has a rich cultural diversity and each and every one of us feels the heartache and anguish of the people affected by the disaster in South East Asia" says volunteer Don Daugherty, co-chair of disaster services for the local branch.

During the past few days many volunteers have given countless hours to assist in processing monies donated at the door and over the phone.

Richard Allaire, president of the local branch, thanks everyone in our community for their generosity and reminds those that would like to raise funds on behalf of the Red Cross to contact our office as soon as possible. The office at 338 Second Street West in Cornwall 932-0231 has been open extended hours throughout the holiday weekend and will be open during normal business hours starting Monday January 3, 2005.

Deficit possible

WILLIAMSBURG – A deficit for 2004 is a possibility for South Dundas.

According to the year end report from South Dundas treasurer Lorna Seibert, presented at the December 21, council meeting, unforeseen expenditures have contributed to the township's financial position.

The new well at Matilda Hall, the unexpected need to replace the dishes at the Iroquois Civic Centre, and the additional costs to maintain the fibre optics network are listed as contributing factors to "dwindling bank balances."

Lower bank balances have also meant that the township is earning less interest.

Seibert reported that "there may be a very small surplus even possibly a deficit for 2004."

Total taxes billed in 2004 were almost $13 million, with the township portion being $3.9 million. Almost 93 percent of this years taxes have already been collected.

Last ship through Dec. 30th

Seaway now closed

CORNWALL – The St. Lawrence Seaway officially closed for the season on December 30, with the passage of the McKeil Marine integrated tug and barge, *McCleary's Spirit*, passing through the St. Lambert Lock at 5:51 a.m. in the Montreal/Lake Ontario section. The Seaway opened its 46th shipping season on March 25 remaining open for 261 days in 2004.

The Welland Canal section closed at 5:19 p.m. on December 31, with the transit of the Canada Steamship Lines vessel *CSL Niagara*.

"We are pleased to report excellent traffic results, with an overall estimated 5.3 percent increase in tonnage this year," said Richard Cone, President of The St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation. "The growth in traffic shows across the board, with higher numbers for both lakers and ocean vessels, and greater tonnage in bulk and in general cargo."

"I think this attests to a strong economic recovery that will continue to bring vessels to the Seaway next year as well."

The Seaway has benefited from the strength of the steel industry at home and the need for imported steel from abroad. Labour disputes in the iron ore industry and supply problems in the coal industry created low inventory levels, and a half million-tonne shortfall in shipments on the Seaway through the summer.

Once these issues were settled, continued Corfe, "we agreed to stay open longer, to accommodate our clients who were trying to make up for lost ground. Water levels in the Lakes remained sufficient to ensure that navigation could continue at full draft throughout most of December."

This year, substantial gains were made in the movement of general cargo, principally iron and steel, driven by high prices for these goods.

Coupled with modest gains in other bulk, such as coke and stone, and a near-doubling of scrap metal shipments, overall volumes are estimated to have increased over last year by 5.5 percent in the Montreal/Lake Ontario section (totaling 30.49 million tonnes) and 6.5 percent in the Welland Canal section (totaling 33.94 million tonnes).

"We aren't relying solely on economic growth to power the turnaround in Seaway traffic," said Corfe. "HWY H2O, our public awareness campaign, was a success. It has now evolved into a 'branding' project for the overall Great Lakes / St. Lawrence System, linking the St. Lawrence River ports, the Seaway ports and the Great Lakes ports into one marine highway, with 20 partners already signed on."

The Seaway is now closed for the winter to accommodate the annual maintenance program on its 13 Canadian locks and connecting channels.

This year's works program is again a substantial one, amounting to $5 million in the Montreal/Lake Ontario section and $20 million on the Welland Canal. Work will include improvements to bridges, locks, communications and power facilities, roads, weirs and walls.

The Seaway is expected to reopen in late March.

Another $7,500 for EDO

WILLIAMSBURG – Another funding application to the SD&G CFDC Eastern Ontario Development Fund has resulted in another $7,500 in funding.

Having just received $7,500 from the fund for strategic planning for economic development, South Dundas economic development officer Anne Marie Waddell sent in another application for funding to the organization under their Youth Intern Program.

The additional funding will support the development of a marketing plan to coincide with the strategic planning for economic development.

Waddell reported to council that they had received a letter of offer at the December 21, council meeting and recommended that council accept the offer. Council voted in favour of the recommendation.

Iroquois library still needs work

WILLIAMSBURG – Progress through challenge sums up the SD&G Library, Dundas Board Report for 2004.

Circulation was up in most of the Dundas branches, with Iroquois, Williamsburg and South Mountain all surpassing their 2003 yearly circulation well before the end of 2004.

In the report, the Iroquois library branch facility was pointed out as "The branch which needs the most work."

According to the report, submitted by Elizabeth Porter, "The remodeling plans have been on hold for a couple of years and the situation there is getting fairly desperate."

"The location is excellent and the branch is busy but the layout is extremely inefficient and awkward for patrons and staff. We hope that the expansion and reorganization will be done in 2005," reported Porter.

The only problem reported at the Morrisburg branch, has nothing to do with books. They have a water problem. The water comes in under the front and back doors whenever there is any amount of rain, but the water damage only affects the carpet.

The Williamsburg branch facility is described in the report as "bright, pleasant and in a convenient location."

YEAR IN REVIEW 2004

JULY

As always the month started with a big celebration, and the celebrations continued throughout the month. This year marked the return of the **fireworks to the Morrisburg Canada Day** celebrations, after a one year hiatus. The Morrisburg Fire Department committed to organizing the celebrations. The only glitch in the whole celebrations was an electronic problem that delayed the fireworks. Speaking of celebrations, there were some rumours flying about the Flamingos hockey organization was ready to abandon hosting the ever-popular **Tubie Weekend** in August. Robert Jordan confirmed that they had overcome the issues they were facing and the August long weekend celebrations would go ahead as planned.

Norm Foster's ***Drinking Alone*** hit the stage, as the second comedy of the 2004 Upper Canada Playhouse season.

Drums and gunfire could be heard around Crysler Park, which featured the annual **military reenactment weekend**, which again attracted thousands of visitors.

On the heels of a visit to council warning of potential problems in the **Morrisburg Industrial Park**, a tractor trailer slipped into the ditch and blocked traffic to the Industrial Park for three hours. Traffic entering and exiting the Industrial Park had to be rerouted through a private driveway, east of the McIntosh Inn.

The Morrisburg and District Lions Club waterfront concession stand, called the **Docksyde celebrated its official grand opening** July 18.

Highway 2, was officially designated the **Heritage Parkway** from Brockville to the Quebec border. The project, instigated by the Williamsburg Historical Society, is designed to pull travellers off the 401 and bring them through areas of local historical significance.

The annual **Hearts and Flowers Garden Tour**, which featured the gardens of Steve Barkley and Sue Sherrer, Trevor and Glenda Tolley, Jack and Tony Van Hoof, Mac and Marion Graham, Bill and Carol Rumble, and Glen and Lorraine Adams, doubled its attendance and doubled the money raised for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

In final weekend of the month, South Dundas was all about antiques. The South Dundas Antique Festival, under the new management of the Morrisburg and District Lions Club, went ahead as Antiquefest. Also included in **Antique Weekend** was an antique boat show and flotilla, a car and truck show, and antique golf themed events.

AUGUST

The celebrations of summer continued into August. The month kicked off with **Tubie Weekend**. Longtime Tubie race competitors, Team McCooeye, captured their first race title by defeating last years winners - the Retreads - who finished second this year. Team McCooeye paddler, Joe McCooeye was relieved to beat the Retreads, which included his mom Liz.

About 100 ATV users and interested parties packed the Winchester Springs Recreational Hall to participate in an **information meeting about ATV use** on municipal roads. The meeting, jointly hosted by the townships of North and South Dundas, served as a platform for ATV users to let their local government know that they want the right to drive ATVs along roadways.

Run for Your Wife was on stage at the Upper Canada Playhouse.

The final weekend of August was action packed, with thousands of participants and spectators taking in the **10th Annual Volley for Cancer**.

While the South Mountain Fair got underway, Rick Brown of Inkerman took a wild ride of his own, **crashing into the home** of Kevin and Linda Boyd located just a couple of miles from the fairgrounds.

A proposed zoning change to allow for the expansion of **Doran Bay Resort** to include an upscale RV park was denied by council. The application had been in the works about three years and was heavily opposed by the residents of a nearby subdivision.

Winchester District Memorial Hospital lost a leader and a celebrated physician with the **death of Dr. Howard Justus**, August 30. He was 101 years old. In September 2002 Dr. Justus gave the hospital the largest single gift ever received when he made a $1 million donation to the Renewing the Vision Campaign, of which he was honourary chair.

SEPTEMBER

For the second year in a row, a **$33,000 dividend cheque** was handed to the township as a result of its investment in Rideau St. Lawrence Utilities.

Morrisburg resident Roger Coligan addressed council, asking when it would be **Morrisburg's turn to get new pavement?** Mayor Lyle Van Allen said that paving decisions were made by council according to a road needs study and budget constraints. He said that underground infrastructure needs to be addressed before any paving is done in Morrisburg.

Councillor Charles Barkley said that he didn't want to wait on the United Counties to address ATV use in South Dundas. **Council gave the nod to the formation of an ATV use committee.**

A couple of local entities were gaining national recognition. **St. Mary - St. Cecilia Catholic School** was recognized in the Today's Parent national magazine's **Top 40 Schools** article. The recognition was in the "Rising to the Challenge" category for their work in a smooth transition in amalgamating the two schools into one.

Beaupre Jewellers in Iroquois was notified that they were the **top retailer** of Sabona products in Ontario for the month of August, and the top independent retailer in all of Canada. Sabona products include health aids like copper and magnetic bracelets.

In a surprise announcement, the Ontario government announced that the **Municipal Drainage Outlet program was being phased out**. The program funded one third of the cost of drains crossing agricultural lands.

When it rained it poured here as the tail end of Hurricane Frances passed through the area. Over 100 mm (4.25 inches) of rain fell in two days, and caused some problems for area homeowners, as **sewers in the south end of the village backed up into basements**.

A realtor was selected to **sell the Iroquois Golf Clubhouse**. Butch Oldford of Royal LePage originally listed the building and the property it sits on for $599,000.

Local trucking company **Harland Veinotte Ltd. celebrated its 40th anniversary** with a day of fun for their employees, family and friends.

Council gave the go-ahead to staff to **draft an ATV policy,** in consultation with their newly formed ATV use committee.

Lucien Snowbird was on stage at the Upper Canada Playhouse.

Despite deciding to hold **fewer regular council meetings** throughout the summer months, council met numerous times for various special meetings, that although some were open to the public, the times and dates were not advertised to the public.

The **United Counties unexpectedly moved the 70 km/h speed limit signs** along County Road 2, in Iroquois, closer to the area of the plaza. Councillor Ron Delegarde said the move was an accident waiting to happen. He suggested not that they be put back to where they were, but that the speed limit be reduced to 60 km/h and extended to encompass the Brinston Road and Carman Road intersections.

The ***South Dundas Story: The History and Murals of South Dundas*** book was launched with a book signing by the author Steve Thompson.

OCTOBER

The month started with the celebration of a young life lost too soon. **A plaque dedicated to the life of the late Melanie Warner Cain** was unveiled at the Elm Street Park in Ingleside.

Lifesaving technology was almost in the hands of the public. It was announced that two **automated external defibrillators** were allocated to South Dundas, and that they would be located at the arena in Morrisburg and the Municipal Office in Williamsburg.

Volley for Cancer hosted their annual big announcement evening and reported that the **10th anniversary event raised $44,000** for the Cancer Society, bringing their total contribution since its inception to over $250,000.

The **Iroquois Fire Department added a new vehicle** to their fleet. The 1996 GMC retrofitted ambulance is used to carry auto extrication equipment to accident scenes.

An **ATV use bylaw was drafted**, allowing for the use of ATVs on all township roads. Council chose not to vote the draft because they wanted more input.

Ross Video invited the community to an open house to mark their **30th anniversary**.

Seaway District High School handed out 76 diplomas at their graduation ceremony. Sarah Tuttle was the valedictorian and won the Outstanding Student Award.

Hearing that some municipalities were starting to decide on keeping or abandoning the **ward system** for the next municipal election, South Dundas momentarily discussed the matter. They decided that they would wait to make the decision nearer the deadline, which is one year before the election. When the deadline approaches, they will hold a public meeting, and make the decision thereafter.

As the Hospital's Renewing the Vision Campaign surpassed the $14.5 million mark, and closed in on its $15 million fundraising goal, a press conference was held to announce that the hospital has received $1.2 million of a $4 million planning and design grant. If all goes as planned **construction is expected to start in the spring of 2006**.



NOVEMBER

With Halloween, October ended on a sweet note, and November started the same way. The Morrisburg Tim Hortons announced that they had raised **$1,370 for Special Olympics** through their first annual Smile Cookie fundraiser. Toronto Maple Leaf, and longtime supporter of the Special Olympics, Chad Kilger was on hand to accept the cheque on behalf of the charity.

The **summer of construction was nearly over** for Augusta Street residents. The final preparations for the first lift of asphalt were taking place.

Scotiabank in Morrisburg celebrated their **100th anniversary.**

The possibility of an **ATV policy was still looming** largely over council. Councillor Charles Barkley thought they would have a policy in place by now, but was told the policy wouldn't be vote on until public input was received. Barkley pointed out that they should formally ask for public input and get moving on the matter.

Barkley also expressed his frustrations with this **council's tendency to avoid making decisions**. Councillor Sandra Bailey blamed the slow progress of this council on the "awful mess" left behind by the last council.

The first steps to residents of Morrisburg and Iroquois paying for metered water were taken, with Rideau St. Lawrence and the **township planning on a way to bill for water**, and ease the transition for residential water customers.

The township officially launched a new and improved website, **www.southdundas.com** offering improved access to municipal information.

Thompson Rosemount Group and the township hosted an information session about waste water treatment in Morrisburg and Iroquois. TRG recommended that a **sewage treatment plant** be constructed in each town, at their existing sites. Early cost estimates have the Morrisburg plant tagged at $17.4 million and the Iroquois plant at $15.2 million.

The estate of Dr. Howard Justus presented the **Winchester Hospital with a $100,000 gift**.

Randy Strader, a member of the ATV use committee, pressured council to **move forward and decide on ATV use** in South Dundas one way or another. He did not get a vote, but did get a date for interested parties to meet and discuss the matter.

The meeting happened at month's end, and although **intended to be a working meeting 50 people turned out** to watch the proceedings. A map outlining the roads in the township that the committee would like to see open to ATV use, was presented to council. Council agreed to take and study the map and provide feedback.

The United Counties hosted an open house and public information session regarding the **countywide official plan**, which is nearing a final draft and vote by United Counties Council.

DECEMBER

Appropriately, the Christmas month kicked off celebrating the spirit of the season with a Christmas play. Norm Foster's family comedy ***Dear Santa*** was on stage at the Upper Canada Playhouse.

Santa stayed busy making his annual appearance as the guest of honour at the **Morrisburg Santa Claus Parade**, which included 40 entries and five bands bringing in the season under perfect weather conditions.

Updates from the township said that the construction of the **water treatment plant was so far on time and on budget**, the **BRAND money would come but they weren't sure how much** they would be getting, and that there would **likely be an ATV policy vote before year's end**. That ATV policy vote didn't happen.

South Dundas Mural Committee chair, Glen Cunningham spoke to council and asked them to **keep the mural program in mind at budget time**, as he, and many others, would like to see it completed.

South Dundas clerk, Brenda Brunt received the necessary training to perform **civil marriages in South Dundas**. Council gave her the go ahead to draft a policy to provide the service, but mayor Lyle Van Allen did make sure that council had the power to vote it down, even after the policy was drafted.

At the last council meeting before Christmas, the township received a long-awaited gift, confirmation that they would be receiving Industry Canada **BRAND funding of $724,537** for the expansion of the South Dundas fibre/wireless system to rural areas of the municipality.

There were fewer families in need seeking the help of the **South Dundas Christmas Exchange**. This year 170 boxes were packed, down from 220 last year.

The township was finding themselves in a Christmas cash crunch, with the bills coming in for the construction of the new water treatment plant to service Morrisburg and Iroquois. They were busy working out **borrowing a total of $8 million** interim funds from the bank. They received notice that they had been **offered $6 million of the $8 million sought** through a provincial borrowing program, OSIFA.

Council decided to authorize the treasurer to send out **interim tax bills a month early**, in February, to help ease the township's cash flow problem.

Morrisburg Fire Department

Hourly breakdown of calls

MORRISBURG – A year end report to council outlined all of the man hours of the Morrisburg Fire Department for 2004, and man hours are down from last year.

A total of 1,367 man hours from November 1, 2004 to October 31, 2004 were reported at the December 21, regular South Dundas council meeting. That number is down from the 2,060 man hours reported last year.

The hours reported include the department's meeting and community initiatives like the annual Christmas tree burning, seat belt clinics, Fire Prevention Week activities and Halloween patrol.

This year 63 calls for service were reported, for 722 man hours.

Almost 225 of those man hours were spent on fires, including seven vehicle fires, three brush/grass fires, two house fires, two structure fires, one industrial fire and one chimney fire.

A breakdown of calls shows a large part of firefighter's time was spent responding to ambulance assistance calls, with 14 calls resulting in 140 man hours.

The next largest number of calls were to false alarms, with 12 calls received for an accumulated 134 man hours.

The Morrisburg Fire Department was called to nine motor vehicle accidents for 94.5 man hours.

The department had five water rescue calls, including one Coast Guard assistance call, for a total of 51 man hours.

They also responded to a flood call at The Hartford Retirement Home during the huge rainstorm last fall.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Where do you think it goes?

Dear Editor,

Sadly, yet another load of debris (two mattresses this time) has been dropped off along our rural road. I am writing directly to those people who continue to do this to our beautiful county, and I have no doubt that you are able to read, since you are able to drive.

It is against the law to leave garbage on our roads, and a hefty fine applies to those who do.

Do you dump your garbage (big or small), on a quiet country road because you don't know where the garbage should go? Is it because you don't have the money for the fee that covers the cost of proper disposal of large pieces? Is it because your parents dumped their washing machines and stoves near wooded areas where they thought no one ventured, and so, you think it's acceptable?

Apple cores, banana peels, even popsicle sticks, are okay . . . they bio-degrade; the rest doesn't.

In the months when the grass has not yet grown up, or the snow is not yet providing cover, a walk down our road is depressing. Last summer I salvaged an appointment card from a pile of trash, and was able to determine the owner of that particular tossing.

Did I mention there is a very large fine for littering?

Here's an idea: Start the New Year with a resolution to never leave your garbage along the road. This region is home to us all.

If you need to know how to dispose of the big stuff, call the Municipal Office (South Dundas 535-2673), and they'll tell you the right way to deal with it . . . and it's quite possibly free!

After all, you went to the trouble of loading it onto you vehicle and driving it up our road . . . what's an extra phone call?

N. Schaillé,
County Road 28 resident.

About honesty, character and integrity

To the editor,

As the new year 2005, starts each of us turns a page of life looking for some kind of inspiration.

Maybe Dalton McGuinty's promise to add honesty, character, and integrity to the curriculum in Ontario's high schools might be an inspiration for us all.

My first thought is that these human qualities are best left to families to teach their children. On additional reflection, I hope Mr. McGuinty keeps this promise.

After the course material is compiled, maybe Mr. McGuinty and his cabinet could take the training. Then Ontarians would judge the value of the curriculum. We would evaluate the improvement in the honesty, character and integrity of Mr. McGuinty and his colleagues. If there is marked improvement, great! Then the rest of the Liberal caucus could attend classes.

Maybe next December we will not have to read interviews with backbenchers stating that they are proud of their Government's record. When, in fact, they should be ashamed!

Now if this works, the next step would be to develop a program to teach clear decision making as a central tenant to leadership. Who would I suggest as candidates for this program? Well the "Ditherals" in Ottawa, led by Mr. Martin our dithering Prime Minister and his cabinet.

Maybe we could benefit from some social engineering after all!

Sincerely,
Barry Millett
Summerstown, Ontario

Seniors euchre at Williamsburg

WILLIAMSBURG – Winners at the Williamsburg Seniors euchre Wednesday, December 22 were as follows:

White Cards – Hubert LaPierre, Howard Kennedy, Bob Dawson.

Yellow Cards – Everett Froats, Lyle Hess, Lorraine Tupper.

Door Prize – Jean Hutt, Dwain Hess.

Draw – Bob Dawson, Irene Carr, Muriel Miller, Harold Gallinger.

The next euchre will be held Wednesday, January 5, and everyone is welcome.

Bottles stolen

MORRISBURG – December 22, police received a report of a break and enter which occurred during the day a residence on Trillium Street, Morrisburg. Entry into the property resulted in the theft of bottles of liquor. Constable H. Blokland is investigating the matter.

Electronics taken from transport

SOUTH DUNDAS – January 1, police began an investigation of the theft of property from a transport truck which was parked along County Road 2. Taken from the truck were a CD player, Satellite Radio and TV/VCR combo. Constable E. McGraw is investigating the incident.

Charges stem from marijuana

SOUTH DUNDAS – December 30, at approximately 3:15 p.m., SD&G OPP Constable E. McGraw had the occasion to stop a vehicle for speeding on County road 31, South Dundas. An investigation revealed a quantity of marijuana in the vehicle.

The 17-year-old driver from Brinston was arrested and faces charges of possession of a controlled substance and breach of probation (unrelated incident). He appears in court February 1, 2005.

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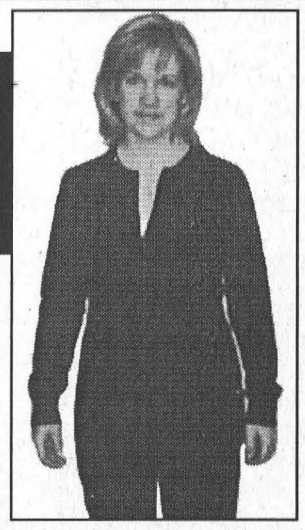
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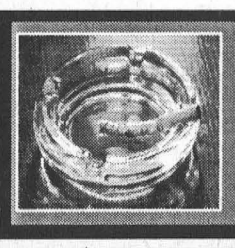
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Things we do and don't like about winter

The things we like:
- Northern lights, big bright stars
- A full moon shining on the snow
- Snuggling in front of a blazing fire
- Alight at Night
- Christmas and New Years
- Coming in from the cold with rosy red cheeks
- Watching our winter birds at our bird feeders
- Hockey, skating, snowmobiling, skiing
- Sleeping in under a warm electric blanket or cozy flannelette sheets.
- Vacations to warmer places
- Playing board games and cards with family and friends
- Watching movies

The things we don't like:
- Going out into the cold
- Those minus 30 temperatures
- Warming up cars, scraping windshields & shovelling snow
- Unsalted, unploughed and unmaintained roads
- Bundling up youngsters in snowsuits, boots etc.
- Runny noses
- Ice, ice rain–all ice in general
- Short days. Driving to work in the dark and driving home in the dark
- Dry skin and static shocks
- Cars not starting
- Frozen toes and fingers
- Crawling out of a warm bed in the morning
- Credit card bills after Christmas and having to pay our taxes a month early
- Salt stains on our boots and pants
- Dirty cars
- Heating bills
- Windows frosted over for weeks on end
- Falling on the ice
- When its so cold, your dog won't even go out

Compiled by The Leader Staff



Matilda Central Public School Grade 7/8 1965-66

Seen 'n Heard

Around the Township

Is everyone over the New Year celebration and ready to settle down to the matter of getting through, what often seems the very long, month of January?

To kick off the New Year, we are sending out a distress signal to all our readers. Seems we are in very short supply of the golden oldie photos we run each week on our Editorial page. All of the photos we have run in the past are kindly brought to us by local residents and many of our readers express to us how much they like to see them.

So, if anyone is doing a little cleaning in the closets and drawers at home and come across some photos please think of us. And they don't have to be really, really old either. The 70s, 80s and even the 90s all hold special memories, and all feature much younger versions of our neighbours and friends. Sports pictures, school pictures, pictures taken at special events are all of interest.

In most cases (unless it is a very busy Tuesday), for those of you who do drop by with a photo, it takes just a couple of minutes to scan and return.

While we are on the topic of photos it is worth mentioning that in response to so many requests, we (the news staff) have purchased a colour printer for those of you who wish to purchase a picture (in colour) that appears in The Leader.

However, the photos appearing in an issue are only available for a couple of weeks after which they are deleted from our computers. (Maybe even faster if I hit a wrong button.) They can be purchased in 8X10" or 5X7" sizes. To purchase a photo call Bonnie or Rebecca at 543-2987.

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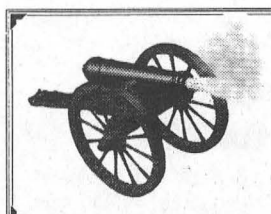
The weather has been mixed up, but what a wonderfully balmy New Year's day. We noticed many people around the village took their outdoor decorations down. We took in the New Year's Eve party at the Morrisburg Legion and had a great time. Good music, good food and good fun, and a little bubbly at midnight. Many of us walked and what a great night for that. The children are back in school and it's time to return to the regular schedule. Already the days are getting longer, and in our book that's a good thing.



The Leader Blast from the Past

Compiled from The Leader's files

1995

The January 4 issue reported that with the help of about 30 pairs of hands, the boards had gone up at the outdoor rink in Morrisburg. David Tait, Barry Van Allen, Craig Cullen, Leo Lafortune and Ken McPherson had spent about nine hours putting the posts in the ground for the 60 by 100 foot skating area. They were then assisted by Lions Club and Legion members to put the boards on. Each of the organizations had donated $500 for the purchase of the boards and posts which were purchased at rock-bottom prices from Black Lumber.

The Morrisburg dock was being repair by Testerink Construction. Rotted sections along the dock's edge were being taken out in preparation for the installation of a new skirt and deck.

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions had lost two more games and were now only two points out of the St. Lawrence Division basement.

1985

Pictured on the front page of the January 2 issue was Ashley Kathryn Tuttle, daughter of Isabel and James Tuttle of Riverside Heights. Ashley was born at 9:44 a.m. on New Year's Day weighing seven pounds, 12.5 ounces.

The revival of a shorter and less costly Old Home Week, to be held in conjunction with the 125th anniversary celebration of the Village of Morrisburg, was to be discussed at the annual meeting of the Morrisburg Old Home Week Inc. Old Home Week was discontinued in 1981 due to lack of support, lagging attendance and internal squabbling among committee members. It had been an annual event for about 10 years. In the last year it was held it lost about $6,000.

After almost 50 years of sorting through the good news and bad news in Williamsburg, assistant postmistress Edna Garlough was retiring. The first postmaster she served under was A.J. Casselman.

1975

Printed on the front page of the January 3 issue was a New Year's message from Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau.

In local broomball news, it was reported the line of Tom Whelan, Ron Casselman and Bill Duvall scored eight goals to lead Williamsburg to a 13-0 thrashing over Ingleside. In other action, Gary Hess scored a goal early in the game, and that was enough to help the Red Barons to a 1-0 victory over Mariatown.

Family Outfitters was celebrating its 23rd year in business.

At Heinz Food Market, tasty chicken wings were 49 cents a pound, and a 10-ounce jar of Nescafe instant coffee was $2.69.

An ad hoc committee of the St. Lawrence College Board of Governors presented its first report concerning the establishment of a college education centre for the Cornwall area. The brief recommended the formation of a college education centre to provide the area with both a community college and an accredited university under one roof, plus the provision of adequate finances to actually build the roof.

1965

It was reported in the January 8 issue that his many friends in Morrisburg learned with deep regret of the sudden death of Rev. J. Maxwell Allan, a former pastor of Morrisburg United Church, at his home in Guelph on January 4. Rev. Allan was pastor at Lakeshore Drive United Church for 10 years prior to his retirement in 1961. While in Morrisburg, Rev. Allan was active in leadership of the Chamber of Commerce, in industrial promotion and in Scout and Cub work. The new social and Sunday school addition to Lakeshore Drive Church, erected at the time of the Seaway building, was given the name Allan Hall in his honor.

An impressive service of Blessing was held at St. John's Lutheran Church, Riverside Heights, when Pastor, Rev. F.L. Howald blessed the oil painting of the old St. John's Lutheran Church by the St. Lawrence River as it was before it was demolished by the Seaway Development Project. The large picture was painted by former member, Dorothy Willard Barlow of Oshawa in memory of her late sister Mrs. Milford Schwerdtfeger (nee Ethel Willard).

1955

Headlines in the January 7 issue read: Ontario Government to Construct Office Building in Morrisburg. Construction was to begin immediately on an office building in Morrisburg to house government offices which would be located here in connection with the St. Lawrence development. The new building was to be of the rapid construction type and would be located on the old high school property which had been made available by the municipality on the provision that the government prepare a site suitable for a ball diamond and playground for which the site had been used for a number of years.

The issue reported the death of Melvin A. Barkley, who died at his home on William Street in Morrisburg. He was 92 years old. Born at Elma in 1863, he was one of the founders and builders of St. Luke's church at Dunbar, getting timber and building material from his farm to aid in the construction. He lived in the U.S. from 1906, until 1910, when he returned and started a general store at Bouck's Hill which he operated until 1920, when he moved to Morrisburg.

1945

The January 5 issue reported that D.K.M. Stewart, manager of the local Bank of Montreal for five years and manager at Williamsburg prior to that, had been notified of his transfer to Hamilton.

Arthur Coligan was commissioned from Warrant Officer to Pilot Officer. He had been overseas almost two years.

Arthur Flynn notified his clients that his law office had moved to the ground floor of the Marsh Building on Main Street.

The Aultsville correspondent wrote: Ova Lane unloaded two cars of coal last week. Coal is so scarce it was quickly disposed of. Snow, snow, and more snow. Lots of banks of snow everywhere. The snow plough made its appearance a few days ago, but it is badly needed again.

At Morley's Store, bacon was 55 cents a pound.

Be Ye Doers of "The Word"

Perspectives

The Christmas services are over, the presents are all unwrapped, and we are quickly turning our focus to the new year. Some are hoping that 2005 will be a better year for them and for their families. Others may be praying that 2005 will be at least as good as 2004 has been.

In my family, we are excited about the promised arrival of a second grandchild in a few months. The first one is the "apple of our eyes," so we are more than ready to welcome more new life into our family.

People are beginning to speak about "New Year's resolutions." I think one of mine should be to lose some weight. My clothes are telling me that I really must do something! I'd like to blame it on all the fine food I get fed in this community, but the truth is that I am somewhat weak-willed when it comes to delicious food.

On Christmas Day, I attended the Christmas Dinner sponsored by the Apple Tree Ministry at the Morrisburg Legion. A beautiful Christmas meal was served to 150 people. Another 20 meals were delivered to homes where someone was ill and this allowed the family to eat together. A small army of volunteers plan, shop, cook, bake, prepare, serve, and clean up. The meal happens with very little fuss, muss, and expense.

Each year God blesses this venture and the love of Christ is made real in people's lives. I have been reflecting upon this reality. What makes it happen?

Well, first of all, a group of people have a vision. It is of a banquet where people can come and celebrate the birth of Christ and the reality of God-with us, Emmanuel, the Christ. The vision is committed to prayer. This is to be God's work and God is asked to bless this enterprise.

Finally, people commit to action. They commit to make it all possible..... and it happens!

Vision... Prayer... Commitment.... the three essential ingredients to a successful Christian enterprise. The original vision began with one person. Others caught on and identified with the vision.

People prayed... and committed to do their part to make the vision real. God responded through the actions of others and the story continues. No one expects anything in return and anything that is left over (including money) is given away.

So what has this to do with New Years' resolutions? Well, everything, actually.

What would you like to see accomplished in your community this year? Pray about it and work it out in your mind first. Then communicate the vision to others and ask them to share their ideas as well. Ask them to pray about it as well and take as long as it takes to clarify the vision and be sure that this is what God wants. If others you trust cannot share the vision then probably it is not meant to be.

Then you and your team need to commit to making the vision real..... but you must expect nothing in return. Be prepared to give anything you realize away... and watch the blessings roll in! Such New Year's resolutions do not end up forgotten before they really get a chance to begin.

You might ask why this approach is guaranteed to succeed? Well, it is the way God does things. In John 1 we are told... *In the beginning was The Word, and The Word was with God, and The Word was God..... And The Word became flesh and lived among us... From his fullness we have received grace upon grace.*"

You see "The Word" became flesh in Jesus.... God actually gave himself away for us... expecting nothing in return. "The Word" came among us to live, and to show us how to live, for others, and to have life abundantly. God had a vision for all of creation and committed to making the plan become real.... Jesus is the essential ingredient of the plan. "The Word" has been an active force in creation from the beginning.

Jesus, the Word made flesh, calls us to be doers of the Word. Let that be your resolution for 2005. Dream the dream. Share the dream. Commit action expecting nothing for yourself in return..... but remember, in all that you do, pray and ask God's guidance as you become a doer of the Word.

Rev. Bill Byers
The Anglican Parish of Morrisburg, Iroquois and Riverside Heights

Williamsburg Fire Department is happy to report a slow year

WILLIAMSBURG – A slow year is a good year when referring to a fire department.

The Williamsburg Fire Department has had one of those slow years, and the cost savings has allowed them to concentrate on replacing equipment.

The 2004 annual report to council from the Williamsburg Fire Department listed only 20 calls this year (November 1, 2004 to October 31, 2004), for a total of 451 man hours. Last year the department responded to 43 calls.

The breakdown of those 20 calls include three calls to assist the Iroquois Fire Department, one call to assist the Morrisburg Fire Department, and two calls to each of the following; structure fires, chimney fires, carbon monoxide calls, vehicle fires, vehicle accidents, ambulance assist calls, grass fires and rubbish fires.

The department remains on budget for the year. They have continued their training program once a month in the summer and twice a month during the winter.

In March 2004, all members of the department were re-certified in CPR and basic first aid.

Two members of the department attended a two-day training course in Vermont. This was the first time the department had sent people to this course geared toward volunteer firefighters. They selected the Vermont course because of the quality training at a lower price than most Ontario training courses.

The reduced number of calls meant that the department had budget money left over, so they purchased 10 air bottles, the five scheduled for replacement this year and the five scheduled for replacement next year. They also started to replace bunker gear. Eight sets have now been replaced, and the department hopes to have all the gear replaced over the next four years.

Iroquois Fire Department

More calls result from ambulance assistance

IROQUOIS – The Iroquois Fire Department is reporting an increased number of call outs this year over last, most of which can be directly attributed to an increase in ambulance assists.

Last year, November 1, 2003 to October 31, 2004, the department responded to a reported 50 calls, and this year responded to 60 calls.

According to the report submitted by fire chief Philip Thompson, the increase in ambulance calls increased from six last year to 16 this year.

"I have no doubt that requests for ambulance assists will continue to rise in the upcoming years," he said.

A breakdown of the remaining calls shows that the department attended eight vehicle fires, seven auto extrication's, seven grass fires, nine false alarms, three structure fires, six industrial fires, one hydro related call, and three calls categorized as 'other'.

Most of the department's activities were the same as in past years such as school visits for Fire Prevention Week and involvement in public events.

October 9, the department hosted an event where they turned over to the township an extrication vehicle which they had purchased and retrofitted. "This was done at no cost to the township and will be a great asset to our department," said Thompson in his report.

Public Works reporting

WILLIAMSBURG – "Overall the year 2004 has been very challenging, and very busy," according to the manager of public works, Hugh Garlough.

In his year end report to council he said, "The township has accomplished everything we set out to do and even more."

Newly paved in the Matilda Ward in 2004 was 2.1 kilometers of the Snow Bird Road.

The bulk of the paving done in 2004 was repaving, with the 2.4 kilometer Strader Hill Road in the Matilda Ward being resurfaced.

The remainder of the repaving happened in the Williamsburg Ward. Repaved were 4.9 kilometers of the Grantley Road, and the streets of Mariatown including Duncan, Mill, Cherry Milward and Julia.

Road construction projects for 2004 also included the replacement of a Hulbert Road bridge with steel culverts and a culvert replacement along the Gilmour Road, just west of the Brinston Ball Park.

Garlough reported that the complete reconstruction of Augusta Street, related to the construction of the new South Dundas Water Treatment Plant, was finished November 26, 2004, with the final lift of asphalt scheduled for spring 2005.

Also completed for the water project was the construction of a water transmission line from the plant in Morrisburg to Iroquois.

Construction of the new water treatment plant is ongoing, and scheduled for completion in May 2005.

The environmental assessment process for the upcoming sewage treatment project in underway and Garlough reported, "There is a possibility to obtain funding for this project in early 2005."

In May 2004, WSI took over as garbage and recycling collectors for the township, which allowed the implementation of a blue and green box program. According to Garlough, "Things are going very well now and we hope this continues in 2005."

"Our two landfill sites are functioning very well and I see no reason for this not to continue in the future," reported Garlough.

The only equipment purchase reported by Garlough for 2004 was a new tandem salt truck and snowplow, which was delivered November 15, 2004.

TOPS–Taking Off Weight Sensibly

Many sucesses in 2004

MORRISBURG – Two years after shedding 143 pounds, Joanna Ventrella has maintained her weight and continues to contribute to the local TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) chapter.

Ventrella has become TOPS captain for the St. Lawrence/South Nation River Area which includes communities from west of Brockville all the way to the Quebec border.

She took off her weight, "by eating right and exercising regularly. I've lost 143 pounds in 20 months and kept if off for two years. With TOPS, you can too."

Ventrella resides in the Winchester Springs area. She joined TOPS in 2001 and was the first place division winner of Ontario for the highest weight-loss.

In 2002, she was crowned Ontario Provincial Queen for reaching her goal and achieving the highest weight-loss in doing so. In 2003, she was awarded the Century Club Medallion.

As well, she has served as the Morrisburg Chapter Leader for the past three consecutive years.

In addition to her own determination to lose the weight and change her lifestyle, Ventrella credits much of her success to the TOPS program which provided the support she needed.

"It was the encouragement and support I needed, which is what we offer," she says.

As the TOPS area captain, Ventrella has nine chapters which she plans to visit at least once during the year.

In addition to the visits, she is the first liaison for the chapters should they have any questions.

"I will keep the lines of communication open and will keep each of the chapters aware of new programs."

"It is also my responsibility to spread the word and to hook up people with the closest chapter."

Ventrella says the Morrisburg chapter is coming off an "absolutely wonderful year."

"We have had a no-gain year for our chapter which means that everyone has finished off the year with a weight loss."

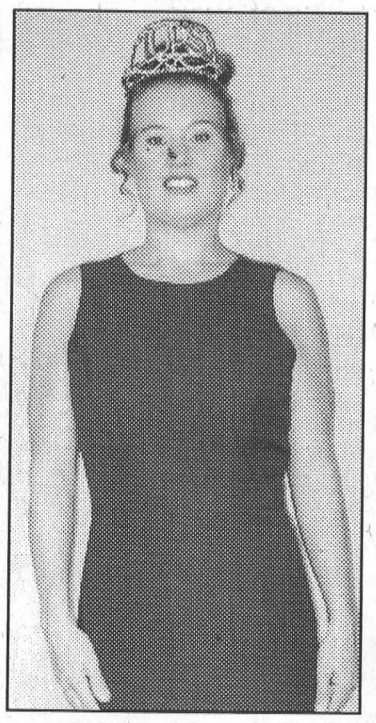
"That's really exciting for our Morrisburg Chapter."

The Morrisburg chapter meets every Tuesday night, and the evening beings at 6 p.m. with private weigh-ins. The meeting starts by 7 p.m. during which the leader presents the program.

"We have 19 members including one gent who achieved his goal last year and another two ladies who achieved their goal. We had a lot of success, and we are looking for more."

Ventrella explains that food plans and diets are set up with a doctor.

"We promote exercise according to what the doctor says you can do, and we provide the support as our members take off and keep off pounds."



Joanna Ventrella

The membership fee is $25 per year.

Founded in 1948 in Milwaukee, by Esther S. Manz, the TOPS mission is to support its members as they take and keep off pounds sensibly.

It has in place a system of competition and recognition to provide additional support and a healthy lifestyle guide which contains the exchange system for meal planning in addition to motivational tips and practical advice. There are TOPS retreats, rallies and recognition days.

For information on TOPS you may call 1-800-932-8677 or visit their web site.

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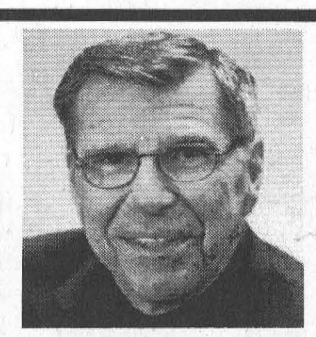

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Sports in Review 2004 Sports in Review

Seaway High athletes

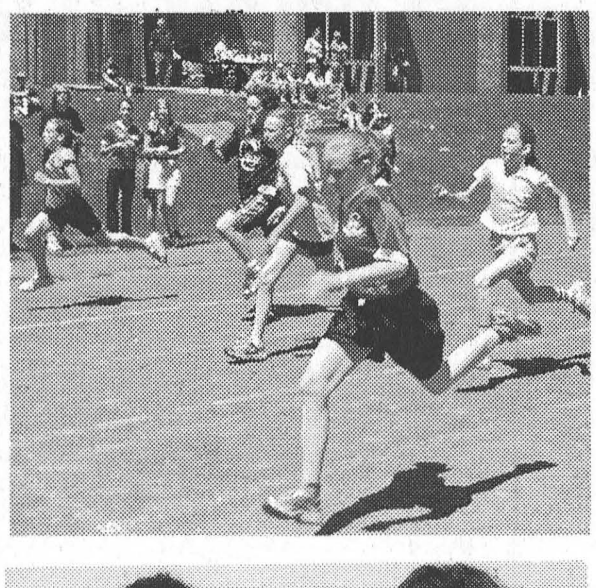
The year kicked off at Seaway District High School with a volleyball game between the teachers and students which raised $550 for the school's track fund.

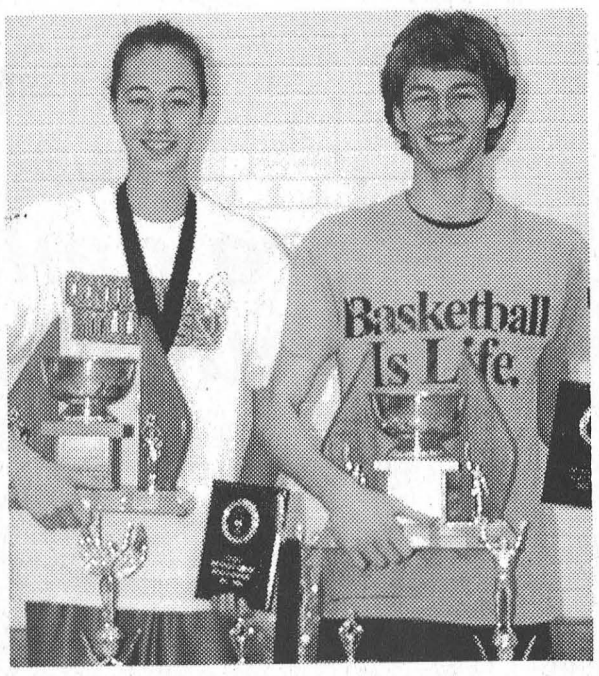
Some good results were turned in during the badminton season with Richard Potvin and Adrienne Leroy partnering to win SD&G gold in mixed doubles. The two didn't lose a set all day. Also bringing home a medal was Sarah Myers who won silver at the midget girls single level.

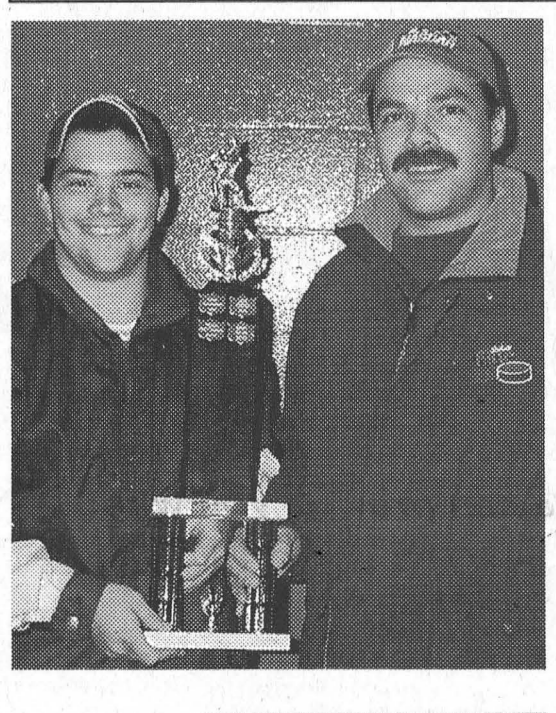
In the spring 11 Seaway athletes qualified for EOSSA at the SD&G track and field meet at St. Lawrence High School in Cornwall. Amy Jansen led the team on the track scoring one second and a pair of thirds while midget runner Katherine Choi posted a second in hurdles. Also at the midget level Britanny Markell placed second in the 200m and third in high jump. Craig Douma won gold in junior discus and third in javelin, and Kyle Edwards was third in midget javelin. Junior runner Henri Devries won gold in the 800m and senior thrower Katie McElheran was third in javelin. At the senior level, Chris Van De Kamp was third in high jump.

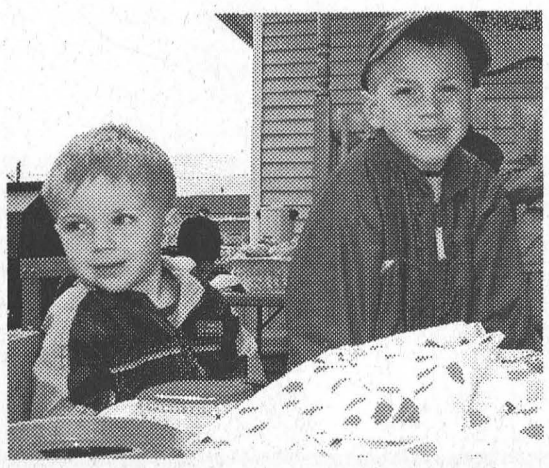
The athletic season wrapped up in June when the brother and sister duo of Kevin and Melissa Groniger were named the outstanding athletes. Both excelled at and were named volleyball and basketball MVPs. The Irv Francis award for combined sportsmanship and athleticism and academics was won by Holly Byker.

The girls basketball season got underway in September with both the juniors and seniors opening with wins against Rothwell-Osnabruck. The seniors had a solid season going 6-2, but were stopped in their tracks in semi-final playoff action whey the Glengarry Gaels came up with a 45-35 upset win.









Golf at Cedar Glen

The golf season at Cedar Glen in Williamsburg kicked off in April with Mike McAllister winning the first men's night with a 78.

The Opening Day Tournament wins went to Cheryl Lowe, Craig Villeneuve, Grant MacMillan (juvenile) and Grant McMillan (junior).

In July, junior golfer John Bongers was the talk of the links when he fired rounds of 73-72 to win both the junior and overall club championship. John Savage was the men's B champ, Peter Schoenfeld the C champ and Malcolm MacGregor the D champ.

Lynn Shaw was crowned the ladies club champ, while Jocelyn St. Pierre won B, Ann Cook C and Carole Richer D.

The Cedar Glen Men's Valley League team consisted of: John Bongers, Charles Wall, David Levere, Gerry Auger, Peter Schoenfeld, Rob Casselman, Ron Geurkink, Mark Lauzon, Ken Konink, J.P. St. Pierre, Craig Villeneuve, Lindsay Weegar, Darren Dugan, Jason Savage and Bunny Bennett.

Representing Cedar Glen at the Ladies Valley League hosted by Summer Heights were: Cheryl Lowe, Lynn Shaw, Berneice Dingwall, Brenda Ramsay, Muriel Whitteker, Sheila Crowder, Jocelyn St. Pierre, Sharon Whitteker, Ann Cook, Marie Beckstead, Janet Levere, Sue McIntosh, Gerry McEwan and Barb Phifer.

Junior golfers Josh Veltkamp, Mike Melenhorst, Michel Thurler, Dylan Fawcett, John Bongers, Kurtis Barkley and Matt Byrd saw action in the Junior Valley League played at Sandy Row.

On Labour Day weekend, longtime Cedar Glen golfer Dean McIntosh shot a 75 to win the Cedar Glen open. Gary Lafave won B flight and Jim Casselman topped C flight.





Sports in South Dundas

Late January saw 18 teams compete in the 26th Chubbs Oldtimer Hockey Tournament, and when it was all over Tyler Copeland won the Cam MacLennan (Sr.) Memorial Trophy as tournament MVP and Troy White received the Joe Billings Memorial Trophy as top goaltender.

In February, the 8th annual Riverside Snowmobile Ice Drags attracted 600 people, and 65 racers and hundreds of fans raised $4,500 for CHEO. The Girls on Snow rally also hit the trails in February and 42 participants in this event raised $4,817 for Dundas County Easter Seals.

At the Cedar Glen Golf Course, knee-deep in snow, volleyball players raised over $700 in the Jason Hill Memorial Snow Volleyball tournament. Winning the event was the team of Laura McDonell, Kelly Verhoeven, James Morrell, Trevor Hanes, Robbie Waddell, Neil Edwards and Victor Schraner.

In mid-March, 15-year-old Mindy Jamieson successfully defended her Darts Ontario Junior Female Singles Provincial Dart Championship at the shoot held in St. Catharines. Heading into the competition she was ranked second in Canada based on her finish at the National competition the year previous.

Early May saw the Morrisburg Public School ball teams dominate county floor hockey with wins in both the junior boys and girls categories.

Dart players at the Morrisburg Legion wrapped up their season handing out the Sportmanship Award to Mike Osborne.

In June, Mindy Jamieson returned from the Canadian National dart finals where she teamed with Zack Myatt to win a gold medal in mixed doubles and finished third overall in Canada in the girls age 13-15 category.

In Ingleside, the top R-O athletes were Stacy Charlebois, Derek Looyen, Corey Tinkess, Evodie Gutknecht, Shawna McIntyre, Mark Noseworthy and Brendan Timmers. Longtime R-O coach and teacher Bob Thompson was honoured for his retirement.

Also in June, Iroquois Public School athletes dominated in track and field with Brett Avery and Brittany Elliott winning top senior athletes and Aaron Mabo tying as top junior female.

While Iroquois was tops on the track, Morrisburg Public School was reigning supreme on the diamonds with both the junior girls and junior boys three-pitch teams successfully defending their 2003 championship titles.

The third annual Garry Shaver Memorial Blooperball tournament in Brinston was won by the Titans team, and the big winners were the kids of Easter Seals who benefitted from a $4,000 donation.

June also saw the Morrisburg Fire Department team of Gary Jarvis, Mike Van Allen, Sean McCann and Kevin Keyes win the Mutual Aid Golf tournament played in Morrisburg. Jarvis had the low gross of the day with a 78.

With school out it was time to head to the beach and 40 swimmers signed for lessons. The season kicked off on July 5 and for the first time the beach was supervised seven days a week with the attendants' duties stretching all the way to the Morrisburg dock. This year's program was supervised by Trista Levere, and staff included Kelcie Hickman, Lorraine Baylis and Kristen Cowell.

The fifth annual Ray Barkley Memorial Blooperball Tournament in Williamsburg was won by the Cecil Lewis team and $2,100 was raised for the bursary in Ray's name at Seaway High. Also benefitting from sporting events during the month was Special Olympics with 186 golfers at Chad Kilger's 6th annual Golf Tournament at Upper Canada Golf Course raising over $30,000.

Within days of the Special Olympics event, Upper Canada was celebrating the 40th anniversary of the opening of its first nine holes designed by Robbie Robinson.

At the end of July, Chico's Fifth Annual Mad Scramble played at the Morrisburg Golf Club raised $3,000 for Volley for Cancer.

In early August at Cedar Glen the Randy McKay Golf Tournament raised $10,000 for the South Dundas and South Stormont Minor Hockey Associations.

On the ball diamonds, the Morrisburg senior girls went undefeated to win their championship. Coached by J.J. Hollister and Lois Casselman the players included Charnelle Murphy, Katie Casselman, Kaila Beckstead, Jordan Schaillee, Stacy Carroll, Alex Parker, Megan Boulerice, Kasey Bennett, Chelsey Schell, Jen Whitford, Stephenie Cochrane and Vicki Hamilton.

In Iroquois the Major Girls defeated the Mountain Mets for the Upper Canada Little League Championship. They included Carley Lawlor, Taegan Mills, Samantha Wilson, Kristina Swank, Kelsey Hall, Lacey McCaslin, Sarah Spear, Katie Gusie, Amy Veltkamp, Elyse Fournier, Chelsea Hartle, Reagan Hall, Melissa Tschoumy and coach Teresa Veltkamp.

Under coaches Andy Lee and Rob Casselman, the Morrisburg Minor Girls won their championship. Team members were Morgan Spencer, Chelsey Tippins, Haley Van Allen, Carly Smith, Kennedi Gervais, Bridgette Whitteker, Lily Streit, Chelsea Schwerdfeger, Leah Wells, Michaela Morrow, Miklayla Macmillan, Brianne German and Katherine Lee.

The 10th anniversary of Volley For Cancer saw 76 teams raise $44,000.

In late August, the Dundas County Roller Hockey league wrapped up in Winchester with White Lightning winning the regular season and the Orange Crush team of goaltender Randy Markell, Jamie McIntosh, Justin Elliott, Chad Galipeau, Liam Tyrell, Kent Pilon, Robert Thurler, Mike Hooles and Chris Phifer winning the playoff championship.

In late August, the Slovak National World Hockey team played in the Star Drive 2004 golf event at Upper Canada helping to raise over $60,000 for children's health centres in Canada and Slovakia. Teeing off at the local course were Marian Hossa, Peter Bondra and Zdeno Chara.

Local Legion dart players Jim Scott and Roy Prieur were sporting bronze medals won from the Ontario Summer Senior games in St. Catharines and the Shaver team won the Iroquois Blooperball league Championship. Members included Mike Perry, Amy Darling, Jennifer Perry, Kiana Fredette, Ryan Johnston, Wes Douma, Greg Millard, Bert Shaver, Emily McDonell, David Shaver, Kevin Fredette and Ron Geurkink.

In early September, the Oldtimer Combines were in Whitehorse, Yukon for the Canadian Senior Games. They returned home with a silver medal.

On September 4, the first skaters hit the ice at the Morrisburg arena.

Fastball made a return to Williamsburg when Lyle Schell hosted the first annual "Casey at Bat" Keith Schell Memorial Fastball Tournament.

It was a chilly day but the Dundas County Council of Easter Seals was warmed by a $2,672 donation raised by outdoor ball hockey players in the annual tournament organized by Brian Shaver.

With the arrival of fall the Morrisburg ball diamonds got a facelift, with the diamond surfaces rebuilt with a red brick material.

On the courts Inkerman P.S won the County Coed volley ball championship.

A sweeping year for Morrisburg curlers

The Morrisburg Curling Club introduced a new trophy in memory of Bernie Brunt at the annual Senior men's two-draw Invitational played in January. Also in January 15 rinks representing eight schools hit the Morrisburg ice in their bid for one of three SD&G High School Curling titles. Nine rinks competed in the boys category with North Dundas taking the win under coach Ian Wilson, who during his high school days was well known for his curling under coach Sid Morrell.

The 20th annual Hugh Hutchison Memorial Bonspiel run in conjunction with Robbie Burns Day was won by the rink of Dwight Gilmer, Jack Dikland, Len Bellamy and Dave Salsman and the rink of Bob Bedingfield, Pete Zeran, Raymond Benoit and Kari Duncan brought home the Footstool Trophy and $200 from the Lancaster Senior men's 15 team bonspiel.

The Wednesday night ladies finished their second draw in February with Anita Cooper, Wendy Johnston, Eleanor Allison and Joanne Baker claiming the win.

In mid-February, for the first time ever, a team swept the Parnell Cup senior men's series of four bonspiels. Claiming the honour were Sid Morrell, Neil Williams, John Lyon and Gerry Thompson. The cup was started in 1979 by the late Jack Parnell in memory of his father Alex.

The Jim Fraser Trophy in Senior Mens play was won by Jack Dikland, Dave Salsman, Len Bellamy and Ken Wilson, and February saw a good performance from the Little Rock team of Bobby Robichaud, Travis McMillan, Luke Whittaker and Connor Woodmass who placed first in Zone Playdowns earning the right to advance to Regional play in March.

The Daytime Mixed second draw ended in February and saw Jack Dikland, Ray Larsen, Len Bellamy and Lana Larsen taking the win.

In March the mixed invitational sponsored by Harland Veinotte Transport was won by the local team of Bob Bedingfield, Barb Rabideau, Wally McDonald and Kathy Norg. Winners of the Dodge Trophy Club Championship were Craig Harriman, Graham and Robert Houze and Al Harriman.

The club wrapped up the season with a banquet in April, and Steve Thompson wrapped up his two-year term as club president.

In October the curling season got underway as the golf season came to a close with the annual Swing and Sweep tournament. Topping the 14 entries this year were Ron Hunt, Gord Dillabough and Kent and Carole Dawley.



The Week In Curling

MORRISBURG – With the dawn of a new year, all leagues at the Morrisburg Curling Club are seeing action again this week. Rentals over the holidays, senior men's curling, and the flooding of the ice meant the club was seldom really dark.

January will be busy. On Saturday, the Heart and Stroke bonspiel will be played here again, the Bernie Brunt Senior Men's Invitational will take place January 12, and the Senior Mixed Invitational is on January 26.

Looking at senior curling, the men finished competition for the Walter Bowman Trophy over the holiday, with Bob Bedingfield, Gerry Thompson, Al Gowanlock and Wayne Pulfer emerging victorious. On Friday of this week, the next defence of the senior men's Parnell Trophy is on, with Morrisburg the current champion.

Just before the holiday, the Club held its annual Turkey Bonspiel. With 12 full teams and numerous spouses and friends, the crowd saw the festively-decorated curling club at its best. In the early draw, Bob Fortin, Dave McIntosh, Joanne Baker and Cathy Marston were first to the prize table, followed by Amy McCooeye, Earl Jeacle, Sam Locke and Peter Swank. Coming in third was the foursome of Wally McDonald, Paula Locke, Matt McCooeye and Chris Larmour.

In the second draw, Mahlon Locke's team won, to tie with Bob's from the first draw. Mahlon, Tony Toonders, Doug Brannan and Dorothy Culkin will have their names inscribed on the Turkey Trophy, along with the first draw champions. Finishing second were John Toonders, Wendy Casselman, Wayne Pulfer and Dave King, while Cliff Leroy, Greta McGann, Wally Baker and Keith Brannen finished third.

Draws to the button for turkeys are always a favourite skill competition at these events. Turkeys were won by Paula Locke in the first draw and Keith Brannen in the second. The chicken wings, washed down with various beverages, and the veggie plates, etc., added to the evening. Prizes for the more successful teams, as well as numerous door prizes, finished off a fine funspiel at the club. Special thanks to Amy McCooeye of The Village Stylist, who sponsored the evening and provided most of the prizes, and to those who helped organize the evening.

For the more serious curlers out there, we have some zone playdown gleanings from the Ontario Curling Association website.

Morrisburg hosts the Bantam and Junior Mixed competitions Feb. 26-28, with the entry deadline Feb. 4. The Colts playdowns are at Alexandria Feb. 5-7, with a Jan. 14 deadline, and the Intermediate men and women's competitions are at Winchester from Feb. 11-13, with an entry deadline of Jan. 21. It would be nice to see local entries in these competitions.

We welcome a few new members this term, and invite other interested individuals to join for the last half of the season. Most leagues have openings, or if you wish, you may have your name put on a spare list, and pay $10 for a game.

Hill brothers do well in Daytona

MORRISBURG – Trevor and Travis Hill returned home from Daytona Beach on Thursday, December 30 and although they weren't celebrating a win, they were celebrating some good results, following their first kart races at the Daytona Speedway.

"We didn't get our wins like we had hoped for, but we are very happy with our results," says Trevor. "Hey, it took Dale Earnhardt over 20 years to win the Daytona 500. I think we did very well with our results for the first time on the Daytona track."

The boys got rolling on the Daytona track with practice runs on Monday, December 27.

"In the Monday, practice, both Travis and I were extremely fast, and we learned the track very quickly," says Trevor. "By the last practice, both of us had times comparable to last year's winners in our respective classes."

"Travis was reaching speeds of 170 km/hr (105 mph), and I was reaching speeds in excess of 185 km/hr (115 mph)."

Tuesday, Travis finished seventh overall in his race, and had the fastest Rotax in the field. Trevor finished second, after loosing the draft with the leaders while getting mixed up with lap traffic.

Wednesday, Travis fell victim to changing race conditions and his motor did not work as well in the end as it did in the beginning. As a result he finished 12th overall and second amongst all other Rotax motors.

Travis started well again and was battling for the lead, "when my motor became sick, and, with three laps to go, I lost the drain plug on the transmission and all the transmission fluid fell out on the track. It slowed me down enough, that I was beat to the finish line and finished third."

The Hill brothers were in Daytona for the first race of the Dunlop Tire National Road Racing Association nine race series. Their next event is in Savannah, Georgia from February 4-6.

Trevor, 18, and Travis, 16, have both been kart racing on three-quarter mile tracks since they were 12. Now racing at the senior level, they turned their attention to long track racing this past fall to prepare for the 2005 season and their entry into the Dunlop series.

The Dunlop Tire National Road Racing series circuit runs the big tracks from Daytona up the Eastern Seaboard.

South Dundas Bantam B Lions a December on-ice

SOUTH STORMONT – The South Dundas Bantam B Lions traveled to South Stormont December 8, to take on the Selects and left with a 5-3 loss.

The Selects took a 2-0 lead after the first period and increased to 3-0 after the second period.

In the third period the Lions mounted a comeback with three goals but fell short of the victory when the Selects scored two more to cinch the win.

Scoring for the Lions were Chris Tindal from Alex Whelan and Connor Hodgson, Connor Hodgson from Evan Harper and Chris Tindal, and Chris Tindal assisted by Evan Harper and Alex Whelan.

December 13, the Lions hosted the first place Charlan Rebels and were defeated 6-4.

The Rebels took a 1-0 lead after the first period. In the second period the Rebels scored two more to the Lions one to take a 3-1 lead.

Scoring for the Lions was Scott Summers assisted by Drew Hutt.

In the third period the teams traded three goals each to round out the game.

Scoring the Lions remaining goals were Alex Whelan from Chris Tindal, Drew Hutt from Scott Summers and Nick Thomas, and Scott Summers from Alex Whelan and Connor Hodgson.

The Lions traveled to Cornwall December 18 to take on the Royals and skated to a 6-3 victory.

The Lions took a 3-2 lead after the first period on goals by David Toonders from Nick Thomas and Scott Douma, Chris Tindal from Connor Hodgson, and Scott Douma from Scott Summers.

The Lions scored two more goals in the second to take a 5-2 lead. Scoring for the Lions were Evan Harper from David Toonders, and Chris Tindal unassisted.

In the third, Chris Tindal scored assisted by Jesse Lapier and Connor Hodgson rounding out the scoring for the Lions.

December 20, the Lions traveled to Charlan to again take on the Rebels, and skated to a close 6-5 loss.

The Rebels took a 2-1 lead after the first. Scoring the lone goal for the Lions was Chris Tindal assisted by Nick Thomas.

In the second period the Rebels scored four times to the Lions two to take a commanding 6-3 lead. Scoring for the Lions were Scott Summers unassisted, and Nick Thomas assisted by Drew Hutt and Jesse Lapier.

In the third the Lions mounted a comeback with goals by Andre Menges, assisted by Alex Whelan and Connor Hodgson, and David Toonders assisted by Josh Veltkamp.

Despite playing a great game the Lions fell short of their goal.

December 22, the Lions participated in a tournament in South Stormont and finished as A division finalists.

In the first game the Lions took on the Braves from NGS and skated to a 6-4 victory.

Scoring for the Lions were Alex Whelan with two, and singles by Jesse Lapier, Chris Tidal, Nick Thomas, and David Toonders. Assists went to Chris Tindal, Andre Menges, Alex Whelan and Greg McCaslin.

In the second game the Lions took on the Vankleek Hill Tigers and skated to an impressive 7-4 win.

Scoring for the Lions were Scott Summers (two), Alex Whelan (two), Jesse Lapier (two) and Chris Tindal. Assists went to Jesse Lapier (two), Chris Tindal (two), Nick Thomas (two) and Alex Whelan.

In the championship finals the Lions could not muster any offence and were shut out by the Russell River Rats 4-0.

Midget Bs lose 2-1 to Demons

WINCHESTER – The South Dundas Midget B Lions lost a close 2-1 game to the North Dundas Demons in their lone game over the holidays.

The Lions trailed the Demons 1-0 when Derek Skuce counted just 50 seconds into the game.

The Demons held on to their advantage until late in the second period when Adam Schofield beat Lions goalie Jared Dallas for a 2-0 lead.

With 54 seconds left in the frame Sheldon Beckstead, with help from Dave Patterson, scored to cut the North Dundas advantage to 2-1, but that would be it and the Demons held on for the 2-1 win.

The latest statistics put the Lions in third place in their division which is currently very close.

Long Sault and Alexandria are tied for first place and Kemptville is holding second spot.

The close standings make this Thursday night's game (Jan. 6) in Morrisburg against the visiting Long Sault squad very important says team manager Doug Nugent. Game time is 8 p.m.



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Cornwall man breaches probation

SOUTH DUNDAS – December 24, at approximately 2:45 p.m., SD&G OPP Constable H. Blokland was on patrol on Strader Road, South Dundas, when he stopped a 1987 Chevrolet.

An investigation revealed the male driver was breaching conditions of his probation and undertaking, relating to previous incidents (Both charges include a non-association condition with a person he was found to be with).

Randy MacDonald, 42 of Cornwall, was arrested and held in custody, pending a court appearance, facing charges of breach of probation (two counts) and breach of undertaking (two counts).



IROQUOIS LEGION

Sat., Feb. 26, 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Tickets $15 per person, available at Iroquois Legion, Mustard's Variety or the Hair Studio

Only 200 tickets will be sold so get yours now to avoid disappointment

Recreation department summed up for 2004

WILLIAMSBURG – Recreation isn't all fun and games, it's a lot of work too.

Don Lewis, manager of recreation facilities in South Dundas, submitted his year-end report to council at their December 21, meeting outlining the accomplishments of the department over the year. The year has seen improvements at many of the recreation facilities across the municipality.

In Morrisburg, at the arena, a renovation project to upgrade the downstairs dressing rooms was completed. Also completed were some necessary repairs under the ice surface floor and compressor maintenance.

Just over 2,000 hours of ice time in 2004 are reported to have brought in nearly $200,000 in ice rental fees.

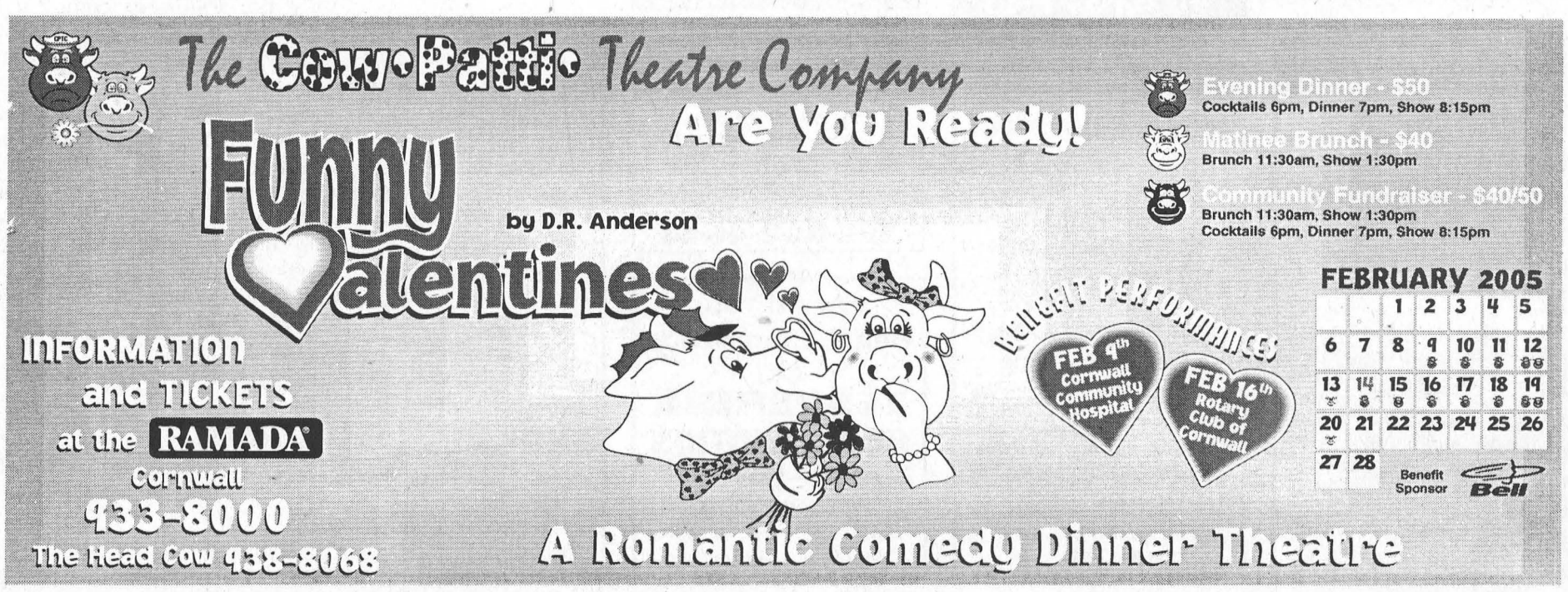
In Iroquois, a number of projects were completed including an upgrade of the Iroquois Marina, which saw the construction of a new boat ramp and docks, including a gas pump dock.

The Iroquois outdoor rink underwent a major renovation, which included new boards, new underground electrical service, ice surface lights and a new pole light.

Also in Iroquois, the dishes at the Iroquois Civic Centre were replaced.

A new well was drilled at the Matilda Hall, in an effort to improve the water system, and attempt to eliminate some of the water source problems that have occurred.

The remainder of the work reported included everyday maintenance, building maintenance, planting and watering of flower beds at various locations, garbage pickup, grass cutting and tree trimming and cutting.



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STYLES–We would like to thank everyone who expressed their sympathy, sent cards, food, flowers or gave donations during the recent loss of our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother Hattie Styles. We express our thanks to: the Bayfield Manor, Kemptville, for providing Hattie with excellent, loving care and kindness; church families for prayers; Marsden McLaughlin Funeral Home; Eastern Star for their special service; the pallbearers; Rev. Bill Byers and Rev. Craig Bowers; the organist, Brian McMillan; and St. John's ACW who catered the luncheon. These acts of kindness will always be remembered.
–God bless you from the families of Hattie Styles 1c

IN MEMORIAM

BARKLEY–Emily, January 5, 2004.
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They miss you most who loved you best.
–Sadly missed and dearly loved, Roy and family 1p

BARKLEY–Emily, January 5, 2004.
The depths of sorrow we cannot tell
Of the loss of one we loved so well.
And while she sleeps a peaceful sleep
Her memory we shall always keep.
Past her suffering, past her pain
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She who suffered is at rest,
Gone to Heaven with the blest.
–Sadly missed, Gary and Sheila 1p

BARKLEY–Emily, January 5, 2004.
When days are dark, friends few,
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–Sadly missed, Shane, Matt and Connor 1p

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–Lovingly remembered by mother Verna and Walter 1p

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–Always remembered by wife Lydia and children Walter and Verna 1p

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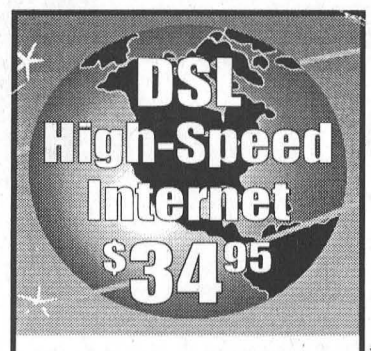

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Township of South Dundas
Morrisburg - Iroquois - Intermediate Lands Sewage Collection and Treatment Project

Notice of Filing of Addendum

An Amendment has been completed to the 1999 Environmental Study Report which was issued on the 5th of May 1999. The Addendum contains details on the revised preferred alternatives for the replacement of the existing wastewater treatment plants in the Villages of Iroquois and Morrisburg.

By this Notice, the Addendum is being placed on the public record for review in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process. Subject to comments received as a result of this Notice, the Township intends to proceed with the construction of this project in the summer of 2006, pending the approval of funding from the Provincial and Federal governments under the Canada Ontario Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (COMFIR).

The Addendum is available for review at the following locations with hours as noted:

Facility	SD&G Library Iroquois Branch	SD&G Library Morrisburg Branch	SD&G Library Williamsburg Branch
Address	Dundas & Elizabeth	28 Ottawa Street	4296 Highway 31
Tuesday	14:00 - 17:00 18:00 - 21:00	10:00 - 12:00 13:00 - 21:00	14:00 - 17:00 18:00 - 20:30
Wednesday	10:00 - 14:00	10:00 - 12:00 18:00 - 21:00	18:00 - 20:00
Thursday	14:00 - 17:00 18:00 - 21:00	10:00 - 12:00 13:00 - 21:00	18:00 - 20:30
Friday	14:00 - 16:00	13:00 - 16:00	
Saturday	10:00 - 12:00	10:00 - 14:00	10:00 - 12:00

Further information may be obtained from the Township's consultant, the Thompson Rosemount Group Inc., 1345 Rosemount Avenue, Cornwall, Ontario. Telephone (613) 933-5602. Attention Mr. Marco Vincelli, P.Eng., Project Engineer.

Please provide written comment to the Township CAO within 30 calendar days from the date of this Notice. If concerns regarding the revisions to the Iroquois - Morrisburg - Intermediate Lands Sewage Collection and Treatment Project cannot be resolved through discussions with the Township, a person may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual environmental assessment. Requests must be sent to the Township Clerk. If no request is received by February 4, 2005, the Township intends to proceed with construction as outlined in the Addendum.

Minister of the Environment
135 St. Clair Avenue West, 10th Floor
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This Notice issued 5th January, 2005.

Mayor Lyle VanAllen
4296 County Road 31,
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Obituaries

Vera Annie Mary Rutherford

A lifelong resident of this community, Vera Annie Mary Rutherford of 72 St. Lawrence Street, Morrisburg passed away at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Sunday, December 26, 2004. She was 77 years old.

Born on April 7, 1927, in Williamsburg Township, Vera was the daughter of the late John James "Aiden" Baker and Tina Alberta Gallinger. On December 27, 1949, in Cornwall she married George Edward Rutherford who predeceased her on March 30, 1992.

In the last year, Vera suffered from congestive heart failure, but she attended the St. James Christmas Eve Service and on Christmas Day she was out for two Christmas dinners. She was active until her last hours.

On Tuesday evening, December 28 at 7 p.m. the Legion Ladies Auxiliary Branch 48 held a service at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg which was followed by a Rebekah Lodge Service at 7:30 p.m.

Vera was a member of the St. Lawrence Rebekah 373 since 1975–some 29 years. A life member of the Legion Ladies Auxiliary Branch 48, she served in various capacities as secretary and sergeant-at-arms, as well as chaplain.

A very community-minded person, she belonged to the Senior's Friendship Circle in Morrisburg, the Morrisburg Women's Institute (until it folded), Morrisburg Historical Society, and was a member of the Horticultural Society while it was in Morrisburg. She was an avid gardener who won many trophies for gardening and flowers, and an animal lover who kept a dog, a cat and a bird as pets.

Vera shone the most in her church, St. James Anglican in Morrisburg, where she was a very faithful attendee. She taught Sunday School for 23 years, belonged to the A.C.W. of St. James and their fellowship club and belonged to the Cursillo movement in the Anglican Church. At her funeral service, both the Seaway Valley Singers and St. James choir sang several beautiful hymns.

In the last several years, Vera and her daughter, Mary Ann, travelled extensively throughout Ontario on bus trips.

Vera will be fondly remembered by her loving daughter Mary Ann S. Whittaker of Morrisburg and by her sister Iva Rutherford of Morrisburg. She was cherished sister-in-law of Winnie Baker of Iroquois, Mary Baker of Crysler, and Zita Baker and Millie Rutherford, both of Morrisburg.

She was predeceased by her husband George, her sister Eva La Due, brothers Roy, Allen and John Baker and brothers-in-law Theodore Rutherford and Bob La Due.

Friends were received at the Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28. The funeral service was held at St. James Anglican Church in Morrisburg, on Wednesday, December 29 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Bill Byers officiating. Interment was at St. James Anglican Cemetery, Morrisburg. Paul bearers were Frank Main, Douglas Whittaker and nephews Douglas Baker, and John, Chris and Garrett Larmour.

Memorial donations to St. James Anglican Church or Winchester District Memorial Hospital would be gratefully acknowledged.

Hattie Styles



With her family by her side, Hattie Eleanor Styles passed away peacefully at Bayfield Manor, Kemptville, on December 20, 2004, at the remarkable age of 100. She was a resident of the Morrisburg area most of her life.

Hattie was born in Williamsburg Township on July 3, 1904, to Harvey and Evelyn (nee Bouck) Barkley.

As a child, she attended S.S. #10, a one-room school house. She was talented at crocheting and sewing and took piano lessons. As a teenager, she went on sleigh rides with her friends to Christmas school concerts and it was at one of these concerts where she met her future husband, Murray Styles.

Following their wedding on April 4, 1922, Hattie and Murray lived on the Styles homestead on Church Road with Murray's extended family.

Hattie created a warm and loving home to their five children. Hard-working and versatile, she helped out on the farm by tending to chores in the barn, raising and selling chickens and turkeys, growing and canning fruits and vegetables, and making her own butter and maple syrup.

In 1976, Hattie, Murray and Murray's brother John sold the farm and moved to a bungalow in Morrisburg. Following Murray's death in 1985, after 63 years of marriage, Hattie remained in their home until 1998, when she moved to an apartment in Iroquois. She moved to Kemptville in 2002.

Hattie took life in stride and possessed a very practical outlook. She experienced many changes in her lifetime such as the inventions of the automobile and airplane, World Wars I and II, the Great Depression and the Seaway.

A very spiritual person, she was an active member of Holy Trinity Church in Riverside Heights. She also belonged to the Eastern Star and the Riverside Heights Women's Institute and Sewing Club, where she created many beautiful quilts.

She was a keen euchre player. She appreciated pretty clothes and jewellery and could always be found wearing a new hat at Easter. She was fond of animals and found companionship in her many pet dogs, cats and birds.

Hattie was a wonderful and efficient cook who could produce mass quantities of delicious food at a moment's notice. The epitome of selflessness, she was never content to sit down to her own meal until others were well looked after. She was renowned for her doughnuts, lemon biscuits, chicken and dumplings, dill pickles, bread, pies and holiday feasts. Lullabies were another specialty. Her home was a haven of warmth, love and comfort.

Never seemed at a loss for things to worry about, she was nonetheless an optimistic person. She was fun-loving and will be remembered for her sweet chuckle and gentle soul. She would never lose her temper, hold a grudge or complain. She kept up her independence and admirable energy well into her nineties. Her long life was a testament not only to her good health, but also to her steady, patient and determined nature.

Hattie was an institution and an era. Like the many beautiful quilts she made, she brought colour, texture and warmth into the lives of all who loved her.

Hattie was a devoted and loving mother to James (Ruth) of Iroquois, Mary Robertson of Harrington, Maine, Carl (Mary) of Carp, Edward "Ted" (Betty) of Iroquois, and Eleanor Allison of Morrisburg. She will also be lovingly remembered by 17 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

Hattie is survived by her brother Lloyd (Theresa) of Athens, Ontario. She was predeceased by her sister Ida Dillabough-Snyder, brothers Harvey (Emma) and George (Emma), daughter-in-law Joyce (nee Smirle) and son-in-law Dr. Donald Robertson.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Iroquois, December 22 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. An Eastern Star Lodge service was held Wednesday evening at 6:45 p.m. The funeral service was held at St. John's Anglican Church, Iroquois, on December 23 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Bill Byers and Hattie's grandson-in-law, The Rev. Craig Bowers officiating. Spring interment will be at St. Lawrence Valley Union Cemetery, Long Sault. Pallbearers were Michael Styles, Wayne Styles, David Styles, Siegfried Leng, Murray Miller, and Tom Guindon.

Donations to Winchester Hospital or Holy Trinity Church would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Bill Langabeer



A lifetime resident of the Winchester area, Bill Langabeer of Albert Street, Winchester passed away suddenly at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, December 28. He was 64 years old.

Born at Smiths Falls on June 14, 1940, he was the son of the late Walter and Ruth (nee Reddick) Langabeer. He is survived by his loving wife Ann (nee Crawford) whom he married on June 20, 1964 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, in Chesterville.

Bill worked as an orderly at Winchester Hospital for 33 years. He was a dedicated member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church where he served as a church elder and was, for many years, a member of the choir. He was also a regular participant in the Sunshine Circle at Winchester Hospital.

A man of precision, his attention to detail was evident in all of his daily activities. He was a very talented tailor, and during his lifetime he made many nice pieces of clothing. He enjoyed sewing, doing upholstery and gardening.

In addition to his wife Ann, he is survived by brothers and sisters Carman (Ruth) of Finch, Angus (Carolyn) of Belleville, Edward (address unknown) and Barbara Smith of Winchester. He was predeceased by a brother, Jim.

Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Thursday, December 30 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m., and the funeral service was performed by Rev. Bert deBruijn at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, in Chesterville on Friday, December 31. Interment was at Maple Ridge Cemetery, Chesterville.

Pall bearers were Sam Hummel, Rob Erath, Bassam Alsabeh, Charles Hummel, John Langabeer and Joe Baker.

James "Harold" Palmer



A resident of RR2 Ingleside, James "Harold" Palmer passed away at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Thursday, December 30 following a brief illness. He was 90 years old.

Born on December 3, 1914 in Smiths Falls, James was the son of the late Mervin and Daisy (nee Lyons) Palmer. He is survived by his wife Adele (nee Klisivitch) Palmer whom he married on November 25, 1939, in Verdun, Quebec. Prior to coming to the area, Harold lived at St. Lambert, Quebec and worked as a buyer at Pratt and Whitney in Longeuil, Quebec until his retirement in 1978.

Harold loved to attend auction sales, yard sales and flea markets, and because of his passion to collect hats, he became known to his friends as "Harry the Hat". He enjoyed puttering around on the farm and spent many hours volunteering at the clothing store in Trinity Anglican Church in Chesterville.

Harold will be lovingly remembered by his wife Adele and by his children Jim of RR2 Ingleside and Dawn Palmer of Vancouver. He will be sadly missed by his grandchildren Michelle and Christopher Roydhouse and by his nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers Clifford and Ken, and by his step-brother Melvin.

Rev. Bill Byers officiated at a private family funeral service held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on Sunday, January 2. The service was followed by cremation.

Dixon's Corners P.S.

DIXON'S CORNERS–Welcome back to school. We hope everyone had a safe and healthy holiday. To start the new year, a newsletter which includes this month's activities, has been sent home.

As we all know, South Asia was hard hit with a Tsunami, and the staff and students at Dixon's Corners want to help by sending aid via the Red Cross. Over 100,000 people, one third of whom were children, have been killed and many are still unaccounted for. Here at Dixon's we would like to gather donations to help the victims of this devastated area and ask those who wish to contribute to send cash donations to our school by Monday, January 10, 2005 as up until this date, the Canadian government will match our donations. In addition, if you wish a tax receipt, the Red Cross will supply one for the 2004 tax year. The Red Cross will look after the distribution of funds to areas of high needs.

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Lions win two out of three

MORRISBURG–The Morrisburg Junior B Lions had a couple of good reasons to celebrate over the holidays when they picked up two, out of a possible three, wins in Ottawa and District Junior B Hockey League action.

Although the Lions are planted well into the basement of the St. Lawrence Division, the two wins, added to a season that had seen only five wins in 31 games, were reason enough to celebrate.

The Lions got it rolling on Tuesday, December 28 in Williamstown when Justin Elliott struck just 1:19 into overtime enabling the Lions to claim a 5-4 win.

The next night, Wednesday, December 29, they were on the road to Brockville where they downed the second place (Rideau Division) Tikis 5-3.

A third win would have been a perfect holiday package back home on Sunday, January 2 but the Winchester Hawks had plans of their own, and collected an 8-3 win.

In Williamstown, the Lions almost let one slip away, as they allowed a 4-1 lead early in the third period to be turned into a 4-4 tie by the time the final buzzer sounded.

Derek Crawford opened the Rebel scoring at 11:22 of the first period, but Mike Carbino righted that with a goal 17:45.

From then on the Lions dominated with goals from Carbino and Corey Gove in the second, and Carbino's third of the game early in the third to put the Lions up 4-1.

Jordan Reasbeck started the Rebels comeback and Addison Pelkey cut the Lions advantage to 4-3. With 4:50 remaining in the game, Crawford scored again to tie the game 4-4.

In Brockville, the Lions fell behind the Tikis 1-0 in the first period, but then settled down to play hockey for the remainder of the game. Goaltender Andrew Pearson allowed just one goal in each of the second and third periods as the Lions went to work to add five for the 5-3 win.

Corey Gove and Justin Elliott had two goals each for the Lions and Tyler Lafortune chipped in a single. The Lions outshot their opponents 46-31 in the effort which was highlighted with just two minor penalty calls, one to each team.

Back home on Sunday, the Lions just couldn't keep pace with the Hawks who went up 3-1 in the first period and held a 5-3 advantage in the second. Three unanswered third period goals gave them the 8-3 win.

Shawn Smail led the Hawks with two goals and two assists, and Darren Trenholm counted twice. Single goals were scored by Nik Paas, Steve Cameron, Stephen Swan and Bruce Hamelin.

Answering for the Lions were Justin Elliott, Matt Walsh and Tyler Lafortune. Andrew Pearson was in the Lions net for the loss.

The Lions drew nine minor penalties, a misconduct and a game misconduct, while the Hawks sat out 10 minors.

Coming up the Lions have a busy three-game weekend kicking it off Friday night when the first place Alexandria Glens are in town for an 8:15 p.m. game. They have a rare Saturday night game when they host Gananoque, January 8 beginning at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday night they are on the road to Kemptville.

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Winchester	32	17	11	2	38
Kemptville	26	17	8	1	35
Akwesasne	31	14	15	1	30
Char-Lan	28	13	13	1	28
Morrisburg	33	7	23	1	17

Rideau Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Sth. Grenville	31	25	3	3	53
Brockville	33	22	9	1	46
Gananoque	33	17	15	0	35
Westport	31	11	19	0	23
Athens	30	3	226	0	7

Teams losing in overtime or shootout receive one point

Results

Tuesday, December 28-
Morrisburg 5 at Char-Lan 4 OT
Wednesday, December 29
Morrisburg 5 at Brockville 3
Sunday, January 2
Winchester 8 at Morrisburg 3

Coming up:

Friday, January 7: Alexandria at Morrisburg 8:15 p.m.
Saturday, January 8: Gananoque at Morrisburg 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 9: Morrisburg at Kemptville 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, January 15: Junior B All-Star Games in Kemptville.
Valley Vets vs Rideau Vets 11 a.m.
Valley Prospects vs Rideau Prospects 1:30 p.m.
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Speaking through poetry, is a new experience

MORRISBURG – For Marie Beckstead of Morrisburg, putting words to paper has become, both a rewarding and relaxing experience.

This past summer Marie began writing poetry. She explains that she didn't sit down with the intent to write, but had been playing with thoughts and words in her mind that she finally put to paper.

"Sometimes it takes a month to happen. One night I wrote four. If I get a train of thought, the words just seem to come."

"There's no explanation and you can't force it."

One of her pieces titled "Mommy Teach Me To Pray" came about after she talked to her pastor.

"I asked my pastor what the proper way to pray is, and he told me different people pray in different ways."

"He never really answered my question, so I thought I'd answer my own question."

Marie says that some of her poems have come from actual events, while others are the result of an abstract thought or memory.

"I've shown them to my pastor, and he thought they were interesting. Most have a religious theme."

Mommy Teach Me To Pray

Do I close my eyes?
What do I say?
Do I kneel or do I stand?
Mommy how do I hold my hands?
Do I smile or do I frown?
Do I look up or do I look down?
What should I pray for, riches or fame;
Or to go through life with out pain?
Ever lasting life for my soul,
Or live until I'm very old.

"O" sweet child of mine, I'm glad you asked.
For it is not a very hard task.
Eyes open or closed; stand or kneel,
It's all in how you feel.
Look up or down; hands clasped or stretched to the sky;
Speak what's in your heart; never tell a lie.
Be honest and true.
He will always answer you.
Marie Beckstead
October 29, 2004

Church Directory

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

St. Lawrence Evangelical Lutheran Parish
Pastor: The Rev. Jo Barkley-Probst
Office: 543-3154 or Office: 448-3812
WORSHIP
Sunday, January 9, 2005
ST. PAUL'S, Morrisburg
9:30 a.m. Worship
ST. JOHN'S, Riverside Heights
11:15 a.m. Worship
PEACE BE WITH YOU.

The United Church of Canada
LAKESHORE DRIVE UNITED CHURCH
Morrisburg, Ontario
Rev. Jean Udall, Minister
Office Telephone 543-3079
Organist & Choir Director
Lorna Casselman
Sunday, January 9, 2005
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service
Children's Chatter, Sunday School

Christian Reformed Church
Williamsburg, Ontario
Tel: 535-2227 or 543-4311
Friday, January 7, 2005
7:30 P.M. INSTALLATION SERVICE of Rev. John Noordhof
Sunday, January 9, 2005
9:30 A.M.
Pastor John Noordhof
7:30 P.M.
Pastor John Noordhof
Sunday School for Children ages 3-9
Child care during morning service
Please be our guest this week

The Presbyterian Church in Canada
KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Morrisburg, Ontario
Minister: Rev. Darren May
Church 543-2005 Home 543-0142
Organist: Gary Postma
Sunday, January 9, 2005
11:00 am. - Morning Worship
11:00 am. - Sunday School
Everyone Welcome!
Nursery Available

Morrisburg Pentecostal Tabernacle
Pastor: Rev. Duncan Perry
Office 543-2681
Sunday, January 9, 2005
10:30 a.m. - Family Worship & Children's Bible Hour
6:00 p.m. - Evening Worship Service
Tuesday –7:00 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer
Friday – 7:00 p.m.
Youth Service
Come And See What Jesus Can Do For You!!

Williamsburg United Church
Organists – Susan Barkley, Lynn Gilmour, Joanne Walsh
Sunday, January 9, 2005
Guest Minister
Rev. Doug Carnegie
10:30 a.m. – Welcome to Worship with Us!
Sunday School, Nursery Available

The Anglican Parish of Morrisburg-Iroquois-Riverside Heights
invites you to worship with us this Sunday
St. James, 20 High St., Morrisburg
St. John the Baptist, Lakeview Dr., Iroquois
Holy Trinity, Riverside Heights
543-3904
The Rev. Bill Byers, Rector
Sunday, January 9, 2005
8:00 a.m. – St. James'
9:15 a.m. – St. James'
11:00 a.m. – St. John's

Living Word Ministries
(A Bible-believing Christian Church)
Worship Services & Children's Church Sundays at 10:00 a.m.
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