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'It's been a privilege'

2011 retirement for area MPP

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — No matter what party representative wins, the provincial riding of Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG) will have a new MPP following the 2011 general election.

At a press conference in Cornwall on Sat., Nov. 13, MPP Jim Brownell announced that, due to family commitments and health-related issues, he will be leaving politics at the end of his current term.

"It's been a privilege serving the people of this riding," he said. "It's been an absolute pleasure."

Brownell was first elected to the Ontario legislature in 2003 as MPP for the former riding of Stormont, Dundas, and Charlottenburgh.

• see RETIRED on page 2

DessertFest Friday!

WINCHESTER — DessertFest tickets will be available at the door this Friday (Nov. 19).

The age-of-majority, all-you-can-eat dessert party will run from from 7 to 9 pm at the Winchester Community Centre. Each $20 ticket includes a complimentary wine beverage. Additional drinks will be available at a cash bar.

Stone-carved sculptures will be sold at an auction starting at 8:15 pm. Some of the items remain from the Milk and Mallets Festival at Dairyfest last August. Event proceeds will support Sweet Corner Park in Winchester.

Advance tickets are available at Winchester Video, Bridals, Linda's Sewing Shop, Annable's Jewellery, and Winchester Travel.



Finally!

It has taken 36 years, but a junior girls basketball team representing North Dundas District High School has finally claimed the SD&G gold medal. The Devils defeated La Citadelle 42-27 last week (Thurs., Nov. 11) to capture the elusive title. This year's champs are: front (left) - Chelsey Romans, Julia Wouters; middle (left) - Jenna Warren, Kelsey Neil; back (left) - Jevon Groves - coach, Brianna Geertsma, Erin Elliott, Sarah Churchill, Riley Cronin, Lindsay Chambers and Marissa Jaquemet. See story on page 15.

Press Photo — Van Bridger

Needle in, needle out at WPS

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Winchester Public School is doubling as a public health centre for two days, starting tonight (Wed., Nov. 17).

This evening, from 4 to 8 pm, there will be a flu shot clinic taking place at the school, located at 547 Louise Street. The shot is free and available to everyone aged six months and up.

According to the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU), this year's seasonal immunization will protect against two influenza type A viruses (H1N1 and H3N2) and one influenza B virus. If you had the H1N1 needle last year, the 2010 immunization will provide a booster to the 2009 shot while protecting against the A and B viruses.

Flu shot today, blood donation tomorrow

The health unit has stated that the shot is safe for pregnant women. The organization has also listed the following groups as being at higher risk from flu complications, and strongly suggests they get immunized: children 6 months to less than five years of age; adults aged 65 or older; Aboriginal people; and people with chronic medical conditions or obesity.

The Winchester clinic is the second-last in the EOHU's 17-stop immunization tour in its coverage region. According to the EOHU, a flyer with clinic dates, times, and locations was distributed to every household.

The final session is scheduled to take place in Finch tomorrow — Thurs., Nov. 18 — at the North-Stor Seniors' Support Centre (6 Nelson St.) from 4 to 8 pm.

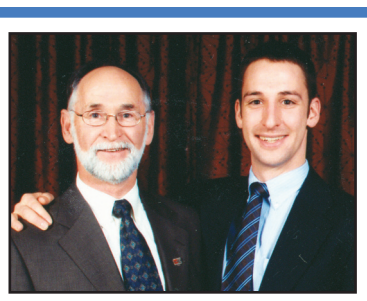
• see BLOOD DONOR on page 2

Hunt is on for YMCA advisory committee

WINCHESTER – If you want to get involved with the proposed YMCA and/or pool for Dundas County, now is the time to do so.

A small steering committee is on the hunt for community volunteers, service groups, businesses, professionals, and more people who are willing to participate in the crucial brainstorming and planning process before a feasibility study can begin. A potential location for the YMCA has not been selected yet.

Following a Wed., Nov. 10 meeting with Tony Pacheco, president and CEO of the National Capital Region YMCA-YWCA, at the Township of North Dundas council chambers, the steering committee is on the hunt for a formal advisory committee of volunteers from diverse backgrounds. Contact recreation director Mark Guy at the Township of North Dundas at 613-774-2105 for more information.



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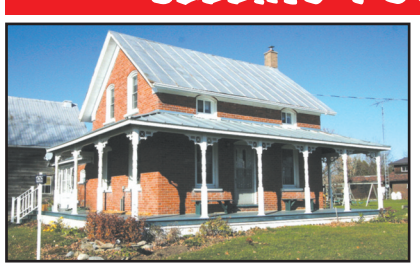

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Retired

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Brownell received the Liberal nomination after longtime MPP John Cleary chose to retire. In 2007, Brownell was re-elected as the first sitting member of the newly created riding of SD&SG.

"I am very proud of the work I've done throughout my political career," he said. "I just feel it is time to turn the page, relax, and focus my priorities closer to home."

Prior to being elected as an MPP, Brownell served for 14 years as a municipal council member in the Township of South Stormont and — as it was known prior to amalgamation — Cornwall Township. In that time, he held the positions of councillor, deputy-reeve, and reeve. He also spent 32 years with the Upper Canada District School Board as a teacher, and was president of the Lost Villages Historical Society and Museum from 1992 to 2003.



Jim Brownell, SD&SG MPP

As an MPP at Queen's Park, Brownell currently serves as parliamentary assistant to the minister of consumer services. He was previously an assistant to the minister of health and long-term care and the minister of tourism.

"Our communities have been very fortunate to have [Brownell] advocating on their behalf over the last seven years," said Delbert Jones, a Township of South Dundas councillor and a fellow Liberal.

For now, Brownell will complete the last 11 months of his term before stepping aside for a new candidate yet to be named.

Blood donor clinic: Thurs., Nov. 18

• continued from front

Tomorrow, Winchester Public will be the host site of a blood donor clinic from 1 to 8 pm. Call 1-888-2DONATE to book an appointment.

Canadian Blood Services collects blood, plasma, and platelets at 41 permanent collection sites and more than 19,000 donor clinics each year. The organization estimates that one blood donation in one hour can save up to three lives. Another clinic at Winchester Public is scheduled for Thurs., Jan. 13.

More information is available at www.blood.ca.







Lest we forget

Top: *There was high attendance at Morewood's Remembrance Day this year, following an improvement of the grounds and a special ceremony. Terry Maringer led the colour party, made up of service men and women from Canada Forces Station Leitrim, into the ceremony.*

Bottom, left: *Matthew Black and Klarissa St-Pierre, students at St. Therese D'Avila School in Marionville, read "In Flanders Field" in Morewood.*

Bottom, right: *Conall Thompson (left) and Carley Milne-Servage laid a wreath during the Nationview Public School ceremony later that afternoon.*

As happens each year, planning local 2010 Remembrance Day ceremonies was a delicate balancing act. Events took place throughout the local region, but not all on Thurs., Nov. 11 at 11 am.

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Police blocked off Belanger Road on Wed., Oct. 10 following a 2 am crash. *Press Photo — Smith-Millar*

Investigators look into Belanger Road crash

WINCHESTER — The Ontario Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is looking into last week's crash in Winchester.

On Wed., Nov. 10 around 2 am, a Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry (SD&G) Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officer, in a marked cruiser, tried to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation.

The driver refused to stop and fled the scene, according to police.

"On Belanger Road, the vehicle left the roadway and rolled over after the driver failed to negotiate a curve," reads a statement from the OPP.

A 40-year-old woman from Winchester was taken to Ottawa Hospital, suffering from "non-life threatening injuries," according to the release.

Charges are pending against the woman.

Little additional information will be available in the short term as the SIU looks into the incident. The SIU is a civilian agency that investigates the circumstances of serious injuries and deaths involving police officers.

POLICE BLOTTER

Family dispute

WINCHESTER — On Sat., Nov. 13 around 9:30 pm, Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry (SD&G) Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers responded to a report of a family dispute on Baker Road.

Two family members were involved in a verbal altercation that resulted in a 28-year-old male allegedly assaulting another male family member, according to the OPP.

He was arrested and faces an assault charge. He is scheduled to appear in Morrisburg court on Tues., Jan. 4.

Impaired driving charges

WILLIAMSBURG — On Sat., Nov. 13 around 11:45 pm, SD&G OPP officers conducted a traffic stop on Locke Lane.

A 50-year-old male driver (Scott Allen Keeler of South Dundas) was arrested and charged with impaired driving of a motor vehicle and driving with a blood alcohol concentration exceeding 0.08. He is scheduled to appear in Cornwall court on Tues., Nov. 30.

Computer nabbed

GLEN STEWART — Police are looking into a reported theft that would have occurred sometime between Fri., Nov. 12 and Sat., Nov. 13. Unknown suspect(s) broke into a Glen Stewart Road residence and took a home computer.

Details published in the police blotter are provided by the SD&G OPP. All suspects are considered innocent in the eyes of the law unless proven otherwise in court.

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Rose to launch Hill 70 committee

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — North Dundas' outgoing deputy-mayor announced her next major project at the present council's final meeting.

On Tues., Nov. 9, Estella Rose said she'd like to form a Friends of Hill 70 support committee that would be responsible to help maintain the Mountain Memorial Park.

The Mountain-area resident added that she'd like to organize a community group of volunteers.

Rose lost the Mon., Oct. 25 election to Gerry Boyce. After the defeat, the veteran politician indicated she'd stay involved in the community, but didn't reveal specifics until her last evening at the township council table.

On Nov. 9, Rose also expressed chagrin about the controversy surrounding the Hill 70 memorial.

Citizens created the site in the 1920s to honour human losses in the bloody First World War battle. Although the memorial was rededicated in 2009 after receiving some modest improvements, the Mountain & District Lions Club has grander plans for the only known Hill 70 site in the world.

The service club plans to build a world-class heritage site, funded through a combination of community donations, township money, and potentially a grant through Veterans Affairs Canada.

When the Lions initially approached council, the representatives revealed they wanted to revamp the site. Council agreed in principle but stressed the Lions must get opinions from groups like the North Dundas History Stewards and Bill Shearing, an honourary colonel for the SD&G Highlanders, who spearheaded the smaller Hill 70 makeover and subsequent rededication ceremony last year.

Later, the North Dundas History Stewards sent a letter of concern to council fearing the existing Hill 70 site would be ruined.

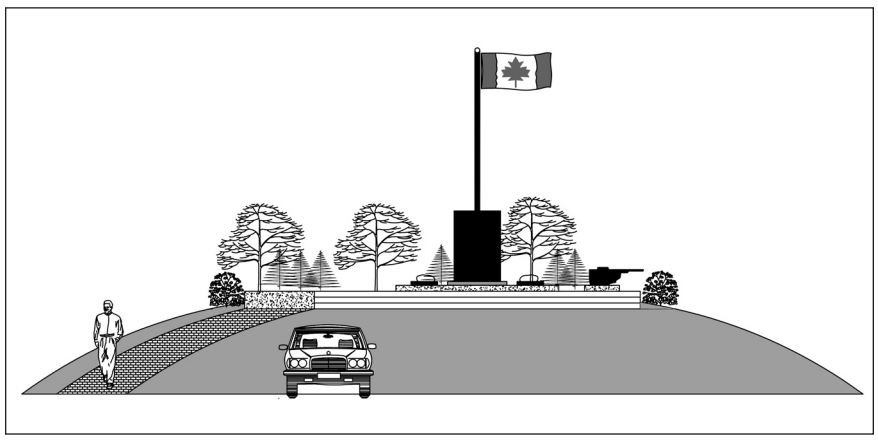
At last week's meeting, Rose said other groups hadn't been consulted in the planning process. She said the monument should be built to the side of the existing memorial. "I understand there's all kinds of room there; that the original can be left," she said.

Outgoing Mayor Alvin Runnalls clarified that he doesn't have a problem with the Lions' project in principle, but changing the original can be seen as "kind of a desecration," he said. "Some people would like to see it beside the hill."

Councillor Eric Duncan — who will become the next mayor in December — advised his colleagues to choose their words wisely. "Be very careful," he said.

Duncan said there might be disagreement over the site's future, but the Lions don't intend to destroy it: "It's not the intention, at all."

The two outgoing council members clarified they didn't mean to offend.



Architectural drawing provided by Mountain and District Lions Club.

Memorial to be improved, not replaced: Lions Club

MOUNTAIN — In an interview with the *Winchester Press*, Mountain and District Lions public relations officer Ian McKelvie stressed that the club has no intentions of destroying the existing Hill 70 site.

He added that the Lions are trying to address the concerns of fellow community groups while enhancing the First World War memorial.

Fundraising campaign proceeds

The existing German machine gun and memorial stones at the hill will stay, only on a "better platform," he said.

The small mound representing the hill at the park in Mountain, he explained, will be kept, and only adapted so a level concrete slab can be poured.

"We're keeping as much of the hill as we can," said McKelvie.

He explained that club members originally planned to attend council on Tues., Nov. 9. But the Lions decided to cancel their appearance because positive changes are afoot. They're in the process of hunting down another grant from Veterans Affairs Canada.

It could be a big one, too, said McKelvie: upwards of $50,000.

It's a far cry from the roughly $25,000 Veterans Affairs grant the Lions were initially pursuing to subsidize an estimated $50,000 project.

McKelvie added that community fundraising is ongoing. About $30,000 including pledges has been collected thus far, he noted.

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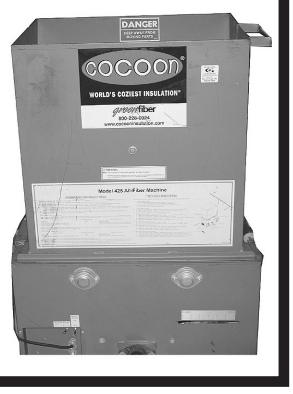


‘Everything will be fine’

Mayor bows out gracefully at last meeting

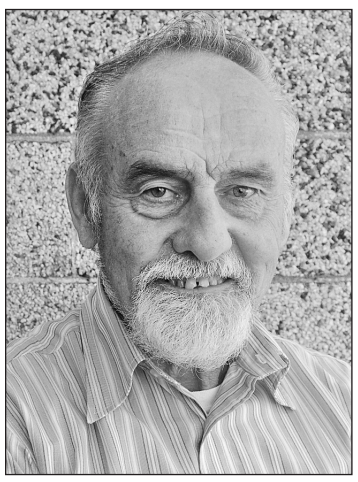
by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Alvin Runnalls wasn’t successful in his bid to return as North Dundas’ mayor, but he gave the new team some positive parting words last week.

Runnalls began his last regular council meeting as mayor on Tues., Nov. 9 by extending his best wishes to the returning council members.

“I’d like to congratulate all of you,” said Runnalls. “I’m sure everything will be fine.”

Councillor Eric Duncan — Runnalls’ opponent in the Mon., Oct. 25 municipal election — will head up the table next month after a swearing-in ceremony. Joining him will be Councillors Al Armstrong and John Thompson, who were successful in their bids to return to the table. Newcomer Tony Fraser will assume Duncan’s vacant councillor seat.



Mayor Alvin Runnalls

Deputy-Mayor Estella Rose lost last month’s election to South Mountain resident Gerry Boyce. Like Runnalls, Rose is a long-serving politician who will relinquish her title next month.

Runnalls praised his deputy for her community commitment, and ability to get things done when it appears nobody else can.

“I’ve worked with Estella for 13 years,” he said.

Runnalls also thanked North Dundas’ staffers.

He acknowledged that stimulus grants are great. But when staff have to prepare the paperwork and deal with the multiple details, it’s a lot of work.

“Staff came through with flying colours,” he said.



Food bank funding

Staff at Ben’s Pioneer Gas Bar spent five days recently collecting funds for the Dundas County Food Bank. When a patron would enter the store to pay for gas, they would be asked if they would like to make a donation. In the end, staff members were able to generate $2,400. Pictured are Rick Hill (left), Ben Henry, Sue Lloyd, Lee Anne James, and Randy Archer. Missing: Adrianne Heagle, Laura Declaire, and Emily Wicks.

Press Photo — Uhrig

Proposed Winchester flea market site sold

Council notes from North Dundas

WINCHESTER — A proposed Winchester flea market is back in the spotlight.

At the most recent regular North Dundas council meeting on Tues., Nov. 9, township planner Calvin Pol announced that the old hydro property along St. Lawrence Street has changed hands.

The previous owner originally planned to host a seasonal weekend flea market at 594 St. Lawrence and convert one building into a caretaker’s home.

The plan was slowed by residents’ concerns about noise, parking, and traffic congestion.

It was ultimately stopped, however, by environmental requirements. The owner needed a Record of Site Condition demonstrating the old hydro yard’s soil surface is safe enough for a caretaker’s residence.

Pol confirmed that the new owner wants to pick up where his predecessor left off, and has contacted consultants to begin an environmental report. (The new owner will need a full Record of Site Condition only if he wants to go ahead with the caretaker’s home, and a site review of surface contamination for the flea market, Pol told the *Winchester Press*.)

If the market goes ahead, Pol suggested council could adopt a temporary-use bylaw for two or three years.

That way, everyone can see whether the flea market works in practice — or not.

Nov. 30 meeting for subdivision

Remember the proposal for a retirement home — or maybe a nursing home — and nearby subdivision in Winchester?

PDH Healthcare’ subdivision project is back in the public eye again. On Tues., Nov. 30 at 7 pm, the township is scheduled to host a public meeting about the revised design and layout for a 27-lot subdivision.

The new neighbourhood would be located near PDH’s to-be-constructed 55-unit seniors’ residence, which North Dundas council has already approved.

The facilities would share a property located east of Ottawa Street and north of Queen Street.

PDH originally had plans to build a nursing home instead of seniors’ housing. However, the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care hasn’t given the nursing home project the green light. That’s why PDH is moving ahead with a retirement home in the meantime.

Pumping station update

Work is underway on the Winchester reservoir and water pumping station. When complete, the major project will connect the water systems in Winchester and Chesterville.

Cultural and heritage mapping plan

A culture and heritage plan is being created for the communities of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry. The public is welcome to attend a series of the meetings to provide input.

The township offices will be the host site of a discussion in Winchester on Wed., Nov. 24 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

The initiative aims to set priorities for the development of the arts, culture and heritage sectors, and discuss ways to assist emerging artists, performers, cultural businesses and institutions, and volunteers.

Sewer saga drags on

Deputy CAO Angela Rutley updated council on the now complete, and controversial, sewer and water expansion along Winchester’s Dawley Drive.

At recent council meetings, several Dawley business owners expressed anger that they weren’t notified about the sudden construction. Also, some say the proposed payment rules are unfair when compared to a recent Main Street sewer expansion for Tim Hortons.

Rutley — who handles the township water and sewer file — said staff met recently with a few affected business owners. After a long discussion, they agreed to the township’s proposed 25-year limit to hook up, a 15-year debenture period, and the Consumer Price Index (so the bills can keep up with inflation). But the business owners argued that they shouldn’t have to pay to use Main Street’s sewer, too. That formula adjustment would drop the fee of about $16,900 per sewer unit to about $12,300.

“Not that you have to entertain that,” said Rutley, stressing that it was just an option for council to consider.

Township finances healthy

Council could breathe a sigh of relief after KPMG auditor Vicki Leakey gave North Dundas a clean bill of financial health.

Sherrer Way delay

Council members deferred their decision about whether or not to adopt the driveway to Winchester All-Storage as a township road (potentially named Sherrer Way after owners Pamela and Roy Sherrer).

There are concerns about whether or not the paved driveway will be able to take the wear-and-tear if the property becomes home to a small subdivision in the future.

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Downtown structure gets 1900s-era restoration

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

Royal treatment for old bank building

WINCHESTER — With Crazy Loonies closed, building owner Vince Zandbelt is taking advantage of the vacancy to "put some TLC" into the downstairs unit.

Zandbelt hopes to restore the structure to its 1900s look, when it was home to the local Royal Bank of Canada.

In the process, he keeps encountering surprises — most of them pleasant.

So far, Zandbelt has exposed the old brick pillars beside the front windows of 504 St. Lawrence, and unearthed a sturdy hardwood floor base hiding beneath the plywood boards.

Drywall, he explained, turned out to be covering "beautiful exposed brick" encasing the old Royal Bank vault, now used as storage space and washroom.

Zandbelt has already restored the ornate tin ceiling tiles by chipping away layers of crumbling paint. Some new tiles had to be replaced entirely before he coated them all with a soft cream colour.

"Every day is like an onion. You peel away, and you have some new surprises," he said. "I've got a good chunk of it done, but it's a lot of work."

Zandbelt is taking advantage of the opportunity to install new lights, fans, windows, doors, and electrical outlets.

"We're trying to make it suitable for whoever moves in," he said.

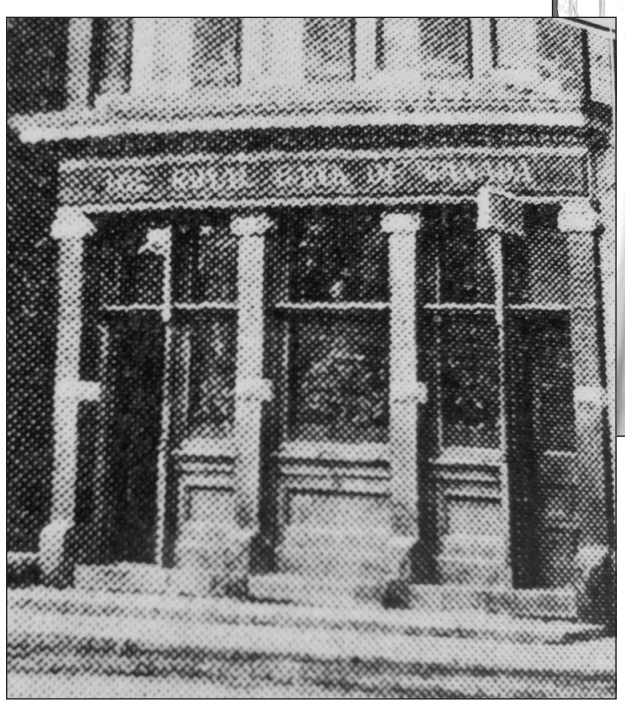
While all five apartments upstairs are occupied, the downstairs unit will remain empty until Zandbelt's satisfied with his renovations.

It's somewhat of a labour of love for Zandbelt, who is also one of the principal Winchester Downtown Revitalization Committee volunteers who created Sweet Corner Park next door. Now that major construction and landscaping is finished for Sweet Corner, Zandbelt is focusing on his restoration project.

"The whole storefront will be changed," Zandbelt noted. "It'll have a lot of character in the place, that's for sure."







Above:
Vince Zandbelt is working to restore the downstairs unit of 504 St. Lawrence, including the outside of the old vault.

At left:
The structure was once home to the Royal Bank of Canada. Reprinted from the Historical Review of Winchester, Ont.



Winchester's main intersection as it is today, with Sweet Corner Park in the foreground at right and the 504 St. Lawrence Street building with its mural just behind the park.

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Has McGuinty done his homework on financial literacy education?

We're happy to congratulate Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty and his Liberal government on an announcement made last week.

"Financial literacy" will be integrated into the curriculum from Grade 4 to Grade 12, starting in September 2011. Students will learn about spending, saving, investment, and money management.

This time, the Liberals appear to have listened to expert advice and public input. The announcement follows up on recommendations made by the Curriculum Council — a team of community leaders and education experts who advise Ontario's education minister — and the Working Group on Financial Literacy.

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High school graduates have been complaining for years about the lack of common-sense financial education in the classroom. Many teens can graph a perfect parabola, but are clueless about mortgages, RRSPs, investments, insurance, real estate, pensions, taxes, the economy — even basic banking.

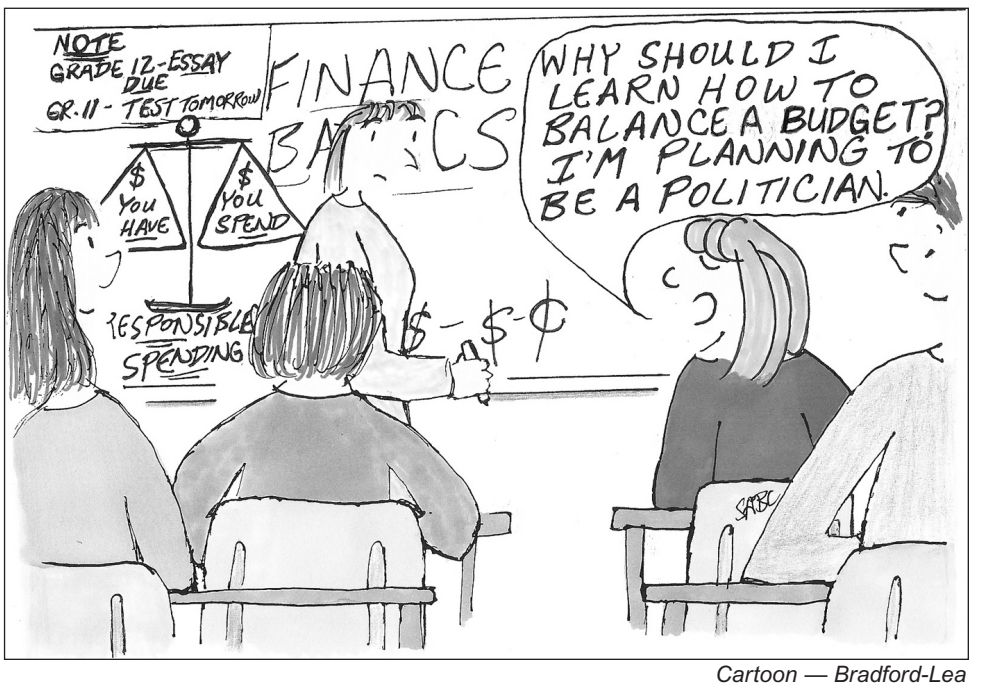
As the government eagerly pointed out in its press release, financial education is taught already in Ontario schools, to a certain extent. But the status quo is clearly not enough.

Right now, kids learn life's financial lessons primarily from Mom and Dad. Sometimes, recent graduates get their education the hard way after bankruptcy or foreclosure — as the recent economic meltdown demonstrated.

Ontario has much to gain from cultivating a financially savvy population. Economic literacy can help close the gap between rich and poor students. Youth should be prepared not only to manage their own money well, but take smart chances, too — like starting up a business, or investing wisely in the stock market. These young voters will be better prepared to hold our financial institutions and (ahem!) governments to account. As always, the Devil is in the details. One shouldn't be too cynical about last week's announcement. But countless plans must be ironed out before guinea-pig students encounter this vague "curriculum integration" 10 months from now.

The government press release last week specified that no new courses or "curriculum expectations" will be introduced. Rather, financial literacy will be integrated directly into existing lessons and classes.

Say what? Will today's textbooks become redundant, then revamped? Will senior-level math classes be redesigned, or will workbooks be prepared for each grade and course? Are teachers and school boards ready?



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And how much will these changes cost taxpayers, exactly?

The Working Group on Financial Literacy report lists a few suggestions detailing how the integration could take place. For example, some financial literacy lessons could be embedded in the mandatory half-credit Grade 10 career studies course. (This is a fantastic idea, as career studies in its present format — except for the resume instruction — is widely regarded as "a joke" by Grade 10s.)

It's unclear how financial literacy will be taught, practically speaking.

Forgive us as we make the obvious joke: McGuinty should sit down with these kids next September and learn money management, too. (And he should remain after the elementary school photo-op of which he's so fond.)

Ontario's wannabe "education premier" has a bad habit of announcing sweeping reforms without — well — doing his homework. Nor does he give bureaucrats the time, funding, or direction to implement his deeply flawed and poorly thought-out programs that are only progressive on the surface.

Take, for example, the eco fees and eHealth fiascos; the HST; the unaccountable money pits known as Local Health Integration Networks; a Green Energy Act that, among other problems, victimizes our must vulnerable citizens as hydro rates skyrocket; a prohibitively expensive all-day Kindergarten program that fails to resolve a province-wide affordable daycare shortage... the list goes on. Just last week, after an arbitrator overruled a wage freeze for hospital workers, McGuinty said tax dollars would not fund any raises. (Presumably, that means hospitals may cut services to compensate.)

Ontario faces a $19.3-billion deficit that cannot wholly be blamed on stimulus spending.

It would be a shame if botched financial literacy programming wound up being nothing more than a headache for teachers — including our own educators at North Dundas District High School and supporting elementary institutions.

With a start date of September 2011, the financial literacy introduction will coincidentally take place one month before next year's provincial election, set for Thurs., Oct. 6. For the sake of our students, let's hope the program is one well-designed policy for which McGuinty can take some credit.

Remember when...

1940

The *Winchester Press'* editorial this week said that in Germany, dog meat was to be a part of the daily menu. At the beginning of the war, Hitler had decreed that all dogs in the country should be shot to conserve food. Evidently, the first order was not carried out, or else people had been keeping dogs in cold storage to be eaten in case of emergencies, the *Press* said. A meat shortage in Germany was beginning to pinch because of the efforts of the British blockade.

1950

Canadians were eating five times more canned meat than in pre-war years, the *Press* reported this week. It was thought this indicated that modern housewives didn't have the number of recipes their mothers did. Although it was simpler to go to the cupboard and slit open a can of meat, it was guessed that the popularity of roast beef would never be surpassed. The *Press* also observed this as an alarming trend that may point to a shift in the eating habits of society.

1960

The latest addition to the village of Winchester's works department was unveiled this week, the *Press* reported. The new utility truck would be used for a host of jobs each week, but none more important than the weekly collection of garbage.

1970

Members of the Good Grooming Committee at North Dundas District High School removed restrictions on the school policy for personal appearance, the *Press* said. Prior to this time, girls were required to wear skirts or pant suits, while for boys it was only required that they be neat and clean. A single standard was suggested for both genders in view of fashion trends and popular opinion among students.

1980

Dial-A-Question, a free public library telephone information service for eastern Ontario, was discontinued this week due to a lack of funding, the *Press* reported. The system provided toll-free long distance reference information for rural residents. The reference departments of libraries would still supply answers to phone inquiries, but long-distance charges would apply.

1990

Provincial funding was being explored for upgrading and expansion of the Winchester Community Centre, the *Press* reported. The recreation committee wanted to study options that would make the upper level accessible to wheelchairs and elderly people. Council approved a ramp for the front entrance.

2000

The North Dundas Christmas Fund began accepting both donations and requests this week, the *Press* reported. The community was being asked to provide snowsuits for needy children, as well as financial funding to pay for baskets.

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More than just a day in the park



From the Other Side
by Jeff Morris

Have you ever had one of those instances where one of life's deepest moments comes at the most unexpected of times?

I had one of those last weekend.

It started simply enough. The boys had been cooped up all day and we all needed some fresh air, so we grabbed a couple of footballs and headed to the park. We wouldn't have too many late Sunday afternoons like this left, as the low sun was warm on our faces but our bodies were wrapped by the chill brought by the autumn air.

You can bond with anyone over a game of catch, or seeing how hard a kid can kick or throw. But then, as we were strolling through the afternoon and passing time, we stumbled upon a moment that, at the time, you realize is one you will remember forever.

"Look, there's an ambulance," said one of the boys. "And there is a fire truck," said his brother. "I wonder what's going on over there."

There was obviously something going on in the house across the street from the park. It seemed serious, and the lack of urgency from the emergency workers was as alarming as the situation itself.

"What do you think happened?" they said.

"It's hard to say," I said.

"Do you think someone died?"

I had to think about that one. I thought, 'yes.' But how do you handle talking about death with three young boys? I thought I would tackle it head on, trying to be as sensitive as possible.

"Well, if someone did," I said, "then it is a very sad and difficult day for the family who lives there."

By this point, we had stopped playing and were watching and wondering. A few moments later, two paramedics carried a stretcher out of the house. The body on the stretcher was covered. A few people came out behind the stretcher. There were hugs and, again, an alarming lack of urgency.

I tried to softly explain to the boys wha was happening.

"Guys, do you see how the person in the stretcher is covered up?"

"Yes, does that mean he died?"

"Well, we don't know if it's a man or a woman, but yes, that means that the person has passed away."

The boys weren't quite sure what to do.

"Okay, guys, what we should do now, out of respect for the family, is stop playing and stand and bow our heads, and we will say a prayer for the family."

We prayed for God to have mercy on the person's soul and prayed that they had found a safe haven, and we prayed that the person did not suffer. We prayed that the family could have strength both at that moment and for the near future as they would be going through such a difficult and emotional time.

The most difficult thing for them was that I made them stand with their heads bowed for several minutes, until the ambulance had pulled away. Although I told them that we would do this out of respect for the family and the person who had passed away, I knew that it was not easy for them. Several minutes can seem like an eternity when the sun is about to set on what may be the last beautiful afternoon at the park of the year.

As we stood there, out of respect, memories of my childhood flooded into my mind. I remembered different situations where I had been exposed to death – everything from a stranger in a car accident to an elderly person from our church passing away to being told that my grandfather had passed away to being told that my aunt had been killed. Whether they are family situations or whether they are just random things that we end up seeing, when you are a kid, a death can fasten itself to the seams of your memory for the rest of your life. I thought about how difficult it must have been for my mother to tell me, when I was just a young kid, that her father had passed away or that her sister had been killed.

I nervously glanced at the boys, not wanting them to see that I was worried about how they were handling this situation. Where do you draw the line, after all, between what is shaping a child through wisdom and what is traumatic?

After the emergency vehicles pulled away, the boys had one more prayer, crossed themselves, and then it was back to football at the park. They were throwing and kicking and catching and snapping the ball.

As the golden sun disappeared behind a pink skyline, we decided to start walking home. They talked about their grandmother, who had passed away at the hospital, not at home.

At dinner time, the boys said grace and again said a prayer for the deceased person we saw and for the family. Then, they broke down the situation as only kids could. Imagine, they said, how lucky we were to be having a Sunday dinner like this when only two blocks away, there was a family, coping with sorrow, whose lives had just been changed forever.

It dawned on me at that moment that I wasn't the one teaching and influencing them. They were teaching and influencing me. And it struck me that whether or not the boys would remember this day forever, I certainly would.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Be aware of fraudsters out there

The Editor:

I am writing this letter to share with others my recent fraud experience.

I put an ad on the website, Kijiji, asking for $110 for an old television cabinet. A lady wanted to buy this item, unseen, and all of our correspondence was by email. As she indicated, she was moving and had a shipping company available to pick up the cabinet from our place.

On Mon., Nov. 8, I received a bank cheque for $2,500. I emailed her with concerns of this amount for transport of a $110 cabinet. She responded indicating that there were several other items to be picked up, and it was not a problem.

What I had to do was cash this cheque and take all that money, keep my $110, then four per cent of the remainder would go to a Western Union outlet for charges in shipping the cash to the shipping company. This sounded urgent for her other shipping pick-ups. The cheque came from Newfoundland under a male name, as she had indicated and the item was to go to her new apartment in Alberta.

On Tues., Nov. 9, for my convenience, it was better for me to cash the cheque at the Prescott Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) on my way to Western Union in Brockville. I had even emailed the shipping email address she had given me for further instructions.

I presented the $2,500 cheque to the RBC teller and asked for cash. For no known reason, I then started to chat about this transaction and having to send most of the money to a moving company.

The teller immediately raised some concerns of fraud. She asked me to wait while she checked this through.

I still thought if I cashed the cheque, kept the $110, gave the four per cent or $95 to Western Union for transfer of the remainder that I would not be out any money. Untrue. I would be out $2,500 for a fraudulent cheque. She kept the cheque, gave me a photocopy, and wanted to investigate further.

When I returned home, the teller from Prescott phoned me to say that this cheque was a fraud, and this was happening to several people across Canada.

My point is to warn others of any fraud. Don't be afraid to talk to a bank teller regarding money transactions, and be aware that every time you cash a cheque, you are liable for that amount.

I feel very fortunate that I was not a victim in this scam.

Jan Robinson
Winchester

Brothers make community proud

The Editor:

This past Remembrance Day I couldn't help but reflect back to 60-plus years ago when the Second World War ended.

We students from Winchester Public School stood on the corner of Main and St. Lawrence Streets to await the arrival of our local soldiers. They rode in on the local fire truck and were waving Canadian flags as we helped "welcome" them home. What a wonderful and proud memory.

Perhaps someone has a more vivid memory of this occasion and maybe some pictures.

Personally, I was so very proud of brothers, Cody and Kyle Pelkey, on the front page of the *Winchester Press* (Wed., Nov. 10 edition). You fine young men have done your family and community proud.

Anne Cross
Winchester

Benefits available to our Canadian veterans



From Parliament Hill
by MP Guy Lauzon

OTTAWA — Recently, the media have been reporting on the benefits available to veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces. I would like to clarify the facts as to what benefits are currently available to our most deserving veterans.

Firstly, I would like to point out that no government has done more for veterans than the Conservative government under the leadership of Prime Minister Stephen Harper. We believe veterans should be treated with the great respect they deserve. We have taken concrete steps to improve on the neglect veterans have previously suffered.

Since forming government in February 2006, we have taken the following actions based on the advice and feedback received from veterans and their advocates: $2.5 billion for veterans included in our past five budgets; Tues., Sept. 28, creation of the legacy of care fund, $52.5 million to care for injured soldiers, sea, and air personnel; established integrated personnel support centres on 19 bases throughout Canada dedicated to care of ill or injured current and former forces' personnel, their families, and families of the deceased; established 24-hour, toll-free help line, the VAC assistance service, for veterans and their families who need professional counselling service; Sun., Sept. 19, $2 billion in new funding to enhance financial support for veterans and their families; veterans who receive catastrophic injuries and are unable to work will receive an extra $1,000 per month for the rest of their lives in addition to the 75 per cent of salary they now receive; access to permanent monthly allowance for seriously injured veterans expanded to an additional 3,500 veterans. No eligible veteran will receive less than $40,000 per year, and approximately 2,320 veterans will benefit from this change; extended benefits to allied vets from the Korean War, helping an additional 4,600 vets and their families; increased funding for Veterans Independence Program (VIP) to thousands of veterans' widows, which means 35,000 survivor clients now receive program VIP benefits; introduced Veterans Bill of Rights; created position of veterans' ombudsman; and provided $57.2 million to victims of agent orange tests at CFB Gagetown.

Jean-Pierre Blackburn, veterans' affairs minister, is consulting with veterans across the country to ensure we can respond to their needs. Our government's aim is to ensure that all veterans live with the dignity and respect they deserve. We must never forget what these brave men and women have sacrificed and what they continue to do to serve our country. Our goal is to ensure they receive every benefit they deserve.

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New take on 'love thy neighbour'



Confessions of a Country Convert

by Adele Eyman

One of my favourite movies is *The House Bunny*. That's because I admire the main character, a former *Playboy* bunny named Shelley.

In the story, Shelley gets evicted from the Playboy Mansion, presumably because, at 27, she is too old. While looking for a job at the nearby college, she stumbles into Zeta Alpha Zeta, a failing college sorority. The Zetas are the least popular girls on campus: they are the geeks, the pathologically shy, the ungainly, and the unpopular. They need help to recruit more pledges, else their sorority folds. Shelley agrees to be their "house mother."

Shelley transforms this rag-tag group of misfits into pretty, popular, sexy women. With the Zetas made over into beauties, she then organizes campus events to promote their sorority. Shelley also brings her Zeta sisters to a dance at the seniors' residence, which Shelley calls "the orphanage for old people." Oliver, who runs the seniors' residence, watches as the residents and Zetas have fun together. Perplexed, he asks why these cute girls would want to hang out with old people. Shelley shrugs and replies, "Love is just kindness with its work boots on." Eventually, the Zetas get their pledges, Shelley gets Oliver, and everyone is happy. And the dance video that closes the movie is terrific. But I digress.

The point is this: if you look past the whole *Playboy* bunny thing, you see that Shelley is a person who genuinely cares about other people and takes personal risks to help them, despite what other people think. In this way, I think that Shelley models how to live as a Christian better than most people I know.

This idea may be shocking to some people; but then, I suppose that some people would not be able to see past the trashy, *Playboy* bunny part of Shelley.

But consider the following. Shelley may not be the sharpest pencil in the box. She makes no apologies for herself and her previous life as a bunny; in fact, she is proud of this accomplishment. But she also thinks that everyone is worthwhile, even if they need a little help along the way. In other words, Shelley is not one to judge. She accepts her own limitations and eccentricities, and she accepts those of others. For example, when Shelley first meets someone, she repeats back their name sincerely and carefully — using a deep, frog-like voice. She says, this is a little trick I learned to help me remember people's names. Of course it's a running gag in the movie and pulls for a big laugh. But, have you ever met someone who does whatever it takes to remember your name, even if it makes them look foolish? I certainly haven't.

Consider this: there were huge inequalities between Shelley and the girls at Zeta Alpha Zeta where popularity and looks were concerned. Yet Shelley did not exploit these inequalities to her advantage. In fact, she made it her mission to close the "have/have not" gap by helping the Zetas become more like her. (Okay, perhaps some of us don't want to be more like a former bunny, but bear with me on this.) As Shelley carries out her mission, she treats the loser Zetas with great dignity. She doesn't feel sorry for her charges, although she does show great compassion. She treats her sorority sisters as equals, not as charity cases. Most importantly, she believes in transformation: that it is possible for every girl in her socially challenged group to make herself over into a desirable person, using Shelley's expert fashion advice, dating tips, make-up and skin care routines.

I think there's a good lesson in here for all of us, and I'm not talking about improving our physical attributes. I'm talking about improving our spiritual ones, especially when regarding some members of our community. Perhaps they are newcomers to our rural community; perhaps they are people living with physical or mental challenges. Perhaps they are from a different race, ethnicity or culture; perhaps they have fallen onto hard times. Perhaps they are from a different socioeconomic, educational or professional class; perhaps they are struggling with poverty. In any case, they are still our neighbours, even though they may seem a bit odd, or different — as odd and different as a *Playboy* bunny looking for work on a college campus. And our job should not be to judge them, because, just like with Shelley, outward appearances can be deceiving.



Winchester District Memorial Hospital up close and personal

Welcome to a new monthly column written by the people who are at the heart of Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH). This "inside view" is designed to help our communities get to know the WDMH team, in their own words. We begin with Bonnie Hall, who lives in Chesterville and has worked at the hospital for 23 years.



Bonnie Hall

Special touches

My name is Bonnie Hall, and I work as a housekeeping aide in the operating rooms, or "ORs." There are three ORs at WDMH, so it keeps me very busy. I find all the different surgeries very interesting, and I enjoy helping the patients.

Throughout the day, I go through specific steps to ensure the ORs are very clean and that strict infection control standards are met. My number-one priority is to ensure our patients are well cared for.

For example, between each case, I pick up the soiled linen and garbage and mop the rooms. Each day, the monitors, lights, phones, and door handles are disinfected, and at the end of the day, each room is "terminally cleaned," which is an even more extensive cleaning. I also clean the stretchers and get patients a nice, warm blanket when they are cold to make them more comfortable.

On a regular basis, the windows, doors, doorframes and hinges are washed, and each OR gets a complete wash-down from floor to ceiling. Another important area to keep clean is the Central Supply Room (CSR). This is where they wash and sterilize the OR instruments. Each day, I also mop the OR hallway.

I have worked at WDMH for 23 years and there sure have been a lot of changes. It is very nice to work in a brand-new building. The doctors and nurses are very nice and we all work together as a team putting our patients first — everyone helps when needed. It has been very rewarding, and time goes so fast!



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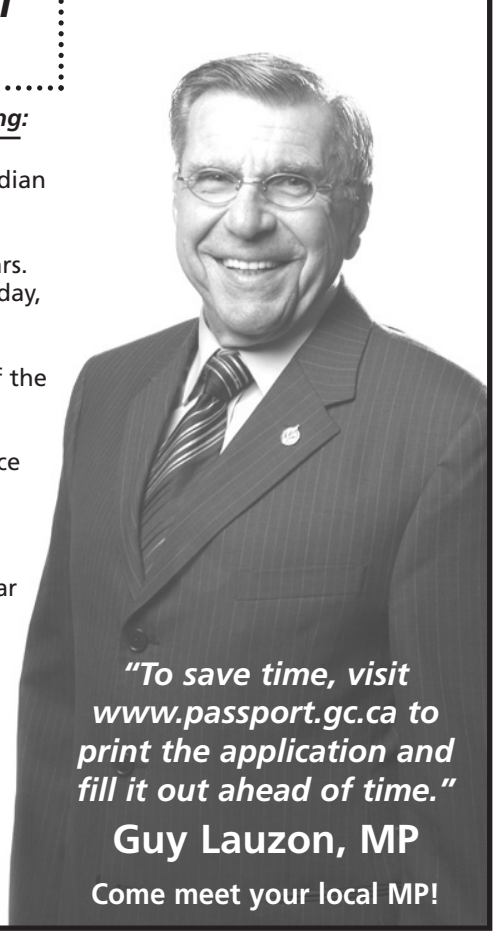

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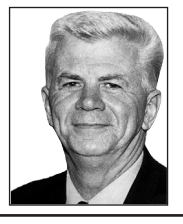
Osgoode Ward reflects on wartime sacrifice



In and around
Osgoode Ward
by Councillor
Doug Thompson

METCALFE — Osgoode Ward residents have recently had outstanding opportunities to show their respect for our veterans. On Sat., Oct. 30, I was honoured to be part of the remembrance service at the Osgoode Township Historical Society Museum's cenotaph in Vernon. One week later, on Sat., Nov. 6, the Royal Canadian Legion Osgoode Branch 589 held its annual Remembrance Day dinner with Legion members, family, and friends to remember the sacrifices of our military.

Large crowds attended all three pre-Remembrance Day services the next day, Sun., Nov. 7. At 9:30 am, the Kenmore Community Hall was filled with veterans and local church members for a service of remembrance prior to the laying of the wreaths at 10 am. That afternoon, the Osgoode Legion's service began at 2 pm at their hall.

It was a remarkable program with more than 200 residents, including 40 Boy Scouts, participating in a very moving ceremony.

Later, at the Royal Canadian Legion Greely Branch 627, I participated in the final pre-Remembrance Day Sunday service.

On Thurs., Nov. 11, I laid a wreath at 8:30 am at Osgoode Public School's Remembrance Day service. The ward's remembrance activities culminated with our community Remembrance Day service at the Metcalfe Town Hall cenotaph. As expected, the warm weather brought out more than 300 people, as we saluted our residents who served in the First and Second World Wars, as well as other conflicts, and those who continue to serve Canada.

It was refreshing to see students of all ages in attendance, and each year our services are better attended.

Pathway public meetings

There are two multi-use pathways being constructed in rural Ottawa. Along with our pathway from Buckles Street in Osgoode to Leitrim Road, another pathway is under construction from Anderson Road to Navan.

The City of Ottawa is currently upgrading the former Osgoode and Prescott-Russell rail corridors to rural multi-use pathways to give residents year-round recreation options. The city is developing usage policies for these pathways, and will be holding three public meetings (Tues., Nov. 30 at the Osgoode Community Centre; Tues., Dec. 2 at the Sawmill Creek Community Centre in Ottawa; and Thurs., Dec. 7 at Sir Wilfred Laurier Secondary School in Ottawa) to allow residents to provide input on what these policies should be. All meetings begin at 7:30 pm.

In addition to input from residents and other stakeholders, issues related to safety and technical limitations of the pathways will be considered in developing usage policies for each pathway. Staff will present the proposed policies to council early in 2011. Pending approval, the policies could be brought into force starting in the spring of that year.

Following these meetings, city staff will prepare reports for the agriculture, rural affairs and transportation committee meetings in February. Recommendations will be forwarded for council approval in March. These recommendations will become part of the city's transportation master plan.

The purpose of these meetings is to provide: descriptions of the new pathways; shared use examples for the new pathways; an opportunity for you to ask questions; and an opportunity for you to have input on the usage policies for these pathways.

For more information, visit www.ottawa.ca/ruralpathway.

Christmas-themed farmers' markets

The Metcalfe Farmers' Market Committee is gearing up to host three Christmas-themed markets. The first is scheduled for Sat., Nov. 20 from 9 am to 2 pm at the Greely Legion. A second market will be held on Sat., Dec. 4 from 9 am to 1 pm, this time in the gymnasium of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School in Russell. The third, and final, market has been scheduled for Sat., Dec. 11, once again at the Greely Legion from 9 am to 2 pm.

Campaign for Naomi's Family Resource Centre

Until Mon., Dec. 20, residents of Metcalfe are invited to support Naomi's Family Resource Centre (www.naomiscentre.ca) by offering a new item from their "wish list." The Winchester-based centre offers sheltering services to women and their children throughout Dundas County and parts of Osgoode Ward.

Gifts can be dropped off at the Leitrim Home Hardware (4836 Bank Street), Live & Learn Resource Centre (8243 Victoria Street), Campbell's Metcalfe Variety (8196 Victoria Street), or the Royal Bank of Canada in Metcalfe (8220 Victoria Street).

For more information, please call Elaine Taranu, organizer, at 613-614-2885 or by e-mail at elainetaranu@royallepage.ca.

Personal safety workshop

On Sat., Nov. 20, from 12:30 to 4:30 pm, an interactive workshop focusing on promotion of women's safety in public spaces and awareness and assertiveness will be held at the Vernon Recreation Centre. It is for women aged 16 to 105 years. The session will help to develop safety strategies and skill, while offering an introduction to basic self-defence. All participants are provided with a personal safety manual incorporating a list of women's service organizations within the City of Ottawa.

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Carleton 4-H team secures sixth spot

TORONTO — Plenty of young people representing local counties stood out during the youth competitions at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Toronto's Exhibition Place.

The event ran from Thurs., Nov. 4 and finished up last Saturday (Nov. 13).

For the local area, one of the highest rankings was the sixth-place overall spot nabbed by Carleton County representatives in the Canadian 4-H Classic Junior Dairy Show: Premier County listings.

"The very young squad from Carleton were extremely proud to finish in the number-six spot behind Northumberland, Durham West, Peterborough, Quebec East, and PEI," said local volunteer Connie McDiarmid in a statement to the media.

McDiarmid also thanked volunteers, sponsors, and chaperons for making the trip to Toronto possible.

Overall, in the junior dairy division of 97 competitors, Emma Farlinger of Dundas County placed sixth; Victoria Eastman of Carleton County placed 23rd.

Courtney Henderson of Carleton County finished third among 125 participants in the intermediate dairy division.

Other top results included Farlinger's third-place finish in the junior calf division. She finished after second-place competitor Logan Merrett from Carleton County. Rhea Molenaar of Russell County was ninth in the intermediate calf division, while Carleton's Kelly Velthuis was seventh in the senior calf category.

Among the jersey yearlings shown, Emma Caldwell, Carleton County, had the third-highest rated animal shown. Russell's Jenna James followed in fifth place.

Beefy news

In the National Junior Beef Heifer Show, Meghan Foubert of Carleton County had the reserve champion angus.

Top croppers

In the 4-H Field Crops competition, the following Dundas County representatives were listed in the results for class 5 (corn, ear, dent): Tyler Como, 13th; Derek Lillico, 16th; Daniel Lillico, 18th; Caitlin Jampen, 32nd; Patricia Thompson, 33rd.

The Lillicos also appeared in the results later on in class 8 (beans, white or coloured) with Daniel in 3rd and Derek in first, the latter beating his other 17th-place finish in class 7 (soybeans, any variety). Michael Sullivan of Carleton County finished 11th in the soybeans.

In class 1 (wheat, any variety) Megan Styles was eighth.

All results appear courtesy of the official publicity info compiled by the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Mentions above reflect results that pertain to the newspaper's coverage area (Dundas, Carleton, and Russell).



Nice finish

The Carleton County 4-H dairy team was sixth overall at this year's Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto. Pictured are: Victoria Eastman (left), Courtney Henderson, Kelly Velthuis, Allie Melenhorst, Patricia Caldwell (herdsperson), Emma Caldwell, Logan Merrett, Chad Henderson, and Brett Henderson.

Big local winners at Royal

Trophy for Kittle; Roses win with Ayrshires

TORONTO — Eastern Ontario made a name for itself at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair at Toronto's Exhibition Place from Thurs., Nov. 4 to Sat., Nov. 13.

Neil Kittle of Winchester produced the junior champion, class 8. He also won the Quebec Ayrshire Association Trophy. Kittle placed first in class 7 (senior yearling), and placed sixth in the class 5 category (junior yearling).

Ken and Shirley Rose of Mountain's Ayrshire Farms won a host of awards, and their animals placed either near or at the top in many categories. Their accomplishments include: first and fifth in class 1 (junior calf); second in class 2 (intermediate calf); fourth in class 3 (senior calf); first in class 6 (intermediate yearling); fourth in class 7; fifth in class 9 (milking yearling); sixth in class 10 (junior two-year-old); third in class 15 (four-year-old); first in class 21 (Progeny of Dam); and fourth in class 23 (Junior Breeders Herd).

No angst for angus winners

Hawthorne Farm showed up frequently throughout the results. The Mountain farm placed third in class 1 (calf, minimum three months of age), group 2; and fourth in class 1, group 8. Hawthorne also nabbed a second-place finish in class 18 (bull yearling), group 1.

Russell's Xcel Livestock did well in class 1, with two fifth-place finishes in different groups. Xcel also secured a fourth-place spot in class 9 (born in 2008 with calf at foot born 2010) and a seventh-place spot in class 13 (bull calf, born in 2010).

Holstein shows

Some local names stood out at the National Black and White Holstein Show during the fair. Representing Metcalfe, Velthuis Farms/Sjendi Farms was 28th in class 1 (junior calf).

In class 4 (summer yearling), Embrun was represented with an 11th-place finish from Cherry Crest Holsteins/Spring Farms/Mary Inn Holstein. Embrun also showed up in the holstein show results with a 15th-place spot in class 11 (junior two-year-old) from Ferme Gillette/A&R Boulet/Marc Charland/Claude-Ann Moore.

A fourth-place spot was secured in class 10 (milking yearling) and a 12th-place class 14 (senior three-year-old) by Glenholme Holsteins/Signature Holsteins/Todd Edwards representing Morrisburg.

Also in class 14, Chestcreek Farms/Brian Joseph Enright/Signature Holsteins/Glenholme Holsteins, representing Morrisburg, placed 11th.

During the National Red and White Holstein Show, Lafontaine Holsteins of Chesterville finished seventh in class 1 (female junior calf).

Jerseys

In the National Jersey Show, Russell's Drentex Jerseys secured a 13th-place standing in class 4 (summer yearling). Finch's Payneside Farms was 19th.

In the 2010 Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Jersey Showmanship, Jenna James of Russell finished eighth in the ages 16 to 21 category.

Parmalat wins special award with cheddars

TORONTO — Parmalat Canada — which has a local factory in Winchester — ranked high in many cheese competitions at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

Thierry Martin, representing Parmalat, won the Silver Trier Award. The honour goes to the participant with the highest aggregate score for cheddar.

Martin's Balderson Cheese — a reputed Winchester product — topped the following categories: marble cheddar, any age; extra-mild cheddar, one to two months; and mild cheddar, two to four months.

The Balderson also placed second among mature cheddars (12 to 24 months) and third among extra-mature cheddars (24 months or longer).

In other Parmalat news, Martin's Black Diamond cheddar topped the Stilton shaped (two coloured or white) category and placed third among its medium-flavoured peers (six to eight months).

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WDMH Auxiliary hires local man as full-time director of volunteers

by Janice Hyndman

WINCHESTER — The Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) Auxiliary has hired its first full-time director of volunteer services.

Area resident Alan Archer will assume this role starting Wed., Dec. 1. The auxiliary looks forward to working with Archer, as the group aims to increase its membership. Anyone wishing to volunteer at the hospital is invited to contact the WDMH human resources department, or get in touch with the new director after Dec. 1.

Kim Link, president of the WDMH Auxiliary, announced the news during the regular monthly meeting on Thurs., Nov. 11 at the hospital.

The Summers/Cass Bridge/Maple Ridge/Winchester Springs Unit's chair, Faye Coons, presented treasurer Karen Graham with a cheque for $1,700. This amount was raised through a canvass of the unit's members.

WDMH CEO Trudy Reid addressed the future of the hospital and plans to implement a new system for receiving emergency patients.

The Gift Shoppe now has a display of Christmas gifts and decorations. Everyone is invited to peruse the unique items.

Chair Dorothy Houze reported that although the Fall Bazaar this year was very successful, proceeds were down from last year. A committee will explore the auxiliary's fundraising events.

Volunteer recognition awards will be presented at upcoming Christmas luncheon

The WDMH Auxiliary's Volunteer Christmas Luncheon will be held at the Winchester Lions' Hall on Thurs., Dec. 9 at 11:30 am. A number of volunteer recognition awards will be presented.

HAAO annual convention

Several auxiliary members attended the Hospital Auxiliary Association of Ontario (HAAO)'s annual convention in Toronto earlier this month. The highlight of the convention was the presentation of Provincial Life Membership (PLM) awards to well-deserving Ontario hospital volunteers. In total, 99 volunteers from across the province were chosen to receive the award.

Local resident and 35-year WDMH volunteer Marguerite Fawcett received this prestigious award at the convention. Vera Hanley will receive her PLM at the Christmas Luncheon. The auxiliary also bestowed this recognition on Gerry McSheffrey posthumously.

Attendees to the convention learned much from various health professionals about current topics ranging from osteoporosis to allergies. Other speakers who brought greetings and addressed volunteer-related issues included: the Hon. David C. Onley, Ontario's lieutenant governor; Harvard professor and stroke survivor Clayton Christensen; and CBC journalist Wendy Mesley. The convention also included several special events in recognition of the 100th anniversary of the HAAO.

The next regular meeting of the WDMH Auxiliary will be held in January.

Festival of Trees Gala set for Nov. 27

GLOUCESTER — A committee of Osgoode Ward citizens supporting the Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) is organizing a seasonal fundraiser at Our Lady of the Visitation Church (5338 Bank St. in the south end of Ottawa) on Sat., Nov. 27.

The Festival of Trees Gala will feature a dinner, live entertainment, and a live and silent auction of festively decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, and other seasonal items, plus trees creatively decorated by local businesses and individuals.

It all starts at 6 pm.

"The idea for this event has just taken off," said Vera Mitchell, event chair. "It is coming together very quickly, and I know that it is going to be an exciting evening."

Committee members have solicited area businesses to donate decorated trees to be included in the auction. The volunteers are also looking for additional auction items.

Tickets are $100 each and are available through the WDMH Foundation office at 613-774-2422, extension 6169.

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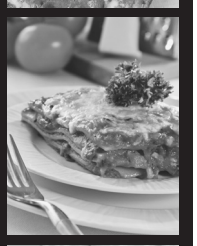
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Everybody loves a parade

The 2010 North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights is scheduled to take place on Sat., Dec. 4. In this file photo, Jared (left) with Esther and Austin Hutchinson are pictured on the Discovery Bible Fellowship Church's float during the 2009 parade. *Press Photo — Smith-Millar*

Henbest organizes fundraiser for 2011 Antarctic expedition

CHESTERVILLE — Local student Tom Henbest is scheduled to embark on an educational expedition to Antarctica in February 2011, along with 70 students and 20 scientists from around the world.

To assist with the journey's costs, Henbest is organizing an evening of entertainment featuring desserts and a silent auction at 7:30 pm on Fri., Nov. 19 at North Dundas District High School (NDDHS). The selection of auction items includes Ottawa Senators and National Arts Centre tickets, a laser level, and gourmet treats.



Tom Henbest

Henbest will be enrolled in a glaciology course during the expedition and will have a unique, hands-on opportunity to learn about the world's southernmost continent and its impact on the planet's climate.

To date, Henbest has raised just over half of his $12,000 fundraising goal. The NDDHS graduate is currently in his second year of studying physics at Queen's University in Kingston.

For more information or to donate an item to the auction, contact Henbest at 613-448-2010 or by email at tomhenbest@gmail.com.

Parade of Lights will soon be here

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Children in North Dundas should be aware that Santa Claus will be making his annual pre-Christmas trip to Winchester in just two weeks.

With that said, have your wish lists ready, as Sat., Dec. 4 is the date for the 14th edition of the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights, scheduled to get underway at 6 pm.

The organizing committee have been moving ahead at light speed with plans for this year's event, all of which can now be found on the township's website (www.northdundas.com).

During the day of the parade, events will be centralized to three locations: the Winchester Community Centre, Old Town Hall, and Sweet Corner Park on the corner of Main and St. Lawrence Streets. Daytime activities leading up to the parade include a vendor fair, a kids' train at the 100 Club Park, ice carving on Main Street, entertainment at the Old Town Hall, and more. The finished ice sculptures will be donated to the Winchester Downtown Revitalization Committee, which will then auction them off to raise funds for continued work at Sweet Corner Park.

Still aiming for bigger, brighter event

The committee has also approached local businesses and residents in the hopes of convincing them to decorate either their buildings or homes prior to the parade.

Residents with float ideas are asked to contact Meaghan Meerburg, North Dundas' community development programmer, at the township office (613-774-2105) to receive an entry form.

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Playhouse troupe to bring Dickens classic to life

A Christmas Carol opens tonight for four-week stint

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

MORRISBURG — The Upper Canada Playhouse (UCP) is gearing up to present another holiday favourite this Christmas season.

A Christmas Carol hits the Morrisburg theatre's stage tonight (Wed., Nov. 17) and will continue its run until Sun., Dec. 12. Showtimes will be 8 pm Monday to Saturday, while 2 pm matinee shows are also taking place on Saturdays and Sundays. (School performances are running on weekdays at 11 am, but Donnie Bowes, UCP's artistic director, said they are now sold out.)

It is the third time the Charles Dickens classic will grace the playhouse stage, returning this year after a four-year break. All the actors, save two, are entirely new to the production, which aims to portray the true meaning of Christmas. The production will also include live carols and traditional songs.

Bowes said he is convinced the play will provide audiences with exactly what they need to get into the holiday spirit.

"They tell us time and time again that they want a great Christmas story with lots of live music," he said. "And we're giving them just that."

The familiar story circles around the sour and stingy Ebenezer Scrooge, and his personal transformation following supernatural visits by the late Jacob Marley and the ghosts of Christmases past, present, and future. The journey helps Scrooge to see the world for what it's worth, and leads to him treating his employees better — especially his bookkeeper, Bob Cratchit.

"The story is told on a revolving stage, so the audience feels like they are actually joining Scrooge on his journey," said Bowes.

The production's cast plays a wide variety of characters, which leads to a number of costume and set changes.

Richard Bauer leads the ensemble, playing the part of Scrooge, while Jamie Williams counters him as Cratchit and the ghost of Christmas past. The female leads include Liz Gilroy as young Scrooge's fiance, Belle, and Martha Cratchit; Susan Greenfield as Mrs. Dilber, Mrs. Fezziwig, and Mrs. Cratchit; and Meredith Zwickers, who will portray the ghost of Christmas future and Fred's wife, Scrooge's nephew, as well as taking on the role of the play's musical director and pianist.

Playhouse newcomers Kraig Waye, as Fred; Ryan Jacobs, as Peter Cratchit; and Cornwall native Tyler Murree, as Marley and the ghost of Christmas present, round out the main cast. The role of Tiny Tim will be shared by Chesterville's Conor Venoitte and Sam Waytowich of Morrisburg.

For tickets or more information, call 613-543-3713 or visit www.uppercanadaplayhouse.com.



Jamie Williams, seen here portraying the ghost of Christmas past, also plays Bob Cratchit.



The Upper Canada Playhouse in Morrisburg will be staging the Charles Dickens classic, *A Christmas Carol*, beginning tonight (Wed., Nov. 17), and continuing until Sun., Dec. 12. Kraig Waye (left), Tyler Murree, and Liz Gilroy are just three of the cast members in this year's holiday season production.

Press Photos — Uhrig

Players rehearse for 2nd murder mystery

WINCHESTER — With their first murder-mystery production for this season wrapped up, the Dundas County Players (DCP) have begun practicing in earnest for their second production this fall.

On Sun., Nov. 14, the DCP performed their final performance of *The Reluctant Resurrection of Sherlock Holmes*, as an enthusiastic audience responded with a standing ovation. The play ran for six shows in total over two weekends.

The amateur theatre troupe is taking one weekend off to prepare for *Murder by the Book*.

The play will involve audience interaction and allow the crowd to try to solve the murder ahead of detectives.

Shows for *Murder by the Book* will run for one weekend only: Fri., Nov. 26 and Sat., Nov. 27 at 7:30 pm and Sun., Nov. 28 at 2 pm.

Ticket prices are $15 for adults ($10 for youth 18 and under) and are on sale now at Shadbolt's Department Store in Winchester or by calling 613-448-3534.

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Long time coming

First SD&G junior title for Devils in 36 years

MAPLE RIDGE — It has taken coach Jevon Groves 17 years to guide a team to an SD&G championship. He has finally claimed that elusive title and in doing so, has handed North Dundas District High School its first junior girls tri-county basketball gold medal in 36 years.

On what can now be called an historic afternoon for the North Dundas sports program, Groves watched as his all-rookie squad turned back La Citadelle Patriotes 42-27 in the 2010 SD&G junior girls "AA" basketball championship game.

Last week's (Thurs., Nov. 11) victory was not only the first for a Devils squad since 1974, but was also significant because a member of that championship squad was Julie Holmes, now known as Julie Green — the physical education department head at North Dundas.

Green recalled that Kate Workman and Rose Hauch were two of her teammates that year.

Teams representing North Dundas actually struck gold in three consecutive years (1972-1973-1974) but haven't stepped to the top of the podium since.

"This being the first time I have coached a team to a win in the SD&G final — in any sport — in 17 years of trying, I have to say I am very proud of the whole team's effort throughout the season," said Groves. "Not to mention it is the first time the junior girls have won in 36 years!"

The Devils, eliminated the St. Lawrence Saints 42-20 in the semi-final round (see story on page 17) and then qualified for the EOSSAA championship tournament, which was held in Arnprior yesterday (Tues., Nov. 16). North Dundas was seeded fifth out of six teams.

Slow start

La Citadelle took charge in the opening quarter of the title match and carried a 10-5 lead into the second period.



Golden moment

Julie Green (left), North Dundas District High School's physical education department head, presented Julia Wouters with her SD&G gold medal following last week's (Thurs., Nov. 11) 42-27 victory over La Citadelle Patriotes. Green (then Holmes) was a member of the last North Dundas junior girls team to strike gold in 1974. Press Photo — Van Bridger

North Dundas slowly started to recover and tied the score 10-10 with 4:45 to play until half time. Sarah Churchill put the Devils up 11-10 and Julia Wouters followed with a deuce to keep the home team ahead 13-12. The Devils had expanded their lead to 18-13 when Wouters dropped a long jumper through the onion bag as the half-time buzzer sounded. Her shot opened up a 20-13 lead.

North Dundas held on to a 10-point advantage (30-20) after three quarters and never let the Patriotes get any closer than nine points during the final eight minutes as they rolled on to their 42-27 championship victory.

Groves felt the entire team played a good game.

"I was impressed with the fact that, although they were down early, and missed a lot of shots, they stuck to the game plan and came away with a tough win," he said.

"During the time outs, the girls took what I told them and brought it to the court. As the game progressed, their shot selection and defence got better," added the coach.

Wouters finished the game with 28 points (52 in two post season games). Churchill had a big game in the paint swishing 11 points. Erin Elliott, who was injured and had to leave the game, threw down a deuce.

Charlene Saucier led the Pats offence with 10 points.

The Devils defeated the Patriotes (5-3) 49-30 in regular season play.

Vikings steal one from Hawks, net winner with 20 seconds left

WINCHESTER — So close. The Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks were within 20 seconds of at least taking a point from the undefeated Casselman Vikings.

Unfortunately, a missed defensive assignment at the Winchester blue line gave the St. Lawrence Division leading Vikings the opportunity and they used it to break up a 1-1 tie 20 seconds before the final buzzer in Friday's (Nov. 12) Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League game. An empty net goal with four seconds left in regulation time iced a 3-1 victory for Casselman.

The Hawks did gain two points on Sunday (Nov. 14) when they caged the Lions 7-3 in their den in Morrisburg.

Casselman's 3-1 decision gave them four wins (1-0, 4-1, 4-1 and 3-1) against Winchester. In their first 19 games, the Vikings have 18 wins, no losses and one tie.

On the road

The third-place Hawks (11-6-1-1) are on the road for two games this week before returning home to host the Morrisburg Lions on Fri., Nov. 26 at 8:15 pm.

Tonight (Wed., Nov. 17) the Hawks are in Brockville to take on the third-place Tikis (7-11-0-1).

Friday night (Nov. 19) they move on to Alexandria where they will challenge the second-place Glens (15-3-0-1) — the Glens and Vikings are the only two teams to beat Winchester this season. In two previous meetings the Glens posted 6-3 and 5-3 victories over the Hawks.

Biggest prize

Winchester resident Rock Benoit held the winning ticket last week (Fri., Nov. 12) and claimed the biggest Hawks 50/50 Draw prize this season — $2,200.

Refocus

The Hawks - Vikings tilt was an end-to-end contest that had the intensity of a playoff game. The two teams fired a total of 79 shots (47 by Casselman) on net, but managed one first-period tally and three (one in the empty net) in the final five minutes of the third.

Brett Ashton (8) gave the Hawks a 1-0 lead at 16:34 of the first period. Jesse Barbier and Ross Urbankiewcz picked up the assists.

Simon Cousineau sniped the tying goal at 15:34 of the final frame. Adam Wensink put the winning shot on the open side of Adam Laderoute's cage at 19:40 and Luc Forget dumped one into the empty net at 19:54 to seal the deal.

"It was an excellent effort," said Kirkwood. "We came up a bit short — have to score more on our chances."

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Where's the puck

The Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks had several glorious opportunities, especially in the second period, to take a lead on the Casselman Vikings but couldn't convert. On this play Hawks forward Josh Stubbings couldn't find the puck after Viking 'tender Luc Servais had kicked out a juicy rebound. The Vikings scored three third-period goals and posted a 3-2 victory.

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North Dundas Devils Brianna Geertsma (No. 23) and Sarah Churchill (No. 4) worked in the paint in the SD&G girls "AA" basketball semi-final game against the St. Lawrence Saints. The Devils eliminated the Saints 42-20.

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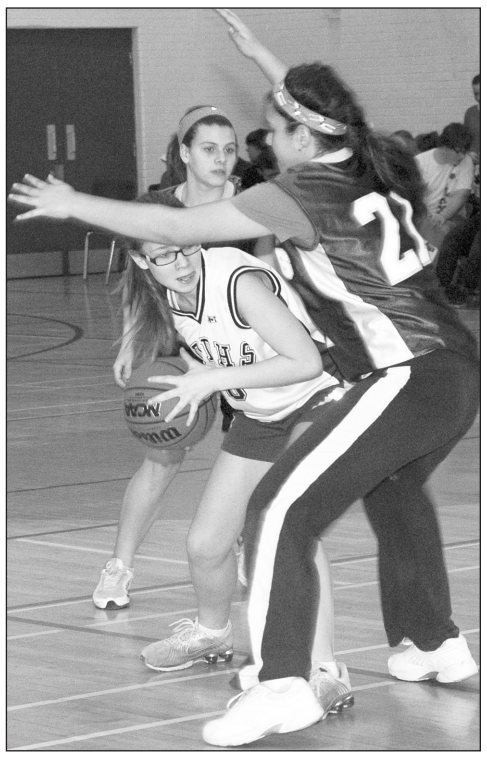

Centre: *Chelsey Romans ran away from a Saints defender on this play during last week's (Tues., Nov. 9) SD&G girls "AA" basketball semi-final game at North Dundas District High School. Romans hit three buckets for six points as the Devils eliminated the St. Lawrence Saints 42-20.*
Left: *The St. Lawrence defence met North Dundas Devils ball carrier Kelsey Neil at centre court during the SD&G girls "AA" basketball semi-final game. The Devils defeated the Saints 42-20 and qualified for the gold-medal game.*
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Junior Devils sink Saints 42-20 in SD&G basketball semi-final

MAPLE RIDGE — Julia Wouters extended her scoring streak into the post season, draining 24 points in the North Dundas District High School Devils 42-20 victory over the visiting St. Lawrence Saints.

Last week's (Tues., Nov. 9) victory came in a sudden-death, semi-final game played on the Devils home hardwood. The decision qualified North Dundas for a berth in the SD&G girls "AA" basketball championship game that was played later in the week (Thurs., Nov. 11).

North Dundas finished the regular season in first place in the "AA" rankings with a 6-2 record and earned home court advantage for the post season.

During a regular season meeting, Jevon Groves coached the Devils to a 44-40 win over the fourth-place Saints who compiled a 2-6 record.

The Devils took control of the semi-final match from the opening tip off, building up a 14-2 lead in the opening quarter. They were cruising with a 30-4 lead at the half and were sitting comfortable holding a 36-9 advantage after three quarters.

Coach Groves started rotating his entire bench into the action during the fourth quarter and the Saints were able to outscore their hosts 11-6, but weren't able to get any closer than 42-20.

Wouters swished 18 of her 24 points in the first half and dropped in another six in the second. Sarah Churchill and Chelsey Romans knocked down three field goals each, while Lindsay Chambers, Brianna Geertsma and Jenna Warren all put a deuce through the ring.

Cory Ross nets winner

Pee Wee 'B' Demons edge Rangers 2-1

WINCHESTER — Cory Ross turned a play generated by Tyson Sherrer into the game-winning goal in the North Dundas Pee Wee "B" Demons 2-1 victory over the visiting South Grenville Rangers.

The game-deciding marker was recorded at 12:48 of the third period of Monday's (Nov. 15) Upper Canada Minor Hockey League game. Logan Holmes put the home town Demons on the board, netting a Joey Benoit pass at 10:17 of period one. The Rangers tied it up with a second-period tally by Jesse Heldens and that play set the stage for Cory Ross' winning goal.

The victory improved the Demons record to 4-6-0. They are competing in the Regional Silver Stick Tournament in Pembroke this weekend (Fri., Nov. 19 to Sun., Nov. 21).

Tristan MacGregor used a third-period play engineered by Sherrer and Benoit to prevent his team from being shutout by the Aeros in Athens on Sunday (Nov. 13). Athens led 1-0 after a period and 5-0 after two frames. MacGregor scored with 5:49 left in the game.

Hawks

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"We need to focus on playing Alexandria in their barn on Friday night," added the coach.

Hawks 7 - Lions 3

Kirkwood wasn't entirely happy following Sunday's 7-3 win in Morrisburg.

"We let up. Not that you want to run up the score, but I don't like the bad habits and individual efforts you see in a game like that," he said.

Logan Gunn got his first start in the Hawks net, since replacing Cam Turcotte as Adam Laderoute's backup and Kirkwood said Gunn was solid posting the win.

Morrisburg led the Hawks 2-1 after 20 minutes on goals by Michael Thurler and Patrick Cyr (PPG). Mack Weegar (3) answered for Winchester burying a feed from Jordan Moran.

The Hawks charged into a 6-1 lead in period two, bagging five unanswered goals. Brock Burge (3), Josh Stubbings (6), Brett Ashton (9), TJ Dorn (4) and Mike Campeau (11) dented the twine while Lucas Richardson (2), Graham Loyst (2) Moran, Campeau, Evan Walker and Burge drew the assists.

Morrisburg's Michael Poapst and Ashton (10) traded third-period markers to make it a 7-3 final. "Big" Ross Urbankiewcz set up Ashton.

The Hawks added defenceman Sam Mathews (No. 42) to their roster late last week. The Michigan native played in both games.





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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League

RIDEAU - ST. LAWRENCE CONFERENCE

Recent Results
Nov. 10: Athens 10 - Brockville 1
Nov. 11: Casselman 6 - Akwesasne 4
Nov. 12: Casselman 3 - Winchester 1
Alexandria 7 - Morrisburg 3
Westport 10 - Brockville 5
Nov. 13: Westport 8 - South Grenville 1
Alexandria 12 - Char-Lan 3
Athens 7 - Gananoque 2
Nov. 14: Winchester 7 - Morrisburg 3
Casselman 7 - Athens 4
Char-Lan 4 - Akwesasne 2
Gananoque 6 - South Grenville 2

STANDINGS

Rideau	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Athens	19	2	0	131	65	38
Westport	14	7	0	115	72	28
Brockville	7	11	0	67	95	15
Gananoque	5	14	0	64	102	11
South Grenville	3	16	0	54	112	7

St. Lawrence	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Casselman	18	0	1	110	44	37
Alexandria	15	3	0	97	67	31
Winchester	11	6	1	92	58	24
Akwesasne	4	13	1	71	105	10
Char-Lan	4	13	0	57	112	9
Morrisburg	2	17	0	51	108	4

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Rideau Division			
Nathan Slack, Athens	14	29	43
Frank Hart, Athens	14	23	37
Steve Parker, Athens	16	20	36
Ben Blasko, Gan.	17	16	33
Kyle Couvieau, West.	20	12	32
Max Ming, West.	10	21	31
Justin Mayo, Athens	11	18	29
Shane Melcher, Bro.	16	12	28
Brent Costello, Athens	12	16	28
Cameron McNutt, West.	9	19	28
St. Lawrence Division			
J. F. Dubois, Alex.	16	27	43
Adam Wensink, Cass.	27	13	40
Curtis Chennette, Cass.	14	26	40
Mike Campeau, Win.	11	21	32
Marcel Groulx, Cass.	13	17	30
Dillan Barr, Akwe.	16	12	28
Adam Simpson, Alex.	11	17	28
Graham Loyst, Win.	10	15	25
Steven Knapp, Alex.	9	15	24
Shane Kitchen, Alex.	15	8	23

METRO - VALLEY CONFERENCE

Recent Results
Nov. 9: Ottawa Jr. 5 - Metcalfe 5 OT
Almonte 5 - Shawville 3
Nov. 11: Ottawa West 4 - Clarence 3 OT
Nov. 12: Perth 5 - Stittsville 1
Clarence 6 - Arnprior 2
Renfrew 4 - Ottawa Jrs. 3
Metcalfe Jets 7 - Shawville 4
Nov. 13: Almonte 4 - Shawville 3 OT
Nov. 14: Metcalfe 6 - Ottawa West 5
Arnprior 3 - Clarence 1
Gatineau 8 - Stit 1
Perth 6 - Shawville 4
Almonte 6 - Renfrew 5

STANDINGS

Metro	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Clarence	14	2	2	101	52	31
Ottawa West	14	6	0	99	70	28
Ottawa Jrs.	13	4	1	71	48	27
Gatineau	10	11	0	74	73	20
Metcalfe Jets	4	11	2	54	80	10

Valley	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Perth	13	6	1	93	70	27
Arnprior	11	6	2	88	72	24
Almonte	8	8	1	73	70	18
Renfrew	6	9	3	58	59	15
Shawville	5	15	0	70	123	11
Stittsville	4	12	1	55	87	11

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

Recent Results
Nov. 7: Andy's Foodland 1 - Cooper Physio 0
Double Beauty 1 - CountryGirls 0
Annable's Jewellery 2 - WS Trucking 1

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Annable's Jewellery	4	1	1	11	3	9
Andy's Reds	3	1	2	10	5	8
Double Beauty	3	2	1	5	6	7
WS Trucking	3	3	0	8	8	6
CountryGirls	1	4	1	2	8	3
Cooper Physio	0	3	3	3	9	3

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Jada McNaughton, Blues	3	2	5
Trish Leduc, Reds	3	2	5
Sandra Cloutier, WST	4	0	4
Lisa Brunet, Reds	4	0	4
Amy Darling, Blues	2	2	4
Amy Fraser, Blues	2	2	4
Sarah Grady, Blues	1	3	4
A. Rylaarsdam, Reds	2	1	3
Edith Dagenais, DB	1	2	3
Marjorie Acres, Reds	0	3	3

Winchester Town Hockey League

Recent Results
Nov. 9: Has Beens 7 - Maulers 6
Flyers 14 - Green Berets 5

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Maulers	5	2	0	52	29	10
Has Beens	5	2	0	48	49	10
Flyers	3	4	0	50	51	6
Green Berets	1	6	0	40	61	2

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Nik Paas, MF	20	11	31
Robyn Sadler, GB	13	15	28
Dean Byvelds, HB	14	10	24
Rob Thurler, CM	7	17	24
Tyler Jones, CM	14	9	23
Trevor Gilmer, CM	14	7	21
Bill McRoberts, HB	7	9	16
Josh McLean, MF	5	11	16
Phil Duncan, MF	8	7	15
Chad Valcour, HB	7	8	15
Will McLean, GB	7	8	15

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks Home Games

Fri., Nov. 26 vs Morrisburg Lions
8:15 pm

Hawks 50/50 Draw Winners
Fri., Nov. 12 - Rock Benoit - $2,200
Fri., Nov. 5 - Bobby Bowles - $1,835
Fri., Oct. 29 - Steve Norman - $1,740
Fri., Oct. 22 - Lorie Havekes - $1,625
Fri., Oct. 16 - Erik Just - $1,860
Fri., Oct. 8 - Bev Shortt - $1,695
Fri., Oct. 1 - Joyce McIntosh - $1,603
Fri., Sept. 24 - James Kirkwood - $1,635
Fri., Sept. 17 - Neal Bartholomew - $1,450

Local content

Winchester Curling Club was the host rink for the 2010 Ontario Curling Association's Pepsi Zone 1 Junior Men's and Women's play downs on Saturday (Nov. 13). ***At right:*** *with Winchester skip Dan Lillico still recovering from a broken leg, Metcalfe's Stewart Leslie (cap) filled in. Winchester lead Brendan James (left), third Alex Jordan (right) and second Mark Stegeman (not in photo) rounded out the team. Bill Lillico coached the Winchester entry. Mat Camm of the Ottawa Curling Club claimed "A" side berth at the upcoming regionals and Jason Camm of Navan advanced as the "B" side winner.*
Below: *Winchester's Rebecca Wichers-Schreur threw lead rocks for Ottawa's Shannon Harrington during Saturday's (Nov. 13) Ontario Curling Association's Pepsi Zone 1 Junior Women's play down. The Harrington rink defeated Russell's Kara Ruiter in the "A" side final of the two-team event. Ruiter advances to the regional competition as the Zone 1 "B" winner.*

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Patriotes eliminate Devils from hunt for volleyball gold

CORNWALL — In one afternoon, the host La Citadelle Patriotes not only eliminated the North Dundas District High School Junior and Senior Devils, but claimed both of the SD&G boys "AA" volleyball gold medals.

It was a sudden-death showdown for the senior title in Cornwall last week (Wed., Nov. 10) between the top-ranked Patriotes, who finished first with 18 points, and the second-place Devils, who earned 15. The opening set was closely contested, but the Pats emerged with a 25-22 win and went on to sweep up the gold medal posting 25-14 and 25-9 wins.

"The boys played well in the opening set, but just faded after losing that close one," said coach Cheryl Williams.

"I do feel bad for the graduating players who leave without winning," added Williams.

Alex de Paiva, Jacob Luimes, Brae McNamara, Jeremy Ruyf, Ahmed Saad, Derek Simms and Josh Stubbings are graduating and leaving Will Fawcett, Stewart McKelvie, Chris Neil, Brandon Ouderkirk and Nick Read to form the foundation of next year's squad.

Junior Devils

The Junior Devils suffered the same fate as their senior counterparts the same afternoon when they were eliminated 3-0 (25-15, 25-22, 25-15) by La Citadelle.

"We hadn't played in two weeks, [we] were rusty and made too many careless mistakes to win," said coach Ian Wilson.

However, Wilson was impressed by the play of Wes Scmidkte.

"Wes was outstanding, spiking the ball and blocking up front. He was our outstanding player," he said.

The Patriotes advanced to the championship match after they ousted North Dundas and grabbed the gold after whitewashing the GVIS Vikings 3-0 (25-13, 25-19, 25-20). The Vikings earned their berth in the final by blanking the St. Lawrence Saints 3-0 (25-19, 25-12, 25-20).

Demons blank Rangers

PRESCOTT — Colin Giberson and his defensive crew turned in a flawless performance in the North Dundas Major Midget "B" Demons 3-0 win over the South Grenville Rangers.

Giberson registered his second shutout in seven starts last week (Tues., Nov. 9) in Prescott, and in the process helped his squad improve its Upper Canada Minor Hockey League West Division record to 6-0-1. The Demons have outscored their opposition 32-8 in those seven games.

North Dundas captain Dustin Tinkler ripped an unassisted shot into the Rangers cage at 11:52 of the first period of the match.

Period two was scoreless, but the Demons opened it up in the final frame, cracking in a pair of unanswered goals. Josh Freake made it 2-0 when he completed a play engineered by Brandon Cousineau and Jacob Luimes.

Adrian Lee locked up the Demons' sixth win of the campaign netting a relay sent to him by Dylan Fawcett 1:26 before the final buzzer.

North Dundas was whistled for two minor penalties. The Rangers went to the box six times.

Coach Gary Klein-Swormink has booked his team into the 2010 Regional Sliver Stick Tournament in Pembroke in early December. The Demons next game is tomorrow night (Thurs., Nov. 18) in Brockville.

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Novice House 'C2' Demons win Smiths Falls tourney



The North Dundas Novice House "C" Demons outscored Smiths Falls, Clarence and Almonte 18-1 on their way to capturing the 2010 Smiths Falls Minor Hockey Association Tournament championship on the weekend (Sat., Nov. 13). The Demons are: front (left) - Jaymen Heuff, Mason Carr, Shelby Liezert, Curtis Bowman, Maxime Paquette, Curtis Bell, Liam Antille, Justin Schoenfeld, Owen Carkner-Pocock, Kelly Forrester, Amanda Shay; back (left) - Lance Bowman - ass't coach, Peter Forrester - trainer, Kevin Bell - head coach, Cindy Schoenfeld - trainer.

SMITH FALLS — North Dundas Novice House "C2" Demons goaltender Liam Antille gave up just one goal as his mates outscored the opposition 18-1 on their way to winning the 2010 Smiths Falls Minor Hockey Association Tournament championship.

While Antille and his defensive crew were smothering their opponents offence, Curtis Bell chimed in for 16 goals in three games. The Demons whitewashed the Smiths Falls Novice House "C1" Bears 5-0 in the opening round of Saturday's (Nov. 13) event. The Clarence Castors managed to put a goal into Antille's net, but still dropped a 7-1 decision to the Demons in game two. Coach Kevin Bell's squad then secured the "A" title, blanking the Almonte Thunder 5-0.

Bell cashed in all six goals in the 6-0 win over the Bears. Maxime Paquette and Owen Carkner-Pocock each earned an assist. Bell was named the Demons' player of the game.

Bell rang up five and Mason Carr chipped in a pair of markers in the 7-1 victory over the Clarence Castors. Mason Carr was selected as the player of the game.

Bell continued to carry a hot stick in the championship game as he pumped in all five in the 5-0 decision over Almonte. Carr earned an assist. Player of the game honours went to goaltender Antille.

North Dundas played all three games without drawing a penalty.

League play

The Demons didn't have much time to rest after Saturday's tournament. They were back on the road Sunday (Nov. 14) and waxed the Warriors 4-0 in Brockville.

Bell fired a feed from Amanda Shay into the Brockville cage with 4:56 left in the second period. His tally would prove to be the winner. Carr then took over and scored three consecutive goals including two in the third period. Bell picked up an assist on Carr's third tally 23 seconds before the final buzzer.

Antille registered the shutout. The win improved their Upper Canada Minor Hockey League record to 7-1-0.

The Demons loss came last week (Thurs., Nov. 11) in Prescott where the South Grenville No. 3 Rangers doubled them 4-2. Bell netted both North Dundas goals. Carr and Curtis Bowman each picked up an assist.

Blues, Reds continue to top WDLHL standings

WINCHESTER — Lorie Casselman registered her third shutout of the season backing the number-two ranked Andy's Foodland Reds in their 1-0 victory over the Cooper Physio Pinks.

Sunday morning's (Nov. 15) 1-0 victory opened the triple bill at 8 am and improved the Reds Winchester and District Ladies Hockey League record to 3-1-2 and left them one point behind the Annable's Jewellery Blues (4-1-1).

Amanda Rylaarsdam broke up the scoreless struggle when she netted the winning goal after taking a feed from Joanna Gilmer and Trisha Leduc at 9:17 of the second half. The Pinks record dropped to 0-3-3 with the loss.

Karina Damato turned in a perfect effort guarding the nets for the Double Beauty Stylists in the 9 am encounter. It was Damato's second shutout and the first goal for Amber Theiner who rang up the winner with 9:12 left in the opening half. Susan Marsden and Edith Dagenais drew assists on the play.

Blues by one

Christina Carruthers' unassisted goal gave the WS Trucking Company (3-3-0) a 1-0 lead on the Annable's Blues at 14:15 of the second half of the 10 am tilt. They held that advantage until there was 3:12 left in the game. That's when Sarah Grady fired a feed from Amy Darling into the back of the Truckers cage and tied the score 1-1.

There were 55 seconds left on the clock when Amy Fraser used a relay sent to her by Kelly Francis to snap the tie and give goalie Carrie McCadden and the Blues a 2-1 victory.

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Byvelds pegs winning goal

Has Beens knock off Maulers 7-6

WINCHESTER — Dean Byvelds completed his hat trick by burying a feed sent to him by Billy McRoberts and Ryan Thompson with 10:11 left on the clock. His third goal of the game proved to be the difference in the Has Beens slim 7-6 decision over the Chesterville Maulers.

Last week's (Tues., Nov. 9) victory moved the Has Beens (5-2-0) into a first-place tie with the Chesterville Maulers (5-2-0) in the Winchester Town Hockey League standings. The number-three ranked McLean Flyers were firing on all cylinders in the late game on the Tuesday night twin bill, as they blasted the fourth-place Green Berets (1-6-0) 14-5.

Trevor Gilmer and Tyler Jones each cracked in a pair of first-half goals as the Maulers grabbed a 4-2 lead on the Has Beens. Jeff Lewis handed the Maulers a 5-4 edge when he cashed in a feed from Dana Schofield and Trevor Gilmer with 16:16 on the clock. Trevor Gilmer then buried his third marker after taking a feed from Rob Thurler with 16:16 to play and handed his squad a 6-4 edge. But, the Beens rallied and clawed their way to the 7-6 win on a marker by Justin Heuff at 14:55 and two by Byvelds at 14:08 (assisted by Heuff and Brad Johnston) and the winner at 10:11.

Byvelds led the Beens attack with three goals and five points (3-2-5). Heuff (1-2-3), McRoberts (1-2-3), Thompson (1-1-2), Kyle Dearing (1-0-1) and Johnston (0-1-1) all collected points in the win.

Trevor Gilmer netted three shots and picked up an assist for the Maulers. Tyler Jones pumped in a pair of pucks. Jeff Lewis (1-1-2) scored the single. James Gilmer and Thurler each earned three assists. Schofield drew one helper point.

Flyers 14 - Berets 5

Flyers gunner Nik Paas was scorching hot as he ripped the Berets to pieces with a seven goal, three assist, 10 point effort. Paas gunned in his first four goals and propelled the Flyers into an 8-4 lead at the half.

Scott Baldwin (2-2-4), Josh "Champ" McLean (1-3-4), Phil Duncan (2-1-3), Derek Vingerhoeds (1-2-3), Travis Froats (1-2-3), Travis Rowe (0-3-3) and Adam Guy (0-3-3) all contributed to the victory.

Robyn Sadler (2-1-3), Will McLean (1-2-3), Mitch Scott (1-0-1), Al Christophersen (1-0-1), Ricky Hall (0-2-2) and Aron Sherrer (0-1-1) provided the Berets offence.

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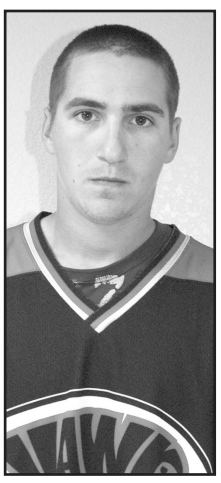
Meet the HAWKS

Mike Campeau

No. 20, Right Wing



Mike Campeau is a new addition to the Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks this season. He is originally from Alliston and played junior hockey in western Ontario before being transfered to the Winchester area office by his employer, Hydro One. The 19-year-old forward has been tagged as "Sanchez" by his new teammates and currently holds down fourth place in the St. Lawrence Division scoring race with 11 goals, 21 assists and 32 points. Campeau's No. 20 jersey is sponsored by Andy's Foodland and Winchester Optometry.

McCrady defeats Horgan rink to win Women's Fall Classic

KEMPTVILLE — Christine McCrady and her Rideau Curling Club teammates — third Kellie Buchanan, second Lisa Paddle and lead Audrey Frey played giant killers and claimed the $5,000, first-place prize in the 5th anniversary of the Royal LePage Ottawa Valley Curling Association (OVCA) Women's Fall Classic held at the North Grenville Curling Club (Fri., Nov.5 to Sun., Nov. 7).

In her quarter-final game, McCrady knocked off last year's runner up Lisa Farnell 5-2, disposed of 2008 Champion Rachel Homan 7-3 in the semi-final and defeated 2009 Northern Ontario Women's Champion Tracy Horgan 7-5 in the final.

Barb Kelly and her North Grenville Curling Club teammates — Jennifer Harvey, Brenda Wills and Janie Wall — were the only team to defeat McCrady in the triple knockout event.

Kelly was defeated in the semi-finals by Horgan, but picked up $1,700 in prize money. Other winners who earned a share of the $15,000 purse were Tracy Horgan, $2,600 as runner-up; Rachel Homan, $1,700 as semi-finalist; and quarter-finalist Chantal Osborne, Tracy Samaan, Nadine Lehmann and Lisa Farnell who each won $1.000.

Mountain's Crystal Lillico, and her rink of sister Christina, Megan Curtin and Pearl Quig played for the first time this year, didn't win any cash, but did win her first two games and came close to pulling off a major upset, losing 6-5 to Horgan's runner-up rink.

The OVCA thanked Royal LePage Team Realty and Royal LePage Gale Real Estate for their continued support of the Fall Classic. The organizers also thanked the North Grenville Curling Club, its members and all the local team sponsors and friends of the events for presenting such a high calibre women's curling bonspiel each year.



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Perth Wings clip Midget Demons 4-3

WINCHESTER — Mitchell Kirkwood potted a pair of goals and engineered Josh Hodgson's power play marker, but his efforts weren't enough to prevent the North Dundas Minor Midget "B" Demons from dropping a 4-3 decision to the Perth Lanark Legion Wings.

Perth led last week's Upper Canada Minor Hockey League game 2-1 after a period, 3-2 after two frames and salted the win away with a goal with 7:43 left on the clock.

Kirkwood handed the Demons a 1-0 lead when he finished a play set up by Ben Horton and Brody Collins at 14:26 of the first period. He cut the Demons deficit to 3-2 when he cashed in his second goal with 4:32 left in the middle stanza. Andrew Findlay and Hodgson drew assists on the play.

Kirkwood leads North Dundas in scoring with 15 goals, seven assists and 22 points. The loss lowered the team's record to 2-5-1.

Oliver Hakansson leads Midget House 'B' Demons to 9-3 win over Warriors

WINCHESTER — Oliver Hakansson, the North Dundas Midget No. 2 House "B" Demons Swedish import, cracked in three goals and led his squad to a 9-3 victory over the No. One Warriors.

Sunday's (Nov. 14) victory on home ice in Winchester levelled the Demons record at 4-4-0.

North Dundas and the Warriors were deadlocked at 2-2 after a period. The home team opened up a 6-3 lead in the second session and then cruised to the 9-3 win.

Austin Carruthers and Evan Durant registered the Demons first-period markers. Shots fired by Carruthers, Brett Coburn and Hakansson, with a pair, dented twine in the second. Ryan Carr, Taylor Scheepers and Hakansson (with 12.3 seconds left on the clock) were the third-period marksmen.

Kirk Gibson (3), Scheepers (3), Stewart McKelvie (2), Carr, Carruthers, Durant and Dan McSheffery collected assists. Ryan Embury tended the North Dundas nets.

Demons 2 - Bears 1

North Dundas 'tender Chase Beaudry came within 26.4 seconds of registering a shutout, but he did get the win — a 2-1 verdict against the home town Smiths Falls No. 2 Bears on Saturday (Nov. 13).

Colton Stitt converted a pass from Carruthers and Kirk Gibson into a 1-0 lead for the Demons at 9:36 of the first frame. Durant deposited a feed from Stitt into the Bears cage with 2:10 left in period two and his goal held up as the winner.

Panthers 5 - Demons 3

The Kemptville Panthers got a pair of goals each from Mitchell Thibert and Matthew MacLellan on their way to a 5-3 win over the visiting Demons last week (No. 10).

The Panthers led from start to finish, holding a 2-1 lead after a period and a 4-2 advantage after two.

Hakansson rang up the first two North Dundas markers finishing a play started by Dylan Sosonowsky with 8:42 left in period two and netting a pass provided by Sosonowsky and Kirk Gibson at the 4:37 mark of period two. Scheepers registered the final tally at 12:21 of the final frame. Sosonowsky and Coburn engineered the play. Ryan Embury was the North Dundas goaltender.

Storm prevails at Rockland tourney

ROCKLAND — The Kemptville Pee Wee "C" Storm, bolstered by seven girls from the North Dundas Minor Hockey Association, struck gold at the 2010 Rockland-Clarence Creek Girls Hockey Tournament.

The girls from the North Dundas association had to register this season with the Kemptville organization when the Dundas County Girls Hockey Association weren't able to ice a pee-wee squad.

The Storm opened the Rockland competition (Fri., Nov. 5 to Sun., Nov. 7) playing Kanata to a 1-1 draw. Ashley McEwen cracked in the Kemptville goal. Amanda Switzer was named Kemptville's MVP for her solid defensive work.

Affiliate player Lauren Bellefontaine supplied both markers in game two as the Storm zapped Rockland 2-0. Bellefontaine was named MVP for her offensive performance. Kyra Valcour registered the shutout.

Kemptville took on the Montreal Falcons in their third game on opening day, and registered a 2-1 victory. Game MVP Jessi Zandbelt and Tyannah Lee were the goal scorers.

A highlight for the girls was meeting former Canadian Olympian Katie Weatherson (2006). They also held the torch she carried in her run in her home town of Thunder Bay last winter.

The Storm and Gloucester-Cumberland eventually faced off for the tournament championship and backed by Valcours MVP goaltending, Kemptville prevailed by a 4-0 count. Tiana Lisle potted a pair of markers for the champions, while Lila Elliott and Kara Bartholomew snapped in single markers.



Rockin' in Rockland

The Kemptville Pee Wee "C" Storm blanked Gloucester-Cumberland 4-0 in the "A" final of the 2010 Rockland-Clarence Creek Girls Hockey Tournament (Fri., Nov. 5 to Sun., Nov. 7) and captured the gold medal. The champions are: Kyra Valcour - front; second row (left) - Amanda Switzer, Hailee Coleman, Lindsay Cummins, Grace Petschenig, Jessi Zandbelt; third row (left) - Tiana Lisle, Tyannah Lee, Ashley McEwen, Emily Bellefontaine, Lauren Bellefontaine, Ally Kingsbury, Annie Underhill, Lila Elliott, Anna Fawcett; back (left) - Steve Lisle - ass't coach, Andre Kingsbury - ass't coach and Duke Elliott - head coach. Missing: Kara Bartholomew.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27
commencing at 9:30 am

Real Estate: Shall be auctioned at 1 pm sharp at our facility. **TAKE NOTE: AT OUR FACILITY.**

Real estate is located at 837 Joseph Street in the village of Cardinal. Real estate consists of an all brick split level home with approximately 1450 sq. ft. of finished living area, and a large unfinished basement, with an attached garage. This home was built in the mid-60s and has 3 large bedrooms, hardwood floors throughout (presently covered by carpet), a beautiful main floor fireplace, high efficiency natural gas heating, central air conditioning and a brand new shingled roof in June 2010. This home is situated on a large lovely lot with an exquisite view of the river and will be sold subject to a minimum reserve bid far under market value of only $120,000!!!

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20
commencing at 9:30 am

Several pieces of antique furniture including oak sideboard, carved-back Victorian settee and matching chairs, needlepoint parlour chairs, pine drop leaf table, 2 corner whatnot shelves, parlour tables, trough table, early plank bottom chairs, china cabinet, steamer trunks, wood box, old school desk, pine washstand; collectibles including large selection of crocks and jugs including Bluebird (damaged); quantity of hard cover books; oil lamps including pattern and finger; large porcelain Red Indian oil sign (some damage); Eclipse corn sheller; Beaver jar; large quantity of glassware including 2 carnival pitchers and glass sets, cranberry, press glass, crystal, German pieces, pink and green depression, Holt Howard, Fire King, cups and saucers and more. Many other articles too numerous to mention.

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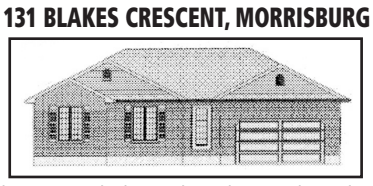

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A CULTURE PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITIES OF SD&G

Community Vision for Cultural Assets
Public Consultation Sessions

Culture, arts and heritage form an important part of our communities, quality of life and economy. A plan to guide the future development of culture in the Municipalities of SD&G is currently being undertaken. The Municipal partners in this project are: The City of Cornwall, The Township of North Dundas, The Township of South Dundas, The Township of North Glengarry, The Township of South Glengarry, The Township of North Stormont and the Township of South Stormont.

All members of the community are encouraged to participate in the culture planning process. Please join us at one of the following sessions:

Nov 3	North Glengarry, Royal Canadian Legion (Alexandria)
Nov 4	South Glengarry, South Glengarry Municipal Office
Nov 17	South Dundas, McIntosh Inn
Nov 18	North Stormont, North Stormont Municipal Office
Nov 23	Cornwall, Cornwall Public Library *6:15 - 8:15pm*
Nov 24	North Dundas, North Dundas Municipal Office
Nov 25	South Stormont, South Stormont Town Hall

The following sessions will be held in French :

Nov 9	North Glengarry, Royal Canadian Legion (Alexandria)
Nov 16	Cornwall, Centre Charles - Émile Claude

Note : all sessions are 6:30-8:30pm

This project is funded in part by the Ministry of Tourism and Culture, Creative Community Prosperity Fund.

Further information is available at www.eotb-cfeo.on.ca/culture or by contacting Jonathan Hack, Director, Sierra Planning and Management at (416)363-4443 x20 or jonhack@sierraplan.com



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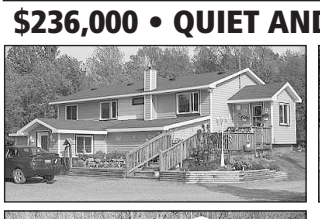

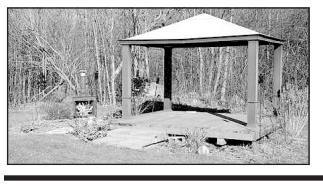

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NDDHS Notes
by Michelle Neil

The school is up at 'em at North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) this week!

We were proud to send our junior girls' basketball team to the Eastern Ontario Secondary School Athletic Association (EOSSAA) championship in Arnprior on Tues., Nov. 16.

The senior boys' volleyball team finished the season strong with great spirit and a great effort! The senior girls will have to wait until next year to play again. They saved their best game for last and left their coach proud. Congrats, seniors!

Senior graduating students are all dressed up for ongoing grad pictures. (Don't forget the $15 sitting fee.)

This Friday (Nov. 19), we are helping to send one man where no known NDDHS grad has gone before: Antarctica. We need your help, though. Come support Tom Henbest, former NDDHS co-prime minister, on his quest to the end of the earth at the South Pole Soiree. The fundraiser will start at 7:30 pm at the school. It will be packed with extraordinary entertainment, scrumptious desserts, and a competitive and exciting silent auction with everything ranging from Sens tickets to toilet seats, so keep that date in mind.

We have school clothing on sale this week. Come check out what we have to offer, and if you need a new form, just look for coordinator Victoria Gibson Crowder at lunch in front of the cafeteria.

Have a great week!

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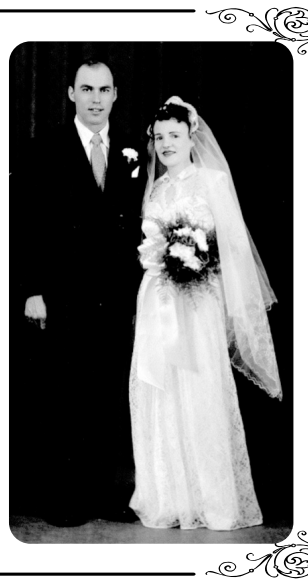


CASTING CALL for Youth ages 12-20

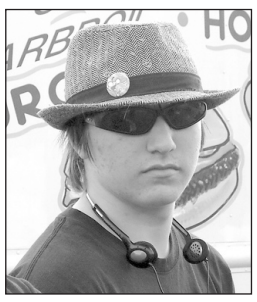
The Russell Association for the Performing Arts (RAPA)
is hosting auditions for the spring 2011 production of:

THE WIZARD OF OZ

Information Night – **Monday, Nov. 22, 7:00 pm**
at Russell High School
Auditions – **Dec. 3, 4, 5 9:00 am-3:00 pm**
at Russell High School

For more information or to book an audition time contact: Jackie Carson at 613-445-3877 or Jackiecarson@hotmail.com

Celebrations



Happy 16th Birthday Quincy Slack
November 15, 2010
Love, Mom, Dad, Dalton, Buddie, Kit, Eros and Riki

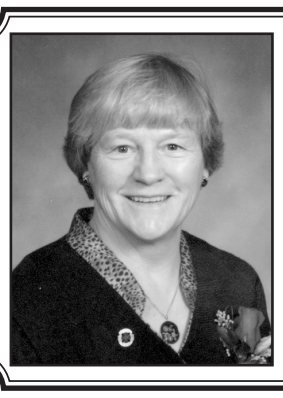
Happy 90th Birthday Helen Bailey



Her family invites you to join them at an
OPEN HOUSE
on **Sunday, Nov. 28 from 1-3 pm**
at North Stormont Seniors Support Centre in Finch.
Best Wishes only!



Helping their great-grandmother
Marion Hart
celebrate her 85th Birthday on November 15, 2010, are Jasmine Hess, Madison Hart, Dylan and Austin Pirie.



You are invited to celebrate a
70th Birthday
with
Marion Carkner
and her family on
Sat., Nov. 27, 3-5 pm
at the Winchester Wesleyan Church Hall, 537 Main St. West





Happy 50th Birthday Darling Kim

Beauty and The Beast

Love, Elvis

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 108

Thank You

Winchester Branch 108 wishes to thank our community, who gathered to watch the parade and participate in our service to commemorate the deeds of our fallen. Thank you to all for your comradeship. We will not forget.

To the people and merchants of Winchester and District and the many dedicated volunteers who generously support our Poppy Campaign year after year.

To those who marched in this year's parade: the Ottawa Police Service, Pipes and Drums, the Colour Party, Veterans and Legion Members, the Ontario Military Vehicles Association, the Winchester Fire Department, Winchester Lions, Winchester Leo's, Mountain and District Lions, Winchester Scouting Movement, the Winchester Guiding Unit, the Winchester Minor Hockey and the Winchester Skating Club.

To those who walked behind the banner acknowledging the 65th Anniversary of the Liberation of Holland by Canadian troops in the Second World War.

To the Ontario Provincial Police for providing traffic control.

We would also like to thank the Legion Ladies and everyone who provided hospitality and food for our luncheon.

To our clergy, Rev. Thurland Brown, Legion Padre, and Pastor Bud McKibbon for their spiritual guidance at our ceremony and the Winchester Public School and staff for making the Remembrance Day Service a huge success.

THANK YOU ALL.

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Please pay attention... it's deer season

OPP issues safe driving tips

by Amanda Smith-Millar
Press staff

WINCHESTER — It's autumn, the time of "the rut."

And that means frisky white-tailed deer are on the move.



The Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP is warning motorists to keep an eye out for those lovesick *Odocoileus virginianus,* as well as other critters crossing the road.

The mating season seems to make whitetails less cautious. Bucks become more aggressive.

Officials therefore are urging drivers to stay alert at all times — especially during dawn and dusk commutes when it's harder to see.

"Following simple driving techniques will reduce the chance of being involved in a collision," said the OPP in a press release.

During those dim mornings and increasingly early evenings, the OPP wants drivers to slow down, use high beams when it's safe, and pay extra attention in areas marked with deer-crossing signs.

Motorists should scan ditches regularly for giveaways like the bright reflection of eyes, or flash of a jumping deer's trademark white tail.

Often, deer travel in herds. So if you spot one, there may be more.

"If you need to avoid deer on roadways, do not swerve; brake firmly and stay in your lane," said the police in their statement.

If you get into a collision with a deer, report it to the police immediately and seek medical attention if necessary.



New grads

The Dundas County Hospice graduated a new crop of palliative care course participants on Wed., Nov. 10 at the Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre in Winchester. The hospice volunteers are screened, and then trained through the courses, to assist residents and their families at any stage of a life-threatening disease. Front row: Dianne Grant (left), Riki Shaver, Jannie Van Noppen. Back row: facilitator Jan Clapp (left), Penny Webster, Kate Workman-Delage, and Xiao-Hong Martin.

UCW gears up for Christmas season

by Norma Wylie

WINCHESTER — The Winchester United Church Women (UCW) met on Mon., Nov. 8 and began with a prayer after citing the group's purpose and vision.

Clara Edwardson opened the meeting.

Lillian Moore gave the worship service using the theme "lest we forget," interspersed with prayer and scripture.

Bea Warren read the minutes of the September and October meetings, and the various reports were heard.

Edwardson read a thank-you card from Rev. Christine Lowson for the computer she was very pleased to receive.

Edwardson said she would look after Christmas Samaritan purses this year. She also discussed the outreach dinner that took place on Fri., Oct. 8 in partnership with Hand In Hand: A Voice for Rural Poverty in Dundas County. Winchester United Church offered the place for the dinner, and volunteers joined together to create the outreach meal. Around 50 people from Mountain, Chesterville, and Winchester participated in a full Thanksgiving dinner of soup, potatoes, turkey, dressing, vegetables, cranberry sauce, pickles, rolls, apple crisp, cheese, and tea and coffee. A good many take-out dinners were taken home for people who were unable to be present. Colleen Howard played the piano and Maureen Heuf sang during the dinner, and it was very much enjoyed by all. A thank-you letter from Hand-in-Hand was forwarded to the church and the ladies of the UCW thanking them for their role in the success.

A very enjoyable musical evening was spent on Sun., Nov. 7 at Winchester United Church by the Winchester pastoral charge for the House of Lazarus in Mountain. A good crowd attended.

Dates for the UCW to remember include: a unit 1 meeting and gift exchange on Mon., Dec. 6 (7:30 pm) at Clara Edwardson's; a unit 2 meeting on Mon., Nov. 29 (1:30 pm) at Lillian Moore's; a unit 4 meeting and gift exchange on Mon., Dec. 6 (1 pm) at Beachcroft; a chili supper at the Winchester United Church (4 to 5:30 pm) on Sat., Dec. 4, prior to the North Dundas Country Christmas Parade of Lights; and a UCW Christmas Dinner on Mon., Dec. 13 (6 pm).

The meeting closed by singing "Go Now in Peace."

Winchester Seniors' euchre winners

WINCHESTER — The blue-card winners at the most recent Winchester Seniors' euchre event on Thurs., Nov. 11 were Don MacIntosh, Betty Barkley, and Betty Holmes.

The pink-card winners were Bea Eadie, Earl Hanes, and Bill Cinnamon.

Marvin Reid, Fay Robinson, and Doris Wylie were the door prize winners, while Mal Byers and Barkley won "share-the-wealth."

The group's next event is scheduled for Thurs., Nov. 25.







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If you wish to apply for any position in particular, please forward your cover letter and resume, in confidence, to: Eric Chartrand, Managing Partner, Email: ericchartrand@russellmeadows.com.

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