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New ISP serves up wireless

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

WINCHESTER — For the past year, Mobiletech Systems in Winchester has offered house calls for computer repairs and services. Now, as an Internet Service Provider (ISP), Mobiletech offers a full range of Internet connections. A ribbon cutting at Mobiletech inaugurated the new ISP on Nov. 30.

Mobiletech owner Tim Wade said that he sees the personal touch of being located in the village as his main strength. "You don't have to go through a whole elaborate phone system to get the answer to a question," he said. There are already ISPs serving Winchester and rural SD&G, however they aren't located in the rural community.

The Mobiletech ISP is being formed in partnership with Cornwall District Communications. CDC president Eric Covington explained to the audience at the ribbon cutting how their partnership came about.

"The biggest part of retail service is customer support," said Covington. "I think someone with their front door on Main Street, with standing in the community, can best serve the area."

Mobiletech now offers fibre-optic connections. CDC has agreements for use of fibre-optic networks installed by Regional Cablesystems and Cornwall Electric. Regional's network connects the villages in Dundas County, following county roads 2 and 43. Residents in the villages or along the county roads can easily connect to fibre. People living more that 150 metres from the fibre backbone can pay a small surcharge to extend the footage, or consider other means of getting on-line.

For homes "on a dirt road off a dirt road," wireless solutions might be most practical. Mobiletech has arranged to use the antenna tower at Acres Equipment in Winchester to transmit signals from clients outside the villages. Covington said that anyone who can see the tower while standing on their roof with a pair of binoculars can use it to get on-line.

Mobiletech will also offer dial-up and cable Internet service.

"The biggest part of retail service is customer support," said Covington. He acknowledged that while business clients often have the greatest demand for Internet service, residential clients often need the most support.

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Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation co-ordinator Kim MacLennan places another Christmas ball on a tree in the main visitors lobby at the hospital. Already, the Christmas Wish Tree Campaign has reached $29,000. The official lighting of the Wish Tree outside the hospital will take place on Friday evening at 5:30 pm. Press Photo — Gillespie

WDMH Wish Tree

Campaign effort reaches $29,000

by Lori Gillespie
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The Annual Christmas Wish Tree Campaign by the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation has already reached $29,000.

The campaign will light up on Friday night before the Winchester Parade of Lights, when the official tree lighting ceremony will be held.

Already, close to 1,000 Christmas balls decorate the five Christmas trees displayed in the main visitors lobby at the hospital. With each donation that is made, for whatever amount, a card is attached to a Christmas ball and hung on one of the trees. Each card includes the donor's name, and many are in memory of a loved one, which is also specified on the card.

Donor cards were mailed to every home in the hospital's catchment area. Donations can be mailed to the hospital, or dropped off there.

WDMH Foundation co-ordinator Kim MacLennan said last year's total amount raised was $59,900, far surpassing the $50,000 target. This year's goal is $60,000.

"But every donation to the hospital is good," she added.

The official lighting ceremony will begin at 5:15 pm in front of the hospital, with carolling by the Dundas County Players. The ceremony will get under way at 5:30 pm, with foundation chair Dwayne Holmes, hospital administrator André Rodier, board chair Brian Mann and Dr. Chuck Adamson participating. WDMH pastoral care leader Robin Lane will say a prayer.

A giant Christmas tree will be lit by the officials.

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Here comes Santa Claus

WINCHESTER — In just two days the streets of the village will be lit up by the fifth annual Winchester Country Christmas Parade of Lights. As in past years, there will be farm implements covered in little white lights, colorful floats cleverly decorated in lights and ornaments, horses with twinkling harnesses and so much more.

In its fifth year, the Parade of Lights has become a tradition for those in North Dundas Township and from far and wide. Each year, thousands of people crowd into the village to witness the popular parade. The parade will be held on Fri., Dec. 7, beginning at 7 pm.

This year's edition will not disappoint. There are plenty of new entries, along with many old favorites. Entrants have been working for weeks to prepare their floats.

SOMETHING MISSING

Parade of Lights committee chair John Adams said that, while this year's parade is going to be as big and as great as all the others, there is something missing this year.

Committee member Joel Steele, who has been a driving force behind the Parade of Lights since its inception and has been involved with Winchester Christmas parades for the past 25 years, is not able to participate this year due to severe illness.

Adams said he will be missed.

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Metcalfe industry enrages neighbors

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

METCALFE — Metcalfe residents have been angry and worried since learning last month that an industrial neighbor, Northcast, was building a mammoth new building without an approved site plan or a building permit. Citizens are concerned over how the new factory might impact their properties and the local environment.

A crowd of more than 30 people living near the new manufacturing plant attended a public meeting last Tuesday (Nov. 27) to hear what councillor Doug Thompson had been doing on their behalf in Ottawa.

"I'm not sure how the system failed," said Thompson, "or how it failed to operate soon enough." Municipal staff in Ottawa weren't aware that Northcast had started building illegally until early September, when the new structure was substantially complete.

Northcast opened in Metcalfe in 1999 and manufactures specialty concrete paving tiles. Northcast is part of the Precast Group of Companies, which includes Central Precast Inc. and Utility Structures Inc. in Nepean, and M-Con Products Inc. in Carp. Together, the four companies form one of the largest precast concrete product producers in Canada.

At last week's meeting, residential neighbors of Northcast said they first noticed in June that the company was constructing a new building. The new building is designed to be 40,000 square feet and is scheduled to begin operations in February 2002. According to Northcast, when the facility is completed, it will be one of the largest and most modern plants of its type in North America.

Many residents are furious since learning that Northcast didn't file a site plan with the City of Ottawa until Sept. 13. Thompson explained that this original site plan application was incomplete, and Northcast was informed of this within 12 days.

However, Thompson said that Northcast didn't immediately resubmit a complete site plan and continued work on its new facility. On Nov. 8 the company applied to the city for a building permit. The permit was denied because a building permit cannot be issued without first having a site plan approved.

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Dialysis unit aims for fall opening

by Lori Gillespie
Press staff

WINCHESTER — "Tonight is a celebration because an important project for the community and the hospital is much closer than it ever was before," said Winchester District Memorial Hospital administrator André Rodier.

There was reason to celebrate at WDMH on Tues., Nov. 27 — the hemodialysis fund has surpassed its goal of $300,000 and is ready for the next stage.

Rodier told the group gathered in the cafeteria that the meeting had been organized with two objectives: first, to bring closure to the fundraising for the dialysis satellite unit, and secondly to introduce representatives from the Ottawa Hospital nephrology program.

"When we were given authorization from the Ministry of Health for the dialysis satellite unit, the government said it would provide the operating funds through the Ottawa Hospital, and the equipment," Rodier explained. "But we would have to contribute 50 per cent of the construction cost. The hospital foundation committed to raising $300,000."

Foundation chair Dwayne Holmes recalled the date a year ago, when the foundation was asked if it could raise $300,000. "It was daunting," he said. "Fortunately we had Kim MacLennan to help, and we thank her for all of her work on the campaign."

Holmes also thanked the hospital auxiliary, which helped with fundraising for the dialysis unit and continued its fundraising for other equipment in the hospital.

He thanked area Lions clubs for their commitment to raising $50,000 for the project, as well as Oddfellows lodges, the local Royal Canadian Legion, snowmobile clubs, seniors groups and firefighters. There were also fundraising events held, such as ball tournaments and a river rally. As well, businesses, banks, and stores in the area collected money for the purpose.

"It all comes down to the individuals," Holmes said. "Caring individuals in this community made the difference, and I thank every individual in this community who contributed in some way."

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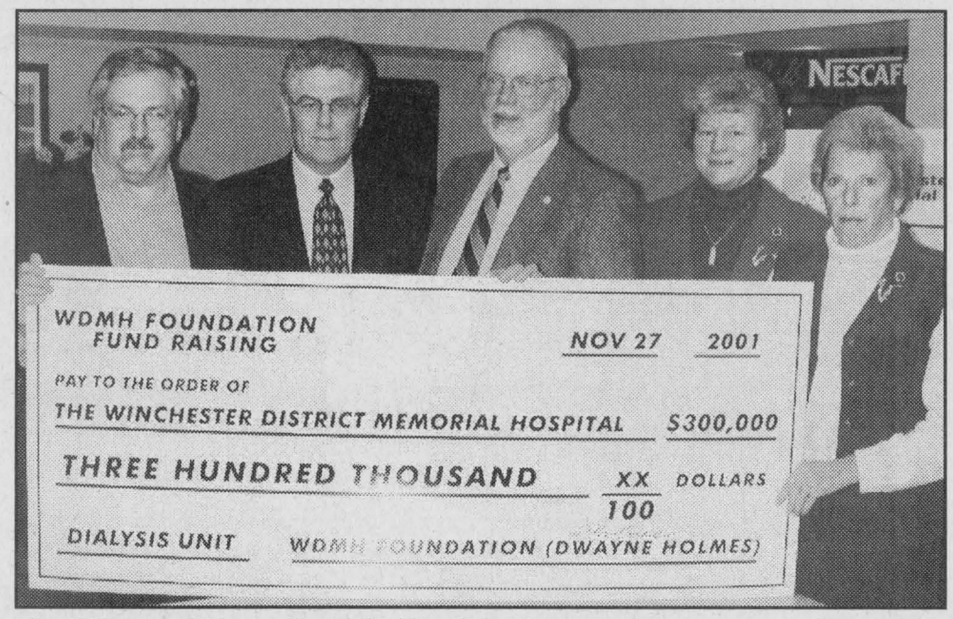

The Winchester District Memorial Hospital celebrated the completion of its dialysis fundraising campaign last week, announcing that the foundation has surpassed its goal of $300,000. A public meeting was held on Tues., Nov. 27 to offer information about the next steps in the process. Left, WDMH administrator André Rodier, WDMH board chair Brian Mann, WDMH Foundation chair Dwayne Holmes, WDMH auxiliary president Marion Carkner and auxiliary member Joan Farlinger. Press Photo — Gillespie

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Wish Tree

Additionally, the hospital parking lot gates will be open for free parking beginning at 3:30 pm on Friday, until after the Parade of Lights.

Everyone is invited to witness the official lighting of the WDMH Christmas Wish Tree.

"With every donation, our wish trees will shine a little brighter and will help us meet the clinical and technical equipment needs of the hospital to better serve our community," said MacLennan.

Parade

"The Parade of Lights was his idea, and he's been involved with the committee from the start," Adams said. "He's the ideas man; even the food court downtown was his idea."

He added, "The Parade of Lights committee has become a family, and we're missing a member of our family. We're looking forward to having Joel back with us for next year's Parade of Lights."

75 ENTRIES

At press time, there were 75 entries registered for the parade, plus three bands — the Seaway Sea Cadets Band, the Stormont Glengarry Pipe Band and the Cornwall Nativity Guard Band. The 2951 Leitrim Cadets Corps will lead the parade, along with this year's honorary parade marshall, Margaret Johnstone, who was chosen to celebrate the International Year of the Volunteer.

The fun will begin earlier, with entertainment starting at 5 pm downtown at the main corner. Singer Marleen Fawcett will host the entertainment, with local talent offering musical joviality. Those performing include the band Twisted 38 (Kyle Loverin, Bill McMenomy and James Kirkwood); a singing group consisting of Laura Porteous, Kira McClenaghan and Katarina Mathieson; sisters Lacey and Marcy Venema; Callie Pitico; and Dana Medveduke.

You can visit with Santa Claus before the parade at the Royal Bank. He'll be meeting with children from 5 pm until 6:45 pm. Over 2,300 candy canes have been provided for the children by the Winchester branch of the Royal Canadian Legion.

HAWKS DINNER STILL A GO

Beginning at 4 pm, meals will be served by local groups in the downtown area, including chili at the United Church Hall, presented by the UCW, and soup and sandwiches at the Wesleyan Church Hall at 4:30 pm. There will also be a ham and beans dinner at the Lions Hall, hosted by the Winchester Lions Club, starting at 5 pm.

The spaghetti dinner planned by the Winchester Hawks at Henderson Hall is still a go. The dinner begins at 4 pm.

There will be more food downtown at the Main Street corner, including Beavertails and Kettle Popcorn. The Masons will also be at the corner food court, selling sausages on a bun. Greg's Meats will serve hot food at the Baptist Church. In front of the Lions Hall during the parade, Pathfinders will be serving up hot chocolate and cookies. Williamsburg Venturers plan to set several booths throughout the parade route. After the parade, the Winchester Curling Club will offer hot wings at the club.

Parade entrants will begin assembling at 4 pm at the old hydro yard on St. Lawrence Street. For parade participants, the Dundas County Food Bank will be dishing out chili for $1 before the parade (thanks to the Baptist Church), and there will be free hot chocolate, coffee and tea available.

The parade will end at Dawley Drive. All floats must exit from Dawley Drive, and there will be space to stop if required. Washrooms and hot chocolate will be supplied by Akcent Motors and D's Collision. There will be no public parking on Dawley Drive for this reason.

During the day on Dec. 7 a van will be parked at the main corner to collect Dundas County Food Bank donations. You can also bring your donations and canned food to the parade and watch for the Lions Club float. Right behind the Lions float will be a red truck which will be gathering donations.

If you wish, you can park at the Country Kitchen and take a shuttle bus into the village for the parade. Stock Bus Lines, the Country Kitchen and volunteer driver Tom Allison will be offering rides every 15 minutes from 5 pm and after the parade.

This year's parade collectible ornaments are the Flashing Frosty and Nightly Nick toys which light up and are fastened to a string to wear as a necklace. You can get these items at participating stores in Winchester, at a cost of $3 each or two for $5. Last year's Waving Wands are also available for 50 cents each, with proceeds to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Wish Tree Campaign. They'll also be available Friday night at the main corner downtown.

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE

For those coming from out of town, emergency access to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital will from the south end of St. Lawrence Street, as the downtown area will be very busy. If you have an emergency and need to get to the hospital quickly, advise an auxiliary OPP officer. They will be stationed at each of the three entrances to the village, and will make sure you get to the hospital quickly, providing an escort if needed.

Access to the hospital will also be provided at May and York streets, with police posted at these locations for traffic control. During the parade, officers will be able to make breaks in the parade route if an emergency arises.

At the west end of the village, the traffic lights at county roads 43 and 31 will flash yellow after the parade, with OPP directing traffic for a quick, safe exit.

It promises to be the best Parade of Lights yet, so you won't want to miss this sparkling event that's fun for the entire family.

Dialysis

Meeting the fundraising goal means that the project will be a reality, Rodier said. "This means a great deal to us and to you," he said to the group. "It's important to patients and their families who will benefit from having a service locally."

When the unit was approved, however, Rodier said, the first concern was where in the hospital to place it. "There was no appropriate space available, and this unit needs to be properly located with the appropriate amenities," he explained.

A final location had to be found for the satellite unit, so that it would not interfere with future hospital expansions. "We didn't want to do it twice and waste money," Rodier explained.

Over the past several months, the hospital has worked with architects, staff and doctors to develop a plan, and a designated location is now ready for the next steps. The new satellite hemodialysis unit will be located in the bottom level of the hospital, in the east wing, where physiotherapy and medical records are now placed. Those two units will need to be relocated temporarily.

Dr. Nadler, a nephrologist with the Ottawa Hospital, said that the satellite unit will reduce the need for dialysis patients to travel. "For those who are on dialysis, that's bad enough," he said, "but the travel time to Ottawa is even more burdensome."

The WDMH dialysis unit will be a satellite unit of the Ottawa Hospital, operated by the Ottawa Hospital. That means that the level of care dialysis patients receive in Winchester will be the same as the level they would receive in Ottawa, Nadler explained.

"All services that are available in Ottawa will be available to patients at the satellite unit in Winchester," he said. "The nurses will be trained in Ottawa, and communications will be facilitated so that anything put into the computer on the patient's record here in Winchester can be immediately seen in Ottawa by physicians."

Cheryl Keaney, clinical director of nephrology at the Ottawa Hospital, said she has worked closely with the staff at WDMH to meet space requirements at the hospital. "We've been able to come up with a design and now the project must go back to the ministry for tender," she explained. The hospital will then find a tender, which then must be approved by the government.

"The next phase will go much more quickly than the last one," she promised. "While we're awaiting approval we will go ahead with staffing and support mechanisms to put them in place. We'll be working behind the scenes."

Keaney said the staffing, standards of practise and care will all be the same in Winchester as in Ottawa. The staff will receive the same training as staff in the Ottawa hospital.

Keaney said the timing of completion of the project is expected to be late summer or early fall, but once approval is received from the government the timing will be easier to judge.

"Any hold-ups that arise will not be due to Winchester or Ottawa hospitals," she assured the crowd.

Architect Peter Williams is designing units in Winchester, Hawkesbury and Cornwall. He provided a computerized tour of the dialysis unit at the Riverside Hospital in Ottawa.

Initially there will be five dialysis chairs in the Winchester unit, with a sixth to be added when the need arises. Each chair has a television set, which is useful for patients, who must sit for four hours each session.

Each station can be used twice per day. Twelve people have already been identified as patients to use the unit, and there will be more in the future.

A nephrologist will not be at the Winchester satellite unit at all times, but treatment can be performed here. If a problem arises for a patient, they will still have to travel to Ottawa Hospital, where they can be seen more often by a nephrologist.



Winchester's own ISP

Mobiletech Systems in Winchester has partnered with Cornwall District Communications to make high performance internet capacity available right in the village. At the Nov. 30 ribbon cutting were CDC president Eric Covington (left), North Dundas deputy mayor Alvin Runnalls, Mobiletech owner Tim Wade and his daughter Kaitlyn. Press Photo — Zabel

Wireless

"There's a lot of strength having a member of the community here as your interface."

In his partnership with Mobiletech, Covington said he finds the retail outlet he needs to market and service the network he has built. He explained that the ISP market has changed drastically over the past six years. Where it used to be that ISPs needed 1,000 customers before they made money, Mobiletech could make money even if it only have 10 customers. The technology is readily available. He said the big difference between ISPs is customer service.



Winteractive

A team from the Eastern Ontario Health Unit is working very hard readying its entry in the Winchester Parade of Lights. Health educator Julie Ethier (left), food science technician Tasha Sloan and health educator Denis Boileau hoped to depict the theme Winteractive. The health unit also has 150 hacky-sacs to distribute to parade-goers. Press Photo — Zabel

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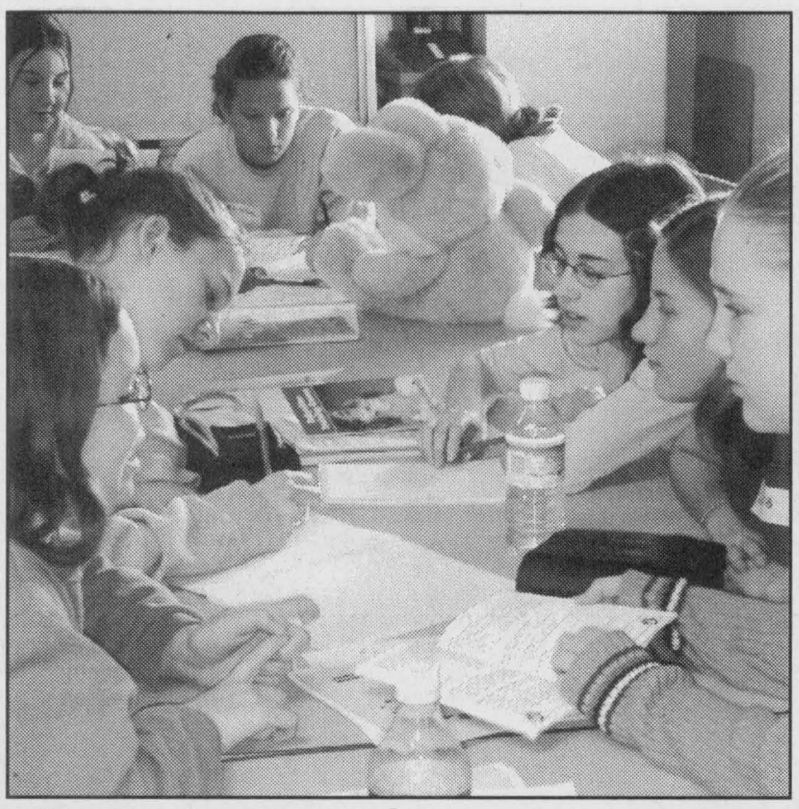


What's for lunch?
A group of students work on planning a menu for an eight to 10-year-old child during the babysitters training course held at the Metcalfe Fire Hall last weekend, Nov. 24-25. Photo — Demaray

Training course educates new babysitters

by Susan Demaray

METCALFE — Good help is hard to find; looking for a babysitter you can trust can be really difficult. That's why the Metcalfe Fire Hall hosts a babysitter training course for area youth interested in learning to be responsible babysitters.

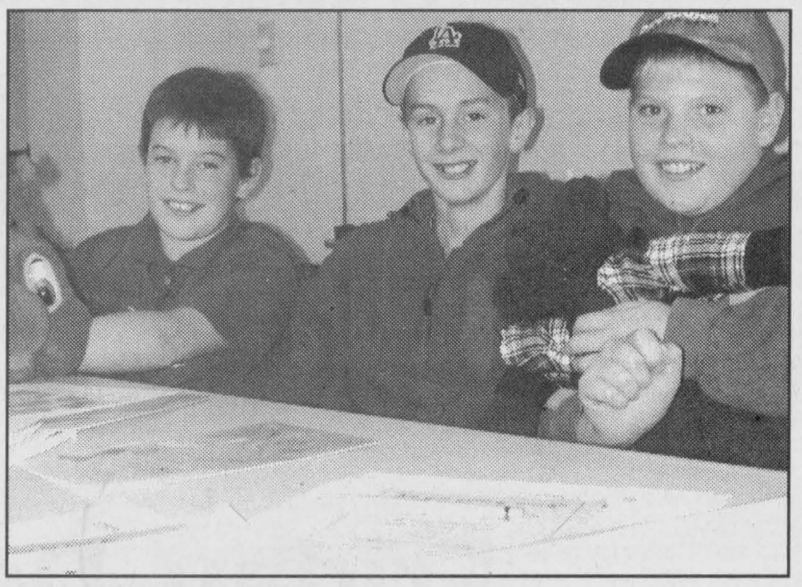
"It's a well-rounded course," said instructor Lois Wyman. "It really prepares (young people) well for looking after other kids."

About 25 area youth gathered at the Metcalfe Fire Hall Nov. 24-25 to learn the skills they would need to look after younger children.

Wyman has been teaching the babysitting course in Metcalfe for five years. Using materials from the Canadian Safety Council's babysitting course, she teaches her students topics such as child care, nutrition, handling emergencies, child development, toys and games and first aid basics. She includes sessions on fire prevention, safety and rural babysitting, since, as Wyman indicated, rural babysitting poses different challenges than in a city, and the youths need to be prepared.

Students get a reference book and exercise sheets. At the end of the course, they write a test. If they pass, the students are given two certificates, one large and one wallet-sized, to show they have successfully completed babysitter training.

"It's important to learn how to take care of a child," said Jennifer Lawrie, 12, of Metcalfe. Like most of the 11 and 12-year-olds at the course, Lawrie is looking forward to being able to make some money babysitting.



Babysitters club
Nick Burden, 11, of Metcalfe, Danny Kingsbury and Alex Vriend, both 12, of Cannamore, took part in the babysitters training course held at the Metcalfe Fire Hall Nov. 24-25. Photo — Demaray

Nick Burden, 11, of Metcalfe took the course so he could help his mother, a child care provider, with her job. He was one of four boys taking the course on Saturday. Burden was working with Danny Kingsbury and Alex Vriend, both 12, of Cannamore, on sample menus for children ages six to eight and eight to 10 during the unit on nutrition.

Wyman teaches the course twice a year. The fire hall usually holds a session in the fall and one in May. The cost is $30 per student.

"Originally the course was run by the Osgoode Township Fire Department as a source of funding," said Wyman, who added that since amalgamation, the funding structure is different, so things were in flux.

The fire hall still wanted to offer the course and so decided to use the proceeds as a contribution to charity.

"This year we're going to donate the proceeds to the New York relief fund," Wyman said.

Dialysis fund reaches goal: WDMH Auxiliary thanked

by Dawn Ouellette

WINCHESTER — Those who had been to the HAAO Annual Convention in Toronto reported on it at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Auxiliary meeting, brought to order by president Marion Carkner.

The theme this year was The Year of the Volunteer never ends, so seize tomorrow's opportunities. The themes for the gift shop sessions were Custom Service: treating people like they are a somebody, and Displays Make a Difference: merchandising in the new millennium.

There was cause for celebration as two of the WDMH Auxiliary's photographs won in two of the five categories: Fundraising and Lending a Hand.

Roll Call was Chesterville five; Morrisburg five; Summers Cass Bridge/Maple Ridge two who reported that their annual canvass raised $2,000; Winchester six; Morewood two; and Others two.

The Annual Bazaar in October was very successful this year, with more attendees and raising more money this year than last year. Again, the big hits were the Bottle Table and the Craft Table.

The Gift Shoppe worked 173.25 hours, and with Christmas just around the corner the Gift Shoppe is a good place to visit for gift giving and decorating ideas. The In-Memoriam Fund worked 31.5 hours with a balance month ending of $66,927.40. The Sunshine Circle worked 42 hours, celebrating four birthdays with all the trimmings and all the musical programs. On Oct. 23 the special musical guest was the Morrisburg Legion Choir. All programs benefited from the help of Hilda Vandekemp and her volunteers, who worked 420.5 hours in October.

The Purchasing Committee presented the list of proposed purchases for the hospital. The Auxiliary will spend $53,300 for items such as a new monitor for the OR and a new neonatal care centre. The In-Memoriam Fund will spend $48,300 for items such as an infusion pump, wheelchairs and a crash cart.

Dwayne Holmes, chair of the WDMH Foundation, announced that the dialysis fundraising project, launched in October 2000, has reached its goal of $300,000. Auxiliary fundraising efforts such as Hilda Vandekemp's Pennies for Oma and the In-Memoriam donations played an important role with all the other fundraisers in achieving this goal so quickly. Many thanks to all who participated. The Auxiliary also pledged its support to the new building and renovation project for the hospital, which will be starting in the near future.

The Auxiliary/Volunteer Christmas Party/Meeting will be held on Thurs., Dec. 13, starting at 11:30 am at the hospital. Please inform either your branch leader, Marion Carkner or Hilda Vandekemp if you wish to attend. We hope to see you there. Best of the Season to all.

Press weekend reporter receives journalism award

WINCHESTER — Most of our readers will have noticed a new face in past months covering local weekend events for the Press. Weekend reporter Susan Demaray of Kanata is a second-year journalism student at Algonquin College, and past-editor of the Algonquin Times newspaper.

Demaray received the Margaret Graham Award from the Media Club of Ottawa this week. This prestigious award is given every year to the top journalism student from Algonquin, Carleton University and the University of Ottawa.



Susan Demaray

Before studying Journalism at Algonquin College, Demaray was a student of Theatre at York University in Toronto and of Music at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, where she studied voice with a major in operatic performance. Her passions are reading, photography and music.

She recently returned from a trip to New York City, where she photographed the recovering city for her photo essay assignment. She enjoys journalism because it allows her to indulge her natural curiosity, and lets her learn about many different people and subjects.

You'll see Demaray covering weekend events throughout the Press' coverage area.

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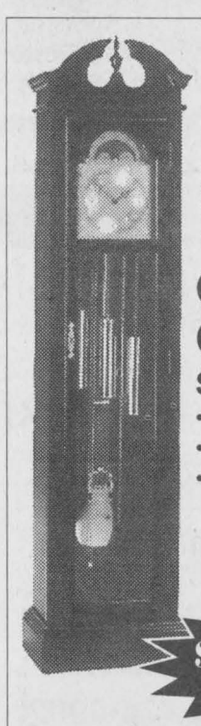

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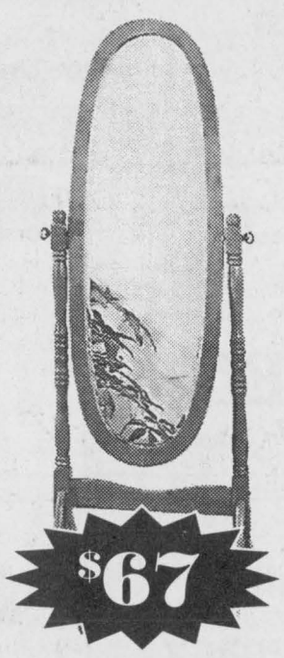

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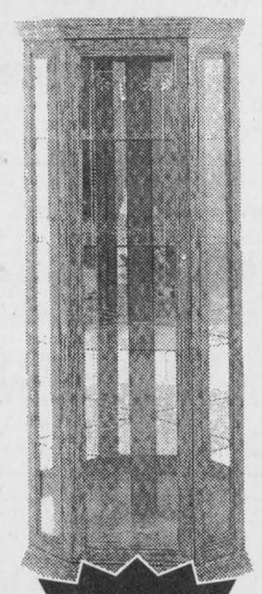

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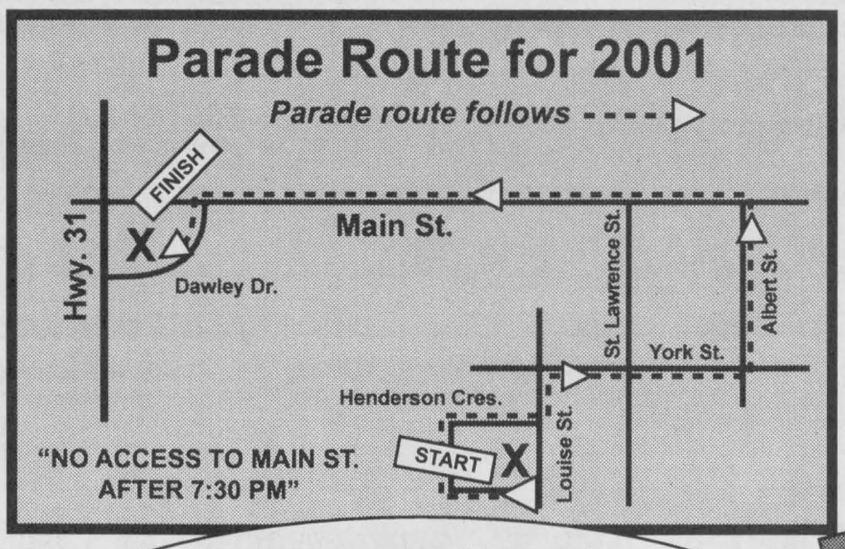

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Police blotter

Drug charges

CHESTERVILLE — A routine stop for a traffic violation in Chesterville on Sun., Dec. 2 resulted in the seizure of marijuana and cocaine and criminal charges against the driver. Charges of possession of a substance (marijuana) and possession for the purposes of trafficking (cocaine) are pending against a 32-year-old Winchester man who will appear in provincial court in Morrisburg on Feb. 12, 2002.

Generator stolen

MORRISBURG — On Nov. 27 police received a report of a break and enter in Morrisburg. Overnight, an entry was made into a shed at a private residence located along Caraway Crescent, which resulted in the theft of a generator and tools. Constable D. Budzinski is investigating.

Second generator stolen last week

SOUTH DUNDAS — On Nov. 28 police began an investigation into a break and enter in South Dundas Township. During the day of Nov. 27, an entry was made into a garage at a private residence located along County Road 8. A generator, valued at $1,000, was stolen. This is the second generator theft reported in South Dundas Township in the past week. Constable I. Roberts is investigating this incident.

Festive RIDE update

WINCHESTER — The OPP have joined with forces across the province in the annual Festive RIDE program, which runs from Nov. 29 thru Jan. 2. During the 2000/2001 campaign more than 30 per cent of fatal collisions which occurred during this period were alcohol-related — almost double the frequency (17.2 per cent) for all 1999 fatal collisions.

Over the past weekend, RIDE spot checks conducted by police in Dundas County resulted in 27 vehicle checks, the issuance of two 12-hour driver's licence suspensions, two warnings for traffic violations and one seizure of liquor from a vehicle. Investigations by police also resulted in the apprehension of three suspended drivers.

Winter driving tips

WINCHESTER — The following tips are designed to assist motorists in coping with changing driving conditions in the months ahead:

If you get stranded in a snow storm:

— Stay calm and remain in your vehicle. You won't get lost and you'll be sheltered from the weather.

— Keep the windows open slightly for fresh air and run the engine sparingly.

— If you have a cell phone and are travelling in an area with cellular service, dial OPP to be connected to the nearest Ontario Provincial Police communication centre.

— If you don't have a cell phone, put a "Call Police" sign in the window to alert other drivers that you need help.

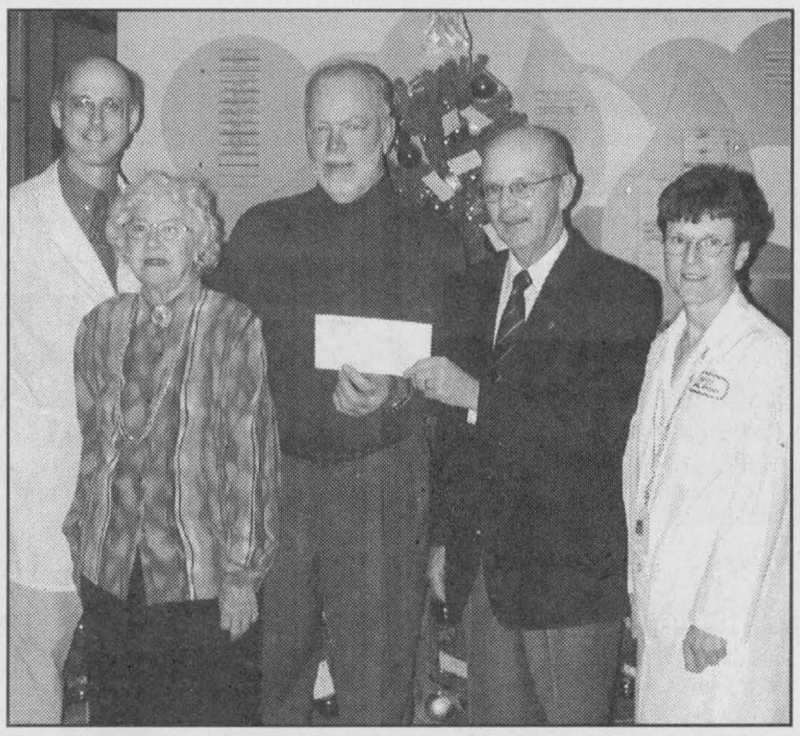
— Lighting a small candle inside your vehicle can warm the interior by as much as 4.5 C.

— If you are an inexperienced winter driver or need to brush up your skills, consider taking an advanced driver course that teaches emergency driving techniques.



Library open house

Refreshments were a special enticement for the public to visit the Winchester branch of the SD&G County Library on Nov. 29. November was sign-up month and also fine amnesty month. Librarian Gail Storring helped Jessica and Julia Laflamme select from a display of Christmas books. She also mentioned that people shouldn't forget that the branch offers free internet access, as well as basic internet training for beginners. Press Photo — Zabel



The Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation received a cheque for $160,000 recently. The donation came from the estate of Edith Render of Iroquois, who died at home last March at the age of 104. Left, Dr. Chuck Adamson, Ruth Fetterly (lifelong friend of Edith Render), WDMH foundation chair Dwayne Holmes, Dr. John Marston (executor of the estate) and OR nurse Catharine Marston. Right: WDMH OR nurse Catharine Marston demonstrates an OR light and electric table that were purchased with the estate donation of Edith Render.

Press Photos — Gillespie

$160,000 donation gives new life to OR at WDMH

by Lori Gillespie
Press staff

WINCHESTER — A $160,000 donation to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation enabled purchases to help modernize the operating room at the hospital.

Edith Render of Iroquois died last March, at her home, at the age of 104. She left a gift of $160,000 from her estate to the hospital.

Dr. John Marston, her doctor and executor of the estate, said that Miss Render lived a long and happy life, as well as a productive and thoughtful life. She was a teacher in the days of the one-room school house, where she taught Grades 1-8. She treated each student as one of her own, Marston said, and many became life-long friends.

With the gift, the hospital has purchased two sets of operating room lights and two electric operating room tables. The equipment is already in use.

Marston said Miss Render was always a supporter of WDMH, especially since the care her sister Gertrude received before dying in a car accident in 1988.

"She was modest," Marston said fondly, adding that he had been her physician for the past 20 years. "She would have been embarrassed by this attention. She lived very simply with her sister Gertrude."

He added, "She put her heart and soul into her teaching career, and she always sponsored children's causes. Her 80-year-old students would visit her in recent years."

Marston pointed out that Miss Render had seen three different centuries in her lifetime.

Council examines dress code

by David Agar

MAPLE RIDGE — The North Dundas District Secondary School Council met on Nov. 22. Sadly, in the past month, the school lost student Whitney Patterson in a tragic car accident. A red maple was planted on the school grounds in her memory.

Report cards had been sent home on Mon., Nov. 12, and principal Nancy Christie was pleased with the parent interview evening that followed on Nov. 15. She reminded council that Fri., Nov. 30, was a Professional Development Day, but it was noted that somehow this information always seems to make its way home.

Student council premier Emily Bumbaco reported that all school clothing orders should be available before Christmas, a school dance was to be held on Nov. 29 (it was cancelled due to a snow day), the Christmas canned food drive is about to begin and OSAID (Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving) had planned a full week of activities for the first week of December.

There were updates from two council sub-committees. One is charged with aiding the principal in composing a province-mandated Strategic Plan. This document is meant to summarize the school's goals and address the implementation of such goals. It is also used as a yardstick for teacher evaluations. Although seemingly another bureaucratic exercise, chair Valerie Flowers observed that Christie seemed "determined to make it a practical and useful document."

A second sub-committee reported on a survey of school facilities. Parent rep Leonard Maler indicated that the school was in good order (although the guidance room leaks when the wind blows from the south) and kept very clean by the maintenance staff.

However, others raised the perennial complaint of insecure lockers. Although theft has not been a great problem, clearly this is an area of concern. Unfortunately, new or refurbished lockers are prohibitively expensive (approximately $100 per locker) and current school budgets do not provide for such expenditures.

Tickets for the Homes for the Holidays Tour, scheduled for Dec. 8, are more than 80 per cent sold. Contact the school at 448-2328 to get a $10 ticket before it's too late. Also, those planning to dine at the restaurants included in the brochure would be wise to make reservations, as it seems that the specials being offered will be very popular with tour participants.

Council again considered a problem that will arise a year from this coming spring. The so-called Double Cohort Year, when students in the last of the five-year programs graduate at the same time as students in the first of the four-year program, requires that twice the number of scholarships and bursaries be available. School council has expressed interest in addressing this challenge but will seek guidance from the School Awards Committee prior to establishing a plan of action.

Linda Johnson provided council with a draft of a proposed dress code, composed by a sub-committee of parents, students, staff and vice-principal Rob Currier. A discussion took place with a variety of opinions being expressed. Some favored a policy that provides for unfettered allowance for "self-expression", while others preferred a code that establishes a minimum set of specific standards. Both school and parents agree, however, that some clearer guidelines for dress expectations would be helpful. In the end, the student reps were asked to poll students for their input and to present their draft dress code policy to school council in February 2002. As this debate took council past the 9 pm closing objective, passage of the revised school council bylaws was postponed until the next meeting, to be held on Dec. 13.

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EDITORIAL

Feel warm this Christmas

Christmas is coming up on us very quickly, and in the first week of December as television advertisements start telling us we're now in the phase of "last-minute shopping", it's time to remember something more important than Christmas shopping.

There are many children who are not on Santa's list this year, who won't be waking up to wonderful toys under the tree on Christmas morning, or sitting down to dine on turkey and stuffing in the afternoon.

For a number of children in our community, Christmas will merely be another day of not having enough — not enough food, not enough money, not enough warm clothing to get through winter.

The numbers at the Dundas County Food Bank alone tell the story. In the past year the number of families served by the food bank has increased greatly, meaning that more families than last year will be in need of services such as the North Dundas Christmas Fund.

Thank heavens for the North Dundas Christmas Fund. In conjunction with local Lions clubs, Branch 108 of the Royal Canadian Legion, schools and churches, this charity collects food for food baskets, and money to buy new snowsuits for children.

Each year the North Dundas Christmas Fund purchases up to 120 new snowsuits at approximately $35 each. They're distributed free of charge to children under 13 in the township.

More than 175 food baskets were given to families in North Dundas last year. Food drives are organized through schools and churches, and are also financially supported by industry, service clubs and donations.

This is a great way to give back to the community, but it's not the only way.

The Dundas County Food Bank needs donations, in the form of both food and monetary donations. At Andy's Foodland in Winchester, there's a barrel available to drop off food donations after shopping.

The Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation is also looking for help. Each year it holds a Christmas Wish Tree campaign to help raise money for equipment and operational expenses at the hospital.

So while you're bustling about, shopping and baking to make this Christmas wonderful for your family, remember those families for whom Christmas won't be wonderful.

For just $35, you can give a child warmth for the winter. By buying a few extra groceries when you're at the supermarket, you can help feed a local family who needs the help. With a donation to the hospital Christmas Wish Tree Fund, you'll be helping a much-needed service to continue to operate in the community.

It's not just money that you can give. Visit a patient at the hospital or Dundas Manor, and you'll be giving of your time.

Whatever way you choose, by giving, you'll feel warm, too.

L.G.

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be



But seriously...
by Lori Gillespie

Christmas shopping advertisements have been on since Thanksgiving, which means the craze has reached a crescendo and is almost at its height for the season.

This means, of course, crowded stores, maddened shoppers, parking lots that are never ending and never have a space left for you until you've circled the lot 15 times, whining children, whining wives and, of all wonders, peaceful men.

Peaceful men? Certainly, because they're either like all other men and haven't bothered themselves into thinking about Christmas yet because it's not Dec. 23, or they're like DH (Decking the Halls Husband), who went and bought gifts for me the moment he thought of the perfect items.

It's difficult to believe, but apparently they're now in a closet in our house, equipped with a sign, he said, that essentially says, "Keep out or else."

Far as I know, this is a first for him. And I'm not letting it bother me in the least. No way. Doesn't matter to me that I've checked off only three things on my list that seems to keep growing, and my Christmas cards are still in the To Do pile.

I'm not bothered, because I've compiled this list that will help you get through almost any crisis. Guaranteed.

Well, it will help you get through the next five minutes or so, as you read it.

I thought I'd share the list with you, because if you're like most women I know, you could use a breather to sit down, put your feet up, let your DH rub them (or at least take a shot at it) and read. Don't worry, if you fall asleep, it's OK with me.

THOUGHTS TO GET THROUGH (ALMOST) ANY CRISIS

Indecision is the key to flexibility. (I think)

You cannot tell which way the train went by looking at the track.

There is absolutely no substitute for a genuine lack of preparation. (As I always say, put your all into everything, even gross negligence)

Happiness is merely the remission of pain. (If you bang your head against a wall long enough, it feels really good when you stop)

Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

Sometimes too much drink is not enough.

The facts, although interesting, are irrelevant.

Someone who thinks logically is a nice contrast to the real world.

Things are more like they are today than they ever have been before.

Anything worth fighting for is worth fighting dirty for. (Keep this in mind when you're struggling to get your hands on anything to do with Monsters Inc. for your kids this year)

Everything should be made as simple as possible, but no simpler.

Friends may come and go, but enemies accumulate.

I have seen the truth and it makes no sense.

All things being equal, fat people use more soap.

If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

One-seventh of your life is spent on Monday.

It will always rain hardest when you've forgotten your umbrella.

By the time you can make ends meet, they move the ends.

Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious.

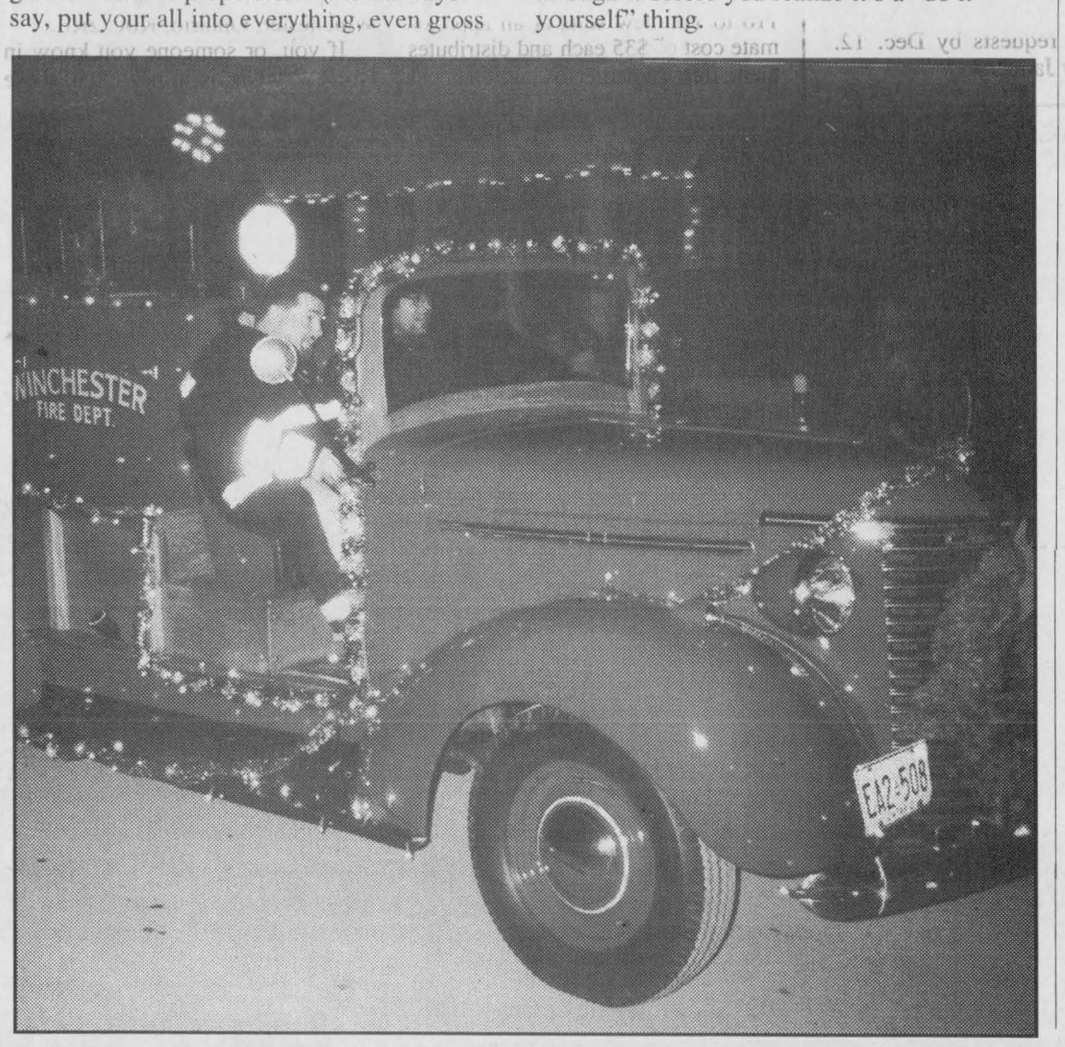
The more you run over a dead cat, the flatter it gets.

There is always one more imbecile than you counted on. (Usually in the check-out lane)

This is as bad as it can get — but don't bet on it.

Never wrestle with a pig — you both get all dirty, and the pig likes it.

The trouble with life is, you're halfway through it before you realize it's a "do it yourself" thing.



This week in...
by Chris Zabel

1921
It was said that the population of Iceland was wholly literate — no small accomplishment in a country so sparsely settled. The outstanding fact of the educational system was that parents were responsible for teaching their children the elementary subjects. All children from 10 to 14 were required to take standardized tests every spring to show they had completed the work for each grade, regardless of who had taught them. If they did not pass, an education committee could have the child taught at the expense of the parents.

1931
The Ontario chapter of the Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers recently heard that the adoption of cooling systems in tropical cities had the potential to soon make the tropics inhabitable for the white race. In North America, the benefits of air conditioning would be a quickening of business for railways when a man could travel on the hottest summer day from Toronto to Texas without wilting a collar. Also foreseen were bigger box-office returns in air conditioned theatres, higher efficiency of factory workers, and more all around comfort for North Americans. But one of the grandest benefits of air conditioning would be making regular living possible in the warmest climates. The King of Siam had recently ordered air condition of his palace and the national theatre.

1941
The *Press* included a letter this week from George Goodman, an Ormond native who was stationed in England. "Just a line to say I am getting the *Winchester Press*. I want to thank the ones who are sending me this paper. I haven't met up with many of the boys yet. I saw Stuart Corry from Inkerman and Gordon Coons (Buck) and Mat Atchison of Winchester since I landed in the south of England on July 1. I just got back from a seven-day leave which I spent in Edinburgh, Scotland, it sure is a great city. We are not having many raids these days. I think for myself that Russia is giving Hitler all he wants for the time being."

1951
An editorial this week recommended that Winchester council make civil defence a priority and work to establish a local civil defence organization. The concern was that in the event of war, it seemed likely that Canadian cities, even smaller centres, would be attacked with atomic bombs. Many cities had already staged mock air attacks and atomic raids. It was judged that nuclear vigilance was the responsibility of every Canadian and that all citizens should receive intensive civil defence training immediately.

1961



1971
At Winchester Theatre this week The $1,000,000 Duck was showing twice nightly. Starring Sandy Duncan, the Walt Disney movie was about a pet duck that laid 14-karat gold eggs.

1991
A professor from Guelph University spoke to the Stormont Soil and Crop Improvement Association, explaining how public opinion often works against farmers. Environmental and animals rights groups were suggesting that modern agriculture was harmful. Meanwhile, the average farm produced enough food to feed 125 people, up from 12 people in 1900. And the modern dairy farmer produced the same amount of milk as in 1950, using half as many cows.

Getting ready for New Year's

I want to talk to all the middle-aged guys out celebrating New Year's this year. This may seem premature, but don't be fooled. It's never too soon to start thinking about the traditional midnight New Year's kiss. You don't want to screw it up again this year. You only have to remember one thing — kiss your wife first. Excuses don't work. Like, "I thought I was kissing you," or "I tried to, but someone else's lips got in the way," or worse still, "Come on, honey, it's New Year's. I'm supposed to have fun."

Now, in order to kiss your wife at midnight, you have to be able to find her. That means you need to stay relatively sober throughout the evening. If you're too inebriated to see, you can't recognize your wife. Braille is not an option. And after you do find her, and you're kissing her like she's your own personal Beauty Queen, don't be simultaneously making eye contact with Miss Congeniality. A split focus at that crucial moment can lead to other splits — a split lip, a splitting headache, or even a splitting wife. Don't use New Year's as an excuse to reconnect with ex-girlfriends. Should old acquaintance be forgot? Absolutely. Especially if she's attractive, and she's at the party, and she's carrying around pictures of a 12-year-old boy who looks exactly like you.

THE NO-FAULT DENT

You just got home and found a new dent in your car. A dent your wife put there. You're about to go right off the deep end. But be careful. A lot of guys have drowned by underestimating just how deep the deep end is. I know you've never put a dent in the car. Other people have. Like, when that idiot tore the door off when you left it open to go into the store to buy milk. Or when you got rear-ended because some goof didn't notice that you stopped on the highway to pick up what you thought was a dime.

Or when the engine seized because none of your friends reminded you to check the oil. You know your wife's not so careful with the car as you are. But you don't need to get bent out of shape about a little dent and cause a head-on collision.

Don't be the one trapped in your vehicle. Your mouth may be big, but it's not the jaws of life. Just smile and say, "That's OK, Honey." I know you still love your car. Just not enough to sleep in it.



North of forty
by Red Green

PACKAGING MATTERS

Recently, I bought a cartridge for my printer. It came in a box mounted on a card and wrapped in plastic. When I took it apart, I found that the printer cartridge itself was actually quite small, but they made the packaging unnecessarily large to make it harder to steal and to make the customer feel better about the high price.

I pointed this out to my wife and mentioned how my weight gain over the years of our marriage should have the same effect: It made me seem more valuable and also made me harder for other women to steal.

MUM'S THE WORD

Although we like to talk, here are some times when middle-aged men should not say anything:

— Whenever you're wrong.

— Whenever you're right.

— Whenever you're in the presence of an expert or your wife.

— While the cop is writing the ticket.

— Whenever anyone is trying to place responsibility, blame or charges.

QUOTE OF THE DAY: "When you sell your house and move into an apartment, you have fewer stairs, but more stares." — Red Green

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Red Green is the star of "The Red Green Show", a television series seen in Canada on the CBC Network, and the author of "The Red Green Book" and "Red Green Talks Cars: A Love Story".

Council notes from North Dundas

To catch a skunk

WINCHESTER — North Dundas Township council received some answers from the township's dog catcher at the regular meeting on Nov. 26. Councillor Estella Rose had informed council at a previous meeting that a taxpayer had complained that dog catcher Kevin Casselman had refused to go and catch a stray dog until a caller had caught it and tied it.

Casselman answered questions at the meeting. "I would never ask anyone to go near a vicious dog," he said. "But I will tell them to tie it up so that it doesn't get away or get hit by a car." Casselman added that if the dog can be caught and detained before he arrives, it saves him and the township money, as he doesn't have to drive around looking for the stray.

Councillor Gail Parker said she'd visited Casselman's facilities, and commended him for his work. She asked about skunks and what residents can do if they have a problem with the animals. Casselman replied that he can live-trap skunks, but at a cost to the resident who requests it.

He also suggested a product called Critter Ridder, which costs about $13 a bottle and is good for three years. If a resident calls Casselman about a skunk, he will respond, but there is a charge for his services, he advised, noting that many people are not interested in his services once they realize there is a cost involved.

Crossing guard in Winchester

Councillor Al Armstrong told council he had spoken to officials at Winchester Public School about the new cross walk and crossing guard on Main Street at Christie Lane. The original crossing was moved one block east to this location several weeks ago, for better crossing conditions.

Armstrong said a letter was sent home from school with students last week, urging parents in that part of town to encourage their children to use the cross walk. "(The school) promised me it would be used," he said.

Roads superintendent Arden Carruthers said he has requested that the crossing guard keep track of the number of children crossing there.

Mayor Claude Cousineau said he was concerned about a school bus that stops near the crossing for high school students. "Can we move it closer to the cross walk?" he asked. "All of those kids are in high school and they won't walk up the street, cross and walk back to the bus. If we moved the bus stop up, they would be more apt to use the cross walk."

Counties official plan

Council held a special meeting on Nov. 19 to discuss the SD&G County Official Plan, first draft. Township planner Calvin Pol presented an overview of the plan, highlighting points of interest and pending changes to planning policies that directly impact the township. An extensive question and answer period ensued. Council agreed that due to the complexity of the document, other meetings should be scheduled for Dec. 5 and 19 at 7 pm.

Holiday hours

Council has authorized that the municipal offices be closed on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

Budget time

Department heads are to submit their budget requests by Dec. 12. Council will begin budget deliberations in early January.



Festive season in South Dundas



Above, Diane Kennedy welcomed visitors on the Fourth Annual South Dundas Country Christmas Tour to her new shop, Elma Fudd Antiques, in Elma, last weekend. She displayed her traditional Christmas baking and home-made centrepieces for the holidays. Morrisburg artist Dorothy Adlington's unique sculpted dolls, at left, created a stir at the South Dundas Artist Guild's display at the IOOF Hall in Williamsburg .She has been making dolls for the last two years, and says she really enjoys it. Photos — Demaray

Snowsuit fund outfits over 100 township kids

WINCHESTER — Local Lions Clubs, Branch 108 of the Royal Canadian Legion, schools and churches are helping the North Dundas Christmas Fund to unite the community and fill the need for children's snowsuits.

There are those in need in the township who cannot afford to dress well enough to fight the cold of winter. That's where the North Dundas Christmas Fund comes in.

Each year the charity purchases 110 to 120 new suits at an approximate cost of $35 each and distributes them, free of charge, to children under 13 in the township who need them.

The North Dundas Christmas Fund distributed more than 175 food baskets last year to families in North Dundas. Food drives are organized through local schools and churches, and are financially supported in part by industry, local service clubs and private donation.

It's time to help provide winter clothing and food to those in need. Receiptable donations can be made payable to the North Dundas Christmas Fund, and mailed to Box 835, Winchester, Ontario, K0C 2K0.

If you, or someone you know in North Dundas, is in need, call these numbers: 774-0188 or 989-3830.

Shepherd Talk

by Rev. Mollie McKibbon

A rich inheritance

One of my favorite television programs is the Antique Road Show. On that program people bring their heirlooms or auction finds to be assessed by experts. They're sometimes surprised to find that an item their grandchildren played with the day before is a collectible that should be in a locked cabinet. Sometimes the object is something a spouse bought because he or she liked it even though the partner didn't share the same enthusiasm. The evaluators are tactful when it turns out the "treasure" is in fact quite common, and the person is still happy owning it.

We need no certificate of authentication of our value in God's eyes if we believe in His Son. As Paul writes to the faithful in Corinth, "You are our letter written in our hearts, known and read by all men; clearly you are a letter of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is of the heart." (2 Cor. 3:1-3)

And what a price God paid for us! Of all the things you have owned, was there any for which you might risk your life? The proof of our value is in the sacrifice of God's only Son, Jesus, so that all believers would share in His inheritance of eternal life.

When passing on possessions to our children, we are likely to think carefully about what we leave to each person. We wouldn't bequeath a precious stamp album to someone who isn't interested in stamps. We wouldn't leave a pearl necklace to anyone who never wore jewellery. Perhaps, in our opinion, the list of our belongings doesn't seem valuable enough to put in a will. God, however, judges by a different scale and criteria. Christian faith is a gift that fits all sizes, all personalities and has healing power.

If we are to share in our Savior's inheritance, we have a precious treasure beyond human estimation. How can an antique desk or a rare painting compare to the gift of eternal life? Paul commended Timothy for the "genuine faith that is in you which dwelt first in your grandmother, Lois, and in your mother, Eunice . . ." (2 Tim. 1:5)

To borrow an advertising phrase, "It's the gift that keeps on giving." Jesus promises that if we acknowledge Him before men, he will acknowledge us before God. Paul affirms this in his letter to the Galatians 3:26: "If you belong to Christ then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

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OTHS honors top academic students

METCALFE — Osgoode Township High School held its Double Blue Society and Awards Exercise on Thurs., Nov. 29. The ceremony began with the presentations of some of the school's most prestigious awards.

Melissa Ramlochan received the Tracy Thompson Memorial Trophy for a student displaying excellence in Grade 11 art.

Emily Cook received the Metcalfe Women's Institute Award, given to the most deserving Grade 11 student in social studies.

Lori Mitchell received the Clarence J. McNulty award, given to the most cheerful, enthusiastic student in Grade 9 English.

Margaret Godoy received the Trustee's Award, donated by Pam Morse (Ottawa Carleton District School Board trustee) to the student at the Grade 9 or 10 level of music who has participated most while achieving a high standard of excellence.

The Ottawa Carleton District School Board awards are given in each subject area and are chosen by the subject teachers:

Natalie Johnson was awarded for art. Meagan Roberts was awarded for business education at the academic level and Cassandra Potts at the applied level. Gordon Scobie was awarded for communications technology. Scott Mulligan was awarded for computer studies. David Nyentap was awarded for construction technology. Lisa Young was awarded for drama. Sarah Posthuma was awarded for English at the academic level and Shawna Little at the applied level. Kara Taylor was awarded for family studies. Melissa Nitschkie was awarded for core French and Sarah Posthuma for immersion French. Meagan Roberts was awarded for Grade 11 geography. Bayden Pritchard was awarded for history at the academic level and Chris McLean at the applied level. Scott Mulligan and Bayden Pritchard were awarded for science at the academic level and Melissa Nitschkie at the applied level. Devon Nekechuk was awarded for mathematics at the academic level and Angela Fouchard at the applied level. Katrina Rukiewicz was awarded for music. Jennifer Elliott was awarded for girls physical education and Rajinder Wasson for boys. David Nyentap was awarded for transportation technology.

Awards were given for the highest standing in each grade. Natalie Johnson had the top marks in Grade 9, Michelle Scheerder in Grade 10 and Sarah Posthuma in Grade 11.

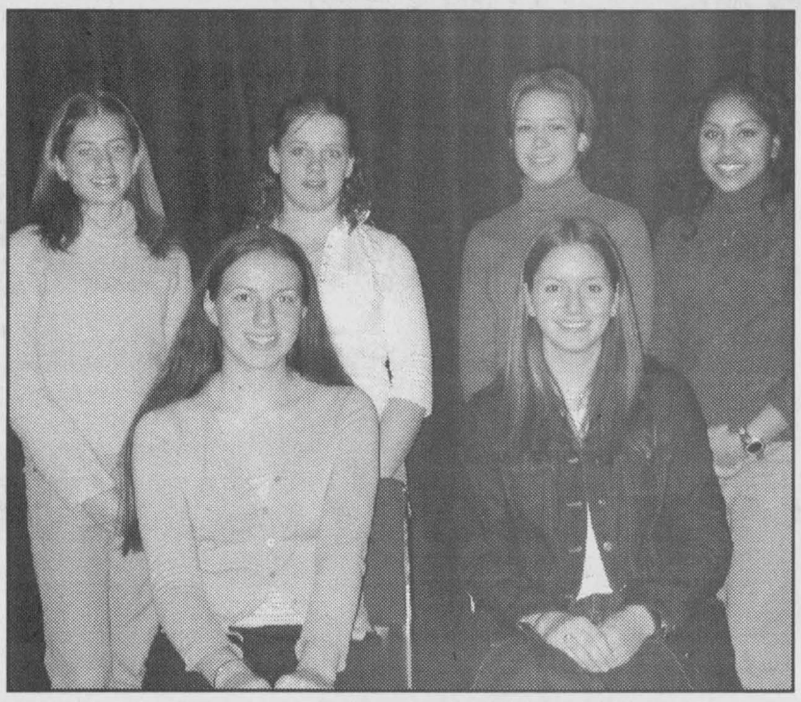
Departmental wards were chosen by the subject teachers: Jennifer Elliott was awarded for Grade 9 English geography and Natalie Johnson for Grade 9 immersion geography. Natalie Johnson was awarded for Grade 9 mathematics. Diana Blaney was awarded for Grade 10 at the academic level and Amanda Wolski at the applied level.

Zachary Crandlemire won the Grade 9 Pascal Math Contest medal (highest in school) and certificate of distinction. Also receiving the Pascal math certificate of distinction were Malcolm Smith and Jon Parri.

Josh Sullivan won the Grade 10 Cayley Contest medal (highest in school).

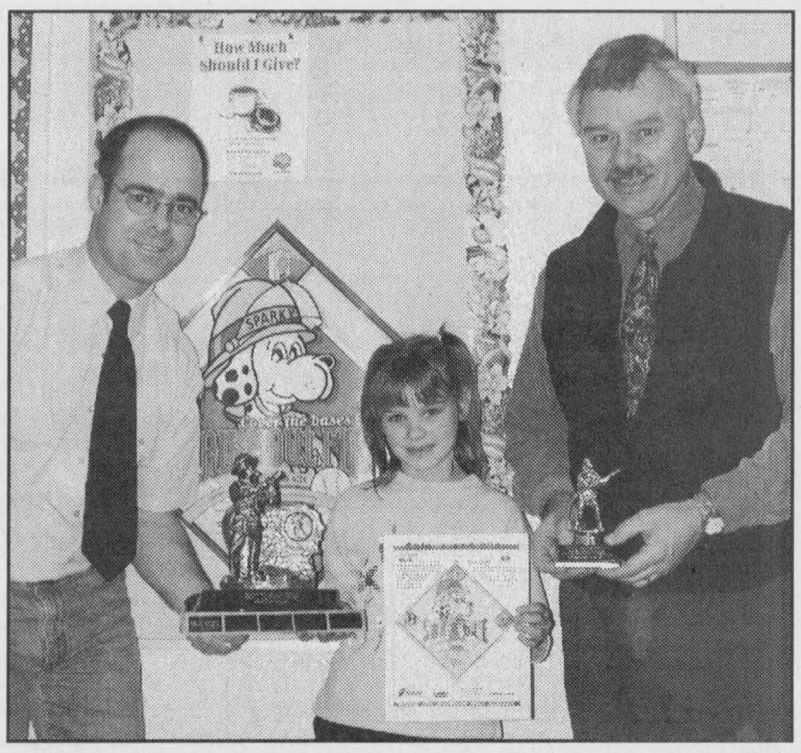
Devon Nekechuk won the Grade 11 Fermat Contest medal (highest in school) and the certificate of distinction. Also receiving the Fermat certificate of distinction were Rick Griffin and Chris Kennaway.

The following students in grades 9, 10 and 11 are members of the Double Blue Society, having achieved a grade standing of 80 per cent or higher: Eric Andrasi, Matthew Battig, Diana Blaney, Adina Bogert-O'Brien, Wade Bogert-O'Brien, Lauren Calderwood, Jennifer Charlebois, Leah Chaudhari, Allison Cherry, Charmaine Childs, Emily Cook, Bradley Cyr, Justine Daoust, Stephanie Doig, Jennifer Elliott, Steven Faurbo, Chloe Filson, Erin Fletcher, Megan Franklyne, Laura Fullarton, Erica German, Sayard Gilmour, Margaret Godoy, Sophia Godoy, Amanda Goth, Kiel Graham, Sarah Gray, Rick Griffin, Matthew Guertin, Katie Gunnell, Amanda Hamelin, John Heuving, Clarissa Himmelsbach, Amy Irven, Shanna James, Shannon James, Natalie Johnson, Danny Johnstone, Megan Kearney, Jennifer Knoffler, Ryan Lee, Sarah Lengacher, Kim MacDonald, Taylor MacDonald, Bradley MacMillan, Heather Magee, Emily McHugh, Michael McHugh, Deanna McNulty, Christopher Michels, Michelle Morrison, Ryan Morrison, Scott Mulligan, Devon Nekechuk, Melissa Nitschkie, Jennifer Nyentap, Kimberly Olmstead, Jamie Orsi, Rebecca Orth, Jonathan Parri, Leigh-Ann Parry, Sarah Posthuma, Jacenta Poulin, Gillian Preston, Bayden Pritchard, Kimberly Pronovost, Kristine Pronovost, Spring Pruner, Mark Ramlochan, Melissa Ramlochan, Natalie Richer Lafleche, Meagan Roberts, Karen Robertson, Brenda Robinson, Katrina Rukiewicz, Ian Saunderson, Michelle Scheerder, Andrew Scott, Rebecca Shantz, Malcolm Smith, Alison Spring, Joshua Sullivan, Lyndsey Sullivan, Sarah Tattrie, Hannah Taylor, Lindsay Turner, Erin Virgint, Heather Visser, Lindsay Warren, Rajinder Wasson and Lisa Young.



Prestigious award recipients

Osgoode Township High School presented its Double Blue Society Awards at an assembly on Thurs., Nov. 29. The recipients of some of the most prestigious awards were Margaret Godoy (front left) receiving the Trustee's Award, Michelle Scheerder attaining highest standing in Grade 10, Natalie Johnson (back left) attaining highest standing in Grade 9, Lori Mitchell receiving the Clarence J. McNulty Award, Emily Cook receiving the Metcalfe Women's Institute Award and Melissa Ramlochan receiving the Tracey Thompson Memorial Trophy. Press Photo — Zabel



Fire preventer

Winchester Public School Grade 2 student Riley Steele was the winner of this year's North Dundas Fire Prevention and Public Education Committee coloring contest. Steele gets her name engraved on a large trophy, held by Winchester firefighter Tony Fraser. And she gets to take home a smaller trophy, held by principal Doug Jarvis. The contest was held during Fire Prevention Week in October. Press Photo — Zabel

Murdered women to be remembered in candlelight vigil

WINCHESTER — On Dec. 6, 1989, an armed man entered the École Polytechnique (an engineering school in Montreal). Systematically separating the women from the men, he opened fire on all women students yelling, "You are all a bunch of feminists!" Fourteen women were killed.

Dec. 6 has been declared Canada's National Day of Action and Remembrance on Violence Against Women.

The link has been made between this massacre and other daily acts of male violence against women and children. Every day in Canada, women and children are beaten, abused, tortured and sexually assaulted. Every week in Canada, at least two women are murdered by men they live with, were married to, were dating, or were separated or divorced from. The actions of the gunman in Montreal were not those of a lone crazed man; they are part of the every day violence women and children suffer at the hands (and often guns, knives, etc.) of men.

The Justice Committee of SDG&A (a committee of the Co-ordinating Committee to End Violence) wants to remember the women who were murdered 11 years ago in Montreal and all of the women and children who have been killed in eastern Ontario since that day. Male violence against women and children is far too serious and widespread not to remember.

On Thurs., Dec. 6 a Memorial Silent Walk and Candlelight Vigil will be held in Winchester at the United Church Hall at 4:30 pm. A potluck supper will follow the ceremony at the church hall. Men, women and children are all welcome.

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OBITUARIES

Margaret Jean Derby

Margaret Jean "Marge" Derby of Guelph passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family, on Thurs., Nov. 22, 2001 after a courageous battle with cancer.

She will be dearly missed by her husband Burnett Derby, and their three sons, Ronald (Annette) of Kitchener, Robert (Helen) of Kitchener and Brian (Lisa) of Cambridge. She was a beloved Grandma of Krystal, Sara, Nick, Bryan, Mark, Shane and Paige.

She is survived by brothers Bill Manson (Kim) of Las Vegas, and Bob (Vianne) of Guelph, and sister Shirley (Don) Brims of Hamilton. She is also survived by her mother-in-law, Ellen (Ian) Reid of Winchester, and sister-in-law Barbara (Gordon) Hutchinson of Vernon.

She was a much loved Aunt Marge to many nieces and nephews, including Sharon (Kevin) Smail of Winchester, Sandra (Lyle) Thornton of Kemptville, Andrew (Vicky) Hutchinson of Kemptville and David (Judith) Hutchinson of Denver, Colorado. She was predeceased by her parents.

Mrs. Derby was born in Prairie River, Saskatchewan on Nov. 16, 1935 to Muriel and Roderick Manson. The family moved to Guelph, where she attended school. In 1956 she was married to Burnett Derby and they raised their three sons in Guelph. She worked for the treasury department at the City of Guelph and retired from there in 1995. In her honor, the flag at City Hall was lowered for several days following her death.

A service of worship in thanksgiving for, and in celebration of, her life was held in Trinity United Church, Guelph, with Rev. Tom Watson officiating. An inurnment service was held at Woodlawn Cemetery.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith," 2 Timothy, 4:7.

Gwen Kendrick

Gwen Kendrick of RR 3 Chesterville, formerly of Ottawa, died on Wed., Nov. 28, 2001 at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. She was 70.

She was born in Chesterville on Jan. 23, 1931 to the late Clifford Hudson Kendrick and Dorothy Jane Larmour.

She was a dear sister of Ralph (Elsie) of Edmonton, Alberta, Mrs. Joan Scott (late Alex) of Winchester, and predeceased by Jack. She was a dear-sister-in-law of Jean Kendrick of Drumheller, Alberta, and an aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Ms. Kendrick worked as a supervisor of finance in the Department of Indian Affairs and the Ministry of Environment.

A private graveside committal was held, officiated by Rev. Thurland Brown. Cremation with interment at Maple Ridge Cemetery.

Lloyd Edward James Kenney

Lloyd Edward James Kenney of Winchester, died on Sun., Dec. 2, 2001 at his residence at Dundas Manor. He was 88.

He was the beloved husband of the late Hazel Jean Gordon (1999), whom he married in Ottawa on April 14, 1943. He was born in Mountain Township on April 14, 1913 to the late Samuel Kenney and Evah Froatz.

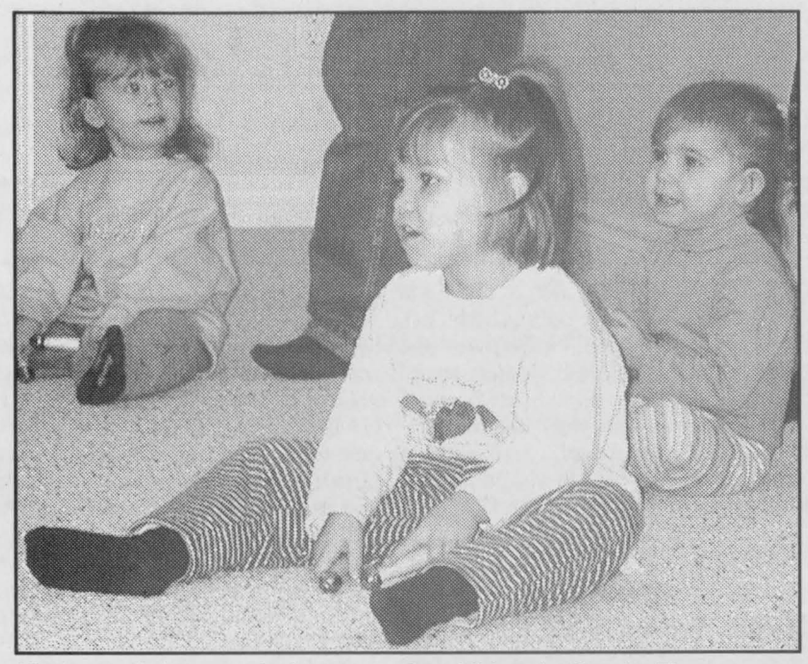
Mr. Kenney was the loving father of Donna Berry (Ron) of Smiths Falls, Rhonda Steele (Joel) of Winchester and Gordon Kenney (Julie) of Kingston. He was a dear grandfather of Mark, Chris, Julie, Jodi and Edward James (E.J.), and great-grandfather of Devon, Autumn, Matthew, Emma, Anna and Ashley.

He was a dear brother of the late Bryson, Hilliard, Donald, Mildred and Dalton, and brother-in-law of Jean Kenney.

He worked as a laborer with Fennell Feeds, and as a custodian with North Dundas District High School and the OPP detachment in Winchester. He was a member of the Winchester United Church.

A private graveside service was held, officiated by Rev. Carol Poley-Delisle, at the South Gower Cemetery. Donations to Winchester District Memorial Hospital or Dundas Manor Activity Group would be appreciated by the family.

Arrangements entrusted to Byers Funeral Home (989-3836).



Kindermusik is a musical program for children in Greely. The program maintains that musical activity stimulates the development in every area of a child's brain: physical, language, emotional, social and cognitive.
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Kindermusik offers musical learning for young children

by Johnathan Monk

GREELY — Kindermusik has finally made its way to the Greely area, and so far the response has been great.

With its origins based in the United States, and outlets scattered worldwide, the program maintains that musical activity stimulates the development in every area of a child's brain: physical, language, emotional, social and cognitive.

"It's a music and movement program based on the child," says Debbie Hart, a licensed kindermusik educator and honors degree holder in music education, who teaches from her home in Greely. "We show how music can affect the child in many positive ways."

Originally working out of Oakville, Hart moved her operation here this fall.

The classes, which take place once a week, range in duration and age levels. The Village class is eight weeks in length, and is for children from birth to one-and-a-half years. Our Time, a 15-week course, is for one-and-a-half to three-year-olds. These classes incorporate constant parent or caregiver accompaniment. New for 2001 is the 15-week Imagine That class, geared for ages three to five. The parents are included for only the final 15 minutes of each of these classes.

Lastly is Kindermusik for the Young Child. Unlike the aforementioned classes, which run about 45 minutes each, this class, also 15 weeks in length, is for four-and-a-half to seven-year-olds, and lasts about an hour to 75 minutes. The parents are brought in for the end of each of these lessons to participate in the child's learning process.

Each age level focuses on singing and expressive movement, progressing into more advanced aspects of music involvement, such as the introduction of percussion instruments to the intermediate level students, and the rudiments of reading and writing and ensemble development for the advanced students.

The cost is "about the same as dance or gymnastics classes," says Hart, but unlike those, kindermusik's necessity for parental involvement makes it more attractive.

"The mandatory take-home kit brings up the cost slightly," she says. "But it's a lot more involved (than other hobbies)."

The kit includes such items as CDs, storybooks, songbooks, and a family activity booklet, among other items for the varying levels.

The current program, running since September, ends Dec. 14. Classes for the winter program begin the week of Jan. 17.

WI hears of Dutch immigration

by Joyce Patterson

WILLIAMSBURG — The Williamsburg Women's Institute met at the Park Lane Seniors' Support Centre on Nov. 13. Following the Institute Ode and the Mary Stewart Collect, president Isobel Williams opened the meeting with greetings to the 14 members and four guests. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and the treasurer gave her report.

The motto for the evening was, To avoid criticism, do nothing, say nothing and be nothing. Roll call asked those present to name a change in the role of women in the 20th century.

Williams announced that seven members of the WI attended the eastern area's annual convention in October at the Morrisburg Meeting Centre. The theme was The International Year of the Volunteer. It was a full day with a morning session, a banquet at 12 noon, a bazaar table, an afternoon session and workshops.

Bettie Locke introduced the guest speaker, Joan Zandbergen. Zandbergen, her husband and eight children emigrated from Holland 50 years ago. At that time the Canadian Government was inviting people to come to Canada to take over vacant farms.

The Zandbergen family suffered many hardships during their trip and after their arrival in Canada, but persevered and succeeded. They also had two more children after their arrival here. Zandbergen works with hospice and for awhile was a chaplain, visiting patients in retirement homes and hospitals. She lives in Brinston.

Lunch was served by Williams and Ruth Algire.

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Investing in your future
by
Lawrence Cayer

Advice for students

If you have a student who has left town to attend university, the house is, no doubt, strangely quiet now. Constantly ringing telephones or aggravating habits can be forgotten for a while.

Don't forget, however, to think about using the tax rules to soften the cost of higher education.

Keep good records of expenses, so that either your student or you can benefit from any tax wrinkles. For example, the federal government provides tuition and education credits which must be claimed by the student but, if not fully usable, can be transferred to the parent. The tuition credit is now $400 per month for each month of full-time enrolment, and $120 for part-time. Moving costs to move to the location of a summer job may also be deductible to the student, so keep track of the expenses.

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We've mentioned the RESP on a regular basis because we feel it is important for people with families. Only through an RESP can you benefit from the Canada Education Savings Grant from the federal government. Worth up to $400 per year per student beneficiary, these CESGs are non-repayable so long as the money in the plan is paid out for approved purposes.

If you don't have an RESP for younger members of your family, get in touch for all the details.

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Jordan gets into the spirit for Christmas house tour

by Susan Demaray

WINCHESTER — The countdown to Christmas is in full swing, and festive decorations, with their bright colors and twinkling lights, help to put everyone in the holiday spirit.

If holiday spirit is directly related to the number of decorations around, Nancy Jordan's home is filled to the brim with Christmas cheer. Part of the upcoming North Dundas District High School Council's Homes for the Holidays Tour on Sat., Dec. 8, the Jordan household is all decked out for Christmas.

The beautiful cedar home in the Winchester countryside, built by Jordan's husband Shane, is trimmed with dozens of Christmas decorations — reindeer and snowmen cheerfully greet visitors as they walk up the drive, poinsettias sit on the stairs, angels and stockings sit on the mantels.

"Every year I decorate, but I probably did a little bit more this year," says Jordan as she sits in her cozy dining room. "We have the whole family here, both sides, so it's nice to have it decorated."

Jordan has been collecting Christmas decorations for years, and says she has made many of the ornaments that grace her home herself. She used to operate a gift shop in Winchester and teach decorative painting.



Nancy Jordan's Winchester country home is beautifully decorated for Christmas. Visitors on the North Dundas District High School Council Homes for the Holidays tour will have a chance to see all of her decorations on Sat., Dec. 8. Photos — Demaray

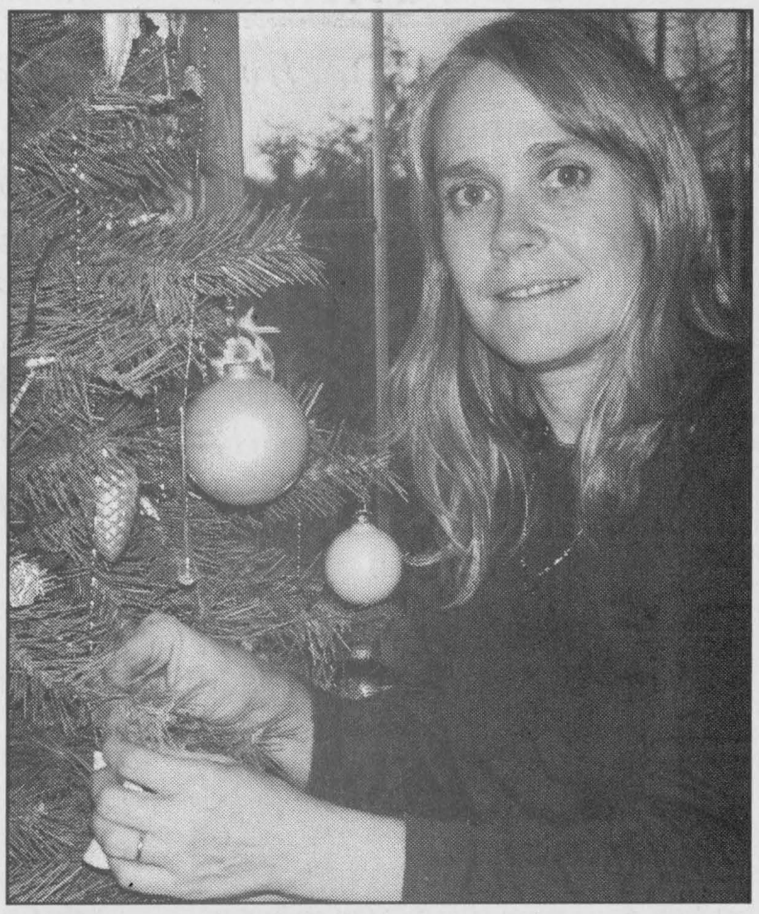
Adding to the decorations will be Sandy Pym from Everlastings Gift Shop in Winchester. Items and decorations from Everlastings will be on display at the Jordan home, and can be purchased at the store. Ten per cent of the sales from the tour will be donated to the NDDHS council.

Jordan says she's excited about the tour. Marion Hakvoort, one of the organizers and hosts of the tour, asked Jordan to participate in the event, and she was happy to accept.

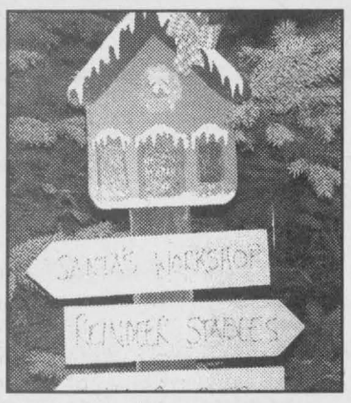
The mother of five has been very active with NDDHS, and chaired the council for about two years in the past. Her three eldest children were all students at NDDHS, and the Jordans' horticultural company gives a $1,000 scholarship to the school for students going on to study horticulture.

The Homes for the Holidays Tour features six area homes, all decorated beautifully for the holidays. As well, some local businesses are offering refreshments for the tour. You can find lunch and desserts at Winchelsea Farms, just north of Winchester, Jasper's Fine Desserts in Chesterville is offering chili, salad and desserts, and visitors can warm up with hot chocolate and butter tarts at the MacLeod House in Finch. The NDDHS Jazz Band will be performing some festive tunes for the visitors to Jasper's.

The tour will be held on Sat., Dec. 8 from 10 am to 3 pm with a storm date of Sun., Dec. 9. The council is selling only 200 tickets at $10. Call 774-3558 for tickets.







Nancy Jordan places the finishing touches on her Christmas tree in preparation for the North Dundas District High School Council's Homes for the Holidays Tour to be held on Sat., Dec. 8. Jordan's home is one of six on display for the tour.

Notes from Timothy Christian
by Gary Postma



Chocolate for sale

We have all enjoyed an unexpectedly nice November. It sure is unusual to be out playing soccer in short sleeves at this time of the year. In November we finished our first term and have just begun our second.

Many of our students and their parents are selling chocolate bars, with profit going to the student fund. This fund is tapped into for all kinds of things, with the general question being, "Will the kids enjoy this?" The winning class in the chocolate sale gets a pizza lunch and a movie and we have our two senior classes in a very tight competition with just under a week to go.

Our promotions committee is working hard to prepare a float to be entered into the Winchester Parade of Lights. A number of our middle grade students will have fun riding it.

All of our teachers and a number of board members went to a school development workshop in Ottawa recently. We came back with many excellent ideas that we hope to implement — we'd really like to see TCS grow.

A children's choir from Honduras performed for us at a recent assembly. After their performance, they mingled with our students and even got involved in a soccer game.

Our Grade 8 class will begin thinking seriously about high school, as they have a trip to Redeemer Christian High School coming up soon. Credits, prerequisites, applied, academic — these terms are going to be a big part of their vocabulary starting now.

Keeping Health In Mind

"Keeping Health In Mind" is a monthly newspaper column made possible with the help of the Lannin Business Centre, the Winchester Press and the clinical staff of Tri-County Mental Health Services, a community program of the Cornwall General Hospital.

Losing It?

If you can't remember when you did something just for yourself, then it's time to rebalance your lifestyle. The Christmas season can become very busy, sometimes overwhelming, and likely the most important time to ensure that you establish a balance of work, leisure, daily activities and rest. Busy lifestyles take a toll on us. Your health depends on ensuring and achieving the right balance.

Try these strategies to find the right balance for you!

Evaluate how much time you spend in each role. For one week, record how much time you spend working, taking care of yourself, caring and doing for others, doing leisure activities and resting. Then identify where you can make realistic changes for greater balance.

The more hectic your lifestyle, the more important it is to plan your time wisely. Sit quietly once a week and think about the week ahead. List the things you need to get done, then highlight the most important activities in a bright color. Prioritize your time to match your highlighted tasks and allocate tasks to days, allotting a realistic amount of time to complete each task. Once your priorities are managed, focus on what is done, not what isn't done.

For your mental health, do what is meaningful to you. Consider your physical, social, emotional, spiritual and intellectual needs. Make sure that what you are doing each day fills these needs. Each day, make a priority of doing at least one activity for yourself. Remember you need to remain balanced to remain healthy.

Be realistic in setting your goals. What do you need to achieve your goals? More time for yourself? Hired help? Delegate tasks? Greater contact with use of your support system? Which activities can be eliminated or postponed?

Make weekends work for you. Studies show that many of us spend over 12 hours each weekend doing household chores and errands. Rather than frazzle yourself through a two-day binge, spread out these activities over the week. Grocery shopping on non-peak days and hours is faster and less stressful, leaving Saturday morning for a quiet hour to read or have coffee with a friend.

Look at your values. What is really important in your life? What are your plans for your life? Build in time for what is important to you rather than acting on what you 'should' do. Taking time for yourself refreshes you, recharges your battery, lets you be there for others.

This season, give yourself a gift of a balanced life. Such a gift unfolds on a greater ability to be healthier mentally, physically and more relaxed with yourself and others.

Mary Lalonde, O.T. Reg. (Ont.), Occupational Therapist, Tri-County Mental Health Services

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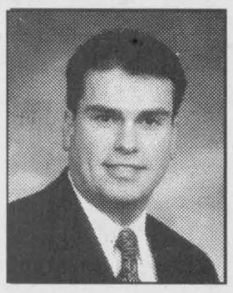

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Vernon 4-Her wins reserve at Royal

Farm update

by Chris Zabel
Press staff

MARIONVILLE — Dairy farmer in the making Jonathan Rylaarsdam has a rare relationship with Delcreek Cheesecake. When the calf is out in the field and sees Rylaarsdam, she'll typically trot over to greet him.

"She's the only cow I've ever had do that," said the 14-year-old. "I don't think I'll ever have a nicer natured calf than this."

It's this sort of kinship that helped Rylaarsdam place reserve junior champion in the Canadian All-breed 4-H Junior Dairy Show at the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto last month.

"You've got to be friends," he said. "Sometimes it's in the calf. If the mother's a snobby cow, she won't have a good temperament. You want a good natured, good typed and good uddered cow, well ribbed and awesome uddered."

This was the first year Rylaarsdam competed in the Toronto show, although he's been in training from a young age. When he was six, he was in his first show at the Metcalfe Fair. "And I did terrible," he admits, although he wasn't deterred. "Once I started seeing what people won, I wanted to win." When he turned 12, he joined the Vernon 4-H Dairy Club.

An older friend who was in 4-H started working with Rylaarsdam, teaching him the tricks of showing calves. He learned to walk in sync with his calf, and to compensate for any weaknesses in her type. Positioning of the calf's feet is always important, and the stance needs to be switched depending on which side of the calf the judge is looking at. "That's kind of my specialty," he said.

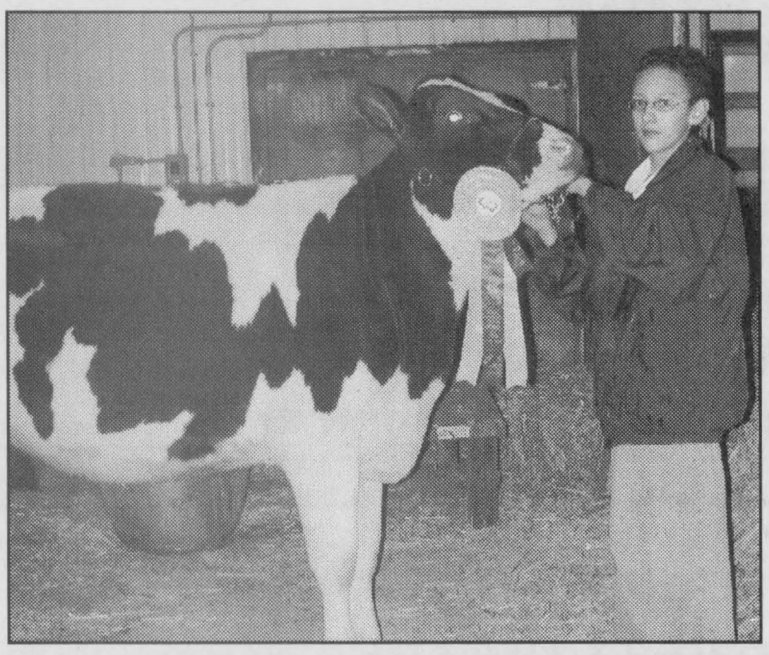
Since starting his career, Rylaarsdam has been to the Ottawa Exhibition, where he won grand champion for type, and the Eastern Breeders International Showcase, where he won grand champion for showmanship.

And he's always learning. This past summer at the Metcalfe Fair judge Phyllis MacMaster told Rylaarsdam that he was holding the nose too high. "She told me the mistakes I made and I improved on that," he said.

At the Royal Winter Fair, Rylaarsdam found himself in elite company. The field had been narrowed to six when he was selected as the reserve junior champion. "I was walking in the ring with the six best showpeople in Canada," he said. Cheesecake also placed seventh for type out of 130 calves.

Rylaarsdam's calf comes from an impressive cow family. Delcreek Farm in Marionville was selected as a Master Breeder Herd in 1998. Rylaarsdam said a big part of the Master Breeder was Cheesecake's grandmother, Delcreek Sunshine. The farm's herd classification is 25 very good and two excellent.

On the farm, Rylaarsdam said he likes to do everything, working on the weekends and in the summer. "I like being around cows, good temperamented cows anyways," he said. "I definitely want to raise dairy, and maybe be a bit of a hockey player on the side."



Nice natured calf

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SNC examined as test case for drought response

BERWICK — South Nation Conservation's response during this summer's drought was recently used as an example for other conservation authorities to learn from. The Ministry of Natural Resources selected two conservation authorities in the province to feature in a series of meetings as test cases showing how to deal with extreme drought conditions.

"We became one of the examples because we were one of the first authorities off the mark in establishing a Water Response Team (WRT) and in taking other action to deal with the drought," said Dennis O'Grady, SNC general manager.

The second test case used was the Long Point Region Conservation Authority based at Port Dover.

O'Grady recently returned from meetings in Manotick, Oshawa and Waterloo where he presented details of SNC's action after a Level 2 drought was declared throughout eastern Ontario late in the summer. To a large extent, despite recent rains, those conditions persist, O'Grady said, adding that the local WRT is still meeting to monitor the situation.

"While flows in the South Nation River and its tributaries are up from a few weeks ago, they're still down by about 70 per cent compared to what's typical for November," said O'Grady.

O'Grady said several important points emerged from the round of meetings, including the need to give drought as high a priority in the public mind as flooding now occupies, the need to more carefully monitor water extractions approved for provincial rivers and streams, and the need for more funding to complement necessary improvements.

"The technology exists today allowing for constant monitoring of flows," O'Grady said. "We just received some MNR funding for modern steam gauges which will provide instant data on how much water is in the system at any given time."

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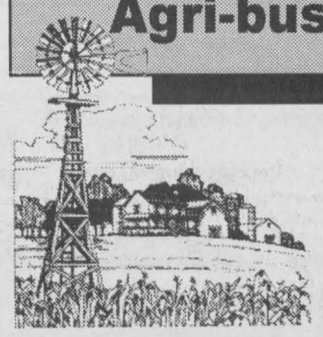

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The choir performs during the Christmas season at several local seniors' residences and hospitals. Major concerts have raised thousands of dollars for various Ontario charities.

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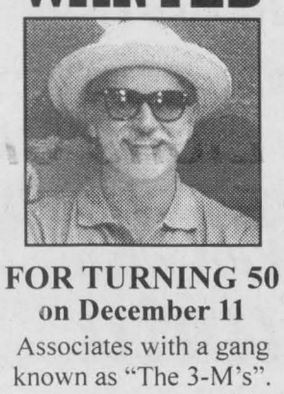

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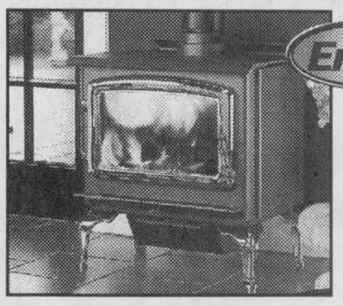

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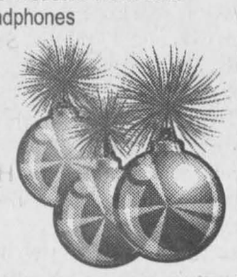



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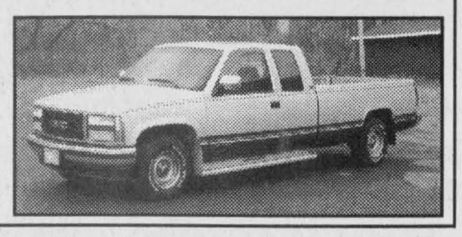

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Smail, Nielson carry short-staffed Hawks to 7-4 win

CARDINAL — It was the Shawn and Chris show Saturday night in Cardinal. Winchester's top two scorers, Shawn Smail and Chris Nielson, scored all seven goals as the Hawks ripped the South Grenville Jr. "B" Rangers 7-4.

Smail bagged four to drive his total to 20 while Nielson snapped in the other three to move his total to 18. Nielson leads the St. Lawrence Division scoring race with 18 goals, 29 assists and 47 points. Smail has 20 goals, 14 assists and 34 points, good enough for fifth place.

Their Saturday night (Dec. 1) victory put the brakes on a three-game losing skid the Hawks had been on and elevated their fourth-place record to 9-12-1. That converts to 19 points, two better than the number-five ranked Morrisburg Lions (7-13-3) and six more than the sixth-place Akwesasne Wolves (5-15-2).

"We are starting to put some space between ourselves and Akwesasne and are still close to Kemptville (10-12-1). We are playing back in our division now and every game is a must-win game," explained Hawks head coach Dave Corkery.

The Hawks play at home tonight (Wed., Dec. 5) when they host the Akwesasne Wolves at 8:15 pm. The match was moved because of Friday's (Dec. 7) Parade of Lights. Winchester's other game is set for Williamstown on Saturday (Dec. 8) when they will challenge the first-place Char-Lan Rebels (18-3-1).

HAWKS 7 - RANGERS 4

Saturday's 7-4 victory over South Grenville certainly wasn't a smoothly orchestrated affair. The Hawks had to face the Rangers, missing eight regular players.

Missing were Liam Turpin (injured), Tony Wellman, Dan Wilson (due to work commitments), Matt McBean (late), James Sarsfield, Joe Dow (no transportation), Chris Thompson (excused) and Toe White. Corkery reports Sarsfield, Wellman and White were all let go when they complained that driving to play in Winchester from Ottawa was just too time consuming. "And Dan Wilson is no longer able to play because of a change in his work schedule."

Because of the roster moves Corkery reports the Hawks have 10 open cards and are in the market for players. Rookie defenceman Travis Rowe, still recovering from a hand injury, was placed on medical hold.

Corkery also reported Chris Nielson, Ryan Watts and goalie Ryan Armitage arrived just in time to be put on the score sheet for the Rangers game while defenceman Matt McBean made it halfway through the first period, too late to play. The coach also had to make a last-minute call to "AP" Colin Bowie who raced from South Mountain to Cardinal to play.

"It was crazy. And then Justin Heuff took a 10-minute misconduct penalty and was gone until the second period. After that another defenceman, Marc Richer was elbowed in the face, lost a tooth and had to go to hospital. That left us with two "D". So Ryan Watts and John McCourt dropped back," explained the coach.

"In spite of everything we played well on Saturday. Our passing and puck movement was good," said Corkery.

The Hawks led 2-0 after a period on goals by Chris Nielson (from Bill Henderson at 17:26) and Shawn Smail (from Liam Tyrell at 5:09). The count went to 4-1 in the second as Smail bagged a pair on passes provided by Stefan Gravelle at 18:14 and Nielson and Nik Paas at 0:04. In the final frame Nielson connected on solo efforts at 12:53 and 1:16. Smail netted the other, his fourth, on a pass from Paas at 9:00. Gregg Griffith posted the victory, his third.

Jason Denio, Tyler Shanks, Ryan Lawless and Derek June replied for the Rangers.

FRIDAY STINKER

Corkery felt his team took the Athens Aeros too lightly, weren't ready to play and therefore suffered a 4-2 loss Friday night (Nov. 30) at home.

But the Hawks weren't the only squad to be knocked off by the Aeros. They also tamed the Akwesasne Wolves 5-3 on Saturday and shocked the number-two ranked Alexandria Glens (14-6-2) 3-2 on Sunday.

"We played about six minutes of hockey a period. We hit five goal posts and Nielson missed a penalty shot. But in general we were disorganized and scrambly," pointed out the coach.

Nik Paas potted the Hawks' first goal on a shorthanded play created by Smail and McBean at 7:48 of period one. Nielson fired in a powerplay pass from Bill Henderson for the other with 2:23 left in period two.

Cory Hurlbert (2), Scott Morrison and scoring leader Chris McCann (empty net) rang up the Athens goals.

Athens took five and Winchester six minor penalties.



Denied

Hawks forward Liam Turpin couldn't deflect this shot in behind Aeros goaltender Jackson Bannon during the second period of Friday night's (Nov. 30) 4-2 loss. Bannon held the Hawks at bay during the third period of the Rideau - S. Lawrence Jr. "B' Hockey League contest while his team captain, Chris McCann, insured the victory with an empty-net goal with one second on the clock. Press Photo — Van Bridger

Curlers advance to provincials

WINCHESTER — A foursome of high school-aged curlers, based in Winchester, has advanced to the 2002 Teranet Provincial Junior Women's championship.

The team, which uses the Winchester Curling Club as its training centre, is composed of Lee Merklinger (skip), Winchester's Leslie Levere, Lisa Weagle, Breanne Merklinger and coach Bruce Merklinger. Levere is a student at North Dundas District High School, while the other three team members attend school in Ottawa.

The Merklinger rink has qualified for the provincials (to be held at the Unionville Curling Club Jan. 2-6, 2002) for the second straight year after winning the "A" final at the Cataraqui Curling Club recently. Last year as a bantam team, the girls finished third in Ontario after playing their way into the final eight.

Team Merklinger swept the opposition aside on the weekend of Nov. 17-18 by beating a team from the Rideau CC in the first game of the double knockout event by an 11-3 score in eight ends. In the second draw they defeated a team from the Royal Kingston 9-3 in six ends. In the "A" final Merklinger met a young Prescott team skipped by Laura Payne and cruised to a 9-2, six-end victory to advance to this year's provincial championship.

This team was the Provincial Bantam Girls Champion in 2000 and runners up in 2001, losing a last-rock decision. Earlier in the fall this team won the $1,000 first at the London Junior Diabetes bonspiel and advanced to the qualifying round in a junior event in Oakville. The Merklinger rink is playing regularly in the Ottawa Super League against some of the province's best adult teams, including Anne Merklinger and Rich Moffat, former provincial champions. Coach Merklinger suggests that although they have not won a lot of games they are gaining valuable experience.

On the Junior Men's side of the Cataraqui bonspiel, a Russell team skipped by North Dundas District High School student Alexander Dyer and made up of Michel Cousineau, Adam MacMillan, and Dan Cousineau played three games, winning one game on last rock in the 10 end and losing two under similar circumstances.



Sports 2001

Coach Bruce Merklinger uses weekly practice sessions at the Winchester Curling Club to help the team of Lee Merklinger (skip), Leslie Levere, Lisa Weagle and Breanne Merklinger prepare for the 2002 Teranet Provincial Junior Women's curling championships. The girls will compete for the Ontario title in Unionville in early January (Jan. 2-6). Photo: Lisa (left), Lee, Breanne and Leslie listen to instructions.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

Knights knock Jets in OT

METCALFE — Trevor McKinnon scored with 2:43 left in overtime and lifted the first-place Ottawa West Golden Knights to a 4-3 victory over the Metcalfe Jets.

The Sunday afternoon (Dec. 2) victory inflated the Knights' points total to 36 and moved the fourth-place Metcalfe Jets Metro/Valley Junior "B" Hockey League record to 6-13-3. They have collected 16 points, 10 fewer than the third-place South Ottawa Canadians (13-9-0) and seven more than fifth-place Buckingham (4-16-1).

Metcalfe's week began with a solid 6-3 win over the South Ottawa Canadians in Ottawa on Nov. 27. On Friday night the Carleton Place Kings visited the Larry Robinson Arena and left town with a 4-1 decision. Sunday's 4-3 OT loss to Ottawa West completed the three-game sked.

"Not bad, three of six points," commented Jets head coach Rob Raistrick. "We outplayed West (Ottawa) real bad and deserved to win. Their goalie (Trevor Cunning) is their whole team and he kept them in the game. But he pulled a groin and might miss some games."

Raistrick, who is 3-6-2 since taking over as Metcalfe's head coach on Nov. 2, added some size and experience to his new squad last week as he works toward moving up in the standings. He acquired Dan Cavanaugh and Tyler Kerfoot from Carleton Place and 6'5" Dustin Sullivan from Ottawa Jr. Senators.

"Both Cavanaugh and Sullivan are huge defencemen and all three have three years of Junior "A" experience. They are certainly going to help us. Especially in our small rink," added Raistrick. "Basically I traded our third line (Cory Lambert, Gino St. Louis and Olivier Lyon) for Cavanaugh and Tyler Kerfoot. I needed goal scorers and those two each have scored 10."

The coach said he is also expecting Metcalfe's Corey Franey to return to the club. "He is tough and he should help us with our physical game."

Unfortunately for Sullivan and the Jets he separated his shoulder in Friday's 4-1 loss to Carleton Place and will be out of action for several weeks.

Raistrick said once Sunday's match with Ottawa West went into OT he threw three forwards and one defenceman on the ice and went for the extra point. "We already had a point so I just went for the other one."

A goal by Jason Vajda with one second left in period two sent the game into extra time. Period three was scoreless.

Aaron Brown (from Mark Stewart and Mike Santerre at 7:53), Casey Shanks (from Andrew Decristoford at 5:35) and Santerre (from Jon Finney and Brad Nixon at 0:52) banged in Metcalfe's second-period goals. Charles MacTavish tended the nets.

Geoff Magnus, Tristan Dougherty, Jason Vajda and Trevor McKinnon (in overtime) cracked in the Knights markers.

Tyler Kerfoot (from Craig Penk and Jon White) was Metcalfe's lone scorer in Friday's (Nov. 30) loss to Carleton Place.

The score sheet for the Jets 6-3 win against South Ottawa wasn't available.

This week the Jets are in Stittsville to play the Goulbourn Royals on Friday (Dec. 7) and Shawville on Sunday (Dec. 9) to tangle with the Junior Pontiacs.

NDMHA hosts house tourney

WINCHESTER — There will be 36 games of hockey played in the Winchester and Chesterville arenas this weekend as the North Dundas Minor Hockey Association presents the second instalment of its fifth annual Mega Tournament 2001.

A total of 24 teams will be involved in the Mega House Tournament which will get under way Thursday evening (Dec. 6) and finish up on Saturday with the Atom and Bantam A, B and C finals being played from 3 pm until 8 pm in Winchester and the Novice and Pee Wee title matches running in Chesterville from 2 pm until 7 pm.

The NDMHA hosted its 48-team rep tourney on the first weekend in November.

Tournament convenor Gary Johnson reports because the Winchester Country Christmas Parade of Lights is being staged on Friday evening (Dec. 7) there will only be three games scheduled and they will be played in Chesterville and will not involve any North Dundas teams.

"We wanted all of the kids, and their parents, to be able to watch the Parade of Lights in Winchester so we have kept the games in Chesterville. Unfortunately we will have to ask for some volunteers to work those three games in Chesterville. Obviously they won't be able to watch the parade," he explained.

Johnson said the support he received for the November Mega Tournament was phenomenal and made that competition a success. He is certain the assistance needed to run the tournament this time around will also be forthcoming. "I can't say enough good things about the parents, coaches and our sponsors. They all have been very supportive."

The first games will be played in Winchester and Chesterville on Thurs., Dec. 6. North Dundas No. One Novices will take on the Nepean Ice Wolves at 7:30 pm in Winchester. The No. One Atom Demons will meet Cumberland at 8:30 pm while Osgoode and Smiths Falls will clash in a Bantam game at 9:30 pm.

In Chesterville the North Dundas No. Two Novice Demons will skate against Metcalfe at 7:30 pm. The No. Two Atom Demons will take on Embrun at 8:30 pm while the North Dundas Bantam Demons will battle Brockville in the 9:30 pm match.

A full slate of games will get under way in both arenas on Saturday (Dec. 8) at 7 am. The finals begin at 3 pm in Winchester and 2 pm in Chesterville.

'Wendell' bags seven goals in Rangers romp

WINCHESTER — There is no stopping the "Large Canadian". Dereck "Wendell" Holmes went on another scoring spree last Tuesday night bagging seven goals in a 10-4 romp over the KTC Flyers.

That's 23 goals, 14 assists and 37 points for the former defenceman. And the Ben's Pioneer Gas Bar Rangers forward has done all of the damage in just eight games because the scoring stats from the opening game of the season weren't kept. But Tuesday's seven-goal explosion, although impressive, isn't his biggest one-game production of the 2001-2002 Winchester Town Hockey League campaign; on Oct. 30 he collected eight points (2-6-8). His previous one-game high in goals was five, recorded on Oct. 23.

Their 10-4 win inflated the top-ranked Rangers' record to 8-1-0. The loss left the Flyers in fourth place with a 1-6-2 mark.

In the other half of the Tuesday night (Nov. 27) twin bill, an 8-1 decision for the Boyd Chrysler Rams (4-5-0) over Country Kitchen (3-4-2) created an eight-point tie for second place.

Holmes fired in four of his goals in the first half helping the Rangers establish a 5-0 lead on the Pioneer gas pumpers. His fifth tally opened the second half at the 24-minute mark and increased the lead to 6-0.

Meanwhile Jason Ouellette and the Flyers mounted a comeback. Ryan Filion shattered Craig "JB" Smith's goose egg scoring from Ryan Swerdfeger and Jeff Holmes at 21:45. Ouellette then went to work and whacked in three consecutive goals, scoring in a span of one minute and 30 seconds. Randy McLeod (2), Troy McNaughton and Jamie Hyndman assisted on the natural hat trick.

The rally closed the gap to 8-4 but also signalled another two-goal outburst by Holmes who whistled in a low shot behind Bruce Graham from the right wing at the 3:45 mark and then finished the game by rifling a rising shot into the top corner of the cage from the left side 36 seconds later.

Andrew Barrie, Curtis Hambly and John Guy were the other Ranger goal-getters. Assists went to John Guy (4), Brad Holmes (3), Mark Guy, Jerrold Boulanger, Barrie, Hambly and Victor Blake.



Big night

Dereck "Wendell" Holmes tracked down a loose puck in Tuesay's game against the Flyers. In fact he tracked down seven pucks and fired them all into Bruce Graham's net as Ben's Pioneer Rangers powered their way to a 10-4 victory. Holmes leads the WTHL scoring race with 23 goals, 14 assists and 37 points. Press Photo — Van Bridger

RAMS 8 - CYCLONES 1

Rick Adams ruined a Doug Rigby shutout, scoring from Al Christophersen and Mike Ennis at 19:03 of the second half. The Adams goal got the Cyclones back into the game at 5-1 but was the one and only shot they managed to put into Rigby's net in the 8-1 loss.

The Rams enjoyed a 5-0 lead at the half.

Jay Holmes (2), Kevin Pebbles (2), Shane Meunier (2), Paul Pilotte and Tylor Copeland cracked in the Rams' goals. Meunier (3), Scott Barkley (2), Matt Wetzel (2), Pebbles (2), Jason Valcour, Holmes, John Ralko, Kevin Henry, Steve Norton and Steve Joyce all picked up assists.

Parmalat Midget Demons extend undefeated string to eight games

LONG SAULT — Brett Bird cracked in a pair of goals and Adam Sylvester provided stellar goaltending as the North Dundas Parmalat Midget "B" Demons knocked off the South Stormont Selects 6-1.

The Nov. 29 road victory improved the North Dundas Upper Canada Minor Hockey League record to 6-0-2. Over those eight games the Demons have outscored the opposition by a 57-19 margin.

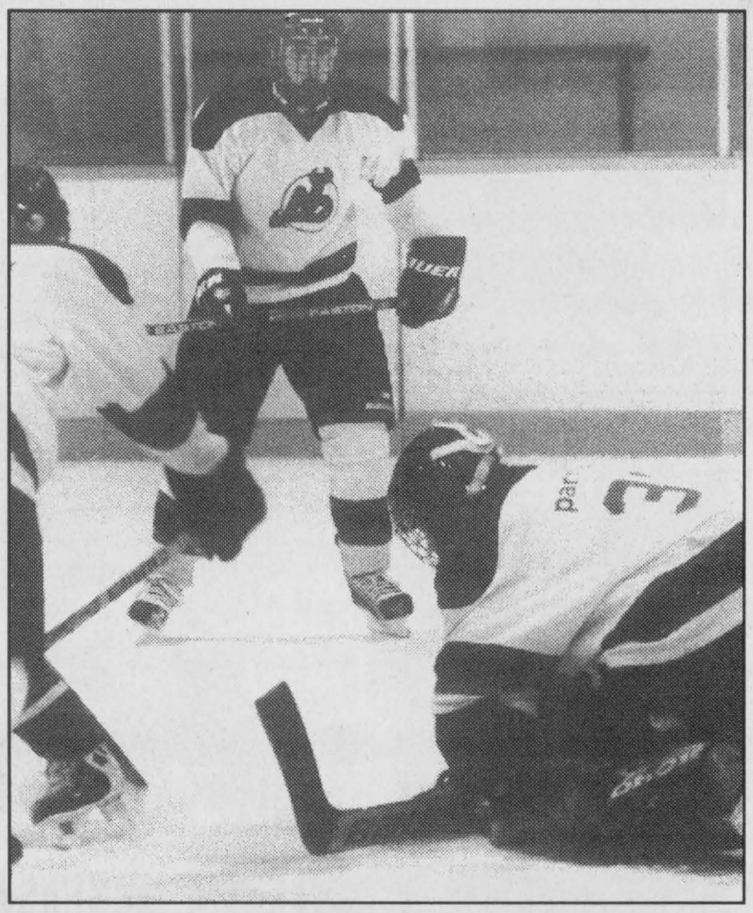
In their latest three outings North Dundas has a 3-3 tie against the NGS Braves (Nov. 18 in Maxville) and bashed the Morrisburg Lions 13-0 (Nov. 27 in Chesterville).

Demons coach Dale Murdoch reports the team is playing extremely well at this early stage of the season and notes when Nik Paas, Stefan Gravelle and Chris Thompson are not playing for the Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks and in his lineup, the squad can provide any team in the league with a very strong challenge.

North Dundas went up 4-1 in the first period of the South Stormont game cashing in shots by Nik Paas at 14:16, a pair by Brett Bird at 12:37 and 4:29 and one by Stefan Gravelle 1:55 before the buzzer.

Justin Morozuk made it 5-1, scoring from Danny Marion with 4:55 left in period two, and Brodie Spratt made it a 6-1 final, scoring on an unassisted play at 14:03 of period three.

Adam Sylvester tended the nets and missed the shutout when Chris Leroux scored on him with 4:58 to play in period one.



No chance

North Dundas goaltender Chris Currie and his defence didn't give the Morrisburg Lions any opportunity to score as they waxed the visitors 13-0 in a recent UCMHL contest. Josh McLean was the Midget "B" Demons' offensive hero slapping in four goals and drawing three assists. Press Photo – Van Bridger

TAME LIONS 13-0

It was no contest last Tuesday (Nov. 27) as the Demons played host to the Morrisburg Lions in Chesterville.

Paced by Josh McLean's four goal - three assist effort, North Dundas skated out to period leads of 3-0 and 8-0 on their way to a 13-0 triumph.

Danny Marion (2), Justin Morozuk (2), Patrick Pommainville (2), Brodie Spratt, Spencer Dawson and Stefan Gravelle blasted in the other pucks. Assists were earned by Gravelle (5), Devon Brown (4), Chris Thompson (4), Dawson (3), Derek Vingerhoeds (2), Marion, Pommainville, Spratt and Nathan Thompson. Chris Currie posted the shutout.

North Dundas took two and Morrisburg three minor penalties.

DEMONS 3 - BRAVES 3

Josh McLean converted a pass provided by Nathan Thompson and Patrick Pommainville into the tying goal as the Demons played the host NGS Braves to a 3-3 draw in Maxville on Nov. 18.

The McLean goal came with 2:52 left in regulation time.

A pair of affiliate players took care of the rest of the scoring. Brian Cummings scored from Devon Kelly at 2:42 of period one and then Kelly connected from Cummings with 6:14 left in the second session. Mike Tutton also picked up an assist on the second-period tally.

NGS led 2-1 after a period and the game was tied 2-2 after 40 minutes. Adam Sylvester worked the North Dundas nets.

DEMONS SCORING

North Dundas Midget "B" Demons scoring after eight games: Josh McLean 7-7-14; Spencer Dawson 4-10-14; Pat Pommainville 6-5-11; Stefan Gravelle 4-7-11; Chris Thompson 1-10-11; Brodie Spratt 3-7-10; Brett Bird 5-4-9; Justin Morozuk 7-1-8; Nik Paas 6-2-8; Dan Marion 5-3-8; Devon Brown 0-7-7; Chad McMillan 3-3-6; Nathan Thompson 1-5-6; Mike Tutton 0-4-4; Derek Vingerhoeds 1-2-3; "AP" Matt Baker 1-2-3; "AP" Brian Cummings 1-1-2; "AP" Devon Kelly 1-1-2. Goalies: Chris Currie - four wins, no losses; Adam Sylvester - two wins, no losses, two ties.

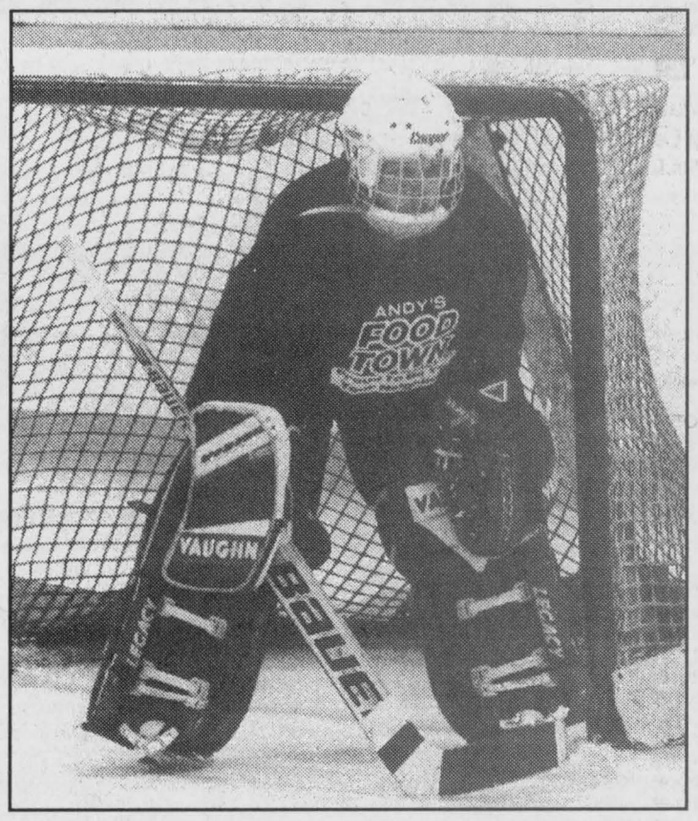
McDiarmid goal gives Double Beauty tie

WINCHESTER — Kim McDiarmid converted a pass provided by Julie Cyr and Kathy Kerr-Moore into a very important goal. McDiarmid's marker was registered with 8:10 left in the game and gave the Double Beauty Stylists a 1-1 tie with the Annable's Jewellery Blues.

The Sunday (Dec. 2) result left the Stylists alone in first place in the Winchester and District Ladies Hockey League standings with a 5-0-2 record and 12 points. The Annable's Blues (5-1-1) now share second place with the Andy's Foodland Maroons (5-1-1) who blanked the last-place Stewart Classics (0-7-0) 2-0 in the 8 am contest. The Ryan's Restaurant Reds (3-4-0) moved one game closer to the 500 mark by nipping the CountryGirl Gold Diggers (1-6-0) 3-2 in the 9 am match.

Tammy Sullivan gave the Annable's Blues a 1-0 lead on Double Beauty when she scored on a pass from the league's top scorer, Sandy Roy, 1:23 before the half-time intermission. It was Roy's second assist and 17th point of the season.

McDiarmid then tied it up 1-1 with her goal at 8:10 of the second half.



Sherry Stewart registered a 2-0 shutout win over the Stewart Classics on Sunday (Dec. 2) morning. The Andy's Foodland Maroons goalie has only allowed three goals in seven WDLHL games. The Maroons and Annable's Blues are tied for second place with 5-1-1 records. Press Photo -- Van Bridger

Angela Durigan (Stylists) and Carrie Nolan were the opposing goalies.

Sherry Stewart posted the shutout, backing the Andy's Foodland in a 2-0 decision over the Stewart Classics. Neither Stewart or Roxanne Backes gave up a goal until Shannon Vidal (from April Pashak and Kelly Cummins) connected at 10:28 of the second session. Sheri Richer (from Vidal and Suki Beavers) scored at the 9:35 mark to ice the 2-0 decision.

COLLINS NETS WINNER

Marilyn Collins took a pass from Megan Lamonte and Sharon MacLeod and fired it into Sharon MacDonald's net 12:35 before the final buzzer to snap a 2-2 tie and hand the Ryan's Restaurant Reds a 3-2 victory over the Country Girl Gold Diggers.

Amy Fraser used a pass from Cheryle Shurtliffe to give the Diggers a 1-0 lead at 19:17 of the first half. But the tide had turned by half time. Collins (from Lamonte and Judy Littau) tied it up for the Reds, scoring at 14:56. Littau (from Lamonte and Brianna Palubeski) then made it 2-1 with her goal 1:15 before the intermission.

Fraser used her second goal to knot the count at 2-2 at 15:44 of the second half. McMillan and Shurtliffe assisted on the Country-Girl goal which set the stage for the winner by Collins at 12:35.

Joanne Saunders posted the victory.

Novice Cs split games with Akwesasne Wolves

CHESTERVILLE — North Dundas split a pair of Upper Canada Minor Hockey League one-goal decisions with the Akwesasne Novice "C" Wolf Pack over the weekend.

On Nov. 30 in Chesterville the Demons edged the visiting Wolves 2-1 and then came out on the wrong end of a 3-2 verdict Sunday (Dec. 2) on Cornwall Island.

North Dundas netminder Thomas Gilles just missed a shutout as he and the Demons doubled the Wolves 2-1 in Chesterville. The home team took a 1-0 lead when Cody Findlay used a feed from Derek Simms and MacKenzie McMillan to score at 6:32 of period one. Martin Touchette found the Akwesasne net next when he clicked on a play started by Simms and Alex Hendsbee with 8:45 to play in period two.

A shot by Detwin Curleyhead cracked Gilles' goose egg and put the Wolves on the board 1:50 before the end of the second session.

Period three was scoreless and the game was played penalty free.

Akwesasne gained their revenge in the rematch on Sunday, skating to a 3-2 win. Curleyhead counted the game-winning goal with 4:29 left in the game. It was tied 1-1 after a period and 2-2 after two.

Cody Findlay fired in both North Dundas goals, scoring at 6:29 of period one and again with 4:39 left in period two. Both plays were unassisted.

Akwesasne was whistled for the game's only minor penalty.

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Sports Scoreboard

Eastern Ontario Jr. "B" Hockey League
RIDEAU-ST. LAWRENCE DIVISION

RECENT RESULTS
Nov. 28:
Brockville 3 - Kemptville 2
Nov. 30:
Brockvile 3 - Morrisburg 1
Athens 4 - Winchester 2
Alexandria 4 - Gananoque 3 OT
Dec. 1:
Winchester 7 - South Grenville 4
Athens 5 - Akwesasne 3
Char-Lan 3 - Kemptville 2 OT
Dec. 2:
Athens 3 - Alexandria 2
Morrisburg 7 - Gananoque 4
Westport 5 - Kemptville 2
Char-Lan 5 - South Grenville 2

STANDINGS

Rideau Division:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Brockville	17	5	0	105	68	34
Westport	13	9	1	110	86	28
Athens	8	15	1	79	108	19
Gananoque	6	15	2	84	105	15
South Grenville	6	17	0	70	122	13

St. Lawrence:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Char-Lan	18	3	1	128	56	37
Alexandria	14	6	2	95	77	30
Kemptville	10	12	1	95	88	23
Winchester	9	12	1	90	108	19
Morrisburg	7	13	3	78	101	17
Akwesasne	5	15	2	74	111	13

Rideau Division Top Scorers:	G	A	PTS
Chris McCann, Athens	26	20	46
Ryan Carty, West.	16	16	32
Ryan Dekairelle, West.	15	17	32
Casey Reilly, Bro.	14	18	32
Chris Leeder, Bro.	13	15	28
Ryan Graham, West.	16	11	27
Kris Crawford, West.	6	21	27
Scott Morrison, Athens	13	13	26
Brad Sheffield, Bro.	12	14	26
Jason Denio, SG	13	12	25
St. Lawrence Top Scorers:	**G**	**A**	**PTS**
Chris Nielson, Win.	18	29	47
Adam Sprik, Kempt.	29	16	45
Andrew Miller, Kempt.	16	24	40
Sylvian Routhier, Akw.	16	21	37
Shawn Smail, Win.	20	14	34
Nick Dube, Char.	9	21	30
Louis Brjsson, Alex.	9	19	28
Jason Lepine, Char.	11	14	25
Derek Duval, Char.	9	16	25
Simon Langevin, Alex.	7	18	25
Nathan Cook, Akw.	13	11	24
Joe Dow, Win.	5	19	24
Sean Roseman, Char.	5	19	24

METRO DIVISION

RECENT RESULTS
Metcalfe 6 - South Ottawa 3
Ottawa West 7 - Buckingham 3
Clarence Creek 6 - Buckingham 2
Carleton Place 4 - Metcalfe 1
South Ottawa 4 - Clarence Creek 2
Ottawa West 4 - Metcalfe 3 OT

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Ottawa West	17	2	1	106	55	36
Clarence Creek	14	5	3	88	63	31
South Ottawa	13	9	0	96	87	26
Metcalfe	6	13	3	81	105	16
Buckingham	4	16	1	60	105	9

Metro Top Scorers:	G	A	PTS
Sean Roche, SO	15	22	37
Jon Finney, Met.	11	19	30
Jordan Thornley, OW	11	17	28
Benoit Rochon, CC	11	13	24
Mike Santerre, Met.	10	14	24
Ryan Velcich, OW	9	15	24
Scott Luchak, SO	7	17	24
Frank Dostie, SO	14	9	23
Luc Nault, SO	13	10	23
B. Desnoyers, Buck.	9	13	22
Robert Pyne, CC	8	12	20

Winchester Town Hockey League
Recent Results:
Week Nine (Nov. 27):
Boyd Rams 8 - C. K. Cyclones 1
Ben's Rangers 10 - KTC Flyers 4

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Ben's Pioneer	8	1	0	65	24	16
Boyd Rams	4	5	0	34	44	8
C.K. Cyclones	3	4	2	30	39	8
KTC Flyers	1	6	2	23	55	4

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Dereck Holmes, Ben's	23	14	37
John Guy, Ben's	12	13	25
Mark Guy, Ben's	5	18	23
Chris Williams, Ben's	7	7	14
Chad Brownlee, Ben's	8	5	13
Rob Darling, Cyclones	9	2	11
Brad Holmes, Ben's	0	11	11
Jason Ouellette, Flyers	6	4	10
Chris Hambly, Ben's	4	6	10
Mike Wetzel, Cyclones	1	9	10

Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League
Recent Results:
Week Seven (Dec. 2):
Andy's Foodland 2 - Stewart Classics 0
Annable's Blues 1 - Double Beauty 1
Ryan's Reds 3 - CountryGirl 2

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Double Beauty	5	0	2	18	4	12
Annable's Blues	5	1	1	25	6	11
Andy's Foodland	5	1	1	11	3	11
Ryan's Reds	3	4	0	9	20	6
CountryGirl	1	6	0	13	25	2
Stewart Classics	0	7	0	0	21	0

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Sandy Roy, Blues	15	2	17
Maggie Stewart, DB	5	4	9
Amy Fraser, CG	5	2	7
S. Marsden-Whelan, Blues	2	5	7
Sandra Brunner, CG	5	1	6
Kathy Kerr-Moore, DB	4	2	6
Kim McDiarmid, DB	2	4	6
Nancy Beavers, Reds	3	2	5
Julie Cyr, DB	3	2	5
Vicky Tetley, Blues	2	3	5

Metcalfe Hockey League
RECENT RESULTS:
Week 11 (Dec. 2):
Wallace Bruins 3 - McVey Leafs 1
Continental Stars 3 - Pronto Rangers 1
Hicks Wings 5 - Tom's Penguins 3

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Hicks Wings	7	2	2	56	46	16
Tom's Penguins	7	4	0	57	36	14
Wallace Bruins	5	4	2	33	32	12
Cont. Stars	5	6	0	34	29	10
McVey Leafs	4	5	2	34	35	10
Pronto Rangers	1	8	2	25	50	4

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Brian Downey, Stars	12	9	21
Dale Poirier, Wings	11	10	21
Rich Corlyon, Pens	11	8	19
Rick Downey, Pens	7	12	19
Steve Wade, Wings	7	12	19
Scott Reaney, Wings	8	9	17
Darrell Warren, Leafs	5	11	16
Bob Kemp, Bruins	9	6	15
Kevin McIsaac, Pens	9	6	15
Derek Burleigh, Leafs	7	6	13





Brian Downey fired in a pair of goals on Sunday morning and led the Continental Mushroom Stars to a 3-1 win over the Pronto Rangers. Downey now leads the MTHL scoring race with 12 goals, nine assists and 21 points. Press Photo – Van Bridger

Red Wings in first place

METCALFE — Steve Quinn provided the pass and Reg Fisher snapped the puck home 3:09 before the final buzzer as the Hicks Insurance Red Wings moved into sole possession of first place in the Metcalfe Town Hockey League standings by beating Tom's Air Cooled Engines Penguins 5-3.

Their victory improved the Red Wings record to 7-2-2 and moved them two points ahead of the number-two ranked Penguins (7-4-0).

The other two games on Sunday's (Dec. 2) card saw the Continental Mushroom Stars (5-6-0) post their second consecutive win, a 3-1 victory over the last-place Pronto Food Rangers (1-8-2), and the Wallace Service Centre Bruins (5-4-2) bust the McVey Brothers Maple Leafs (4-5-2) 3-1.

Fisher cracked the 3-3 tie, scoring the winning goal for the Red Wings 3:09 before the final buzzer. Just eight seconds later Steve Wade cashed in a relay from Steve Porteous and Tim Salmon to seal a 5-3 victory for the Wings.

Todd Hay, Dale Poirier and Salmon netted the other goals. Steve Quinn (2), Salmon (2), Scott Reaney, Willis Stevens Wade and Porteous all collected assists.

Vince Seguin counted two goals for the Penguins. Kevin McIsaac had the single while Greg McLaren, Rich Corlyon and McIsaac set up the scoring plays. It was tied 1-1 at the half.

BRUINS 3 - LEAFS 1

Darrell Warren's unassisted goal was the only shot Bill Jamieson couldn't handle as he and the Wallace Bruins knocked off the McVey Leafs 3-1.

Fred Young used a pass provided by Shane Patterson and Tony Boulaey to open up a 1-0 lead for the Bruins at 9:35 of the first half. Warren tied it up with his goal 2:52 before the intermission. Patterson broke up the 1-1 deadlock counting what would prove to be the winning goal on a play engineered by Bruce Young at 21:56 of the second session. Bob Kemp (from Boulaey and Young) finalized the 3-1 deal, scoring 4:21 before the final buzzer.

STARS 3 - RANGERS 1

Stars' netminder Nick Pora had a perfect game going until the Rangers' Rob Stanley beat him on a play created by Ken Quaile and Dave Warren 1:29 before the final buzzer.

Steve Corlyon's unassisted shot at 15:52 put the Stars up 1-0 and one minute later a solo effort by Brian Downey made it 2-0. That score held up through the first half. Downey cracked in another unassisted marker with 2:32 left on the clock to make it a 3-0 difference.

Downey's two goals increased his total to 12, tops in the MTHL. He and Dale Poirier of the Wings are tied for the scoring race lead with 21 points.

Petite A Hornets back on track

by Bonnie Faith

RUSSELL — With fabulous goal tending by Metcalfe goalie Rachel MacLaurin, the Petite "A" Hornets skated to a 7-1 National Capital Region Ringette League victory over Upper Ottawa Valley.

Metcalfe scored 40 seconds into the first period of Sunday's (Dec. 2) match in Russell on a pass Jessica Grisel received from Kristen MacDonald. A minute later it was Samantha Faith hitting the mesh in the back of the UOV net next, with help from Jennifer Quinn and Allison White. It was a tight game for the next five minutes as the teams battled over possession of the ring. White, Faith and Quinn teamed up again for Metcalfe goal number three.

With two Hornets in the penalty box, UOV fired a shot behind the Metcalfe goalie. Metcalfe picked up two more penalties before the period was over, but their penalty killing proved to be perfect.

Seconds into the second period Brittany Risto passed the ring to Grisel who scored. MacDonald then picked up the pass from Grisel, skated in and fired in the fourth goal for the Hornets. Quinn and White helped Taryn Hunt with goal number five, and Laura Vizena along with Cara Waddell, earned the assists on the sixth goal by Mackenzie Wylie.

The White, Quinn and Faith combination wrapped up the game with the seventh goal and, with over six minutes remaining in the game, it was to be the last for either team.

The Hornets will be on the ice twice next weekend with two away games. Their first match will be at the Potvin Arena against Gloucester on Saturday (Dec. 8) and their second will take them to Stittsville on Sunday (Dec. 9) to take on Goulbourn.

Kyle Greer blanks Glens

WINCHESTER — Kyle Greer blocked everything the Alexandria Glens fired at him as the North Dundas Novice "B" Demons skated to a 4-0 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League victory.

The first period of Monday's (Dec. 3) contest was scoreless but the home team broke it wide open and netted a pair of second-period goals and two more in the final frame.

Dylan Fawcett's unassisted shot with 1:41 left in the second session proved to be the winning goal. Dustin Tinkler made it 2-0 before the period was over, scoring on a play created by Cameron Shaw and Karl Henike 1:19 before the buzzer.

A pair of unassisted markers in the third completed the 4-0 picture. Dylan Casselman made it three-zip at 8:17 and Peter Klein-Swormink finished it, scoring at the 5:27 mark.

There was one minor penalty called in the game.

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The Metcalfe/Russell Pee Wee "B" Jets played through injuries and came up with gold and silver medals at two recent tournaments. They claimed the gold in the Gloucester event and the silver at the Harold Hamm Memorial in Osgoode. Front, left, David Cote, Alex Campbell, Scott Downey, Jonathan Scrivens, Chris Kinkade, Conor MacLeod. Back, left, Gerry McKenna - manager, Danny Kingsbury, Lee McCulloch, Chris Hendrikx, Alec Villeneuve, Shayne James, Scott Price, Justin McKenna, Jeff Moberg. Missing: Joel Paquette, Gilles Paquette - coach, Marc Villeneuve - ass't coach, Tony Cousineau - ass't coach.

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PeeWee Jets capture gold and silver

GLOUCESTER — Playing through a spade of injuries, the Metcalfe/Russell Pee Wee "B" Jets managed to capture gold and silver medals in back-to-back tournaments.

The Jets were short four players for the championship game of the Osgoode Rideau Harold Hamm Memorial Tournament (Nov. 23 - 25) and wound up settling for the silver medal in a 4-0 loss to Cumberland.

Metcalfe won its division tying the Goulbourn Rams 4-4, defeating the Nepean Raiders 6-4 and West Mall Lightning 3-2. That record was good enough to move them to the semi-final round where they eliminated the Vaughan Panthers 4-1. That win put them in the title match against the Cumberland Barons, who skated to a 4-0 victory.

Alex Campbell was selected as the Jets' MVP in the "A" final and received a hockey stick for his efforts. Jeff Moberg and Dave Cote filled in for some of the missing players. The Jets received individual awards and a large team trophy as "A" finalists.

Last weekend (Nov. 29 - Dec. 2) the Jets competed in the Gloucester tournament and, with Danny Kingston sidelined with a broken collarbone and Stephen Laporte on vacation, they competed with 11 skaters and one goaltender.

Metcalfe once again won its division by blanking the Kanata Blazers 3-0, tying West Carleton 2-2 and burying the Brampton Battalion 8-0.

On Sunday (Dec. 2) the Jets whitewashed Peterborough 4-0 to advance to the "A" final against East Ottawa.

East Ottawa opened the championship match with an early goal but Joel Paquette tied it up 1-1 two minutes later. Shortly after, East Ottawa took a 2-1 lead only to have the Jets make it a 2-2 contest. This time Chris Kinkade fired in the goal. Early in period two East Ottawa gained the lead for a third time and the Jets were able to respond as Alex Campbell put a shot into the twine.

Shayne James cracked in what was thought to be the game-winning goal late in the third, only to have East Ottawa pull their goaltender and tie it up 4-4 with 32 seconds left in regulation time.

James rose to the occasion in OT, slapping a long shot into the back of the Ottawa cage to hand his squad a 5-4 win and the tournament championship. Kinkade assisted on the winning goal. James was named Metcalfe's MVP and Jonathan Scrivens received special mention for his stellar work in the Jets' nets.

NDDHS getting into the Christmas spirit

NDDHS Notes
by
Amy Simpson



Students were able to enjoy an extra long weekend as Thurs., Nov. 29 was a snow day and Friday was a PD Day. Last week, Battle Month wrapped up, with teachers vs. students activities, including an orange-passing contest and a teacher vs. OACs volleyball game. Unfortunately, the students were unable to win either of the two games which were played. Thank you to everyone who participated in all the Battle Month activities!

On Wed., Nov. 28, North Dundas hosted a comedy show by Yuk Yuk's. Tickets were sold to students for $3, which allowed them to get out of a class to get a few much needed laughs.

As a result of the snow day on Thursday, we were unable to have our dance. However, we are in the process of rescheduling it, so I will be sure to inform you of the new date.

On Wed., Dec. 5, the girls' volleyball season will begin as they will be playing against La Citadelle at North Dundas. We wish the midget, junior and senior teams luck in their first game of the season. The midgets will be playing first on Wednesday at 1 pm, and will be followed by the juniors game at 2 pm. The seniors will play at 3 pm.

Don't forget to come cheer on the Devils as the boys' basketball teams will be playing on Thurs., Dec. 6 at 2 pm and 3:30 pm at North Dundas. So, there's a lot going on at North Dundas this week!

Each year, 1,800 Canadians are killed as a result of impaired driving, and 56,000 are injured. The Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving group at North Dundas is working hard to change this statistic as they host OSAID Week, Dec. 3-7. Each day at lunch hour, they will be organizing various activities for the students to get involved in. The week will end with a dramatic presentation on Friday, which will be performed by Mrs. Wilson's drama class. There will also be a wrecked car displayed in front of North Dundas for the duration of OSAID week. Each day, an OSAID member will be putting 43 red ribbons on the car, which will represent the number of people who are killed every 24 hours as a result of an impaired driving crash in Canada.

Peer Helpers are making the finishing touches to their float for Friday's Parade of Lights in Winchester. There will also be North Dundas students walking along the parade route collecting money donations for the Dundas County Food Bank. Students, we still need your food donations for the Christmas Food Drive at school too!

Need to get into the Christmas spirit? Why not come and listen to the band when they perform on Wed., Dec. 19 at the high school? They will be playing various traditional Christmas songs. Admission for adults is $3 and $2 for children and seniors. They have been working very hard to prepare for this concert, so it should be a wonderful night.

Finally, all graduating students, get ready to smile. Grad pictures will be taken Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week.

November tough month for Demons

WINCHESTER — North Dundas' Novice House No. 1 Demons are happy to see their Upper Canada Minor Hockey League schedule for the month of November come to an end. The squad played four times between Nov. 11 and Nov. 23 and came close to winning on two occasions only to finish with an 0-4 record.

On Nov. 11 the Demons visited the South Stormont No. 2 Sharks in Long Sault and suffered a 9-1 loss. Matthew Jarvis netted the lone North Dundas' goal completing a play started by Branden Hunt with 6:34 left in period two. Kevin Hope (3), Graeme McDonald (2), Brandon MacKenzie (2), and Everett Markell scored for the Sharks who bit off a 3-0 lead in period one and a 6-1 advantage in the second session.

At home in Winchester on Nov. 16 the Demons took a 1-0 lead at 5:59 of the first period when Jarvis connected from Hunt but wound up on the short end of a close 2-1 count. The South Stormont No. 4 Sharks tied it 1-1 on a goal by Ryan Ward 0:16 before the end of period one and won it when Derek MacDonald scored on an unassisted play with 0:50 left in period two.

The same two teams clashed in Long Sault on Nov. 16 and this time the Sharks swam away with an 8-2 victory. The home team led 1-0 after a period and 4-2 after two.

Jarvis and Hunt were the North Dundas goal scorers. Hayden Moher and Alyson Erwin earned assists.

The Demons broke up a scoreless contest against the South Stormont No. 3 Sharks on Nov. 23 when Greg Collins scored on a pass provided by Alyson Erwin with 4:04 left in period two. The Sharks tied it up 1-1 on a goal by Graeme Markell 2:12 before the end of period two and sealed the 3-1 deal with two more Markell markers.

Ottawa stings Hornets

OTTAWA — The Metcalfe Hornets met an Ottawa ringette team for the first time on Saturday.

The first few minutes of the Dec. 1 NCRRL match were very exciting with Metcalfe keeping the pressure in the Ottawa end.

The first goal of the contest went to Metcalfe's Emilie Brenning, and despite many more shots on net, Ottawa's goaltending proved to be invincible as they cruised to a 6-1 victory. Kelsey Nyentap played extremely well in nets for the Hornets, blocking 14 shots. Sara Myers joined the Hornets for the game.



Sled winner

The winner of the Nation Valley Snowmobile Association raffle, Sherry Pentiluk, received a 2002 MX-Z 500 Ski-doo. The draw was held on Sat., Nov. 17 at the Bring on the Snow Dance. Left, Debbie Strader (Nation Valley fundraising chair), Jim Primrose of Jim's Performance Plus and winner Sherry Pentiluk. Second prize was a $500 travel gift certificate, supplied by Thom Travel, and was won by Dan Somers of Thurso, Quebec.

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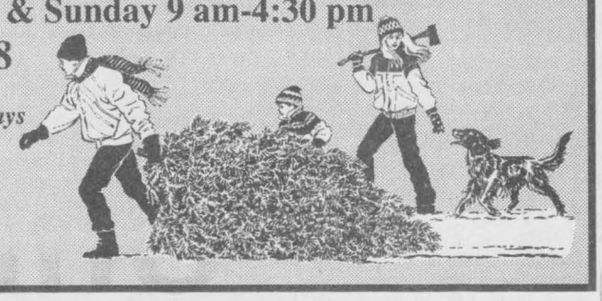

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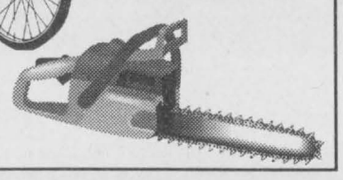
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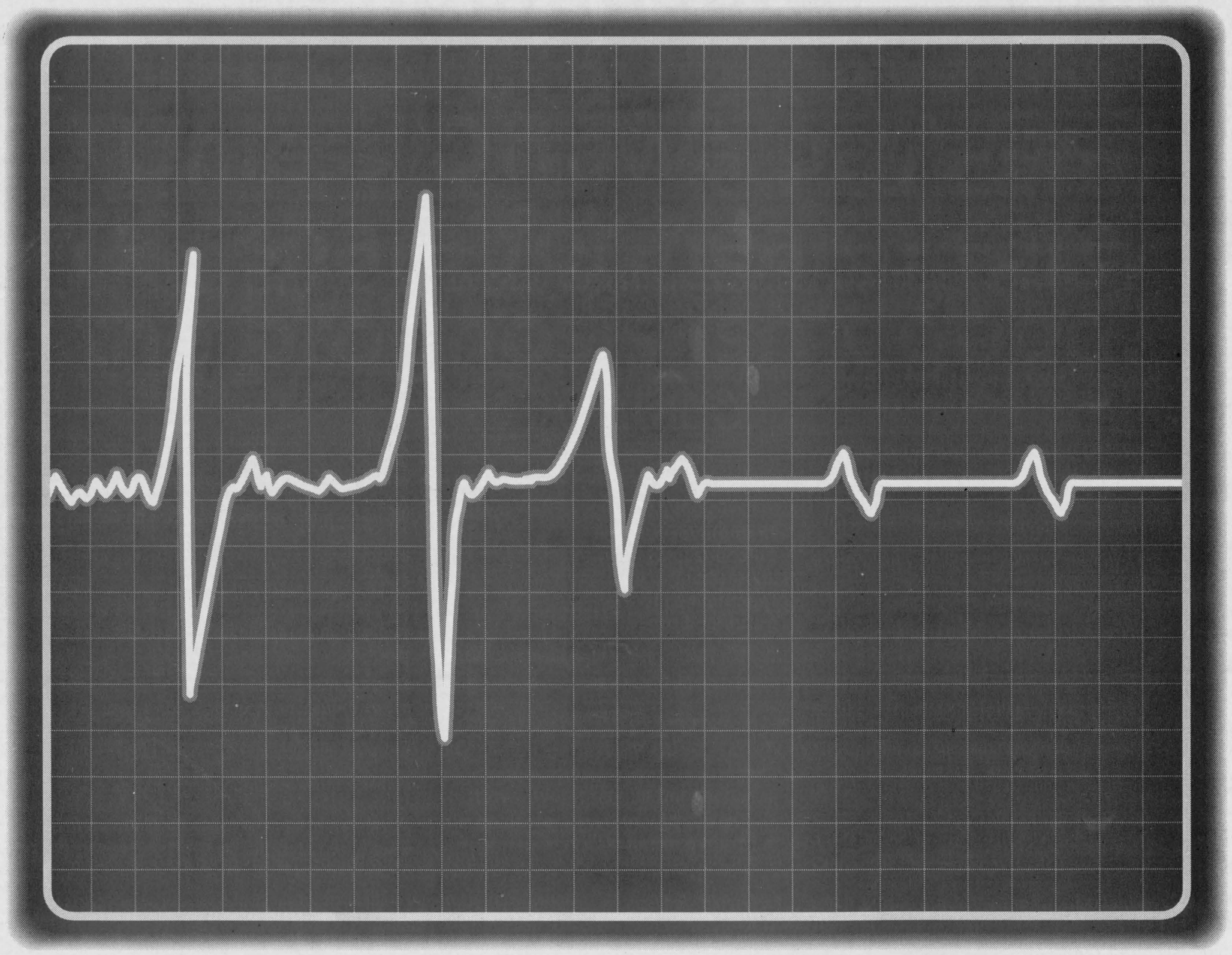

Unless Ottawa pays its fair share for health care, the prognosis isn't good.

You deserve the best healthcare system in the world. Unfortunately, you won't get it unless the federal government starts pulling its weight.

The sad truth is that the single greatest threat to universal health care in this country is the fact that the federal government refuses to pay its fair share.

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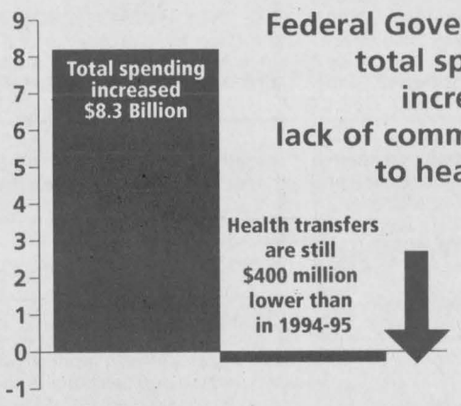

Federal Government total spending increase vs. lack of commitment to healthcare

If Ottawa won't pay its fair share, our healthcare system will suffer.

Plainly put, if our healthcare system is to meet the demands of a population that's growing and aging – and if it is to offer us the life-saving advances we deserve – the federal government must start paying its fair share.

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Card of Thanks

THANK YOU – First of all I want to thank God. Thanks to WDMH and to my great doctors Burke and McLean; staff on 2nd floor including everyone who cared for me in any way. Thank you Shaver and Hall for keeping my room clean and chatting a little; to Robin Lane and anyone else who stopped in to say hello. Thank you Lorna and Tom for the beautiful flowers and card, Don and Donna for the beautiful poinsettia plant and Jack and Lois for the cute card. Last but by far not the least, my terrific family. Thank you so very much Doug; to my girls, Vicky, Heather (Neil), Rhonda (John) and to my two wonderful grandchildren Joshua and Jacob. I love you all so very much.
– Myrna Wilson
37

THANK YOU – To all who attended the Parade of Snowmen. A generous donation was made to the Dundas Food Bank
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CARD OF THANKS – The family of the late Charles Hayes, would like to sincerely thank family, friends and neighbors for their support during our time of sorrow. All the cards, flowers, food, and donations were truly overwhelming. A special thank you to the staff of WDMH and the Civic Hospital for all their kindness and hard work.
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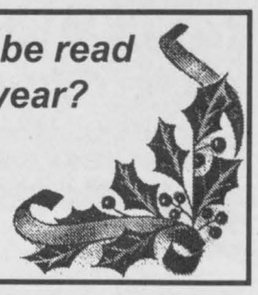

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Santa will be at the Information Booth, Morrisburg after parade, Sat., Dec. 8 from 1-3 pm.
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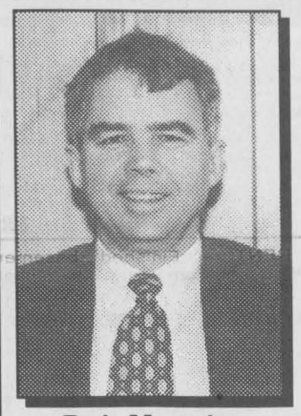

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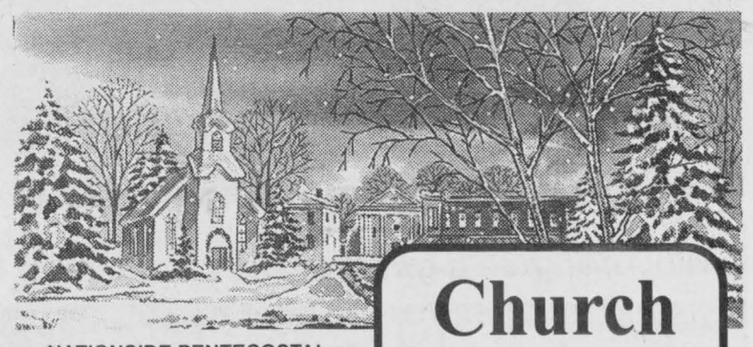

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Wednesday
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Thursday
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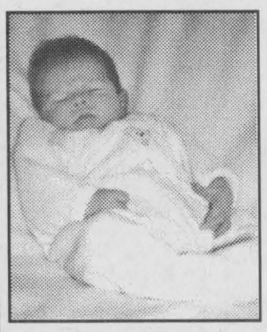
Birth Announcement



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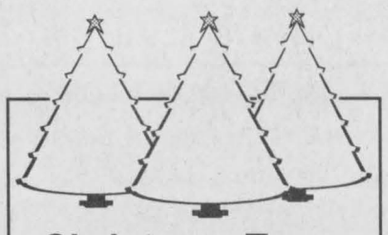

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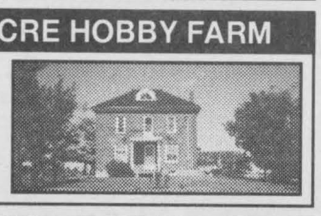

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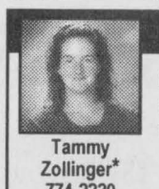

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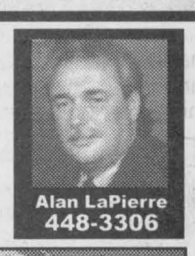

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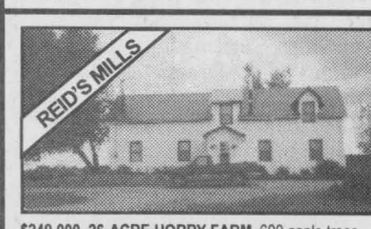

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Committee addresses personal crises

WINCHESTER — Eighteen community members from North Dundas and South Dundas townships spent a recent Saturday preparing to serve as members of emergency shelter teams in case of a future disaster.

Members of the emergency planning committees of both townships, together with friends, spent most of Sat., Nov. 25 at the Nor Dun Seniors' Support Centre in Winchester in a Red Cross training workshop.

In the morning, they were introduced to the organization of the Canadian Red Cross Society, the fundamental principles of the International Red Cross, the Red Crescent Movement, and its nationally mandated role of providing registration and inquiry services during emergencies.

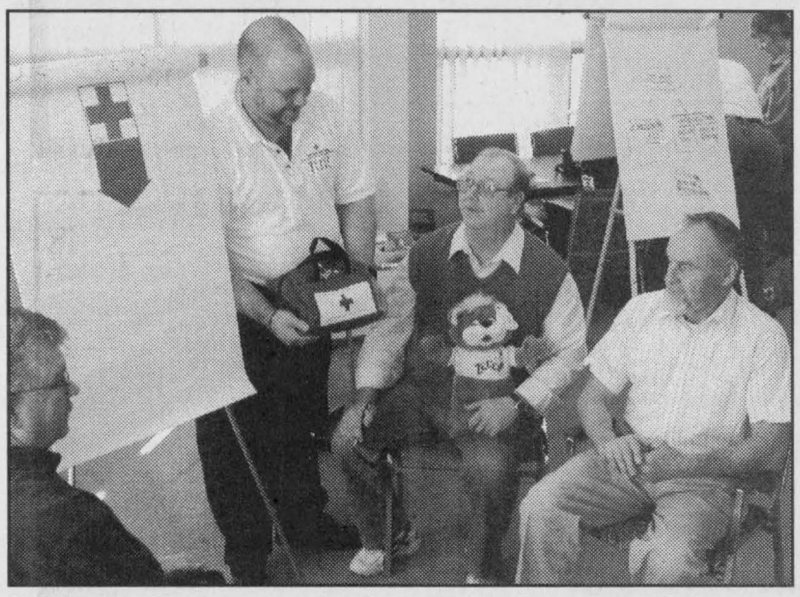
An exercise was held in the afternoon to give the trainees an opportunity to practise performing registration and inquiry tasks for the victims of an emergency. Registration and inquiry is one of the emergency social services that should be provided to the victims of an emergency. The objective of this service is to reunite family members separated in an crisis and to answer inquiries concerning the condition and whereabouts of missing people. Guidelines, procedures and materials for meeting this objective are provided by Health Canada. The guidelines and procedures can be adjusted to meet local needs and contingencies.

This training resulted through the combined efforts of the two townships' emergency planning committees and the Canadian Red Cross Society.

"Since amalgamation in 1998, both townships have been continuously improving their levels of emergency preparedness," said Bill Shearing, emergency measures planner for both townships. "Up to last year, our efforts focussed on managing emergencies. Last year, we started to address the people aspect of an emergency, such as human grief, emotional stress, social and economic disruption that affect the wellbeing of individuals, families and the community as a whole."

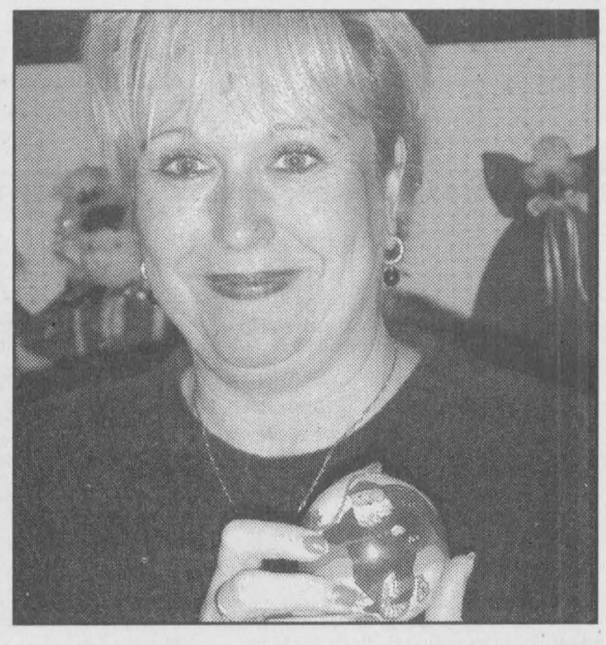
He added, "We hope to continue to work with the Canadian Red Cross Society to develop Red Cross trained emergency response teams in each township. This will require more volunteers willing to take this type of training."

The emergency plans of each township recognizes the need to provide social services to families affected by an emergency, but to implement it during an emergency requires trained volunteers. This was the first step in meeting this important emergency social service for future emergencies, said Shearing.



Left, South Dundas councillor Cam Martel, Philippe Geoffrion of the Canadian Red Cross, North Dundas councillor Roger Cole and Alvin Runnalls, deputy mayor of North Dundas, all took part in the Red Cross training session on Nov. 24. Photo – Demaray







Hats off to Santa!

Jennifer Barbé of Prescott (above, left) models a home-made hat, one of her Sweetpea Creations. Debbie Martin of Stittsville (above, right) holds up one of her unique Christmas ornaments. The ornaments are handpainted from the inside. Gillian Wither of Kemptville (left) displays one of her creations, a pot decorated with real pressed flowers. She said her secret recipe, which makes the flowers stick to pots and candles without taking away their color, took almost five years to perfect. The one-of-a-kind creations were on sale at the Mountain and District Lions Club's annual Christmas Craft Fair at the South Mountain Agricultural Hall on Sat., Dec. 1. Photos — Demaray



Jane in the Ukraine

by Jane Cooper

From point A to B

Perhaps you are curious as to how I (and my friends in Odessa) get around. As you might guess, many people here don't have cars. What you see on the road are new luxury vehicles and SUVs owned by the newly rich, and plenty more tired and beat up Ladas, just like my Dad drove in the early 1980s.

However, there is plenty of public transit. We have electric trams running on rails like the street cars in Toronto, and electric buses which are powered by similar overhead wires, but run on regular wheels. Both cost 50 kopecks (15 cents). Then there are regular buses, microbuses (overgrown vans) and the marshutuya taxis, which seem to include anything from small vans up to full-sized articulated buses. These are twice as expensive at one hryvnia (30 cents!)

I'm having a hard time finding out where and when all the different routes go. The first solo trip I took, I headed out to the corner to catch the number five, and found myself standing between the number five tram on the right and the number five trolley bus on the left. By the time I had gotten out my street atlas and decided it was the trolley bus I wanted — they had both left. However, the trolley buses seem to come every 10 to 15 minutes, so the wait wasn't long.

Another day I waited an hour for either the five or the nine, but nothing came but the seven. This is the time when the inability to speak Russian gets really frustrating, as there was no way to find out what the problem was. Eventually I took a number nine marshutuya taxi which runs on the same route as the number nine trolley bus — unlike the number five tram, which is definitely on a different route from the number five trolley bus. Then there was the night when I used my limited Russian to ask the way to the station — meaning the railway station, and ended up at the bus station.

Of course, I can take a regular taxi, although this also requires explaining where I am going in Russian. In fact, any car on the road can be a taxi. You just stand on the side of the road and wave your hand, and anybody driving around who wants to earn a little money will stop. Probably a beat up Lada looking for some repair money — needless to say the Mercedes are not picking up passengers. If you can afford a Mercedes, you don't need the small change. You tell him your destination, negotiate a price and hop in.

It seems to be a fairly legitimate way to get around. You do seem to get faster rides if you have four-inch heels and black nylons. I don't, but my colleague does, so we usually get where we need to be in no time.

Jane Cooper will be in Ukraine for nine months on a project funded by the Canadian government and implemented by the Canadian Bureau of International Education (CBIE). She is working with community organizations in Odessa to help strengthen how their organizations are led, managed and governed.

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Northcast

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On Nov. 26, Northcast submitted additional information to the city to complete its original site plan application.

Contacted by the *Press*, the founder and senior advisor at Central Precast, Luigi Mion, said that he believes he has now provided the city all the necessary information. "I think we have all the ingredients to get the permits," he said.

Mion explained that the reason he went ahead with building before having an approved site plan and building permit was because the process of obtaining these documents was moving too slowly. He said large quantities of equipment and material were arriving from Italy and Germany and there was no where to put it. "We really pressed to get the roof on to cover the equipment," said Mion. "We were not trying to beat anybody, or get around anybody."

Although a site plan had yet to be approved by the necessary authorities, Mion said he worked with consultants and architects in planning the factory, and believes it's located where it should be.

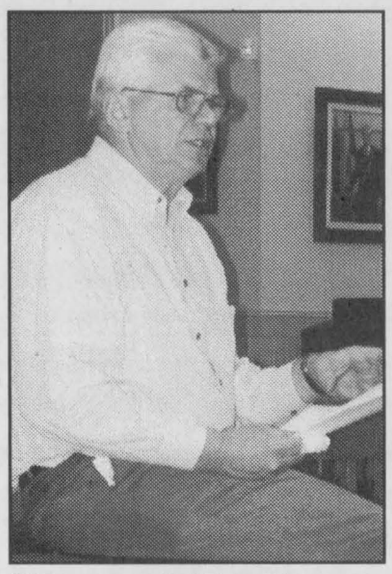
Mion acknowledged that he had received a couple of stop work orders from the city and had continued work on the new factory, mainly on equipment inside.

In response to the criticism of his residential neighbors, Mion said that the last three communities he opened factories in tended to prosper after his arrival. "I think people should look more on the positive side," he said, mentioning that the new factory would create 40 or 50 jobs.

Representatives from Northcast were not invited to attend the public meeting organized by Thompson. He said he wanted the meeting to provide information to worried citizens, and not be a venue for confrontational debate.

Homeowners bordering the Northcast property brought a host of concerns to the meeting. Foremost among them was the amount of water the new facility might use, or possible contamination of the local water supply.

In addition to concerns over water, residents mentioned concerns about the amount of dust a facility handling cement would generate, how much noise will be produced and at what hours, how much traffic would increase on County Road 31, and what hours trucks would be arriving and leaving. "These are the questions that have to be answered," said Thompson.



Ottawa councillor Doug Thompson held a public meeting attended by over 30 upset Metcalfe residents on Nov. 27. Press Photo — Zabel

In his defence, when contacted by the *Press*, Mion said that the new factory is not designed to use a great deal of water in its operations. He also wanted to answer reports from people in Metcalfe who have said that water levels have gone down since the building was built. Mion said the factory hasn't been operating or using water for any purpose, so it's impossible that Northcast could be responsible for low water levels.

Mion added that the other three Precast factories are similar to the Northcast structure, and the other three haven't drawn complaints of dust from the surrounding area.

If Northcast had gone through the process of obtaining proper approval for its new building, all of these questions would already have been answered. Thompson explained the normal process for building. When the city receives a complete site plan, it is then circulated to various agencies which determine how the building will affect its surroundings. Environmental concerns would be answered by South Nation Conservation and the Ministry of the Environment.

Thompson further explained that, as ward councillor, he can request a community information meeting as part of the site plan approval process. Much more formal than last week's meeting, it would include representatives from Northcast and Ottawa municipal staff. Thompson explained that he also has influence over how thoroughly the plan is reviewed. "The ward councillor can send the site plan back for approval, or can request that it goes through all the hoops," said Thompson.

He assured residents that Northcast's site plan would receive stringent investigation from the city's planning and development committee. Thompson said that by making sure the plan is sent to this committee, the public will be given the opportunity to appear and present concerns. Because they will eventually have this option, Thompson encouraged residents to thoroughly document all problems caused by the new facility or negative changes they notice in the environment.

"They may be laughing at us now, but think, at some point they will have to pay the piper," said Thompson speaking of Northcast. "At the end of the day, that building will have to meet the same standards as if the proper procedure had been followed."

Thompson said that the City of Ottawa has begun the process of taking Northcast to court. He said that a summons would be delivered to the company within two weeks of the night of the meeting. A stop work order from a judge carries much greater weight than one from the city. Thompson said that if the company ignored a court order to stop work on the new building, it would face fines in the thousands of dollars and be held in contempt of court. "If a judge tells them to stop and they don't, it's very, very serious," said Thompson.

While asking questions of Thompson, emotion was plain in the voices of several Metcalfe residents. Some wanted to know why the city didn't simply lock the gates of Northcast in Metcalfe, stopping illegal work on the new building by not letting anyone in. Thompson explained that such a measure wasn't an option. "The city has to be law abiding. To lock the gates would not be proper and not be legal. It would jeopardize the city's case."

Other residents asked for assurances that Northcast would eventually be forced to tear the new building down. Thompson said this was a possibility, but described demolition as "the extreme case of what might happen."

Residents were also concerned that the whole situation was only the first problem caused by amalgamating a rural township with the City of Ottawa. While Thompson never said specifically that this would never have happened in the former Osgoode Township, he did seem to have sympathy for the idea. "If we had been a township," he said, "I've sat around a council table, and someone would say they saw a building going up and the building inspector would be there." Ottawa building inspectors were oblivious to the new structure in Metcalfe until it was substantially completed.



Safety Challenge appreciation

A plaque for the North Dundas Road Safety Challenge was received from the Ministry of Transportation in recognition for contributions to improvement road user safety as part of the 2001 Road Safety Challenge. North Dundas Road Safety Challenge committee members Julie Ethier of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit and Winchester OPP senior constable Al Lummiss display the plaque. Press Photo — Gillespie

Euchre party

by Jean Casselman

WILLIAMSBURG — Euchre was held on Wed., Nov. 28 by the Williamsburg Seniors.

Winners of the white cards were Graham Pemberton, Peggy Thompson and Gladys Kyle. Yellow card winners were Ruth Casselman, George Baker and Bev Young.

Door prizes were won by Bev Young and Graham Pemberton. The draw was won by Bill Whitteker, Enid Dalrymple, Gladys Kyle, Jean Sutton, Marguerite Stewart and Phyllis Scott.

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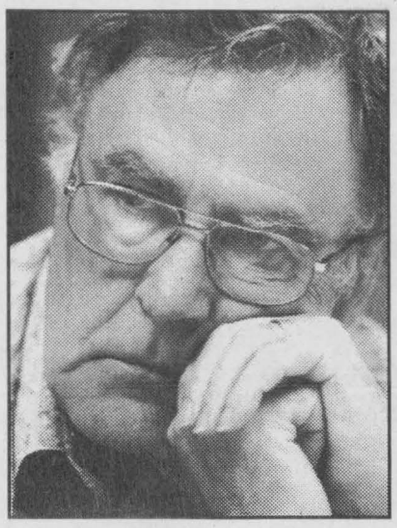

Eldon Hay

Queen's University honors outspoken Marvelville native

KINGSTON — A former Marvelville man has been honored by Queen's University with a prestigious award. Rev. Eldon Hay, a minister of the United Church of Canada, scholar, professor, author, counselor and outspoken human rights activist, has been named the 2001 winner of the Queen's University Alumni Association Award.

The annual award, instituted in 1986, salutes a graduate of Queen's University "who has demonstrated the high ideas imparted by a university education through a significant contribution to the arts or sciences, to public service, to leadership in business, industry, or a profession, and to community, charitable, or volunteer work."

Hay now lives in Sackville, NB. He was born on a farm in Marvelville and earned both his Master's in philosophy and BDiv from Queen's in 1957. With the help of scholarships from Queen's Theological College, he traveled to Scotland to pursue his doctorate in theology at Glasgow University in 1960. Two years later, he joined the faculty at Mount Allison University in Sackville, NB, where he taught world religion courses and headed the Department of Religious Studies.

Hay retired from Mount Allison in 1997. He has also been a friend to many outside the academic community by advocating for minority groups, especially gays and lesbians. As a member of the clergy, he has faced many critics and controversies because of his nontraditional views, but has always stood by his beliefs with courage and strength of mind. When Hay learned his son is a homosexual, he joined the support group Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) and took on a leadership role by establishing chapters in Moncton, NB, and Amherst, NS.

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