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Anywhere there's a hill

At this time of year, children look for any kind of hill that can be used for sliding. Five-year-old Sydney Murray (left) and Rena Pickard, 8, took to a pile of snow in the parking lot of the Mountain Memorial Park on Sun., Jan. 8. At the toboggan hill behind the Winchester Arena, youth from all over were slipping and sliding. Eight-year-old Ryan Hart (far left) of Embrun spent a few hours on the slope on Sunday, as did Ben Kollaard, 7, of Kemptville (above). The hill can be dangerous, however, and over the weekend one young man was taken to hospital by ambulance as a result of a tobogganing-related injury. Photos — Barbour

Debate set for January 16

All-candidates meeting on track for Mountain

MOUNTAIN — P.J. Breaks, owner of Mountain Station Pizza, and a group of community members have been pushing forward with the plans for an all-candidates meeting in the north-western quarter of the Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry riding.

"Let's discuss the future," said Breaks. "A true vision requires imagination — and we're trying to force that imagination."

Breaks will be moderator at the all-candidates meeting scheduled for 7 pm on Mon., Jan. 16 at the Mountain Community Centre. Breaks said he would like to see the meeting have a dynamic atmosphere, and is hoping that a good representation and cross-section from the community will turn out.

Breaks and his group have come up with three questions — referring to local, national, and international views — to ask the federal candidates:

1.) Describe your future vision for the social and economic substance of our community, describing our unique community assets and your plan of action.

2.) Canadian unity — is it in danger? What is your vision of a final Canadian Constitution? Would all provinces sign, finally giving up the right of separation for a greater Canada? How do we achieve this? Address Senate reform, regional alienation, and water and energy concerns.

> ***"A true vision requires imagination – and we're trying to force that imagination."***
>
> *– P.J. Breaks, Mountain*

3.) Do we partner with the U.S. or foster independent Canadian leadership in renewing United Nations-type international co-operation? Address this to resolve issues of international law, human rights, expanded trade, defence, and environmental issues.

"We're idealists, sure. What's wrong with that?" asked Breaks. "But we're also being very practical about it."

In preparing the questions, Breaks said that the group, made up of Mountain community members, was very apolitical.

"Not one single spark of partisan party favoritism flared," Breaks said. "You would have never known who anyone would vote for."

After the candidates have their time at the microphone at the Jan. 16 meeting, the floor will be open for those in attendance to ask their own questions.

This is the second all-candidates meeting in Dundas County, the last before the country heads to the polls on Mon., Jan. 23.



Funds for the food bank

Katie Sommerville (left) and Jessica Lanville of Andy's Foodland presented Dundas County Food Bank co-ordinator Judy Hilson with a cheque for $1,085 on Jan. 5. Customers donated loose change at the store's tills throughout the holiday season to raise the money. More people use the food bank in January than in any other month. Press Photo — James

Ice Breaker weekend

CHESTERVILLE — Break out your skates — and your dancing shoes — and bring your appetite; the third annual Ice Breaker Carnival will take place this weekend (Jan. 13 to 15) at the Chesterville Legion and arena. This year's theme will find the community frozen in time, as the carnival celebrates the 1960s and '70s.

The opening ceremonies and carnival queen pageant will take place Friday evening at the Chesterville Legion. A hot and cold buffet and entertainment by Roma McMillan and Friends will start the evening.

Carnival queen contestants can register until 4 pm on Thurs., Jan. 12. Call Christine Cross at 448-1689 to sign up.

"We do have some great prizes for them, including a digital camera for the queen," said Cross.

Saturday night will be Hockey Night in Chesterville as the North Dundas firefighters battle it out at the arena: east against west. Back by popular demand, the Vintage Hawks will take on the Vintage Flyers in a game as well. The evening will be capped off by dancing to the oldies with Ransom at the Chesterville Legion ($10 at the door, $7 in advance).

There will be lots of family entertainment on Sunday. Early in the day children can take part in Fear Factor, and there will be bed races along Industrial Drive at 1 pm.

• see ICE BREAKER on page 3

Building permit fees go up in North Dundas Township

WINCHESTER — It will now cost people more to build a home, or any other structure, in North Dundas. Council passed a bylaw increasing building permit fees at its Mon., Jan. 9 meeting. The township's chief building official Greg Trizisky explained the bylaw changes to council and a public meeting was held before the new bylaw was adopted.

Residential building permit fees have increased by four per cent, while commercial and industrial fees went up by 18 per cent. The last time fees were increased was in 2002. The minimum residential building permit fee has been increased to $75. As well, the township has added a significant performance fee for projects over $39,999, which builders get back if their structure is completed in a timely manner. This enables the township to recover costs associated with projects that do not comply with the building code in a timely way. Previously, the township had to pursue legal proceedings in such cases.

"On almost all permits issued now, there will be some kind of refund," said Trizisky.

There are no changes to the development fees.

A handful of township residents were at the meeting to voice their displeasure at the new fee structure. Stan Vanden Bosch of Chesterville was one of those who spoke. He explained that he compared the new North Dundas fees to South Dundas and found the difference to be unacceptable. South Dundas does not currently have performance fees, the building permit fee is considerably lower, and there are no development fees.

"This is way out of line as far as I'm concerned," he said.

The province passed Bill 124 in 2005, changing the Building Code Act. Those changes came into effect Jan. 1. The township needed to make changes to its bylaw in order to comply with the new provincial regulations. In addition to raising the cost of fees, the bylaw also requires builders to complete much more paperwork than before — seven additional schedules.

"I know we're a lot higher (in cost) than South Dundas, but I think maybe we're a step ahead of them, too," said councillor Martin Schoones. He pointed out that development fees allow the township to put money into capital projects that population growth demands — new fire equipment and new roads for example. "One way or another, it's going to be paid," said Schoones, explaining that if the money doesn't come from development fees it will come from the general tax coffers resulting in all residents paying.

• see BUILDING FEES on page 3

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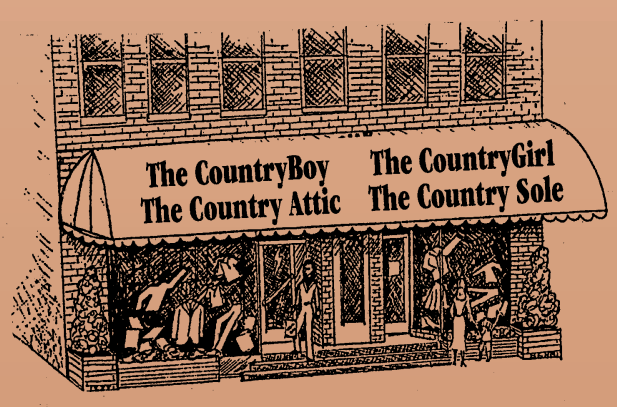

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Matilda Carnival set to go

DIXON'S CORNERS — It's carnival season and the famous Matilda Winter Carnival is ready to roll from Jan. 20 to 22 at Matilda Hall in Dixon's Corners.

The annual carnival queen pageant and official opening ceremonies will begin at 7 pm on Friday night. There are seven queen contestants so far: Brittany Markell, Sarah Thompson, Melissa Kennedy, Keri Ward, Jenna Shay, Hayley Carr, and Erinn Fader. Also on Friday night, the bidding starts on the carnival's silent auction items. All proceeds go to CHEO and the winning bids will be announced at 5:30 pm on Saturday, following the rally awards.

There will be all kinds of fun on Saturday, with the Dr. Tom Maxwell Memorial Car Rally, sponsored by the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club, and a snowmobile rally (weather permitting) sponsored by the snowmobile association.

A chili lunch will be served from 11 am to 2 pm — take lunch with you on the rally!

There will be entertainment by Mary Perry and the Country Classics at the hall from 1 to 5 pm. A ham supper (provided by Brinston United Church) will be available from 4 to 6 pm.

Saturday night, Redneck will provide the tunes for the party. Dance from 9 pm to 1 am. Tickets are $8 in advance or $10 at the door. Tickets are available at the Brinston General Store, Rick's Gas Bar, and Hair Studio (Iroquois).

Sunday will begin with a pancake brunch and then an unforgettable illusion show featuring the magic of Michael Bourada. Two shows will be held: 10 to 11 am; and 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. Each show will be followed by a 10-minute autograph session.

There will be family fun games from 1 to 3 pm in the parking lot, including an old-fashioned nail-pounding contest for boys and girls, with prizes.

Skating will also be available at the Dundela rink (weather permitting). A hymn sing, featuring the Matilda Trio, and an ecumenical service will wind up the carnival.

Continued from the front page...

Ice Breaker

"People have to bring their own bed on wheels," explained carnival committee chair Chrisy Thompson about the races that require teams of five — four to push and one to ride in the bed. Bed races use to be a popular carnival event and the Ice Breaker committee is hoping to resurrect them. The entrance fee is $25 and there is a cash prize for the winners.

"We have a really nice line-up for children this year, especially on Sunday," said Thompson. Sunday's Carnival Extravaganza at the Legion features a Mad Science show and the antics of Dr. Kaboom — magic, unicycles, juggling, and more.

The Fabulous Edsels will entertain at the Legion at 4 pm and a spaghetti supper put on by Happy Face Nursery School will wrap things up. Dr. Kaboom will be on hand throughout the meal to entertain.

"We're hoping it will be well-attended," said Thompson. "There's a lot of work that has gone into it, so we hope people will come out."

For a full schedule of events, see page 10.

Building fees

Though the building permit fees have increased, Trizisky explained that they still only cover about 60 per cent of the cost the municipality incurs.

"Fees would be on the ridiculous side if we were to recover our costs," he said.

The new provincial regulations have increased the workload on the municipal building department. They require the township to increase the number inspections, especially to large commercial and industrial buildings, and also mean staff must spend more time reviewing applications before permits are issued in order to minimize the municipality's liability. The fee increases are intended to help cover some of those increased expenses.

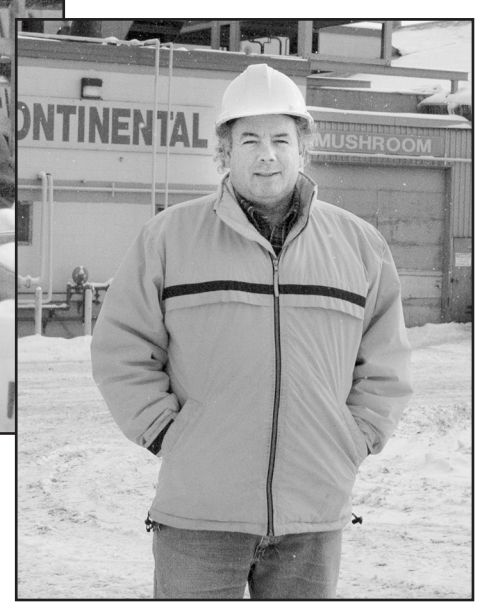
Trizisky noted that he has not had any complaints from regular builders in the township regarding the fee increases.

"We're certainly not trying to gouge people," said Mayor Alvin Runnalls.

Continental creates incredible compost

by Bonnie James
Press staff





All grading, packaging, and shipping is handled by the company to ensure that the best-possible product ends up on store shelves. These workers weigh and package the mushrooms. General manager Lyle Whitham, below, took the time to show the Press *through the Continental Mushroom operation near Metcalfe on Fri., Jan. 6. Press Photos — James*

METCALFE – Continental Mushroom has been working on perfecting its compost and, by general manager Lyle Whitam's estimation, is almost there. A compost turner from Holland, combined with new covered compost bunkers and computerized temperature and oxygen sensors have enabled the business to create a better growing medium for its mushrooms, resulting in increased production.

"We spare no expense to give it (the mushroom) a good compost medium to grow in," said Whitham, who is married to Leanna, one of three children of company founder Nicholas Pora who are involved in running the company.

"Holland has been a world leader in mushroom growing for the last 20 years," he explained regarding the Thilot compost turner the company purchased about two years ago. "To my knowledge, we're the only farm in North America to utilize this new composting system," he said.

Mushroom growers guard their compost recipes carefully.

"I can tell you what's in it, but I can't tell you the proportions," said Whitham. While Continental does use some poultry litter in its mixture, there is no other manure –- the compost is synthetic. It's based on bales of hay, corn cobs, cocoa bean shells, cottonseed hulls, and soybean meal. The mixture is steamed to start the composting process.

The farm, located north of Metcalfe on 9th Line Road, has carefully researched the right balance of protein and sugar and keeps the compost aerobic. That's where the turner comes in — the large machine easily mixes the materials and enables the company to deal with much wider piles of compost than it previously could have.

The covered bunkers, which were just completed in October, have grooves in the cement floors that house nozzles that push air into the compost. Oxygen probes are used and a computer system automatically switches on the fans when needed. Temperature probes are also used to monitor the compost throughout the process.



The Thilot compost turner has helped speed up the composting process at Continental Mushroom. The farm uses 500 tons of compost each week.

"Before we took whatever God gave us -– which sometimes wasn't good," said Whitham about how compost used to sit uncovered.

The additional oxygen input and the turner have sped up the composting process. Where it used to take two months to get useable compost, the process has now been streamlined to 18 days. An added benefit of keeping the compost more aerobic is decreased odor. Less smell equals happier neighbors, Whitham pointed out. The operation uses about 500 tons of compost each week.

The compost is also kept very moist, and captured wastewater is used for this purpose. In fact, all water at the farm is recycled.

Continental currently grows 6.5 crops per year in 32 growing houses that are three stories high and climate controlled. Temperature, humidity, airflow, and carbon dioxide levels are all monitored. Production has gone from 160,000 to 200,000 pounds of mushrooms per week over the last five years, and Whitham explained that the company aims to bump that up to 300,000 pounds per week — with eight crops per year — over the next five years, although that will require further investment.

Once the compost is seeded with mushroom spawn, it is left for a couple of weeks and then dressed with peat moss, which can hold the large amount of water that is required. Harvesting begins about two weeks after that.

The mushrooms are picked by hand and are harvested three times, with each harvest being less productive than the last. Harvesting is the most laborious area of mushroom growing.

After being picked, the mushrooms are graded, packaged, and vacuum cooled to stop the mushroom from growing. Continental Mushroom handles all its own shipping.

"By distributing it ourselves we are able to control the quality that arrives in stores," explained Whitham.

The mushrooms are sold to wholesalers and retailers throughout the Ottawa Valley and as far west as Kingston and Belleville. Continental also has a warehouse facility in Montreal.

"Normally, what we pick in the morning goes to Ottawa in the afternoon," said Whitham. "And what is picked in the afternoon goes to Montreal in the evening."

The spent compost is sold, with about half going to local gardeners and the other half going to sand and gravel operations for making topsoil. The growing houses are sterilized with steam for 12 hours before the whole process begins again.

The company has about 260 full and part-time employees, including about 100 harvesters. It operates two buses to provide transportation for workers that come from Ottawa.

In addition to the revamped composting process, Continental Mushroom has had to keep pace with changing requirements in the food production landscape. All product is run through a metal detector before leaving the premises, and each package of mushrooms is traceable right down to the day it was picked, which house it was picked in, and the person that picked it.

The use of steam in composting and for sterilization requires a great deal of fuel. The company has upgraded its heating and sterilization methods to make them more fuel efficient.

Continental Mushroom is a long-time community supporter, offering its buses to the local nursery school for field trips, donating mushrooms for mushroom soup at various community events, and supporting organizations as varied as the Township of Osgoode Care Centre and the Metcalfe Curling Club.

"I think we have a very good relationship with the community," said Whitham.

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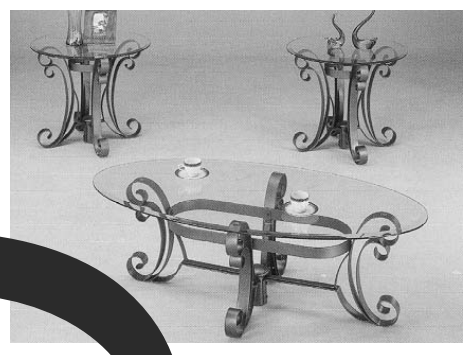

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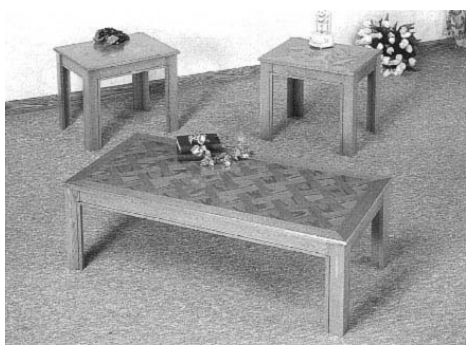

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Liberal economic vision

Manley releases plan to rebuild SD&SG

CORNWALL — Liberal candidate Tom Manley released his economic plan for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry last week. The plan is centred on six initiatives.

One focal point of the plan is the local production of ethanol, methane, bio-diesel, wind, solar, and micro-hydro power. Energy production is a new revenue source for farmers, businesses, and residences and will give local manufacturers a competitive edge.

"It is my intention to attract manufacturers of renewable energy technology to Cornwall and SD&G," said Manley in his plan. "To support this sector I will promote investments in education and research for renewable energies."

A federal partnership with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission is also in Manley's plan, which suggests the expansion of Upper Canada Village would renew "the jewel of Eastern Ontario." The rebuilding of the Cornwall canal and enhanced eco-tourism based on the riding's environmental features and waterfront are also prioritized.

The plan outlines how Manley will pursue government jobs for the riding by pushing to bring federal government training contracts to the NavCan facility.

Manley suggests that the completion of a new low-level north-span bridge will rebuild access and rejuvenate downtown Cornwall and the waterfront. Similarly, a rail overpass on Boundary Road will improve Cornwall's traffic flow and improve access to the industrial park. Manley also wants to pursue a feasibility study for a museum attraction in Cornwall.

In his plan, Manley notes that this riding faces tough challenges, both through the loss of jobs and the unfair trade and foreign subsidies that have disadvantaged farmers, manufacturers, and their products. Manley's plan states it will replace over 2,000 well-paying jobs, renew the riding's population base, ensure that people have the opportunities to train for meaningful jobs, and raise the average family income.

The plan emphasizes small businesses, recognizes the importance of small to medium-sized specialized manufacturing, and suggests that farmers and urban markets will be drawn together, especially through consumer-conscious niche markets.

Conservative incumbent Guy Lauzon and Green Party candidate Doug Beards released economic plans for the riding at the end of December.



Home destroyed

The home of Ayla and Dave Hooper at 11435 Cameron Rd. in Inkerman was destroyed by fire on Dec. 31. No one was injured. The Mountain Fire Department responded to the blaze. Neighbor Doug Merry discovered the fire and took this photo.

Prominent Conservatives in SD&SG federal riding

CORNWALL — Guy Lauzon, Conservative Party Candidate for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry, has welcomed several prominent Conservative guests in the last week. Most recently, the party's deputy leader Peter MacKay campaigned in the City of Cornwall on Mon., Jan. 9.

Members of the public were invited to hear first hand from MacKay exactly how the Conservative Party will address the recent dramatic increase in gun crimes in Canada at a meeting at Lauzon's campaign headquarters. MacKay also outlined the Conservative Party's election platform.



PETER MACKAY

ENVIRONMENT CRITIC

Conservative environment critic Bob Mills, MP for Red Deer, AB, was in town on Sat., Jan. 7. Mills, an environmentalist with 32 years of experience, presented a snapshot of what Canada's environmental direction would look like in a Conservative Government. He accompanied Lauzon on a visit to the St. Lawrence River Institute before the presentation. During his afternoon presentation, Mills used the Institute as an example of the kind of facility a Conservative Government would support.

Mills' presentation also explained the potential a waste gasifier could hold for the riding. Lauzon has been pushing for this idea as an employment generator for some time and included the idea in his recently announced economic action plan for the riding. The Red Deer MP agreed with Lauzon that the riding of Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry would be at the top of the list for a gasifier if Mills is appointed minister of the environment in a Harper-led government.

PROVINCIAL LEADER

On Thurs., Jan. 5, Lauzon met with John Tory, leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Party, in Cornwall to discuss riding issues. The public was also welcome to hear Tory speak.

Avoid theft: identify gifts

LONG SAULT — The holiday season is now over and we all hope you enjoyed wonderful celebrations. Many people received gifts that are targets for would be house robbers. You should take the time to record any serial numbers on your gifts and borrow an engraver from your local detachment to permanently mark them. If you have your own engraver, use your licence plate number — not your social insurance number. We cannot access SIN information to identify your property.



From the desk of the **Detachment Commander**

by Inspector Ray Westgarth

We do find missing articles throughout the year and cannot match them to the owner without proper identification. I was lucky enough to receive a digital camera last year for Christmas and I took digital pictures of all my property with the serial numbers showing and then downloaded the pictures to a disk which I keep in a safe place. This is a good idea for property identification and insurance purposes should you ever have to use it.

This is also a good time of year to review your house alarm system if you have one. We have many very reputable companies in the area and if you are concerned, give them a call and get a home estimate. There are some companies that also provide a keyholder who will check your property for you so the police are not responding to false alarms. Like every other service you pay for, do your homework and ask the questions you need answered. Make sure the money you are spending is getting you the service you want, not what they want to sell you. Happy New Year!



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Probation violation

WINCHESTER — An early evening call on Jan. 9, involving a suspicious person in the area near Mac's Milk in Winchester, resulted in the arrest of a 40-year-old Laurentian Hills man on charges of breach of probation — alcohol and keep the peace conditions. A show-cause hearing was held on Jan. 10 in Cornwall.

Tires taken

NORTH DUNDAS — Thieves made off with a set of 14-inch all-season radial tires and rims from D&J Motors in North Dundas Township between Jan. 6 and 9. Both tires had been removed from the back of a 2001 Chevrolet Cavalier, which had been parked at the business. Anyone with information in relation to this or any other crime is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

Counterfeit cash

MORRISBURG — This week, a counterfeit $100 bill was discovered in Morrisburg. It was the only incidence of counterfeit money reported in Dundas County. Over the past few months the OPP has received bills that are suspected to be counterfeit, and all are representations of the new series bills. There are flaws in the bills as the counterfeiters have attempted to recreate the new security features.

Ski-Doo thievery

IROQUOIS – SD&G OPP began an investigation on Jan. 3 into a break-in and theft at a business on Bridlewood Court in Iroquois. Between Dec. 24 and Jan. 3, snowmobile equipment — a motor and skis — were stolen. Another report of a theft was received on Jan. 4. A snowmobile had been taken from a residence on Carmen Road in Iroquois. A 2001 yellow Bombardier Ski-Doo Mach Z 800 — Registration #883095 — was taken from a shed on the property overnight between Jan. 3 and 4.

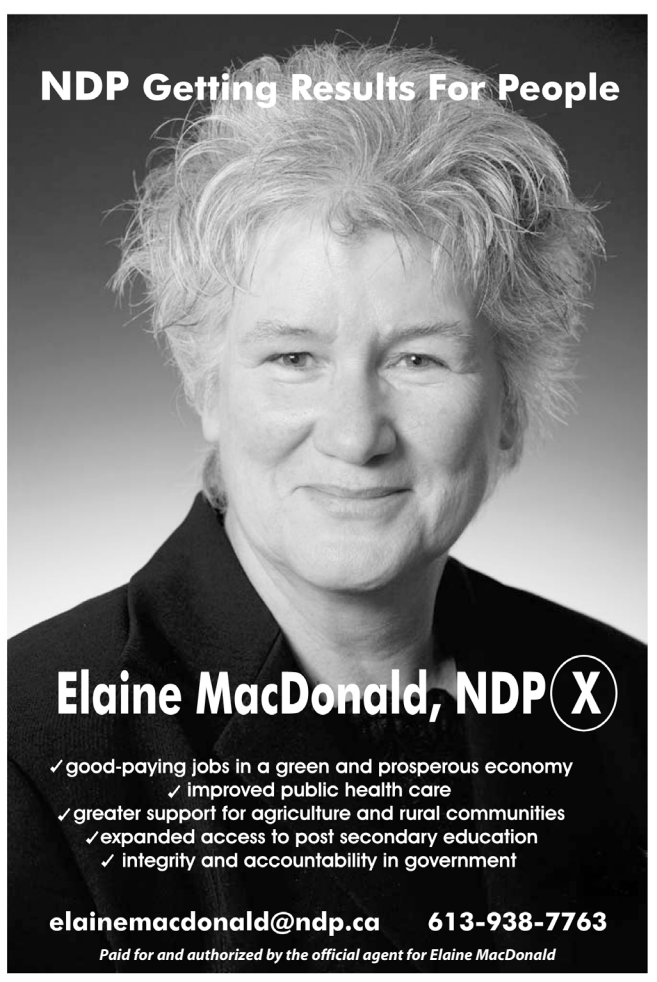
OPP centres not intended for road condition inquiries

LONG SAULT — The OPP would like to remind the public not to call their communication centres for road conditions and closures. These calls tie up emergency lines.

This is the time of year when the weather directly affects driving and road conditions, resulting in a significantly larger volume of callers reporting motor vehicle collisions to the OPP call centres. These are considered emergency calls.

At the same time, the centres are being swamped with phone calls from people looking for general road condition information. OPP communications employees have reported that some people are even dialing 9-1-1 — the emergency only number — to obtain information about road conditions. These phone numbers are not intended for this use.

The public is asked to call the Ministry of Transportation province-wide toll-free inquiry line at 1-800-268-4686 to obtain information about road conditions and closures. You can also visit the website at www.mto.gov.on.ca.



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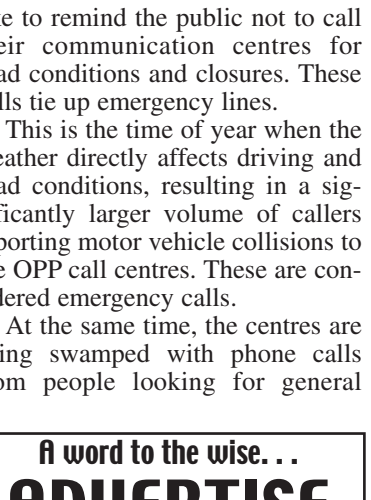

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Quizzing the candidates on seniors' issues

Federal candidates address standard of living for seniors

WINCHESTER — Many senior citizens live on a fixed income and are finding that it is increasingly difficult to maintain the lifestyle they are accustom to. What will you and your party do to improve the standard of living for seniors and ensure their incomes are not further eroded?

Doug Beards, Green Party

The Green Party is often viewed as being single-minded in its determination to stop the continued destruction of our environment, yet this is far from the truth! Green policies combine common-sense environmental responsibility with common-sense fiscal and social responsibility, and the question of support for seniors on fixed incomes offers an excellent illustration of this.

Let's begin with the cost of energy, which is surely a major factor in the budget of any senior on a fixed income. Our current government continues to invest heavily in oil and gas (even to produce electricity), while virtually ignoring renewable energies like wind, solar, hydroelectric, etcetera. Yet while the wind is virtually free, the price of oil and gas are determined by the volatility of world supply, and their prices will continue to climb, eroding the incomes of seniors. Green policy would shift our investment to renewable energies that would continue to supply seniors, and all Canadians, with affordable energy.

The continued availability of free and effective universal health care is essential to maintaining the standard of living for seniors, and we have seen this increasingly threatened over the past 12 years of Liberal reign. Green policies are the only ones designed to reduce the crippling demands on our health care system by reducing the huge burden caused by preventable illnesses such as diabetes, cancer, and asthma.



Doug Beards
Green Party

Green policies also address a number of other key issues related to the standard and cost of living for seniors and all Canadians, including: provision of affordable, energy-efficient housing, availability of a safe and secure food supply, and shifting of taxes away from low incomes and towards high consumption and pollution. In addition, our policies would ensure that Canadians could leave the world in better shape for those who follow in their footsteps.

Carson Chisholm, Christian Heritage Party

The answer to your question must really be in two parts: 1. How to deal with the problem of poverty among seniors today and 2. How to prevent the problem in the future.

The short-term solution to this acute problem would be to increase the GAIN segment of pensions. GAIN stands for Guaranteed Annual Income for Need — it's a program for adding to the pensions of seniors and other pension recipients who have no other source of income, and whose pensions are inadequate.

The Christian Heritage Party (CHP) would increase this segment of seniors' pensions, so that seniors who have contributed to the well-being of this country would not be abandoned in their later years. It's Band-Aid solution, but Band-Aids are useful when there's an immediate problem.

However, the longer-term solution is to create a savings-for-retirement regime that will take care of needs in the future. This is what the CHP has proposed in its Personal Security Savings Program: a kind of super-RRSP, vested in each individual citizen's name, created by investing 10 per cent of income (five per cent from the employee, five per cent from the employer) in funds where the income from the investment compounds tax-free.



Carson Chisholm
Christian Heritage Party

Individuals would be allowed to take out up to 15 per cent in any year for emergency health or unemployment needs — but they would be aware that they were diminishing their retirement income by doing so, and thus would be motivated to return to work as soon as possible.

This plan was proposed for Canada in 1980 by a Christian politician, Dr. Robert N. Thomson. It was rejected by Parliament, but a few years later it was adopted by Chile. Chilean workers at that time were given the option of continuing on the tax-funded pension plan (similar to Canada's Ponzi scheme, in which the newest workers' taxes pay the retired workers' benefits), or going on the new investment plan.

Those who chose the investment plan are now retiring wealthy — and Chile has become an economic powerhouse in Latin America because of the pools of investment created.

Guy Lauzon, Conservative Party

It is time for a government that respects those who have spent their lives raising families and building this country. Our seniors have spent their lives working hard and saving for retirement. Many of our seniors are on fixed incomes, yet their costs of living are anything but fixed –- the cost of electricity is rising, the cost of home heating fuel is rising, and drug and other medical costs are rising. Governments need to do what they can to ensure that seniors are equipped to face these rising costs.

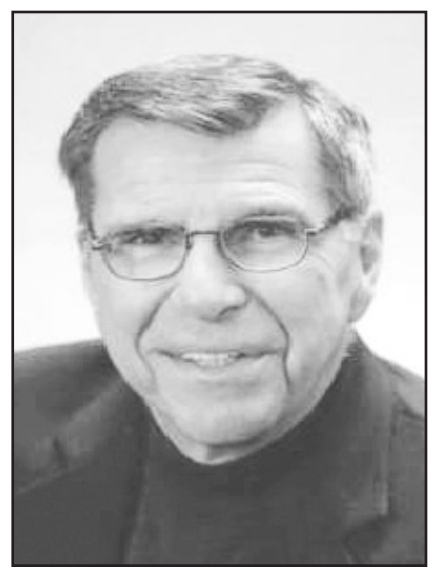
A CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT WILL:

• Confirm its commitment to the Canada Pension Plan (CPP) and Old Age Security (OAS) as well as the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) as fundamental guarantees of income security in retirement years. There will be no reductions of any kind to present or future benefit levels under these programs.

• Protect seniors from over-taxation by raising the pension income amount from $1,000 to $2,500 per year. The pension income amount for private Registered Pension Plan or RRSP income will be doubled immediately to $2,000, and will increase to $2,500 over the next five years. Seniors who have contributed to company pension plans for much of their working lives, or who have made sacrifices to build their own savings, should be able to enjoy more of their retirement income without having so much taken back in taxes.

This change alone will put approximately $2.235 billion into the hands of seniors over the next five years, allowing some 2.8 million seniors to keep more of their money.

• Appoint a Seniors' Council comprised of seniors and representatives of seniors' organizations to advise the minister responsible for seniors on issues of national importance. This will ensure that government listens to the needs and concerns of seniors.



Guy Lauzon
Conservative Party

• Stop the Liberal attack on retirement savings and preserve income trusts by not imposing any new taxes on them.

Elaine MacDonald, New Democratic Party

The NDP is not running on promises: we're running on our record. The Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) made MacKenzie King introduce pensions during a minority government in 1927. Later, in 1972, during another minority, David Lewis forced through the indexing of pensions. In this last parliament, in May 2005, Jack Layton negotiated legislation with $100 million for pension protection. Also in the last parliament, the NDP-sponsored Bill C-281 puts workers first if companies go bankrupt, and protects against future reduced pension benefits.

The NDP commitment to seniors citizens is constant and ongoing. Specifically, we are committed to income security through pension protection, to housing security that takes less than 30 per cent of one's income, to publicly-funded and publicly-administered primary, palliative, geriatric, and preventive care. We recognize that a person's greatest dependence on the public health system occurs in one's last two years, toward the end of life. We will ensure that the public system is there for all Canadians, at every stage of their lives. Moreover, to offset the crisis of catastrophic drug costs, our national prescription drug plan will pay half of drug costs over $1,500.

Homecare and long-term care are the most rapidly growing healthcare sectors in Canada, and in the absence of a national plan, most of the development is in the for-profit sector. Our country has the wealth and the NDP has the political will to create the public systems to ensure that seniors live in respect and comfort, either at home or in long-term care facilities, regardless of their personal wealth. No one of any age should languish in an emergency hallway for lack of appropriate accommodation, or for lack of access to care in one's own home. We will change that, and with your support, do a whole lot more.



Elaine MacDonald
NDP

Tom Manley, Liberal Party

Giving families a helping hand, at all stages of life, is an important part of creating a compassionate society that we can all be proud of.

This Liberal government recognizes the enormous debt we owe to Canada's seniors.

To address the evolving needs of seniors, the Liberal budget of 2005 made significant investments across the full range of seniors' programs — from health care to income security, from retirement savings to assistance for caregivers. The goal is to enhance the quality of life for all seniors, especially those with the most limited means.

Budget 2005 saw the implementation of tax reductions for individuals and adjustments to our tax system that benefit seniors. We are increasing the amount of income that all Canadians may earn without paying federal income tax to $10,000. This will remove 860,000 taxpayers, including 240,000 seniors from the tax rolls. Steven Harper says he will roll back these tax cuts.

The Guaranteed Income Supplement provides low-income seniors with a fully indexed benefit that ensures a basic level of income throughout their retirement years. Budget 2005 resulted in an increase in GIS payments for low-income seniors by $2.7 billion over two years. At the start of this year, the maximum yearly GIS benefits increased by $216 for individuals and $348 for couples. In January of 2007 it will increase to $400 for singles and $700 for couples.

In recent years, reverse mortgages have become a popular tool for seniors on fixed incomes to access a portion of the equity in their home, without making payments until the home is either sold or settled in an estate. However, the commercial institutions offering reverse mortgages frequently charge high rates of interest.

A Liberal government will introduce legislation to create a Mortgage Equity Access Now for Seniors (MEANS) program, which will allow Canada's growing senior population to access the equity they have in their homes.



Tom Manley
Liberal Party

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EDITORIAL

Stay on track

The Renewing the Vision campaign for Winchester District Memorial Hospital was such a large undertaking for the community and went on for so long that it might be easy for residents to feel burnt out, especially with the news that ground will not be broken for the expansion until the spring of 2007. The delay could break the momentum we had going — if we let it.

It is important to remember, however, that the full amount for Renewing the Vision is not yet in the bank. Many pledges are still outstanding. It is imperative that they be fulfilled. Even though construction is not commencing as soon as we would like, that money is still needed.

Of the $15 million total, $12 million was pledged. Of that $12 million, $6.25 million is still outstanding. Nearly $5.5 million of that has been pledged by municipalities and about three-quarters of a million is personal pledges.

"That's still a significant amount," said hospital foundation spokesperson Lynne Wilson. She noted that pledges have been coming in well, and with a confirmed time frame for construction she expects that anyone who had been waiting for a solid start date will now feel comfortable fulfilling their promise.

This is no time to get complacent. Supporting WDMH has always been an ongoing community project and that should not change.

Hospital administrators are ironing out the final details of construction and looking beyond it, as well.

"We're now going through the equipment lists," said Wilson about the need and desire to make sure the new hospital is equipped with state-of-the-art technology. The community will be called on again to raise funds for equipment.

Currently, the WDMH Auxiliary handles donations made in memory of people that have died. The In Memoriam funds are used to purchase capital equipment. In some years this fund is able to meet the hospital's ongoing equipment needs, but in other years it is not. The equipment demands of getting the new hospital up and running will be huge. But there's no doubt that this community, dubbed "the most generous community in the country," will be up to the task when called upon.

B.J.

More than two choices

Both Paul Martin and Stephen Harper have tried to turn the current election campaign into a two-horse race. "If you don't vote for me, the other guy will get in," they say. This bothers us, and not just because these two appear to have egos the size of the soon-to-be-vacant Nestlé plant.

There are more than two political parties in this country. The NDP, Greens, and Christian Heritage Party offer choice in this riding. Other ridings have even more parties to choose from.

While we can understand the desire some people might have to prevent either Martin or Harper from taking office, we believe that people should vote for what they want, rather than what they don't want. Every vote counts, no matter who it is for.

Voting shouldn't be about strategy. It should be about democracy and expressing your vision for the country. Look for the candidate you believe in, not the one that you think will win, or the one that you think will keep another party from winning. If you don't find a party that represents your views, start your own for the next election — you've got the right.

While the NDP, Greens, or other parties may not be a threat to win the most seats in Parliament, they can certainly win individual seats — even in this riding. Stranger things have happened.

We live in Canada, not the U.S. — there are more than two political parties.

B.J.



Mountain Station Pizza has become a political hotspot – for discussion, that is. Owner P.J. Breaks has all party information available and is hoping his business will be a gathering spot for political enthusiasts in the Mountain area to debate iissues at the grassroots level. *Photo – Barbour*

It's time to resurrect the Rhinoceros Party

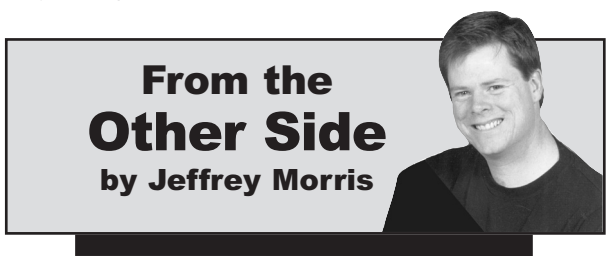
"Ain't no party like a Grey Cup Party 'cause a Grey Cup Party don't stop!" — The Hammerheads, Nov. 20, 2004

When I called Elections Canada to see if I was on the list of eligible voters — I wasn't by the way — I got chatting with the lady on the phone.

"How come there is no candidate in my riding for the Rhinoceros Party?" I asked.

"Oh dear," she said. "I haven't heard of them in years. I don't think they're still around. I think the Rhinoceroses are extinct."

"I can't believe it," I replied. "I leave the country for a decade, and the whole country falls apart at the seams." I pause. "Uh, ma'am? How do I start my own political party?"



"Go to electionscanada.ca. All of the information is there. Good luck with it, sir."

My first thought was to resurrect the Rhinoceros Party, but I wasn't sure who owned the name or if the party had members. Then I thought maybe we could be the New Rhinoceros Party or the Progressive Rhinoceros Party or maybe the Green Rhinoceros Party or the Rhinojuana Party. Nope. It's gotta be fresh.

The Birthday Party? No. Reminds me of clowns, and I'm terrified of clowns.

"How about the Mario Party?" said my son, as the skin on his thumb was rubbed raw from the Game Cube remote, proving he was off school a week too long.

"The Tail Gate Party!" said my other son. Naw, that's too American, and I get criticized a lot for being too American.

Wait! Here it is! The Grey Cup Party! Yes! Perfect!

I can take Canadian party elements and blend them with the spirit of the Rhinoceros Party and add a few of my own twists. My campaign motto will be "No guns, no butter. They both kill."

Then, I need a party platform. The Rhinoceros Party said its platform was wooden and about two feet high. That would work for me. They also promised not to keep any promises, and they said if they won they would demand a recount. They wanted to flatten the Rockies so that Albertans could see the ocean (how's that for a make work project!). We could keep those policies alive for them.

I will even go out on a limb and present some of my party's policies, though I do fear that mainstream politicians — yes, I mean YOU Mr. Martin — might steal my ideas.

First, all of our money that goes into culture will be redirected to hair salons. Nothing says Canada like hockey hair, and the Grey Cup Party promises to keep the mullet alive as part of our culture and heritage.

Canadians will get tax breaks based on the quality of their mullets. Since we can clone animals, why not pour some science money into developing a swimming cow with gills, and then stocking the Atlantic Ocean. Nobody really likes eating fish that much anyway, but imagine what yummy grilled sea beef could do for the Atlantic economy!

Let's lobby to make "Roll up the Rim to Win" an Olympic sport. Let's get rid of that stupid library at the Parliament Buildings that costs so much money to repair and maintain and replace it with a Wal-Mart.

Let's make the theme from Hockey Night in Canada our official national anthem.

After we send Todd Bertuzzi and Brian McGratton down to annex the U.S., let's get rid of that stupid fourth down and make their field bigger. Doug Flutie can move into the White House and become Premier of the new U.S. territory.

Let's replace our judicial system with a kangaroo court. Oh wait, we already have that. Let's replace Peter Mansbridge with Stompin' Tom. Let's take our surplus and buy six billion quick pick tickets. Imagine how much money we could have then!! Let's put a CFL team in the Atlantic provinces.

Let's escalate global warming. I'm sick of snow and sick of winter. As for the environment, let's abolish election signs and encourage citizens to vote for ReMax, Coldwell Banker, Century 21, Royal LePage or any of the other leading real estate companies, since they already have signs up.

Locally, let's fill the Rideau Canal with beer. I'm guessing for about the cost of the gun registry, we can buy enough home brew kits to pour the mix into the canal, let the ice act as a cover while it ferments, and by spring, voila! Beer in the canal! How about that for tourism, eh! Of course, on St. Jean Baptiste Day we can reach out to our neighbors from Quebec and fill the canal with gravy and cheese.

Who could run for the Grey Cup Party? Bubbles? Rick Mercer? Tom Green? Red Green? Trudeau's kid or Mulroney's kid? No, that wouldn't be believable.

To get the party going, we need 250 members to register. That won't be too hard. But we can't run in this election. It wouldn't be fair. We would not want to skew the results and take votes away from the mainstream parties.

But we still need a leader. Does anybody know where I put Belinda's phone number?

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This week in...

by Meghan Duncan

1946

A.T. Allison's general store in Inkerman was damaged by a fire that was believed to have started when the motor on an ice cream freezer in the basement of the building had over heated. Local residents and neighbors formed a bucket brigade to contain the fire while the Winchester Fire Department made its way to the village on the icy roads. Someone chopped a hole through the ice surface of the nearby creek to provide a supply of water for the department's pumper. The fire was eventually contained, with the building's basement suffering the most damage and the upper floor ruined by smoke.

1956

The region was experiencing a streak of very mild, wet weather. Winchester and the surrounding district were without snow, and rivers and streams were running freely. The temperature peaked at higher than what the state of Florida was experiencing — unusually low temperatures in the 40-degree Fahrenheit range.

Also this week, W.J.L. Boyd and Sons Chrysler dealership opened a new showroom on St. Lawrence Street in Winchester. It was the most modern piece of architecture in the village at the time.

1966

Eastern Ontario milk producers who had been shipping milk to collection points at St. Armour, Moose Creek, and Williamsburg, had little hope of ever seeing the $60,000 owed to them by the elusive American industrialist Robert Dooley. Lawsuits to collect payment had been snagged in a complex web of Dooley's operating and holding companies, which had little in the way of traceable assets. When he started operations in Eastern Ontario, Dooley had been unable to post the $100,000 bond normally required under such circumstances. At the request of 90 per cent of the shippers to the three collection points, the companies were permitted to operate without the bond. During a meeting at the Moose Creek community Hall, Ontario Milk Marketing Board vice-chair Orvil Guy reminded the 200 producers involved that they had been warned about dealing with these kinds of firms.

1976

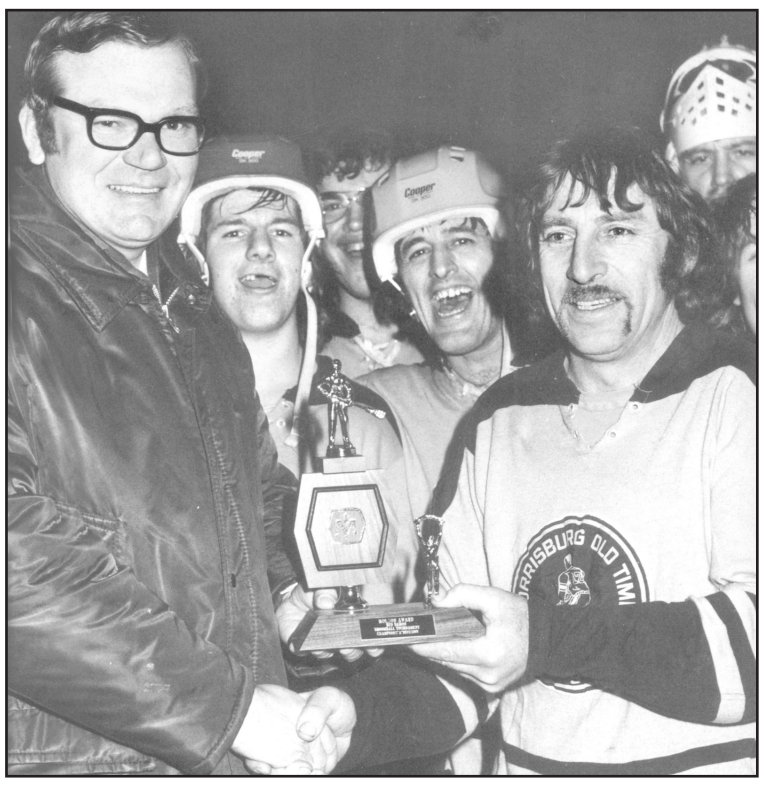
Williamsburg Township Reeve Johnny Whitteker had just finished his year as United Counties Warden. Colleagues described him as the most progressive-minded warden in recent memory.

1986

The Metcalfe Pizzeria was held up by two masked gunmen who made off on foot after emptying the till. The pair, one wearing a black balaclava and the other in a Hallowe'en mask, entered the establishment at around 7:30 pm and attempted to open the cash register while owner George Aboud and his family were having dinner in an adjoining room. After a failed attempt, one of the men — who was holding a small revolver — demanded that Mrs. Aboud open the register.

1996

Highway 31 in Greely was closed for about six hours on Sat., Jan. 6, while OPP officers and local firefighters sorted through the wreckage of an accident that left one man dead. A chain reaction causing two successive head-on collisions left a 40-year-old Greely resident facing charges of dangerous driving and impaired driving causing death, four counts of dangerous driving causing bodily harm, refusing to provide a breath sample, and failing to remain at the scene of an accident. A 32-year-old Harrowsmith man died in the accident, while his 28-year-old passenger was seriously injured. A 52-year-old Metcalfe resident and her 19-year-old daughter were also seriously injured, while a third passenger in the third vehicle was treated and released from hospital.



Molson's Brewery representative Jim Pevere (left) presents the "A" division trophy to Fred Veley, captain of the Beavers Jets, champions in the Morrisburg and Area Broomball League tournament in 1975. The Jets, a Morrisburg team, conquered the Cardinal Playboys 6-2 in the final. Teams from Chesterville, Winchester, and Metcalfe also competed.

Timmy's business booming

WINCHESTER — "Everything is going very well," said Robert St. Denis, who, along with his wife Denise, owns Tim Hortons in Winchester. In fact, St. Denis told the *Press* that business is even better than expected. The franchise opened its doors a month and a half ago on County Road 31.

Tim Hortons Winchester has a staff of between 30 and 35 people, almost all of whom are local residents.

"We try to hire locally," explained St. Denis, who also owns the Tim Hortons in Morrisburg, which opened in September 2002. "It makes for a friendlier atmosphere when the staff knows the customers, and it's better for the community, too."

The staff was fully trained at the Morrisburg location before the Winchester franchise was opened.

"It made for a really good opening," said St. Denis. "Everyone knew what they were doing."

The Winchester Tims is a new style of Tim Hortons. It is larger and has an LCD screen over the counter showing commercials and Tim Hortons factoids. A smaller LCD display will soon be hooked up for the drive-through. Another difference is that the showcases in the new stores are right up front, rather than back behind the counter.



Serving up smiles and coffee at the Winchester Tim Hortons on Jan. 5 were owner Robert St. Denis (back), manager Amber Denis (left), Sonia Potvin, Karen Dobbin, Angie Nault-Danis, and Wilma Joustra. The store is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. *Press Photo — James*

"The products are easier for customers to see," said St. Denis.

The busiest days of the week for Tim Hortons are the weekends. And the busiest time of day? You guessed it. People need their morning coffee.

"It's a morning business," he said, noting that the drive-through is usually lined up by 5:30 am. He said he has discovered that some customers get a coffee in Morrisburg and then stop in Winchester for a second round on their way into the city. The hours between 5 and 9 pm are also busy.

The best-selling doughnut is the Boston cream, said St. Denis, noting that all the filled doughnuts sell better than the rings. The most popular coffee is the large double-double.

"Everyone is glad to finally see us here," said St. Denis. The Winchester Tims was officially announced more than two years ago and faced some delays in construction.

There have been other building permits applied for from the township for the same corner.

"I think you'll see this corner develop quite a bit," said St. Denis. He explained that a new Tim Hortons often generates other business development.

Over $100,000 pledged in TCS fundraiser

Notes from **Timothy Christian**
by Gary Postma



WILLIAMSBURG — Our school's strategic plan is being implemented extremely well. Lots of required tasks have been done and December marked the completion of an extremely successful fundraising drive. As of this report, $102,000 has been raised, which is quite incredible. We thank the givers and Him who gives us everything!

We had an excellent membership meeting on Dec. 8. We were inspired in our vision of Christian education by guest speaker Ray Hendricks of Peterborough, were given great updates regarding our strategic plan and we thanked God for his blessings of Christian education in this community for almost 45 years.

Our Grade 7 and 8 class won this year's chocolate bar sale class competition, bringing in almost $3,000. They were rewarded with pizza and watching the movie, *Madagascar*. Lots of fun!

Our senior class is also just finishing World Vision's Christmas Gift program, which we call Rabbits and Roosters. The kids have earned about $400, through a bake sale, a hot dog lunch, and doing odd jobs around their homes. We need still to make our final decision about how that money is going to be spent; whether we buy lots of medical kits, harvest packs, coats, goats, or rabbits and roosters!

Quite a bit of work has gone into overhauling our school's website.

We will host our annual Discover TCS sessions for any parents that are interested in Christian education on Jan., 20 at 7:30 pm and Jan. 21 at 9:30 am. Refreshments (and even babysitting) will be provided.

We finished 2005 with an all-grade Christmas assembly and our annual Christmas skating party. After that, Christmas holidays began. We wish all of our readers an enjoyable and meaningful New Year! Be thankful for all gifts, but especially God's gift to us — Jesus Christ.

Letters To The Editor

Christians must vote

The Editor:
In 2006, Canadians must seriously consider political alternatives, and Christians "must" shake off their apathy. One survey says that 52 per cent of Christians failed to vote in 2004 and fulfil their duty to God and country.

This is a turbulent time in federal politics, the sort of time during which radical changes are possible.

Both the big parties' recent statements sound as though they expect majorities. But both are whistling past the graveyard. The Liberals will be punished for betraying the public's trust, and the Conservatives can at best hope for only a minority. For two decades the Conservatives have nurtured hostility towards Quebec, and that legacy now prevents the needed break-through in la belle province.

In this circumstance, voters ought to consider seriously the possible impact on the two big parties if we vote for a party that is based on "principles" rather than pragmatism.

It is pointless to consider the NDP, which is still ideologically committed to the failed socialist policies of the past. I urge everyone to consider the Christian Heritage Party (CHP), Canada's only pro-life, pro-family federal party, and the only party that has a plan for curtailing the political activism of the Supreme Court.

Every vote for the CHP will compel the bigger parties to consider seriously the crucial moral issues that will shape the nation we pass on to our children. Continuing the moral relativism of the past half-century would doom them to further social, moral, and economic catastrophes. We must convince politicians that the grass roots of Canada demand change . . . And Christians must tell the big old parties that we will no longer be taken for granted.

Maureen Froats
Chesterville

Friend to farmers?

The Editor:
Can a party that openly advocates the removal of the Canadian Wheat Board's exclusive single desk marketing ability and replacing it with a voluntary system be a friend of farmers within supply management?

Jack Hoogenboom
Mountain

Election 2006: An ag commentary

The Editor:
Canadians go to the polls on Jan. 23 to elect a "new" government. Dundas county and, indeed the whole Stormont - Dundas - South Glengarry riding, is predominantly agricultural. That is especially true overall for our local economy.

Dundas farm organizations organized an all-candidates meeting in Winchester in early December, just after the election date was made official.

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) branches of Dundas, Stormont, and Glengarry will hold another all-candidates event at Tagwi Secondary School in Avonmore at 7:30 pm on Jan. 17.

The issues in agriculture are quite clear. T-R-A-D-E (Trade).

Our supply management system is under threat from our world neighbors, especially the United States, who are determined that supply managed markets are not "real" markets — it is sort of a modern day version of McCarthyism in action.

Our "other" agricultural commodities are being driven into non-existence by existing trade rules that allow other countries (special mention again to the U.S.) to support their producers financially at levels so high that "market" commodity prices are driven far below the actual cost of production.

The Government of Canada has a very clear responsibility:

1. To negotiate toward equitable and enforceable trade rules that a) put Canadian producers on a more "level" production footing and b) adequately protect our supply managed sector — which, by definition, does not participate significantly in world export markets.

2. To immediately put in place effective financial support systems for Canadian farm commodity producers until such time as world trade agreements bring a "level playing field" for those commodities.

Will our rural and farm population consider the party or candidate agricultural policy in deciding where to place their vote?

Or will non-agricultural issues like the Gomery Inquiry, crime on city streets, the place of Quebec in Canada, and Canada's military policy determine our vote?

To date, including the (December) all-candidates meeting in Winchester, none of the parties have made an agricultural policy commitment that is any stronger or more specific (my personal opinion only) than the actions of the incumbent government up to the election call.

Agricultural trade policies are clearly a federal issue. Agriculture is economically important across Canada, yet the federal parties all seem hesitant to make a clear and binding policy statement. Will you ask your candidate(s) about their views on farming in Canada for 2006 and beyond?

Gordon Garlough
Past president,
Dundas Federation of Agriculture
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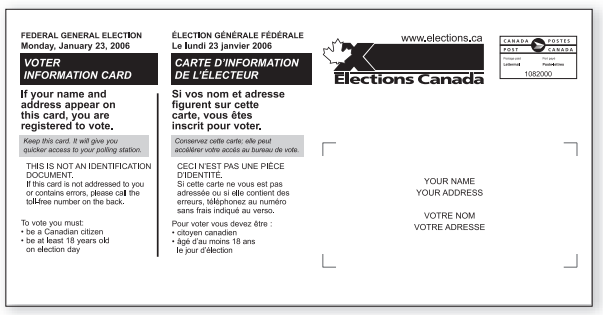

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Bigs bowling fundraiser set for Chesterville

CORNWALL — Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Cornwall and District are gearing up for the 2006 Bowl for Millions, and the staff at the Chesterville Bowling Lanes are gearing up to host the Counties Challenge Cup.

This year's initial fundraiser will take place on Sat., Feb. 4 at the Olympia Bowl and Nativity Lanes in Cornwall. Two challenge cups will follow to see how much more money can be raised.

The Glengarry Challenge Cup and the Counties Challenge Cup will both take place on Sun., Feb. 12, at the Alexandria and Chesterville bowling lanes, respectively.

Teams of five or six can sign up to raise funds for the event. A variety of prizes have been lined up, including a grand prize of $500 donated by the Rotary Club of Cornwall.

"To my knowledge, Chesterville Bowling Lanes has been involved with the fundraiser for quite a while," said Shari Boyd, who took over as co-owner of the Chesterville lanes in September with Ron Robinson.

"It's very important for the kids," she said about the event. "Plus, it's a good time out. It's fun."

Big Brothers and Big Sister Executive director Jacquie Richard said that the Bowl For Millions has been the agency's major fundraiser since 1979.

"Its success over the years is largely due to amazing community support and dedicated volunteers," she said. "Funds raised through Bowl for Millions will allow our agency to continue to provide quality mentoring programs for children in need from lone parent families in Cornwall and SD&G."

This year's event chairperson is Hermann Rogalsky, the agency's top Bowl for Millions fundraiser for the past 28 years, raising just under $50,000.

Honorary chairperson for this year's event will be Terry Sylvester of CIBC Wood Gundy, a previous Big Brother and large supporter of the agency's programs.

Team entry forms and sponsor sheets are available at the Chesterville Bowling Lanes on Main Street in Chesterville. For more information on this year's Bowl for Millions, contact the Big Brothers and Big Sisters office at 613-933-8035.

Nepean-Carleton candidates asked about healthcare

By Derek Dunn

MANOTICK — Polls repeatedly show that healthcare is the number one concern for Canadians. It is a major component of our national identity. Our universal system is not simply a government program designed to meet our physical needs, Canadians see it as essential to who they are as a people, and are almost as willing to talk about what works and doesn't work in the system as they are willing to talk about last night's hockey game. Here's what the Nepean-Carleton candidates think. The riding stretches from Hunt Club and Leitrim roads south to include Metcalfe and Vernon.



MICHAEL GAFFNEY — LIBERAL PARTY

"Long-term sustainability for all, that's what I think of when it comes to healthcare," said Michael Gaffney. "Consistency, transparency, national standards from cradle to grave."

The Liberal party's platform includes the creation of a "Canada Health Care Guarantee" with 1,000 new family doctors, a new National Cancer Strategy, and a Canadian Mental Health Commission. The party has also outlined an extensive spending plan.



PIERRE POILIEVRE — CONSERVATIVE PARTY

"We should focus on getting people quality treatment in a reasonable amount of time," Pierre Poilievre said. "We need a change in government to fix the devastating effects of a Liberal government on the healthcare system."

The Conservative party's platform includes the reduction of hospital wait times without closing private health clinics, stable and transparent federal funding, reasonable access to catastrophic drug coverage, and access to medical care, equipment, education, employment, transportation and housing for Canadians with disabilities.



LAUREL GIBBONS — NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY

"The NDP stance on healthcare is really against the for profit private clinics," Laurel Gibbons said. "We need to reinvigorate our healthcare system. It's one of the best in the world. It just needs money to run it effectively."

The NDP wants to expand home-care services to 100,000 households, allowing seniors to stay at home and receive supervised care, reduce prescription drug costs, increase the number of community-based clinics, ban trans fatty acids in foods, and take an overall precautionary approach to the approval of food and drugs.



LORI GADZALA — GREEN PARTY

"I can't get over the number of people in this riding that don't have a family doctor, and this is one of the wealthiest ridings," said Lori Gadzala. "Immigrant doctors from England and Scotland are still not able to get a designation."

The Greens stand to reinforce the universal, publicly run and financed, health-care system, focusing on preventative measures — to reduce the number of working hours, promote active living and holistic methods, providing incentives for companies to reduce stress in the workplace.

Nepean-Carleton Green featured on *The National*

MANOTICK — Nepean-Carleton Green party candidate Lori Gadzala is going prime time. The Manotick resident will be appearing on CBC's *The National* tonight (Wed., Jan. 11).

According to the CBC's website, *The National* is giving each of the main parties "a chance to craft a news story of their own. The parties were given the technical resources to put together their own news story — a chance to put their own spin on events of the day."

Each party will be given the resources to produce a two-and-a-half to three-minute news segment for that evening's edition of *The National.* Gadzala will be the on-camera person for her party, and will be supported by her campaign team and the Green party headquarters.

"It is an exciting opportunity," said Gadzala. "We will get to spend the day in the newsroom as a journalist. We will find and edit footage and we have until 9 pm to put a piece together."

This is the first election that the CBC has included the Green party in the Message Track series.

Bird sanctuary makes winter fun

MORRISBURG — Friends of the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary are hosting a moonlight event on Sat., Jan. 14. A cross-country ski and snowshoe hike is scheduled to leave the sanctuary at 7:30 pm, weather permitting.

Cost to participate is $5 per person. There are a limited number of ski and snowshoe rentals available for the event, so please call Connie at 613-932-3939 for further information.

The sanctuary will also host a Kids Make a Craft day on Sun., Jan. 29. Children will have the opportunity to create their own sun catcher at the interpretive centre between 1 and 4 pm.

There is not specified cost for the event, but each child should bring a donation to cover the craft supplies. For more information, call Margaret Reynolds, at 613-543-2547.

The sanctuary is located on County Road 2 between the villages of Ingleside and Morrisburg.

Recent Williamsburg euchre winners

by Jean Casselman

WILLIAMSBURG — At the Wed., Jan. 4 Williamsburg euchre, Ruth Casselman, Mary Osborne, and Peggy Thompson won the white cards. Lorraine Tupper, Dwain Hess, and Murial Miller won the yellow cards. Ruth Casselman and Muriel Miller each won a door prize, while Gladys Kyle (2), Jean Hutt, and Ray Casselmand won the draw.

At the euchre party held on Wed., Dec. 21, winners were Jean Sutton, Hubert LaPierre, and Lorraine Tupper in the white cards, while the yellow cards were won by Everett Froats, Graham Pemberton, and Harold Gallinger.

Betty Barkley and Ray Casselman each won a door prize, while Dwaine Hess, Graham Pemberton, and Gladys Kyle (2), won the draw.

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Brownell supports measures to assist displaced workers from Domtar, Nestlé

CORNWALL — Stormont-Dundas-Charlottenburgh MPP Jim Brownell is supporting a series of measures to help workers displaced by recent layoffs in Cornwall and the surrounding area.

"I have been talking with and listening to municipal leaders, workers, and families in Cornwall," Brownell said. "From my meetings over the past many weeks, I know that this is a challenging time for our community."

The province has agreed to: provide job training and counselling for displaced Domtar employees; fund a full-time co-ordinator to manage community support systems, such as family counselling; work with Cornwall to develop an Economic Development and Marketing Strategy to help the city attract key new high-value jobs; and to hire staff for a local enterprise centre to assist and support entrepreneurs and small business owners.

"Any help that's coming to the area is regional," Brownell told the *Press*. "The hit [the loss of jobs and industry] has come on a regional basis. Certainly the money that's coming down here will assist on that basis — not just the city of Cornwall."



MPP Jim Brownell

Brownell said that agencies like the Dundas County Food Bank and Naomi's Family Resource Centre, among others, will benefit from the addition of a community support systems co-ordinator.

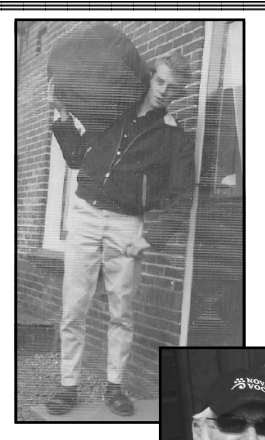
He also pointed out that while the enterprise centre is situated in Cornwall, its services are open to anyone, and anyone in the area can benefit from the resources available.

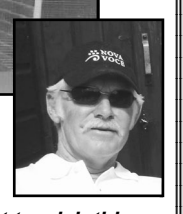
While Domtar is receiving funding to set up an action centre for the approximately 900 displaced employees, Brownell said that a smaller, similar centre has already been established at Nestlé Canada Inc. in Chesterville, where over 300 employees will soon have to find employment elsewhere.

"There's more money going to Domtar, but that's only because it's a larger issue," Brownell explained. "There are over 900 people requiring help at Domtar."

Brownell said that any help and assistance with regards to jobs in the riding is welcomed.

"We know that attracting new investments and diversifying the economy doesn't happen overnight, but I believe that by working together ... [We] will build a great future for this community," Brownell said.





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Lake St. Francis

Fisheries Management Plan and Fish Habitat Management Plan

The **Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA)** and the **Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** are developing the Lake St. Francis fish habitat management plan and fisheries management plan respectively. These planning exercises are being carried out jointly to ensure appropriate coordination and linkages. They will outline management objectives and identify priorities for the management of the fish communities and fisheries of Lake St. Francis.

The tentative schedule for the management plan preparation, review and approval is as follows:

Public Information Centre – Background, Issues and Options: March, 2005
Public Information Centre – Review of Draft Management Plan: June, 2005
Public Information Centre – Review of Revised Management Plan: January, 2006
Production and Distribution of Approved Fisheries Management Plan: March, 2006

The third public information centre will be held:

Wednesday, January 25, 2006
5 p.m. - 8 p.m. – Presentation given at 6:30 p.m.
Cornwall Civic Center
McLeod Room

The planning team is inviting the public to participate in the preparation of the fisheries management plan and fish habitat management plan for Lake St. Francis. The RRCA and MNR are interested in comments or ideas the public may have regarding the management of the fish communities and fisheries of Lake St. Francis. A terms of reference for the management plan and additional background information to be used in the preparation of the plan will be available for inspection during the public information centres. There is an opportunity at any time during the planning process to seek resolution of issues with the Project Leader, the Lake Manager or the Great Lakes Branch Director.

The MNR is collecting comments and information regarding this plan under the authority of the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act* to assist in making decisions and determining further public consultation needs. Comments and opinions will be kept on file for use during the effective period of the plan and may be included in study documentation, which is made available for public review.

Personal information will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (1987).* However, this information may be used by the MNR to seek public input on other resource management surveys and projects. For further information or to be added to the plan mailing list, please contact:

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Invitation à participer

Plan de gestion des pêcheries du lac St. Francis et plan de gestion de l'habitat du poisson

L'**Office de protection de la nature de la région de Raisin** et le **ministère des Richesses naturelles de l'Ontario (MRN)** sont en train de concevoir un plan de gestion de l'habitat du poisson et un plan de gestion des pêcheries du lac St. Francis. Les plans sont élaborés conjointement pour garantir une bonne coordination. Ils exposeront les objectifs de gestion et relèveront les priorités relatives à la gestion des populations de poissons et des lieux de pêche du lac St. Francis.

Voici le calendrier (non définitif) des étapes de l'élaboration, de l'examen public et de l'approbation des plans :

Centre d'information (documentation, enjeux et possibilités de gestion) : mars 2005
Centre d'information (examen du projet des plans) : juin 2005
Centre d'information (examen de la version révisée des plans) : janvier 2006
Production et distribution des plans : mars 2006

Le troisième centre d'information aura lieu:

Le mercredi 25 janvier 2006
De 17 h à 20 h - La présentation commencera à 18 h 30.
Cornwall Civic Center
Salle McLeod

Le public est invité à participer à l'élaboration des plans de gestion des pêcheries et de l'habitat du poisson du lac St. Francis. L'Office de protection de la nature et le MRN veulent connaître les points de vue et les idées du public en ce qui concerne la gestion des pêcheries et de l'habitat du poisson du lac St. Francis. Les personnes qui viendront aux centres d'information pourront y examiner les principes directeurs et d'autres renseignements qui serviront à élaborer les plans. N'importe quand pendant l'élaboration des plans, quiconque le désire peut chercher à résoudre des désaccords, des préoccupations, etc. avec le directeur de projet, le gestionnaire du lac ou le directeur de la Direction des Grands Lacs du MRN.

La *Loi sur la protection du poisson et de la faune* autorise le MRN à recueillir des points de vue et de l'information relativement aux plans de gestion dans le but de faciliter la prise de décisions et de déterminer les besoins de consultation futurs. Les points de vue et les opinions du public seront gardés dans les dossiers et consultés durant la période où les plans seront en vigueur. Ils pourraient aussi faire partie des documents de référence que peut examiner le public.

Les renseignements personnels seront protégés conformément aux dispositions de la *Loi de 1987 sur l'accès à l'information et la protection de la vie privée.* Le MRN pourrait toutefois les utiliser dans le but d'obtenir les points de vue du public relativement à d'autres études et travaux portant sur la gestion des ressources. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements ou demander à recevoir des avis par la poste durant la période d'élaboration des plans, prière de communiquer avec :

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Provincial rep updates beef farmers

by Meghan Duncan
Press staff

WINCHESTER — The Country Kitchen Dining Lounge doubled as a board room when 16 members of the Dundas County Cattlemen's Association turned out for the group's annual general meeting on Fri., Jan. 6.

The new 2006 executive, elected that evening, consists of president Ed Annable, vice-president Bonna Oosterhof, advisory councillor Jim Shaw, treasurer Nancy Woeldike, and secretary Ron Wilson.

A resolution regarding the Stormont Dundas Landowners Association that was tabled at the group's last meeting surfaced for a second time.

"We voted not to join the SDLA — we'll have no corporate membership," reported the association's secretary, Ron Wilson. "But there was also a second resolution, to make a donation to the association, which was passed."

The cattlemen's association will put forth $150 — the same price as a corporate membership — in support of the SDLA.

"Some members of our group felt that what they [the SDLA] were doing was useful," Wilson said, explaining that to join another group, the cattlemen would have to first get approval from their provincial counterpart, and there were also funding and insurance issues. "To officially join another group, it has to have the same general objectives at the cattlemen's association. We had no information on exactly what the landowners do — there was nothing in writing, we'd only heard by word of mouth. This way, we can support them, but there are no strings attached."

Wilson said that although it was a split vote, the results were clearly in favor of making the donation.

The group heard from Ontario Cattlemen's Association (OCA) director Kim Sytsma, who updated the Dundas farmers on many provincial and national issues. Wilson said that the need to standardize regulations regarding specified risk material — brain and spinal cord — was one of the larger, growing concerns.

"We don't want to have higher standards than the Americans, unless that allows us additional market access in certain countries," he explained.

Japan has recently declared that it will accept meat younger than 21 months old, which is good news for Canadian cattle farmers, said Wilson, because they will be able to sell certain parts to Japan that are worth much less in Canada.

"Like tongue, for instance, which will sell here for about 70 cents a pound, and not many people buy it," Wilson said. "There [Japan] it will sell for $7 a pound."

The OCA has also been moving forward with strategic planing with regards to foot and mouth disease.

"It's a huge concern, because unlike BSE, it's contagious and can move quickly from cow to cow," Wilson said. "They're working on communications and a database to have better knowledge of who owns what, how many, and where."



Cow and calf sector director Kim Sytsma of the Ontario Cattlemen's Association was on hand at the Dundas County Cattlemen's Association annual general meeting on Fri., Jan. 6, to update association members on provincial and national issues.
Press Photo — Barbour

The OCA is already preparing for the 2007 provincial election and making sure candidates are looking out for farmers within their agriculture platforms and policies. Sytsma also emphasized the age-verification program, and utilizing radio frequency identification versus barcode tags.

Provincial legislation reads that all cows, including those used only for 4-H purposes, must be tagged, and where there used to be a small tolerance for lost tags, there is now a zero-tolerance approach to identification.

Though the Nutrient Management Act was passed three years ago, it is still a point of discussion for cattle farmers. Where farms with herds larger than 300-head have been given instructions and regulations to follow, farmers with smaller herds have been left out in the cold.

"I haven't a clue what they're going to ask me to do," said Wilson, who said that the Clean Water Act, which was introduced into provincial parliament on Dec. 5, will also throw a kink into the mix. "It will supersede the Nutrient Management Act, but that's all we know so far," he continued.

The OCA has two specialists working around the clock on the Clean Water Act and all source water protection issues.

"They're looking after the general interests of the farmers," Wilson said. "There's definitely a limit on what we can afford."

The OCA annual meeting is scheduled for Feb. 22 and 23. The Dundas County association will send advisory councillor Jim Shaw and three delegates, Arden Schneckenburger, Bonna Oosterhof, and Henry Van Den Broek, to the provincial conference.



Cattlemen's 2006 executive
The Dundas County Cattlemen's Association executive for 2006 consists of advisory councillor Jim Shaw (front, left), treasurer Nancy Woeldike, president Ed Annable (back, left), secretary Ron Wilson, and vice-president Bonna Oosterhof. The executive was elected at the annual general meeting held on Fri., Jan. 6.
Photo — Barbour

Ice Breaker: jam-packed party

WINCHESTER — The Chesterville Ice Breaker Carnival is this weekend, Jan. 13 to 15. The event kicks off with the ever popular Carnival Queen contest at the arena and finishes with a teen skate and dance.

Saturday, there are a host of events for everyone, crafts for kids, skating races and games, a euchre and dart tournament, a firemen's hockey game, and the return of the alumni game between the Winchester Hawks and old Chesterville Flyers. All this will be capped off by a carnival Ice Breaker dance at the Legion. Sunday finishes up with outdoor activities for all, highlighted by bed races on Industrial Drive.

Remarks
by Mark Guy, Director of Recreation & Culture



Registration is continuing for all of the township's winter programs. Two new children's programs we have are the Little Sports and Jr. and Sr. Sport Explorers. Little Sports is a chance for children ages three to five years to enjoy different sports such as soccer, floor hockey, basketball, and other group games. Jr. and Sr. Sport Explorers is for ages six to eight years. Kids in these programs will have a chance to play a new sport each week. Check our winter brochure for more details or visit the township web site.

For the older teens and adults we have girls night out, yoga, belly dancing, and culinary classes. These programs are popular so be sure to register early.

We are offering a walking program for seniors from 7:30 to 8:30 am or 5 to 7 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays at North Dundas District High School. This will provide a safe, dry walking environment, so gather your friends and stay active! You can register through the township office. Check the township website for more information. The North Dundas Fitness Centre will be opening Mon., Jan. 23 at 5 pm at NDDHS. Cost is $5 as a walk-in fee or you can purchase a monthly membership at the township office.

The Hawks have a home game on Fri., Jan. 13 against South Grenville. Game time is 8:15 pm. Have a great week!

Apply now for DFA bursaries

CHESTERVILLE — The Dundas Federation of Agriculture (DFA) offers two bursaries of $750 each to college or university students from federation families.

The eligibility requirements are as follows: The applicant must be a member in good standing (or a daughter or son of that member) of the Dundas County branch of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA). The applicant must have already successfully completed at least the first year of a university or college program in agriculture and must be enrolled in the subsequent year of studies. Selection will be made on the basis of academic achievement, agricultural awareness and involvement in community and other activities.

The completed application form must be completed and returned to the DFA Secretary by Tues., Jan 31. Winner(s) will be announced at the DFA annual meeting in February. Unsuccessful applicants are encouraged to reapply in subsequent years as long as they meet the elegibility requirements at time of application. Successful applicants will not be elegible to apply again in the future.

Application forms are available from DFA secretary Marilyn Johnson at 448-2636.



This year's Ottawa Valley Farm Show will be held March 14, 15, and 16 as always at Lansdowne Park in Ottawa. *Press Staff Photo*

Ottawa Valley Farm Show still good value for dollar

OTTAWA — The Ottawa Valley Seed Growers Association is finalizing plans for this year's Ottawa Valley Farm Show.

Association directors will meet in Kemptville on Jan. 16 to review details of the show to be held March 14, 15, and 16 at Lansdowne Park in Ottawa. This edition will mark the 79th farm show, which dates back to Renfrew County where it started as a much smaller seed growing competition. While seed judging is still an important part of the show — including a growers Hall of Honor and an awards ceremony on the final day — the show now contains row upon row of the latest farm equipment on display, along with exhibitors offering every conceivable product and service to the farm and rural market.

"We're looking forward to another excellent show," said OVSGA president Keith Matthie, an Algonquin area dairy farmer. "Times have been tough in Canadian agriculture . . . but producers still have to look ahead and the show is one of the places that helps them do that."

In addition, Matthie said, farmers and their families use the opportunity to socialize and discuss plans for the new season with friends and neighbors at the tail end of a long winter. "The show is held a little more than a month away from spring planting . . . There's anticipation in the air."

This year, the show lands in the March school break, making it an ideal outing into the city for rural parents and their children. While it's an adult-oriented show, there are some animals on hand and enough tractors and equipment and other interesting displays to keep children intrigued for a couple of hours, especially any budding farmers in the family, said general manager Tom Van Dusen.

"Admission is $6 for adults and kids under 12 get in free," said Van Dusen. "It's far cheaper and a heck of a lot more educational than taking the family to, say, a movie theatre."

As usual, Van Dusen said, the more than 300 inside exhibitor spaces are filling up fast. However, there is still some availability. "I urge anyone who has thought of exhibiting at the farm show in the past to get their applications in now," said Van Dusen. Call Sue at 613-445-0353 to book a space. For more information visit www.ottawafarmshow.com.

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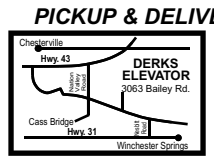

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Hawks beat 73s, but Rebels' rally ruins weekend

WINCHESTER — Twenty minutes was all that stood between the Hawks celebrating a huge four-point weekend and a six-point lead over the Char-Lan Rebels in the race for the final spot in the St. Lawrence Junior "B" Hockey League post-season picture.

Twenty minutes, a determined band of Char-Lan Rebels, referee John Moulton and his whistle — are what finally came between the Winchester Hawks and a very successful weekend's work.

An inspirational 6-3 win over the third-place Kemptville 73s in Friday's (Jan. 6) home-ice tilt had the Hawks in high spirits for Sunday's (Jan. 8) matinee date with the club they are driving to knock out of the hunt for the fourth and final playoff berth — the Char-Lan Rebels.

Winchester led the Rebels 1-0 on Steve Cameron's first-period goal. Second-period tallies by Nick Enright (6th and 7th), Brent McFaul (5th), Cameron (30th) and Darren Trenholm (11th) gave the Hawks a 6-2 lead after 40 minutes.

MELTDOWN

Steve Jarvo ripped through a sluggish Winchester defence and cracked in back-to-back goals at 19:08 and 18:09 to put the Rebels back in the picture at 6-4.

At the 11:30 mark referee Moulton started to wave Winchester players into the penalty box. When his final call was registered 3:40 before the final buzzer seven consecutive minors and one game misconduct had been doled out to the home team — in the last 8:30 of the game.

The final picture was starting to come into focus.

Former Hawk defender Steve Owens cut the gap to 6-5 on a powerplay drive from the point at 8:06. Captain Addison Pelkey tied it up on a coast-to-coast rush at 6:05 and Chad Carter won it scoring on another Rebel powerplay with 2:50 remaining.

Carter's goal completed the Rebel rally and made the final picture crystal clear.

Char-Lan improved to 12-16-2-3 with the 7-6 win, while Winchester fell to 14-15-4-1. The Hawks have 33 points and 11 games to play while the Rebels are four points back in fifth place with 29 and a dozen games to go.

That elusive fourth and final semi-final slot could come down to a home-and-home series between the Hawks and Rebels (Feb. 10 in Winchester and Feb. 11 in Williamstown) one week before the end of the season.

FUMING

Winchester GM Craig Smith filled in for head coach Todd Marcellus on the weekend and was extremely upset with what transpired on Sunday afternoon.

"Char-Lan played hard in the third period. We were a little flat and they used what they got to beat us. But the ref did a terrible job," said Smith.

"How can that happen? He let the teams play hockey for two periods and then does a third period like that?" continued the general manager.



Running Rebel

Rebel Steve Owens (#4) attempted to split Winchester's defensive pairing of Denis Gauthier (left) and Bobby Little on this rush during Sunday (Jan. 8) afternoon's match. Owens, who played in Winchester last season, scored once and assisted on the winning goal as Char-Lan rallied for a 7-6 win over the Hawks. Press Photo — Van Bridger

Smith said he knew the Rebels were fired up when Jarvo cashed in those two early goals. But is was just 6-4 and there was plenty of time. But as he watched six Winchester players being jammed into the box with less than eight minutes left to play it was obvious the jig was up.

"We aren't angels and I know we deserved some of the penalties. But when we get 10 penalties and Char-Lan gets three — something isn't right," added Smith.

"But we have to forget about Sunday and move on. We have to win as many games as we can and make the playoffs," said Smith.

Enright (2), Cameron (2), Trenholm and McFaul scored for the Hawks. Trenholm (3), Shawn Prince (2), Trent McBain, Denis Gauthier, Nik Paas, Geoff Winchester and McFaul collected assists. Kyle Neville worked the nets.

Jarvo paced the Char-Lan attack with three goals and six points. Owens, Pelkey, Carter and Michael Robertson supplied the singles. Leroy Swamp was the winning 'tender.

TOUGH SKED

Winchester will play host to the Rideau Division's South Grenville Rangers (23-6-0-0) Friday (Jan. 13) night at 8:30 pm and travel to Cornwall Island to tangle with the Akwesasne Wolves (1-30-1-0) the next night (Sat., Jan. 14).

BIG WIN

Winchester's first victory (in five tries) over the Kemptville 73s on Friday lost a bit of its shine thanks to Sunday's loss, but the 6-3 decision was certainly celebrated at its conclusion.

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Gloucester Devils vs. Ottawa Ice

Elite ringette comes to Metcalfe arena

METCALFE — Some of Canada's top ringette players are coming to Metcalfe.

The Larry Robinson Arena will be the site for an exhibition game on Saturday (Jan. 14) as the Gloucester Devils take on the Ottawa Ice. Competing in the Ontario division of the National Ringette League, these two local teams are part of Canada's ringette elite.

Ringette is a Canadian game that was first introduced in 1963 in North Bay, Ont. Developed originally for girls, ringette is a fast-paced team sport on ice in which players use a straight stick to pass, carry, and shoot a rubber ring to score goals. Ringette is now played in many countries around the world and Canada competes in the world championships every three years.

Metcalfe and District Ringette Association president Mike Donoghue is thrilled to have national level teams playing on Metcalfe's home ice. "Ringette is really a big part of the local community here, and to have these elite players come and play for the kids will be terrific," Donoghue said. "I'm hoping that any kids, or parents, out there who have been wondering what ringette is all about will come out and see for themselves how exciting it can be."

Game time at the Metcalfe arena on Sat., Jan. 14 is 5 pm. Kids get in free and admission for adults is $5. The provincial players will be on hand after the game to sign autographs, and will be hosting a free skills session for MDRA players between 8 and 9 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Moore leads Midget "B" Demons to 10th victory

WINCHESTER — With Colin Shay sidelined by a shoulder injury coach Jeff Derue asked Dean Moore to wear the "C" for Monday's Upper Canada Minor Hockey League home game against the NGS Braves.

Moore responded with a pair of goals and led the North Dundas Midget "B" Demons to a 4-2 victory in the Jan. 9 contest. The third-place Demons improved their record to 10-6-0 with the decision. North Dundas has eight games remaining in the regular season and next will host the Char-Lan Rebels on Mon., Jan. 16.

"It wasn't the prettiest game," remarked coach Derue. "The guys might have been a little tired. They played three games in the Long Sault tournament yesterday (Jan. 8), and that was after not playing for two weeks, so they were a bit off. But we will take the win."

Derue noted that the Demons won their first two tournament games only to be thwarted 2-1 by their arch rivals, the South Dundas Lions, in the "A" final.

"Man, we have trouble with Morrisburg (Lions). But it was a close game. I think the guys can beat them," he added.

The coach said that with his captain (Shay) out of the line up the team chemistry was off. He inserted affiliate Ryan Williams in Shay's spot, who responded with what would prove to be the winning goal.

"We sure miss Colin. Not having him in there throws things off. But Ryan did a good job for us," he added.



Adam Schofield celebrated his 11th goal of the season at 11:52 of the second period of Monday (Jan. 9) night's UCMHL contest. Schofield pumped home his own rebound on the play as the North Dundas Midget "B" Demons doubled the visiting NGS Braves 4-2. Dean Moore (2) and Ryan Williams supplied the other North Dundas goals. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

DEMONS 4 - BRAVES 2

Dave Sauve gave the Braves a 1-0 lead when he scored the only goal of the first period. North Dundas turned things around in the second when they surged into a 3-1 lead.

Moore's unassisted shot tied it up at 13:02. Adam Schofield was quick to make it 2-1 when he stuffed his own rebound into the back of the Braves cage at 11:52. Williams was next to connected and his marker, engineered by Travis Froats and Schofield at 7:04, would prove to be the winning goal.

Patrick Poirier cut the Braves' deficit to 3-2 when he put one in behind North Dundas 'tender Chad Kennedy with 7:59 left on the clock. That was the last shot to elude Kennedy's grasp.

Moore came through with the insurance marker when he hit the empty net in the final minute of the game, seconds after his first attempt had gone wide of the yawning cage. Froats picked up his second assist of the game and team-leading 18th of the season on the play.

North Dundas drew eight and NGS seven penalties.

McRae cracks in winning goal 2.7 seconds before final buzzer



Smothering defence

North Dundas defencemen Taylor Johnson and Justin Hanes (#12) made sure a Kemptville forward wasn't able to push the puck in behind goalie Kyle Greer on this play. The Bantam "B" Demons scratched out a 3-2 victory over the Panthers thanks to Ryan McRae's late goal.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

WINCHESTER — Ryan McRae pounced on a loose puck and whipped it into the back of the Panthers' cage. His shot stopped the clock 2.7 seconds before the final buzzer. McRae's dramatic tally broke a 2-2 tie and lifted the North Dundas Bantam "B" Demons to a 3-2 victory over the visitors from Kemptville.

McRae not only cracked in the winning goal, he scored the tying goal and assisted on linemate Philip Duncan's opening goal at 12:12 of the first period of the Jan. 4 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League contest.

North Dundas pressured the Kemptville zone in the final minutes of the Eastern Division contest, but weren't able to fool Panther 'tender Brandon Schoonderbeek until McRae scored from that scramble in the dying seconds.

The victory put the brakes on a three-game losing skid the Demons had been in and improved their fourth-place record to 9-5-2. Cornwall leads the standings with Char-Lan, Morrisburg, North Dundas and Alexandria rounding out the top five spots.

Demons coach Dale Murdoch was relieved to see the losing string snapped and was happy to get the win, but he wasn't pleased with the way his troops rode to victory.

"Yes, it was nice to finally get that win. But when you consider that Kemptville only had won just one game all year and almost got the tie, you can see why I wasn't really satisfied. The guys aren't playing at the level they were five or six games ago, but I'm sure they will turn it around," offered the coach.

The Demons go to Kemptville on Sun., Jan. 15 for a return match with the Panthers before hosting the Akwesasne Wolves on Wed., Jan. 18 at 7 pm.

Duncan gave the Demons a 1-0 lead when he finished off a play created by Chris Embury and McRae at 12:12 of period one. The Panthers tied it up at 8:02 of the same frame on a goal netted by Tim Probert.

An unassisted marker by Connor Doyle put the Panthers up 2-1 at 6:15 of period two, but McRae evened the score when he converted a feed from Embury and Duncan into a 2-2 tie 1:58 before the end of the session.

A rebound from a defenceman Michael Cross drive provided McRae with the opportunity for the game-winning goal.

North Dundas was whistled for five, and Kemptville six, minor infractions.



30-goal man

Hawks forward Steve Cameron (#20) put the puck in under Kemptville goaltender Nick Martin 15 seconds into Friday's (Jan. 6) St. Lawrence Junior "B" Division contest. Cameron helped Winchester to a 6-3 win over the visiting 73s by scoring twice and adding two assists. He pegged two more goals in Sunday's (Jan. 8) 7-6 loss to Char-Lan and now has 30 goals, 31 assists in 32 games. Press Photo — Duncan

Hawks

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"Everybody played well tonight," offered assistant coach Dereck Holmes. "Kemptville was missing a few guys, but that's hockey, every team goes through it."

Winchester re-introduced Inkerman's Colin Bowie, and the Smiths Falls Jr. "A" Bears forward responded with a goal. He played one season (2003-04) with the Hawks before going to the CJHL. Bowie, 19, is now eligible to play in Winchester next season.

"Colin is a big boy and he really helped us out," said Smith.

The Hawks led the 73s 1-0 after a period and 4-1 after 40 minutes. Cameron produced two goals and two assists for the winners. Bowie, McFaul, Prince and Paas (winning goal) were the other scorers. Enright (2), Cameron (2), Gauthier, Trenholm, McBain, Bobby Little and Paas earned assists. Jon Thornton was solid posting his eighth win.

Tommy Black, Travis Vandentillaard and Brandon Byrd replied for Kemptville.

Smith unbeatable in River Rats net, posts two shut outs

RUSSELL — Goalie Travis Smith played a pair of perfect hockey games as the Russell Atom "B" River Rats whitewashed both the Gloucester Blackhawks and the Orleans Blues.

Gloucester was the first victim of Smith's flawless tending as they fell by a 2-0 count. Wade Kropp cashed in a feed from Eamon Colvin and Nathan Avery for the winning goal. Cody Lavictoire, an affiliate player from the house league squad, then added the insurance marker polishing off a play started by Eric Smith late in the second period.

Minor Rats affiliate player Adam Filion fired home a relay from Colvin for what would prove to be the deciding goal in the 4-0 win over Orleans. Seven seconds later, Colvin made it 2-0 connecting from Filion and Kropp. With three minutes left in the opening frame the Rats widened their lead to 3-0 when Kropp scored from Dylan Arnprior. Colvin produced his second goal of the match early in the third finishing off an opportunity started by Adam Guilbault.

Smith's defensive support was supplied by Katie Baker, Tommy Olney, Jordan Sheldrick and Mathieu Lussier. Chance McTiernan, Alex DiRaimo and Owen Stewart provided Russell's strong fore check.

Meet the Hawks



Brent McFaul No. 6, Defence

Brent McFaul took part in the Winchester Hawks training camp in the fall of 2004, but wound up playing that season with the St. Isidore Eagles of the EOJCHL. The Russell native attended North Dundas District High School and is currently enrolled at Algonquin College in Ottawa. The Hawk defenceman will turn 20 later this month. McFaul, who wears jersey No. 6, has scored five goals and picked up seven assists in 31 games. The 6' 2" rearguard has also served 200 minutes in penalties.

Downey, McCadden lead teams to victory

Classics, Maroons retain tie for first place

WINCHESTER — Diane Downey and Carrie McCadden played prominent roles as their hockey teams won their first Winchester District Ladies Hockey League games of 2006. Downey fired in the winning goal for Andy's Foodland Maroons as they edged the CountryGirl Gold Diggers 2-1. McCadden posted the shutout as the Classics blanked the Double Beauty Stylists 4-0.

Their victories on Sunday (Jan. 8) morning left the Maroons and Classics tied with 15 points and in a tie for first place. They also share identical 6-2-3 records. The Maroons have scored more goals, 26 to the Classics' 22, but the Classics have given up just 12 goals to the 14 surrender by their rivals.

Sunday's 10 am contest produced a 2-1 win for the third-place Annable's Blues (6-4-1) over the fourth-place Reds (5-4-2).

MAROONS 2 - COUNTRYGIRL 1

Cheryle Canning's first goal of the season was set up by Sandra Cloutier at 11:02 of the first half of the game and put Andy's Maroons up 1-0. There was 4:47 left in the same frame when Downey used a feed from Amy Darling to open up a 2-0 lead. Her mark would proved to be the deciding shot because the CountryGirls only managed to net one puck and that came with just 59 seconds left on the clock. Karla Marshall used a pass provided by Cheryl Hamilton to ruin Sylvie Renaud's shut-out bid.

CLASSICS 4 - STYLISTS 0

Captain Amy Fraser figured in on three of her teams' four goals and Carrie McCadden provided flawless goaltending as the Classics silenced the Stylists 4-0.

Isabel Dagenais used a play started by Fraser and Karen benoit to give her team their winning goal at 18:35 of the first half. Fraser then opened up a 2-0 lead connecting from Dagenais and Nancy Beavers 4:48 before the intermission. Beavers drew her second assist helping Fraser make it 3-0 at 15:45 of the second session. Edith Dagenais put the finishing touches on the win making it 4-0 after taking a pass from Eleanor Robinson 5:15 before the final buzzer.

BLUES 2 - REDS 1

Laurie Marriner's first goal of the season was set up by Tara Verney and gave the Reds a 1-0 lead over the Annable's Jewellery Blues 9:53 before the half-time break.

That slim lead held up until the 15:56 mark of the second session. That's when Kelly Zeron tied it up with a pass sent her way with Christina Rombough.

Zeron struck again with 8:21 left on the clock and her shot proved to be the winning goal. Rombough and Sheri Richer assisted on the marker that made it a 2-1 final. Sandra Brunner posted the win and Krisite Wade suffered the one-goal setback.

Top-ranked Stars pummel Leafs 8-2

METCALFE — The first-place Stars opened the 2006 portion of the Metcalfe Mens Town Hockey League season cruising to an 8-2 victory over the number-four ranked Leafs.

Sunday's (Jan. 8) victory improved the Stars' record to 9-3-1. The MTHL leaders have outscored the opposition 59-39. The loss dropped the Leafs to a game under 500 at 5-6-2.

In Sunday's other matches the number-two rated Senators (8-4-1) doubled the sixth-place Blues (2-10-1) 4-2 and the third-place Penguins (8-5-0) crushed the fifth-place Canadians 7-2.

The Stars, 8-1-1 in their last 10 starts, top the standings with 19 points. The Senators are second with 17 and the Penguins third with 16. The Leafs are four back in fourth with a dozen points. The Canadians and Blues round out the rankings with nine and five points, respectively.

Sandy Row golfers try Florida course

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — Florida was the location for the first Men's Night tour in 2006 at Sandy Row Golf Course.

The indoor Golf 'O' Max offered up Innisbrook Golf Club in Palm Harbour Florida for play on Wed., Jan. 3. Merv Coons dropped his shot closest to the pin while Kevin Whitteker, Dennis Casselman and Steve Tupper carded the low gross scores.



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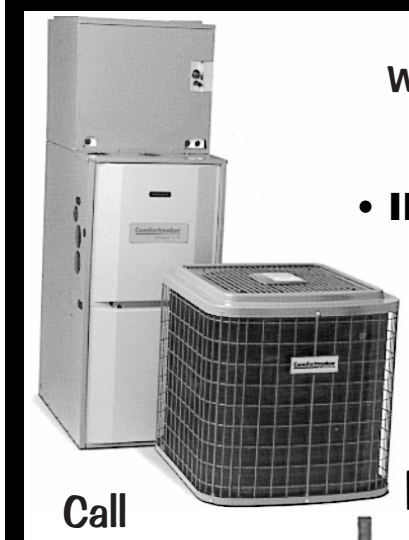

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Rams, Rangers registered first WTHL wins of new year

WINCHESTER — Derek Vingerhoeds cracked in the deciding goal as Currie's Rams knocked off Bud's Cyclones 7-4 and used the victory to secure sole possession of first place in the Winchester Town Hockey League standings.

The Jan. 3 verdict opened the 2006 portion of the campaign and left the Rams (8-0-4) as the only undefeated team in the circuit. The Cyclones (8-1-3) fell to one point behind the Rams who lead the rankings with 20.

The opening game on the Tuesday night twin bill was a battle of the basement dwellers with Blake's Rangers prevailing by a 9-4 over Willy's Flyers. The Rangers (2-9-1) moved back into third place, one point ahead of the Flyers (1-9-2).

Barett Brundige wound up with both wins, first backstopping his Rangers in their decision over the Flyers and filling in for Chris Currie, then helping the Rams knock of the Cyclones.

Mike Thompson and Tory Baldwin were four-point producers for the Rangers as they shot down the Flyers 9-4. Both forwards scored a pair of goals and both also set up two scoring plays as the Rangers won for the second time. Paul Politte, Scott Reaney and Al Christophersen snapped in the single shots. Dana Schofield (2), Baldwin (2), Christophersen (2), Thompson (2), Justin Heuff and Victor Blake collected helper points.

John Drew pegged a pair of points for the Flyers while Darrel Moore clicked for his 12th goal and drew two assists. Chris Williams netted the other goal. Kevin Williams picked up an assist.

RAMS 7 - CYCLONES 4

Francis Dagenais delivered two goals and picked up an assist as the Rams handed the Cyclones their first defeat of the season. Chris Hart, Scott Baldwin, Spencer Dawson, Stef Gravelle and Vingerhoeds supplied the single markers. Vingerhoeds (2), Dagenais, Gravelle, Baldwin, Justin Morozuk, John Nadobny, Josh McLean and Jamie McIntosh provided the passes.

Cyclone Robyn Sadler responded with two goals while Craig "Bud" Holmes and John Guy fired in single shots. Assists went to Holmes (2), Guy, Sadler and John Chambers.



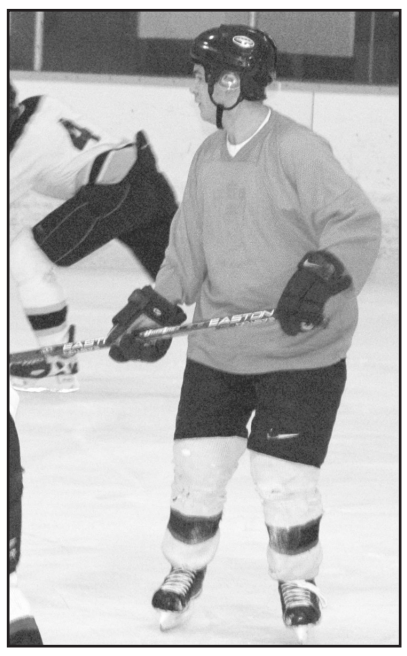
Hockey heros

The Winchester Junior "B" Hawks welcomed the North Dundas Initiation "B" and "C" Demons to play mini games during the intermissions of Sunday's (Jan. 8) game against the Char-Lan Rebels. The Initiation "B" Demons played the first intermission before posing with several of their favorite Hawks. Back (Left) - Demons coach Jeff Holmes, Hawks Trent McBain, captain Nik Paas, Chad Kight, Darren Trenholm and Demons coach Dave Van Bruinessen. The Demons are (not in order) - Anna Fawcett, Jayme Henry, Shaina Vandemheen, Walker Baldwin, Kara Bartholomew, Lindsay Cummins, Tyannah Lee, Christian Francis, Lauryn Henry, Jordan Peterkin, Brayden Roberts, Brandon VanBruinessen, Mitchell VanBruinessen, Liam Drouin, Kurtis McLean and Avery Holmes. Note: 13 of 16 team members played.



Future Hawks

Nick Enright (back, left), Alex Campbell, Bobby Little and Alex Krumins of the Winchester Junior "B" Hawks posed with members of the North Dundas Initiation "C" Demons following a mini game played between the second and third periods of Sunday's (Jan. 8) St. Lawrence Division game against the Char-Lan Rebels. The "B" Demons played during the first intermission. All of the future Hawks were treated to chips and sodas by the Winchester Lions Club. The "C" Demons are (not in order) - Justin Shay, Drew Cotnam, Evan Durant, Brett Lannin, Joshua Minish, Brodie Barkley, Jack Messervey, Rhyce Sherrer, Jack VanKessel, Tyler Anderson and Kyle DeJong. *Press Photos — Van Bridger*



Two for Drew

John Drew pegged a pair of goals for Willy's Flyers who came out on the short end of a 9-4 result in a game against Blake's Rangers. The Rangers, powered by the four-point efforts of Mike Thompson and Tory Baldwin, used the Jan. 3 decision to move out of the WTRHL basement.

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Nyenkamp rings up winner for Hornets

ARNPRIOR — Melissa Nyenkamp converted a play created by Kelsey Nyentap into the game-winning goal as the Metcalfe Tween "B" Hornets knocked off the Arnprior Devils 4-3 in National Capital Region Ringette League action.

Arnprior tied the game up 3-3 in the second half of the Jan. 7 encounter, but the Hornets buzzed the opposition's cage in the final minute of the match and came up with the deciding goal.

Metcalfe skated out to a 2-0 lead by cracking in a pair of goals in the first five minutes of play. Jessica Facette tucked in the first after taking a short pass from Lauren Brown. Megan Vriend then provided the pass and Meghan Kelly fired it home to make it 2-0. Arnprior cut their deficit to 2-1 putting the ring behind Heather MacKenzie, who was making her first start as a goalie, 45 seconds before the half.

The Devils tied it 2-2 but Kelly replied with Metcalfe's third goal scoring on a breakaway after taking a feed from Nyentap. Arnprior responded 20 seconds later with the tying goal (3-3), setting the stage for Nyenkamp's last-minute heroics.

Sports Scoreboard

Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League

Rideau - St. Lawrence Division

RECENT RESULTS:

Jan. 6: Amherstview 8 - Westport 7 OT
Winchester 6 - Kemptville 3
Alexandria 10 - Char-Lan 2
Morrisburg 7 - Akwesasne 1

Jan. 7: **All-Star Game**
Rideau Vets 9 - St. Lawrence 8
Rideau Rookies 4 - St. Lawrence 3
Rideau Alumni 8 - St. Lawrence 4

Jan. 8: Char-Lan 7 - Winchester 6
Kemptville 4 - Alexandria 3
Athens 12 - North Frontenac 2
S. Grenville 6 - Akwesasne 0
Brockville 6 - Amherstview 5 OT

STANDINGS:

Rideau:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Westport	27	4	0	245	119	55
S. Grenville	22	6	0	177	91	44
Brockville	14	14	2	154	124	31
Gananoque	10	16	2	153	157	25
Athens	7	23	0	133	217	15
St. Lawrence:	**W**	**L**	**T**	**GF**	**GA**	**PTS**
Alexandria	21	9	2	166	117	44
Morrisburg	21	11	0	195	148	42
Kemptville	20	11	0	188	158	41
Winchester	14	15	4	132	156	33
Char-Lan	12	16	2	152	184	29
Akwesasne	1	30	1	99	247	3

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Rideau Division:			
Scott Leppard, West.	40	57	97
Bill Donaldson, West.	38	45	83
Matt Steele, West.	35	46	81
Steve Biscaro, West.	23	35	58
Nathan Murray, Athens	22	30	52
Julien Francis, SG	20	24	44
St. Lawrence Division:	**G**	**A**	**PTS**
Steve Jarvo, C-L	46	35	81
Cory Gove, Morris.	38	33	71
Tyler Rasa, Kempt.	32	39	71
Dylan Graveley, Morris.	23	47	70
Pat Turcotte, C-L	19	50	69
Mike Moher, Kempt.	31	34	65
Peter Barnett, Morris.	22	39	61
Steve Cameron, Win.	30	31	61
Nik Paas, Win.	19	41	61

EOJBHL

Metro Division

RECENT RESULTS:

Jan. 3: Clarence Creek 5 - South Ottawa 4
Jan. 5: Ottawa West 6 - South Ottawa 3
Jan. 6: Metcalfe Jets 7 - Gatineau 5
Jan. 8: Clarence Creek 6 - Metcalfe Jets 5
Arnprior 4 - Gatineau 3

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Clarence Creek	26	4	1	184	96	53
Ottawa West	20	7	2	145	100	43
Metcalfe Jets	15	11	2	129	137	34
South Ottawa	14	14	0	139	143	32
Gatineau	9	19	1	123	158	20

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

METRO TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Mike Wallace, OW	29	28	57
Martin Paquette, CC	21	33	54
Corey Thibaudeau, SC	20	30	50
Sammy Majic, OW	17	33	50
Dan Sauve, CC	10	40	50
Kevin Sousa, Gat.	27	21	48
Carl Blanchard, CC	21	23	44
Brent Quinn, Perth	16	27	43

Winchester Town Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS:

Jan. 3: Rangers 9 - Flyers 4
Rams 7 - Cyclones 4

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Currie's Rams	8	0	4	66	42	20
Bud's Cyclones	8	1	3	77	49	19
Blake's Rangers	2	9	1	43	56	5
Willy's Flyers	1	9	2	44	75	4

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Craig Holmes, Cyclones	24	19	43
Robyn Sadler, Cyclones	19	19	38
Scott Baldwin, Rams	14	10	24
John Guy, Cyclones	13	10	23
Francis Dagenais, Rams	9	13	22
Stef Gravelle, Rams	13	8	21
Mike Deighton, Cyclones	7	14	21
John Drew, Flyers	5	14	19
Will McLean, Flyers	7	11	18
Darrel Moore, Flyers	12	5	17
Josh McLean, Rams	7	10	17
Tory Baldwin, Rangers	5	11	16
Al Christophersen, Rangers	9	6	15
Spencer Dawson, Rams	5	10	15

Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS:

Jan. 8: Maroons 2 - CountryGirl 1
Classics 4 - Stylists 0
Annable's Blues 2 - Reds 1

STANDINGS:	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Andy's Maroons	6	2	3	26	14	15
Classics	6	2	3	22	12	15
Blues	6	4	1	16	14	13
Reds	5	4	2	16	14	12
DB Stylists	2	7	2	18	31	6
CountryGirl	2	8	1	13	24	5

TOP SCORERS:	G	A	PTS
Sandra Clouthier, Maroons	8	5	13
Dianne Downey, Maroons	4	9	13
Edith Dagenais, Classics	7	4	11
Amy Darling, Maroons	3	6	9
Carrie Gilmour, DB	6	2	8
Amy Fraser, Classics	6	1	7
Shannon Thompson, DB	3	4	7
Kelly Zeron, Blues	5	1	6
T. Klein-Swormink, Maroons	5	1	6
Cheryl Hamilton, CG	4	2	6
Eleanor Robinson, Classics	3	3	6
Allison Wigney, Classics	0	6	6

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Rideau-St. Lawrence Division

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks
Home Games
Fri., Jan. 13
8:15 pm
South Grenville Rangers
vs. Hawks

Sat., Jan. 21
8:15 pm
Morrisburg Lions vs Hawks

Metro Division

Metcalfe Jr. "B" Jets
Home Games
Fri., Jan. 13
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40-43c

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43-44c

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43-44

HELP WANTED – Experienced waitress/waiter required. Apply in person at the Main Bar and Grill, 8210 Victoria St., Metcalfe or call 821-5557.

43-44c

HELP WANTED – Snowplow/spreader operator. Highway maintenance firm requires operators to sand and salt Highway 401. Position is seasonal, in the Morrisburg area. Must have minimum DZ licence and clean abstract. Fax resume to 613-544-6719.

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FOR RENT – 2-bedroom apartment $650, South Mountain area. Heat included, no pets. Available immediately. Call 989-2103, 445-3257 or 989-1952.

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42-45

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Birth Notice

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QUESNEL – On Sunday, December 25, 2005, Olivia Kelly was born, 8 lb., 4 oz, at the Ottawa General Hospital. Big brother Joel and proud parents Etienne and Alison (Kelly) have something to celebrate this holiday season. Tickled pink are grandparents Myra Kelly and Joan and Pierre Quesnel. Watching over Olivia from above are her guardian angels Grandpa Gordon, Grandma Nicole and Aunt Nona whose birthday was December 25. Happily welcomed by great-grandmas Bessie Quinn and Hugette Latreille and a loving extended family.

43

Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS – Denzil and Eleanor Robinson wish to thank everyone for their cards and calls of good wishes for their 50th Wedding Anniversary, December 28. All were much appreciated.

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In Memoriam

Ferguson (Byers), Marsha
1965-2005

There is a sad but sweet remembrance,
There is a memory fond and true;
There is not a day, dear Marsha,
That we do not think of you.
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Upright and just in all her ways,
Loyal and true through all her days.
Silently suffered, patiently bore,
God took her home to suffer no more.
– Sadly missed by Orleen (Larrie), Tom (Carol), John (Gail), George (Shelley) and Ann (Eric) and families
43

SHAW – In memory of our father and grandfather, Ralph, who passed away on January 3, 1988 and our mother and grandmother, Helen, on January 10, 1994.
Always loved, greatly missed, never forgotten.
– The Zrymiak and Shaw Families
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CRAIG – In memory of Elwood, who passed away January 15, 1992.
There will always be a heartache
And so many silent tears.
But always precious memories
Of days when you were here.
We hold you close within our hearts,
And there you will remain.
To walk with us throughout our life
Until we meet again.
– Love, Ida, Christopher, Barbara, and Justin
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Coming Events

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Winchester Wedding Showcase, Thurs., Feb. 23, 2006 7-9:30 pm, Winchester Lions Hall. For invitation please phone 774-2783, 774-2102 or 774-3341 or email: thecountryboy@bellnet.ca.
39-44

AUDITIONS
Who's In Bed With The Butler? An American farce written by Michael Parker. WHEN: Fri., Jan. 20 at 7 pm and Sat., Jan. 21 at 3 pm. THE PLAY: Who's in Bed with the Butler, a comedy in 2 acts. NEEDED: 3 men (any age) and 5 women (any age). Production crew also needed. Call Glenna at 448-1873 or e-mail at gwalkden@sympatico.ca for more information. Dundas County Players meets at our rehearsal space, located on the second floor of the Old Town Hall, at the corner of Main and Center Streets in Winchester.
43-44c

SPAGHETTI
GAMES NIGHT
EXTRAVAGANZA
At Winchester United Church, on Sat., Jan. 21 at 6 pm. $8 for adults and $4 for children under 12. Good food and fun filled evening. Please join us. Call the church office at 774-2512 or Sue Calhoun at 774-7053. Everyone welcome.
43c

SUCCESSFUL LIFESTYLE CHANGES
What can you learn from them? A Community Diabetes Information Session. Wed., Jan. 18, 7-8:30 pm, Conference Room, Lower Level, WDMH. Speaker: Deirdre Cooke, R.D., C.D.E. All welcome.
43c

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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION NOTICE
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GYS EUCHRE
Welcome everybody to the Seniors' Euchre, Thurs., Jan. 12, 7:30 pm, Lions Hall, Winchester. Lunch and Prizes. Info: 774-2134
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WING NIGHT
For the Mountain Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club, Thurs., Jan. 19, 6-11 pm at the Clubhouse.
43-44c

RETIREMENT SALE
All stock 1/2 price, Classique Bridal. By appointment only. Please call 774-5543.
43tfc

ON-FARM FOOD SAFETY PROGRAM
Sheep producers are invited to attend Leahurst House at Kemptville College, Thurs., Jan 12, 7:30 pm.
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ANNUAL MEETING
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District 13, Wed., Jan. 18, 9:30 am at Chesterville Legion.
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commencing at 10 am
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– Sharon & Brian, Karen & Rick, Barry, grandchildren and great-grandchildren

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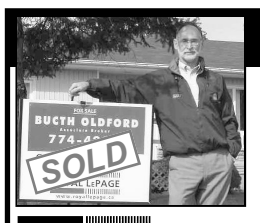

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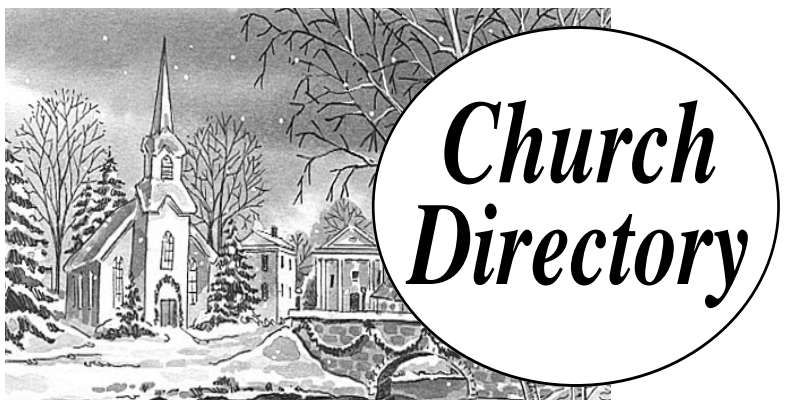

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7:00 pm - Prayer Service
Sunday, January 15
10:30 am - Morning Worship - Message: Pastor Jerry Wallace
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Sunday
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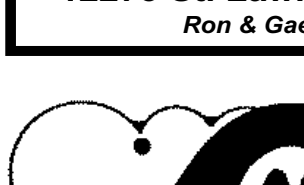

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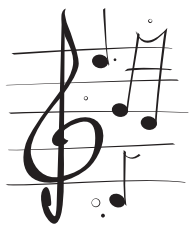

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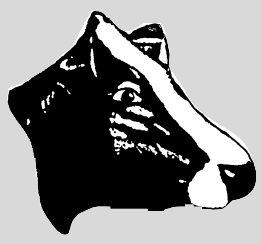

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Donald Chandler Keiver



Donald Chandler Keiver passed away at Dundas Manor in Winchester on Dec. 30, 2005. He was 77.

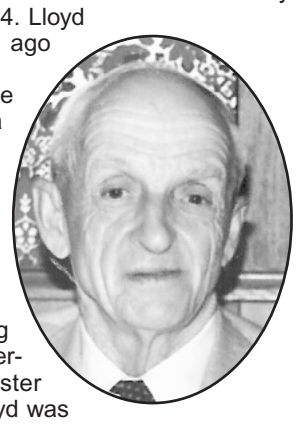
He was the son of the late Annie and Lamert Keiver. Donald was born on Oct. 26, 1928 in Nova Scotia. He was the beloved husband of the late Joyce Cross. Donald is the dear brother of Rae, Verna Giles, Shirley Palmer, and Jim, all of Nova Scotia. He was the brother-in-law of Pauline Sharkey, Jacqueline Cross (Clare Elliott), Carole Coughlar, all of Winchester and Danny Gordon of Kemptville. He was the beloved uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Friends were received at the Winchester Funeral Home on Jan. 1, 2006. The funeral service was held in the chapel on Jan. 2 with Rev. Bob Williams officiating. Burial followed at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville.

The pallbearers were Wade Keiver, Ron Coughlar, Bobby Sharkey, Michael Gordon, Keith Shaver, and Bruce Kerr. A reception was held at the Winchester United Church and was enjoyed by all.

Donations in memory of Don, may be made to the Dundas Manor Activity Fund or to the Canadian Diabetes Association.

Ellis "Lloyd" Merkley



Lloyd Merkley passed away peacefully at Bayfield Manor in Kemptville on Dec. 31, 2005. He was 92.

Lloyd was born in Winchester on Feb. 1, 1913 to George and Mary (nee Bogart) Merkley. Lloyd had two sisters Eileen and Lenora. At the age of 28, Lloyd married Leila Casselman and together they raised three children. Lloyd and Leila farmed together on River Road until they moved to Fred Street in Winchester in 1984. Lloyd remained in Winchester until three years ago when he moved to Bayfield Manor.

Lloyd is the beloved husband of the late Leila, and the cherished father of Barbara Ann (Morris Dewe) of Cornwall, Carol (Bill Coulthart) of Nepean, and Doug (Eleanor) of Greely. He was the adored grandfather of Tracy (Dave), Stephanie, Angela (Martin), Steve (Sherry), Ron (Melanie), Heather (Steve), and Janice. He was the dear great-grandfather of Michael, Avery, Caleb, and Charlotte. He was the loving brother and dear friend of Eileen and brother-in-law of Basil Casselman of Winchester Springs and Lois Casselman of Elma. Lloyd was predeceased by his sister, Lenora Holmes.

Friends were received at the Winchester Funeral Home on Jan. 3, 2006. The funeral service was held at the Winchester United Church on Jan. 4. Rev. Bob Williams officiated and offered a heartfelt tribute to Lloyd. The funeral service was a beautiful reflection of Lloyd's life and included special music played by Jennifer Buhr and Tammy McRae, and also Wayne Mosley, who sang "I Can Only Imagine." Pastor Steve West (husband of Heather) read the 23rd Psalm on behalf of Carol. The Psalm had comforted Lloyd greatly and was an important part of the service. Doug Merkley gave a eulogy fitting of a father who was kind, gracious, generous and loving. Burial followed at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville.

The pallbearers were Ron Merkley, Steve Coulthart, Jamie Pollock, Philip Pollock, George Holmes, and Dale Whittaker. Honorary pallbearers were Glen Vasey, Gerritt Oosterbaan, Lyle Munro, and Morris Korevaar. The reception which followed was hosted by the Winchester UCW and was enjoyed by all.

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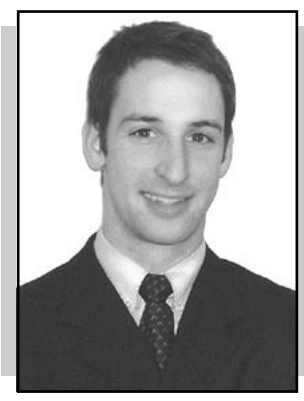

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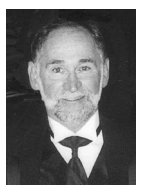

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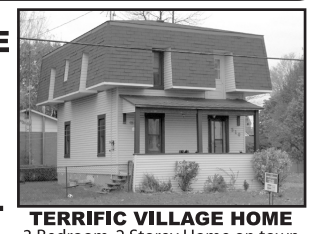

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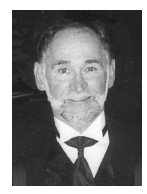

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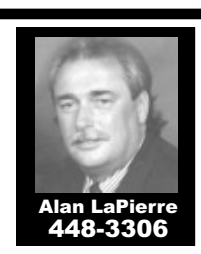

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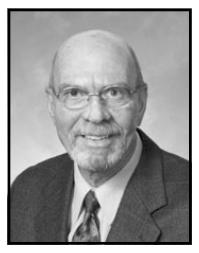

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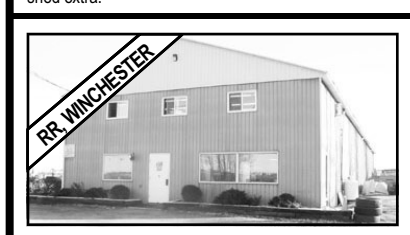

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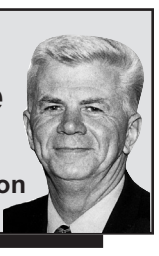

Hat's in the ring

METCALFE — I want to take this opportunity to announce that on Jan. 3, I registered as a candidate for Osgoode Ward councillor in the November municipal election. While rumors were circulating that I was — I must admit I had considered — retiring after 23 years of service, I will be a candidate for Osgoode Ward councillor.

ADVISORY COUNCIL

Everyone is welcome to attend the next advisory council meeting, which will be held on Tues., Jan. 17, from 7 to 9 pm at the Metcalfe Client Service Centre — the former Metcalfe Town Hall.

ICE STORM HEROES

Last week marked the eighth anniversary of the beginning of Ice Storm '98 — a period in our communities' history that exemplified how tremendous our residents are in the face of great adversity. On Sun., Jan. 29, I am hosting an evening of celebration, "Remembering our Ice Storm Heroes" at the Greely Community Centre. The doors open at 6:30 pm for guests to view displays and reminisce with fellow residents and special guests. At 7 pm, we will begin a program of introducing hydro, police, fire health, political, media, and community heroes who helped us through our difficult ice storm days. As well, we plan to have musical and visual presentations. The evening is part of the Greely Winter Carnival. The bar will be open during the evening. Donations at the door will be used to cover the cost of the hall rental.

OSGOODE CARNIVAL

Jim and Renée Devenny, working on behalf of the Osgoode Lions Club (Carnival sponsors), have a huge number of volunteers who have put together a wonderful set of activities running between Jan. 14 and 26. Events include a snowball tournament, a euchre tournament, a kids fun day, a spaghetti supper at St. Paul's Anglican Church, bingo, and much more.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

The Metcalfe Golf Course Hall was overflowing with family, friends, and relatives to help Joan and Floyd Latimer celebrate a wonderful occasion. It was a real honor to be part of the evening, recognizing the special 50th anniversary of a couple who have contributed a great deal to our community.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REQUIRES VOLUNTEERS

The Osgoode Township Historical Society and Museum in Vernon is looking for more volunteers to help serve on boards and committees, to help update policies and procedures, and perform some of the following administration duties: assembling publications; researching articles for newsletters; answering e-mail and phone queries; fundraising; organizing special events; cataloguing; recording; arranging displays; collecting items of historical interest; photocopying; organizing files; computer input; Internet research and more. Basic skills range from an interest in history and a desire to help record our past, to basic computer or typing skills. Volunteers must be alive and walking. The museum is open Tuesday to Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm. Please call the museum at 613-821-4062 and offer your expertise. Check out the website at www.magma.ca/~oths.

NEW PROGRAMS

The City of Ottawa has many recreation programs starting in January and February for all ages: Cooking classes for kids; art classes and workshops for children and youth; dinner and a movie for youth; girls night out; Above the Rim basketball; leadership in training; babysitting courses; fitness classes; yoga; and much more. Whatever your interest, we have a great program for you. For a full listing of programs or more information call Amy Morris at 580-2424, extension 30264.

Bring on the beads

Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball to raise cash for Dundas hospice



WINCHESTER — It was the party of the year last year, and it's coming back. A Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball will be held at the Winchester Community Centre on Feb. 4 to raise money for the Dundas County Hospice.

Last year, most people got into the spirit of New Orleans with costumes and masks, and the event raised $10,000 for the hospice.

"We're looking to top last year's totals," said Larry Michaud, the event's organizer.

"We were so pleased with last year's event," said Reina Dejong of the Dundas County Hospice.

The Mumbo Jumbo Voodoo Combo will again supply the Cajun tunes. Michaud explained that the band members are looking forward to coming back, as they were impressed with the high number of people that wore masks and dressed up last year. On the Mumbo Jumbo website, last year's ball is touted as, "the best masked event we've ever played; rockin' from the word go!"

This year, Max Keeping will be the emcee for the evening. The fundraiser will also feature two Tarot card readers, belly dancers, a Crown and Anchor game, and a live auction conducted by auctioneer Kerry Irven.

"We're still looking for more auction items," said Michaud.

There will be Cajun food to please the palate as well. Whalesbone Oyster and Catering Company will provide the oysters and crawdads, and South Mountain's The Laughing Wren will serve up jambalaya and po' boy sandwiches.

Dejong explained that the funding helps the hospice care for people in Dundas County that are living with a terminal illness.

"We are currently taking care of 51 clients in the county," she said.

A loan cupboard is one of the things the money raised will help support. The hospice loans out equipment such as electric chairs and other mobility aids, and also provides clients with necessities such as nutritional supplements.

"Anything that will give them comfort that isn't offered by the health care system we try to provide," said Dejong.

Twice a month the agency, located at the Park Lane Villa Seniors' Support Centre in Williamsburg, runs a day hospice for ill clients. Those attending are treated to pedicures, massages, lunch, guest speakers, and craft activities. Transportation to and from the day hospice is provided if needed.

"It allows the primary caregiver some time to themselves," explained Dejong.

The hospice also offers a caregiver support group and conducts a bereavement program four times per year.

Tickets to the Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball are $12 in advance and can be purchased from Lola's Emporium on Main Street in Winchester. They will be $15 at the door. Corporate tables are also available.

Be sure to show up in costume. Boas, beads, and some masks are available at Lola's.

"The idea is to make it as glitzy as possible," said Michaud.

Hospice video program creates timeless memories

WILLIAMSBURG — After over a year of preparation, the Dundas County Hospice has launched its Messages and Memories program, to allow terminally ill clients to create everlasting memories for their families using video equipment.

"Our board is very excited about this program," said Carol Froats, administrative co-ordinator for the hospice. "It's a bit of a pilot project — there are not a lot of projects like this in Ontario, so we're going at it with a bit of trial and error."

The video equipment was purchased through donations and is available on loan to all hospice clients or their direct families.

"It [the program] was the brainchild of some of our board members," explained Froats. "They thought it might be a nice idea for families, to have loved ones record messages and memories."

Froats warned that the equipment cannot be used for living wills.

"These are not legal documents in any way," she said. "Just nice messages and memories."

Clients can record significant celebrations, like birthdays and weddings, or can record a message for a future event. A terminally ill parent may wish to record a message to wish a child luck on graduation or prom.

Froats explained that the hospice has a volunteer who will assist clients who are apprehensive about using the equipment.

"He's an expert in his field, and not frightened by the technology by any means," she said. "But the equipment is very simple to operate; not complex at all." Froats said she dissected the 300-page instruction manual and condensed it to a few simple steps, and so far, the hospice has received very positive feedback on the program.

"We were told the equipment was easy to run and that the instructions were quite clear," Froats said. "As always, we're client oriented — everything we do is for them."

The program was up and running in October, and since that time, only one client has taken advantage of the use of the equipment.

"I don't believe it will be something that's used on a weekly basis," Froats said. "But there's a lot of value in the program, for everyone. I think it will be well used in the future."

The hospice has set a limit on the equipment loan of two weeks, "but we're flexible," said Froats. "We don't want anyone to feel rushed."

Right now, the hospice has about 50 clients, and Froats thanked the more than 80 volunteers who help in all facets of the organization.

"Without them, we wouldn't be able to have a program like this," she said. "[I thank] our supporters, as well."

The hospice has partnerships with Winchester District Memorial Hospital, the Alzheimer Society, the Association of Bereaved Families, the Cancer Society, and the Community Care Access Centres of Ontario.

"For the client, it's important that they know they have messages to leave," Froats said. "And for the family, it can actually be of comfort in their bereavement."

Cruise ship stories warm up meeting

WINCHESTER — The year started on a positive note for the St. Paul's Ladies Aid on Mon., Jan. 2. After Doris Baker opened the meeting with a warm welcome, the ladies sang the hymn "Standing on the Portal," with Arlene Nesbitt accompanying on the piano.

Jan Clapp led devotions — an insightful study on New Year's resolutions. As Jan pointed out, planning time for God and committing to spending this time is one resolution we should all have.

Officers for 2006 were elected: Doris Baker and Jan Clapp as co-presidents; Phyllis MacMaster as secretary; Carol Zubatuk as treasurer; Norma Duncan will be in charge of cards and gifts; and Kathy Spruit was elected press reporter. Volunteers also signed up for making lunch and taking devotions.

Another item of business was the discussion of "Can Save for Can HAVE." Decorated cans were handed out to all who wished to save coins for "Can HAVE" (Canadians Helping AIDS Victims with Education), a registered non-governemental charitable organization that provides support for Ugandan children orphaned by the AIDS virus through education, medicine, food, and clothing. These cans will also be made available to the congregation.

Amy Baker put the finishing touch on the meeting by sharing her rewarding experience as a staff member on a cruise ship. A graduate of Brock University, Amy spent the last year and a half working with youth on Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines. She has visited many beautiful locations on several tours: the eastern and western Caribbean tours; the Alaskan tours; the Hawaiian tours; and the Mexican Riviera tour that included travelling through the Panama Canal.

Amy also helped organize a new program for children under the age of three, with Fisher Price, and aptly handled teaching other staff members the new program. The previous program for youth, Adventures Ocean, started at three years and included activites for those up to 17 years.

Colorful memorabilia and pictures enhanced Amy's presentation, and also revealed the enriching relationships she had developed, not only with other staff members, but also with the local people on the islands.

The ladies thank Amy for "warming up" the first meeting of the year, and wish her continued success in her career path, as she completes her education as a teacher in Australia. The ladies' thoughts and prayers will be with her.

The meeting was adjourned with the hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds," followed by the Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting will take place on Mon., Feb. 6. Roll call will be answered by presenting something hand-made. All ladies are welcome.



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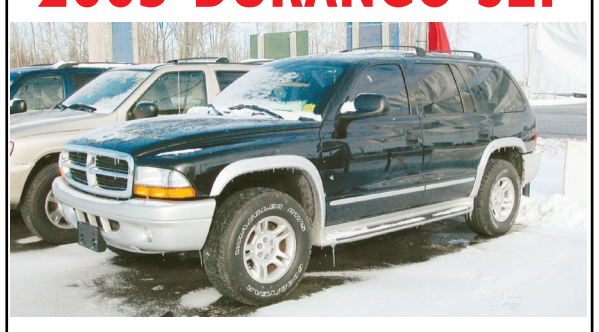

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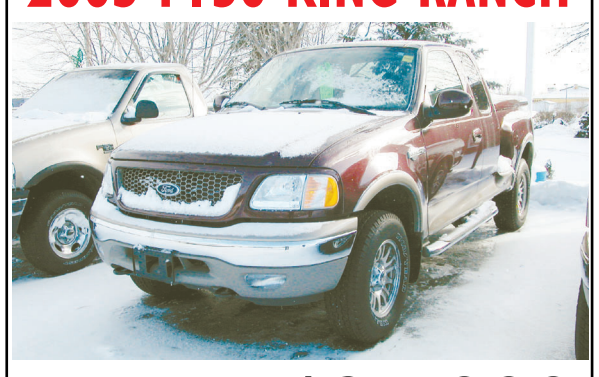

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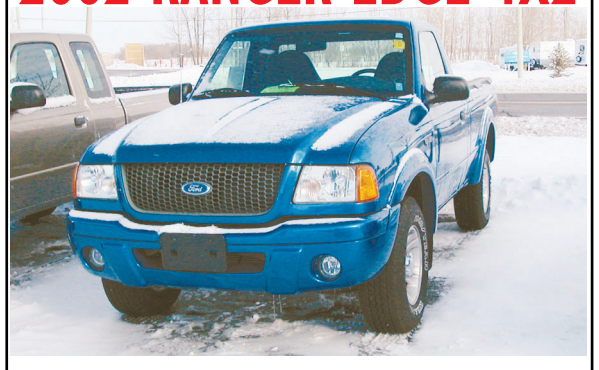

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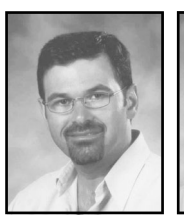
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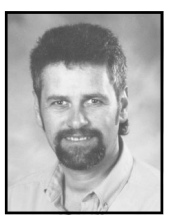
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