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These student are members of the Seaway District High School Global Outreach Team. Last week they collected Christmas boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Front row, left to right are: Brenda Como, teacher advisor, Jessica English, Kayleigh Hallam, Samantha Langton and Jillian Toonders. Back row : Jessica Van Dodewaard, Katherine Choi and Mallory Gilmer.

CHIEFTAIN PHOTO - J. MORIN

Seaway students give to the world

BY JOSEPH MORIN
CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER

The Seaway District High School Global Outreach Team has put together another successful Operation Christmas Child.

This year, the team of five students along with their teacher advisor, Brenda Como, managed to encourage the students at the high school to assemble 117 shoeboxes filled with goodies for children in third world countries.

Ms. Como says, "There was a significant increase over last year." In 2005 the schools, Global Outreach Team collected 87 boxes. The official collection times were from November 13 to November 18.

The team leader and Chair of the project is Grade 12 student Kayleigh Hallam. She says, "We started out in early November." Ms. Hallam was very pleased with enthusiasm that the students showed towards Operation Christmas Child this year. "There was one boy who brought in 16 boxes." Ms. Hallam explained that the team divided all of the classes at the school up and asked each class to fill one shoebox with items for a girl and a second one designed for boys. They also asked any individuals who wanted to participate to bring in boxes on their own if they wanted to. The experience was a good one for Kayleigh who has been a member of the Global Outreach Team since she started at the high school in Grade nine.

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Good Samaritan's Purse. The International President of Good Samaritan's Purse, Franklin Graham says in a brochure about the organization, "Is your heart broken by the plight of millions of children around the world? Whether they are refugees of civil war, survivors of a natural disaster, or victims of extreme poverty, these little ones need to know that they are precious to God. That's the motivation behind Operation Christmas Child, the unique project of Samaritan's Purse that enable caring people to share God's love with hurting girls and boys in the far corners of the globe."

CHRISTMAS
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GreenField meets with corn producers

GreenField Ethanol, Canada's leading ethanol producer, will hold meetings in Chesterville and Avonmore, Ontario, next week to talk about a new program that will benefit Ontario corn growers by encouraging them to sell directly to the ethanol plant and improving their grain marketing options.

The Ontario Buy Direct Program, the first of its kind in Ontario for a commercial operation, means that Ontario corn growers can sell their corn directly to the buyer GreenField Ethanol (formerly Commercial Alcohols).

The meetings in Chesterville and Avonmore are the first in a series of events GreenField Ethanol will host across eastern Ontario for corn producers. GreenField is slated to build a 200-million litre ethanol production facility in Johnstown, Ontario that will be operational in 2008.

The first meeting takes place on Thursday, Nov. 23 at 2 pm at the Chesterville Legion, 167 Queen Street in Chesterville. The following day, GreenField will host a meeting at 10 am at the Avonmore Community Centre, 16334 Fairview Road in Avonmore.

The Ontario Buy Direct Program is only available to Ontario farmers. The program offers producers several grain-marketing alternatives to manage their risk, provide control over cash flow, potentially increase profitability and provide contract flexibility. The program also offers a variety of sales contracts such as "Futures First," a contract that allows producers to lock into futures prices today and set the basis prior to delivery.

This year GreenField Ethanol will purchase approximately 19 million bushels of corn but the demand is growing substantially.

Estimates show that by 2008 North American demand for corn for ethanol will grow to 2.5 billion bushels per year. GreenField Ethanol projects it will need approximately 60 million bushels of corn for ethanol by the end of 2008. Of that amount about one-third will be returned to the farmer as feed in the form of Dried Distillers Grains.

As part of the Program, GreenField Ethanol will hold meetings with producers across the province, beginning in southwestern Ontario, to further detail the program.

GreenField Ethanol has state-of-the art ethanol production plants in Chatham and Tiverton, Ontario. Construction will soon be underway on two 200-million litre plants in Johnstown and Hensall, Ontario. GreenField Ethanol's production facility in Varennes, Quebec, is scheduled to open in the spring of 2007.

CHRISTMAS FROM THE FRONT

Each individual shoe box is packed with a number of useful items. Small toys can be packed as well as dolls, stuffed animals and skipping ropes just to name a few items that all children will love.

People can also include school supplies and toothbrushes, soap and combs. Donors are encouraged to include a photo of themselves and a short note to the child.





Winners of the Iroquois Fire Dept. Poster contest held during Fire Prevention week. Pictured with Fire Prevention Officer Ray Hunter are the winners, Maggie Perry and Andrew Perkins.

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THE CONSERVATION ZONE

A New Era in Electricity Conservation

Peter Love
Chief Energy Conservation Officer of Ontario

I would like to say "Thanks!" to everyone who answered my call to use less electricity this summer. We've made a good start, and energy efficiency is happening in Ontario. Our electricity use has dropped by 2.5% per capita since 2004 – a great achievement during a time when our economy was growing.

Top Marks for Ontario

This achievement is reflected in the B+ grade that the Canadian Energy Efficiency Alliance gave Ontario this month, a significant improvement from the C- in 2004. Ontario achieved the highest positive performance increase of all jurisdictions in Canada.

The Alliance's Report Card measures government leadership on energy efficiency and how well it provides the tools and programs to enable consumers to use electricity more wisely. Local Electricity Distribution Companies and other partners were instrumental in helping the Conservation Bureau bring conservation to every Ontarian's doorstep.

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Electricity Conservation Annual Report

Consumers across the province participated in a wide variety of conservation programs delivered by a number of organizations, companies and agencies. Thank you, Ontario! We've made a great start.

In 2007, we need to continue our efforts to use electricity wisely. In my Annual Report, you can read more about how Ontarians are answering the call for electricity conservation and see my recommendations for the road ahead. Visit www.conservationbureau.on.ca to download a copy.

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Ontario launches public education campaign

/CNW/ - The McGuinty government is launching EqualityRules.ca, a groundbreaking public education campaign to educate youth, aged eight to 14, about the importance of healthy, equal and respectful relationships, Sandra Pupatello, Minister Responsible for Women's Issues, announced today.

"This pioneering campaign will empower young people to develop the positive behaviours necessary for healthy relationships in their teenage and adult years," said Pupatello. "EqualityRules.ca speaks the language of youth to help them recognize and respond to attitudes and behaviours that are unhealthy versus those that are healthy."

The campaign is anchored by the EqualityRules.ca website and also features television and cinema ads. The campaign features scenarios that illustrate harmful behaviours and attitudes that can lead to violence against women and girls, and offers viewers a choice of ways to manage these situations in the right way.

"Early intervention is the key to breaking the cycle of violence," said Donna Hansplant, Vice-President, Counselling Services for Kids Help Phone. "I applaud the government for taking this innovative approach to reducing violence and abuse against women and girls in our communities."

The campaign also includes a $1.2 million in funding to community groups to promote healthy, equal relationships.

The campaign fulfills another commitment of the McGuinty government's, four-year, $68 million Domestic Violence Action Plan. Other initiatives include: Investing $571,925 in the Neighbours, Friends and Families campaign that provides information to help people who know women at risk recognize the signs of abuse and know what action to take; Investing over $58 million over four years to boost community supports such as shelters, crisis lines, and counseling; Investing $4.6 million in 28 initiatives over three years to help women and children at risk and to train professionals to intervene earlier when they spot the signs of abuse.

Parade of lights emergency hospital access

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Finally, congratulations to our new council; may they serve us well.

Mary Anna Petre

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Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal gets new mayor

BY THERESA ROACH
RUNGE STAFF REPORTER

The municipal elections on Nov. 13 saw the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal get some new faces around the council table, including a new mayor.

The mood in the council chambers on Monday night was a quiet, somber one as everyone sat waiting for the results to pour in.

The unofficial mayor results were a total of 835 votes for Bill Sloan, 837 for Peggy Taylor and 922 for Larry Dishaw.

New mayor Dishaw comes to the council table with 12 years of experience as reeve of Cardinal and he was a key player in the Edwardsburgh/Cardinal amalgamation process.

"From the early results, we felt we had to make in-roads in ward one (Cardinal and area). We hoped that the voters in ward one would do the job for us and they supported me, that's what took it (the votes) over the top," said Dishaw.

He says his plans are to deal with township issues with the ethanol plant being priority one and the waste treatment plant in Johnstown being high on the list.

Dishaw added that taxes are another issue that "has reared its head."

Dishaw says that Cardinal residents are concerned about water meters and vandalism in the village.



The municipal election saw the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal welcome a new mayor as well as some new faces around the council table. New mayor Larry Dishaw, left, and incumbent councillor Frank Noccey congratulate each other on the win and look forward to working together.

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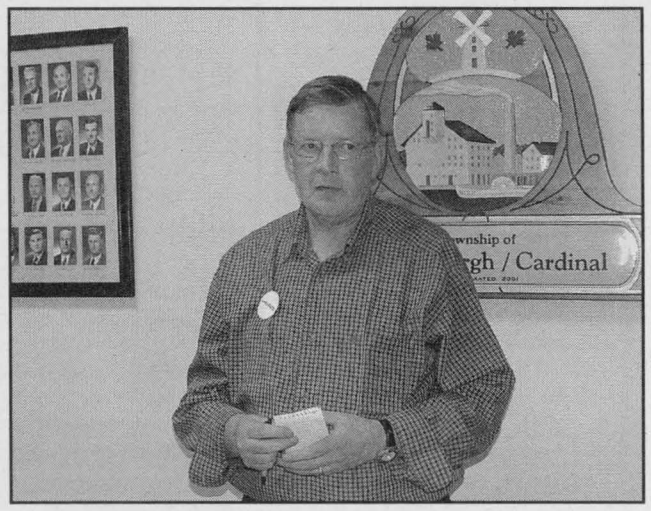

New mayor Larry Dishaw celebrates his win at the council chambers in Spencerville on Nov. 13.

"Since people are concerned about vandalism, I think we should work with the OPP to pursue the neighbourhood watch in Cardinal," he said.

"I am certainly excited about winning and I look forward to the next four years with anticipation of things to come. The issues are up front, we now know what the folks and taxpayers want. It's time to roll up our sleeves and get to work and we have a good mix on council," said Dishaw.

"It is very important that council comes together to look at what's important. It will take a little time to get everybody up to speed on the issues.

Bylaw enforcement and property standards need some work and the services to the 401 from Cardinal need to be looked at," he added.

Joining him at the council table will be incumbent Hugh Cameron with 644 votes and newcomer Donna Gladstone with 703 votes in the positions of councillors for ward one (Cardinal and area) and in the position of councillors for ward three (Spencerville and area) are newcomer Kirk Jones with 372 votes and incumbent Frank Noccey with 554 votes. Councillors in ward two (Johnstown and area) were acclaimed and they are Lawrence Levere and Patrick Sayeau.

"I am really, really pleased with the support the voters have given me. It will be a learning curve until we get accustomed to each other, but I am sure we will learn to work together for the benefit of everybody," said Frank Noccey.

The new council is set to be sworn in on Dec. 1.

The school board trustee positions saw acclamations in all boards and they are Joan Hodge for English Language Public School Board, Brent Laton for English Language Separate School Board, Brigitte Pilon for French Language Separate School Board and Marc Bissonnette for French Language Public School Board.

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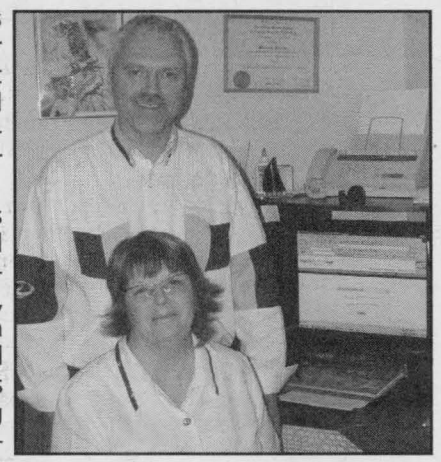

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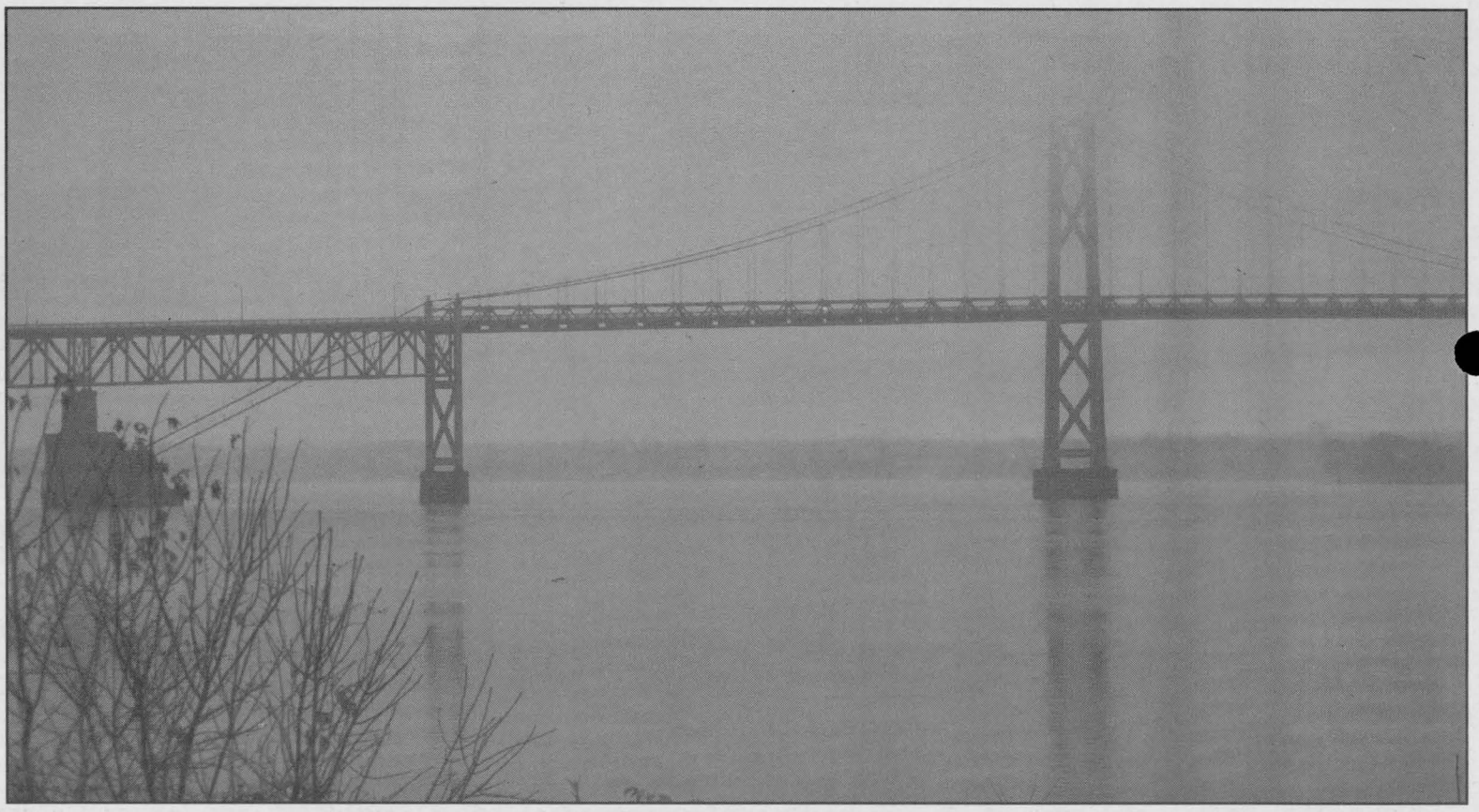

This photo of the U.S.-Canadian bridge is a snapshot of the first few weeks of November.

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Passing the Township torch

On Tuesday, December 5 starting at 7:30 pm, the new South Dundas council will take their place at the council table.

There will be a swearing in ceremony to make the change official and then it is back to business for all concerned.

The previous council did an impossible job perfectly. They put out fires and solved problems that originated with previous councils. The patient group of people that have shepherded South Dundas for three years must feel that no-one noticed what they were accomplishing.

The incoming council will find, once they gain a little experience, that they have been left with a Township ready to grow and ready to enter a new era.

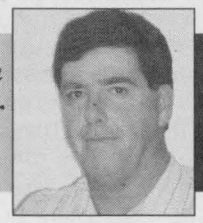
New councillors have to be applauded for the work they have taken on including the sacrifices their families and loved ones will have to make. The outgoing council should receive many thanks for the difficult and often frustrating job they did successfully to get South Dundas to the starting line of a new time.

J. M.

A thought...

from me to you

by Joseph Morin
Editor



The cigarette industry has been in trouble for a long time, both from an industry standpoint and a moral one.

Another factor that has been thrown into the mix is the plight of tobacco farmers who have apparently been hung out to dry by the Canadian government and the industry that they sell their crops to.

The latest from the tobacco growers industry is that Canadian tobacco farmers are facing a very bleak future. Less people are taking up smoking and those who do are cutting back. Meanwhile tobacco companies, forever loyal to what is the most important thing to them, profit, have started to bring in cheaper tobacco from other countries in an attempt to widen their shrinking profit margin.

The Canadian government has taxed their tobacco products almost right into the ground and smokers have had to buy less as well.

The tobacco farmers are asking the Canadian government to help them out in a situation where, as usual, they find themselves at the end of the tobacco food chain.

All of the signs are there for all to see. Tobacco experts are predicting that fewer workers will be needed to harvest crops next year.

Farmers have already had some of their tobacco crops returned to them because they are not needed thanks to less smokers and tobacco shipped in from other countries.

What the farmers want is something called an exit strategy that will help them make the transition from tobacco growers to something else.

A smart idea and a sign that they are willing to change what they are good at growing, in order to survive.

The tobacco companies of course are doing nothing to help other than to count their $1.5 billion dollars in profits while the federal government trucks in their $9 billion dollars in tobacco related taxes.

The market place should be, and in most cases is a place where natural selection can be seen at work. If a product like a cigarette or a yoyo becomes too expensive to make or to buy, then it becomes extinct. The government, any government does not have to worry about calling a product illegal and getting it out of the marketplace; they just have to wait for that particular product to die a natural death.

You cannot wait for all smokers to give up the habit. That will take years and even though the light can be seen at the end of the smoking cessation tunnel, farmers have to get ready for a time when the cigarette industry can no longer promise years and years of healthy profits.

The answer and the solution to restoring a natural order to the marketplace would be to help the close to 700 tobacco farmers out by helping them exit their current occupation. The result would not end cigarette smoking but the tobacco companies who already are getting much of their raw material from other countries would have to pay more and more for their tobacco.

While these tobacco farmers are busy growing a different crop the tobacco industry would quietly and effectively strangle on their own marketing strategy.

There are other western countries such as Australia and the United Sates who have already begun to acknowledge the fact their farmers need an exit strategy so that they can make a reasonably smooth transition to a non tobacco crop.

It sounds very simple and the Canadian government should be jumping on the band wagon as soon as possible. They do not appear to be doing that. It looks like the farming community as usual will have to manage up.

Iroquois Legion Branch 370 Newsletter

BY DAR

Zone Cribbage was held at out Branch on Saturday past and twenty-one teams participated. AT the end of the day Russell had won the right to host this event next year and we have two of four of our teams winning the right to compete in District Cribbage to be held at Orleans in February 2007.

This coming Saturday November 25th will be the 5th Annual Joe McDonald Memorial Cribbage Tournament at 1:00 pm SHARP! There will be a $5.00 entry fee and winner takes all. The tournament will consist of 9 games of singles play. A blind draw will determine your opponents. This is open to anyone that enjoys playing crib.

There were eight tables of Euchre and picking up the first prize was Sheila Scarbo while Keitha McConnell claimed the second prize while Doug Gow had low score of the evening.

The Pot of Gold winner was Linda McKee who was NOT signed in. Well Comrades, the Pot is beginning to sweetin up some. So if you don't want to be disappointed should your name be called, take time to drop a loonie in the box and sign your name.

This Friday's meal will consist of baked pork chops, mash potatoes and gravy. Dessert will be apple and date squares with custard sauce.

Just a reminder – The renewal of membership fees is going on now and you can get the Early Bird and get a chance to win your dues back if you get them paid before the end of November.

We are now gearing up for the festive season as well as everyone else.

Sorry to hear that Willis Douglas is back in the hospital. He did get home but had to return. Sorry to hear this Willis, hope you get home for good real soon.Until next week – Take Care!



If you thought it has been a cloudy, wet fall, you would be correct. Some areas of Eastern Canada have broke records for the least amount of sunshine for a three month fall period. With the lack of sunshine has come the cooler than normal temperatures and rain. While it has not been cold in the Seaway, it has nonetheless been unpleasant. To add to the cloud cover, we have also had more than 300mm of rainfall since September 1st.

STEPHEN BALENA

Letters to the Editor

To the Editor
"Poetic Justice"
A petition was taken in Cardinal town,
But 3 Officials insisted on turning it down.
It Ended up they had their way,
But they would face their electors another day.
That day has come and that day is gone,
And so are the 3 who tried who tried to march on.
They wouldn't take the petition serious,
And that made its backers very furious.
The petition was smashed and stomped on the floor,
And 3 candidates have been shown the door.
While some petitioners enjoy a great feeling,
Burrell, Taylor and Sloan still might be reeling.
W. Summers
Edwardsburgh/Cardinal

"Snubbed Electors Vindicated"

The recent election in Edwardsburgh/Cardinal proves that you will be held accountable to the voters for misrepresentation.

In the last term a petition to reverse two stop streets in Cardinal was signed by 793 residents at 10 businesses. It was sent to Council on March 4, 2004.

The reaction by 3 of the 8 elected officials was to appeal through the press for support against the petition and its supporters. After 5 months and only 3 people who publicly opposed the petition the motion for a six month trial period was finally dealt with and passed on June 30, 2004.

The motion was then passed at county Council on July 7, 2004 by 8-1. Instead of honoring the majorities' wishes a minority appeal was again made for opposition against it. In October a request to compare the opposing numbers against the 793 was refused although it is now common knowledge the number was less than 20.

The petition was finally spurned again and declared dead by November, 2004. Its supporters were unjustly and arbitrarily ignored but on November 13, 2006 the ones responsible were democratically ignored. It is no coincidence that the one elected official who treated the petition and its supporters with respect is the only incumbent for Ward 1 or Ward 2 who was rewarded this time for another term.

The moral of the story – "Don't bite the hands that feed you."

Jack Patrick

Spartan's Scrawl

BY MATTHEW GOODMURPHY

This week, I had the opportunity to attend the Student's Assembly on Electoral Reform. This inspirational and innovative five-day workshop, composed of youth members from each of the 103 electoral districts of Ontario, aimed to motivate students and collect their thoughts on political processes and the current electoral system used in the Ontario Legislature. Taking place in the scenic Muskoka region, the goal of the assembly was to gather information about our current provincial voting system (or the way our votes translate into seats in the provincial parliament), using this knowledge to assess its strengths and weaknesses. The Assembly would then be given the chance to propose an alternative system if they felt it best represented the values and principles of our democratic society. This resolution would be presented to a similar Citizen's Assembly, a group of mature voters who could potentially hold a provincial referendum on the topic during the 2008 provincial election.. "We see this as a very special opportunity for young people to get involved - to learn about our democracy and influence the electoral system they will inherit," said Taylor Gunn, CEO of Students Vote and a Students' Assembly organizer.

Throughout the conference, several different systems used worldwide were considered, and among the most popular were those that translated votes into seats proportionally, such that every vote had an equal weight in the shaping of our democracy.

The final system was chosen based on a list of values discussed by the committee, including legitimacy, equal representation, and simplicity. The selected alternative, MMP, is a system that uses popular vote to determine seat allotment while allowing for local representation and the many benefits that accompany it.

This result will be documented in an extensive report and submitted to the Citizen's Assembly in the near future for serious consideration.

While the intensive five-day program has come to an end, its mission lives on in over 150 schools province-wide, where teachers and administrators will hold conferences similar to the one held at Muskoka in their own schools. Students will be encouraged to learn about our current electoral system, and to form opinions on its efficacy. They will then indicate their preferences in a survey, which will also be included in the final report of the Student's Assembly.

Through this initiative, the government of Ontario hopes to give youth a serious voice in the political systems of tomorrow and of the future of our province.

The results, which will be tabulated over the next few months, will be submitted in February for review by the Citizen's Assembly. At this time, the Citizen's Assembly may choose to propose an alternative electoral system (which would then be brought to a referendum), or they may decide that our current system is satisfactory.

To learn more about both of these initiatives, visit www.studentsassembly.ca and www.citizensassembly.gov.on.ca.

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Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Riding Report

Also on November 8, it was my pleasure to announce, along with my municipal counterparts, some long-awaited news. The McGuinty government has decided to include the issue of how municipalities are compensated for Ontario Power Generation sites on their land as part of the larger provincial-municipal service review that is currently underway. As was the case with the forgiveness of Cornwall's downtown loan, we have led the charge on this issue, and other communities will benefit from our efforts. I was also able to announce that the compensation currently received by these communities will be adjusted for 2006/07 to account for inflation.

I would also like to take this opportunity to respond to some of the concerns I have heard from constituents regarding the proposed Long-Term Care Homes Act. It is our goal to see that everyone living in a long-term care home in the province of Ontario lives in security, safety and comfort and that they are cared for with compassion and dignity. The proposed Long-Term Care Homes Act is designed to improve care in long-term care (LTC) homes and strengthen the Residents' Bill of Rights. There is no intention to close any LTC homes in our region. As Ontario's population continues to grow and age, our government will continue to make needed investments in long-term care. Since 2004/05 we have increased investment in the LTC program budget by 35% representing an additional $740 million.

Improving the quality of health care is vital for both the well-being of the constituents here in Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh, and in attracting more families and businesses to locate here. The next phase of our healthcare "renaissance" began on November 9, with the launching of the first phase of the Cornwall Community Hospital's $83 million redevelopment project. This $6.3 million phase, to be completed within a year, will see the construction of state-of-the-art labour and recovery suites and renovations to the critical care unit and emergency department at the McConnell site. With construction already underway at St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre and work set to begin next year on the redevelopment of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital, we will soon have some of most modern healthcare infrastructure in Ontario.

My colleagues at Queen's Park are impressed by the spirit and determination they see in our local communities. They see great potential in our tourism assets and they understand that we are ideally positioned to attract newcomers. They are pleased to work with me and our local leaders for progress on long-standing files, such as the Power Dam compensation issue and tangible development on our hospitals. They are proud to support the major turnaround that is happening in our communities, and I am proud of how far we have come together.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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Post office ready to handle Santa's mail

Canada Post today announced that Santa Claus' North Pole post office at H0H 0H0 is open for business. Postal Elves across the country are ready and waiting to help Santa handle the satchels full of mail he'll receive this holiday season

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More than 11,000 Canada Post employees (current and retired), known affectionately as Postal Elves, volunteer their time to help Santa respond to his letters in the language in which they are received, including Braille.

Children are reminded to include a complete return address and to send their holiday letters to Santa at his North Pole workshop:

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Santa can also receive email through a special website at www.canadapost.ca/santascorner and children and parents can check his Canada Post site for fun holiday games and activities.

This is the sixth year that Canada Post is supporting The Salvation Army's efforts to benefit individuals and families around the holiday season and this year's $25,000 donation marks a $200,000 milestone for the post office.

The funds from Canada Post's 2006 donation will benefit The Salvation Army's "Christmas Appeal" and will be used to purchase Christmas dinner, toys and meals throughout the season for those in Ontario who need it most.

"On behalf of the hundreds who will benefit from this year's Canada Post donation – and all those who came before – I extend a heartfelt thanks to Canada Post for giving hope to those in need this Christmas season," said Colonel Glen Shepherd, chief secretary for The Salvation Army, Canada and Bermuda Territory.

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November 24 – Christmas Turkey Dinner & Silent Auction. Iroquois Golf Club, cocktails at 5:30 pm and turkey dinner at 6:30 pm. The cost is $12.50. Any donations to the auction welcome. Call Karen Cooke at 652-2605 or Jane McLaughlin at 652-9305.

November 25 – Brunch, Bake Sale & Christmas Craft Sale. Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church from 8:30am – 12:00 pm. Everyone Welcome.

November 25 – Christmas Craft Show. Heart & Stroke Christmas craft show and luncheon. Stampville Centre from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Silent auction and bake tables. Admission $2.00.

December 2 – Christmas Bazaar & Bake Sale. St. Andrews & St. James Presbyterian Church, Cardinal from 10:00am to 1:30pm. Lunch of soup or chili will be served. Take-outs available. Do your Christmas shopping early.

December 16 – Ham and Turkey Supper. Iroquois Woodland Metis Tribe Annual Ham & Turkey supper, Matilda Hall 5:00pm. Advance tickets contact Linda Richardson – 613-652-2959 or Lacey Bradford – 613-652-2987.

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Iroquois Rec Committee asks Township to hold beach house funds

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

The Iroquois Recreation Committee recently received a generous donation from the Iroquois/Matilda Lions Club to put toward their plans for improving the beach house. The Recreation Committee approached the township with regards to holding the $10,000 as they work towards raising the balance of the $75,000 that will be required to implement the committee's plans for improving the beach facilities. By having the township hold the funds, the committee will be able to take advantage of the G.S.T rebates and will be able to provide receipts for donations. The municipal council has approved the request, and the treasurer will set up a temporary reserve until final decisions are made and can be included in the 2007 budget process.

Some of the committee's plans for the beach house include doubling the size of boy's and girl's washrooms and making them easier to clean, installing new industrial grade fixtures, and making the facility wheelchair accessible.

Plans also include creating a proper lifeguard room, storage for training and safety equipment, organizing space for lifeguards to change, and creating a work area to manage Red Cross paper work, etc. In order to accommodate these plans it will be necessary to expand the building, add proper lighting, install an auto water shut off system, and bring electricity to the building.

The beach building, which was constructed in the 1960's is too small for the current usage; lifeguard and storage facilities are too small; old consumer grade fixtures cannot cope with current traffic; the toilets plug up easily and often; and the fact that there is no automatic shut off on the taps leads to the holding tank being frequently filled.

In a presentation by the Iroquois Recreation Committee to council earlier this year it was pointed out how much the beach contributes to the community. Recreation programming insures that 140 children benefit from swimming lessons on an annual basis, with all Red Cross levels being offered, as well as Bronze Star, Bronze Medallion, and Bronze Cross certifications. Being a river community, water safety is of great concern to local residents, and this programming is an important part of their children's lives. The swimming programs also offer employment opportunities to high school and university students. The recreation committee also stressed in the presentation that the beach is high use and low cost, providing a picnic venue for locals, as well as attracting visiting tourists.

The cost of running all of the swimming programs is funded by Iroquois Recreation, and user fees, and is provided at no cost to the taxpayer. The Iroquois Recreation Committee is a volunteer, non-profit organization that manages the Iroquois campground, Iroquois recreation facilities and various recreation programs. Operating costs and various small facilities improvement projects are entirely funded through campground revenue, program fees, and fundraising.

"The Iroquois Recreation Committee is hoping to be able to match the Lions' Club donation, as well as approaching the Township for $ for $ funding, and other organizations such as Trillium and OPG," stated Chuck Lawlor a member of the Iroquois Recreation Committee. The Iroquois Recreation Committee is currently looking for interested people to help out with the valuable programming it provides in the community. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month at the Stampville Seniors Centre at 7 pm. Interest persons are encouraged to come out.

Flu vaccine shots available in Iroquois December 4

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

This year's schedule of Flu Vaccine Clinics has been set, and the Iroquois clinic will be held in the Civic Centre on Monday, December 4 from 2 pm until 8 pm. The shot will also be available in Williamsburg at the Park Lane Seniors Support Centre from 4 pm until 8 pm on Monday, November 27. The Morrisburg clinic will be held in the Morrisburg Legion on Friday, November 24 from 2 pm until 8 pm.

According to information from the Eastern Ontario Health Unit and the Health Canada website, the flu is a potentially serious and deadly virus. Influenza is a respiratory infection caused by the influenza virus. Various strains of the virus circulate throughout the world year-round, causing local outbreaks. In Canada, flu season usually runs from November to April and an estimated 10-25% of Canadians may get the flu each year. Although most of these people recover completely, an estimated 4,000 to 8,000 Canadians, mostly seniors, die every year from pneumonia related to flu and many others may die from other serious complications of flu. The influenza virus spreads through droplets that have been coughed or sneezed into the air by someone who has the flu. You can get the flu by breathing in these droplets through your nose or mouth, or by the droplets landing directly on your eyes. The flu virus is also found on the hands of people with the flu and on surfaces they have touched. You can become infected if you shake hands with infected persons or touch contaminated surfaces and transfer the virus to your own eyes, nose or mouth.

Everyone 6 months and older is encouraged to receive the flu shot. Even if you are healthy, you can still get the flu or give it to someone at risk of complications such as young children, elderly people or someone with a medical condition.

Children should also be vaccinated against the flu since they are at increased risk of contracting the flu and at increased risk of complications. Children under 9 years old being vaccinated for the first time will need to receive two shots, one month apart.

Ideally, every one should receive their vaccine by the end of November since the shot can take up to two weeks to offer protection. The primary reason to get a flu shot is to protect yourself from health effects related to flu. However, by getting a flu shot, you will also help protect other Canadians and reduce the burden on the health care system. To receive your vaccine, you can visit one of the Flu Immunization Clinics organized by the Health Unit or your doctor.

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I would like to thank all those who encouraged me to run for Council and all those who supported my campaign. Special thanks to the many volunteers that put up signs, knocked on doors, made phone calls and encouraged their friends and associates to support me.

I look forward to working on behalf of all residents of South Dundas and sincerely hope that my efforts will meet or exceed everyone's expectations.

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South Dundas Economic Matters

Anne Marie Waddell, a local resident for over forty years, is the economic development officer for the Township of South Dundas. edo@southdundas.com

Marimac Inc. expanding production to Iroquois

Marimac Inc. from Cornwall is expanding its production capacity with the purchase of the former St. Lawrence Corporation property in Iroquois, Ontario. The expansion is anticipated to bring in over 250 new full-time jobs within three years. The plant will be a comforter finish plant, designed to produce a quality comforter at a rock bottom price. The major retailers in the United States and Canada are the targeted groups.

The Marimac group has become one of the fastest growing manufacturers and distributors of home furnishings in North America: a status achieved through creativity, flexibility, innovation, and low cost production.

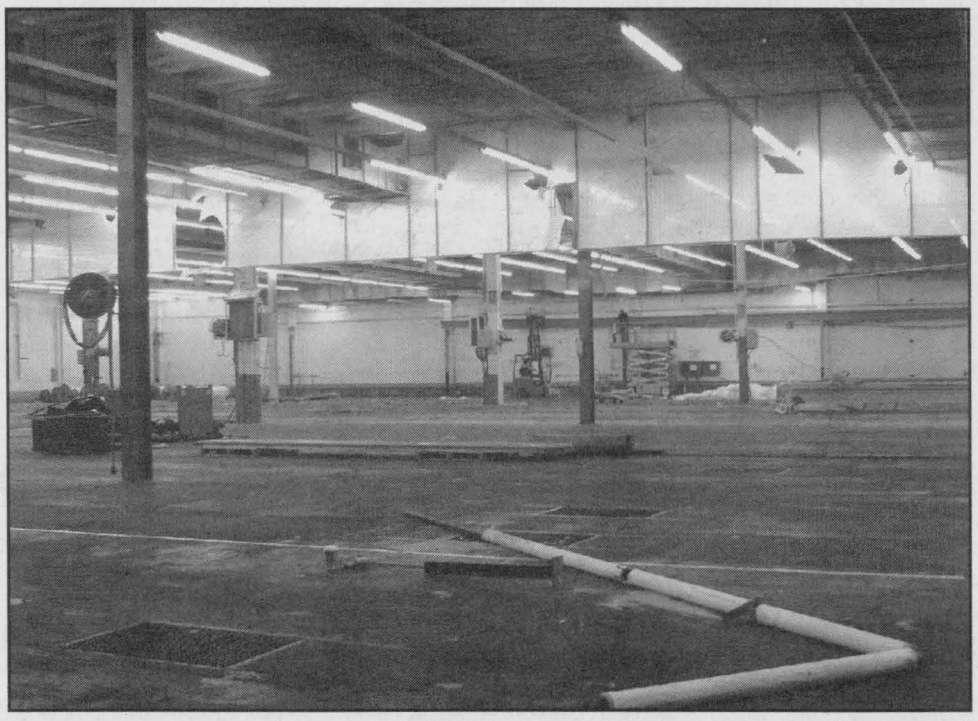
The Marimac Group currently consists of 4 main facilities: Universal linens, Marimac Inc., Maison Condelle, and Marimac Finishing & Printing (MFP), with a total of 6 manufacturing and distribution facilities.

Marimac Inc. has provided bedding products for the whole family for over 50 years. Through creative innovations, from the nursery to the master bedroom, Marimac Inc has managed to establish itself as a leader in the US market. Today, you can find the Marimac signature on the front page of many US catalogs, and in many of North America's finest specialty stores. With the Iroquois facility we plan to aggressively add market share of the major retailers.

Marimac is very pleased with all of the cooperation and support received from the Municipality, Economic and Development Agency, from all levels of Government, and with continued partnerships within the business community.

Marimac will be holding a job fair at the Caldwell Action Center, 5 College St., Iroquois on Nov 29th, Nov 30th from 9:00 a.m. to 7 p.m. This job fair is a joint project with the Employment & Education Centre from Brockville, CSE Consulting from Prescott, JobZONE from Cornwall, and the Ministry of training, Colleges and Universities (Action Centre).

The first round of hiring is to fill approximately 120 positions.



The St. Lawrence Corporation property in Iroquois will once again be used in the manufacturing industry. Over 250 jobs will be created within the next three years.

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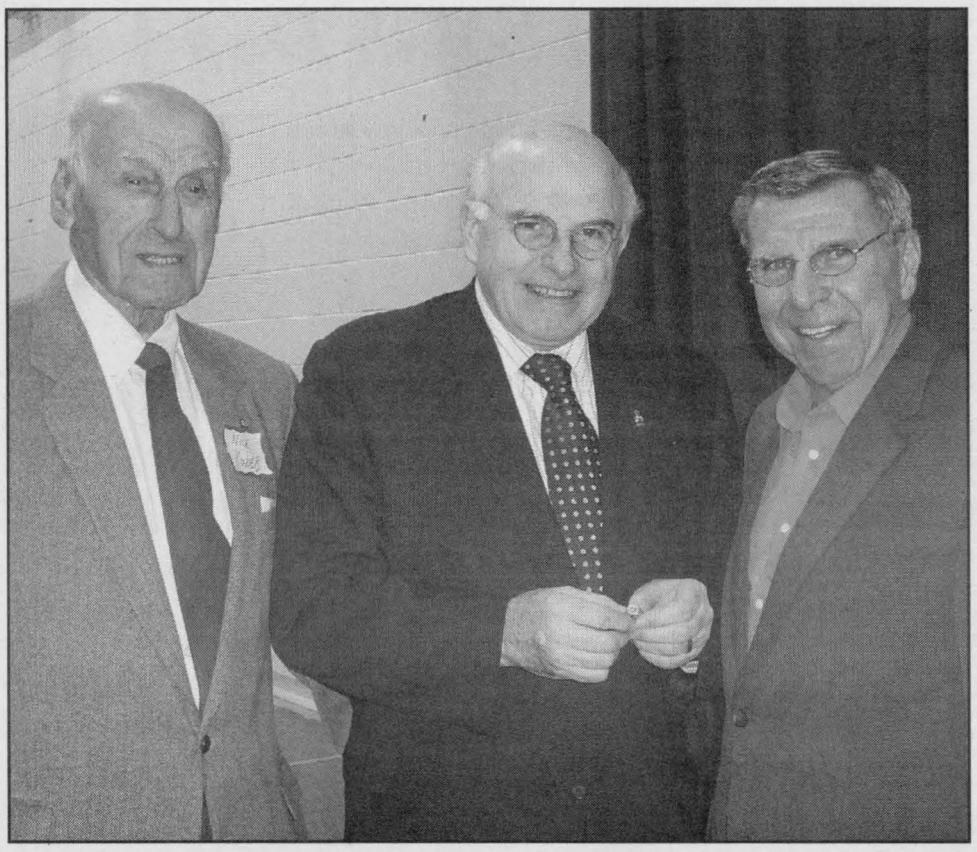

Huge crowd welcomes Deputy Speaker

Close to 400 attendees, welcomed Deputy Speaker, Royal Galipeau, Member of Parliament for Ottawa-Orleans to Cornwall last Saturday morning. Picture above from left to right are: Mr. Nick Kaneb, former mayor of the City of Cornwall, Mr. Royal Galipeau, Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons, MP for Ottawa-Orleans and Guy Lauzon, MP Stormont Dundas and South Glengarry.

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Heading south for the U.S. Thanksgiving? Think security first

/CNW Telbec/ - The Canadian Air Transport Security Authority (CATSA) is advising passengers to plan ahead and pack properly during the busiest air travel season in the United States. Along with the family reunions and feasts come a busy travel time for Canadians heading to the United States for American Thanksgiving.

Travellers should be aware of the new regulations regarding liquids as well as the requirements for carry-on baggage. This awareness and preparation will minimize the wait time at security screening.

"We realize that passengers are looking forward to family gatherings and feasts. One more thing they should consider is what they pack. Pack properly, arrive early and avoid unnecessary delays at the airport," says Jacques Duchesneau, President and CEO of CATSA.

To help you prepare for your flight, CATSA offers the following travel tips. Travellers can obtain further packing tips by consulting CATSA's website (www.catsa-acsta.gc.ca).

Packing tips: Liquids: Pack liquids and aerosols, such as sunscreen, hair gel and perfume, in your checked baggage. Liquid items are only allowed in carry-on luggage when packed in containers with a capacity of 100 ml / 100 grams (3.4 oz.) or less. The containers must fit comfortably in one clear, closed and re-sealable plastic bag with a capacity of no more than 1 litre (1 quart). One bag per person is allowed.

Sporting Equipment: Most sports equipment, such as baseball bats and golf clubs, are not allowed as carry-on baggage. Place these items in checked baggage. Golf clubs should be thoroughly cleaned. Chemical residue may trigger screening alarms and cause delays.

Toy Guns, Firearms, Ammunition, and Cartridges: Pack these items in your checked baggage. Make sure they are properly packaged and approved by your air carrier during the check-in process. If your checked baggage contains a toy gun or any other object that resembles a prohibited weapon, notify your air carrier to avoid potential delays during screening.

Computers and Electronic Devices: Electronic devices may be screened by special screening equipment. To minimize time spent at the screening point, remove portable computers and video cameras with cassettes from their carrying case and place them in a tray.

Cameras and Film: Transport these items in your carry-on baggage. All cameras must undergo X-ray inspection which is safe for film under 800 ISO/ ASA. You may request a hand search of your film, but you may be required to take the film out of your camera.

Dress for Travel - Avoid wearing jewellery or other metal objects that could trigger alarms and delay your trip.

Alexandre Da Costa & Matt Herskowitz spotlight on two virtuosos

Jeunesses Musicales of Canada and the Fort Town Concert Association are proud to present Alexandre Da Costa and Matt Herskowitz with their concert Spotlight on two virtuosos as part of the Desjardins Concerts 2006-2007. This tour will bring the two musicians to many cities throughout Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario and British Columbia. There will be a performance at the Benson Public School in Cardinal on December 1, at2 pm. The cost is $20 for adults, students (12-18), $4.00, children under 12 are free. The tour will also be stopping at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church at Dibble and Centre Streets in Prescott later that evening at 8 pm.

A child prodigy who mastered both violin and piano at a very early age, Alexandre Da Costa has become an accomplished musician of exceptional virtuosity and musicality. Over the past decade, he has given more than 600 solo recitals around the world.

His many recordings, such as España, have served to bolster his growing fame, drawing critical acclaim both here in Canada and abroad.

He is joined by pianist and composer Matt Herskowitz, a brilliant young musician who is equally at ease in the classical and jazz repertoires, in a programme that celebrates contrast and surprise with sonatas by Brahms and Debussy, Sarasate 's unmatched Fantaisie sur des thèmes de Carmen, and the delightful melodies of Kreisler.

Alexandre Da Costa

Alexandre Da Costa was born in Montreal Canada in 1979. He showed an uncommon interest for both the violin and piano at a very early age. By the age of nine, he had the astounding ability to perform his first concerts with stunning virtuosity on both instruments, which brought him recognition as a musical prodigy. His chosen professional career as a violinist begans very early and he was soon performing regularly as a soloist with orchestra as well as in recital.

In 1998, at the age of 18, he received a Master's degree in violin and a Premier Prix from the Conservatoire de musique du Québec where he studied with Johanne Arel. Concurrently, he also received a Bachelor's degree in Piano Interpretation from the faculty of music of the University of Montreal. From 1998 to 2001, he studied at the Escuela Superior de Música Reina Sofia in Madrid with the violin master Zakhar Bron who formed Maxim Vengerov and Vadim Repin. In 2002, he won the Sylva Gelber Foundation Award. Between 2003 and 2006, after winning the Musical Instrument Bank competition of the Canada Council for the Arts, he played the 1689 Baumgartner Stradivarius.

Winner of many prestigious national and international first prizes, he appears as soloist throughout Canada, the United States, Mexico, France, Germany, Austria, the United Kingdom, the Czech Republic, Spain, Portugal, Poland, Romania, Japan, Taiwan, etc. Alexandre Da Costa has performed in major halls such as Vienna's Musikverein, Berlin's Philharmonie, Hamburg's Musikhalle as well as Madrid's National Auditorium and has playeds with prestigious orchestras such as the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, the Hamburg Symphony Orchestra, the Vienna Symphony Orchestra, the Orchestre symphonique de Montreal and the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. He records live performances for the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), the West Deutscher Rundfunk (WDR), Radio-Classical International, Radio-Canada/CBC, Minnesota Public Radio and Radio Nacional de España. Between 1998 and 2006, he has recorded many CDs for the XXI-21 Record label, among them the world premiere recording of violin Concerto by Portuguese composer Luis de Freitas Branco. This recording was received with great acclaim by the critics and music lovers around the world, and was nominated for a 2006 JUNO Award. His CD, Vivaldi Four Seasons with the chamber music orchestra of the Vienne Symphony Orchestra, was received with a very warm enthusiasm by the press and the public, and a record amount of copies were sold in its first weeks of availability on the market.

In 2006-07, Alexandre Da Costa is set to perform with several European and Canadian orchestras as well as the London Royal Philharmonic Orchestra with director Leonard Slatkin. He now plays the 1667 Dubois Stradivarius and a Sartory bow, courtesy of the Canimex Foundation.

Matt Herskowitz

A graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music and the Juilliard School of Music, Matt Herskowitz is a brilliant young jazz pianist, a stunning interpreter of the classics and a composer of vast range and originality. Unwilling to divide himself into different musical personae and bewildered by the arbitrary segregation of jazz and popular music from the classics, he prefers to expound on their essential unity, combining them into a new mode of expression.

His deft layering of jazz improvisation over written work has led him to many privileged collaborations. As composer, soloist and ensemble member, he performs and records regularly with Absolute Ensemble, a New York-based cross-over contemporary chamber "band". Their first release on Enja records, Absolution, which features him as composer and soloist on Serial Blues, was nominated for a Grammy in 2001.

His first solo recording, Gabriel's Message (CCn'C Records), features his original arrangements and compositions based on Christmas themes, and he received world-wide critical acclaim. In 2005, he performed at the RIDEAU showcase in Quebec City, where he won two prizes for his performance; the CBC Galaxie Rising Stars Award, given to best emerging artist, and the Prix des diffuseurs européens/SODEC, which sponsored a tour of France for his trio.

In 2002, he composed an original score for a silent avant-garde French film, Jeux de Reflets et de la Vitesse, performed at Lincoln Center's Walter Reade Theater. In 2003, he recorded for the soundtrack of the Oscar-nominated animated film Les Triplettes de Belleville. Also, Matt Herskowitz recorded an extensive solo piano improvisation for the soundtrack of the film La Face cachée de la lune, directed by Robert Lepage.

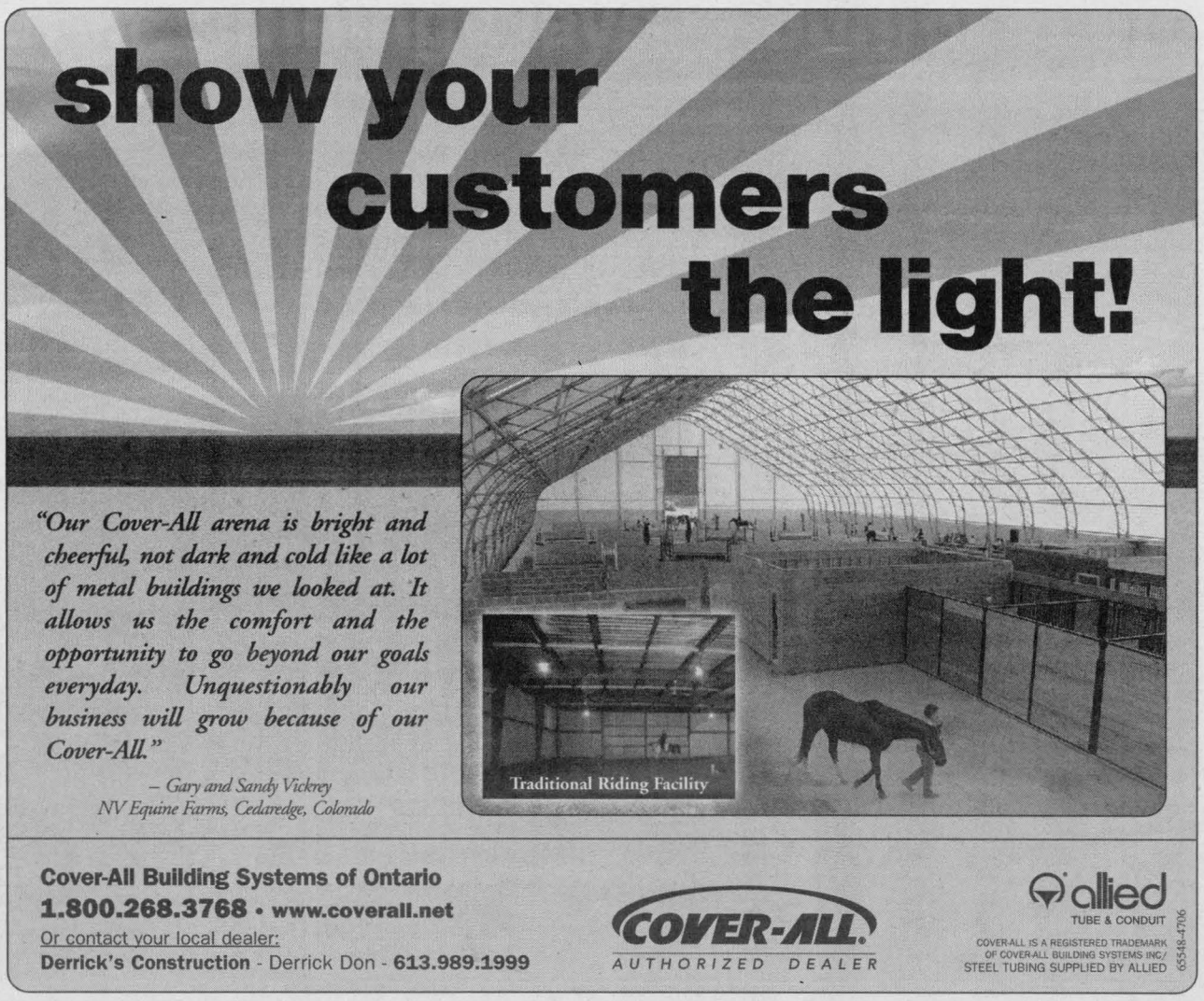
Currently, he tours extensively throughout Europe, Canada and the U.S. in solo recitals and with the Herskowitz Rozenblatt Project. Their new CD, Forget Me Not, released in September 2005, has received several rave reviews. As a winner of the Pro Piano Recital Series Competition, he gaves his New York debut as a classical pianist in 1994 in Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall.

Also winner of first prizes at the 1997 Orford Festival Piano Competition, his performances there led to a recording of Glazunov's Piano Concerto no. 2 with I Musici de Montreal for Chandos records in 1998.

Since 1949, Jeunesses Musicales of Canada (JMC) has had a dual mission: to bring fine music to audiences of all ages, especially 3 to 12-year-olds, and to foster the careers of outstanding young professional instrumentalists, singers and composers in Canada and abroad. Thanks to the support of its partners and the work of hundreds of volunteers, JMC has become Canada's largest classical music performance network and produces some 600 concerts a year. In 2000, the organization opened a new building in Montreal that includes a 100-seat chamber music hall.

JMC is affiliated with Jeunesses Musicales International (JMI), founded in 1945 in Belgium and considered today by UNESCO as the world's leading cultural organization dedicated to youth and music. Each year, JMI's 41 national chapters organize more than 30,000 musical events, reaching an audience of some six million people.

This tour is made possible thanks to the financial support of the Mouvement des caisses Desjardins, the Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec, The Canada Council for the Arts, Canadian Heritage, the Conseil des arts de Montréal and The Toronto Arts Council.



Playhouse Christmas Auction a huge success

This year's Annual Playhouse Christmas Gift Auction broke a lot of records. The attendance one of the largest in its history, the donated gifts from local merchants, individuals and organizations out-numbered those in the past and revenue from the event was one of the highest ever at over $18,000. Over 200 people gathered at Matilda Hall to welcome the Holiday Season by socializing with friends and neighbours, sharing a fantastic meal from AJ's Catering and bidding on a wide variety of fabulous practical and unique items up for Silent and Live auction. Guests were serenaded by talented Philip Konopka at the keyboard while Playhouse Board President Barry Fawcett was the MC for the evening. The event was fortunate to secure Hugh Fawcett as the auctioneer, whose professional skill played such an important part in the event's success. Proceeds from this annual event are directed towards the upkeep and renovation of the Playhouse building for the comfort and safety of its patrons and the maintenance of high production standards. This year's projects are the installation of new air-conditioning and heating units, removal of low-hanging pipes in the auditorium and renovation of the technical booth. The Playhouse is grateful to all the generous contributors to the auction along with the volunteers and supporters who all helped to make this annual major fundraiser such a fantastic success.



The 13th Upper Canada Playhouse Auction took place on Saturday, November 18 at the Matilda Hall. Over 200 dinner guests were treated to an evening of fine dining and entertainment. From left to right are: Phillip Konopka playing the piano for the evening and the chair of the Upper Canada Playhouse, Barry Fawcett.



Pictured above are some of the items that were up for auction last Saturday. Of special note Cardinal Flowers donated the centre pieces for each dinner table, while Russell Manor B&B provided decorating for the hall.

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BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

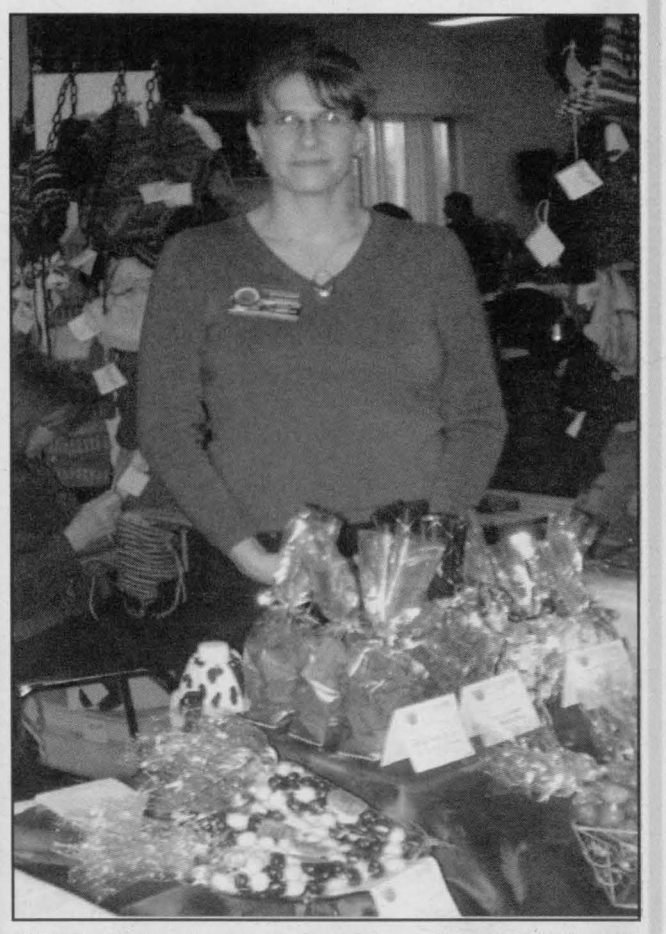
The Morrisburg and District Arts and Crafts Association held its semi-annual craft sale this past weekend at the Royal Canadian Legion in Morrisburg. The show, which ran Friday evening and all day Saturday, attracted a good crowd, and displayed the original work of 24 local crafters. According to Sharon Duprau, who is serving as the association's president for the third time, all of the people participating in the show were from SD&G. "We have a large variety of different arts and crafts on display, some by members of the association, and some by guests. We have woodwork, carving, quilting, stain glass, oil painting, as well as silk and dried flowers and many other fine works." The association holds two sales a year, one in the spring just before Mother's Day, and the second before Christmas. The association raises money by charging rental on the booths at the shows. After expenses are paid, all profit is donated to the Winchester and District Memorial Hospital. "Last year we gave the hospital $1500," stated Duprau, "and this year we are hoping to donate another $1000."

Brian Schofield, a woodworker from Martintown and proprietor of Blue Heron Woodworking, participated in the show for the first time this year. Schofield, who started his business as a second career 4 years ago, had a beautiful array of lathe work on display at the show, including wooden pens, bowls, and spinning tops. "I have been doing woodwork since I was 7 or 8 years old," explained Schofield, "but I have only been working seriously on the lathe for the past 2 years. Schofield had on hand a portfolio of some of the skilfully crafted pieces of furniture he has created over the past few years for visitors to browse through. All his pieces are unique and he enjoys doing custom work.

Polymer clay creations made by Margi Laurin attracted a good crowd at the show. Laurin, who will shortly be participating in shows in Chicago and New York, has created some fantastic jewellery and other collectables from the colourful made-man clay. A new line for Laurin consists of notebooks created from the covers of old classic books which she is hoping will sell well.

A chocolate maker from Long Sault, Niki Fontaine, had a delicious display of home made chocolates for sale. She has been making chocolates for 15 years, and recently won the Best Home Based Business Award from the Women Entrepreneurs of Cornwall.

All the vendors were pleased with the number of people visiting the show, and most plan to participate again in the future.



Niki Fontaine has been making chocolates for 15 years and recently won an award for her home-based business.

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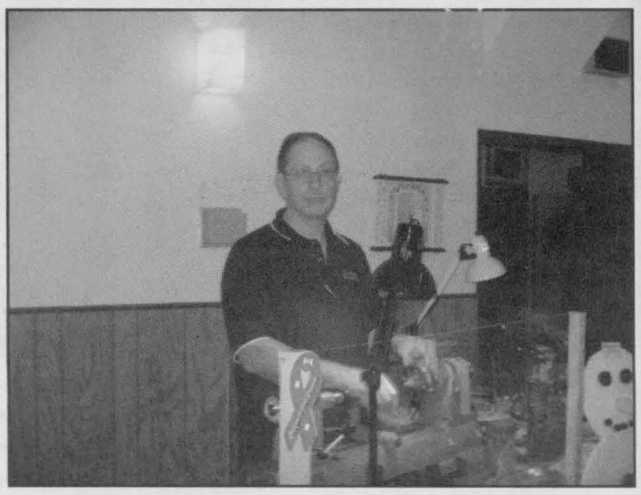
Sharon Duprau is pictured here with her silk and dried flower arrangements. Duprau is serving as president of the Morrisburg & District Arts and Craft Association for the third time. Brian



Schofield from Martintown participated in the Arts and Crafts Show held at the Morrisburg Legion last weekend. He had a number of beautifully worked wooden products for sale.

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Special thanks to the nurses and staff of Woodland Villa for their wonderful care and concern for both Sue and myself. They are a real blessing.

Also special thanks to all my family including the many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews

Also those who made monetary donations to the different organizations. Many thanks to those who sent flowers. Especially from family members, neighbours and the staff at the Centennial restaurant who are really a part of our family.

Special thanks to Dave and Danny at the funeral. Last but not least to Pastor Duncan Perry and those that said a few comforting words and sang and played music and the congregation of the Morrisburg Pentecostal Tabernacle.

Thanks to our niece Pam and our nephews for being pall bearers.

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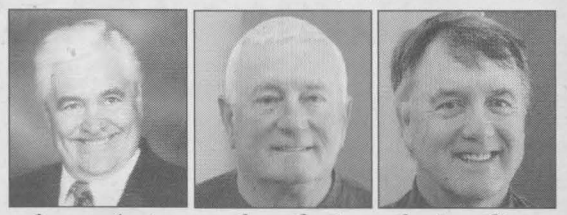

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Sports

Bantam House Lions tie grudge match

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

The South Dundas Bantam House Lions played two games this past weekend, both against the Athens Aeros. On Friday, November 17 the Lions travelled to Athens to meet the Aeros for the first time this season. The Aeros proved to be the Lions toughest competition yet, dealing them their first loss of the season.

The scoring opened at 4:40 of the first period, when the Athens team defeated Lions' goaltender, Ryan Gilmer. The Aeros went up 2 to 0 with another goal early in the second period, but the Lions fought back and Jared Gibson beat the Athens goalie with help from Donovon Hogan and Robert Zandbergen putting the South Dundas team on the scoreboard. Just minutes later the Lions Eric Heldens tied the game with an unassisted goal. Before the second period was over, the Lions got the lead for the first time in the game when Kyle Saunders scored with the assist going to Philip German.

The third period, however, belonged to the Athens Aeros. They tied the game at 3 all, and then went ahead to score the winning goal before the period was over. The Lions fought hard, but despite many shots on net, had a hard time beating the Athens goalie.

On Saturday, November 18 the Athens team travelled to Morrisburg for a return match, and the Lions stepped on the ice determined to defeat the Aeros. Again the scoring was opened with an Athens goal, but the South Dundas Lions were able to tie the score at 1 all before the end of the first period on a goal from Eric Heldens from Derek Hutt. The Lions took the lead in the second period when Nick Tupper scored an unassisted goal, but the Athens team scored twice in the last minute of the second period to go up 3 to 2. Early in the third period, the Athens team widened their lead with another goal, putting the Aeros up 4 to 2. The Lions, however, weren't ready to give up, and they brought the game to within one goal when Stephen Gellner scored unassisted with 53 seconds left in the game. The Lions pulled their goalie at that point, and 31 seconds later the Lions' Stephen Gellner scored again to tie the game 4 all. Nick Tupper assisted on the tying goal, and the team was very pleased with their great effort. Tyler Kelly was in nets for the Lions who served 6 penalties during the game. Athens had 2 penalties.



What would hockey be without fans? Pictured here are some dedicated hockey moms who cheered on their sons as they played Athens to a tie on Saturday. From left to right are June Zandbergen, Debbie Heldens, Debbie Saunders, and Helen Tupper.

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Junior B Lions keep up their winning ways

The Morrisburg Junior B Lions continued their winning ways this past weekend with a convincing 5-1 victory over the visiting Akwesasne Wolves. The Lions winning streak is now at five games and the Lions have a firm hold on the fourth spot in the St. Lawrence Division. Their record is now 10-6-1 good for 21 points.

The only scoring in the first period came off the stick of Carey Hamblett of the Wolves. His power-play goal would be only puck Michel Bouchard would let get by him as he shut the door the rest of the way turning aside 36 shots.

The Lions would score five unanswered goals in the final two frames to give them the victory. Scoring goals in the second period were Justin Elliott, Tyler Lafortune and Kyle Lagace with a power-play marker. Adding goals in the third were Cory Gove and Chad Galipeau. It was Galipeau's 25th goal of the season. He now leads all scores with 47 points. Cory and Ryne Gove each have 44 points good enough to keep them tied in the third spot in scoring.The Lions will be looking to extend their streak this weekend as they are on the road for two tough contests. They travel to Kemptville Thursday night to face the third place 73's and are in Charlan on Saturday night to face the last place Charlan Rebels.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to family and friends for cards, visits, charitable donations, flowers and food received during the loss of a loving mother and grandmother, Edna Casselman.

We would also like to thank Sue Parks and the staff at Dundas Manor for the compassionate care our mother received, and to the girls at the Bank of Montreal, Iroquois and Ingleside for their understanding and support.

Special thanks to David Lapier at Marsden & McLaughlin Funeral Home and to Rev. Isabel Black for her kind words.

Your kindness will always be remembered.

Sincerely
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Thank You!

To the Residents of South Dundas



I would like to sincerely thank you for your confidence in me to serve you on council. I look forward to working for and with all the residents of South Dundas to make us a better community.

If you have any issues, questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Morrisburg Skating Club news

BY ANDREA CARTIER
SPECIAL TO THE CHIEFTAIN

The Morrisburg and District Skating Club is preparing for its biggest event of the year; an Invitational Skating Competition to be held on 25 and 26 of November. 230 skaters will be participating from Eastern Ontario, the Toronto area and Western Quebec. There is no admission charge and skating starts at 8 am Saturday morning and continues until 8:30 at night. On Sunday there will be competition from 8:30 am until approximately 3:30 pm. The competition is for skaters at the Starskate level as well as competitive skaters.

In other skating club news, the Canskate program held a special 'stations' day on Saturday, November 18.

The ice surface was divided into different areas where the skaters had an opportunity to work on various skills such as forwards and backwards skating, stopping, and weaving through pylons. The last 15 minutes of ice time was dedicated to fun, and the skaters participated in a rousing game of red light, green light and had the chance to take part in some relay races. The club has dedicated this month to the theme of the jungle, and jungle music has accompanied many of its sessions.

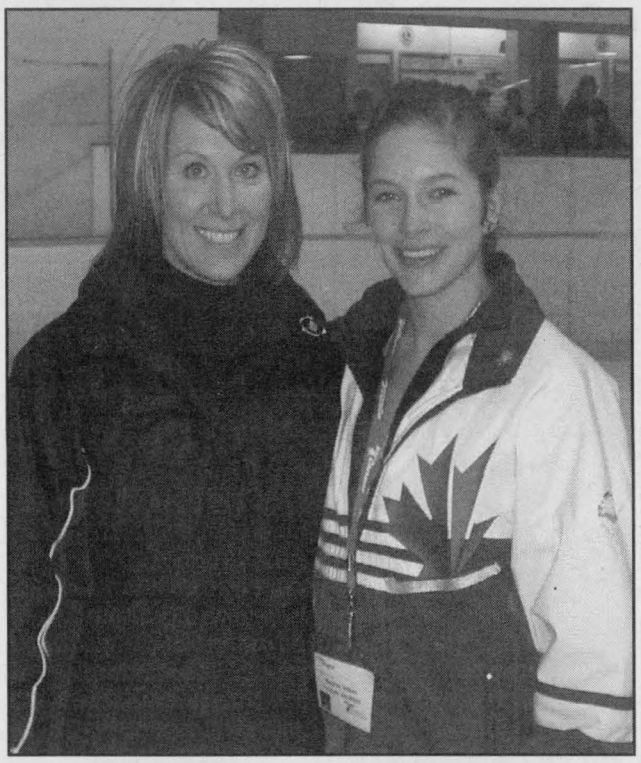
One member of the club, Meghan Adams, recently placed 7th out of 41 skaters at the pre-novice level in the BMO Eastern Ontario Sectionals held in Nepean on the weekend of November 10 – 12. Meghan placed 7th after her short program and remained there after her long program to finish 7th overall.

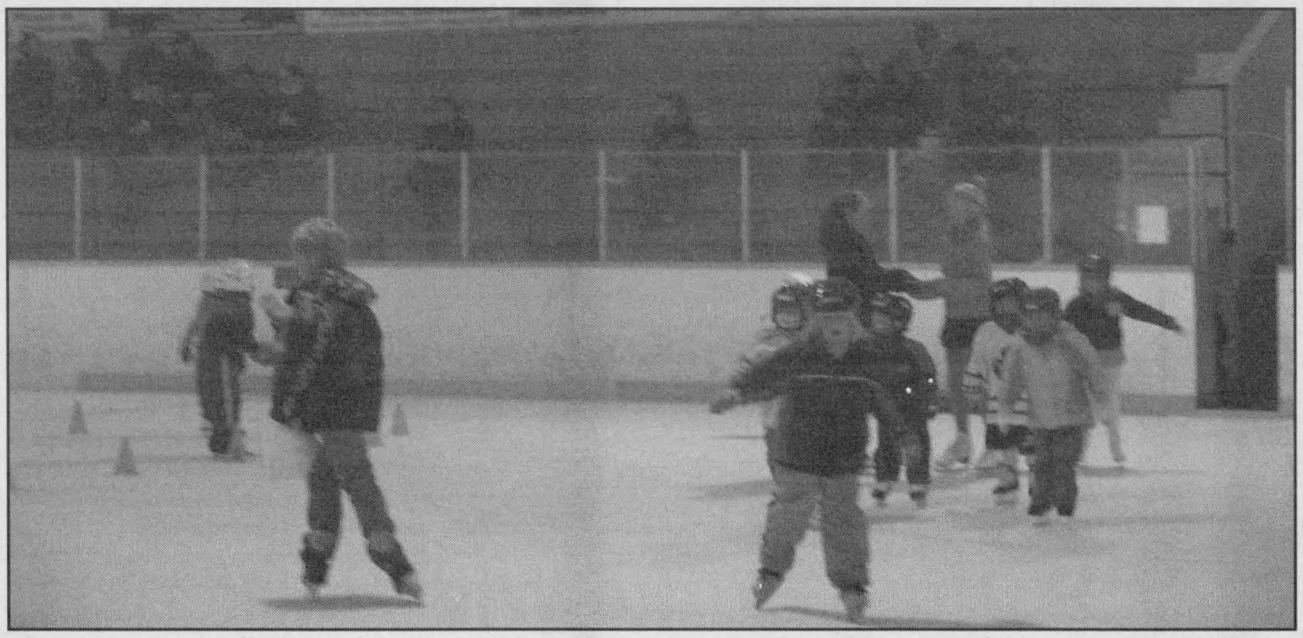
Meghan was pleased with her short program, performing a personal best, and is hoping to improve on her long program. The top 4 finishers at the Sectional event moved on to the Eastern Challenge to compete against all of Eastern Canada's best. Those skaters who finished in 5th, 6th, and 7th place qualify to go on to another competition entitled 'The Trillium Cup'.

This means that Meghan will travel to Waterloo to compete on the weekend of March 10.

Meghan's coach, Allison Scott, stated, "I was very pleased with how Meghan rose to the occasion and attacked her programs. Achieving a personal best report card for her short program and high levels in her spins and footwork was such an accomplishment. I was very impressed and proud of Meghan."

Meghan is quite happy about her upcoming trip to Waterloo. "I'm excited," she said. "My goal is to finish in the top 3."





Meghan Adams will compete in Waterloo in March at the Trillium Cup. She is pictured on the left with her coach, Allison Scott. These young Canskaters participated in different stations on the weekend. They also got to take part in some fun games!!

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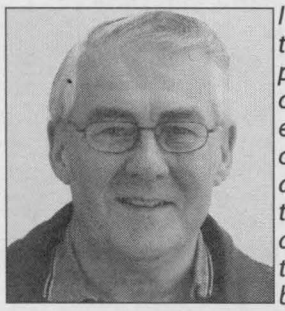

I would very much like to thank everyone who has supported me and provided encouragement throughout the election and campaign process. It is an honour to serve as one of your Councillors for the next four years, and I will do my best to see that your trust and support has not been misplaced.

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/CNW/ - A groundbreaking report released today by the Canadian Lung Association shows that Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) has emerged as a "crucial women's health issue."

More than 425,000 women in Canada have been diagnosed with this devastating breathing disease, and more than 4,300 die every year, according to the most recent statistics in the report. More so the report indicates that appropriate screening for the disease is unacceptably low.

"Canadians need to recognize that the face of COPD has truly changed and we will be seeing more and more women living with and dying from this disease," said Dr. Anna Day, Director Gender Asthma and COPD Program at Women's College Hospital in Toronto, who consulted for the Report on behalf of the Canadian Thoracic Society.

The statistics on women and COPD paint a disturbing picture:

In 2005, 425,300 Canadian women 35 years of age or over self reported a diagnosis of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. In 2003, 4,383 women died from COPD in Canada. As a comparison, in 2003, 5,060 women died of breast cancer. COPD affects 4.8 per cent of women, 3.9 per cent of men. While screening such as mammography, pap tests or bone density testing have become routinely standard for other diseases, the report demonstrates that appropriate screening for COPD is "unacceptably low." Spirometry, a simple breathing test, is essential for the diagnosis of COPD and individuals at risk for COPD can receive an early diagnosis through appropriate spirometry testing.

The Report, developed by the Canadian Lung Association in collaboration with its medical and health professional groups, the Canadian Thoracic Society and Canadian Respiratory Health Professionals, is being launched on World COPD Day across Canada today.

"We need to keep up the pressure to raise awareness of this terrible disease and advocate for all people with COPD, especially women," said Nora Sobolov, President and CEO of the Lung Association. "We can't continue to be polite about COPD."

In the Report, The Lung Association issued a call to action in three areas: Recognition: Canadians must recognize that COPD has emerged as a crucial women's health issue. Over 425,000 women are diagnosed; more than 4,300 women die every year. Better screening for women at risk: Spirometry, a simple breathing test, must be as routinely used for women at risk for COPD as other major disease screening tests (such as mammography, pap tests or bone density tests). Advocacy: Patients and healthcare providers must advocate for early diagnosis and optimized management of COPD to reduce illness and suffering.

"Research has shown that the effects of smoking seem to have a greater impact on women's lung health," said Dr. Denis O'Donnell, Professor of

Medicine from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, "perhaps due to smaller lung capacity, airways and ventilatory muscle mass, women report worse symptoms for similar severity of COPD." Women use a higher fraction of their lung capacity, resulting in increased effort and shortness of breath. Older women more frequently report breathlessness as the number one reason to restrict physical activity

Since 2000, female mortality due to COPD has risen at double the rate of breast cancer (nine per cent compared to four per cent). In the same time period female mortality due to stroke has decreased by 2.7 per cent.

Iroquois Legion Mixed Dart League Standings
November 17

Place	Teams	Wins
1	#1 If I Had A Team	49
2	#2 Happy Gang	46
3	#8 Towns Clowns	44.5
4	#6 Dead Ringers	39
5	#4 Four Muskateers	36
6	#10 The Go Getter's	35.5
7	#5 Wolf's	32
8	#3 The 39ers	31.5
9	#7 F N G's	24.5
10	#9 Bull Shooters	22

This week's high scores

Name	Score
Peter Montroy	140
Bill Sanderson	125
Arnold Keeler	123

Patrick Burke Will Work To Ensure Fire Safety

/CNW/ The McGuinty government has appointed Patrick Burke as the fire marshal of Ontario, Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Monte Kwinter announced today.

"Patrick Burke brings over three decades of experience to the Office of

the Fire Marshal and I am very pleased he has agreed to take on this important role," said Kwinter. "Chief Burke has demonstrated a commitment to the strong tradition of fire protection and prevention in this province and I am confident he will continue to do so."

Chief Burke is a graduate of the University of Windsor Law School and is currently chief of the Niagara Falls Fire Service. He coordinates the city's Community Emergency Management and is president of the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs.

The mission of the Office of the Fire Marshal is to help keep Ontarians

safe from fire and other public safety hazards by providing leadership and expertise in the reduction and elimination of these hazards.

Burke was appointed through a competitive process, which included a

cross-Canada search. The search was conducted by a professional agency with expertise in executive recruitment. His appointment is effective December 1,2006.



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Big sister Olivia along with her parents *Ian & Tammy* are excited to announce the safe arrival of *Terrence Anthony*. He arrived on October 25, 2006 weighing 8lbs.

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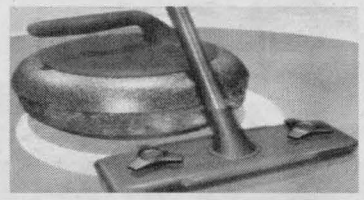

It was a busy week for the senior men at the local club. They entered two teams in a one-game, 36-team bonspiel in Cornwall, and both won their divisions. Our curlers were Bob Bedingfield, Pete Zeran, Earl Jeacle and Karl Duncan, and Sid Morrell, Raymond Benoit, Neil Williams and Jack Dikland. Then, on Wednesday, 3 teams travelled to Winchester. Sid Morrell, Raymond Benoit, Neil Williams and Don O'Brien lost a tight first match and won their second, as did Jack Dikland, Wally McDonald, John Wilson and Al Gowanlock, and Pete Zeran, Karl Duncan, Dave Salsman and Earl Jeacle. It was a highly competitive bonspiel.

Then it was on to Navan to an 'over 70' bonspiel for Sid Morrell, Gerry Thompson, Dave Salsman and Keith Brannan.

They won both of their games, against Granite and Navan teams, and finished half a point out of first place overall to a team from Quebec.

On Tuesday, the senior ladies took a team to Brockville for another of their 12-hour marathons. Alice Thompson, Susan McIntosh, Betty Locke and Greta McGann won thir first game handily against Brockville, had a delicious lunch in the dining room, and then headed back to the ice for another game. This time their opposition was a strong young team from RCMP, and, although our ladies played well, youth won out. On the day, our team was 8th out of twenty entered, and, after a fine dinner, came home with excellent prizes.

At a Manotick bonspiel on Friday, Wally McDonald, Susan and Dave McIntosh and Dorothy Culkin won both of their games in senior mixed competition and finished in first place. Excellent work!

Saturday featured a doubleheader. Two mixed teams were in Winchester for the Gamble Trophy competition. Larry and Anita Cooper, and Chris and Nancy Barkley won their morning and afternoon games and, after the banquet, defeated Winchester in the 'A' final to take the trophy. Ian Wilson, Leanne and Joe McCooeye, and Carolyn Beckstead narrowly lost their morning game, but won in the afternoon to qualify for the 'B' final. They played the Metcalfe champions and lost a close match to them. Great to see both Morrisburg teams in the finals, and to have the Gamble Trophy in our showcase for a year.

Meanwhile, back in Morrisburg, the ladies were hosting the first invitational bonspiel of the year. Organizer Alice Thompson had to put a team together to give the bonspiel two full draws.

Alice and Cheryl Thompson, Betty Locke and Monika Currier won their first match handily and had to play Kathy Norg, Susan McIntosh, Tina Harvey and Dorothy Culkin for the trophy. Susan's team ended up with the most points, to finish in first place Alice Thompson and her volunteers provided the event's usual delicious, full-course luncheon. She thanks those who donated food, helped in the kitchen, tended bar and prepared the ice. Every team earned prizes, with the trophy and the cash awards going to the winning teams from Morrisburg and the R.A. Centre in Ottawa. It was an excellent day for the club, and we look forward to this Saturday's men's invitational, the Founders Bonspiel, organized by Jack Barkley.

We have a four-team senior men's playoff this week to choose our representative for the Parnell Trophy, being hosted by Morrisburg next month.

Finally, in a sad note, Jack Dikland just purchased a new pair of gloves, and lost them. If you find you have an extra pair, Jack would like the new ones returned. Good curling to all!

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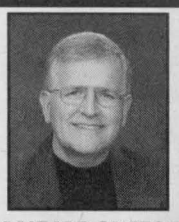

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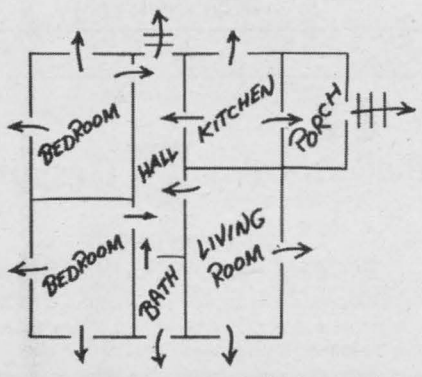

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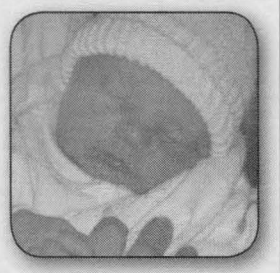

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Preparing for next Ontario budget

BY RON BONNETT
OFA PRESIDENT

Continued public investment in Ontario agriculture remains an important aspect of our industry's growth and development for the future. The value of Ontario agriculture is recognized in the government's recent Economic Outlook and Fiscal Review showing 2005 sales of agricultural produce amounted to $8.2 billion.

If that level of output is to continue, our agri-food sector will need to rely on the latest production technology, marketing techniques and program support.

This can only happen with strategic investments in the industry. The Ontario Federation of Agriculture will emphasize this when it delivers agriculture's latest outline of expectations from the next provincial budget. That presentation is planned for Nov. 27.

There are examples of emerging markets which could be harnessed to improve farm income. While energy is normally thought of as one our major input costs – fuel to operate equipment and heat for production and storage facilities, and the production of fertilizers and other crop inputs.

Agriculture has the potential of becoming a significant source of energy for the rest of society – electricity, ethanol and other bio-fuels.

Because governments play an key role in developing and enforcing energy policy, agriculture needs the co-operation of government to allow it to realize the maximum benefits from the energy produced on the farm.

Production and sale of biofuels has the potential to change the economic fundamentals for Ontario grain and oilseed farmers.

In addition, electricity production from wind or bio-digester systems could provide competitive energy and a valuable new source of agricultural income.

However Ontario farmers may not have the opportunity to realize full benefits from their energy potential. Our submission will speak to the need for competitive farm energy policies.

Improvements to Ontario's tax system could be another source of benefit to farmers. Ontario farmers need the same tax treatment as competitors in other jurisdictions. In the past, our farmers have been disadvantaged by such things as the provincial retail sales tax, land transfer tax and property taxes.

This government frequently expresses its wishes for strong and sustainable rural communities – one of the surest ways of achieving this will be consistent support for the province's agriculture sector. Agriculture is an investment that will constantly return dividends to Ontario's economy.

We will also be asking the government to look at increased spending on research. If we are to maximize farm returns, we must invest in scientific research that creates better plants, new technologies and new techniques. We also need to look at research that identifies ways for farmers to earn a fair share of the profits in all of the products we produce.

We need assurances that an adequate income will come from farming in Ontario through public investment at least equivalent to that of our competitors. The industry will not attract the people needed to maintain Ontario's position as the top producing agricultural province in Canada.

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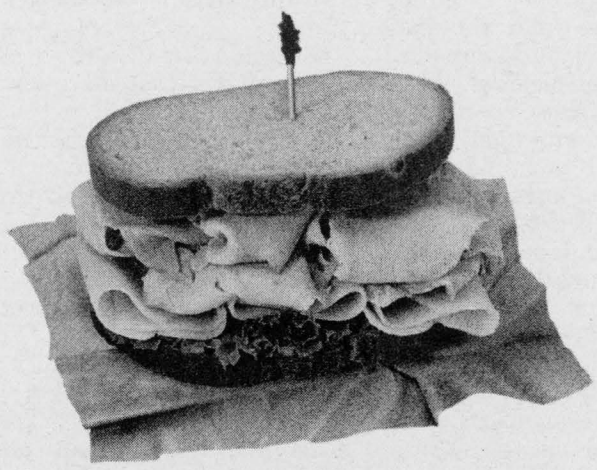

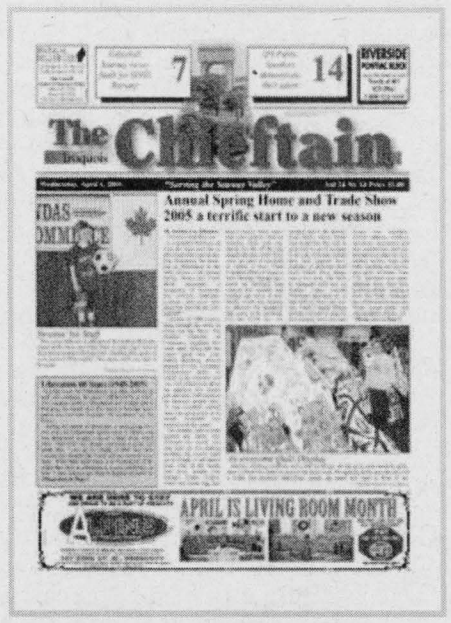

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Agriculture is Embracing Third Edition Environmental Farm Plan

BY NANCY TILT
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The Environmental Farm Plan (EFP), now in its third edition, continues to be popular with the Ontario agricultural community, with 7,300 farmers taking part since it was introduced in May 2005. Close to $33 million has been allocated for more than 1,300 projects across three cost share programs.

With producers recognizing the importance of keeping up-to-date, education is a prime motivator. EFP, delivered by the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) on behalf of the Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition, offers a no-cost continuing education program. Its attractiveness lies in its grass roots, farmer-designed origins that offer current information on managing farm operations in an environmentally responsible manner.

Increased funding for Environmental Cost-Share Programs now available through the Canada-Ontario Environmental Farm Plan is also a significant driver in continued EFP interest. Completion of the third edition workshop and a peer-reviewed, deemed-appropriate action plan are prerequisites for obtaining cost share funding through these initiatives. Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) support these programs under the Agricultural Policy Framework (APF).

Since EFP's third edition was introduced in May 2005, almost half (3,500) workshop participants have previously been through the program. Initially introduced in 1993, that says a lot for the program's popularity.

Andrew Graham, OSCIA Program Manager, reports, "Numbers for workshops were 40% over target for year one of the third edition. The number of first-time (3,800) participants has also been encouraging. EFP continues to reach all sectors and all sizes of farms."

Jonathan Watchurst is an EFP Workshop Leader and Program Representative for seven counties and municipalities spanning Halton to Muskoka. Watchurst notes, "There is a trend in workshop participation towards larger operators, compared to earlier editions. In many cases, it's because of new regulations, such as nutrient management, requiring certain standards." The cost share initiatives provide welcome financial assistance for capital or operational changes needed to meet these new standards.

Implement dealers, well drillers and other farm-related businesses have also embraced the latest edition EFP, encouraging their farming customers to attend EFP workshops. Updated information and the availability of cost share funding for environmental improvements are timely.

There are three cost share programs that are generally available across all farm communities - Canada-Ontario Farm Stewardship Program (COFSP), Greencover Canada (GC), and Tier 1 of the Canada-Ontario Water Supply Expansion Program (COWSEP). The cost share amounts across the 36 categories of beneficial management practices (BMP) are considerably greater than in previous programs - 30-50% up to $30,000, depending on the category. With adjustments that were recently introduced for COFSP, up to $50,000 in cost share funding may be available per farm entity.

COFSP encourages producers to adopt BMPs to reduce risk to water and air quality, improve soil productivity and enhance wildlife habitat. As of the end of September 2006, COFSP had allocated $30.5 million for 6,100 projects across the province, representing 68% of total funds available.

Twenty-five BMP categories are eligible under COFSP. Most popular at the provincial level are nutrient management planning, manure storage, improved cropping systems, water well management and improved pest management. While most of these are production-oriented activities, they all have important, interconnected environmental benefits.

More locally across Watchurst's area, the picture is similar. Applications related to precision farming are popular, e.g. global positioning systems

(GPS) and the specialized modification of drills that enable them to handle no-till conditions. Benefits include fuel cost and energy savings, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, reduced soil erosion and more efficient application of fertilizers and pesticides. As Watchurst puts it, "It's a step forward, and once you have it, you don't want to go back."

"There's also a real interest in protecting groundwater resources for obvious health benefits," Watchurst adds, with numerous applications for decommissioning wells, both on the local and provincial scenes. Locally, applications for run-off control, while generally from smaller operations, are also popular. For example, operations with older barns needing eaves troughs are applying for funding to divert clean water away from manure storages and livestock yards.

Greencover Canada (GC) provides cost share for projects related to tree shelterbelt establishment and riparian area management. Both provincially and locally, the majority of applications have focussed on fencing riparian areas to remove livestock from watercourses and introducing improved grazing management systems. Of $11 million available, $1.6 million has been allocated for 660 projects, leaving substantial funding still available.

Watchurst notes that applications for the GC program are starting to increase. Producers should be aware that top-ups may be available through Conservation Authorities, and other initiatives delivered by OSCIA such as the Greenbelt Farm Stewardship Program and the Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation. These initiatives can increase coverage of establishment costs up to 75 and 90% respectively on a wide array of eligible BMP categories.

The third program, Canada-Ontario Water Supply Expansion Program (COWSEP), has proven extremely popular. Provincially, available farm project funds are now virtually all allocated, but, notes Graham, "OSCIA is still accepting applications of intent, and federal partners are working at securing extra dollars." COWSEP aims to improve the capacity of agricultural producers to deal with low water situations through expanded water supplies. The on-farm project budget of $1.8 million has been committed to close to 700 projects.

Watchurst has found participation in COWSEP at the local level equally impressive. "Ninety percent of the applications are a dual application with requests for funding to develop new water supplies while decommissioning old wells", he explains. Types of application for expanded water supply include livestock use, irrigation and vegetable washing.

With all the programs, allocated funds must be spent on the project within 15 months or before November 30, 2007, whichever occurs first. That period of time provides ample opportunity to carry out the project and submit the claim through local OSCIA Program Representatives.