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Improv champs

North Dundas District High School's junior improv team is this year's Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry champions, claiming the title following a final showcase Thurs., Dec. 10 at the Maple Ridge educational facility. It was the first-ever win for the school's junior entrants. Pictured are Tasha Soltesz (left), Erika Suttle, Veronica Thompson, Emily Cooper, Destiny Suttle, and Madison Quesnel. For more coverage, see page 9.

Press Photo – Uhrig



Brazen robbery attempt foiled

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

SOUTH MOUNTAIN – A daring duo had their mid-morning robbery attempt foiled Tues., Dec. 8 after some quick-thinking locals caught on to the suspicious activity, tipping off the OPP.

Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) officers, with support from multiple other units, took down the pair shortly after 9:30 am.

According to reports from passersby, the Main Street area of South Mountain was teeming with police officers, both uniformed and undercover, throughout the duration of the takedown and subsequent investigation.

Others report as many as 20 police cruisers in the vicinity, parking along the street near the Scotiabank branch and in the rear of Clear Cut Installations.

What is known is the duo, a male and female, were targetting a commercial property in the village. (For investigative purposes, OPP refuse to release the name of the business targetted.)

Both were apprehended without incident. The male was dressed in a disguise, though it was a failed effort to conceal his identity.

Winchester resident Daniel Beauregard, 51, faces charges of attempting to commit an indictable offence (robbery with intent); conspiracy to commit an indictable offence; wearing a disguise with the intent to commit a robbery; and failure to comply with probation order.

His accomplice, Winchester resident Brittany Tessier, 29, has been charged with attempting to commit an indictable offence (robbery with intent), and conspiracy to commit an indictable offence.

On his Facebook profile, Beauregard lists Tessier as a family member, though it is unclear what their relationship is.

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Budget levy increase hovering at 4%

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER – If the budget passes as it stands right now, the Township of North Dundas is looking at a taxation levy of about four per cent in 2016.

During the municipality's Tues., Dec. 8 council meeting, politicians again plowed through some of the finer parts of the coming year's expenses.

The first pass-through put taxation at $5.8 million, though a trimming of more than $49,000 has brought the total down to $5.75 million.

Overall, it remains a $221,274 increase, at the draft stage, from 2015 to 2016.

The biggest surprise to date is the unexpected increase of North Dundas' Ontario Municipal Partnership Program funding. After a handful of years of reduction, the township's share is up by $114,200 from last year, totalling $759,200. North Dundas is the only municipality in Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry to see an increase.

Savings were also found by trimming $30,000 from the Nelson Laprade Centre's roof project. Recreation director Meaghan Meerburg said she is looking at having commercial grade tin installed with the $35,000 now budgeted, given vandals have climbed atop the roof to peel the shingles off in the past.

The Community Improvement Fund's total was also cut by $1,000, with 2016's allocations set at $31,567.

Politicians spent a great deal of time discussing all aspects of the budget, and if indications ring true, more slashing will be done when council reconvenes in the new year.

Notably, both the public works and recreation departments eat up a large portion of the expenditure – at $3.4 million and $2.6 million, respectively.

Recreation efforts received ample discussion during Dec. 8's meeting as certain council members seem worlds apart when it comes to proper maintenance needs for North Dundas' four baseball diamonds (three in Winchester, one in Chesterville). It is also unlikely that light stands will remain in place at South Mountain's tennis courts, as nearly $20,000 is needed for repairs and council seems unwilling to make the investment.

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Local man nabbed in child porn sting

WINCHESTER – A tip from a police force working in another continent has landed a Winchester man in some serious trouble.

According to the province's police force, information was obtained in August from the Queensland Police Service in Australia, reporting that an unknown Ontario resident had uploaded child sexual abuse images to the Internet.

Following an extensive online investigation, Peter Richard Graham, 34, was apprehended Tues., Dec. 8 by officers with the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry OPP detachment.

An online search found it was Graham who was responsible for the criminal act. He faces two counts of possession of child pornography, and one count of distribution of child pornography.

Graham is to appear in Cornwall court Thurs., Jan. 28, 2016.

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Helping the hungry

Nationview Public School students put their generosity on display Fri., Dec. 11 as the efforts of the student body's food drive collecting was showcased. While a count of the total was not made, students did manage to fill a cattle trough to its brim. The canned goods were picked up by members of the Mountain and District Lions Club, and were to be packaged as part of the North Dundas Christmas Fund. Ashley Roberts (left) and Victoria Coleman were tasked with helping offload the cart. *Press Photo – Uhrig*

Robbery

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Both were held in custody pending a Wed., Dec. 9 bail court hearing in Cornwall.

Meanwhile, as quickly as news of Tessier and Beauregard's arrest circulated so too did rumours linking the pair to the November robbery of Winchester's Bank of Montreal branch.

However, according to SD&G OPP Const. Joel Doiron, there is no confirmed information to support that claim at this time.

Budget

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The North Dundas Fire Department is also projecting an expensive year ahead.

At the Mountain and Chesterville detachments, the purchase of a new rescue truck has been budgeted at $125,000 apiece. Each of the municipality's four detachments also needs three sets of bunker gear, with the total set at $18,000.

A further $800 was added to the purchase of four helmets, bringing that total to $6,175.

It all remains just a snapshot, of course, of the overall spending expected by each township department.

Budget deliberations continue in January.

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Turkey time

South Nation Conservation staff, on Fri., Dec. 11, ensured that some local families who may otherwise go without will have a turkey this Christmas. Staff members at the local authority purchased $340 worth of the bird that day from Greg's Quality Meats in Winchester, and donated them to the Dundas County Food Bank. Staff at the village butcher then donated a further $50 to help with the purchase. Pictured are Anita Schoch (left), SNC staffer Marika Livingstone, food bank administrator Ian McKelvie, Jake Cinnamon, SNC staffers John Mesman and Natasha Machado, and conservation authority board chair Doug Thompson. *Press Photo – Uhrig*

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Still smiling following successful $10,000-plus Timmy's cookie campaign

WINCHESTER – This year's Tim Hortons smile cookie campaign, while delicious for those who sampled the goodies, was also a fruitful fundraising endeavour.

Locally, $10,360 was raised to support the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation. The funds were totalled from three – Winchester, Morrisburg and Long Sault – area franchise locations.

The campaign, which began in Hamilton, has been supporting various communities since 1996.

According to foundation managing director Kristen Casselman, it was an "honour" to accept the donation, which elicited a round of applause in Winchester. "Thank you to all of the customers who purchased a cookie, as well as the staff who helped bring smiles to everyone," she added.

For franchisee Robert St. Denis, it was a way to give back to the community. "We are glad that we can contribute to the hospital," he said. "We have been doing this since we opened, and plan to continue for many years. Everyone needs our hospital."



This year's Tim Hortons smile cookie campaign netted $10,360 for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation. Funds were generated at three area franchises. Pictured during the donation at the Winchester location are Justin Boyer (left), Kathy Barkley, Suzanne Trinque, and foundation managing director Kristen Casselman.

Council notes from North Dundas

Honouring the drummer

WINCHESTER – Following a motion from Councillor Tony Fraser, it looks like the Township of North Dundas is making plans to honour Dewey Martin.

While not widely known, Martin was a founding member of Buffalo Springfield, which also included Neil Young, and served as the band's drummer until its disbandment in 1968.

Martin was born in Chesterville in 1940, and lived there before moving to Ottawa. Ultimately he made his way to the U.S., playing in numerous bands before joining the line-up that would make him nominally famous.

Martin died in 2009, and was buried in Morewood.

Fraser wants signs affixed to entryway markers, noting the village as Martin's birthplace. (It is similar to what Winchester has for George Beverly Shea.)

At Tues., Dec. 8's meeting a further $800 was set aside for the signs, though a final decision on the honour has yet to be made.

Gonna getcha

An approved inter-municipal agreement has given North Dundas increased power when it comes to collecting payments for outstanding provincial offences.

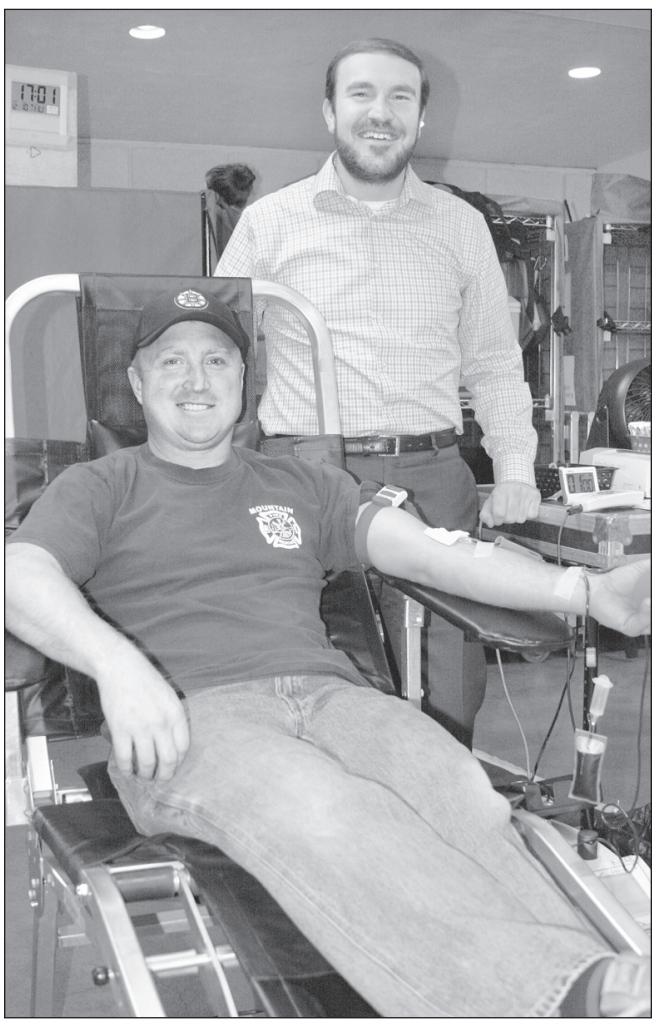
Council unanimously approved an amendment that will allow the municipality to target delinquent fees through the property tax process.

The change was made to broaden the reach, meaning no matter the municipality a charge is laid North Dundas can go after an individual for payment. The total fees would then be sent to the county court office.

SNC fee

South Nation Conservation has passed its 2016 budget, with a total levy of $3.6 million.

North Dundas' portion rings in at $71,367, an increase of $2,422 from last year.



In you to give

Township of North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan's first-ever self-hosted blood donor clinic went off without any major glitches Thurs., Dec. 10 with a total of 105 units donated. Held at the Joel Steele Community Centre in Winchester, even Santa Claus showed up to give the so-called "gift of life." Pictured are Duncan and donor Ray Sherrer. *Press Photo – Uhrig*

Contentious port plan for Lakeshore Drive denied MOE approval

MORRISBURG – A controversial port plan for Lakeshore Drive near Mariatown has been delivered a setback by the province's environment ministry.

In a ruling posted Wed., Dec. 9, the crown ministry denied an environmental compliance approval for Ontario Grain Terminals to operate a grain transfer and storage facility on the county road.

The certificate is a necessary component for any project that will be releasing emissions into the air.

Ontario Grain Terminals, led by NorAg Resource's CEO Ben Currelly, first applied for the approval in 2014 as part of the plan to construct a port system on property owned by Universal Terminals.

Currelly has stated that the firm plans to build two 20,000-ton grain bins, before ultimately expanding the site to four bins.

In the ministry's refusal notice, supervisor Ian Greason said that despite countless comments from the public against the project, approval was not granted due to "inadequate supporting documentation."

Ontario Grain Terminals can appeal the refusal within 15 days of its posting.

Backlash to the project has been swift, with locals banding together to attempt to block the grain terminal's construction.

Both sides of the issue have presented before Municipality of South Dundas, and the local government has been supportive of the project.

Currelly could not be reached for comment by press time.



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Police Blotter

Domestic investigation

MOREWOOD – On Sun., Dec. 13, at approximately 11 pm, Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP officers responded to a report of a domestic situation at a residence on County Road 13.

The investigation indicated that an altercation between an adult male and his girlfriend resulted in the female being assaulted on two occasions.

A 36-year-old man was arrested at the scene. He faces two counts of spousal assault, and one charge of failure to comply with recognizance.

He was held in custody pending a bail court appearance in Cornwall.

Drugs seized

WILLIAMSBURG – SD&G OPP officers stopped a vehicle Dec. 13 just before 10 am on County Road 31, turning up a quantity of marijuana, cocaine and ecstasy in the process.

The male driver, Louis Routhier, 30, of Ottawa faces charges of possession of a controlled substance for the purpose of trafficking, and driving while under suspension.

He was held in custody pending a bail court hearing in Cornwall.

Two days, six charges

CHESTERVILLE – A 17-year-old Cornwall youth faces a string of charges following two incidents just a day apart.

SD&G OPP officers were first called to a Main Street property in Chesterville Thurs., Dec. 10 to a report of mischief.

When police arrived it was noted that the female had caused damage to a vehicle. After being arrested, she threatened one of the officers involved.

This incident led to charges of mischief (less than $5,000), uttering threats to cause death or bodily harm, and two counts of failure to comply with conditions. At the time, she was held in custody pending a bail court hearing in Cornwall.

Officers were called to the same Chesterville location Fri., Dec. 11 where again the female was in attendance. This time she was charged with two counts of failure to comply with recognizance.

Once more she was held in custody pending a bail court appearance in Cornwall.

Family dispute

WINCHESTER – A 15-year-old village youth faces charges following a dispute with family members.

SD&G OPP officers were called to the Bailey Street home Wed., Dec. 9 at approximately 6 pm to break up an altercation between a male youth and a family member.

The apprehended teen had caused damage within the home and to a vehicle. He faces a mischief (less than $5,000) charge.

His court date has been set for Thurs., Feb. 4, 2016 in Cornwall court.

Conditions breached

MORRISBURG – On Tues., Dec. 8, at approximately 10 am, an OPP officer intercepted a vehicle on County Road 2.

A check of the male driver revealed he was in contravention of a condition (reside with surety) imposed from a previous incident.

Babak Saidi, 41, was arrested, and charged with failure to comply with recognizance.

He was held in custody pending a Dec. 9 bail court appearance in Cornwall.

Mischief charges

MORRISBURG – On Mon., Dec. 7, at approximately 8:30 pm, SD&G OPP responded to a report of a male in need of assistance at a property on First Street.

When police arrived, the investigation found the information was false. Further information indicated the accused had uttered threats toward other individuals.

Michael Lyon, 35, was arrested at the scene. He faces a public mischief charge, and two counts of uttering threats.

He was held in custody pending a bail court appearance in Cornwall.

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Community spirit shines during manor evacuation

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER – It is a plan practiced countless times before, but one never fully appreciated until it was put into action.

Alarms sounded around 7 pm at Dundas Manor on Fri., July 31 after staff members noticed smoke billowing from the basement, and the main-floor electrical panel.

Many wondered if it was a false alarm, as was the case just a few days earlier. Others had visions of a full-scale inferno engulfing the Clarence Street long-term care home before all 98 residents could be evacuated.

"We prepare [for scenarios] like this, and hope we never have to put them into action," Susan Poirier, director of care, said during an appreciation event Thurs., Dec. 10. "It was a wild drive to Winchester that night."

What it became was a full-scale community effort to ensure all those that call the manor home were safely removed, and transferred to a less volatile environment.

North Dundas Fire Department members from all detachments responded, as did local OPP officers, Hydro One employees, off-duty care home workers, and family members pitched in to help in the process. Even Township of North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan arrived.

"Dundas Manor is a family… A big, jolly, at times crazy, family," Jen Hill, activities director, said. "We do not always agree with each other and we do not always take the time to appreciate all that we have, but when it really matters we stand together."

At the height of the emergency situation, residents were being moved through the parking lot and across the Winchester District Memorial Hospital campus, and into the medical facility's cafeteria.

No one was missed, and all were ultimately accounted for.

"The lives of our beloved residents were in danger, and our team took their places and along with the support of an amazing community and topnotch emergency response teams the outcome was everyone was tucked in their beds by midnight," Hill said.

Chesterville fire chief Mike Gruich, who took command of the scene when he arrived that July night, commended the thoroughness of the manor's evacuation process.

"To me, that was obvious. You have an evacuation plan and you practice it," he said. "That day showed the reasons why you should practice it, and it impressed the hell out of the fire service. It was like clockwork; it went extremely smoothly, and really helped us first responders."

A faulty electrical panel is believed to have been the culprit, and cause of the night's evacuation.



The work goes on

Extensive restoration work continues at Winchester United Church, two years after a large portion of the east gable wall collapsed onto the flat roof below. This led to a thorough review of the building by an engineering firm, and the ultimate finding that much more is wrong with the facility than believed. Initial evaluations put the rehabilitation work at $1.5 million, yet a more conservative, though nonetheless daunting, $500,000 price tag was determined following further investigation. With the gable wall repair largely completed, crews have been sheeting the St. Lawrence Street-facing tower in recent days, setting the building up for further restoration in the spring.

Press Photo – Uhrig

BMR partners to bring warmth to those in need this season

WINCHESTER – During the winter months, it becomes increasingly difficult for those living beneath the low-income line, especially when it comes to adequately prepping living spaces.

Impoverished citizens often cannot afford the proper insulation for their homes.

This results in an uncomfortable living environment, which negatively affects the health of all family members and causes an unfortunate cycle of additional expenses.

It was these facts that led to the launch of Project Warmth by the Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area (SDCA).

Locally, the agency has partnered with the Mountain-based House of Lazarus to provide window insulation kits to those in need this season.

Winchester BMR was the key contributor to the project, purchasing 70 kits.

Organizations throughout the region, meanwhile, raised funds for the project, with $2,830 earmarked to help purchase 470 kits for other charitable agencies.

"Hopefully the success of this year's project will act as a springboard for the project to grow, and expand [throughout] the next couple of years," Alex de Wit, SDCA's executive director, said.

This year's initiative was largely organized by Mountain area resident Sue Matthies as a course requirement of her social service worker studies at Cornwall's St. Lawrence College campus.

"It was encouraging to see so many agencies and businesses acknowledge the struggle of those who live with less resources," she said. "This will be a huge help for those who live in older homes, in light of high energy costs."



Winchester BMR co-owner Ken Boje partnered with the Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area to purchase 70 window insulation kits for those in need this winter. The kits, a key part of the agency's Project Warmth, will be distributed by the Mountain-based House of Lazarus. Pictured are Sue Matthies (left, project organizer), Boje, and Kim Merkley, food bank co-ordinator at the House of Lazarus.

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Rise in concussions must prompt change

There are certain things required when taking part in a sport with a streak of violence.

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There's no debate about this. It is fact. Much like other things in this life, however, we cannot ban every single activity that has the possibility of a serious outcome.

Though, it has pushed well past the time where the word courage needs reconstruction, a shift in its use perhaps.

Concussions in sport are on the rise. It's likely the brutal brain blows have always been an aspect, with many players having been "rattled" in the past.

Among players of all ages, "toughing it out" is seen as brave – a badge of honour of sorts. It's a sacrifice made, a commitment kept, an ability to rise above what's been trying hold you back. Some sporting legends remain idolized for walking wounded to championships, or bouncing back up after injury and making their way to the bench or sidelines, even as their legs buckle beneath them.

But what about honouring bravery, and championing individuals as courageous when they admit vulnerability when it comes to head injuries?

A groundswell of support is underway in this province, and it is all pinned alongside the untimely death of Rowan Stringer. The Ottawa teen was 17 when she sustained her first concussion, but simply brushed it off.

The next blow to the head sustained would be her last, as it would be the one to end her young life just as it was truly beginning to flourish.

Who is at fault for this, however? Should Stringer's juvenile ignorance be blamed? Her rugby coaches for putting her back on the field? Or the public, which continues to present reckless abandon as a level of "toughness" to aspire to?

Prevention is now being backed by "Rowan's Law," legislation that aims to increase awareness of concussions at all levels of sport. Kudos go to Nepean-Carleton MPP, and PC pitbull, Lisa MacLeod and Stringer's parents for doing their part on this important issue.

Brain injuries are becoming commonplace, harming those of all ages, and leaving lasting effects for some.

Let's honour the legacy of one by preventing the deaths of others.

Remember when…

1935

Winchester's Justice Electric Company placed a full-page advertisement in this week's *Winchester Press*, featuring deals on General Electric refrigerators, electric washers, hi-speed ranges, Hotpoint standard irons, Toastoven toasters, percolators, waffle irons, sandwich toasters, and General Electric standard cleaners (vacuums), and radios.

1945

A notice in this week's edition: "At a recent meeting of the local Retail Merchants' Association, it was decided that all stores in Winchester and Vernon would remain open every night from Dec. 18 to 24, inclusive, except on Wed., Dec. 19, when the usual noon closing will be observed. It was also decided to observe Boxing Day, and all stores will remain closed on the day following Christmas, Wed., Dec. 26."

1955

In coming events: "The annual Community Christmas Carol Service will be held this Sunday evening following the regular evening hour of meetings at local churches. The service will be held at the 100 Club Community Christmas tree at the main intersection of the village. The service is sponsored jointly by all churches in the village, and should be attended by as many citizens of the village and district as possible."

1965

"Christmas comes but once a year, and that keeps post office employees happy," the *Press* said this week. "If there is any doubt about Christmas being the time of good cheer and goodwill towards men, there shouldn't be after a trip to the local post office. Christmas cards expressing these very sentiments and gifts doing likewise are piled high and deep before the mail sorters get down to work and start placing thousands of pieces of mail into more than 600 boxes or sifting through it to make sure it gets packaged in the right bag to reach its destination."

1975

"Christmas bulb bandits at work in Winchester," was a featured headline in this weeks *Press*: "Every year, it seems, some demented individuals take it upon themselves to make a pilgrimage through village streets stealing those expensive decorative lights. Perhaps it is someone on a personal energy conservation 'thing' feeling the only way in which this wanton abuse of energy can be curbed is to steal all of the Christmas lights in the whole world, or perhaps we still have a 'Scrooge' amongst us."



Following freezing rain over the weekend and first part of the week, this week in 1965: "Town crews were on the job during the rainy session and did their utmost to keep the streets safe for foot or wheeled travel. Spreading sand, the tonic for ice, are Henry Lennox (left) and Vince Steele."

1985

In sports news: "Nationview senior girls made it a clean sweep for the school, winning the 1985 Dundas County senior girls public school volleyball championship Monday at Maple Ridge. The senior boys claimed their title last week. Members of the undefeated squad included: Ingrid Mulder, Stephanie Dodge, Tanya Baker, Kelly Tryon, Tammy Billings, Leslie Hamilton, and Shealyn Summers."

1995

"Winchester Cheese employees are likely finding little comfort and joy from the Christmas season," the *Press* said. "Last Tuesday, they were told a part of their workforce, and maybe all of it, will be gone in the new year. Ault Foods, which signed a deal to purchase Schneider's Winchester Cheese plant as well as the Schneider cheese trademarks last September, is moving the cheese slice processing division of the plant to Black Diamond in Belleville."

2005

This week: "The Township of South Dundas has terminated its relationship with Detra Builders, the Kitchener-based contractor hired to construct the Morrisburg-Iroquois water treatment plant… The contract termination occurred on Dec. 2, and the township is currently making arrangements for any outstanding work to be completed."

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Maybe it's time to break tradition



From the Other Side

by Jeff Morris

It's hard to believe that it was 15 years ago. I was on a business roadie that started in Nashville and took me through Chattanooga and Atlanta, and continued on to Savannah.

It was a couple of weeks before Christmas, as it is now. I was surprised at how Christmassy the drive through the mountains was. A dusting of snow on the ground, and the smell of burning wood created an artistic backdrop as I would pass a country homestead.

Atlanta wasn't so Christmassy, though I know that Santa spends a lot of time there since he is the Coca-Cola spokesman.

And then, just off Route 16 a couple hours or so east of Macon – home of the East Coast Hockey League's Macon Whoopie – and 100 miles past Honey Boo Boo's hometown of McIntyre, is Claxton, Georgia.

I didn't realize as I pulled into Claxton that I was walking into the vortex of one of the Christmas traditions I was never on board with. Claxton is not exactly the North Pole. It's a small town of a couple thousand people that sits quaintly at the cultural crossroads of toddler pageants, fourth-generation high school football players, and deer hunting. I walked into Mrs. Rogers' Restaurant (Feeding Hungry Folks Since 1947) and had one of those How-on-Earth-did-I-eat-all-that experiences. I looked around at the people in Mrs. Rogers. Everyone knew everyone. Everyone had warm smiles. The Mandrell sisters were filling the air with Christmas music. No, it wasn't the North Pole. It was the Deep South Pole.

Claxton, you see, is home of the world famous Claxton Bakery. Okay, maybe it's not world famous, but ever since that day I always notice Claxton Christmas Fruit Cake in stores in the U.S. The fruitcakes are made by the Claxton Bakery. The fruitcakes are trumpeted with glowing pride on the town's water tower.

I've never liked fruitcake. I have written about experiences trying to gag down fruitcake in the past, and trying to like it. Some of you get it, others were offended by it. Some see Christmas fruitcake as a delicious and sweet Christmas tradition. Others see it as a pile of ground up twigs and pine cones held together with molasses and gluten, and stuffed with things that may have at one time been pieces of fruit, but now resemble and taste like something out of the Crayola factory.

Needless to say, I didn't have a piece of Claxton Christmas Fruit Cake on my hour-long adventure there.

Every now and then, however, I think of that little town and how it has captured a Christmas tradition and embraced it, and built its foundation upon it.

I think of some of the other Christmas traditions, and wonder if there is a town that claims ownership of them.

The first Christmas tradition we think of is the ugly sweater. I am not sure how or why the tradition of the ugly sweater started, but I love the turn it has taken lately. For generations, people did not realize how ridiculous they looked wearing ugly sweaters. Today, those wanting to out-ugly each other wear the sweaters. Sports teams have caught on and you will certainly see your share of Sens, Leafs and Habs' ugly Christmas sweaters this year. But for some really good and over-the-line tacky sweaters, visit www.tipskyelves.com. There you will find such soon-to-be-classics as the Happy Birthday Jesus sweater, the Ginga Snap Ninjas, Santasquatch, and dozens of others.

They even have Chanukah sweaters. The site also is very involved in donating to charity to help homeless children.

Here's another tradition that probably needs to go away. Do you ever get one of those tacky bragfests known as the Christmas newsletter from any friends or relatives? It seems every family has a set of uncles, aunts and cousins, or close long-time family friends, who blast one of these out every year. We spend the year tolerating stories about your golf game and who your picks are for that weekend's fantasy football match up. But when it comes to the annual family newsletter, my give-a-crap-metre isn't even flickering. You have an entire year to whip us with the family brag shots on Facebook. Don't send us a newsletter, too.

Let's get back to food for a minute. This one isn't as nasty as fruitcake, but it's something that you can only tolerate one spoonful each year. There is always someone who insists on bringing something to the Christmas dinner, and that something always seems to be green bean casserole. I'm not really sure what it's made of, but I'm guessing it's a can of soup with a can of green beans and a can of fried onions, and a can of evaporated milk. How do they evaporate milk, anyway? Is there some sort of lab with milk clouds?

And how many e-cards and e-greetings do you now get every year? How many people tweet Merry Xmas to you instead of sending you a legit Christmas card? I can't remember the last time I received a personal Christmas card. Sadly, and I am ashamed of this, I can't remember the last time I sent one out. I miss the whole Christmas card thing. I'm sure Hallmark's shareholders do, too.

So that's my rant for this year. I'm going to have breakfast now. Hey, where did I put that stamp thing that imprints the image of Jesus onto my toast?

Letters to the Editor

Despite efforts, benefit far from successful

The Editor:
First I must thank the *Winchester Press* for informing the public about our fundraising event Fri., Dec. 11 to generate proceeds for a specific family in need.

The folks that attended were more than generous with a total of $665 raised that evening. A Morewood neighbour donated another $100 the next day, and Harmony Church donated $500.

Special appreciation is given to Winchester Foodland for the drinks, and to Embrun bakery for the gigantic donuts.

Also, thanks to the many who donated great door prizes.

A question remains, however: where were the attendees? The hall was far from full, yet the weather was good and music delightful. Posters were distributed around town, the event was announced in the three local Presbyterian churches, through Facebook invites, the article in the *Press*, and through word of mouth.

In the end, only a handful of folks bothered to come out to support a local cause.

Are we too judgmental of local situations? Too wrapped up in helping refugees and not our own locals? Are we financially drained? Or did we not trust the anonymity of the situation?

Kudos to the organizers, musicians, and everyone who did support this cause. May God bless your generous souls.

I am still open to receive your cash donations, or a larger ticket item, such as a new heating source.

Elva Patterson Rutters
Morewood

All-stars charity show treat for all involved

The Editor:
As the North Dundas Arts Council (NDAC) celebrates its third anniversary before the end of the year, we wish to thank Township of North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan and everyone who came out in force to the third annual Mayor's All-Stars Christmas Benefit Show that took place Fri., Dec. 4.

This year's beneficiary was VETS Canada's "Guitars For VETS" program, which harnesses the healing power of music to help veterans cope with post-traumatic stress disorder.

Founders Jim and Debbie Lowther spoke to the audience about their work, and emotions were palpable when Jim held up the evening's donations, saying, "This could save another veteran's life."

A total of $257 was raised in cash, as well as an unknown amount in cheques privately donated after the show.

Our mayor brought a festive feel to the evening as emcee, introducing gorgeous performances by soloist Benjamin Vreman, The Boland Family, The Academy of Dance and Fitness, and the Winchester Open Mic Night Choir.

Thanks to all of you who helped make this show happen, for donating your gifts, talents, time, and services.

Ann Brady
Co-Chair, North Dundas Arts Council
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And the plates, they were filled

Winchester Public School's Santa Claus breakfast event no doubt helped push the village's Lions Hall to its capacity Sat., Dec. 12 as countless patrons streamed through for flapjacks and bacon – making hard work for those tasked with cooking, as a restock of ingredients was needed earlier than anticipated. The meal served as the school's main fundraiser for the Grade 6 students' École de Neige trip in March. An exact fundraising total was not available by press time, though organizers anticipate it will push past the $2,000 mark. Above, Noah Tessier (left) and Kristy Billings worked the bake sale table.



Violet Laviolette shared her Christmas wishes with the man of the hour during the Santa Claus breakfast. *Press Photos – Uhrig.*

Pipeline reps oil up safety concerns

by Alicia K. Gosselin
Press staff

DIXONS CORNERS – According to TransCanada officials, the proposed Energy East Pipeline project would be the safest and most efficient way of transporting oil across the country.

And in a series of safety talks throughout Ontario, pipeline representatives set up camp at Matilda Hall Mon., Dec. 7 for an open house event, addressing any concerns or questions members of the public brought to the table.

Since the project was announced in April 2013, questions most often asked in host communities have to do with pipeline safety and emergency preparedness, according to spokesperson Tim Duboyce.

"This is about hearing people and keeping people aware about what is going on," said Duboyce. "We're going to need oil for many years to come – that's a fact. Statistically, pipelines are the safest way to transport oil, more so than trains… And the best way to use oil is from our own Canadian resources."

The Energy East Pipeline, which has yet to receive approval from the National Energy Board (NEB), would carry 1.1 million barrels per day of crude oil from Alberta and Saskatchewan to refineries in Quebec and New Brunswick.

TransCanada promotes project in series of safety talks throughout region

The plan involves repurposing an existing 3,000-kilometre natural gas pipeline that runs from Alberta to Ontario, with the Iroquois pump station marking the end of that line.

Changes to the plan were announced in early November, however, with TransCanada removing a Quebec port from the scope of the project. The company had been studying alternative sites for the marine terminal in Quebec after abandoning plans in April for a facility in the town of Cacouna due to concerns about the threat to endangered beluga whales.

The issue has delayed the line, which is forecast to begin shipments in 2020 rather than the initial target of 2018.

"[The] announcement demonstrates our dedication to listening and delivering a vital infrastructure project that will provide significant economic benefits to all provinces along the pipeline's route," said TransCanada's president and CEO Russ Girling in a press release. "We have demonstrated for more than 60 years that TransCanada has the expertise and commitment to build safe and reliable pipelines to better serve Canadians…Pipelines remain the safest and least GHG-intensive way of transporting crude oil to market."

According to Girling, the pipeline will create the capacity to displace the equivalent of 1,570 rail cars of crude oil per day to Eastern Canada.

"Public concerns and criticisms are significant, and we certainly do not brush them aside," added Duboyce. "Through awareness programs, keeping in contact with landowners, frequent flyovers, open house sessions…We ensure that our pipeline meets the best safety standards."

Matilda Hall's event displayed about 10 different information stations, where patrons could walk around casually asking questions and getting information about pipeline integrity, emergency response preparedness, shut-off valves, in-line inspections tools, emergency control, monitoring systems, as well as safety in construction and operation of pipeline and facilities.

If approved, the project will begin in 2018, with construction going through to 2019.

Winchester seniors list winners at euchre party

WINCHESTER – The blue-card winners at the latest Winchester Seniors' euchre event held Thurs., Dec. 10 were Faye Hanes and Don McIntosh.

The white-card winners were Joan MacIntosh and Kathy Crump.

Sis Schoones and Eurda Lodge were the door prize winners, while Ann Melenhorst, Fred Lafrance, and Gerald Crowder took home the "share the wealth" offerings.

The group's next euchre event is set for Thurs., Jan. 14, 2016.

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NDDHS juniors improvise way to SD&G title

MAPLE RIDGE – A group of North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) students improvised their way to a championship victory Thurs., Dec. 10.

During the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry Improv finals that day, the junior squad, who dubbed themselves the Stereotypes, took the title.

Team members include Veronica Thompson, Tasha Soltesz, Emily Cooper, Madison Quesnel, and the Suttle sisters – Erika and Destiny.

The six-piece ensemble took part in various improvisational roles throughout the nearly hour-long event, ultimately winning the judges favour, and topping their competitors in points.

Team coach, and teacher, Kathi Poirier noted it was the first-ever championship win for an NDDHS team at the junior level.

Other junior entries included teams from Glengarry District High School in Alexandria, Avonmore's Tagwi Secondary School, and St. Lawrence Secondary School in Cornwall.

The St. Lawrence and Tagwi squads tied for third place, while the Glengarry entry finished second.

On the senior side, NDDHS' team finished second, just one point off from the championship-winning St. Lawrence group.





North Dundas District High School's junior improv team was crowned Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry champions Thurs., Dec. 10, earning the judges' praise.

Far left: *Tasha Soltesz could no longer breathe the air.*

At left: *Veronica Thompson (left) and Emily Cooper.*

Press Photos – Uhrig



When Santa Claus first arrived at the Crysler Community Centre, all the kids gathered in the centre of the room to get first dibs on telling him their Christmas wishes.

Santa's breakfast brings good company to Crysler

CRYSLER – Volunteers from the Crysler Optimist Club cooked up a morning storm Sun., Dec. 13 during the group's annual breakfast with Santa Claus event, with more than 170 people showing up to support a good cause – the highest attendance in the past 10 years.

All proceeds raised during the breakfast will be put toward funding community activities (although a total hadn't been tallied by press time). Patrons filled the village community centre, eager to fill their plates with the feast – which included eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, potatoes, and beans – as well as stock up on Christmas goodies provided at the bake sale.

Claire Breton and her 16-year-old daughter Jasmine baked hundreds of treats for the event to raise money for Jasmine's mission trip to Dominican Republic in March 2016 with the youth group "Rayjon," and ended up selling out. The local Knights of Columbus group also sold tickets for their annual 50/50 draw.

"It's amazing to see how many people we are always able to get involved," said club member Daniel O'Connell, who spent much of his time in the kitchen cooking next to club president Yvon Quesnel. "We have such a strong volunteer basis… And we get a great response from the community. It's nice to see everyone come together."



Jasmine (left) and Claire Breton sold baked goodies to raise money for a mission trip to Dominican Republic in March 2016 with the youth group "Rayjon." The trip will have Canadian youth 16 and older travelling to the foreign country to spend time learning about their culture, as well as supporting the orphanages and schools. *Press Photos – Gosselin*

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At Metcalfe, Santa Claus parades through rain, not snow

METCALFE – Members of the Metcalfe Community Association (MCA) hosted its annual Santa Claus Parade Sun., Dec. 13, with the rain holding off just long enough for participating floats to make their way into the final stretch of the planned route.

The parade saw close to 30 decorated holiday floats marching through village streets to inspire Christmas cheer and encourage holiday giving, with food and cash donations being accepted for the Osgoode Township Food Drive.

Floats ended up at the village community centre, where families enjoyed bake sale goodies and decorated custom cookies. The jolly fellow also graced the centre to take pictures with the little ones (and not-so-little ones!)

According to organizer Laurie Ann Holmes, any donations that were made to the MCA will be going toward town improvements to "beautify" the village core.



City of Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson (left) and Osgoode Ward Councillor George Darouze participated in the annual parade with their festive entourage.





Brayden (left) and Caitlin Childs, and Maddie Lacelle snuggled up in a blanket to wait warmly and patiently for the parade to begin.





Above:
Santa Claus finished off the parade.

At left:
Local firefighters Troy Acres (left), Nick Wyman, and Brad Bezaire helped to keep the route running smoothly.

Middle:
Allan Johnston, owner of Allan Johnston's Repair and Sales, took a break from the usual "big toys for boys" and cruised the streets in a mini-motor.

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Metcalfe Jets shoot down Hawks 5-3



Concentration

North Dundas Intermediate School students are learning the basic skills of the roaring game. They should be well prepared when they face some stiff competition in the 2016 provincial Tim Bits championships in April. North Dundas District High School teacher/coach Kathi Poirier was instructing this group on how to properly throw in-turns and out-turn deliveries during one of the groups weekly practice sessions at the Winchester Curling Club. *Press Photo – Van Bridger*

Back-to-back wins move Jets into second-place tie with Glens

METCALFE – A three-goal third period was the difference as the Metcalfe Jets ended the Winchester Hawks modest two-game undefeated streak.

The Jets knocked down the Hawks 5-3 at the Larry Robinson Arena last Friday (Dec. 11) and then belted the Ottawa Canadians 6-1 at the same venue Sunday (Dec. 13) afternoon.

Their back-to-back, home-ice decisions lifted the Jets (17-10-1-2) into a tie for second place in the Central Canada Hockey League 2's Martin Division standings with the Alexandria Glens (17-7-2-1) at 37 points.

Winchester's loss dropped their record to 9-12-1-4 and left them with 23 points, the same total the Char-Lan Rebels (9-15-2-3) have collected. The Canadians (10-16-0-1) hold down seventh place with 21 points.

Up next

Friday (Dec. 18), the Canadians will visit Winchester for an 8:15 pm tilt. Saturday (Dec. 19), the Hawks drop into Prescott where they will challenge the Flyers (9-18-2-2).

Metcalfe's schedule has them at home for a pair of games. Friday (Dec. 18), the Jets are set to meet the Prescott Flyers at 8:15 pm. On Sunday (Dec. 20) they will host the Alexandria Glens at 2:15 pm in a battle for second place.

Jets 5 – Hawks 3

Winchester general manager Craig "JB" Smith was forced to adjust his roster for Friday's encounter with the Jets.

Missing regulars, and top scorers, JD Samson, captain Kyle Richardson and Andy Clarke as well as Nicholas Pilote, defencemen Erik Starcevic and Nicholas LeGuerrier and Bryden van Kessel (injured), Smith added affiliates Dillon Clemen (North Dundas Rockets), Shawn Simms (ND Rockets), Brandon Mullin (ND Rockets' captain), Justin Cyr (ND Rockets) and Brennan Revell (Morrisburg Lions).

Metcalfe struck first when Jordan Malette (PPG, Brayden Laidlaw, Zachary Rheaume at 18:37) buried and extra strength chance in period one.

Mullin teamed up with Rockets teammate Simms and Joey Driscoll, quickly tying the count at 1-1 1:23 into period two. But, the Jets' Jonathan Gillis (Simon Martel, Ryan Lafranchise) replied 37 seconds later.

Diego Gagnon (PPG, Isaac Barr, Kris Johnson at 9:18) knotted the count at 2-2 before the session ended.

The Jets hit the afterburners in the final frame getting a pair of goals (1 PPG) from Jordan Malette and a single from Francesco Santini to open up a 5-2 gap.

Winchester sliced one goal from their deficit thanks to Tanner Schroeder's PPG set up by Diego Gagnon and Barr at the 13:33 mark.

The Jets outshot the Hawks 43-28 with Anthony Salahor getting the win over Hawks' Brandon Lowry.

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Midget House 'B' Demons skate to 1-1 draw

WINCHESTER – It was a dead-even heat as the North Dundas House "B1" and "B2" Demons faced off in an Upper Canada Minor Hockey League contest.

The "B1" Demons grabbed a 1-0 lead in last week's (Thurs., Dec. 10) East/West clash at the Joel Steele Community Centre when Jack Messervey finished a play created by Anthony Nelson and Brandon VanBruinessen with 3:40 left in the opening stanza.

That 1-0 score held up through the second period as "B1" backstop Shane Rodney and "B2" shot blocker Kara Turcotte turned in flawless performances.

Eric Armstrong was able to earn a point for the "B2" squad when he cashed an unassisted play at 13:04 of the final frame.

Both North Dundas teams are posting solid numbers in their respective divisions. The "B1" Demons (8-1-3) top the East standings with 19 points (as of Dec. 11) and the "B2" Demons (8-4-1) stand second in the West with 17 points.

The "B1" squad will finish 2015 with three road games in Athens (Wed., Dec. 16), Morrisburg (Fri., Dec. 18) and Cardinal (Sat. Dec. 19). The "B2" team has one game left in Westport where they will meet the Leeds "HB2" Chargers.

Pee Wee 'B' Demons short circuit Chargers

ATHENS – Trailing the host Leeds Pee Wee "B" Chargers 2-1 after the first period of their Upper Canada Minor Hockey League game, the North Dundas Demons rallied and left Centre 76 with a 6-2 victory on their East Division record.

Saturday's (Dec. 12) decision stretched the Demons undefeated string to six games and inflated their first-place record to 11-2-0. North Dundas stands five points ahead of both the Alexandria Glens (7-2-1) and NGS Braves (7-5-1).

The stage is set for a showdown with the West Division-leading Kemptville Panthers (10-1-1) tonight (Wed., 16) at the Joel Steele Community Centre. Game time is 7 pm.

Demons 6 – Leeds 2

Owen Fetterly (PPG. Mason Carr, Nolan Henry at 3:40) sandwiched North Dundas' first goal between a pair of Leeds first-period markers.

Second period shots fired by Ben Lapier (Emytt Fetterly at 7:56), Jaymen Heuff (GWG, Owen Fetterly at 5:28) and Reise Marriner (Lapier, Joshua Broad at 1:27) handed the Demons a 4-2 advantage heading into the final frame.

Lapier (Broad, Carr at 6:03) and Cole Eikelboom (PPG, Owen Fetterly, Adam Barkley at 0:32) connected in the third period driving the final difference to 6-2.

Jordan Papineau was the winning 'tender. Owen Fetterly won the Big Stick. The Demons outshot the Chargers 43-24.



Better be good

The North Dundas Minor Hockey Association's IP2 Demons had a special guest join their practice last week (Wed., Dec. 9). Santa "Instructor" Claus checked in to see if the young hockey players were being naughty or nice, were passing the puck, finishing their drills and listening to their coaches.

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Theos bangs in winning goal, Atom 'C' Demons blank Lions

CHESTERVILLE – Paul Theos, standing on top of the South Dundas goal crease, banged in a loose puck and his marker proved to be the difference for the North Dundas Atom House "C" Demons as they blanked the South Dundas "C2" Lions 1-0.

Cam Ouellette drew the assist on the play at 7:38 of the second period of last week's (Wed., Dec. 9) Upper Canada Minor Hockey League game played at the Chesterville Arena. The decision gave the Demons a 4-3-0 record in their last seven games.

Nadia McLean was the winning goalie registering her second consecutive shutout against the "C2" Lions. The other was posted in Morrisburg on Nov. 15.

The victory improved the third-place Demons' East Division record to 5-11-0. North Dundas will play out 2015 with a rematch with the "C2" Lions in Morrisburg on Sun., Dec. 20.



Two zeros

North Dundas Atom House "C" Demons goaltender Nadia McLean registered her second shutout in seven Upper Canada Minor Hockey League games blanking the South Dundas "HC2" Demons 1-0 last week (Wed., Dec. 9) in Chesterville. The decision improved the Demons East Division record to 5-11-0.

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Meet the Hawks



Isaac Barr
No. 10
Centre

Centre Isaac Barr is a first-year member of the Winchester Junior Hawks joining the Central Canada Hockey League 2 squad after launching his junior career, with the now defunct Akwesasne Wolves. In 33 Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League games with the Wolves Barr scored five goals (1 PPG, 1 GWG), added nine assists (4 PPAs) for 14 points. The 17-year-old Cornwall resident leads the Hawks in scoring having cashed 10 goals (2 PPG, 2 GWG), added 12 assists (1 PPA) for 22 points in his first 26 games with Winchester. Ben's Pioneer Gas Bar sponsors Barr's No. 10 jersey.

Friday's (Dec. 18) home game pits the Hawks against the visiting Ottawa Junior Canadians. The puck will drop at 8:15 pm.

Hawks

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Jets 6 – Ottawa 1

Metcalfe turned the goaltending chores over to Ken Nichol for Sunday's tilt and he came through for the win stopping 34 of 35 pucks the Canadians fired at him.

Last week the Jets traded North Augusta netminder Nathan Peters to the Athens Aeros leaving Salahor and Nichol in charge of guarding their nets.

Metcalfe captain Jordan Malette, who cashed three goals against Winchester, carried the hot stick again on Sunday potting a pair of pucks and earning assists. The 21-year-old centre has scored 22 times and drawn 19 assists for 41 points in 30 games.

Laidlaw (1-1-2), Andrew Burke (1-1-2), Eric Turner (1-0-1), Jean-Christophe Bourgault (1-0-1), Carter Malette (0-2-2), Rheaume (0-1-1), Josig Rochon (0-1-1) and Wade Cass (0-1-1) produced Metcalfe's offence.

The Jets were cruising with a 5-0 lead after 40 minutes, before surrendering a PPG to Ottawa's Johnny Pickering 2:11 into the final frame.

Rockets finally tame Morrisburg Lions

MORRISBURG – Emil Lamontagne came up one goal short of recording a shutout as the North Dundas Rockets defeated the Lions 4-1 in their Morrisburg den.

The recently reinstated Harry Wyss recorded the GWG in Sunday's (Dec. 13) victory, which improved the Rockets National Capital Junior Hockey League record to 6-16-0 and moved them eight points ahead of the last place Lions in the South Division standings.

Kyle MacDonald (1-2-3), Tristan Staff (0-2-2), Wyss (GWG), Justin Rutley (1-0-1), Ryan Romans (1-0-1), Will Fawcett (0-1-1), Jordan Leigh (0-1-1) and Shawn Simms (0-1-1) produced the North Dundas offence.

Sam Frawley (PPG, Cole Fowler, Steven Kutlarovski) netted the lone Lions goal in the first period, which ended in a 1-1 tie. North Dundas held a 2-1 lead after two sessions.

Rockets head coach/general manager Robyn Sadler said he was obviously happy with the effort and result, calling it a "big win" for the club as it tries to get some separation from the teams behind them in the standings.

"We dominated Morrisburg and finally got rewarded in the third with a couple of goals," Sadler said. "I've never seen a team have such a hard time scoring like ours, given the talent we have."

New forward

Speaking of talent, Sadler reported the Rockets have acquired Ottawa's Christopher Marchand, a 19-year-old left winger who has had stops with the Ottawa West Golden Knights in 2014 before skating with the Central Canada Hockey League 2's Westport Rideaus, Arnprior Packers and Prescott Flyers.

Cougars 8 – Rockets 4

The Rockets weekend started on Saturday (Dec. 12) in Chesterville where they were thumped 8-4 by the second-place Vankleek Hill Cougars (13-8-0).

Sadler reported the Rockets literally gave the game away committing five turnovers in their own zone, by five different players.

"Vankleek Hill scored five unassisted goals stemming from five clear cut turnovers," he said. "Again, we have a young defence that is still learning and improving, but aren't where we want them to be, yet."

Leigh (2), Simms (PPG) and Mackenzie Bacon counted the North Dundas markers. Josh Hansen (2), Brandon Mullin (2), Rutley (2), Marchand, and Bacon provided the passes. Lamontagne gave up four goals and was replaced by Thomas Lastewka who took the loss.

Up next

Saturday's (Dec. 19) home game brings the third-place St. Isidore Eagles (10-10-0) to Chesterville for a 7:50 pm start. Sunday (Dec. 20), the Rockets will be in Quebec for an afternoon matinee (2:30 pm) against the Papineauville Vikings.

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Blues, Reds post second victories – defeat Bridals, WS Trucking

WINCHESTER – It has taken 10 games, but the Annable's Jewellery Blues and Foodland Reds have recorded their second wins of the 2015-2016 Winchester District Ladies Hockey League season.

Both teams improved to 2-6-2 Sunday (Dec. 13) morning. The Blues doubled the number-two ranked Bridals (4-3-3) 2-1 in the 8 am game while the Foodland Reds blanked the third-place WS Trucking Company (3-3-4) 2-0 at 10 am. The 9 am encounter went into the books as a 1-0 win for the top-ranked KC's Lawn Maintenance (8-0-2) crew who edged the Cooper Physio Pinks (4-5-1).

Blues 2 – Bridals 1

Player of the game Hope Klein-Swormink cashed a relay from Lauren Preston into a 1-0 lead for the Blues at 15:06 of the first half. She then provided a pass, along with Dianne Lapier, for Deanna Corbett-White who rang up the GWG at 8:40.

Pyper Weiss (Emma Fraser, Micelle Drouin at 1:40) counted Bridals' goal just before the intermission.

Lindsay Chambers (Blues) and Jenna James (Bridals) were the opposing goalies.

KC's 1 – Pinks 0

Kristie Wade registered her seventh shutout of the season and was named player of the game as KC's nipped the Pinks 1-0.

Anita Gilmer shattered Sam Benoit's goose egg cracking the GWG completing a play created by Laurena Matthies and Katrina Holmes four minutes before the first half ended.

Reds 2 – WST 0

Cashelle Baldwin turned in her second zero of the campaign backing the Reds in their 2-0 decision over the Truckers.

Player of the game Sarah Cavan netted the GWG goal after accepting a feed from Amanda Rylaarsdam and Andrea Francis with 9:49 left in the first half. Lyndsay Enright used a Trisha Lacombe pass to secure the 2-0 final.

Thunder retains top spot in WTHL standings

WINCHESTER – It was a wild shootout when the Bush Leaguers and Red Roosters squared off in a Winchester Town Hockey League match, a game the Leaguers claimed by a 12-9 score.

The late game in last Tuesday's (Dec. 8) double dip went into the books as a 5-3 win for top-ranked Thurler's Thunder (9-3-0) over the fourth-place Chesterville Maulers (3-8-1).

Trevor Gilmer (4-4-8) and captain Dean Byvelds (4-4-8) led the Leaguer's (8-4-0) attack combining for eight goals and 16 points. Steve Cameron (4-2-6) cracked the other four markers. Matt VanDelst (2), Chris Piquette (2), Kyle Gaskin (2) and Kyle Dearing manufactured the scoring plays.

The Leaguers led 6-3 at the half. Gilmer (Cameron, Byvelds) netted the GWG at 19:43 of the second half.

Nik Paas (2-6-8), Ray Smegal (3-4-7) and Brandon Buma (3-2-5) supplied the bulk of the Roosters offence. Alex Krumins sniped the single and Trevor Morozuk picked up an assist.

Thunder 5 – Maulers 3

A five-goal first-half enabled the Thunder to register their ninth win in a dozen starts.

The Thunder scoring plays were registered by Dustin Tinkler (Kyle Sobering, Peter Klein-Swormink at 21:49), Colton Stitt (unassisted at 19:24), James Kirkwood (Tinkler, Klein-Swormink at 16:06), Kirkwood (GWG, Michel Thurler, goaltender Jesse White at 8:41) and Tinkler (Klein-Swormink at 3:30).

Derek Vingerhoeds, Chris Embury and Tyler Jones cashed the Maulers markers. Derek Crawford (2), Cody Paradise and Vingerhoeds earned the assists.



Youthful curlers

Second Madi Giles (left), skip Alix Giles, third Emma Lebrun and lead Danika Ladouceur represented the Winchester Curling Club in the 2015 North Grenville Youth Bonspiel in Kemptville. The Giles foursome met a Manotick rink in their first draw and suffered a 5-3 loss. Winchester rebounded in their second game and doubled an entry out of the Metcalfe Curling Club 4-2. Giles had to settle for a third-place finish following a 5-4, last rock loss, to a North Grenville team.

Devils open volleyball season

AVONMORE – It's game on. The North Dundas District High School Devils have played their first SD&G girl's "A" volleyball matches of the season.

Both junior and senior squads were on the courts at Tagwi Secondary School last week (Tues., Dec. 8) where they registered mixed results.

The Senior Devils were swept 2-0 by both the L'Heritage Dragons (10-25, 12-25) and the St. Lawrence Saints (15-25, 18-25) but picked up a win in three sets against the CCVS Raiders winning the opener 25-23, dropping the second 25-21 and losing 15-10 in the tiebreaker.

"We improved throughout the day and a couple of the scores do not represent how well we played," noted coach Patti Hall.

"The girls just need to gain some confidence," added the coach.

Both junior and senior squads will play their next tournament tomorrow (Thurs., Dec. 17) at Seaway District High School.

Junior Devils

The Junior Devils finished their first league encounters posting a 3-2-record.

North Dundas dropped a 2-1 (19-25, 25-19, 13-15) decision to L'Heritage, but rebounded sweeping St. Lawrence 2-0 (25-14, 25-15).

"The juniors played really well," remarked coach Holly Henderson. "The team demonstrated great serving and setting skills, not to mention awesome team spirit and support."

Atom House 'B' Demons tie Panthers, Chargers

WINCHESTER – Nicholas Guy used a play started by Lliam Campbell and Sam Hart with 2:44 left in period two to record the tying tally for the North Dundas Atom House "B" Demons.

Last Friday's (Dec. 11) 2-2 tie with the visiting Athens/North Leeds Chargers improved the Demons' Upper Canada Minor Hockey League West Division record to 2-9-3.

Nate Thompson used a play involving Jonathan Seguin and Maddux England to put his team on the scoreboard at 4:47 of the opening stanza.

North Dundas skated to a 3-3 draw with the second-place Kemptville "HB1" Panthers on Demons Day (Sun., Dec 6) at the Joel Steele Community Centre.

Campbell cracked a pair of goals for the Demons, including the tying marker, which was set up by Hart and Brody Henry at 1:20 of period two. Thompson sniped the single with 43 seconds left in period one. Henry (2), England, Seguin, Guy and Hart earned the assists.

The Demons have completed the 2015 portion of their schedule and will return to action in January.

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RECENT RESULTS

Dec. 8: Perth 6 - Ottawa Canadians 4
Alexandria 8 - Athens 1
Char-Lan 6 - Prescott 5
Dec. 10: Ottawa West 7 - Clarence 2
Casselman 7 - Alexandria 5
Dec. 11: Metcalfe 5 - Winchester 3
Renfrew 4 - Ottawa West 3
Westport 8 - Brockville 0
Perth 9 - Arnprior 3
Dec. 12: Westport 7 - Clarence 1
Renfrew 5 - Brockville 0
Casselman 6 - Prescott 2
Char-Lan 3 - Perth 2
Dec. 13: Clarence 4 - Clarence 3
Metcalfe 6 - Ottawa 1
Arnprior 6 - Stittsville 3
Alexandria 6 - Athens 4

STANDINGS

Martin Division	W	L	LOT	GF	GA	PTS
Casselman	24	3	1	160	83	49
Alexandria	17	7	3	127	87	37
Metcalfe	17	10	3	110	110	37
Ottawa West	17	10	2	126	106	36
Winchester	9	12	5	97	115	23
Char-Lan	9	15	5	109	145	23
Ottawa	10	16	1	79	101	21
Clarence	9	19	1	85	134	19
Richardson	**W**	**L**	**LOT**	**GF**	**GA**	**PTS**
Perth	22	4	2	156	77	46
Stittsville	19	6	1	134	102	39
Westport	16	11	1	108	101	33
Arnprior	14	11	1	88	86	29
Renfrew	13	12	1	110	119	27
Athens	11	11	1	73	87	23
Prescott	9	18	4	101	135	22
Brockville	5	24	0	64	154	10

TOP SCORERS

Winchester Hawks	G	A	PTS
Isaac Barr	10	12	22
JD Smson "A"	9	13	22
Andy Clarke	11	8	19
Kyle Richardson "C"	5	14	19
Tanner Schroeder	13	5	18
Franco Gagnon	4	12	16
John Kalivas	5	10	15
*Shawn Simms (APJ)	10	3	13
Bryden van Kessel "A"	6	7	13
Kris Johnson	5	8	13
Niko Roy	4	6	10
Erik Starcevic "A"	3	7	10
Diego Gagnon	3	6	9
Joey Driscoll	2	7	9
Nichola LeGuerrier	1	7	8
David Ouellette	2	4	6
*Liam Morrow	0	5	5
*Brandon Welk	1	2	3
*Josh Kurish	1	3	4
Raphael Lecours	2	0	2
*Michael Monette	1	1	2
Nicholas Pilote	1	1	2
Brandon Lowry	1	0	1
*Brandon Mullin (APJ)	1	0	1
*Dillon Clemen	0	1	1
*Justin Cyr	0	1	1
Ian Ogden	0	1	1
Nicholas Tsiobanos	0	1	1

Goaltenders

Brandon Lowry W 7 L 10 OTL 50 GAA 4.22
*Logan Gauthier W 2 L 1 OTL 0 GAA 3.30
ap Shane Rodney W 0 L 0 OTL 0 GAA 0.00
John Gilmer W 0 L 1 0TL 1 10 GAA 4.92
ap E. Lamontagne W 0 L 0 OTL 0 GAA 6.00
* **Inactive player**

Winchester Hawks
HOME GAME
Fri., Dec. 18 - 8:15 pm
vs. Ottawa Canadians

Winchester Town Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS

Dec. 8:
Bush Leaguers 12 - Red Roosters 9
Thurler's Thunder 5 - Chesterville Maulers 3

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Thunder	9	3	0	71	50	18
B. Leaguers	8	4	1	90	71	16
Roosters	7	4	1	79	69	15
Maulers	3	8	1	59	73	7

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Dean Byvelds, BL	27	20	47
Steve Cameron, BL	19	24	43
Brandon Buma, RR	21	17	38
Nik Paas, RR	14	20	34
Trevor Gilmer, BL	18	13	31
Dustin Tinkler, TT	16	12	28
Rob Thurler, TT	16	11	27
Ray Smegal, RR	13	13	26
P. Klein-Swormink, TT	8	17	25
Derek Crawford, CM	10	14	24
Scott Baldwin, CM	7	14	21

National Capital Junior Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS

Dec. 11: Gatineau 4 - Rockland 3
Embrun 9 - Vankleek Hill 4
Dec. 12: Vankleek Hill 8 - North Dundas 4
St. Isidore 7 - Morrisburg 1
Outaouais 3 - Cumberland 2
Dec. 13: North Dundas 4 - Morrisburg 1
Rockland 4 - Papineauville 3
Cumberland 7 - Outaouais 6
St. Isidore 5 - Embrun 4

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
North Division						
Papineauville	16	3	1	117	65	33
Rockland	13	7	2	102	82	28
Cumberland	11	9	1	89	82	23
Gatineau	9	10	3	104	106	21
Outaouais	5	16	1	59	100	11
South Division						
Embrun	17	4	0	119	55	34
Vankleek Hill	13	8	0	94	78	26
St. Isidore	10	10	0	89	71	20
North Dundas	6	16	0	72	119	12
Morrisburg	2	19	0	29	116	4

North Dundas Rockets	G	A	PTS
Justin Rutley "A"	9	16	25
Brandon Mullin "C"	9	12	21
Ryan Romans "A"	7	11	18
Jordan Leigh	9	5	14
Kyle MacDonald	6	8	14
Mackenzie Bacon	4	10	14
William Fawcett "A"	4	8	12
Josh Hansen	3	8	11
Sheldon Holmes	1	9	10
Tristan Staff	4	5	9
Owen Bourgeois	3	4	7
Owen Salmon	3	2	5
Justin Cyr	4	0	4
Tanner Brady	3	1	4
Harry Wyss	1	3	4
Tyson Sherrer	0	4	4
Justin Cyr	3	0	3
Jordan Ruby	1	1	2
Brett Hayes	0	2	2
Dallas Dunn	1	0	1
Mitchell Melenhorst	1	0-	1
Dakota Boulanger	0	1	1
Dylan Lavallee	0	1	1
Mason Durant	0	1	1
Dillon Clemen	0	0	0

Goaltenders

E. Lamontagne 4-10-2 GAA 5.25 GA 82
Thomas Lastewka 1-4-0 GAA 4.79 GA 26

North Dundas Rockets
HOME GAME
Sat., Dec. 19 - 7:50 pm
vs. St. Isidore Eagles

Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS

Dec. 13:
Annables Blues 2 - Bridals 1
KC's Maintenance 1 - Cooper Physio 0
Foodland Reds 2 - WS Trucking 0

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
KC's	8	0	2	20	4	18
Bridals	4	3	3	14	10	11
WS Trucking	3	3	4	11	15	10
Cooper	4	5	1	18	15	9
Foodland	2	6	2	10	19	6
Annable's	2	6	2	6	16	6

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Katrina Holmes, KC's	10	3	13
Edith Dagenais, CP	7	4	11
Isabelle Dagenais, CP	2	6	8
Vicki Van Hoof KC.'s	7	0	7
Jessica Hendrikx, WST	3	3	6
Jenna Warren, CP	3	3	6
Michelle Drouin, Bridals	2	4	6
Kaila Beckstead, Bridals	2	3	5
Amy Fraser, Bridals	1	4	5
Pyper Weiss, Bridals	1	4	5
Natalie Boulianne, KC's	0	5	5
Andrea Francis, Reds	2	2	4
Cinnamon Boulanger, CP	1	3	4
Tanya Barnhardt, WST	1	3	4
Laura McDonnell, WST	1	3	4
Pyper Weiss, Bridals	0	4	4
Andrea Francis, Reds	2	1	3
Kristyn Winges, Reds	1	2	3
Chantal Penk, CP	1	2	3
Natalie Jamieson, CP	1	2	3

Cam Sherrer cashes deciding goal

Bantam 'B' Demons tie Colts 5-5

WINCHESTER – Cam Sherrer deposited the tying tally into the Cornwall net with 13:01 left in the game and the host North Dundas Bantam "B" Demons held on for a 5-5 tie.

North Dundas improved its Upper Canada Minor Hockey League East Division record to 6-3-4 with the win at the Joel Steele Community Centre on Sun., Dec. 6.

Owen Richardson (Curtis Bell at 7:40) put the Demons on the board in period one. Brad Mclean (Dean Lapier, Sherrer at 1:50) rang up number two and Nic Brugmans (Joey Hannaford, Nolan Brown at 0:55) knotted the count at 3-3 before the session ended.

The teams traded goals in period two with Sherrer (Brown, Richardson at 3:02) scoring for the Demons.

Cornwall took a 5-4 lead early (16:07) in period three, but North Dundas equaled that play with the Sherrer (Richardson at 13:01) marker.

Liam Antille guarded the North Dundas net.

Demons 6 – Perth 4

Third period shots fired by Brown (Kobey Young at 10:45) and Xavier Leclerc (unassisted at 7:48) were the difference as the Demons clipped the Perth/Lanark Wings 6-4 in Winchester on Mon., Nov. 30.

Brown (Young at 7:01) and Nic Brugmans (Brown at 6:29) cashed North Dundas' first-period markers.

The Demons' second-period goals were recorded by Bell (Owen Goulet, Brandon Lovely at 14:05) and Goulet (Leclerc at 7:10).

NDDHS Jr. Devils drop two games, level at 500

INGLESIDE – Losses to the host R/O Lancers and Saint Lawrence Saints have dropped the North Dundas District High School Devils SD&G junior boys basketball record back to the 500 level (2-2).

North Dundas opened the 2015-2016 tri-county season defeating the La Citadelle Patriotes (28-15) and the L'Heritage Dragons (53-13). The Devils win string was snapped on Monday (Dec. 14) at Rothwell-Osnabruck (R/0) by the host Lancers who posted a 41-24 decision and the St. Lawrence Saints who sacked North Dundas 41-21.

"Our inexperience showed," remarked coach Deanna Corbett-White. "We are missing some fundamentals skills, but we are a young team and they will develop with time."

North Dundas faced the Lancers in the first game of the double dip and trailed 24-14 at the half. Jarrett Williams paced the Devils attack, swishing 16 points. Curtis Barkley drained six and Bradley McLean hit a deuce.

Williams was once again the Devils leading point producer in the 41-21 loss to St. Lawrence, knocking down 12 points. Dylan Martin (4), Caleb Jaquemet (3) and Ian Koch (2) rounded out the scoring.

Williams has registered 72 points in his first four games.

At home

The Devils will kick off 2016 hosting a twin bill on their home hardwood on Tues., Jan. 5. They will face the Holy Trinity Falcons at 11 am and the Char-Lan Crusaders at 2 pm.

Midget 'B' Demons on a roll

CARDINAL – Cory Ross buried a feed sent to him by Tyson Sherrer at the 10:27 mark of the third period as the North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons handed the East Division leading South Grenville Rangers a 4-2 loss in Cardinal last Thursday (Dec. 10).

It was just the second setback for South Grenville (8-2-3) in their first 14 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League games. The win moved the Demons' second-place record to 7-5-3.

Tristan MacGregor (Joey Benoit, Brayden Cochrane at 2:47) and Aaron Turcotte (Jakob Downey, MacGregor at 0:43) scored in the opening stanza handing the Demons a 2-1 lead.

The Rangers tied it 2-2 in the middle stanza but weren't able to put another puck behind Demons 'tender Bayden Carr while their visitors pumped home a pair in the final frame sealing a 4-2 victory.

Ross (Sherrer at 10:37) rang up the GWG and Downey (Cochrane at 1:18) doubled the final difference to 4-2.

Demons 2 – Panthers 1

Carr was solid between the pipes in Kemptville on Tues., Dec. 8 backing the Demons in a slim 2-1 verdict against the hometown Panthers.

MacGregor (Logan Holmes, Jacob Robinson at 5:21) handed North Dundas a 1-0 first period lead. Kemptville deadlocked it 1-1 at 13:21 setting the stage for Ross to ring up the GWG at 9:15 of the same frame.

Period three was scoreless.





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– The Family of Ida Kenney 41

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT



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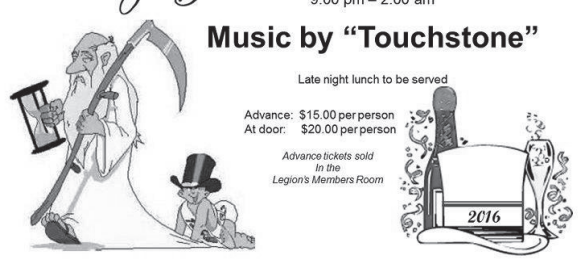

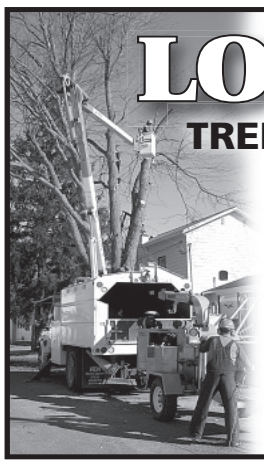

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to
December 19, 2014



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And only God knows why.

Little did we know that day
That God would call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you
But you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

We think of you in silence;
We often speak your name.
Now all we have is memories
And your picture in a frame.

They say memories are golden;
Well maybe that is true.
But we never wanted memories;
We only wanted you.

Our family chain is broken
And nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.

We will love and miss you always,
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The depths of sorrow we cannot tell,
Of the loss of one we loved so well;
And while he sleeps a peaceful sleep,
His memory we shall always keep.

Dearly missed by wife Alida and family

~ IN MEMORIAM ~
MERKLEY

In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather, Carl D. Merkley, who passed away December 16, 1985.



There is a bridge of memories
From here to heaven above,
That keeps you very close to us,
It's called the bridge of Love.
As time goes by without you,
And days turn into years,
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And a thousand silent tears.

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HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The Township of North Dundas Municipal Office will be closed on Thursday, December 24, 2015 at noon and will re-open Monday, January 4, 2016 at 8:30 am.

For **Road Emergencies** please call **613-229-3552** or **613-297-9183** or **613-223-2126.**

For **Water and Sewer Emergencies** in the Villages of Winchester and Chesterville please call **1-800-342-6442**.

Please remember, emergencies can happen at any time. You and your family should be ready to take care of yourselves for a minimum of 72 hours.

Test your generator and have a safe and happy holiday.



Merry Christmas from Council & Staff

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

The Boyne Road Landfill will be **CLOSED Friday, December 25, Monday, December 28 and Friday, January 1.**

Curbside recycling and garbage pick-up from Tuesday, December 22 to Friday, December 25 will be picked up one day prior to your regularly scheduled pick-up day. Example: if your regular pick-up day is Wednesday, December 23, your actual pick-up day will be Tuesday, December 22 instead. Please note that pick-up that is regularly scheduled for Monday, December 21 will stay the same. There is no change to curbside recycling and garbage pick-up for the week of Monday, December 28 to Friday, January 1, it will take place on your regularly scheduled day that week.

Any questions, please contact:

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Waste Co-ordinator
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NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT BY THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH DUNDAS

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of North Dundas passed By-law No. 58-2015 on the 8th day of December, 2015 under Section 34 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O.,1990* as amended.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or public body may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the By-law by filing with the Clerk of The Corporation of the Township of North Dundas not later than the 5th of January, 2016 a notice of appeal, setting out the reasons in support of the appeal, accompanied by the fee prescribed under the *Ontario Municipal Board Act* ($125.00 payable to the Minister of Finance). If the fee does not accompany the appeal, Ontario Municipal Board has the power to dismiss the appeal pursuant to subsection 34(25) of the *Planning Act.*

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

An explanation of the purpose and effect of the by-law, describing the lands to which the by-law applies is shown below. The complete by-law is available for inspection during normal office hours at the Township office located at 636 St. Lawrence Street in Winchester.

Dated at the Township of North Dundas this 16th day of December, 2015.

Jo-Anne McCaslin, Clerk
Township of North Dundas
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Purpose and Effect of the By-law

The Township of North Dundas initiated a housekeeping by-law amendment to rezone multiple properties in the former Township of Winchester (By-law 12-93) and the former Township of Mountain (By- law 79-6) required as a condition of consent (severance) and under Section 2.3.4.1 (c)(2) of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014.

This By-law harmonized By-law 12-93 and By-law 79-6 to make them consistent, added the Minimum Distance Separation Formulae to the Mountain Zoning By-law, amended various definitions, and rezoned multiple (6) farmland properties to prohibit dwelling units as required by the Provincial Policy Statement for a surplus dwelling consents (severances).

This By-law is deemed to be in conformity with the policies contained in the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Official Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement.

Gracious givers

Members of the St. Paul's Ladies Aid group recently celebrated the Christmas season with a community meal, and an act of kindness. The village organization donated $500 to the Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre, funds expected to help cover the cost of the facility's day-away respite program. Pictured are Caroline Rooney (left), Natasha Brisson, Libby Pelkey, and Sheryl Giberson.

Press Photo – Uhrig



NDDHS students show their Christmas spirit



NDDHS Notes

by Patricia Barlow

MAPLE RIDGE – The holiday season is just around the corner... We are now in the final week before Christmas break. Though, where has the time gone?

This week, we're ringing in the holidays with Christmas Spirit Week. Mon., Dec. 14 was red and green Day, Tues., Dec. 15 was toque and flannel day, and today (Wed., Dec. 16) is ugly Christmas sweater day. Thurs., Dec. 17 will be long winter's nap (pajama day), and Fri., Dec. 18 is holiday hat day. So, NDDHS, show your Christmas spirit!

Dec. 18 also features the school's annual Christmas concert, performed by the Grade 12 students and organized by student council. Performances begin at 12:45 pm.

On behalf of NDDHS, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Enjoy the break, and see you when school resumes Mon., Jan. 4.

OBITUARY

Mary Cardinal

Mary Cardinal (nee Holloway) passed away at the Ottawa Hospital General Campus on Fri., Dec. 11, 2015. She was 67.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ray, and her cherished son, Deni (1977). She leaves to mourn her daughter, Monique (Rob) Quackenbush; her son, Dan (Sandee) Cardinal; her brothers, Sid (Monica) Holloway, Bill Holloway, and Michael Holloway; her sister, Barb (Mike) Walborne; and two grandchildren, Rachelle and Devon.



The Watcher

She always leaned to watch for us,
anxious if we were late
In winter by the window, in summer
by the gate,
And though we mocked her tenderly who
had such foolish care,
The long way home would seem more safe because she
waited there.
Her thoughts were all so full of us she never could forget
And so I think that where she is she must be watching yet.
Waiting 'til we come home to her anxious if we are late,
Watching from Heaven's window, leaning from Heaven's gate.

Family and friends are invited to Riverside Recreational Center, 13137 Riverside Dr. in Riverside Heights on Sat., Dec. 19 from 11 am to 1:30 pm for a celebration of her life.

For those wishing, memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be greatly appreciated.

Online condolences may be made at www.brownleefuneralhomes.com

OBITUARIES

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Check out the *Winchester Press* online edition at:
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In Loving Memory
JENNY VAN BREUGEL
Near Christmas, as 15 years have passed since that sad day, December 16, 2000

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It is just a remembrance, fond and true,
To prove, Dear Jenny, we think of you.
When we have family gatherings
Things never are the same.
Good memories are in our hearts
And there they shall remain.
No longer in our lives to share,
But in our hearts, you are always there.

Forever In Our Hearts,
Missed by
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Jamie & Adrianna & Hunter & Whitnie Van Breugel,
and your late husband Dingeman (1973) and
your late son Adriaan (2003)

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Holiday Hours

Our office will be closed December 24 and December 25 and open December 28, 29, 30 & 31, from 9 am to 5 pm.
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Garbage/Recycle Schedule
December 25 will be picked up December 26
January 1 will be picked up January 2

Disposal Site Hours
The Matilda site will be closed December 25, December 26 and January 1.
The Williamsburg site will be closed December 26.

2016 Dog Tags
Tags are now available for sale at the Municipal Office.

Council Meeting
The next regular Council Meeting will be Tuesday, January 19, 2015, everyone welcome.

Municipal Grants Application
The 2016 Municipal Grants Application is now available on www.southdundas.com. All applications are due by Wednesday, December 23, 2015.

From Council and Staff of the Municipality of South Dundas, have a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

2015 BABIES of

The *Winchester Press* will feature the babies born this year in our special keepsake issue to be published in January 2016.

In Full Colour

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