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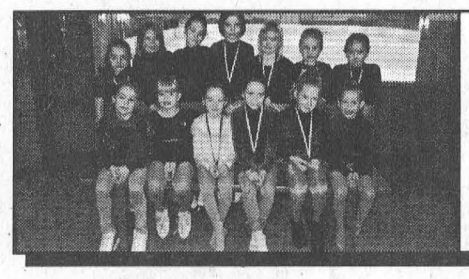

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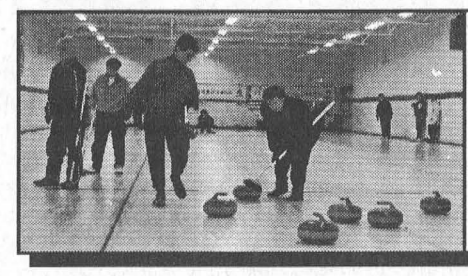

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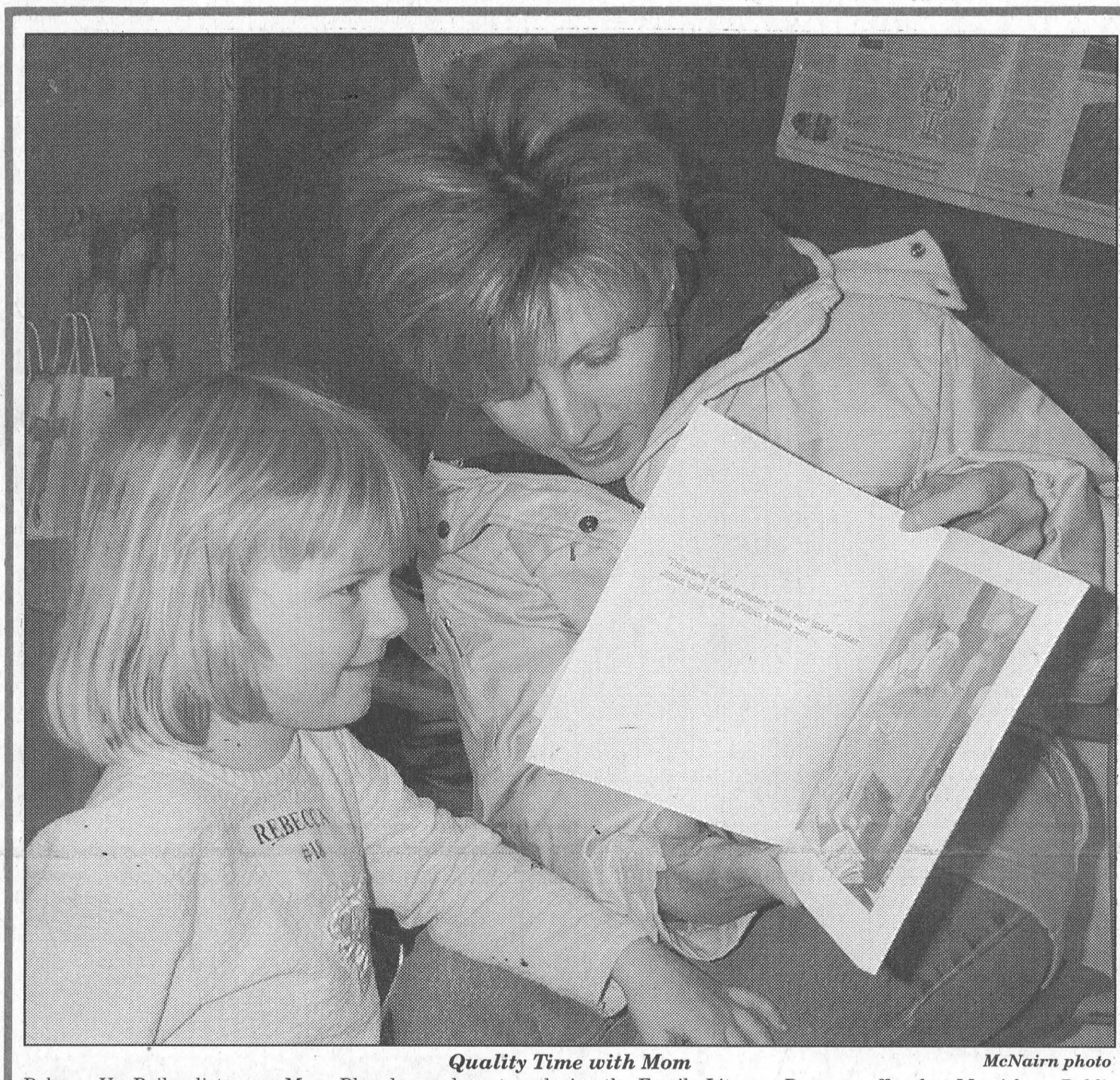

Quality Time with Mom *McNairn photo*

Rebecca VanBeilen listens as Mom, Rhonda, reads a story during the Family Literacy Program offered at Morrisburg Public School last Thursday night. More than 60 parents turned out to learn the importance of reading to their children. "The thing you are encouraging is the love of reading," said kindergarten teacher Anne Barkley. "It is one of the most important things you can do for your child."

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Santa is here on Saturday

MORRISBURG – By now, the finishing touches are being made to the 40 floats that will move through the streets of Morrisburg during the Santa Claus Parade this weekend.

The parade will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 7.

The horses, oxen, and mules are being groomed; the bands are tuning up, and the clowns are getting their makeup ready for what looks to be the largest parade to be held in Morrisburg in some time.

"Things are coming together nicely," says parade organizer George Davies. "Hopefully the weather will stay nice."

Again this year, there will be an opportunity for spectators to donate toys for children who are in hospital as one of the fire rescue trucks will be collecting donations along the route.

Also, several volunteers from the Dundas County Food Bank will be among those dressed up and walking alongside the parade, handing out candy and hoping for donations of money and non-perishable food items in return.

Any money raised during the parade will benefit not only the Food Bank but also South Dundas Christmas Exchange, which will be given half of the amount collected.

In addition to the several dozen floats, for the first time ever, weather permitting, a couple of horses and riders of the RCMP Musical Ride will be part of the parade, as will members of the OPP, local fire departments, bands from Montreal and Toronto, scores of animals and, of course, Santa Claus.

"It would be nice if there were a healthy representation of spectators along the whole route,...not just lined up in the mall," said Davies, particularly, he adds, in view of the fact that there will be so many out-of-town participants in this year's parade.

After the parade, many of the children who have stood out in the chilly air waiting for Santa Claus are invited to the Morrisburg Fire Station, where the Morrisburg firefighters, and their wives, will have prepared some refreshments, including hotdogs, chips, and hot chocolate.

"I have heard that Santa Claus will be there, too," says Davies.

Employee count is up

Economic report gives bright picture

WILLIAMSBURG – Anne Marie Waddell, coordinator of the South Dundas Economic Commission, brought some good news to the council table last Thursday.

"It's a little more than you expected to get," she told council. "It's been a good year. I base that comment on the benchmark we gave ourselves."

"Businesses, I guess I can say, have flourished this year," she added.

Waddell cited figures that showed a 2,759 employee count in South Dundas in March of 2001.

In February 2002 that figured increased to 3,064 an increase of 305 jobs, and a count in August 2002 showed an increase of 508 jobs.

She pointed out that the August figure was completed at the peak of the summer season and the St. Lawrence Parks Commission had just done its count which included summer seasonal workers.

Her figures also show an increase in total manufacturing jobs of 260 over 1.5 years and an increase in the retail and service industries of 87 permanent jobs mainly representative of the opening of the Canadian Tire, Giant Tiger and Tim Horton's.

Manufacturing increases from March 2001 to August 2002 result from increases in Morrisburg at Quality Manufacturing of 45, Eckel Industries of 31, Beaver Dental of 25 and Xenopus of nine.

In Iroquois St. Lawrence Corporation shows an increase of 80 workers and Ross Video is up 30.

Also in the figures is the 40 employees at Hunt Builders located on Highway 2 between Morrisburg and Iroquois.

Retail and Service increases break down into 16 positions at Canadian Tire, 30 at Giant Tiger, four at Prophet Technologies, two at Mont-Ros and 35 at Tim Norton's.

Employees at the Pilot Insurance office that opened last week in Morrisburg are not included.

"We have verification of 347 new jobs in the last year and a half," she said.

South Dundas councillor Rowdy Gillard asked if any businesses had been lost.

With the exception of one

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Visitors still not allowed in hospital

WINCHESTER – It may be some time yet before Winchester District Memorial Hospital removes the restrictions imposed in response to a gastroenteritis outbreak last week.

"We are going day to day," says community relations officer Lynne Wilson. "We will be reviewing the situation daily to see what else we can open up."

Visitors and non-essential personnel were barred from entry into the hospital beginning last Tuesday and many elective treatments and diagnostic procedures were cancelled. The emergency department remained open for critical care patients only.

Currently, visitors and non-essential personnel are still not allowed in the hospital.

"If you don't have a direct reason to be here, we're asking that people not be here," says Wilson.

Admissions to the hospital have resumed, however, and the emergency department is taking more patients. As well, several other hospital services have been reopened.

Day surgery, radiology, chemotherapy, and laboratory services are again up and running.

The hospital is proceeding cautiously and resuming normal operations on a controlled basis.

Eleven patients and three staff members came down with gastroenteritis last week, prompting the closures, but since precautions were taken there have been no further cases within the hospital.

Someone other than taxpayers should be footing vandalism bills

WILLIAMSBURG – A very small inclusion in the final line of Donnie Lewis' recreation department report prompted considerable discussion around the South Dundas council table last Thursday.

Lewis, who is the manager of Recreation and Facilities in the township wrote under work completed in 2002, "repair of all vandalism."

"What would the vandalism cost us in a year?" asked councillor Charles Barkley.

Although no one had the exact amount, it was suggested the cost would be considerable, and it would be even more if Donnie and his crew weren't able to complete much of the repairs themselves.

Although the township owns a surveillance camera it hasn't been of much benefit because legally its use has to be advertised.

"What it does is capture the perpetrators, so we at least know who they are," said councillor Cam Martel.

Bill Ewing wanted to know what had happened to the vandals at the Morrisburg waterfront who were caught earlier this fall.

"They were minors and can't be identified," said retired CAO Bill Horner who was at council to continue to assist newly-appointed Chief Administrative officer Andy Brown as he settles in.

"Can't we go after their parents?" asked Ewing indicating parents can now be held accountable for their children.

"If you can't identify them, who is the parent?" pointed out Horner although he thought it is possible that the parent can be held responsible by the arresting officer.

"They were caught and, if convicted, I would like to see someone pay for it other than the taxpayers," said Ewing. "Somewhere along the line someone has to be accountable

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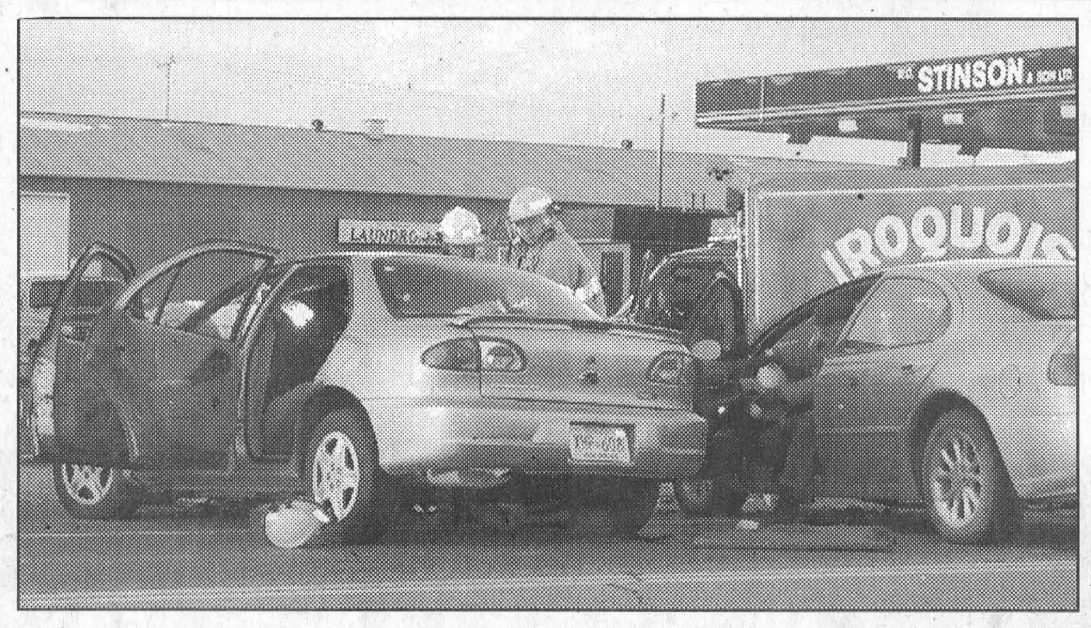

County Road 2 at the junction of Miller Street exit from the Iroquois Shopping Centre was the scene of a two car accident last Wednesday at about 3:41 p.m. A westbound vehicle driven by Isobel Shaw was making a left hand turn into the plaza and was struck by a vehicle driven by George Cooper which was headed east on Highway 2. Shaw's husband Irving, who was in the passenger seat was airlifted to hospital. No one suffered serious injuries. *McNairn photo*

Celebrate by giving blood

MORRISBURG – Canadian Blood Services urges Morrisburg and area residents to consider donating blood together with a loved one, friend, or co-worker to celebrate the holiday season.

From now until January 13, Canadian Blood Services is encouraging regular donors to inspire others to donate by making a reservation for two to give blood.

A donor clinic in Morrisburg on Wednesday, December 4, is the perfect opportunity for area residents to show their holiday spirit by rolling up their sleeves and donating blood.

The clinic will be held in the gymnasium at Morrisburg Public School from 2-8 p.m.

Whether you bring your son or daughter to make a first donation or a co-worker who has not donated in a long time, you can help save lives and share the spirit of the season by giving blood together.

Three out of five Canadians say that they are willing to donate, so look around and encourage someone to take that first step by including them in your next appointment.

To avoid blood shortages and ensure that patients get the blood they need, Canadian Blood Services needs to increase the number of regular donors from 3.5 to five percent of the eligible population.

Canadian Blood Services asks that those who have never given blood take this special opportunity to do so and those who have given before to bring a new donor to their next appointment.

Rebekah Euchre

MORRISBURG – Winners of the St. Lawrence Rebekah Lodge euchre held November 2 were Lee Ouderkirk in first, Don Gill in second, and Edith Baker in third.

The door prize went to Fay Markell.

Both Doris Wright and Beatrice Shaver won the draws.

The next euchre is Monday, December 9, and everyone is welcome.

Economic report a bright picture

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restaurant in Iroquois, Waddell answered there was no major business loss.

"St. Lawrence Corporation is back on its feet and doing very well," she said. "I've also got a list of companies that have called and asked for information."

The fibre optics in South Dundas has had a lot of publicity and, "we are used as a model by other municipalities."

Waddell distributed copies of the just printed South Dundas Resource Handbook in which are listed all of the businesses in South Dundas.

The handbooks are mailed out to all households in South Dundas and are included in packages sent out by Waddell's office and the Chamber of Commerce when enquiries of the area are made.

"It is very attractive, we get a lot of comments on it," said Waddell. "It's a great piece. We stayed on budget and are happy with the marketing."

The book also includes lists of South Dundas clubs, agencies and associations along with contacts, annual events with their dates, locations of historical murals, municipal parks and their locations, recreation opportunities, schools and their locations and a list of churches.

Waddell was thanked for "the good work" by councillor Cam Martel who chairs the Economic Development Commission.

"It is a lot more than we expected," said Mayor Johnny Whitteker of the very thorough report.

Waddell said she planned to do her next survey in February 2003.

Someone should pay

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for the damage."

"This is causing us big money for the damage they are doing," he concluded.

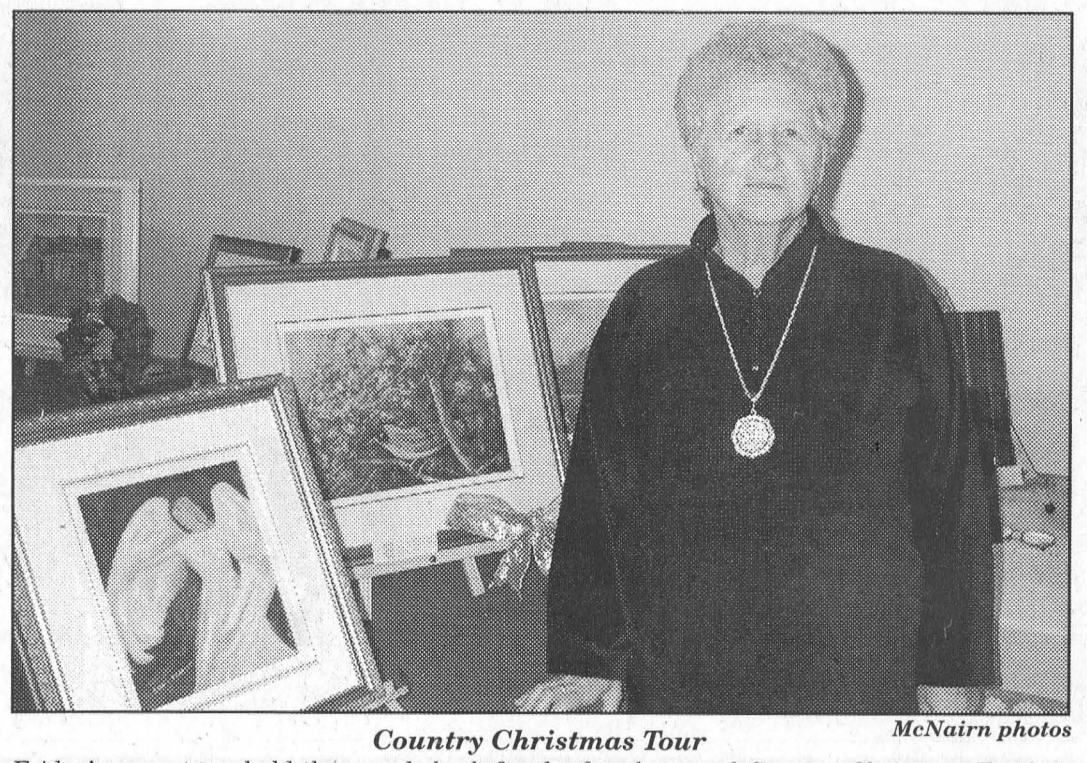
Vandalism is an ongoing problem which on private property, residential or business, costs the owner to repair and on municipal property reflects back to the taxpayer.

In the November minutes of the Morrisburg Business Improvement (BIA), a report is given on vandalism in October in the Morrisburg Shopping Plaza which included, "four lamps broken off, along with one being twisted. Nick's sign (New Centennial Restaurant) on the south side was smashed. A garbage pail was broken, and the insert was thrown up on the roof."

Another BIA member mentioned that wires were pulled out of speakers in the east end promenade.

"This year the BIA will exercise caution, as we begin to decorate and monitor the vandalism," continues the report. "Store owners, along with the public are asked to keep an eye out and report any vandalism to the police."

In the end, everyone pays for vandalism whether it is the municipality or the retailer recovering the costs.



Country Christmas Tour *McNairn photos*

Friday's snowstorm held the crowds back for the fourth annual Country Christmas Tourbut Saturday and Sunday's response was much more in keeping with the popular Christmas event. This year's tour included stops at Elisabeth's Llama Ranch, Elma Fudd Antiques, Trillium Goat Farm, the South Dundas Artist Guild's show at the IOOF Hall in Williamsburg, the Village Antiques and Tea Room, Smyth's Apple Orachard, Leslie's Game Birds and Penelope's Pastime. Above local artist Ethel Crober poses beside two of her pieces at the Artist Guild's show and below lunch is served at the Village Antiques and Tea Room. Visitors to the various stops had their passports stamped which were then entered into a draw for two beautiful Christmas baskets. Winners this year were Gale Scarbo of Morrisburg and Margaret Camplix of Ingleside.



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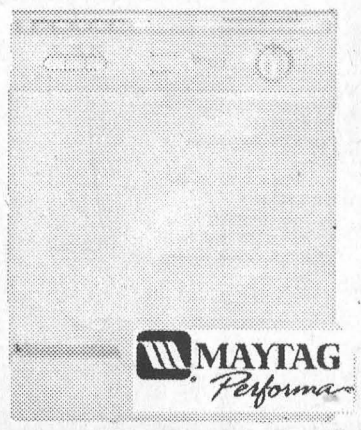

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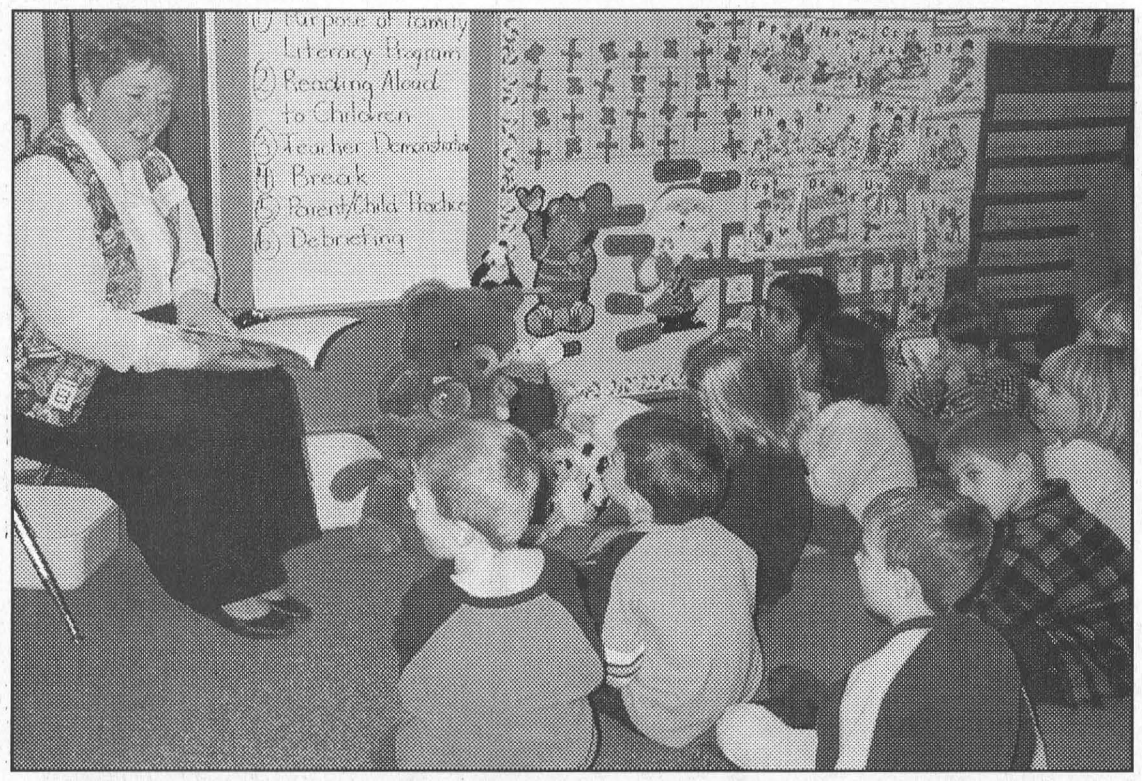

The Wonderful Story Time ***McNairn photo***

Morrisburg Public School kindergarten teacher Anne Barkley was one of five teachers involved with the presentation of the Family Literacy Program last Thursday night. Above she reads to a group of youngsters whose parents are observing from the back of the reading area. The purpose of the Family Literacy Program is to provide parents with the tools and methods through which they can help their child develop "a love of reading".

The "love of reading", a special gift to pass on

MORRISBURG – I have never met a child yet who didn't want to read, Morrisburg Public School kindergarten teacher Anne Barkley told a group of parents at the school here last Thursday night.

Barkley was one of five MPS teachers who donated her time to bring the Upper Canada District School Board backed Family Literacy Program to local parents.

The purpose of the Family Literacy Program is to help parents develop literacy with their children. It was developed in the Toronto area and was piloted in about 20 schools.

"The thing you are encouraging is the love of reading," said Barkley. "School is so much easier for them if they love to read."

The program is offered in two age categories Kindergarten to grade 2 and grades 3 to 5.

Last Thursday night's segment one "Reading Aloud" was presented and this week's segment two deals with "Shared Reading". The final segment will be held early in the new year.

"We decided to include the grade 3s," said Principal Jack Barkley who was very pleased with the numbers which saw 53 children and more than 60 parents. "Depending on our turnout and the interest of the parents, we'll do a survey in the new year to decide whether to offer it to the Grade 4s and 5s."

"I am very pleased with the response tonight," he added. "It shows the community is in support of literacy."

He also pointed out that he hoped the parents would pass on the word so attendance would continue to increase in each of the remaining two sessions.

The students and their parents were divided among the five teachers who were trained in the program last spring. Each of the teachers spent 20 minutes alone with the parents to explain the program, the benefits of reading and the best methods.

They were then joined by the children who were read a story by the teacher while the parents observed.

Following a break, the parents read to their children which was followed by a discussion period with the teacher.

"Reading aloud is where adults take 100 percent of the reading responsibility," said Anne Barkley. "It is the special time of the day you have with them."

She also explained that although they aren't aware of it parents are giving a child many things while reading to them.

From an early age they see how the book is held, that reading is done from left to right and they hear the expression put into the reading.

"All these things, the kids are noticing," said Barkley. "And they need these things to become good readers."

Barkley make several book and author suggestions and promoted the Morrisburg Public Library as a good source of material.

She admitted she leans to fictional writing but pointed out the importance of non-fiction books.

"They have facts in them and they are still fascinated with them. Little boys love to read books about trucks and cars. Those are the kind of books that catch their attention."

Along with Barkley, Sue Ennis, Chris Jarvis, Betty Lou Casselman and Ron Gillard hosted groups. A new teacher to the school this year, Allison Walker, and education assistant Wendy MacGregor also attended the session.

The program is an initiative of the T.R. Leger School under its adult training, and, as such, the teachers are eligible to receive money.

However, instead of taking the money they are donating it to the school to pay the cost of the refreshments and purchase books for the primary grades.

Barkley concluded her session by encouraging the parents to set aside time each day to read with their child.

"It is the most important thing we can do for them," she said. "You don't want to make reading homework. You want to make it enjoyable."

"Make it fun. Enjoy the time. Speaking from experience, it is gone in no time."

Seniors euchre winners

WILLIAMSBURG – Winners at the Williamsburg Seniors Euchre were Gladys Kyle, Bob Dawson, and Jean Sutton on the white cards and Keith Scott, Bev Young, and Ed Thompson on the Yellow cards.

Stella Casselman and Muriel Miller won the door prizes and the draw was won by Graham Pemberton, Rob Dawson, Dwain Hess (2), and Keith Scott.

The next euchre will be held Wednesday, December 11, and everyone is welcome.

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Relax, It's Just a Game

In a media conference in Toronto on November 27, the Canadian Hockey Association (CHA) and Palmer Jarvis DDB unveiled a groundbreaking public service campaign, entitled 'Relax, it's just a game'. The campaign is designed to raise awareness and end some of the inappropriate parental pressure toward young hockey players in Canada.

"Parents have been identified as one of the factors that can make the game fun for young kids, but pressure from parents is also one of the factors that make kids leave the game," said Sheldon Lanchbery, CHA Chair of the Board. "The CHA wants to take a leadership role. By launching this campaign we hope to assist in changing some of these unacceptable attitudes and behaviours."

The campaign addresses the problem of the 'bad hockey parent' for the first time through public service announcements. The announcements use humour to reverse roles in parent-child relationships by putting an impactful spin on the pressures some parents may put on their children involved in sports.

"These spots were designed to motivate parents to unite against 'bad hockey parent' behaviour," explains Scot Keith, Palmer Jarvis Account Director. "We are striving to make it become socially unacceptable to act this way. The pressures parents can put on children often takes the fun out of playing–aggressive behaviour ruins the game for everyone."

The public service campaign, launched in English and French, encompasses TV, radio, print and web outlets. The 'Relax, it's just a game' campaign concept was conceived by Palmer Jarvis' Scot Keith and developed jointly with the CHA over the last six months.



Morrisburg and District Figure Skating Club's Invitational Skate Team 2002

Seen 'n Heard Around the Town

Ho! Ho! Ho! Santa is coming to town this Saturday to join George Davies at his annual community Santa Parade which is looking to be the biggest and best ever. The parade will start out at 11a.m. and will feature bands, clowns, animals, a musical ride and a whole bunch of Santa buddies so head on down and pick out your spot on the parade route.

Also this Saturday, Santa is taking time out from what we know is an extremely busy schedule to have his photo taken with all those good South Dundas girls and boys. Santa will be at the Canadian Tire from 3-5 p.m. for photos.

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The arena will be a very busy place this weekend as the minor hockey association hosts a Lions team day which will feature 12 Lions games running all day Saturday. It's a big day for the kids in the association and organizers are inviting the community to drop in and give them a roaring Christmas Cheer.

On Sunday afternoon the figure skating club takes over the ice and will feature a talent day, affording a number of its members the opportunity to skate for friends and family. Many of the skaters are showcased each year at the annual skating gala in March but time is often short so the skating club thought this would be a great way for its skaters to show their stuff. The skating begins at 1 p.m. and there will be a nominal admission fee. The community is invited for the second opportunity this weekend to support our youngsters.

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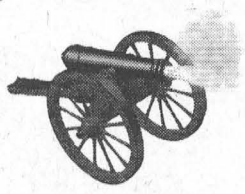
Coming up Tuesday, December 10 at 7 p.m. in the Seaway District High School Library is a meeting to provide information to parents and students concerning this spring's double cohort graduation. Representatives from St. Lawrence and Algonquin Colleges, Queen's and the University of Ottawa will attend to address concerns and provide information on what will be in place to handle the large number of graduates. For information give Donald Lewis a call at the school at 652-4878.

Also a reminder that this Thursday night, December 5 is the annual Christmas Concert at Seaway beginning at 7 p.m. A minimal admission charge and food donation gets you into a wonderful evening of musical entertainment.



The Leader Blast from the Past

Compiled from The Leader's files

1992

The December 2 issue reported that after years of lying dormant the old Locke subdivision finally had an owner willing to proceed with development. Cruickshank Construction officially took control of the project with the purchase of the land, after the Montreal based firm that owned it failed to do anything with it. Originally, Cruickshank Construction had a contract with them to put in the services. Our model home should be complete by late winter said Les Cruickshank. The homes were to be single family dwellings and 34 lots would be available during phase one.

Iroquois council delayed an approval in principle for the proposed expansion of the Iroquois golf course. The Golf club board wanted council's approval of the planned expansion to 18 holes, as an elected body and also as cosigner on a debenture. The golf course and clubhouse was on municipal property. The project was to cost $1.3 million, of which the first million was eligible for a 50 percent capital grant from the Ministry of Tourism, and the $300,000 an addition 10 percent grant. There was a January deadline to apply for over $500,000 funding, and the remainder would have to be debentured.

Ontario Provincial Police officer, Constable Frank Albert of the Morrisburg detachment was presented an Award for Bravery which took place in February when he and partner Robin Moore saved a family in a burning house north of Morrisburg.

1982

Pictured on the front page of the December 8 issue was the architectural drawing of the proposed new Dundas County Community Living building. The 12,000 square foot building was going up on the former Kingston Dunbrick property at an estimated cost of $350,000.

A retired minister of the United Church of Canada, a successful and award-winning photographer, and well-known Morrisburg resident of some 45 years, Rev. George Henry Smith died December 1 after an illness of one year. He was born in Surrey, England in 1899 and emigrated to Canada at an early age. He was ordained in 1929 and when health reasons forced his retirement from the ministry a few years later, he came to Morrisburg and began a photography business which became more successful and more sophisticated with the passing years. Many area residents treasured his now-hostoric photos of the old Morrisburg and other beauty spots.

The addition of a kindergarten and a revised constitution were discussed at a meeting of the Timothy Christian School Society.

Atom C goaltender Lennie Beckstead registered two shutouts this week one of which was against Chesterville 7-0. Krista Casselman led the scoring with a hat trick, Bobby Boulerice scored twice and Kris Scott and Brian Shaver had singles.

1972

Headlines in the December 1 issue read Lions Remain Unbeaten, at Top of Junior B Standings. The Lions had now posted eight wins and one tie and were in first place with a five point advantage over second place Cardinal. In their latest outing they edged the Prescott Saints 8-7. Chuck Irvine, Brian McNairn and Gary Hess scored two goals each, and Hugh Gillard and Mike Felker provided singles.

A Grenville-Dundas girls broomball league was formed on November 27 at a meeting conducted by Carson Baker. Teams were entered from Prescott, Iroquois, Chesterville and Morrisburg. Nelson La Prade of Chesterville was appointed president. Play was to begin December 16.

The year, 1972, marked a century of service to the people of Morrisburg by the Bank of Montreal and the local branch was observing the anniversary from December 4--8. Bank manager, Glen Keyes and his staff were extending a cordial invitation to local and area people to visit the bank during the celebration. In Morrisburg, the branch went back to January 3, 1872 when it was established as an office of the Molsons Bank. The two banks merged in 1925. The branch was first located in a house on Union Street, between Main Street and the waterfront. Later, it was moved to the Farlinger building on Main street, remaining there until the completion of a new brick building further west on Main Street in 1905. The latter remained the bank's premises for 52 years when construction of the Seaway made demolition necessary.

1962

Headlines in the November 30 issue read J. Dain Connor Acclaimed as Reeve. Five men were to contest the four seats for municipal council including William Dillabough, Frederick Hill, Louis Lecompte, Carlton F. McInnis and Dr. D. M. Robertson. In Williamsburg Township Reeve Donald Kyle and Deputy-Reeve John Whitteker were acclaimed. For the three council seats, the voters were to choose from Graham Hess, Hugh McMillan, Harold Pemberton and Ritchie Warren.

Preparations were under way to open the Morrisburg Community Centre for skating on December 15, with a gals official opening shortly thereafter. Pictured was a workman as he welded a joint in the several miles of pipe contained in the artificial freezing plant.

1952

Fifty years ago elaborate plans were completed to entertain upwards of 60 outside rinks at the Morrisburg Curling Club's 50th anniversary with the main prize being the Founder's Trophy in honour of the men who established the club. Curling started in Morrisburg in 1903 in the old covered rink situated where the new public school now stands. Circles were made in the centre of the ice surface and skaters went around. Occasionally they skated across the curling sheet which annoyed the curlers to no end. Land was purchased in 1906 and a building erected facing Colin Street with club rooms in the north end. In 1938 a new club room was built with plate glass windows which looked out onto the ice.

1932

The .grand opening of Ryder's Restaurant in the building formerly occupied by Fetterly's Ltd. On Main Street was made, with a special offer of a complete turkey dinner for 50 cents.

Headlines in the issue read Morrisburg Claims Wardenship for 1933. According to the system adopted 75 years earlier, wardens were chosen in turn from each of the United Counties and the honor had now come to Dundas County. Because the Counties generally rewarded the office to each municipality in turn, the honor was to be bestowed on Morrisburg Reeve Foster.

Prescott business promotion aids Brockville hospital

PRESCOTT–Come November, The Frametastic Gallery and Custom Picture Framing outlet in Prescott is expanding its line in holiday style.

Gallery owner Marc Cardinal is very excited about a Charity Cookbook he has put together using 285 recipes he obtained from his clients and which is due for release in late November.

All proceeds from the sale of "The Frametastic Client Cookbook" are going to St. Vincent de Paul Hospital's Palliative Care Unit in Brockville.

This month, Cardinal is celebrating his third year on main street in Prescott.

Prior to moving into his storefront location, he worked for five years out of his house doing custom picture framing. During this time he acquired about 250 clients and came up with his idea to put together the cookbook.

"It took about a year to gain 250 recipes from clients," he says. "My goal was to sell 1,000 cookbooks at $10 each thereby raising $10,000 for the hospital."

He needed 32 sponsors to get the cookbook to print and in May the Kiwanis Club of Prescott got him started. By September he had 36 sponsors and had done various fund-raisers to add to the money.

He plans to sell all 1,000 cookbooks by Christmas, each of which will contain the following dedication: This cookbook is dedicated to the patients, their families and the doctors, nurses and staff...who help ease their patients' suffering.

Locally the books are on sale at Mike's Valu-mart in Morrisburg and Mustard's Variety in Iroquois.

A Christmas Carol a must see performance

MORRISBURG – If you haven't booked your tickets for A Christmas Carol which opened at the Upper Canada Playhouse on the weekend, you should do so now.

That's because you don't want to miss this one.

Donnie Bowes' adaptation of the classic Dickens tale is a wonderful, at time hilarious and at times profound, retelling of the Christmas Eve adventure of Ebenezer Scrooge as he is guided through his life by the ghosts of Christmas past, present and future.

John Weir who was a Playhouse favourite in this summer's smash hit comedy Maggie's Getting Married does a superb job as Scrooge and Doug Tangney is a must-see as he works his way through a number of characters.

Tangney is excellent in his role as Bob Cratchit, hilarious as the Ghost of Christmas past, but absolutely the best when, as Old Joe, he barters for the purchase of Scrooge's belongings after his death in Christmas future.

Bowes aimed for a show that would entertain all ages when he wrote the adaptation and he certainly didn't miss.

From the special effects, to the costumes, the music and a wonderfully talented cast he has truly put together a family show perfect for the Christmas season.

Along with Weir and Tangney, the cast of Gab Desmond, Sheldon Davis, Jeff Mulrooney, Amanda Parsons and Zipporah Peddle do a wonderful job as each plays a variety of characters.

Desmond provides the live fiddle music throughout the show and when he and Peddle sing O Holy Night in the Cratchit Christmas scene the audience is spellbound.

He, Peddle and Parsons have beautiful voices which on several occasions lead the entire cast in harmonious renditions of popular Christmas Carols.

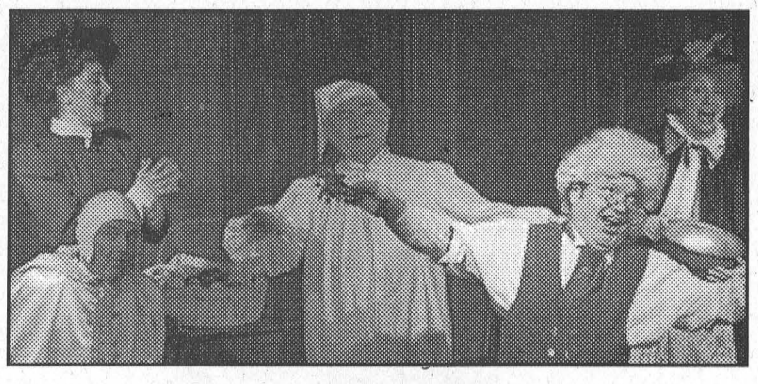
Joining the cast are three local youngsters, Connor Woodmass, Eric Kohnen and Brian Van Moorsel who alternate performances as Tiny Tim.

At Saturday night's opening Van Moorsel was on the stage and did a wonderful job in his acting debut.

The play has two acts, the first running 40 minutes and the second 30. A revolving stage provides the smooth transition from one scene to the next.

The only fault one could find with this production would be that it is over way too soon. It is clearly a delight to all ages.

A Christmas Carol runs through December 14. For show times, prices and reservations call the Playhouse at 543-3713.



Christmas Carol
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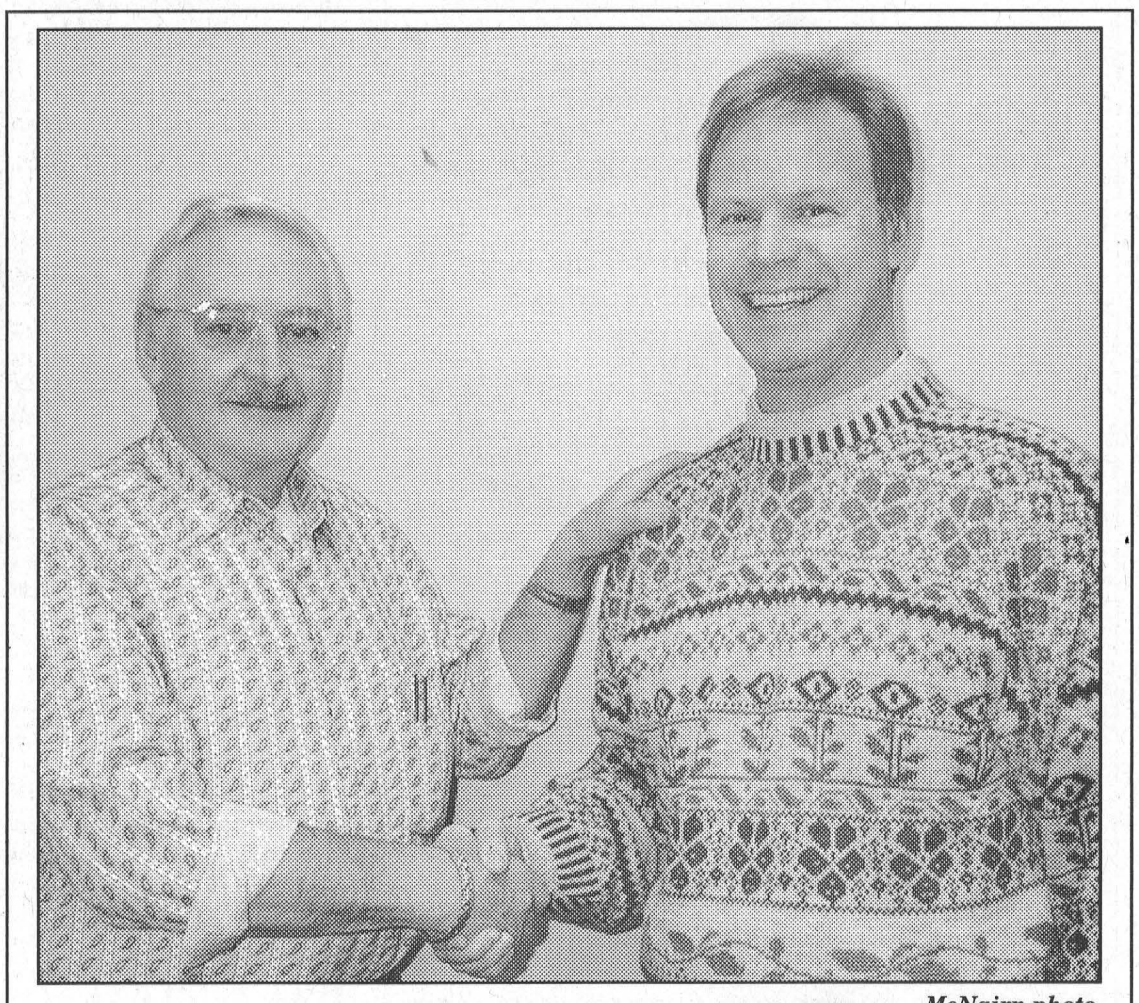

Out With the (Not So) Old, In With the New ***McNairn photo***
Retired Chief Administrative Officer for South Dundas, Bill Horner congratulates the municipality's new officer Andrew Brown who officially took over duties November 18. At last the regular meeting of South Dundas Council on November 28 council made Brown's appointment official. "Welcome Andy," said mayor Johnny Whitteker. "It's official now. May your stay be a pleasant one and a long one." Brown has been Prescott's administrator for the last 13 years and has nearly two decades of experience in municipal government. He has a master's degree in public administration from the University of Western Ontario. Horner, who is staying on for a few weeks to assist Brown with his adjustment, has had a 27 year career in the public service.

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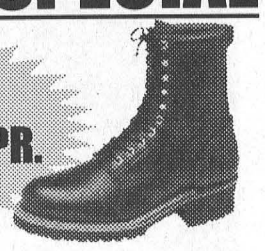

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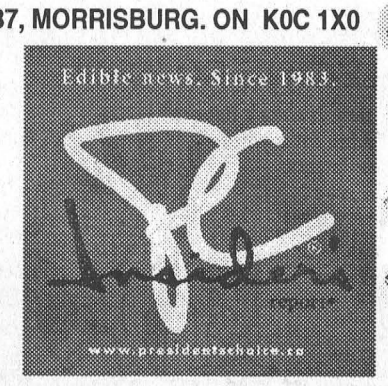

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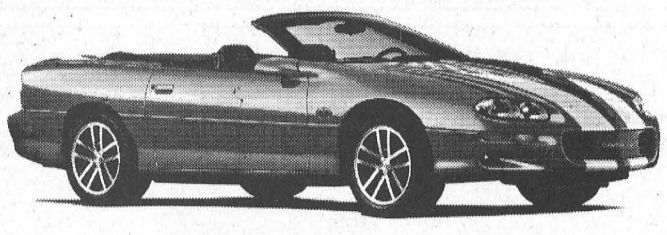

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A brown-out discussion at Council

WILLIAMSBURG–In the absence of John Allison who is South Dundas' appointed director to Rideau St. Lawrence Utilities councillor Cam Martel highlighted some of Allison's report at council last Thursday.

Mentioned was the 4.3 cents per kWh cap on the energy rate and the $75 rebate customers can expect by the end of the year.

Rideau-St.Lawrence will receive the total rebate for its 5,000 plus customers, and, as it stands now, will have to distribute it to them. The administration costs of cutting cheques and postal charges is estimated at $10,000 to $12,000.

Council questioned whether the rebate could be applied to bills owing or credited on a future bill and Martel answered that it was his understanding that the rebate had to be delivered to the customer.

In general, Rideau St. Lawrence customers have fared reasonably well despite the rising costs that occurred over the summer when electricity demand peaked.

This was partially due to the reasonable distribution cost of $9.11 per month that Rideau St. Lawrence charges its customers.

"The $9.11 cost is relatively a dividend paid back to our customers compared to what other utility customers are charging. Some pay over $20," explained Allison Monday.

Although the cost to the customer has been capped at 4.3 cents per kWh, from December 1, 2002 until 2006, electricity rates continue to fluctuate from hour to hour.

These rates can be found on the internet and showed Monday's electrical power was selling at over seven cents kWh.

Allison says Ontario Bill 210, 2002, which is an act to amend various acts in respect to pricing, conservation and supply of electricity, could be passed later this week.

"One of the main thrusts of the bill is to lock in the price of electrical energy," he says.

While Rideau St. Lawrence customers have benefitted from the relatively low distribution charges, that is not to say the overall bills have not gone up. They have, and like all Ontario users reflect the increased electrical costs.

"There are a number of charges we don't have control over," says Allison, pointing to the .7 cents per kWh that is charged to pay off the old Ontario Hydro debt. In addition to the seven cent debt retirement charge, the Federal government is collecting GST on these debt payments.

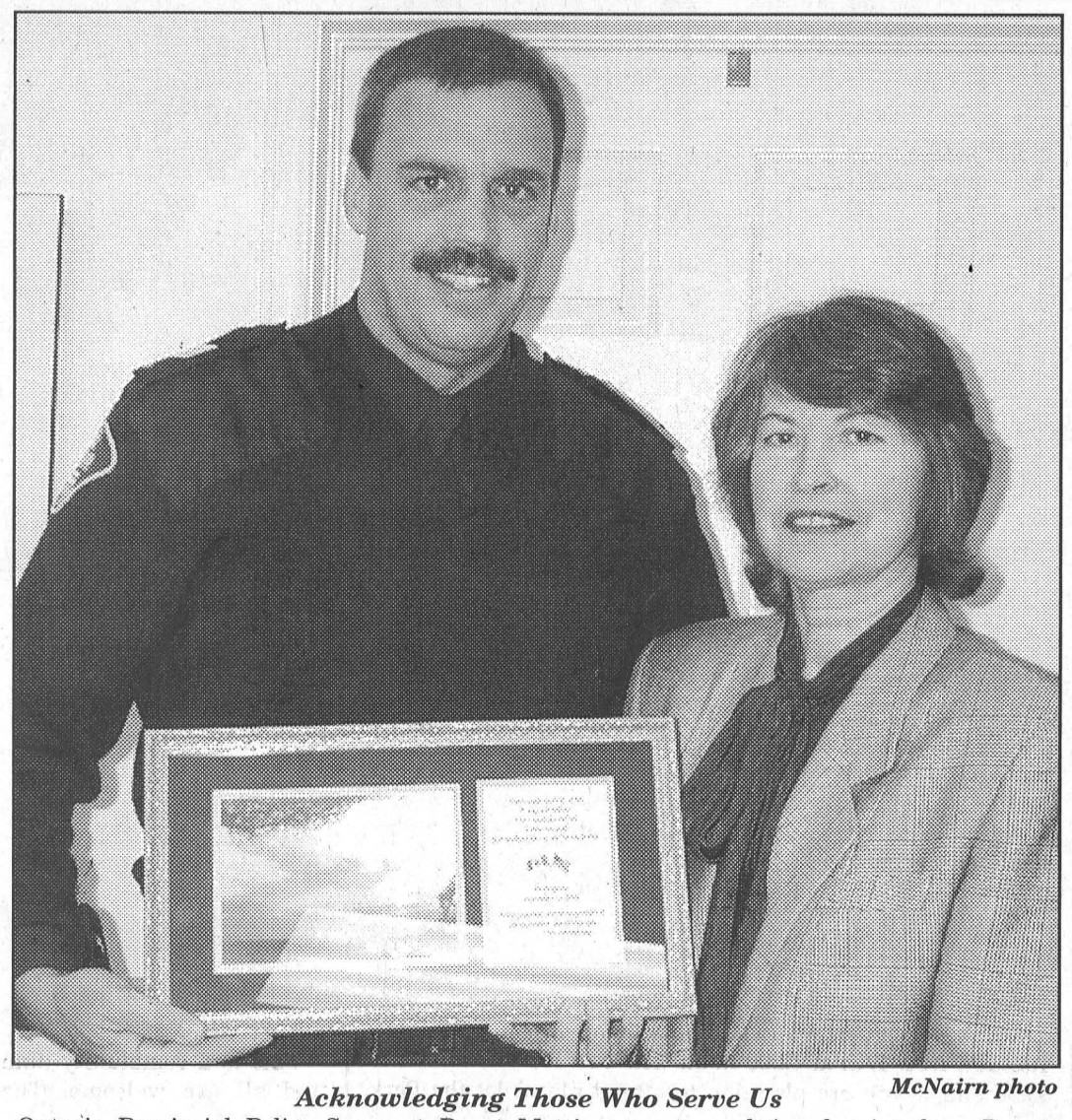
So if the debt was $20 million, the Federal government stands to collect some $1.4 billion in GST.

This, says Allison, was a faux pas, the Ontario government created when it set up the formulas.

The question now is whether Ontario will be successful in getting the GST eliminated from the electrical bills.

"The Ontario government has created an artificial floor of 4.3 cents," says Allison. "If the rates drop back to say, three cents, then it could pay back some of what has happened."

On the other hand if it doesn't dip below 4.3 cents and continues to sell at above the amount, in the end, someone will have to pay the difference and that will be the Ontario consumer.



Acknowledging Those Who Serve Us *McNairn photo*

Ontario Provincial Police Sergeant Brent Mattice accepts and Angel print from Bonnie Parker of Parker Funeral Home in Morrisburg during the regular meeting of council on November 28. "This is recognition for all the things police officers do in our community," said Parker in making the presentation. "It is an Angel print, and you are the Angels sent to us to protect our community and our families." Parker explained the prints are a remembrance of September 11 and it was fitting she was making the presentation on the American Thanksgiving Day.

No Room at the Inn reenactment

MORRISBURG – Taking a cue from a traditional Mexican Christmas celebration, the Knox Presbyterian Church in Morrisburg will be holding a celebration of the nativity next week.

Similar to a Mexican "posada", a reenactment of the search for lodgings made by Mary and Joseph on the night that Jesus was born, "No Room at the Inn" will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, December 13, with participants gathering at Lakeshore Drive United Church.

Carrying candles, torches, flashlights, and lanterns, all those assembled will accompany Mary and Joseph on their trek to find accommodations, which begins at 7 p.m.

At 8 p.m., the procession will arrive at Knox Presbyterian Church for refreshments and fellowship.

There will be a worship service at 8:30, during which the congregation will be called upon to remember the true meaning of Christmas and to make an offering of food or money to the South Dundas Christmas Exchange.

The traditional Mexican "posada" recalls the long journey made by Mary and Joseph from Nazareth to Bethlehem and is an important part of the Mexican Christmas celebration.

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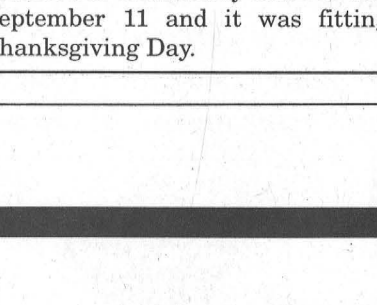

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Ride program, deer hit the highways

WILLIAMSBURG – Ontario Provincial Police Sergeant, Brent Mattice informed council last Thursday that Sgt. Linda Bootsma would be taking over the position of Administration Sergeant for Dundas County.

Sgt. Mattice, who has filled the position and has been reporting to council since early last spring, will be handling new duties at the Long Sault headquarters.

With the holiday season here, Sgt. Mattice said the OPP Festival Ride program has officially kicked off and local Ride stops will be done randomly.

"It could be in the middle of the afternoon. It could be at noon, or it could be in the middle of the night," he said.

Along with the concerns of drinking and driving at this time of the year, motorists are also reminded to be watchful for deer.

"We've had two in the test area in the last month," said Sgt. Mattice of the area protected by reflectors on Highway 2 east of Upper Canada Village.

"Last year we had 14 (total), this year four," he said of the success of the protected area.

While the program has not been 100 percent effective, it has lowered the incidents of deer/auto collisions.

Sgt. Mattice said the OPP has identified other areas on Highways 2, 31 and 43 where there are deer problems that could benefit from the protective devices, should the insurance companies wish to expand the program.

"Overall the population seems to be thriving," he said. "We'll keep talking to the Ministry (Natural Resources)."

Although the tag allotment for the area has been increased, Sgt. Mattice said he did not know what the return rate on the tags was.

Sgt. Mattice also reported on the staffing at the Morrisburg location which now has 18 officers reporting.

"We are very young," he said. "About three-quarters have less than three years experience."

He said there are now about 130 employees in the SD&G cluster including uniformed officers and civilians. "We are a very big department," he added.

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W.D.M.H. gets another $10,000

Morrisburg Br. 48 R.C.L. voted at our general meeting in November to donate $10,000 to the Winchester Hospital's Renew the Vision Campaign. The money for this donation will come from our Nevada Fund which is made possible by the members and friends of the branch who buy Nevada Tickets. This money is raised entirely within the branch and enables us to donate to worthwhile causes in the district.

Now for a list of winners. First of all our congratulations to the Ladies Auxiliary team of Rita Fowler, Sarah Merkley, Florence Merkley and Dorothy McBain who placed fifth in the district cribbage tournament held in Kingston and will advance to the provincial finals to be held in Windsor. Winners of the last euchre tournament were 1st Rita Fowler, 2nd Patricia Casselman and tied for third were Elsie Guindon and Bob Bailey. The cribbage winners were 1st Audrey Henophy, 2nd Rita Fowler, 3rd George Larone and Goldie Daoust took home the skunk pot.

It is too late to save $4.00 as the early bird membership campaign closed Saturday, Nov. 30th. Sunday, Dec. 1st three of our members celebrated their birthdays, Jim Fraser turned 104, Danny Rice and Leonard Beckstead. Congratulations and may Danny and Leonard live to pass Jim's milestone. For the rest of you, if you survive the Christmas season, the branch will have a New Year's Eve party on Dec 31st in James Fraser Hall with a D.J., party favours and a buffet. All this for only $15:00 a person. Tickets are available at the bar, so why not make up a party and join your friends at the Legion. See the old year out and the New Year in beginning at 8:00 p.m and going on until 1:00 a.m. So put on your dancing shoes and dance the night away.

Thirty eight seniors and their guests enjoyed their Christmas party on Nov. 27. We may be getting older but we already have one of our Christmas parties under our belt. Instead of exchanging gifts the members took up a collection and raised $155.00 for the Christmas Exchange. The branch will be donating the use of our hall on Wednesday, Dec. 18 and Thursday Dec. 19 for the packing and pick up of the gifts donated by the community to help those less fortunate at this holiday season. Our hats go off to those who are donating gifts and to those who will be helping out by packing them for pickup.

Our service officer at 543-3304 needs help this year in delivering our branch donation to our life members, our senior shutin members and the widows of ordinary members.

The Seniors Diner's club will hold their Christmas Party on Tuesday, Dec. 17th at 12:00 noon. The cost for this dinner is $5.50 and if you are planning to attend please let the Park Lane Support Centre know if you have not already signed up for this dinner. The number is 535-2924.

Coming Events

- Sunday, Dec 8, Euchre Tournament at 1:30 p.m.
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- Tuesday, Dec. 17, Sr's Diners club at 12:00 noon

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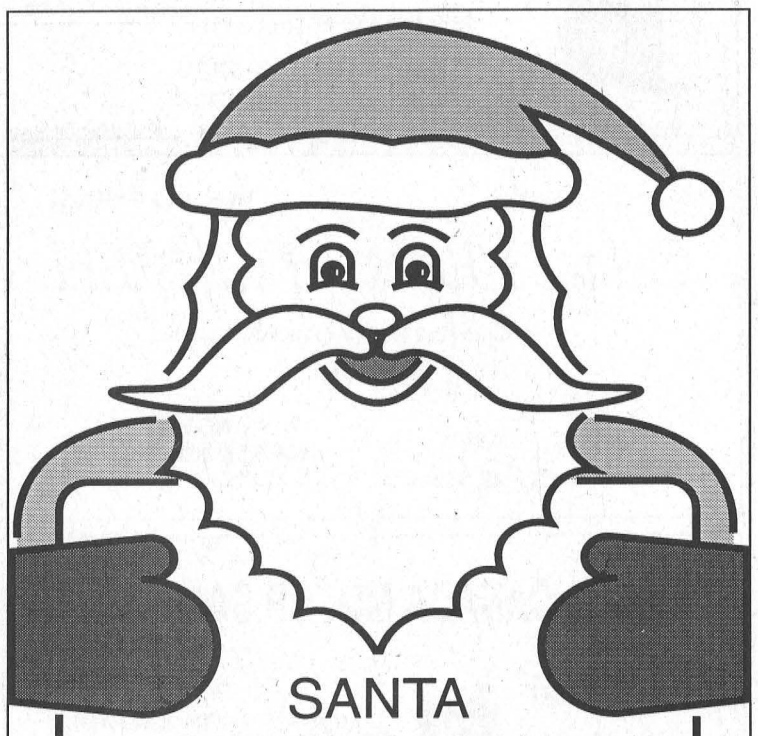

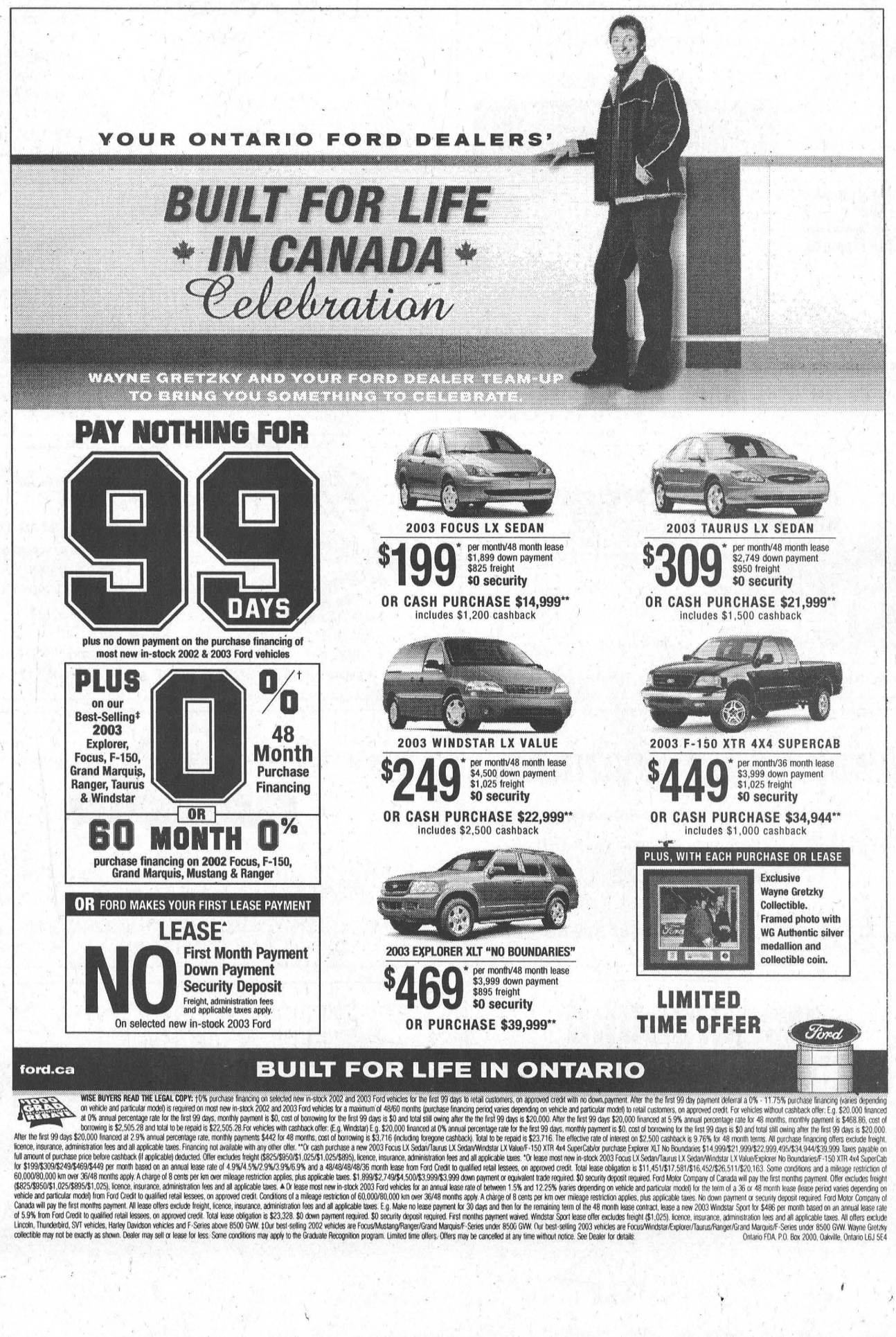

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Morrisburg skaters bring home the gold



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Good Results, Big Smiles

The Senior skaters who helped bring the win to the Morrisburg and District Figure Skating Club at the Morrisburg Invitational skate included front l-r, Lindsay Gilmer, Kathleen German, Amy Veltkamp, Meghan Adams, Brianna Stewart, and Hilary McQuaid. Back l-r, Kristen Phifer, Karen Stevens, Kaitlyn MacDonald, Courtney Thompson and Hayley Carr.



Good Results, Big Smiles

The annual Morrisburg Invitational Skate hosted by the local club attracted over 300 competitors on the weekend making the Morrisburg Arena an extremely busy spot. When all the results had been tabulated, the Morrisburg team which was the largest in the history of the event, finished in top spot to receive the Gordon Brister Memorial trophy. Pictured above are three very happy young ladies who have just just stepped from the medal podium where they received their awards. From l-r, the skaters are second place skater Gillian Beatson of the Morrisburg Club, first place winner Navy Chadsey of Hawkesbury and third place finisher Morgan Baxter of Morisburg.



Medals Aplenty

As evidenced by the medals they are wearing the Intermediate skaters had a big day at the Morrisburg Invitational Skate to supply their share of the points that earned the top the Gilmer Pharmacy top points trophy. From left to right the skaters are Hayley Mills, Jessica Thompson, Kelsey Hall, Alex Leroux and Brooke Spencer.

MORRISBURG–Skaters of the Morrisburg and District Figure Skating Club had an exceptionally good weekend at the annual Invitational Skate on November 23-24 when the team of 34 skaters finished in the competition's top points spot to win the Gilmer Pharmacy trophy.

The 34 skaters also marked the biggest team ever iced by the local club, but not quite the biggest team of the day. That honour, and along with it the Gordon Brister Memorial Trophy went to the Gloucester Figure Skating Club with 49 participants.

The Morrisburg Club received nine gold medal performances from eight skaters.

Kathleen German made her way to the medal podium twice for first place finishes in Junior Bronze Ladies elements (flight one) and free (flight four).

Kristen Stewart posted a first in Canskate Ladies E (flight 2) and Kaitlyn Thompson was first in Canskate Ladies F (flight 2).

In the Pre-Preliminary Ladies A (flight 1) Jessica Thompson skated to a first, and Lindsay Gilmer claimed a first in Preliminary Ladies elements (flight 3).

Kelsey Hall led Pre-Preliminary ladies elements (flight 3). Amy Veltkamp led Preliminary Ladies A (flight 1) and Meghan Adams first in Preliminary Ladies B (flight 1).

Other results are as follows:

Canskate Ladies D: Flight 1-Logan Patterson 2nd, Alisha Vanhoof 4th. Flight 2-Kaila Vanhoof 3rd.

Canskate Ladies E: Flight 1-Gillian Beatson 2nd, Morgan Baxter 3rd, Morgan Spencer 4th, Jessica Bass 5th.

Canskate Ladies E: Flight 2-Kristen Stewart 1st, Bryanna Hickman 2nd, Kelsey Baxter 4th, Haley VanAllen 6th, Morgan Hass 7th.

Canskate Ladies F: Flight 1-Katherine Lee 2nd, Mikayla MacMillan 3rd.

Canskate Ladies F: Flight 2-Kaitlyn Thompson 1st, Brenna German 2nd.

Pre-Preliminary Ladies A Flight 2-Janice Stevens 6th.

Pre-Preliminary Ladies B: Flight 1-Hayley Mills 3rd. Flight 2-Alex Leroux 2nd, Brooke Spencer 3rd. Flight 3-Kelsey Hall 3rd.

Pre-Preliminary Ladies C: Flight 1-Hayley Carr.

Preliminary Ladies Elements: Flight 1-Meghan Adams 2nd, Brianna Stewart 6th. Flight 2-Courtney Thompson 3rd. Flight 4-Amy Veltkamp 2nd, Lorie Casselman 6th. Flight 5-Kaitlyn MacDonald 2nd, Hilary McQuaid 6th.

Pre-Preliminary Ladies Elements: Flight 1-Hayley Mills 2nd. Flight 2-Jessica Thompson. Flight 4-Brooke Spencer 3rd, Alex Leroux 4th.

Preliminary Ladies B: Flight 2-Brianna Stewart 2nd. Flight 3-Lindsay Gilmer 4th. Flight 4-Hilary McQuaid 6th.

nPreliminary Ladies C: Flight 1-Courtney Thompson 3rd. Flight 2-Kaitlyn MacDonald 2nd, Lorie Casselman 6th.

Senior Bronze Ladies: Flight 1-Kristen Phifer 4th. Senior Bronze Elements: Flight 1-Kristen Phifer 3rd.

Junior Bronze Ladies: Flight 4-Karen Stevens 2nd.

Good show from Legion dart players at zone

MORRISBURG – The darts boards at Morrisburg Branch 48 of the Royal Canadian Legion had the attention of some 115 dart players here Saturday afternoon.

The 115 players were competing in the annual Zone G3 Dart Championships for the right to advance to District tion in Orleans in February.

Philip Jamieson had a big y representing the Morrisg Branch throwing his way first place finish in singles and then teaming with Shearer in doubles for a place there.

was held short of a sweep his team of Mike ne, and Tommy and Ivan er finished in second ehind the Prescott team Beach, Tom Rae, David and Bob Judy.

sburg took it to the the playoff against They won the first of mes and then lost

nabbed the win and ish in the team event e dart 64 finish.

in third place in vent was the Mer- m of Don McLeay, uis, Rolly Roy and

aimed the fourth with the team of Jamie Murphy, Kenny Reid, Kevin Laming and Wayne Bellinger.

A second Morrisburg team, that of Jim Scott, Fred Diegel, Frank Marriner and David Wells finished in fifth spot and will advance to the Zone tournament should one of the top four teams be unable to attend.

In singles action Jack Smith of Merrickville finished behind Jamieson, and Bill Hutt and Glen Adams, both representing the Iroquois Legion, claimed the third and fourth spots.

Second place in doubles went to Merrickville's Don McLeay and Jack Smith and third to Prescott's David Haynes and Tom Beach.

The Morrisburg entry of Jim Scott and David Wells qualified in the fourth spot.

Riverside Darts

RIVERSIDE–**Arabs-6 wins.** Outs: Brenda Sypes 3, Randy Whitford 2, Ann Lewis. H.S. Whitford 140.

Rosebuds-8 wins. Outs: Colleen Keeler 3, Darren Tyo 2, Fay Markell 2, Gus Dickson. H.S. Keeler 121-2X120.

Double Trouble-7 wins. Outs: Cecil Tyo 7. H.S. Tyo 111.

Two Chicks-7 wins. Outs: Cindy Montroy 3, Dalton Hart 2, Roger Trudeau 2. H.S. Hart 114.

Lumber Dummies-1 win. Out: Loretta Kennedy. H.S. Pat Hart 133.

Fun Gang-6 wins. Outs: Names not supplied.

Canadian Team-9 wins. Outs: Peter Montroy 5, Cecil Keeler 2, Goldie Sypes, Freida O'Neil. H.S. Montroy 140, Keeler 117, O'Neill 103.

Pointless-7 wins. Outs: Dennis Baker 3, Elizabeth Markell 2, Arnold Keeler, Lisa Lewis.

2 Guys-6 wins. Outs: Lyle Beckstead 4, Diane Chater 2. H.S. Beckstead 121.

Roundups-7 wins. Outs: Charlie Hancock 3, Alex Hart 2, Cecil Lewis 2.

Eric's Bombers-2 wins. Outs: Eric Sypes, Matt Julien.

Born to Cry-5 wins. Outs: Dave Swendsen 4, Doreen Montroy.

Arabs	140	The Canadian Team	107
Rosebuds	127	Pointless	106
Double Trouble	123	Roundups	105
Two Chicks	122	2 Guys & 2 Gals	104
Lumber Dummies	116	Eric's Bombers	88
Fun Gang	110	Born to Cry	75



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Top Legion Shooters

Ivan Shearer, left, and Philip Jamieson will be making the trek to Orleans in February to compete in the Royal Canadian Legion District Dart Championships as representatives of the Morrisburg Branch 48. Saturday the Morrisburg Legion hosted the Zone playdowns which saw 115 dart players in attendance to make bids at qualifying. Jamieson had a big day winning the singles play and then teaming with Shearer to finish first in doubles action. The two were joined by Mike Osborne and Tommy Shearer in team play and qualified in second place behind a Prescott entry.

Lions hold on with two out of three wins

MORRISBURG - Two out of three wins for the Morrisburg Junior B Lions on the weekend wasn't bad especially when one of those wins was against the Char-Lan Rebels.

The Rebels have been holding close to the Lions in the division standings and the loss drops them back three points.

The Lions remain three points behind first place Alexandria but have gained on second place Kemptville who has 26 points to the Lions 25.

Unfortunately, game cancelations and the scheduling has the Lions way ahead in games played with 25 completed.

Alexandria and Akwesasne have played 21 games, Kemptville and Winchester 22 and Char-Lan 23. The catch-up in games, when it comes, could play havoc in the standings.

The Lions opened the weekend on home ice with a 7-5 loss to the Rideau Division's first place Brockville Tikis.

Saturday night they got back on track with the 7-6 win over Char-Lan although they almost gave it up when they allowed a three-goal comeback to the Rebels in the last four minutes of the game.

Sunday night in Gananoque they exploded against the Islanders with a four-goal first period to lead 4-1, but then lost the second period 5-4 to see their lead cut to two goals as they headed into the final frame.

They went up 9-6 just over halfway into the third period. The Islanders cut it to 9-7 and with the extra attacker on the ice struck just as the buzzer sounded to end the game to make it 9-8.

Charlie Froment had a big, big weekend offensively for the Lions. He exploded for two goals and three assists in Friday night's loss and Saturday night picked up four assists in the 7-6 win over Char-Lan.

Sunday night in Gananoque he took it easy on the opposing goaltender nabbing him for just one goal and one assist.

"He's motivated," says Lions coach Barry Van Allen. "He's a kid that plays 100 percent every game."

Van Allen says that although the scoring is on his mind, it hasn't taken over his play and he remains a solid team player.

Friday night's loss wasn't the only casualty for the Lions as they lost the service of veteran defenceman Jon Chambers for the remainder of the year.

Chambers suffered a broken wrist when he took a check at the penalty box door which came open.

"Jon is probably the best defenceman in the league," says Van Allen. "You just don't replace Jon and what he brings to the dressing room, the bench and the ice."

The Chambers loss adds to an already hurting defensive core. The Lions have been without the service of Kelly Beckstead, and although he is expected to skate this week, he is not expected to be back in the lineup for several more weeks.

Van Allen has plugged one hole on the defence with the acquisition of Matt McBean from the Metcalfe Jets.

"McBean is a nice add. He's 20 years old and adds the extra we are missing. He's very aggressive, has a good shot and controls the power play well."

Also new to the Lions lineup is goaltender Matt Vanegmond who was picked up in a trade with the Akwesasne Wolves for Shawn Pollard.

Vanegmond is a third round draft pick of the Kitchener Rangers.

"He looked a bit shaky in Saturday night's game against Char-Lan," says Van Allen. "But, when he replaced Jamie (Lalonde) Sunday night he played fantastic."

Friday night in Morrisburg the Tikis jumped into a 4-0 first period lead, but saw their lead diminish to 5-4 in the second.

A goal from Hugh Hammond with 4:32 left in the game put it away.

The game was a penalty ridden affair, the Lions drawing 11 minors, a double minor, a fighting major, two misconducts and one game misconduct. The Tikis had nine minors, two double minors, a five minute fighting major, one misconduct and one game misconduct.

"Discipline. We preach it every game, every period, every shift. I'm frustrated with that part of it," says Van Allen pointing out that all of the weekend games were well officiated.

Matt Collins and Froment had two goals each Friday night and Jason Denio added a single. Captain Wayne Garlough provided three assists, and Cody Casselman, Matt Bergeron, Matt Bailey and Nick Desneves helped out on one each.

Saturday night against Char-Lan the two played to a two goal draw in the first period, Froment counting both of the Lions markers.

In the second they turned it on for three unanswered tallies, two from Ghyslain Hotte and another from Froment to coast into the third period up 5-2.

Unfortunately, according to Van Allen once they got into the third, coast is the very thing they did.

Up 7-3 with less than four minutes remaining in the game, the Lions collapsed allowing the Rebels to come back for three goals in just a little more than one minute of play.

"With five minutes to go, it shouldn't even have been a hockey game," says Van Allen. "Yes they took the two points, but the way they took them wasn't good. We get up three or four goals and some of the players, not all, but some seem to think the game is over."

Jason Denio and Froment, (with his fourth goal) completed the Lions third period scoring.

one fighting major, two misconducts and one game misconduct.

The Rebels sat out six minors, one double, a five minute fighting major, a misconduct and a game misconduct.

Sunday night the Lions hit the Islanders with everything in the first period to come up with a 4-1 lead on two goals by Garlough, and singles from Froment and Danny Schwartz.

In the second the Islanders came back to win the frame 5-4 and close the gap to 8-6 heading into the third.

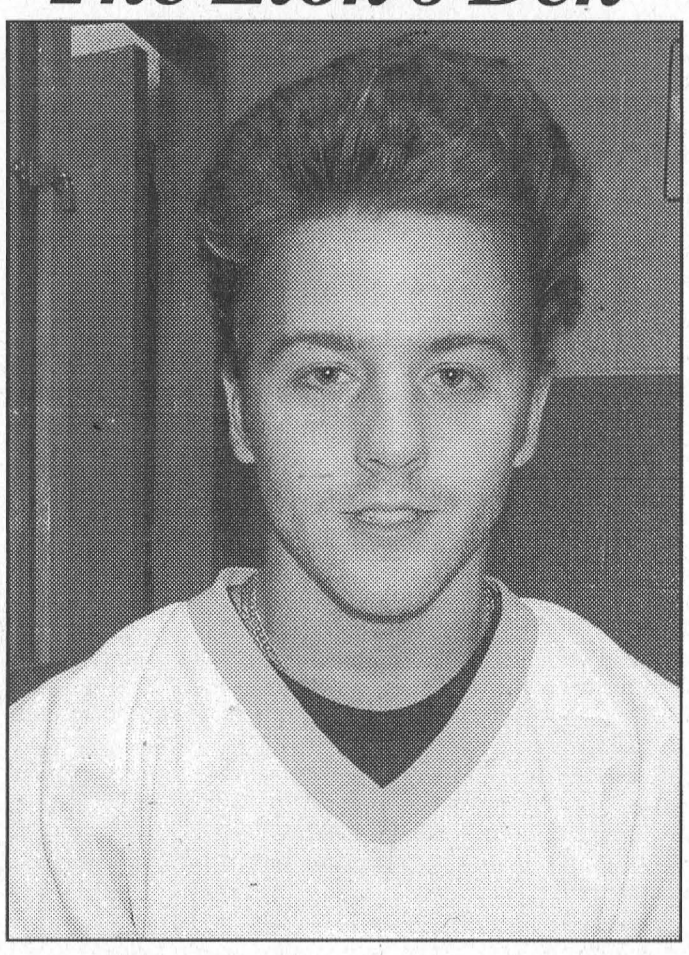
The Lions made it 9-6 at 10:55 and at 12:58 the Islanders put one home to tighten it to 9-7.

They got their final goal as the buzzer sounded to end the game.

Denio and Garlough had two goals and two assists each in the game. Schwartz had a pair and one assist, and single goals came from Froment, Hotte and Gagnon.

The Lions drew seven minors and a game misconduct while the Islanders sat 'out six minors and two misconducts.

The Lion's Den



Charlie Froment

Charlie is an overage player with the Lions this season. He returns to the Lions from a stint with the Lanark Thunder last season and is attending his first year of a two-year Police Foundation program at St. Lawrence College in Cornwall. Charlie wears the Lions number 14 sweater and plays centre. He is currently in the top five of the St. Lawrence Division scoring race, which comes as no suprise. In his rookie season with the Lions, he was the Division's scoring champ with a 97 point season.

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St. Lawrence Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Alexandria	21	13	6	2	28
Kemptville	22	11	7	2	26
Morrisburg	25	12	12	1	25
Char-Lan	23	10	11	2	22
Winchester	22	8	10	2	20
Akwesasne	21	8	10	2	19

Rideau Division

	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Brockville	22	15	4	3	33
Gananoque	22	13	8	1	27
South Gren.	21	11	9	0	23
Westport	24	11	12	0	23
Athens	24	9	11	1	22

Teams losing in overtime or shootout receive one point

Results

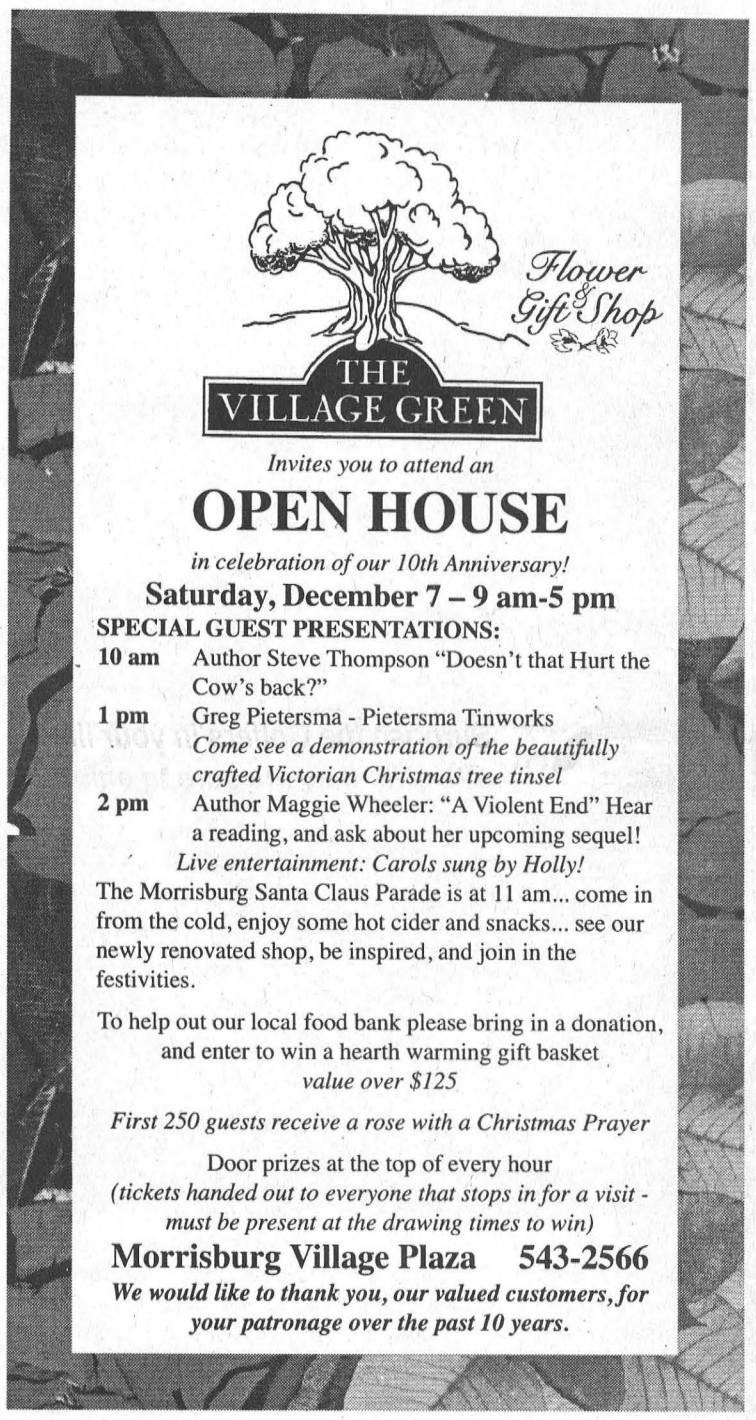
Wednesday, November 27
Kemptville 5 at Brockville 4
Friday, November 29
Brockville 7 at Morrisburg 5
Athens 0 at Winchester 5
Gananoque 3 at Alexandria 6
North Front. 4 at Westport 3
Saturday, November 30
Winchester 4 at South Gren. 5
Athens 0 at Akwesasne 7
Char-Lan 6 at Morrisburg 7
Sunday, November 1
Alexandria 8 at Athens 7 OT
Morrisburg 9 at Gananoque 8
Westport 5 at Kemptville 3
South Gren. 1 at Char-Lan 5

Coming up:

Friday, December 6–Morrisburg at Alexandria 8:30 p.m..
Saturday, December 7–Kemptville at Morrisburg 7:30 p.m.

St. Lawrence Scoring Leaders

	G	A	Pts
Charles Froment, Morr.	24	23	47
Adam Spirk, Kempt.	26	20	46
Wayne Garlough, Morr.	18	24	42
Darren Trenholm, Win.	22	17	39
Steve Jarvo, Char-Lan	21	18	39
Pat Johnson, Char-Lan	10	29	39
Derek Duval, Char-Lan	14	20	34
Andrew Miller, Kempt.	10	21	31
Mathieu Desnoyers, Alex.	16	13	29
Jason Denio, Morr.	15	14	29



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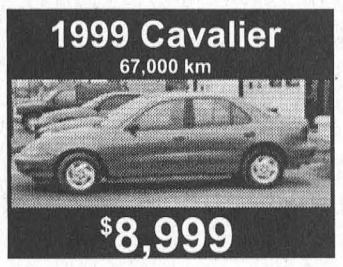

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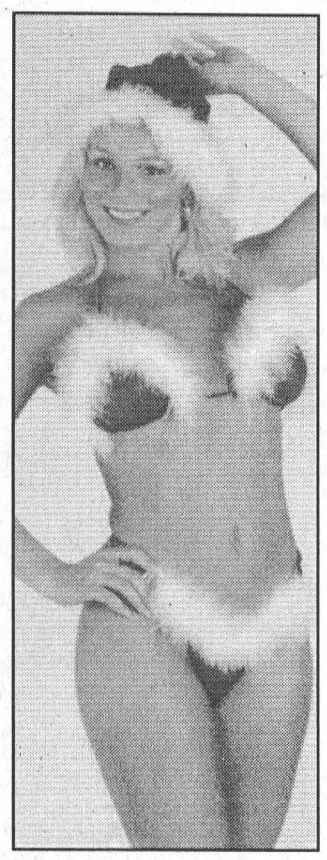

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Skips Ready to Rock and Roll

Two Morrisburg Curling Club skips, Anita Cooper (front) and Barb Rabideau (background) prepare to make their shots during action at the Women's Invitational Bonspiel hosted by the Morrisburg Club on the weekend. Cooper's rink, which included Nancy Barkley, Nancy Skakum and Sharon Annable had the best showing for the locals finishing second in the early draw. Rabideau led her rink of Cheryl Thompson, Betty Locke and Sandra Beckstead to a third place finish.

THE WEEK IN CURLING

The Morrisburg Leader was a principal sponsor of another successful running of the Women's Invitational Bonspiel, held here over the weekend. Ann Chick's Brockville rink in the first draw and Lynn Macdonell's Cornwall entry from the late one went home victorious, with the Morrisburg foursome of Anita Cooper, Nancy Barkley, Nancy Skakum and Sharon Annable finishing second in the early draw. Another Morrisburg entry, Barb Rabideau, Cheryl Thompson, Betty Locke and Sandra Beckstead finished third, while the team of Alice Thompson, Margaret Reynolds, Bonnie Cameron-Wright and Dorothy Culkin finished lower in the standings. Other clubs from Prescott, Lancaster, Cornwall and R.C.M.P. sent teams as well, and all enjoyed the day. A hot meal was prepared and served by volunteers from the local club. It was another fine bonspiel organized by Alice Thompson and assisted by her hard-working volunteers.

Our club challenged Shawville, holders of the Quebec Challenge Trophy last week. Larry Cooper, Mahlon Locke, Rob Delegarde and Wally McDonald, as well as Ian McGillis, Robert Houze, Craig Harriman and Allan Harriman made the trek on Sunday. Our teams split their games, and with the two-game total point format, Shawville squeaked out a win and now defends against a Danville Club challenge. Our curlers report fast ice, a fine meal and wonderful hospitality from their hosts. Our representatives made a fine showing, and we congratulate them.

Earlier in the week, a senior mixed foursome had a somewhat shorter drive to a bonspiel in Smiths Falls. This is always a favourite site, since the trip includes a stop at Hershey's chocolate factory. Steve and Alice Thompson, Doug Brannan and Dorothy Culkin dropped both games against Richmond and Arnprior, but enjoyed the day.

Sydney Schnurr reports entries are low for the proposed Food Bank Bonspiel here this Saturday afternoon. A decision will have to be made by mid-week as to whether it will proceed. Please consider entering a team in this funspiel. You need not be a top curler, or even a club member, to participate. A sign-up sheet and pledge forms are in the lounge.

Why not come out and watch the Santa Claus parade in Morrisburg this Saturday morning? Our curling club has a float entered this year.

How about entering the local Turkey Bonspiel and the Two-person Bonspiels this month? Registration forms should soon be out, and you need not be a member to play. By the way, we still need an organizer for the Two-person meet.

Finally, at the national level, Kelly Law's B.C. foursome survived two tie-breaking draws in a Skins match-up in Moncton to face Sherry Anderson's Saskatchewan rink in the final. Law won the championship, defeating Anderson, the perennial bridesmaid, to take home over $50,000. Shed no tears for Anderson, though. Her share was over $33,000, and places her second in the all-time standings for these matches. ***Good curling to all!***

Lions Day celebrates Morrisburg Hockey

MORRISBURG – The Lions hockey teams, in all their various incarnations, are Morrisburg's teams, and the Morrisburg and District Minor Hockey Association wants to drive that point home.

On Saturday, December 7, the association will hold Lions Day, during which all the Lions teams that are available will play a home game at the Morrisburg Arena.

John Hanson, president of the Morrisburg and District Minor Hockey Association says Lions Day is intended to promote the whole association and drive home that all the teams are part of the same organization.

"We're all Lions. We're all the same team," he says.

In addition to a full slate of hockey, beginning at 7 a.m. and running until 10 p.m., there will be a 50/50 raffle, prize tables, which include an Ottawa Senators package, and a big fundraising draw.

All the money raised on the day will be to benefit the Association, which also hopes to impress upon parents and the community how expensive it actually is to maintain the teams.

Hanson suggests that it costs significantly more to finance a team than is recouped through fees, making fundraising a vital part of the Association's longevity.

"We want to keep it so it's affordable for everyone," says Hanson. "We're trying to keep the costs as low to parents as possible."

From 7-8 a.m., the A,B, and C initiation groups will scrimmage; from 8-9 a.m. the Novice Lions will play; from 9-10 a.m. it will be the Atom House teams on the ice, and South Dundas mayor Johnny Whitteker will be at centre ice to drop the puck.

From 10-11:30 the Bantam 'C' team will play. At 11:30, the PeeWee 'B's will take the ice.

At 12:30, the Atom 'B's will play a league game and the PeeWee 'C's will play from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

From 2:30 to 3:30 another initiation team will take the ice; from 3:30 to 4:30 it will be the PeeWee House team and then from 4:30 to 6 p.m. the Midget 'B's will play.

The Junior 'B' Lions will play a game against Kemptville beginning at 7 p.m.

Anyone wanting more information about Lions Day is asked to call John Hanson at 652-2618 or make contact with any member of the Morrisburg and District Minor Hockey Association.



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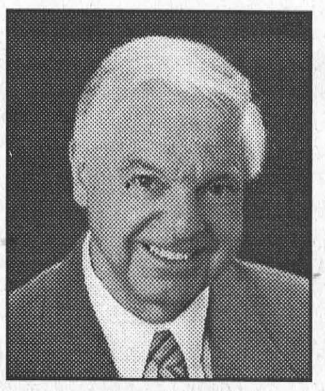

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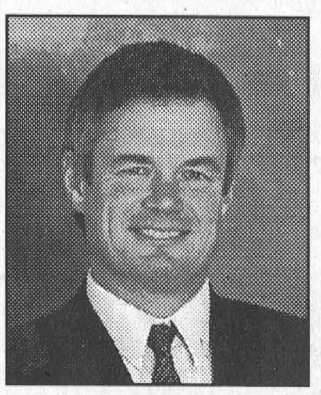

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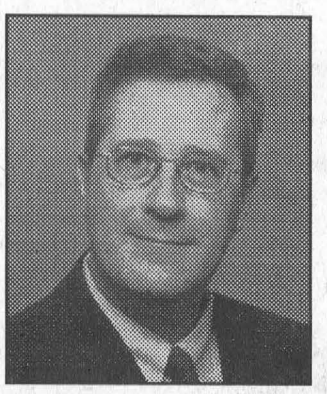

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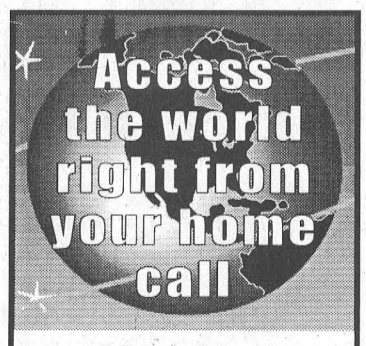

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Heather, daughter of Phyllis Jodoin and the late Curtis Jodoin and Shawn, son of Patricia & George Holder were married Friday, September 6th, 2002 at St. Peter's Church, Cornwall, Ontario. The couple reside in Ingleside, Ontario.

photo courtesy of Bryan Clouthier

Peewee C Lions triumph in Prescott

PRESCOTT – In a tournament in Prescott over the weekend, the PeeWee 'C' Lions turned back the competition and won the 'A' division championship.

The Lions won their first game against South Grenville 3-0, with Steven Baird getting the shutout.

After a scoreless first period, Connor Hodgson, on assists from Evan Harper and Thomas Corden, started the scoring with five minutes remaining in the second.

A couple of minutes later, Thomas Corden, with assists from Daniel Stevens and Drew Hutt, put the Lions up 2-0 heading into the third.

Evan Harper, with an assist from Daniel Stevens, and then Stevens, unassisted, scored in the third to round out the victory.

In the second game, the Lions nipped Kemptville 3-2, but required an overtime shootout to do so.

The Lions entered the second period down 2-1, with their only goal a marker by Evan Harper on an assist from Drew Morrow.

With little more than five minutes left in the third, Daniel Stevens evened up the score with an assist from Evan Harper.

Nothing was decided in the shootout until the fifth shooter, Connor Hodgson, put one past the Kemptville goalie to win the game.

The Lions posted another 4-0 victory in their third game, this time against NGS.

Daniel Stevens, Drew Hutt, Evan Harper, and Connor Hodgson each scored in a balanced Lions attack, giving the Lions a 3-0 record for the tournament and the championship.



Morrisburg Peewee "C" Champs

Back row, l-r: Evan Harper; Scott Codern, asst. coach; Nathan McDonelly; Spencer Peters; Derrick Thompson; Pat Chesbro; Tom Hodgson, coach; Thomas Corden. Front row, l-r: Drew Morrow; Brad Munro; Steven Baird; Drew Hutt; Connor Hodgson. Missing: Daniel Stevens; Jordan Hawn

Inexperienced Spartans eke out victory

IROQUOIS – If you take the champions out of a successful basketball team, you can't expect a championship performance.

Last year, the senior Seaway Spartans boys basketball team won the SD&G championship, came second at EOSSA, and won a game at OFSAA.

In their first game this season, the Spartans were forced to come back from ten points down to defeat the St. Joseph's Panthers, and even then just barely cracked the 50 point mark, winning 54-52.

"I think we were lucky," said Seaway coach Mark Lewis, adding, though, that his players did not give up.

"They didn't quit. They still have that Seaway belief in themselves."

With less than four minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, the Spartans, who had trailed the entire game, began to chip away at the ten point deficit, relying on the only two senior returnees to bail them out.

A clutch three-pointer from Brian Law, who finished the game with 13 points, and two pressure foul shots from Neil Edwards, who ended up with 20 points, salvaged a narrow win for the Spartans.

In addition to Law and Edwards, who together scored nearly two-thirds of their team's points, Lewis can also draw on the experience of seniors Scott Hodgson and Ben Byvelds, both of whom have played on previous Spartans teams but did not elect to play last year.

The new players on the roster this year show promise, with size in the post position and some talented but inexperienced guards.

"There is always a huge transition between the junior and senior game," says Lewis, who has to help his new players adjust to the speed and complexity of the higher level competition.

This task does not get any easier, however, as the Spartans next test comes on Tuesday, when they play CCVS.

Unlike the Spartans and the Panthers, CCVS is not rebuilding. Instead, it has so much talent that, says Lewis, its bench could be a starting lineup.

"If you're going to beat them, you're going to have to have one of your best games ever," says Lewis.

Legion Darts

MORRISBURG–**Happy Wanderers 4-Team Six 2.** Wanderers Outs: Jim Scott 3, Caroline Geertsma. H.S. Scott 2X125. Tean Six Outs: Pauline Harper, Dick Armstrong.

Frank's Boys 3-Good Sports 3. Frank's Outs: Vic Brooks, Craig Saddlemire, Frank Beaulne. Sports Outs: Bert Harper, Malcom Gore, Lillian Thatcher. H.S. Harper 121-103.

B-Team 4-No Pressure 2. B-Team Outs: Bob Henophy 4. Pressure Outs: Shirley Smirle, Bill Thatcher and 102 high score.

Dixie Chicks 5-LAMS 2. Chicks Outs: Judy Scott 3, Darlene Gore, Sheila Hummell. LAMS Outs: Marilon Brown.

League Standings based on team wins average

Frank's Boys	68%	LAMS	43%
Team 6	66%	No Pressure	40%
B Team	53%	Dixie Chicks	38%
Good Sports	49%	Happy Wanderers	23%

Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho Ho

Santa Claus has decided to do something different this year in Williamsburg.

Santa & Mrs. Claus will be greeting the children at the Recreation Building in Williamsburg, **Dec. 15th at 1 P.M.** His helpers will be serving Hot Dogs & Hot Chocolate. There will also be Horse Drawn Wagon Rides and a Bonfire.

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102nd Birthday

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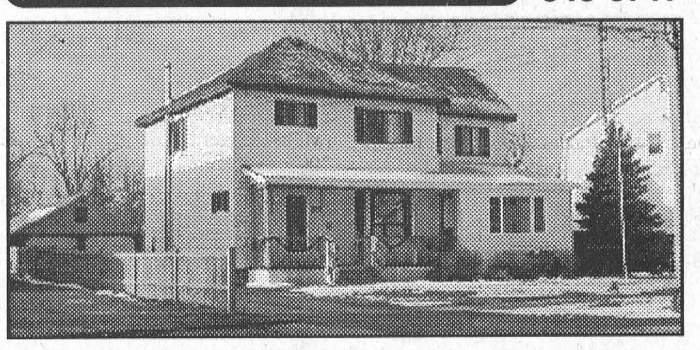

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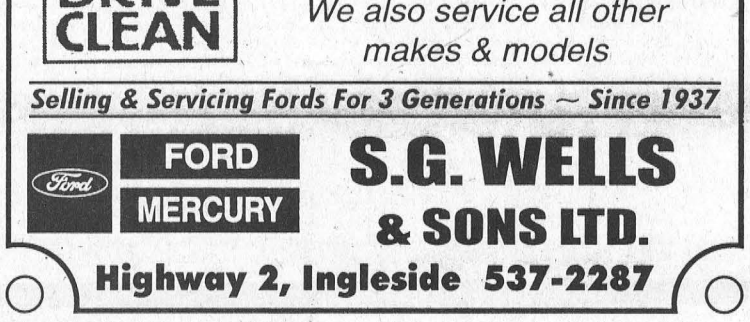

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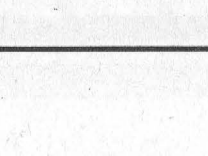

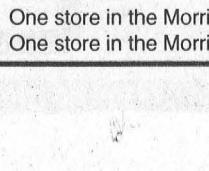

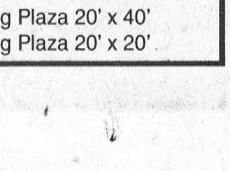

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Christmas Exchange set to begin campaign

MORRISBURG – The local Christmas Exchange has launched its two-week campaign to provide food, toys, books, and hand-knit items for those in need this holiday season.

The hotline number has now been discontinued, with a total of 215 families having registered.

The Exchange is an umbrella committee of volunteers that spearheads and organizes schools, service clubs, fraternities, industries, and churches for the purpose of providing toys and food items each December for needy families.

Every year, this December drive lessens the financial burden on the local food bank for the month. Participants are ineligible to receive food at any food bank in the area, as names are closely monitored.

The Morrisburg and District Lions Club is once again encouraged by the interest shown in the Angel Tree Project. Canadian Tire is providing some of the toys needed for the children on our list, which is displayed on the trees found in the Scotiabank in Morrisburg and Bank of Montreal in Williamsburg.

In our local grocery store, volunteers have decorated a large box, which, optimistically, will be overflowing with donated pasta, tuna, canned fruit, juices, coffee, peanut butter, soups, and other non-perishable items.

Seaway District High School will be collecting food, as will area churches. Industries such as the St. Lawrence Corporation, as an incentive, are holding a raffle, whereby employees who donate baby foods will have an opportunity to win a beautiful doll.

Once again, organizers are grateful to Craig Packaging for donating 200 custom-made boxes, which enable volunteers to pack food items systematically.

Donations of hand-knit scarves, toques, and mittens may be placed on the tree at the Bank of Montreal.

Volunteers are welcome to help sort food on Wednesday, December 18, beginning at 11 a.m. The distribution of food items will occur at 10 a.m.

Donations of money necessary for purchase of potatoes, carrots, bread, eggs, and hams may be mailed to treasurer Carol Richer at Box 114, Morrisburg, KOC 1XO.

Money jars are located at the Bank of Montreal and The Beer Store.



Local Artists Works, a Highlight of the Country Christmas Tour

One of the eight stops on the fourth annual Country Christmas Tour on the weekend included a visit to the IOOF Hall in Williamsburg where the works of members of the South Dundas Artist Guild were on display. The talented artists provided a wonderful opportunity for Christmas shoppers to make some delightful purchases. Members of the guild are pictured above, front l-r, Pam Sherrer, Elsie Gallinger, Ethel Crober, Audrey Bain and Dorothy Adlington. Back l-r Brenda Wachmann, Terry Dupuis, Anita Robitaille and Anne Barkley. Absent from the photo were Will Van Leeuwen, Carole Walsh, Bea McRae, Sara McMillan, Eileen Sharkey and Cathy Cooper.

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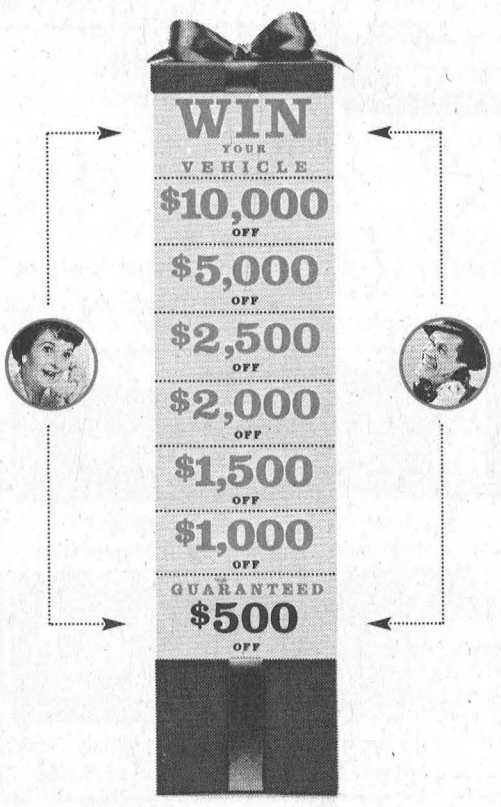

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