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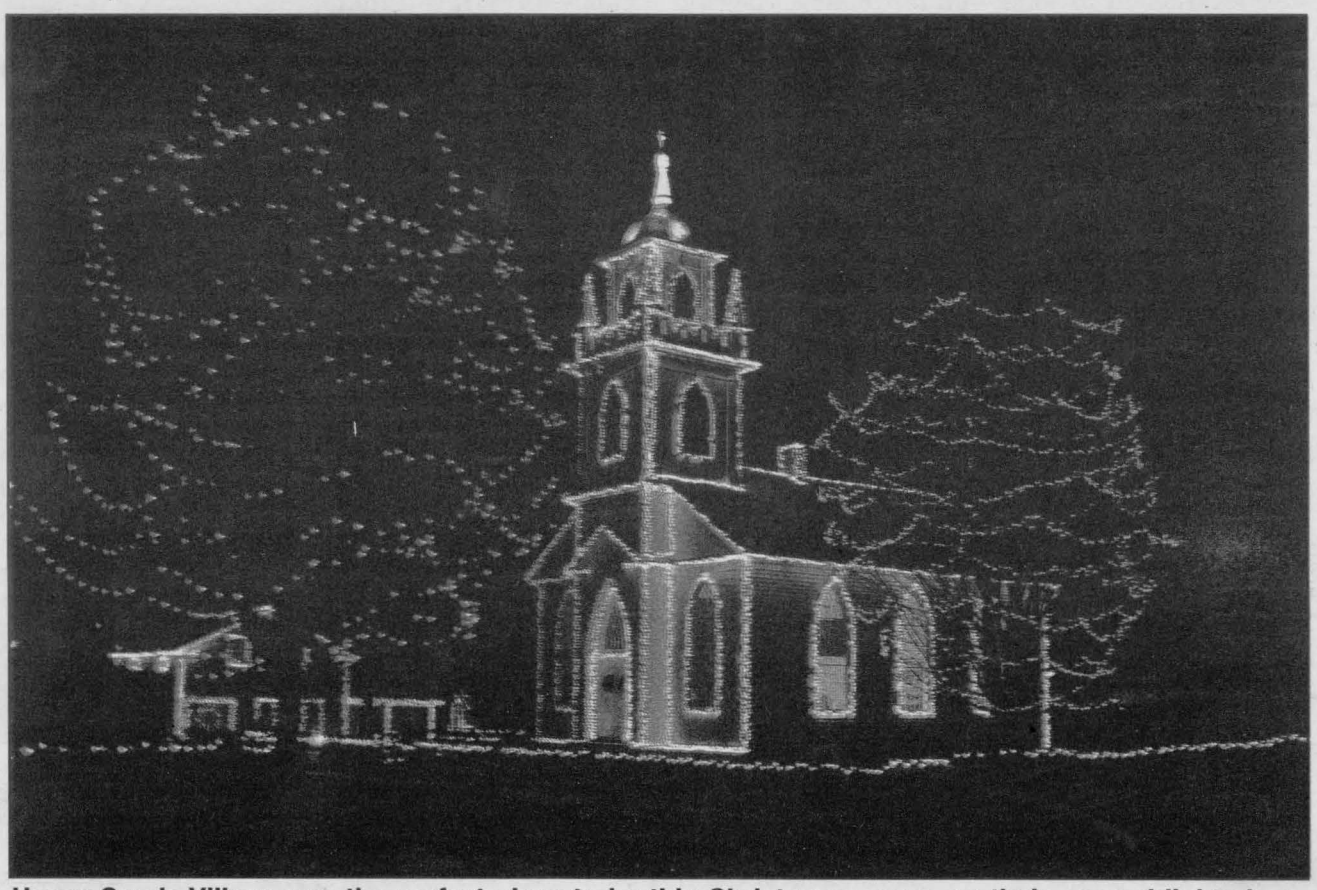
This week's Chieftain kicks off the New Year with a brief look at each month of 2006

January

The Christmas season is celebrated by all communities across the country in as many different ways as there are communities. The Willamsburg Timberwolves celebrated the season with two fun filled activities. Prior to the 2005 Christmas the Timberwolves and Explorers gathered at Cedar Wood Pond to enjoy a campfire and sing Christmas carols. They enjoyed Christmas skits which they performed for their parents. Despite the cold weather the evening outdoor event was enjoyed by all. The Timberwolves and the Explorers also celebrated the New Year together by gathering at the Riverside Community Centre in Riverside Heights for games and crafts.

The Bantam "B' Champs win big at Gananoque tournament. On December 29 the Lions traveled to Gananoque to take part in the tournament. Despite missing five players and playing with an injured goalie after Lion's goalie Luc Stewart went down with an injury during first period play. The Lions [illegible]ated away with the"A" [illegible]ampionship.

Gib and Elsie Patterson and their family presented the Winchester and District Hospital Board Chair Bill Smirle with a cheque for $20,000 at a special hospital celebration on Wednesday, December 21. Gib Patterson was a member of the Renewing the Vision campaign team and helped organize events and canvassing in the Greely and Metcalf communities.



Upper Canda Village was the perfect place to be this Christmas season as their annual light show was better than ever.

CHIEFTAIN PHOTO - J. MORIN

The 30 or so children who participated in the South Dundas Minor Hockey Associations Initiation Program had a special treat just before Christmas when Santa Claus showed up at their practice wearing skates.

The new Iroquois Golf Club is shaping up. Members can look forward to having a new clubhouse by spring.

Residents in Iroquois and the surrounding area asked the public if they were interested in starting up a health center that would feature Yoga, Tai Chi or Pilates.

The Township of South Dundas began accepting nominations for the November 13, 2006 municipal elections.

The St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation closed its doors forever after announcing that the company will be laying off all of its employees in January. Increased global competition and a stronger Canadian dollar and adverse marketing conditions were the cause of he closure. The mill first built in 1923 housed 300 employees. St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation was a leader in the textile industry.

South Dundas and Glengarry residents traveled to the former Mountain Township Community Hall to listen to candidates in the federal election introduce themselves. There were five candidates present one from each of the federal parties.

The South Dundas website has become a going concern with only one year since its beginning. According to statistics. Almost 7,000 visits were made to the site in December 2005 alone. The site is being visited from people all around the world.

A string of lights along Carman Road in Iroquois have been giving Dundas County electrical engineers a great deal of trouble. Once fixed the light tend to go out after a few hours or days. The electrical company is starting to suspect that a power surge coming from another part of the line is burning out the photo cells on the lights.

A student at the Seaway District High school, David Jones, began to write his popular and informative column called "Scribbles and Bits" the column was about events at the high school and gave South Dundas residents a glimpse of high school life.

Thanks to some early snow and a growing reputation, Alight at Night, Upper Canada Village's festival of lights enjoyed a 35 percent increase in visitors this past season.

Guy Lauzon was literally swept to a federal victory in the 2006 federal election. Mr. Lauzon is the Conservative member of Parliament for Stormont Dundas and Glengarry.

The family that operates the Tibbens Farms Incorporated, located just east of Brinston, were deemed the best farmers of the year by the Dundas Soil and crop improvement Association.

The Matilda Winter carnival was a hit with South Dundas residents. This was the 31st Carnival Queen competition and seven young ladies, all students at the Seaway District High School competed.

February

A petition, signed by 120 people from Iroquois, was presented to the South Dundas Council urging them to apply the provisions of the Township's draft Telecommunications Policy. Harry Pietersma and Ron McInnis presented the petition which concerned the proposed plans to erect a new cellphone tower on a site immediately west of Iroquois.

Roy Lalonde the principle of the Seaway District High School signed copies of his recently published and first book called the Lady of the Gulls.

Parmalat Canada is providing local dollars to assist landowners with water quality improvement projects. The Director of Plant Operations in Winchester presented the Chair of the South Nation Conservation Claude Cousineau with a cheque for $5,000.

The Seaway District High School co-op placement program is a success.

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Mayor Charles Barkley looks to New Year

With the New Year now under way, South Dundas Council launched its four year term last week

Newly elected South Dundas Mayor, Charles Barkley has his own ideas about the kind of council and Township he would like to see in the years to come. "I expect to see respect for the staff, for each other right down to the ratepayer," he said. People expect them to. Barkley believes that without respect nothing will work the way they want it to. He believes in keeping things simple and at home.

This council has one veteran, in Charles Barkley and another experienced person in the Deputy Mayor, Robert Gillard. The three new councillors, Steven Byvelds, James Graham and Del Jones are new to the role of councillor although not new to problem solving and good management.

"I think we have a good council," says Mayor Barkley, "each new member brings with him a set of new skills."

"It is critical that we all say what we think," he added, referring to his belief in putting all of ones cards on the table for any issue.

One of the first issues that will have to be tackled is the location of the Morrisburg Waste Water Treatment Plant. While the former council got as far as setting the wheels in motion for the multi-million dollar project, its location is still something that councillors want to think about. "I think that people do not realize just how inoffensive the plant will be," said the mayor. He added that the tentative location on 20 acres of Township land to the east of the Morrisburg Waterfront Park should still allow for growth and other industries. "Moving the location further back from the waterfront and closer to Highway 2 would be very expensive," he said. Mayor Barkley will take what he can get in the way of improving waste water treatment in Morrisburg but he still wonders about the idea of a regional water plant that would service not just Morrisburg but also Iroquois.

Getting more doctors into South Dundas is another issue that can benefit from the completion of the Waste Water Treatment Plant in Morrisburg. Another pet peeve of Mayor Barkley's is the final cost of the water treatment plant already up and running in Morrisburg. Until the Township knows what the federal government is willing to give them there is no way for a proper calculation of the cost of the plant and consequently the cost to users. "I have made this April the deadline for finalizing the water bill. "This has gone on for to long," he said. The cost of the plant to water users in South Dundas is estimated to be several thousand dollars for each user which can be paid in monthly installments or in one lump sum. The problem up till now is that the Township does not know what the final bill will be.

Property tax assessment is a sore point with the new Mayor. "We can always say that we do not like it, (the tax assessment system as administered by the Municipal Property Tax Assessment Corporation), and it is easy to criticize but you have to have a positive place to start, he says.

Economic growth and the quality of life in South Dundas is an issue that is slowly becoming a central one to the mayor and councillors. There are so many ideas out there, and we have to be receptive to them, said Mayor Barkley referring to the number of ideas that South Dundas residents have about how to ensure the kind of growth they expect in the future for the Township.

The future of the Iroquois Golf Course came up a few times during the 2006-2007 municipal election. The golf club currently has a three year lease with the Township. The lease is to be reviewed each year of its life. I think that we have been very fair, said the mayor. The golf course is a unique situation, he said, adding I have always wanted a more business like approach.

Mayor Barkley feels that the volunteers in South Dundas make many things happen. You can never put a price tag on volunteering, he said.

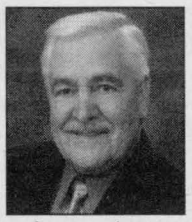
New Council kicks off new term

BY JOSEPH MORIN
CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER

The new South Dundas Council held their first working meeting on Tuesday, December 5.

The new councillors had their first real taste of sitting at the council table. Property tax assessment, council remuneration and the location of the proposed waste water treatment plant were the biggest of the issues that the council brought forward.

There was very little discussion about remuneration for the council members as they begin their year term. The Mayor's remuneration stayed the same at $15,000 as did the councillors at $7,500. The only change was for the new position of Deputy Mayor which will receive $11,250. The mileage rate for the council went up from 40 cents a kilometer to 42 cents. A request from the Township of Chisholm to endorse a letter to the province regarding a different way to handle the property tax situation that all municipalities are struggling with was debated but not endorsed. While sympathetic to the tone and the pressing need for reform in property tax assessment, Councillor Steven Byvelds said. "I do not have enough information to support this letter," He pointed out that he was concerned that endorsing the letter could lock the Township into something that the councillors were not aware of." Councillor Del Jones followed with, "I would not be in favour of it if it locked us in." The letter recommended that the province freeze all base tax assessments and that future property assessment increase only after the sale of a property. Deputy Mayor Robert Gillard wanted the council to think about choosing a better location for the proposed waste water treatment plant in Morrisburg. The final location has not been selected as yet .



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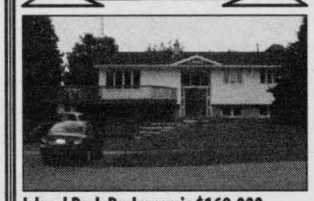
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Several students found that they were able to take on several co-operative working positions thanks to merchants and industry in Iroquois.

The Iroquois Recreation Committee has plans for the future and is hoping that their application to the Trillium Foundation will be successful. Their main project is to renovate and upgrade their existing beach house located at the Iroquois Beach.

Cruickshank Construction has given the Winchester and District Memorial Hospital a cheque for $6,000. The funds were directed to purchasing new equipment for the upcoming renovation project.

Iroquois residents who have been trying to start up yoga classes in the village have been successful. Starting on February 7, those interested in can drop by the Iroquois Civic Centre to participate in the yoga class.

After twenty-one years of continued service to the Iroquois community the Chieftain Stationery Store has closed. The Iroquois Chieftain newspaper and the Stationery Store have been landmark businesses in the community. The Iroquois Chieftain will stay open.

The South Dundas water treatment plant in Morrisburg continues to be a concern to residents. The water treatment plant was originally slated to be finished by April 2005. The South Dundas Council has had to intervene and the company hired to build the water treatment plant has been terminated.

The need for building another, much needed nursing home in South Dundas in particular and in Dundas County in general has surfaced in the Dundas County community. The Dundas District Women's Institute is behind the drive to have the Minister of Long Term Care, George Smitherman, go ahead with the Institute's request for a new nursing home in the area.

On Friday, February 10, Township staff and members of the council gathered at the Iroquois Civic Centre to say goodbye to a 23 year Township employee, Keith Hamilton.

Member of Parliament for Stormont Dundas and Glengarry was sworn in as a member of the 39th Canadian Parliament. The swearing in ceremony took place on February 9 in the Centre Block on Parliament Hill in Ottawa.

Seaway District High School student Matthew Goodmurphy is headed off to France. Matthew will be on the exchange visit for four and one-half months.

The Galop Canal Revitalization Committee received a Ontario Trillium Grant of $45,000.

South Dundas launches a new smoke alarm campaign. The Fire departments throughout South Dundas will soon be enforcing a recent amendment to the Ontario Fire Code that requires homes to have a working smoke alarm.

Thanks in part to the excellent weather and terrific organization, the Canadian Tire's Great Skate was a success. Hundreds of people took part in the event held at Upper Canada Village.

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March

The South Dundas Council finally passed their telecommunication policy. The new policy was designed by the council to try to balance out the needs of residents and the needs of industry in the present and in the future.

Randy North, representing Prudential Town Centre Reality was asked by the Township to take on the task of selling the 31 vacant building lots on the former Schnell property. in Williamsburg received a new push from municipal government.

Municipal fire services and how they are delivered in the South Dundas community will be examined through the creation of a fire services master plan. Since the amalgamation of the Williamsburg, Iroquois, Matilda and Morrisburg Townships in 1998 the overall fire delivery services has not been looked at.

The South Dundas Council will be setting up a Economic Development Advisory Committee to further the economic growth of the Township. The creation of the committee is one of the recommendations of the Townships ten year strategic plan.

The Seaway District High School hosted a health Fair. The event was innovative and educational. The school's Health lifestyles Club organized the event.

Ron Casselman, of Morrisburg has been recognized by Hockey Canada for his lifetime association with the sport. Mr. Casselman is the owner and General Manager of the Junior B Morrisburg Lions.

Laid off employees of the St. Lawrence Manufacturing Plant in Iroquois will be receiving assistance with the opening of the Adjustment Advisory Program. The program is a feature of the Training Colleges and Universities. A room at the St. Cecilia's Catholic school has been set aside for employees trying to find other work. The location is called the Caldwell Action Centre. The textile making plant closed its doors in February.

The Dundas District Womens' Group is starting a letter writing campaign in aid of securing a new nursing home in Williamsburg.

W3 Connex has taken over from South Dundas Township the task of marketing the Township's fibre optics network. The company will be holding a series of town hall meetings to explain to residents their expanded services.

Grants totaling $50,000 were given to Dundas County service groups. The Advisory Board for the John Stewart Estate Memorial Trust made the decision to give their funding to service groups who help the elderly and poor in Dundas. The handing out of the funds once a year is a regular event.

A public meeting was held at the Iroquois Community Centre where South Dundas township presented its strategic plan for recreational services to the public.

The Chair of the Gallop Canal Revitalization committee has approached the South Dundas Council for funding to help the committee move forward with the plans. The municipal funding will be added to existing funds and if approved be matched by government funds.

The debate over whether or not to keep the Dixon's Corners Public School open is over. The Upper Canada School Board has decided to keep the elementary school open. The school board is still in the process of looking forward to future increases in the areas population which would likely justify the school's continued operation.

The Dundas farm Show enjoyed another successful farm show this year. The two day event held at the Matilda Community Centre attracted 63 exhibitors inside and out side the hall. There were over 60 entries of farm produce.

Even though the municipal election is still several months away, the first signs of interest have already appeared. Cam Martel, of Morrisburg had decided that he wants to run for the position of Mayor in the 2006 South Dundas election to be held in November.

Mike Lalonde the executive director of the Cornwall and Seaway Valley Tourism came to South Dundas to address a group of people in the area who are interested in growing the tourism industry in the municipality.

Dr. Trisha Morrow announced the founding of the St. Lawrence Rowing Club. The club will call the Galop Canal home. Until a permanent storage facility can be found, or built, Robert Houze of Iroquois marine Services has offered to store the club's boats.

The Seaway District high School hosted a murder mystery night at the school. The school's drama department put the evening togther with a performance named "A Slip In Time Kills Nine". The performers were from Grade 10 and 11. The school's dramatic art teacher, Kevin Kennedy directed the performance.

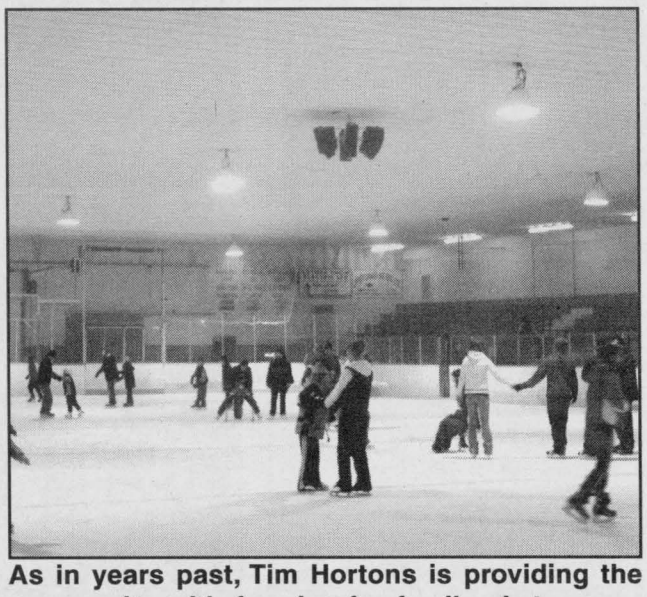
The former employees of the St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation have discovered that they will be the last of the long list of creditors who will receive any money as a result of the company's closure.

The 48th season of an open and busy Seaway opened. Over 43.3 million tonnes of traffic went up and down the Seaway in 2005. The marine mode of transportation is considered to be the best way to reduce energy consumption as it is the most efficient means of transportation.

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Tim Hortons free skate

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN



As in years past, Tim Hortons is providing the community with free ice for family skates over the holidays. Pictured here are some local residents taking advantage of the opportunity.

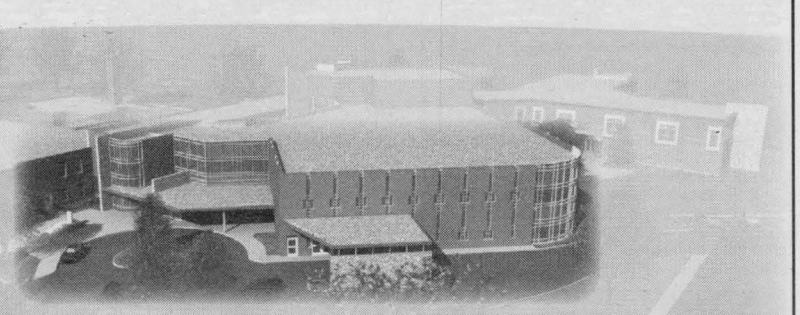
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Every holiday season in December and January, Tim Hortons sponsors free public skating at over 350 arenas across Canada. This is a great opportunity for families to enjoy some quality time together during the holidays, and several arenas in this area are offering some ice time for free skates. At the Morrisburg Arena the following ice times are paid for by Tim Hortons: December 27 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, December 29 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, January 3 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm, and January 5 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. At the Cardinal Community Centre the following ice times have been paid for by Tim Hortons: December 26 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, December 28 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, January 2 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, and January 4 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm. The Leo Boivin Community Centre in Prescott has a number of ice times available as part of this community effort on the part of Tim Hortons. The following times are scheduled for free skates in Prescott: December 27 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, December 28 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, December 29 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, January 2 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, January 3 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, January 4 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, January 5 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm, and January 7 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm. Other arenas in the area are also offering Tim Hortons ice time. Schedules can be found at the Tim Hortons website which is located at www.timhortons.com.

Tim Hortons is a corporation which cares deeply about sports and its community involvement programs extend far beyond providing free ice time for family skates. Tim Hortons currently sponsors over 120,000 children who play on hockey, soccer, lacrosse, t-ball, baseball and ringette teams across Canada and in the United States. Each sponsored team is supplied with Timbits Minor Sports jerseys or T-shirts. Timbits hockey teams are often given the opportunity to play on-ice scrimmages during intermissions at Junior, American Hockey League (AHL) and National Hockey League (NHL) games. Timbits players are also given the opportunity to play in their own "Timbits Jamboree", a fun-filled Tim Hortons sponsored event where everyone receives a prize, food and beverages.

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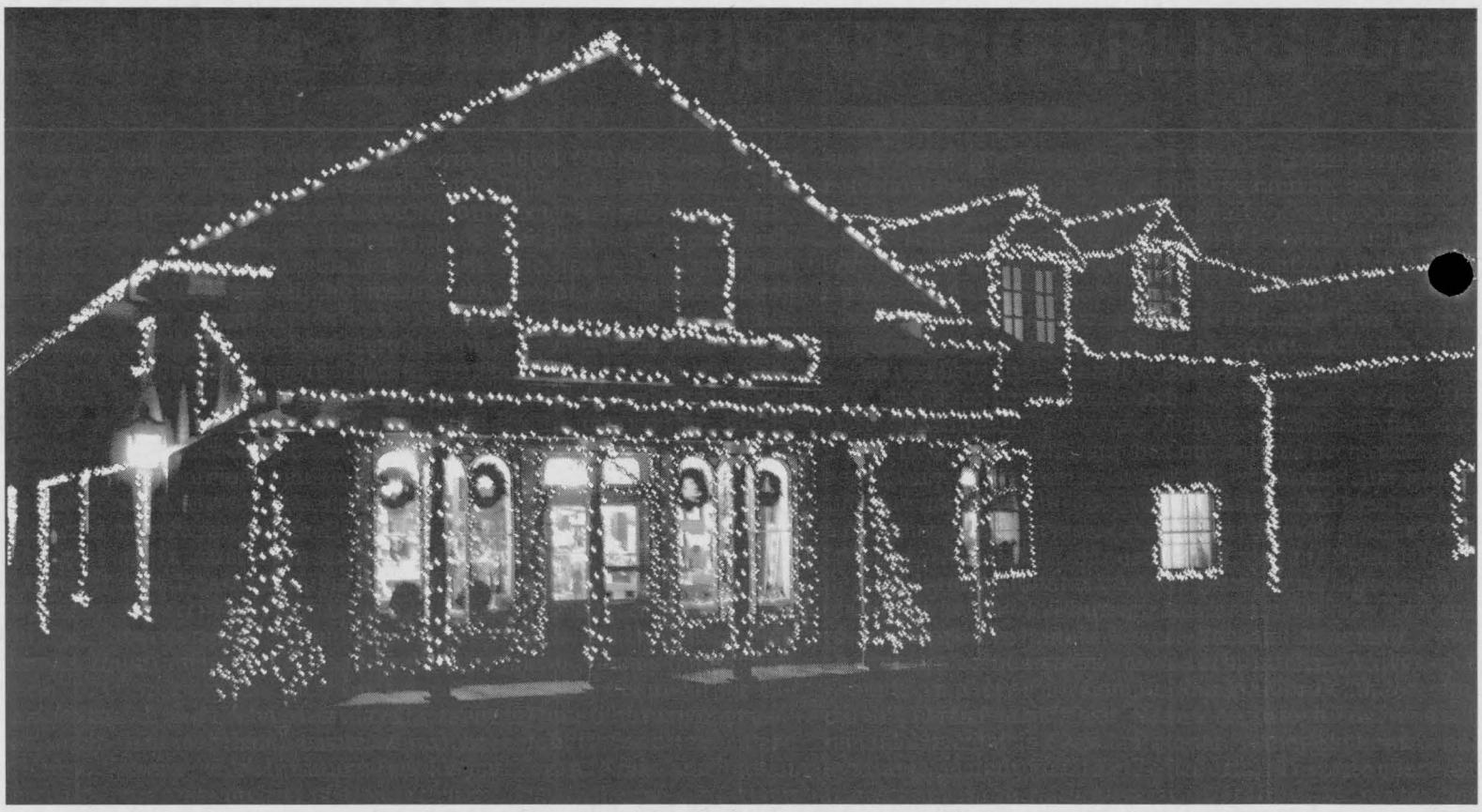
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The Upper Canada Village Alight at Night takes visitor's breath away.

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Who has control of what?

The latest from Queen's Park is that the Ontario Municipal Act has been amended.

The bottom line here, appears to be that the province has given local government, "sweeping" new powers.

All councils large and small will look forward to new powers of any kind.

The idea behind the amendments is to give local government the extra power it has lacked in the past to set things right for their own communities.

If this is all true then your local South Dundas government may end up with a little more to say about so many issues that thus far have been just out of their political reach.

On the down side, and their has to be one of course, if local government has the power to create specific local laws that are only found in that particular community, then there could be patchwork of rules and regulations spreading across the land.

This entire issue will be fun to watch.

J.M.

A thought...

from me to you

by Joseph Morin
Editor



Christmas and the New Year is a favourite time of mine for reflection.

At the moment everything I might say may get me accused of being hung up on the age thing, but nevertheless I have noted a few items.

If all of us could go back to when we were around 12 years old and started to look at what, as consumers we had then and have now, I think we would collectively feint.

I can remember when there was no such thing as a birth control pill. I did not find out about that till later. I was a late bloomer.

There were no cell phones of course and the marketing people who have successfully gone over the top in 2007 must have been just little ones back then.

Your parents had all the money. If you worked a portion, usually a large portion of your earnings went back into the family coffers. A sixteen year old would never have dreamed of having a car to drive or "holidays" to take.

CD's were the things of science fiction and plasma anything was straight out of the comic books.

Medicine was still pretty basic, which it had to be since mandatory seat belt wearing was not on the books yet.

There did not seem to be any concern at all about mental health, stress. Lifestyle changes or the marrying of the physical and the spiritual.

Wars were usually only found on one of the two channels most people had back then. They had not graduated into prime time events, presented by the same news companies who covered them.

A peanut butter sandwich was still basically the same except that these days I will make one using whole wheat bread instead of white.

Credit was unheard of. You might have a car loan or a mortgage but for the most part keeping track of your finances was relatively easy. You had what you had and whatever else you could find in your pocket.

I really believe that school was harder back then with teachers who were not there for the money, there wasn't any at the time. A teachers expectations of a student were the "law" and there were few options other than to do well. Of course it was easier in that the young people of the day were not allowed to rule the day, determine what they would and would not study nor could they have gotten away with shoddy work in any area.

Surround sound was a mystery and the debate about the existence of flying saucers was still up for grabs. Cancer was never an issue and health care was something you rarely thought about.

Climate change was taught in high school geography and physics as more of a history lesson and everyone could easily identify their favorite hockey player.

Football in Canada, was still important, probably because the cable vision had not been invented yet

My grandfather used to say that real social change usually took 15 to 25 years at least in his day.

Before he moved on to another place at the age of 96 he felt that change was occurring at least every 3 to 5 years. He was astounded and appropriately at a loss as to what was happening. Well now we know what happened. Mankind at least in this part of the world figured out how to make better products, found the money for credit and then change just took off like a rocket. Or you could say it was all the fault of the Rolling Stones. It is a tough one to call. All of these changes were good ones bringing choice and variety to the marketplace. But we still need time to grow into the notion of instant credit to afford it all.

New Year - Same Weather

Weather from The Valley
By Stephen Balena

Another weather year is in the record books for the Seaway, Leeds/Grenville, & S D & G. Environment Canada released its Top Ten Weather Events of 2006 *(www.msc-smc.ec.gc.ca/media/top10/2006/topten2006_e.html)* and not surprisingly we were not on the list. British Columbia led the way with the top two stories. Since the fall the BC Coast has been hammered by storm after storm. First heavy rain fell and then snow, and now more heavy rain this week, over 200 mm in some cases. All the precipitation from the fall through now has been accompanied by fierce winds. On the local level, no one weather event stands out for me from 2006.

Other features from last year included the wettest fall on record for our part of the country, and nationwide an increase in severe thunderstorm activity and tornadoes, 19 in Ontario alone. Also the winter for the entire country was much milder than normal.

The underlying theme of the year in the Seaway Valley was moderation. We had a moderate year temperature and precipitation wise, very few extremes. The spring was seasonable, the summer pleasant, much cooler than expected but close to normal. The fall and winter thus far have been wet and very mild. As a matter of fact December and the non-winter of 2006-2007 may become the big weather story for our area.

The incredibly mild air has provided most areas of Ontario and west Quebec with the warmest December on record in may localities. Virtually no snow and only a little freezing rain capped the month. Christmas was green, and if we don't see any snow soon we may be looking at a record for the season. The month of January will start off very mild with no appreciable snow in our future. A little wave of low pressure kicked off some squalls in the area last Saturday making travel difficult along stretches of the 401. Freezing rain did much the same New Years Eve.

For the most part our quiet non eventful weather pattern will continue with most of the storms moving to our west across the central Great Lakes.

There is some indications that colder air may move into the area with a little snow by the middle of the month. We will have to wait and see about that forecast. For now enjoy the mild weather, unless of course you own a snowmobile.

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April

The Iroquois Summer Festival Committee is getting ready for a rebirth of the summer festival in Iroquois. Committee members are working along with the Iroquois Fire Department and the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club to bring back a missed summer festival.

The Caldwell Action Centre has officially opened for business in Iroquois. The Centre opened its doors to the former St. Lawrence Manufacturing Employees on March 31.

The Iroquois Amateur Radio Club hosted an interesting and exiting "Hamfest" at the Seaway District High School. This was the 11th annual "Hamfest".

The Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club is getting ready for their annual fund-raising performance at the Upper Canada Playhouse. This year the Lions will be putting on a production called "The Musical Comedy Murders of the 1940's."

The province of Ontario made a pledge to share in the costs of the Land ambulance service in Ontario. The critically important service has been downloaded to the various municipalities in the province and now the province is saying that it will make good on its 50/50 share of the service.



Bank of Montreal Manager Sheree Barkley-Hanson, on the left and Alma Walsh pose before Christmasat their overflowing Angel Tree. The tree and all of he donated gifts is an annual tradition atthe Bank of Montreal in Iroquois.

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The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 370 in Iroquois is celebrating its 60th anniversary. A dinner and dance was held at the Legion hall along with a birthday cake to honour the existence for the Legion in the village.

South Dundas received close to a half a million dollars thanks to extra funding found by the province. The province was able to come up with $7 million that it is spreading around to different municipalities. In South Dundas this means that a little more money can be put towards their water treatment plant.

Doctors in South Dundas have expressed their concern for a future shortage of doctors in the community at the South Dundas Council meeting. Doctors from the St. Lawrence Medical Clinic in Iroquois made a brief presentation to councillors outlining their belief that the council has to become more involved in doctor recruitment.

The final plan for South Dundas recreational Services was tabled at the south Dundas Council table. The plan, put together by Trow Associates incorporated . The plan sets out the key activities and priorities to be carried out in the next few years in the Township. The goal is to have a healthy and useful recreational plan for the South Dundas community.

Ross Video in Iroquois selected Jeff Moore as their new president. Ross Video has managed to do well in a commercial environment that has become more competitive over the past decade. The landmark industry, located in Iroquois and in offices around the world is a jewel in the crown of the Iroquois community.

The South Dundas Chamber of Commerce has elected Ed Kingsley as their new president. Mr. Kingsley is the owner and operator of the Giant Tiger store in Morrisburg.

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Be careful with what kinds of flowers you bring to the hospital

At this time of year, many people bring flowers and plants to individuals in the hospital.

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South Dundas Councillors were outraged at the findings of the Ontario Ombudsman's report on the ineffectiveness of the Municipal Property Tax Assessment Corporation. The council has always maintained that the property assessment process was unfair to home owners and the report confirmed their belief.

The Seaway District High School cafeteria was awarded an Eat Smart Award. The award is a public health initiative of the Ministry of Health and Long Term care in partnership with the Heart and Stroke Foundation, and the Canadian Cancer Society.

South Dundas held their first Community Clean Up Day. The idea originated with Mayor Lyle Van Allen and has captured the imagination of residents who want to clean up local roads and properties.

A volunteer connections fair was held at the Seaway District High School. Students were able to have a first hand look and chat with area volunteers and community agencies. MP Guy Lauzon was on hand to explain to the students the importance of volunteering.

The Seaway District High School's model railroad club hosted its third annual model train show. The vent attracted model railroaders from as far away as Smith Falls.

May

Les Cruickshank, the owner of Cruiclshank Construction in Morrisburg has offered to give to South Dundas community an outdoor theater at the Waterfront Park. The gesture is Mr. Cruickshank's way of thanking the community for their support over the past 50 years. The construction company will assume all of the costs of the theater which is an open air concept. The design will be an oval grass seating area with a stage at the centre.

The first annual walk-a-thon in memory of Tanya Hill was held in Morrisburg. Tanya was killed in a car accident earlier in the year. The first walk attracted over 60 people. The proceeds of the event all went to CHEO where Tanya spent time as a child when she was growing up.

The United Church in Iroquois held a fashion show and Tea at their church. The show featured a number of items from local retailers and was a tremendous success as well as fun.

The South Dundas budget for 2006 was held at a modest 2 percent increase. The budget also featured some new initiatives for the community such as the Dollar for Dollar program.

The South Dundas Chamber of Commence hosted their annual trade show at the Morrisburg arena. Building on its past success the trade show attracted a record number of participants and visitors to its weekend show.

The Seaway District High School computing team placed 17th in a provincial competition held in Toronto.

The South Dundas Soccer Association kicked off another great season as over 640 soccer players took to the field. The soccer association has captured the imagination of the entire South Dundas community. The successful soccer association began with 33 players ten years ago and has never stopped growing.

Workers at the Iroquois pallet plant, Iroquois Enterprises have voted to go out on a strike, demanding more job security and higher wages. The short lived difference of opinion between management and their union was resolved after talks between the two sides.

Planning for a grand celebration of the modern day Seaway is in the works. The Queen of England came to Iroquois in 1958 to open the Seaway and anniversary organizers are going to be asking the Queen to return for the 50th anniversary in 2008.

Smokers in South Dundas are getting ready to deal with the Smoke Free Ontario Act. The Act is expected to come into effect on May 31 and will prohibit all smoking in public buildings including outside areas of buildings that have an attached roof or covering.

Seaway Distrcit High School students celebrated Hick Day with fun and information. They held a cow chip bingo as well as looked at tractors that a few students brought to school that day.

The Relay for Life was a success in South Dundas. The Seaway District High School held their own version of the provincial event and attracted a track full of cancer survivors and cancer victim supporters.

South Dundas Councillor, Johnny Whitteker is spearheading a move to help local organizations deal with the proposed health regulations regarding prepared food. The councillor feels that the regulations could put an end to church suppers and local fund-raising activities.

The proposed waste water treatment plant in Morrisburg has received almost $7 million dollars in federal and provincial funding. This funding will allow the Township to continue to go ahead with plans to build the much needed water treatment facility to compliment their new water treatment plant.

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January 17 – Activity & Diabetes. Diabetes Community Information Session. Cafeteria, Lower Level at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. Speaker Sharon Saylor, Health Educator/Promoter for Physical Education of the EOHU.

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The Galop Canal marina is getting ready for another busy season. The marina already has 16 more seasonal customers up from the 13 that they had last year. The marina has installed two more power pedestals to accommodate their growing business.

The Township will be holding public meetings to explain to residents in Iroquois how their water rates will be configured. The cost of providing water to home users falls squarely on the shoulders of the end users thanks to provincial legislation.

The ice is out in local ice arenas as the Township gets ready for a summer season of recreational fun and competition. The many skaters and skating organizations took advantage of the last few weeks of winter to skate as much as they could before the ice was finally removed.

June

The South Dundas Regional Water Plant has opened. South Dundas Councillor, staff and federal and provincial officials were on hand at the new facility to officially open it and begin a new era in South Dundas. The plant will ensure that all residents who use the facility will have safe, clean drinking water for now and in the future. The water treatment plant is located behind the Morrisburg water tower.

Christyn Veinotte, from South Dundas donated all of her birthday money to the Ottawa Regional Cancer Centre. The Morrisburg resident donated $280 to the Centre. Christyn is ten years old.

Local Seaway District High School student, David Jones will be producing a special dvd to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway. Mr. Jones, a Grade 12 student will form a production company through the help of a "Summer Company" grant from the province.

The Upper Canada Playhouse is getting ready for their summer season with their production of a Norm Foster original called "The Love List." The Playhouse has enjoyed hit after hit and captured the imagination and support of the eastern Ontario theater and art community.

The new Iroquois Golf Club, clubhouse is open and ready for business. The construction of the clubhouse was aided by an army of volunteers, funds from the sale of the former clubhouse and support from the Township.

The St. Lawrence Rowing Club has officially launched the season and their organization at the Galop Canal Marina. This spring a rowing club was established at the Seaway District High School. Several rowing clubs have helped out the new club with donations of shells, oars and rowing machines.

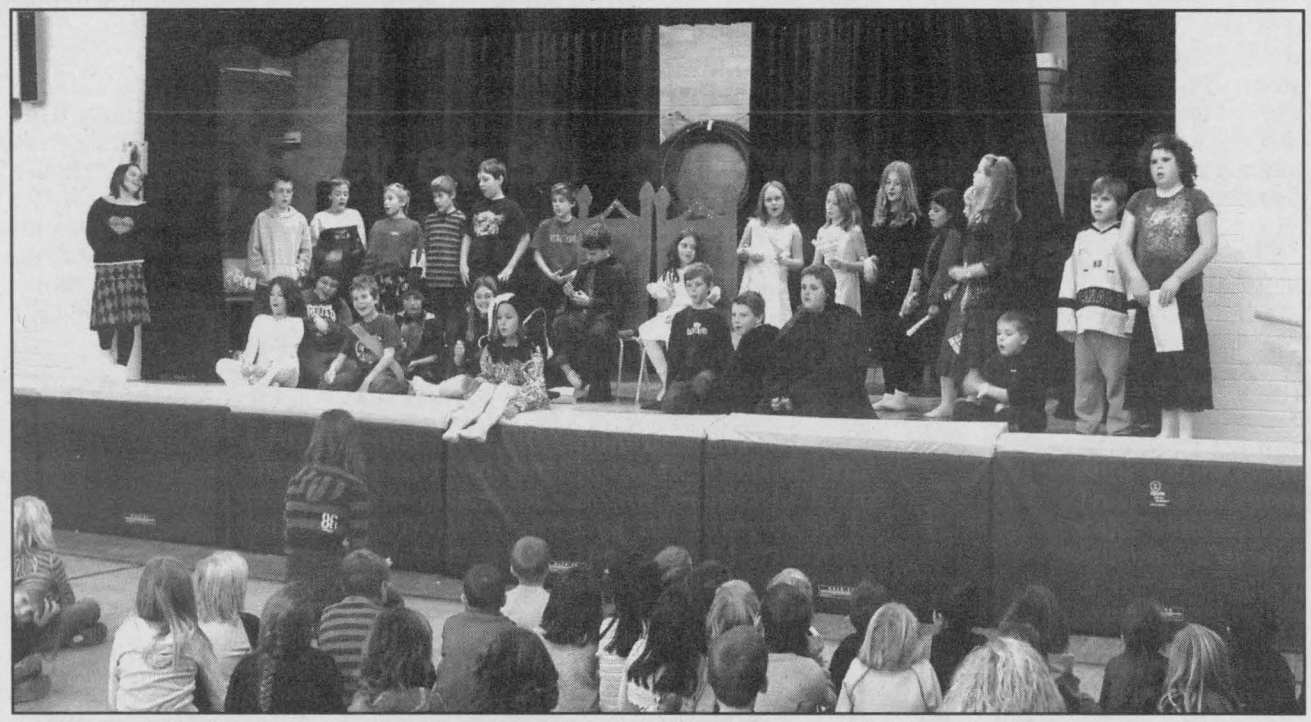
The Galop Canal revitalization Committee in a partnership withe Iroquois Legion will be hosting their very first Trivia night. The event to be held at the Legion is one of many fundraiser the committee will be holding to fund-raise for their project.

Teresa Cassell will be participating in the Weekend to End Breast Cancer in Ottawa. She is collecting money for the cause, and has been in training for the 60 km walk for several months.

The entire village of Iroquois along with family members and residents from across Dundas County held a special commemorative service at Iroquois Point in memory of the five firefighters who died one night as they went out on duty.

The Air Cadets came to Iroquois to help spruce up the mural at Iroquois Point. The cadets had picked the mural as their spring project.

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Students at the Iroquois Public School got into the Christmas spirit with a Christmas play.



Students at the Iroquois Public School rounded off their Christmas week theme with a school-wide talent show.



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The Red Hatters stopped in Iroquois at the Legion Hall for lunch. The group from Morrisburg and Iroquois also enjoyed singing and dancing provided by their membership.

The Canada goose problem along the St. Lawrence and in the various community parks along the St. Lawrence River was brought to the attention of south Dundas Councillors at the last council meeting. The geese like to take a break and reast along the banks of the river which includes golf courses and picnic areas.

Jeff Beaupre of Beaupre Jewelers was busy putting up Canada day flags in front of every merchant at the Iroquois Mall. The national birthday celebration is a special one in Iroquois taking place at the Iroquois Point.

The Iroquois-Matilda Lion's Club hosted their annual Golf Classic at the Iroquois Golf Club. The event was successful with attendance up and great weather. The new clubhouse setting was perfect for the fundraiser.

July

Canada Day at Iroquois Point was a fantastic birthday bash. The traditional trip to the Canada Day celebrations ended with of course, fireworks. The day was spiced with good food, the Lion's Club chicken barbecue, local entertainment and soccer games courtesy of the south Dundas Soccer Association.

Morrisburg held their own annual Canada Day celebrations with soccer, fireworks, entertainment and great food. The Morrisburg Fire Department looked after the fireworks.

It was only the beginning of summer and already the South Dundas Minor Hockey Association had started to hold registration. This was their first round of registration events.

The Dundas County Hospice hosted their annual fundraiser at the Sandy Row Golf Course. Fifteen teams made up of four golfers a team took to the course enjoying a fine day of golf and a great meal after.

The Sandy Row Golf Course was busy with the Travis Dumoulin Golf Tournament. This was the 7th tournament to be held in memory of Travis Dumoulin. Over 160 golfers took part in the tournament. Another 50 people arrived for the dinner. The money raised for charity was $12,148.

Friends and family of Scott Van't Foort have started to plan for a memorial project that will see schools built with money raised on behalf of Scott Van't Foort. Scott, a student at the Seaway District High School was killed in a car accident in 2003.

The Morrsiburg Lions Club donated $1,000 to Volley for Cancer and another $1,000 to firefighters. The Club have been giving to the cancer fundraiser for the past 12 years.

Car enthusiasts in Prescott were able to enjoy the 19th annual Prescott Classic Car Show. The event brought in over a 100 cars for people to look at.

The Battle of Crysler's farm was restaged and was an exciting victory for re-enactors. This living history lesson has become a favorite for South Dundas residents as well as tourists who travel to Crysler farm to watch.

The summer Festival in Iroquois continued with the "Fun in the Sun" event held in the village. This year most of the activities took place at Haldane Park with dancing up at the Iroquois Plaza. The festival was threatened a few times by stormy weather but in the end the fun never stopped.

The Galop Canal revitalization Committee unveiled its new website. The site will ultimately show residents the history of the canal and the present and past of Iroquois and the St. Lawrence Seaway.

The newly elected Conservative government chose Cornwall as a great place to hold their summer caucus retreat. The get together will take place in August.

The Iroquois Recreation Committee has reaffirmed its plan to renovate the beach house at the Iroquois beach.The South Dundas Council was told about continuing efforts by the committee to secure funding for the project.

The South Dundas council has moved forward with their plan to do as much paving in Iroquois and in Morrisburg as their paving budget will allow. The council had originally wanted to wait for more information to arrive about the condition of the water pipes under the streets in both villages before proceeding, but decided that there would be no better time than the present to get the work done.

The Annual "Matt's Ride" passed through Iroquois. Friends of Matt Krisjanis, who passed away in 2003, jammed th Iroquois Plaza with their motorcycles. This was the 4th time the ride has taken place.

The Iroquois United Church held their annual Vacation Bible School. The week long event provides fun and instruction to children from all over the area as well as from the Untied Church congregation.

August

The 36th annual Tubie Weekend was held much to delight of hundreds of participants. For the sixth time in eight years the Team Farlinger cruised to a win on Tubie race day with a time, this year, of 26 minutes and 28 seconds.

Upper Canada Village held their 1860's election. The recreation included lots of speeches, fun and some serious politics. The event was based on an actual election in 1[illegible] in the then province Canada.

The antique Car Club of Canada rolled into the Iroquois Legion Branch 370 for a meal and a chance to mingle with each other for a few hours. There were close to 200 antique cars and drivers on the national tour the club makes each year.

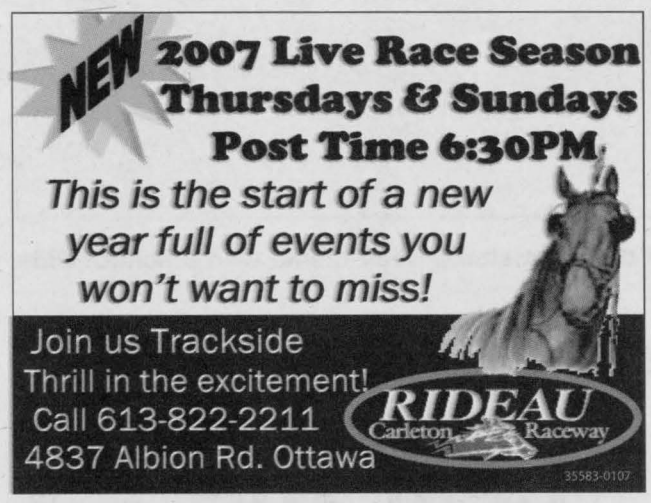
A number of factors combined to work against local truss manufacturer, Hunt Builders and led to an announcement of its closure at the end of this year. Thirty-three employees found themselves laid off and more layoffs are to come.

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The midway at Iroquois Point on Canada Day was a busy place to be. Children had a great time playing on the different midway attractions including this giant rubber slide.

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South Dundas Councillor Sandra Bailey announced that she will be running for re-election in the South Dundas municipal elections in November. Ms. Bailey is concerned about property taxes as well as the way the council determines its decisions.

The Upper Canada Playhouse came up with another winner in their summer season line up with the performance of "Tom, Dick and Harry". The Playhouse continues to offer the best in live theater as each summer season they enjoy sold out performances.

The South Dundas Council has given the green light to their Dollar for Dollar program. The program allows community groups to apply for funding from the Township under the condition that the group involved is willing to raise an equal amount on their own from the community.

The fate of the Iroquois Golf Club appeared to be a little more positive as they signed a three-year lease with the Township. The club will be paying the Township each month in an attempt to pay down its debt.

The Volley For Cancer event took place in Morrsiburg at the Waterfront Park. More than 52 teams participated.

September

Marj Kempffer of Cardinal was selected as the Citizen of the Year. The award is given to a resident

The Upper Canada Village hosted their annual quilt show.

Fifty different quilts were on display at the village's Family Activity Centre Representatives from the Common Thread Quilt Guild, Cornwall Quilters Guild, Upper Canada Quilters Guild, Upper Canada Quilters Guild and the Thousand Island Quilters Guild were all on hand to show their handiwork

Clear Cut Installations celebrated 20 years of business in Dundas County. Steve Caza the owner and operator of the familiar window and renovation business started out in 1989. Since then he has never looked back. His main office is located in South Mountian.

The new Iroquois Golf Course hosted an art show. The clubhouse is successfully making its building a going concern for the entire Dundas community as well as golfers. Four local artists displayed their work. On had were: Christine and Paul Hillier, Eva Neron and Dawna LeBlanc.

Max Keeping swung by the Iroquois Golf Club to take part at the CHEO fundraiser. Mr. Keeping had come to Iroquois to accept the donation from the 8th Annual CHEO Fund-raising Tournament which raised $11,365.25.

The village of Cardinal turned out to celebrate Labour Day with a weekend of fun.

There was a Labour Day parade as well as a mixed slow pitch tournament followed by a dance at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 105. There was a barbecue that included live entertainment.

Peter Swank of Iroquois decided to throw his hat into the political ring. He will be running for the position of Councillor in the upcoming November municipal elections.

The Mayor of South Dundas is not ready to call it quits yet. Lyle Van Allen has decided that he will offer himself for the mayor's spot at the South Dundas Council table in the November municipal election.

The South Dundas Council has taken on the United Counties in launching an appeal of the Counties' official plan.

The move came as a result of a difference of opinion about what kind of official plan will be best for the municipality.

The mayor and Councillors feel that a home grown official plan designed specifically for South Dundas should take precedence over an official plan conceived in Cornwall by the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

The St. Lawrence Manufacturing Company was finally stripped down to just a shell as the equipment was finally all auctioned off and shipped overseas.

New and old students attending the Seaway District High School arrived on time to start a new year.

The 15th Annual Terry Fox run took place in Morrisburg. $6,675 was raised. This year the Morrisburg Scouts joined in for their first Terry Fox run hooking up with the Willamsburg Scouts.

Veteran South Dundas Councillor Charles Barkley has tossed his hat into the political ring taking on his friend and the Mayor Lyle Van Allen. Mr. Barkley is running for the mayor's position at the South Dundas Council table.

Iroquois Public School held an open house and book fair. Parents were welcomed to the school to meet their children's teachers and to check out their classrooms.

This past Sunday and Monday a number of local physicians from the St. Lawrence Medical Clinic attended the 2006 Health Professionals Recruitment Tour held in Ottawa and Kingston.

The third annual "Casey at Bat" Tournament was held in Williamsburg over the weekend. Baseball teams from as far away as Quyon and as close as Williamsburg took part in the tournament There were about 400 people in attendance. The proceeds of the tournament are turned over to the Seaway District High School to be used as bursaries.

October

The Hartford Retirement Centre hosted their second Open Door event. The day featured a great performance by Elvis Presley impersonator, Dan Burgess.

The Iroquois Business Group has decided to take advantage of a plan to have their own website as part of the South Dundas website.

Delbert Jones has decided to run for a spot as councillor on the South Dundas Council.

Close to a hundred cubs from Mallorytown to Morrisburg including cubs from North Grenville and Oxford Mills converged on Camp Sheldrick just east of Winchester Springs on the weekend.

Scouts Canada held an open house at Stampville. In order to let local children and parents know about the benefits of he Scouting movement, the 1st. Iroquois Group held the open house.

The Upper Canada MigratoryBird Sanctuary held their 16 th. Annual Waterfowl Day. The event was a success despite cloudy skies and some rain.

The Seaway District High School held their 2006 graduation ceremonies. This was the first time that the graduation was held in the evening.

The South Dundas Council has given the go ahead in principal for a committee made up of local stakeholders to review how to enhance tourism in South Dundas.

Guy Lauzon, the MP for Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry has been acclaimed as the next conservative candidate in the next federal election.

Three members of the Morrisburg Skating club excelled at the Autumn Skate competition held at the Jim Durell Arena in Ottawa.

The skaters are: Meghan Adams, Gillian Beatson and Jesssica Thompson.

Young people in Iroquois have decided that they would like to ask the South Dundas Council for help in building a skateboard park in their community.

The 2006 edition of the Charity Ball Tournament for the Dundas County Easter Seal Society was a success at the Williamsburg outdoor hockey rink. The rainy weather did little to stop the 60 ball hockey players from having a great time.

Trevor Redmond, from Vancouver is walking his way across Canada in an attempt raise awareness about cancer. By the time Trevor walked into the Iroquois Plaza he had walked 5,067 kilometers or 6,754,311 steps. He was headed east towards Morrisburg after a brief stop.

Spencerville egg farmer Shawn Carmichael pleaded guilty in a Brockville Provincial Court on October 4, to five charges under the provincial Farm Products Marketing Act. The guilty plea was part of a deal reached by Carmichael and the EFO.

A dance to raise funds for the Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind was held at the Morrisburg Legion. The event was organized by Pat Hall Beckstead and her husband Glenn Beckstead.

Hundreds of South Dundas voters jammed the Matilda Hall as the candidates for mayor had a chance to prove themselves. The event was sponsored by the South Dundas Chamber of Commence The meeting was moderated by Gerry Morrell.

The Iroquois Public School has had great success with their movie night event. A deal with Criterion Pictures has already been paid for through the movies and now all of he proceeds of the family movie night at the school will go towards projects at the school.

The Iroquois Legion Branch 370 is selling red t-shirts as a sign of support for Canadian troops in Afghanistan. Legion members are hoping that every Friday Canadians will chose to wear a red t-shirt or anything else that is red as a sign of support.

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Sports

New Years Gala raises money for local sports organizations

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A large number of minor soccer and minor hockey supporters enjoyed a terrific New Years Gala event at the operating engineers in order to welcome in 2007.

The event, which was organized by Randy and Carol Chesbro, aimed to provide an evening of dancing and celebration while at the same time supporting two important organizations in the area. "The South Dundas Soccer Association and the South Dundas Minor Hockey Association provide great programming for almost 900 children in our community," stated Randy Chesbro. "All the proceeds from this event will be shared by these two groups."

Randy and Carol Chesbro have been involved for a number of years with both organizations and the fundraiser was a volunteer effort which was much appreciated. Candace Menges, the president of the South Dundas Soccer Association, was full of praise for the Chesbros. "This event represents a tremendous amount of work, and the soccer association is very grateful. The Chesbros have done so much to help make the soccer program successful in our community."



Randy and Carol Chesbro's band, Rogue, provided the entertainment for the Gala fundraiser held New Year's Eve at the Operating Engineers.
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Gary Hart, as past president of the South Dundas Minor Hockey Association, also expressed his gratitude to the Chesbros for their efforts on behalf of the hockey association. "We appreciate all the hard work they have done for minor hockey, especially organizing this event."

The evening's entertainment was provided by the Chesbro's band, Rogue. The band has been playing great music in the area for almost 4 years. Along with the great dance music the evening was enhanced by party favours, balloons and a midnight spread.

Wine was provided for a midnight toast as the party goers welcomed in the New Year.

Peewee B Lions win C Championship

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

The South Dundas Lions won the C Championship in an exciting shoot out against South Grenville at a tournament played on December 28.

The Lions participated in a six team tournament hosted by the South Stormont Minor Hockey Association which included teams from Alexandria, South Grenville, Cornwall, Long Sault, and the Cobden area Muskrat Voyageurs.

The Lions played their first game against the Alexandria team. Although they had many chances, the Lions were unable to defeat the Glens, and the final score of the game was 4 to 0 for the team from Alexandria. Curtis Brandt was in nets for the Lions.

The Lions played their second game against the Muskrat Voyageurs. The final score of the game was 6 to 1 for the Voyageurs. The Lions' lone goal was scored by Brandon Mullin in the third period. John Gilmer and Curtis Brandt played nets in this game.

The C Championship game was a very tightly fought match between the South Grenville Rangers and the Lions. The Lions opened the scoring on a goal by Jason Gallinger from Brian van Moorsel in the first period. The South Grenville team tied the game early in the second period, but Brody Casselman scored with help from Brian van Moorsel to put the Lions up 2 to 1. South Grenville, however, tied up the game before the period was out. In the third, the Rangers scored to go up 3 to 2 against the Lions, but Brian van Moorsel scored with the assistance of Jeff McLaughlin to tie the game.

Two overtime periods were played in order to break the tie, but neither team managed to score. The game was determined by a shoot out. Five players from each team faced off against their opponent's goalies. In this initial shoot out, Curtis Brandt stopped all but one of the South Grenville players. Dillon Lapier scored for the Lions so the game was determined by sudden death shots. Curtis Brandt stopped two South Grenville shots, while Jeff McLaughlin scored for the Lions, giving them the championship.

Local Skaters attend Mariposa event

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

A number of local skaters were excited to take part in a Mariposa School of Skating event which was held in Athens on the weekend of December 20 and 21. When asked what was so special about this event, the mother of one of the skaters, Nancy Beatson, explained, "It is the ultimate skating school! It is in fact an internationally-renowned skating school... skaters from all over the world converge on Barrie, Ontario each summer for the famous 1-week session held there. The lucky get to attend the 8-week summer-long program."

This was the first time Athens had hosted such an event and it proved attractive with skaters from as far away as Toronto and Quebec. Skaters from the Morrisburg and District Skating Club who attended the event included Megan Adams, Gillian Beatson, Teisha Mullin, Tyler Mullin, Logan Patterson, Brady Rochon, Kaila VanHoof, and Alisha VanHoof.

The seminars, which were opened to all interested skaters, included both off-ice and on-ice components. The off-ice components featured sessions on dance, sports psychology, physiotherapy, and fitness for figure skaters. The on-ice portion of the event included instruction for jumps, spins, footwork, edges, and field movements. The two day seminar also had sessions for parents to help them understand that any child can become successful and reach personal figure skating goals regardless of how they look, how rich they are, how athletic they are, or where they were born. Doug Leigh, who conducted this session, is the coach of such famous skaters as Brian Orser and Elvis Stojko. He used Elvis Stojko of an example of a figure skater who became a world champion despite the fact that he is not constructed like a typical figure skater. This parent session was entitled "Mental Toughness" and it lasted two hours.

All the on-ice sessions were led by internationally renowned coaches including Doug Leigh who has 37 years experience, as well as Lee Barkell who coached Jeff Buttle, and Jennifer Robinson who was a six time Canadian Champion.

The Mariposa School of Skating offers expert training at all levels from beginner to World and Olympic calibre skaters. The school was established in 1973 in Orillia, Ontario and moved to Barrie in 1988. It was designed to offer the best facilities and coaching which would stimulate growth and learning in competitive Figure Skating. The facility consists of a sixteen acre campus and located on this is a secondary school, an Olympic size and one North American size ice rink, swimming pool, off-ice conditioning area and administration offices.

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November

Twelve candidates for a councillor seat in South Dundas had an opportunity to influence voters at the second of two all candidates meetings at the Matilda Hall. There was great attendance and despite the number of candidates that spoke voters were happy for the chance to hear them all speak.

The local Scouting movement in South Dundas kicked off the annual Legion Branch 370 poppy blitz.

Iroquois' Ross Video was awarded a Gemini for their outstanding technical achievement. The award was handed out at the 21st Annual Gemini Industry Gala for the Open Gear Multi Definition Terminal Equipment platform.

The Knox Presbyterian Church held their annual and popular fall rummage sale. The event was held at the Iroquois Civic Centre.

The event was organized by Mryna Van Beilen and Bill Barnhart along with a legion of volunteers.

The Iroquois Legion Branch 370 held their Remembrance Day services on November 5. The Legion had plans to hold the November 11 Remembrance Day at the Matilda Community Hall. In Iroquois a parade was held ending at the Iroquois cenotaph. After the ceremony refreshments and a light meal was offered to visitors back at he Legion Hall.

The South Dundas County Christmas Exchange began to gear up for another Christmas season. The Christmas Exchange provides a good traditional Christmas dinner to the less fortunate in South Dundas.

The Morrisburg Legion hosted a visit from the Amazing Grannies. The purpose of the event was to raise awareness and money for those dealing withe consequences of the AIDS epidemic in Africa.

The Anglican Church Women of St. John the Baptist held their Annual Lunch and Bazaar and Sale. The event is the ACW's biggest fundraiser of the year and it provides them with the funds to put forward for the repairs at the Church and other good deeds in the community.

The November municipal election saw a record 59.9 percent of South Dundas voters asking for a complete change in their council. Voted in a Mayor was Charles Barkley, Deputy Mayor was Robert Gillard. The three new councillors were James Graham, Steven Byvelds and Del Jones.

Plans for a new business to replace the St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation Plant in Iroquois were rumored to be about to be made public. In the end Marimac, a Montreal and Cornwall based company, announced that it would buy the empty St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation building and begin producing comforters

The Iroquois Legion Branch 370 held their Annual Awards Dinner. Selected as Legionnaire of the year was Legion Padre Len Roberts.

Green Field Ethanol, Canada's leading ethanol producer will be holding meetings in Chesterville about their proposed new plant in Prescott.

The Seaway District High School Global Outreach Team has put together another successful Operation Christmas Child. Over 115 shoe sized boxes were filled with goodies for children in third world countries.

The Township of Edwarsburgh-Cardinal has a new mayor. Incumbent Peggy Taylor was ousted by Larry Dishaw.

The Eastern Ontario Health Unit has announced that they will be handing out flu shots over the next few weeks. The shots will be made available in Iroquois, Morrisburg and Williamsburg.



Santa Claus comes to Iroquois

The Iroquois Recreation Committee has asked the Township to set up a special bank account for the committee's fundraisng. The Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club donated $10,000 to the recreation committee for their project of renovating the Iroquois Beach House.

The Upper Canada Playhouse Christmas Auction was a huge success. The event was held at the Matilda Hall. Every table was sold out for the evening.

The Morrisburg and District Arts and Crafts Association held their annual sale at the Morrisburg Legion. Twenty-four local crafters were on hand to showcase their products.

Canadian Tire in Morrisburg received a letter of congratulations from the president of he Canadian Tire Foundation for Families complimenting the store for their participation of 'Jump Start'. The program directly helped 160 children become more physically active.

The Stampville Seniors Centre hosted their Heart and Stroke Craft Sale and Silent Auction. Thirty-seven local crafters took part in the event. Around $2,000 was raised for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Upper Canada's Alight at Night Festival opened up for the Christmas season. This is the sixth year the event has been held and is better than ever.

December

The Galop Canal RevitalizationCommittee, staged an open house at the Iroquois Legion Branch 370. The open house was a perfect time for the committee to show all of the accomplishments that they have achieved on their way to revitalizing the Galop Canal.

Santa Claus came by Morrisburg on the weekend, spreading Christmas cheer and fun. Santa had a parade with a great number of entertaining floats.

The Marimac Group, one of the fastest growing manufacturers and distributors of home furnishings in North America has started their plans to re-open the former St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation Plant in Iroquois. Marimac in partnership with the Caldwell Action Centre and government employment held a two-day job fair in Iroquois. They were looking for at least 120 new employees to kick-start their first shift at the plant.

Area Lions Clubs are marshalling and focusing their fundraising efforts on two-year old Caylen Laberge. Caylen was a victim of an accident that left him with one eye and severe damage to his arm and mouth and face. The Lions have decided to take on the task of raising $100,000 for the continued surgery necessary to help Caylen make the transition from child to adult.

The St. Lawrence Rowing Club has been in existence in Iroquois for the past year. This December the fledgling rowing club held their first Annual General Meeting at the McIntosh Country Inn.

The newly elected South Dundas Council took their place around the council table. The new mayor and councilors were all sworn in. After the swearing in ceremonies, the new Council enjoyed an informal hour or so where they met with friends and family.

Santa Clause came by Iroquois on Saturday, December 9. The Iroquois Fire Department drove Santa into the Iroquois Plaza accompanied by the O.P.P.

The cavalcade traveled to Santa's workshop where a group of eager children were waiting. Seaway District High School students played Christmas music and the Iroquois Legion Branch 370 arranged for wagon rides for all of the children and their parents. Candy and goodies were provided by the Iroquois Business Group. The tractor and hay wagon from the Legion were donated by Charles and Donald Barkley.

Morrisburg T. J. Leger students got into the musical Christmas spirit and performed at the Hartford Retirement Centre. The dynamic group of musicians are part of the T.R Leger Guitar Club.

Bill Ewing has taken over as the new Chair of the Iroquois Recreation Association. Mr. Ewing is a long-time resident of South Dundas, a former South Dundas councillor.

Dixon's Corners Public School student wins a Christmas Card competition. MPP Jim Brownell presented student Tiffany Visser with a special plaque that showed her prize winning Christmas card. The card was special because of the words that Tiffany used, in English and French.

Hockey and education teamed up last week in Cardinal to deliver a day of fun and learning to students at Benson Public School.

South Grenville High School hockey players helped with lessons as Benson students studied reading, writing, mathematics and science with a hockey theme.

The South Dundas Peewee C Lions girls team traveled to Pembroke on the weekend of December 8, 9, and 10 to take part in the Silver Stick Tournament.

The Circle of Excellence award was given out to Lynn Hill, General Manager and Administrator of the Hartford Retirement Centre in Morrisburg.

Bantam House Lions A Champions

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

In a tournament played over the holidays, the South Dundas Bantam House team defeated North Dundas in the Championship game to become A Champions.

The tournament was hosted by the Kemptville Panthers and was held on December 28. Five teams took part in the tourney including the Lions, the Panthers, the North Dundas Demons, the Smith Falls Bears, and a team from St. Isidore, Quebec.

In their first game of the day, the South Dundas Lions were matched up against the Smith Falls Bears. The Lions opened the scoring in the first period on an unassisted goal by the team's captain, Stephen Gellner. The Bears came back to tie the game less than two minutes later with what proved to be their only goal of the game. The Lions scored twice more in the first to end the period 3 to 1 against the Bears.

The second Lions' goal was scored by Kyle Saunders with assists going to Robert Zandberegen and Sam Plamondon. The third goal was another unassisted goal by Stephen Gellner.

In the second period the Lions' Jared Gibson scored from Philip German and Eric Heldens, and then Stephen Gellner scored with help from Nick Tupper. The third period saw two more Lions' goals. Stephen Gellner scored his fourth goal of the game with assists from Nick Tupper and Kyle Saunders, and Derek Hutt scored with help from Donovan Hogan. Ryan Gilmer was in nets for South Dundas. The final score of the game was 7 to 1.

The Lions met the team from St. Isidore in their second game of the day. The game ended in a 1 all tie, with the lone Lions' goal being scored by Kyle Saunders with assistance from Eric Heldens and Philip German. Tyler Kelly was in nets for South Dundas.

The Lions met the North Dundas Demons in the A championship game which was played at 4 pm. The Demons opened the scoring in the first with just 2:43 seconds left to play in the period, but the Lions' captain, Stephen Gellner, scored an unassisted goal to tie the game before the buzzer rang to herald the second period. In the second, the Lions scored to put the South Dundas team up 2 to 1. This goal was scored by Eric Heldens with the assist going to Stephen Gellner. The North Dundas team tied the game, and then got the go ahead goal to put them up 3 to 2 before the second period finished.

Stephen Gellner scored an unassisted short-handed goal in the third to tie up the game, and with just 19 seconds left on the clock Kyle Saunders scored the winning goal with help from Stephen Gellner and Dustin Blok.

Ryan Gilmer was in nets for the Championship game.

MPP Guy Lauzon reflects on 2006

As we ready ourselves to celebrate the holiday season and the close of the year, I think it important to reflect on what has been accomplished in 2006. This summer, Canada's New Government continued to get things done for Canada including:

• The successful evacuation of over 14,000 Canadians from Lebanon.

• Announced a new $25 million Lebanon Relief Fund, which builds on a previous $5.5 million allocation to assist with recovery and stabilization.

• Held consultations and discussions across the country on restoring the fiscal balance.

• Lowered the GST from 7% to 6%, and delivered over $20 billion in tax relief for individuals.

• Delivered tax credits to help Canadian families; including: Children fitness tax credit of up to $500 for physical fitness programs; Tax credit on the costs of books of about $80 for a typical post-secondary student; $2,000 tax credit for employers who hire apprentices; The new Canada Employment Credit – a tax credit on employment income of up to $500.

• Began delivering the Universal Child Care Benefit cheques - $100 a month for every child under 6 years of age.

• Apologised for the head tax imposed on Chinese immigrants, and announced symbolic payments of $20,000 to living head tax payers and the spouses of deceased payers.

• Demonstrated our commitment to getting tough on crime through round tables across the country.

• Made communities safer by arming Border Officers.

• Delivered a major investment of nearly $200 million over two years for RCMP training and recruitment.

• Delivered on our commitment to action on transportation security – providing $133 million over two years in new funding to the Canadian Air Transport Security Authority, and $26 million to further develop air cargo security.

• Reaffirmed our commitment to Arctic sovereignty.

• Made significant investments in Canada's armed forces: new ships ($12.5 million), trucks ($1.2 billion), helicopters ($2 billion), and aircrafts ($8.3 billion).

• Provided unwavering support for our troops in Afghanistan.

• Negotiated a softwood lumber deal supported by industry, all main producing provinces, and two national governments.

• Set aside nearly $1 billion in real compensation to those infected with Hepatitis C.



The Peewee C Girls hockey team travelled to Pembroke and won four games to end up in the A finals. The team is pictured here. In the front row is goaltender Megan Van Allen. In the second row from left to right are Syndey Hass, Bridgette Whitteker, Chelsey Tippins, Lily Streit, and Lesley Ann Tupper. In the third row are Allison Casselman (assistant coach), Randi Melenhorst, Geena Rose, Leah Wells, Michaela Morrow, Breanna Peters, Mikayla MacMillan, and Katie Beach. In the back row is coach Rob Casselman.

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Ontario's economic challenges important for long-term prosperity

/CNW/ - Ontario is calling on the federal government to step up and help address serious economic issues in Central Canada, following today's meeting of federal, provincial and territorial finance ministers in Vancouver.

"The economies in the northern and western regions of Canada are currently strong," Ontario Finance Minister Greg Sorbara said. "However, the economic challenges facing Ontario and Quebec, where more than 60% of Canadians live and work, are urgent. We need Ottawa at the table now."

While finding a solution to the Equalization problem remains an important goal, Sorbara reminded his colleagues that Ontario derives no benefit from this program, and carries a double burden.

The Ontario economy is growing more slowly than forecast at the time of the 2006 Ontario Budget, with the manufacturing and forestry sectors hardest hit.

These economic issues are compounded by more than a decade of unfair treatment for Ontarians as a result of broken federal-provincial fiscal machinery.

Morrisburg Curling Club News

The first league draw is over, and the Tuesday night men's champion team is made up of four members who will hopefully be announced next week, if I can get the information. The Thursday night competitive league competes all year, with playoffs that will decide the club championship in March. At this point, the team of Steve Boucher, Ron Beaupre, Mike Felker and Frank Lalonde has a narrow lead over the opposition. All leagues are underway again this week.

The Thursday Daytime Mixed League winner of the Bradford Trophy is the team of Don O'Brien, Len Bellamy, Bob Fortin and Cheryl Thompson. The championship game was a "colourful" one, with Neil Williams positioning his broom, at one point, beside one of his own rocks for a takeout. He maintains that he was busy talking to the other skip (Don O'Brien) and he didn't notice. (Pretty smooth, Don.) The league will have two short draws in the final half of the season to accommodate a large number of snowbirds and other travelers who will be away.

On Friday, our two top senior men's teams compete in Cornwall for the Parnell Cup. They are: Bob Bedingfield, Pete Zeran, Karl Duncan and Dave Salsman, the defending champions, along with Sid Morrell, Don O'Brien, Neil Williams and Raymond Benoit.

The latter eliminated John Lyon, Bill Magee, and Gerry and Steve Thompson for that second spot.

Saturday will see the Heart and Stroke Bonspiel return again, with two full draws, according to organizer Bob Ruddock. Should be a fun-filled day, for a good cause.

The Turkey Bonspiel was held on the Friday night before Christmas. Organizer Joe McCooeye reports that over forty curlers participated. The usual food and drink was available at appropriate times, and those taking part enjoyed an excellent event. There were games, of course, and a variety of novelty contests for those willing to try their skill. Winners of $25 gift certificates for Mike's Valu Mart were Ron Beaupre, Martin Schneckenburger and John Coady.

The Friday Night League did not declare a winner, but Joe assures us they will be at it again, beginning this week, with thirteen teams. Spares are always welcome. Skips for the first draw were Wendy Casselman, John Toonders, Wally McDonald, Ron Beaupre, Susan McIntosh, Keith Brannen, Nancy Skakum, John C. Toonders, Ian Wilson, Martin Schneckenburger, Joe McCooeye, and Mahlon Locke.

Walter Reid reports that the Fundraising Spiel, set for Saturday, January 20th, is filling up. Non-members are welcome as well, to this 6-end, pot-luck bonspiel. Draws are at 9:30 and 11:00, with the dinner and awarding of prizes at 5:00 p.m. There is a modest entry fee, and there will also be a huge silent auction. Profits go to the club, and will assist in building up a reserve fund for future major expenses. Hope to see you there!

In national curling news, we note that Sherry Anderson's team, from Saskatchewan, is the top women's money winner so far this year, closely followed by Jennifer Jones of Manitoba. (Sherry Middaugh of Ontario is sixth.) On the men's side, Kerry Burtnyk of Manitoba leads, followed by Kevin Martin of Alberta. (Glenn Howard of Ontario is third.)

An Ontario curling report warns that we need to diversify and work harder on attracting new members and maintaining current ones. Besides Hylands of Ottawa, Avonlea of Toronto and Dryden's clubs are closed. Finally, our best wishes for a rapid recovery to Ted Herriman, at home now after successful, surgery.

Good curling to all!

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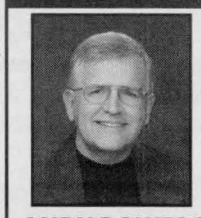
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DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT

ARCHIBALD: Jocelyn Fallis (nee Yule)

Died peacefully while at Lakeshore Lodge, Etobicoke, Ontario on Thursday, December 21, 2006, at the age of 83. Jocelyn will be sadly missed by her immediate family which included her three children and their spouses, Peter Archibald (Barbra), Jane Archibald (Andy Seaman), Joan Raymond (Bill), her eight grandchildren Dana Zuber, Nicole Antony, Alfie and Doug Seaman, Billy, Alex, Christopher and Andrew Raymond, her great-grandson Declan Zuber and her three nephews Bill, Gord and John McDiarmid. Predeceased by her husband Raymond Douglas Archibald, her parents William and Edna (nee Stidston) Yule, and sisters Edna Scott, Sylvia Eix and Joan McDiarmid. Jocelyn was a beautiful and vibrant person whose genuine interest in people and things touched all her family and many friends. Friends were received at the Turner and Porter Butler Chapel, 4933 Dundas St. W., Etobicoke (between Islington and Kipling Aves.) on Tuesday, December 26, 2006 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service was held at Islington United Church, 25 Burnhamthorpe Road, Etoicoke, on Wednesday, December 27, 2006 at 11 a.m. Interment Park Lawn Cemetery. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.



IN MEMORIAMS

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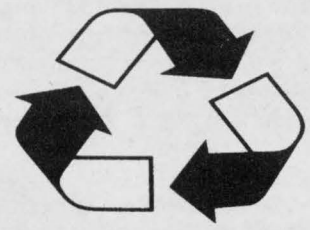
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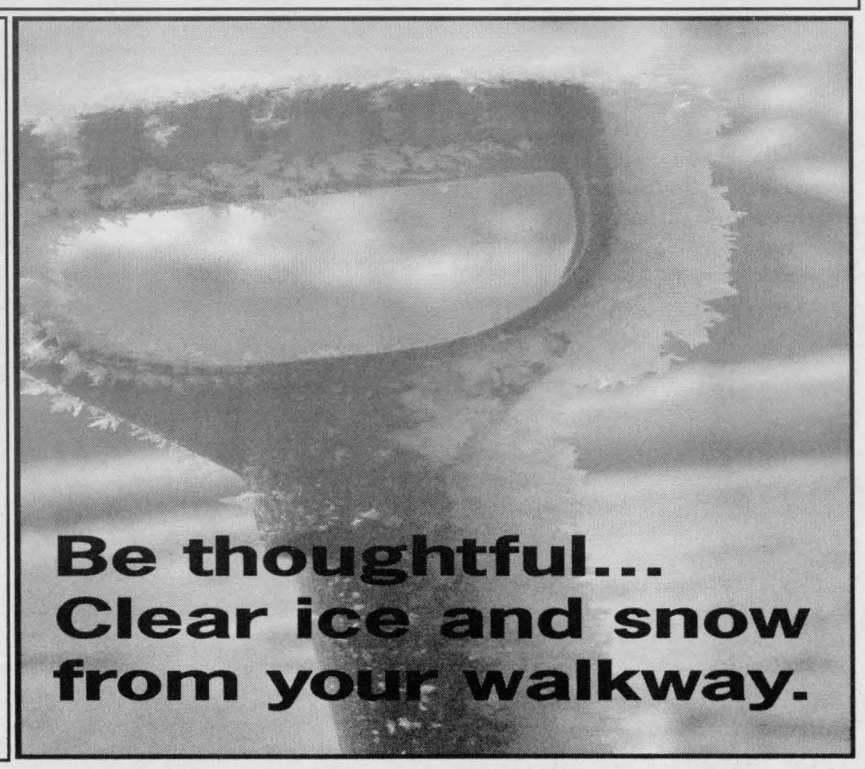
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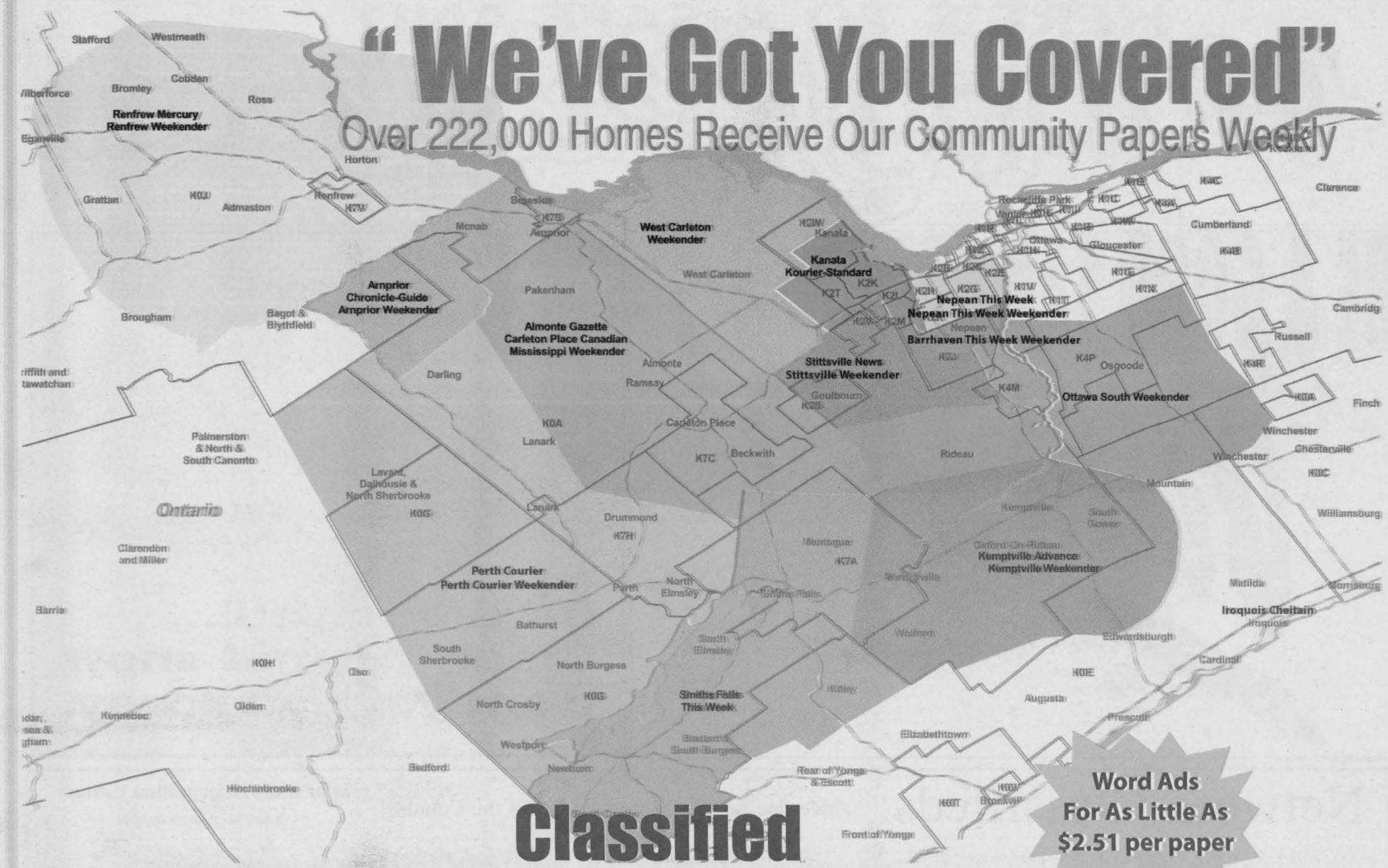
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