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Cardinal deals with full slate at regular meeting

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Although Cardinal Council had no delegations to their regular monthly meeting last week, they did respond to letters sent from township residents requesting servicing. According to Reeve Dishaw, the Village consultants, M.S. Thompson will take a look at the four properties in question to ascertain the validity of such a proposal. A meeting will be held later this month to discuss the idea after such items as location of present services in Cardinal, what changes would be necessary to provide servicing, where water and sewer lines exist now and what highway crossings are required for this to occur. When the answers are available, council will meet with the property owners and deal with the issue at that time, when information is ready to enable a proper decision to be made.

Fire report:

The Fire Report noted that during the month of August, 1997, a total of 95 hours were spent in the line of fire duties by the local department. Some 44 hours were logged at actual fire fighting, a car on Highway 401, a Hydro pole on Moore Road, and a fire at the Seaway Valley Apartments.Training accounted for 49 hours spent with 2 more for out-of-town meetings attended. Council was made aware of the fact that in September, 1998, the Cardinal Fire Department will host the annual Leeds and Grenville Fire Prevention Parade.

Cenotaph:

In response to concerns expressed by citizens of the village, council will look into the creation of a maintenance free area around the cenotaph. An area that tends to become unsightly and yet welcomes visitors to the village needs to be kept in as good a shape as possible and council will delve into this matter.

Hazardous Waste:

September 27, Saturday will be the date for locals to rid themselves of their hazardous waste in a safe and appropriate manner, in South Grenville. "It will be four years before this will be held this close to us again."

Official Plan:

The Township of Edwardsburgh has their Official Plan ready for comments. The reeve suggested that council take a look at it so they can comment on it. "One thing I noticed is that they are not accepting any private roads and this could be a problem if a fire is reported on one such road. If the department cannot respond due to the road condition and yet we have an agreement for fire protection with the Township...then what? We will check with our insurance carrier re: liability in such a situation," stated the reeve.

Roads Department:

The County Roads Department informed council that the transfer of the King's Highway to their jurisdiction will stretch the resources of the County as far as maintenance is concerned. This challenge can be met if the less accessible County Roads could be maintained by the local municipalities where they are situated, on a cost recovery basis. In Cardinal, this would mean, Road 22, south of Highway 2, Dundas, Bridge, Lewis and John Streets, a length of road amounting to .93 kms. The glitch in this idea is that the standards to which the county strives involves bare pavements, necessitating the use of higher concentrations of salt than the municipality has available. The County suggests that if the village service the aforementioned roads during the winter months to their own standards, the County Department could supplement the Village's work after a storm event with the addition of extra salt required to meet standards. The proposal calls for a pro-rated cost per kilometre. The Public Works meeting will deal with this issue.

Appeal for help:

KC 4 LD, a non-partisan organization of concerned citizens, who sent an appeal for monetary assistance in their plight to launch a formal legal challenge in an attempt to preserve democratic rights in this province. "If your council has concerns regarding the erosion of citizens' rights to determine how they are governed, we ask you to join us in this challenge." They added that in addition to active financial support they are also seeking moral feedback.

Council agreed that something has to be done. "We do not have any say in what happens in our own province," said Joe Scott, "No one has proved that any money will be saved through amalgamation. They cannot put their own house in order before they tell us what to do!" He continued, "It is like a dictatorship here, if the people do not wakeup we will feel impacts down the road we cannot even imagine! He ended by saying, "If we don't do something, we cannot complain when the proverbial hits the fan!"

Reeve Dishaw commented, "If we lay down and roll over, they will run right over us,(Ontario government)!"

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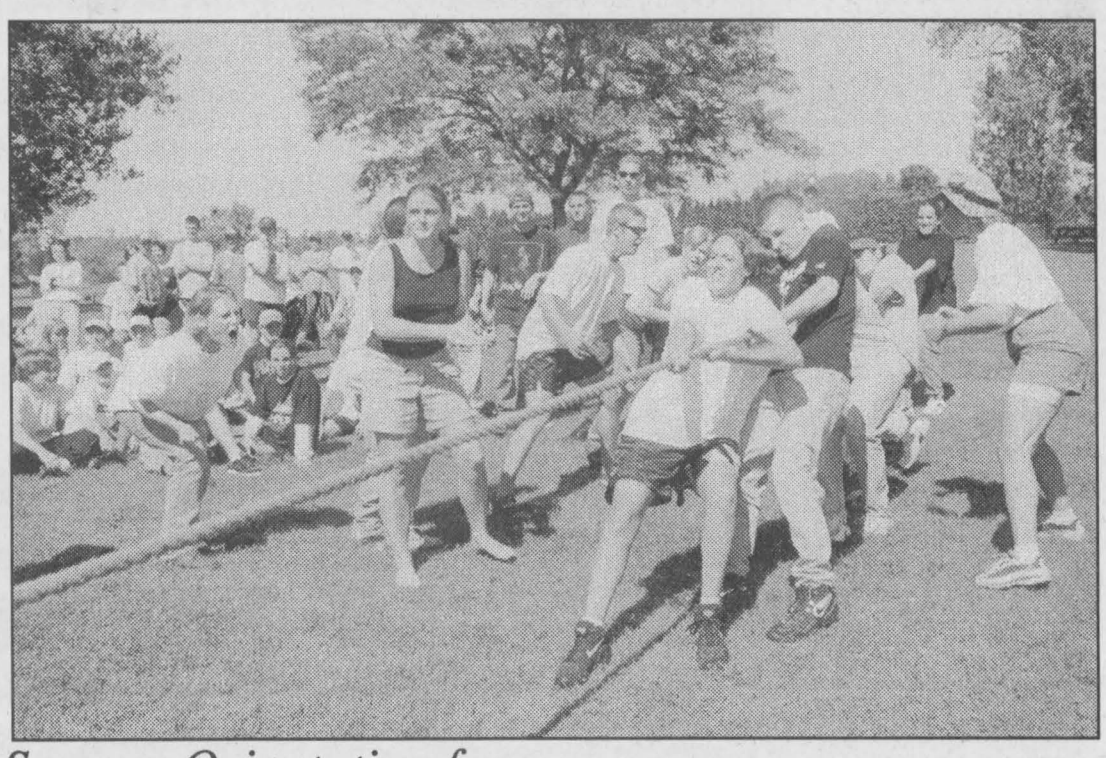

Seaway Orientation fun

The grade 9 students were busy tugging, sharing, gaining friends and learning co-operation through various games on Friday at the Iroquois Point. Supported by Peer Helpers, Student Council reps, Spirit Group and staff members, the youngsters had a blast. There are 144 grade 9s this year at Seaway and they all seemed to be adjusting to high school just fine! A great idea, this time provides a little fun to a stressful period in their teenage lives. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Provisions coming for land ambulance service

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Council learned from the Ministry of Health what direction said Ministry is exploring for the role of municipalities in the delivery of land ambulance services in this province.

As of January 1, 1998, downloading will cause 100% of the funding responsibility for such services to fall under the jurisdiction of municipal governments in Ontario. This new realignment is intended to bring costs under control while providing the best possible service.

Proposed changes to legislation will provide a framework that will allow each upper-tier municipality which will become responsible for paying all the costs associated with land ambulance services within their border to deal with their new responsibility effectively.

For a two year period, from January 1, 1998 to December 31, 1999 the Ministry proposes to fund land ambulance services and thus would bill all municipalities for the cost of their ambulance services.

On January 1 , 2000, all municipalities will assume the responsibility of contracting for or directly delivering land ambulance services. Thus municipalities like Cardinal could choose to continue with the existing provider, decide to become the service provider themselves or call for the highest quality, best priced proposals.

Arrangements will be put in place to ensure local management and fair sharing of the costs of services. Under these guidelines, the Ministry will provide a two year protection period to allow current operators and municipalities the opportunity to work together to ensure a smooth transition in roles and responsibilities. The idea is that land ambulance services will be accessible and consistent to all Ontarians.

The Ministry will continue to fund and ensure the delivery of air ambulance services and central ambulance centres. They will also continue to set standards for and licence land ambulance services, thus ensuring that consistent and seamless (an ambulance could be called to Cardinal from Whitby for instance, with Cardinal bearing the cost) ambulance services will be maintained province wide.

In response to this issue, Queen's University, School of Business, related through the QMES'97-76 conference that 50% of the respondents to the post evaluation identified the Ambulance sector as being least prepared for the proposed changes to the emergency care system and also noted a concern that inequities between rural and urban communities would result. Also expressed were concerns about the preservation of a seamless, high quality land ambulance service if it were fractured along geo-political boundaries. As well the need for non-emergency medical transports that do not require specialized vehicles is something to be looked into...who is responsible and who decides when an elderly person is involved in transport to their home from hospital...is it a medical call? The QMES'97 hoped that the Association of Municipalities of Ontario would inform the Minister of Health of these concerns.

Council agreed that in some instances alternate transport would be beneficial to the community. A very complex issue, this will be a recurring debate for sure at council.

AMO:

History was made this year as Cardinal sent a representative to the annual AMO convention in Toronto. The Association of Municipalities of Ontario meets to discuss relavent issues and this year was very informative and provided up-to-date information on a variety of topics being debated around council tables in this province monthly. The Cardinal Clerk took part in this event and reported back to council at the regular meeting.

The Ministers were present and available through open forums to discuss issues with members attending. "Many of them seemed to be campaigning already!"

"Downloading and how to deal with it was discussed at length and how a huge debt comes along with some of the housing properties which will become the

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Amalgamation could be on hold

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

At an amalgamation meeting in Matilda earlier this year, Municipal Affairs advisor Yves Drouin, told council representatives from South Dundas that if they didn't amalgamate, the minister would do it for them.

So, it came as somewhat of a shock for the village of Morrisburg to find out that only 120 of 880 municipalities in the province are actually considering amalgamation.

The Ontario government moved for the municipal restructuring to save costs by eliminating the duplication of services. However, the downloading of other services on to municipalities has made it almost impossible to decide whether or not the move would be cost neutral.

At the Monday evening meeting of Morrisburg council, a resolution was passed to meet with the other 3 municipalities that comprise South Dundas to decide whether or not they should proceed with amalgamation.

The discussion on amalgamation came about as a result of a resolution from the village of Chesterville. Chesterville would like to remain its own municipality, separate from North Dundas.

The letter from Chesterville points out that the villages of Athens and Westport have been granted permission to remain as distinct and separate villages within the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and that similar exemptions have been made in the United Counties of Prescott and Russell and the entire southern portion of Leeds and Grenville.

"I strongly support the village of Chesterville's wish to have their autonomy and would so move that they have the right to remain independent of North Dundas," said Councillor Larry Schnurr.

Following the supporting vote of council, Schnurr noted that Morrisburg, Iroquois, Williamsburg and Matilda, should review the amalgamation process.

"In view of this information, I also think a review would be in order," said Deputy Reeve Dirk Testerink.

According to Reeve Gord McGregor, who along with the deputy reeve, attended the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference in Toronto recently, "restructuring was the big topic off and on the floor."

"It's hard to say whether or not we would be better off," said McGregor, "but we will pass a resolution to meet with the other 3 municipalities."

Biccum drain angers residents

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Where is the bottom of the Biccum Municipal Drain?

The answer could cost property owners along the drain more than $13,000 collectively. It was such a thorny question that Mountain Township Council decided to sleep on it and not make any hasty decisions.

A request for drain maintenance from two property owners has resulted in a call to remove close to a foot of material from the drain and move a culvert.

Some people say the drain has standing water and needs to be fixed. Others say it is fine the way it is. To make matters even more complicated some of the property owners say that the work being proposed is too drastic and is not maintenance at all, but construction.

The air in the Mountain Township council chambers was stifling as 26 ratepayers jammed in for a public meeting on the drain, Monday night, Sept. 8.

Robert Johnston, who amended plans for the Biccum Drain in 1968, says that the drain is on average 0.3 metres too shallow. He says that 30 years of silt and material have built up and need to be cleaned out.

According to Reeve Estella Rose, Johnston was hired by two property owners, Don Guy and Graham Hardy to determine if maintenance was necessary. Johnston says that it is.

Drainage superintendent Richard Sharkey told those assembled at the meeting that he could not dispute Johnston's findings.

"He was the designer of the drain as it was set out in the 1968 bylaw and I wasn't here then," said Sharkey. However, Sharkey added that when the ditch last had maintenance some of the ground appeared to have never been dug before.

The others at the meeting didn't shrink from disputing Johnston's findings.

"I don't even know how we can talk about lowering the outlet when we're talking about maintenance. I mean the outlet's been there. You don't lower it if it's maintenance." said Mac Saunders, who owns property on the drain.

If the work is maintenance Saunders and others will have no say in whether the work is carried out. If the work is deemed to be construction all of the property owners along the drain will have a vote.

Many of the people opposing Johnston's findings say they are worried about the cost (about $345 for every $100 a property owner has been assessed). They also say the drain received maintenance recently.

The problem is that the drain dates back to 1919. There were

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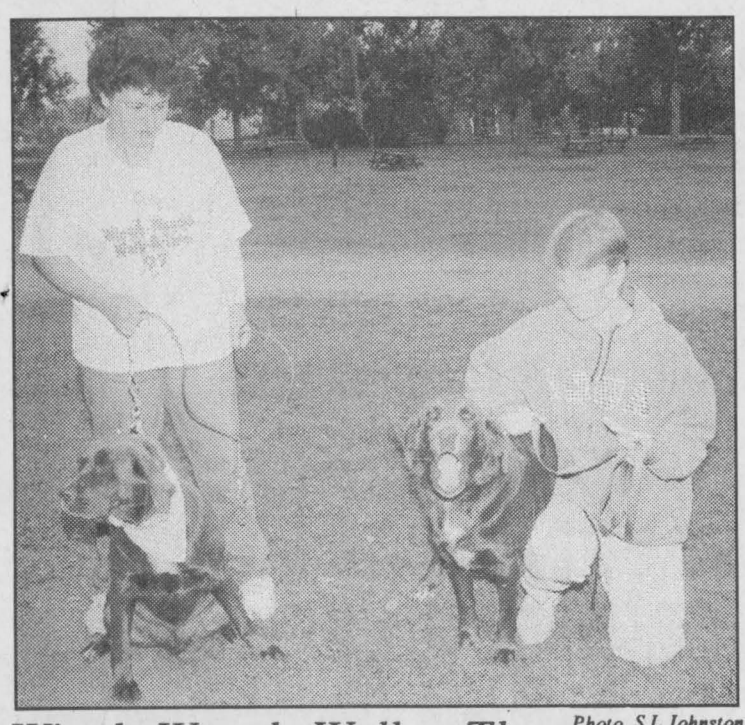

Wiggle Waggle Walk-a-Thon *Photo S.L.Johnston*

A success, the annual walk for the SPCA saw 11 walkers and their pets come out even though rain drizzled part of Saturday morning. The pledges along with the business contributions saw $2503.50 raised. Top pledge collector was Nikki Stewart with $330.00 and then Audrey La Framboise who got $144 for the cause.

Visit the 142nd Spencerville Fair

The 142 edition of the Spencerville Fair starts a day early this year, running Sept 11-13. A few new wrinkles, will combine with old favorites to make this a fair to remember.

For a $5 admission fee on opening night spectators can take in the Holstein show and the demolition derby starting at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Friday's line up includes the annual 4-H Show, a pet show at 10 a.m. as well as children's entertainment and a horse and pony show at noon. Entertainment for the night starts at 8 p.m. with South Mountain and Marleen Fawcett at 8 p.m. The the Fair Queen will be chosen at the same time.

The newly crowned queen will be just one of the participants in the colorful fair parade through Spencerville on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. Check out the decorated bicycles, floats and classic automobiles that make this one a favorite event from year to year. J.J. Clark of CJOH television will be on hand for the official opening of the fair at 1:30 p.m.

As usual there will be horse races with pari-mutuel betting.

Rounding out the day are a horse show at 10 a.m. and sheep, goat, jersey and Ayreshires on display at 11 a.m.

A teen dance for 13-18 year olds is also planned for 7:30 p.m. at the municipal hall. D.J. Tom Anderson is set to spin the tunes.

Of course one must not forget to visit the exhibit halls and marvel at the fine handicrafts, baked goods and art work that make the fair such a rich exhibition of area talent.



Did you know...

The Park Lane Senior's Support Centre in Williamsburg (pictured above) offers transportation services, meals on wheels, respite care, indoor and outdoor help and a host of other services for the elderly and disabled and their families. Volunteers will be coming to Iroquois and Matilda October 2 to tell people about the centre and its satellite office in the old Stampville Public School.

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Park Lane Senior Support Centre launches campaign

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

There is no need to wait for an emergency before making use of the services offered by the Park Lane Seniors Support Centre.

Volunteers and staff at the centre will be knocking on the doors of Iroquois and Matilda residences Thursday Oct. 2 to let people know where the centre is and what it can do for them.

"Often people will find out about us after something bad happens and we want to change that. Sometimes we will get a call about our meal program after a family member goes into the hospital because they were not eating properly or sometimes someone is caring for somebody and they are really tired and the caregiver gets sick and then they find out about our respite services," says Janet Levere, director of outreach services at the centre.

Although the support centre has been in the area for more than 6 years and has a satellite office in the old Stampville Public School there are still many people who don't know about it.

Levere assembled a small army of volunteers to help visit each of the 4,058 homes in the south half of Dundas County. Individual volunteers will introduce themselves and ask people if they are aware of the centre and its services and if they have ever made use of them. People who want more information will have their names and telephone numbers recorded so that a follow up call can be made. She hopes this individual, personalized approach will help to raise awareness.

Because of the size of South Dundas visitations will happen on two different dates. Iroquois and Matilda residents can expect to see volunteers Oct. 2, while Morrisburg and Williamsburg residents will be visited Sept. 18.

A training night is scheduled for volunteers who will be participating in the door-to-door information blitz. Pamphlets will be distributed listing the services and basic questions will be answered. If you would like to volunteer for this or any other service call Levere at the centre at 535-2924.

Gord McGregor makes his decision

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

He won't seek re-election.

Morrisburg Reeve Gord McGregor announced last Monday night that he will not be seeking re-election come this November.

With eleven years of municipal service under his belt, the reeve has decided that it is time to call it quits.

"A gentleman I know once said 'I've given six years of my life, I feel that's enough,' I've given quite a few more than that and I know that's enough," said McGregor.

The reeve explained that he would like to spend more of his time concentrating on his work.

Council briefs

Recreation Chair Larry Schnurr made note of the fact that the ice scheduling problems at the Morrisburg Arena have been taken care of.

Fire Protection Chair Dirk Testerink told council that the village has unofficial notice that Morrisburg Fire Chief Lee Hess will be resigning his position.

Property Chair Jack Notman told council that all of the renovations to the Old High School in Morrisburg have been completed and work will begin on exterior renovations at the former Parks Commission building.

Reeve Gord McGregor told council that work on Lakeshore Drive in the village will begin sometime within the next two weeks. The town crew has already started to lower the manholes. Morrisburg will pay between $20 and $25 thousand to have the street fixed properly.

Emergency Measures Planner Bill Shearing informed council of an upcoming training exercise - operation funnel furry - which will take place during the month of October. The exercise will be held at the Stampville Senior Support Centre.

Council gave the Dundas Heart and Stroke Foundation approval to hold their annual Big Bike Ride for Heart and Stroke, October 5th from noon to five pm.

Benchmark established for amalgamation at meeting

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The recent Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference in Ontario served as a kind of amalgamation bench mark for some local municipal politicians.

For Mountain Township Councillor Annette Turner a workshop on the amalgamation process as experienced by other municipalities told her that the future municipality of North Dundas was well on its way to becoming a reality.

Morrisburg's Deputy Reeve Dirk Testerink came away with a similar feeling.

"We might have been in a better position to hold the seminar since we seemed to be further along in the process than they were," he said.

Turner said she was able to meet and thank Ontario Transportation Minister Al Palladini for the approval of stop lights at the intersection of Highways 43 and 31.

She said that she was particularly impressed with the conference's key-note speaker Financial Post editor Dianne Francis. Francis addressed the changes affecting Ontario municipalities in the context of changes sweeping Canada and in fact the world.

More than 1,400 municipal officials gathered in Toronto August 24 to 27 to discuss *The New Reality* during the annual conference of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) at the Royal York Hotel.

The AMO conference was one of the largest assemblies of elected municipal elected and staff officials in Canada and provides an opportunity for delegates from across Ontario to discuss key issues of concern to the municipal sector.

This year's conference, entitled *The New Reality* featured sessions and workshops on many areas of municipal responsibility that will be affected by the provincial government's shifts in policy and down-loading of costs and obligations.

"The world will be a very different place for Ontario municipalities as we head into the next century. Many municipalities will disappear completely and others will see their roles expanded or altered as the province shifts responsibilities to the municipal level," said AMO president Terry Mundell.

"This conference is an opportunity to learn about the many changes that will affect municipal government, and to hear practical advice on how to manage these changes in their communities."

Delegates heard from a number of speakers over the three days, including Ontario Premier Mike Harris, and Minister Municipal Affairs and Housing Al Leach. Delegates also had the opportunity to question several Ontario government ministers during a Minister's Forum Tuesday afternoon.

The AMO is a non-profit organization with member municipalities representing 96 per cent of Ontario's population. The mandate of AMO is to promote support for and enhance strong and effective municipal government in Ontario.

Bob Bennett will not enter election race

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

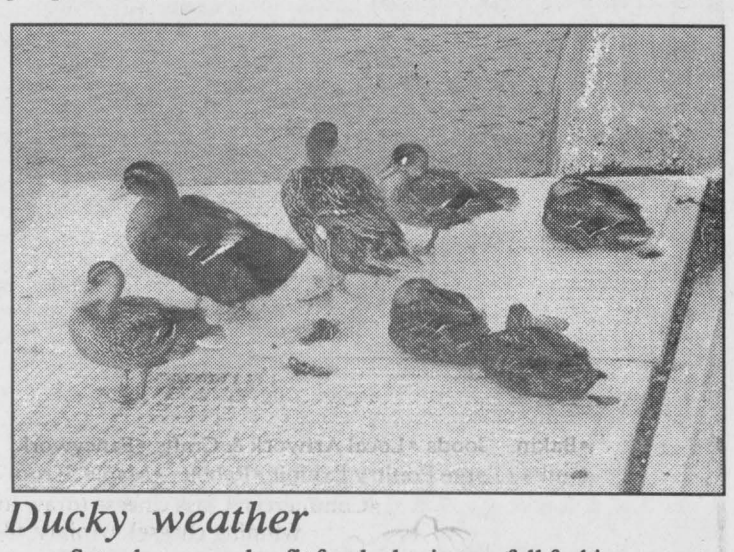
Bob Bennett, in consultation with his family has decdied not to seek a seat on the new council for South Dundas Township.

"This has been the toughest decision I have made, but with my health not up to par and since thirteen some years have been spent in service to my community as a member of local council, it seems the wisest thing to do."

Bob notes that he wants to be fair to everyone, "There may well be someone waiting to see who is going to run, someone a little hesitant and if they are wondering what I am going to do, I feel it best to tell them up front."

He continues explaining that he feels the people of the new Township will need to be patient and remain calm and cool and let the new council get their bearings. "The changes which amalgamation brings will be effective and beneficial in the long run."

"I want at this time to thank all who supported me over the years, as well as those who could not, I enjoyed my time on council and wish everyone who decides to run all the best."



Ducky weather

Saturday was a day fit for ducks, in true fall fashion we got a shower...the first of many to be expected. This flock of Mallards were not too worried about the weather as they preened their feathers and huddled closer together. We must remember though, water runs off these fellows easily, and they will not get wet like those of us taking their photo did! *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

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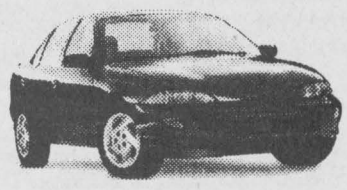

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Respectfully

Many locals joined many around the world in mourning the passing of a tall, slender, young woman who was taken away from us in her prime. This lady of grace and beauty was not personally met by many of us, but her presence was felt by all.

We joined her in her sorrow and her times of laughter and smiles. Then, last week we joined her in a time of great loss. Princess of Wales, Lady Di brought many around the world together in a common cause.

The tributes that continue to flow into England, the money for those charities she fostered, the floral arrangements that adorn the tiny island where she was laid to rest, the notes, the tears...they are all ways of showing how much she is missed.

They are also a way of dealing with a tragedy. In a world where pain and suffering all too often seem distant and do not personally affect us, this seemed to strike a chord and everyone everywhere joined in one quiet and respectful time.

Her charisma was undeniable. She was a troubled soul and yet her vulnerability and her very charm endeared her to million. Many felt a bond with her, although they never met her. She was loved by millions, there is no doubt. The beautiful princess was a good mother and while not in step with the Windsors of British royal blood was preparing her royal sons for as normal a life as possible under their circumstances. Perhaps it was this down to earth ideal, this common approach to everything despite her position that drew people to her.

Perhaps because she undertook charities that others shyed away from, AIDS and Land Mines, she developed a bond with people who admired her for her new found strength and dedication.

She will never know.

She was admired by another who went this week to be with her, Mother Teresa. A wrinkled and gnarled woman who had for so many years worked so hard. A simple yet revered woman, she and the fairy princess had a bond that transcended time, age and country. Coming from different places, the magnatism one held for the other was a force to be reckoned with.

There was no arrogance, no boasting from the elderly one, and she passed this wisdom to the younger one as their souls became intermingled. Is there a lesson we can all learn from this pair?

As we each deal with our grief, we will begin to grow stronger and wiser. Troubles do that to folks...Lady Di will be missed, and we all reach out to her two young sons. We all dig deeply inside and remember when we lost someone who should still be here with us and we hurt. We feel sympathy for the families and for ourselves and that is okay. (Thanks Bill for your help). **S.L.J.**

A solid footing

It's true, good things often come in small packages. Just ask the Eastern Valley Heritage Foundation.

Last week, a former Edwardsburgh Township resident and one who still calls the municipality home both contributed $100,000 towards keeping the Spencerville Mill from becoming a neglected pile of rubble.

For a town that has the 130-year-old building as its biggest calling card, people should be dancing in the streets after the most-recent donations.

Since council has said at public meetings that it won't be contributing anything to the restoration fund, it's a cheap and easy way of saying they're doing their bit to help.

After a July 28 public meeting in Spencerville that started with the two big donations, it's clear the conservation group plans to turn the building into a self-sustaining tourist attraction.

Interested residents at the information session said they don't want to see the mill become a business once the restoration work is finished. It shouldn't, after all of the community involvement that's going into saving it.

But the most commendable part of the project has to be that future prospects for the building don't include depending on government support, at any level, to keep the doors open.

While Spencerville already has a community centre just down the road, the atmosphere of a 130-year-old building is hard to beat.

If the doors can be kept open six months of the year, great. If the building can be put to use year round once the life-saving restoration work has been competed, even better. **S.C.**

Unique work features talented local artist in Playhouse gallery

focus

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Art is described as "The conscious use of skill and creative imagination especially in the production of aesthetic objects."

According to Jan Mills of Iroquois, "Art work is never finished, it just stops in interesting places."

Looking at the work of a local artist is a unique experience even for the untrained person. It boggles the mind that someone can, through the process of thought come up with such wonderful imaginative pieces of art. Anyone who has the opportunity before this Sunday, September 14 to catch a glimpse of Jan's interesting display of works should definitely take advantage, at Upper Canada Playhouse.

"I was lucky enough to have two artists work with me in my younger and more impressionable days," says Jan. He continues explaining that Murray Smith taught him technique: "He showed me about watercolour and realistic painting techniques." It would be some years later when Jan met George Swinton, a Professor of Art History at Carleton University. "He was able to fill in any gaps that existed for me as far as formal training was concerned," notes Jan.

Sitting comfortably at his dining room table, we chat and his talents become even more evident, as do his feelings as far as his work goes."I have always drawn. I have no idea why. It is almost like you have to do it to be truly content." When asked about what medium he favours, Jan replies that he really enjoys all aspects, from sculpture to painting and even likes to work on both at the same time.

Finding time to work on pieces, while holding down a full time job at Ross Video and raising a growing family of four, two teenage sons from a previous marriage along with a younger son and daughter, would seem to take all his time. Married to Jancis, who is pretty good in the area of art as well, they seem to be able to juggle things extremely well. "Getting ready for a show, we make time to get the things done we want to show. You know, we slot time to be sure things are ready on time...most often this ends up being when Taegon (4 years) and Liam (6 years old) are in bed." Adding that since renovating the attic, "Things are easier now. I can leave a work in progress and go back to it. Fewer distractions and much time saved by not having to put away pieces after just getting started adds to the ability to be creative." He mentions that often when he returns to a piece, he will add to it, or otherwise change what he initially perceived and develop a completely different product than was planted.\."I am able now to use what medium I want;" although he admits to having experimented with pencil, watercolour, oils and acrylics, "I seem to bend towards using "non-artist" supplies.I use things that are a part of my everyday life. I relate to the native and religious aspects of things, I like to think I am putting life back into something. let people see something that are previously there."

When describing his work, Jan quotes a Canadian Artist, Jack Shadbolt who explained art as, "The orchestration of the overtones of form"...this best says what I do," says this creative individual. "I try to get to the spirit of things, sometimes I do things that are not normally associated with what I try to do with them. Often as I sculpt, the items actually conjure up thoughts as I work and a piece may change form and appearance several times before I complete it."

Jan explains that originally many pieces just happen, "You just do it and things start to evolve. One thing leads to another and I begin to see a relationship and eventually items just come together."

"I like my art work to communicate to people. I try to give people a glimpse of where I am coming from...you know set them on the right track. I don't like things to be too ambiguous, I want to give them a starting point and so I always title my work."

As we speak about the various pieces on display at Upper Canada Playhouse in the gallery presently, Jan smiles as he says, "I am bugging Liam to do more, kids are so uninhibited and creative." Liam and Jan collaborated on a collage of a castle and it is framed and hangs at the playhouse until Sunday when it will return to Caldwell Drive in Iroquois and take its rightful place in the Mills home. "It was a gift for his mother." Jan is adamant when hs says, "It is great working together with the children."

When he speaks about his work, Jan is quiet and seems almost to be afraid of any recognition for his efforts." I feel my best work comes when I am not too aware, you just do it and as the process evolves, you see relationships and things just come together to form a piece."

"A piece of art is like a sentence, a paragraph, a short story or even a novel. Novels are tough, they take a long time." Jan notes that he baked the bread fish six years ago and then just lately created "Leap of Faith" where two boots have the fish suspended from them on a string with a cross shape incorporated into it...religious overtones- fishes, bread and line; all people are represented by the boots, and the faith that all will hold, having faith is a leap...this writer will look at this one differently than she did the first time it was viewed.

A most imaginative and creative piece, two black crows fashioned from blown tires found along Highway 401, according to Jan are certainly "a

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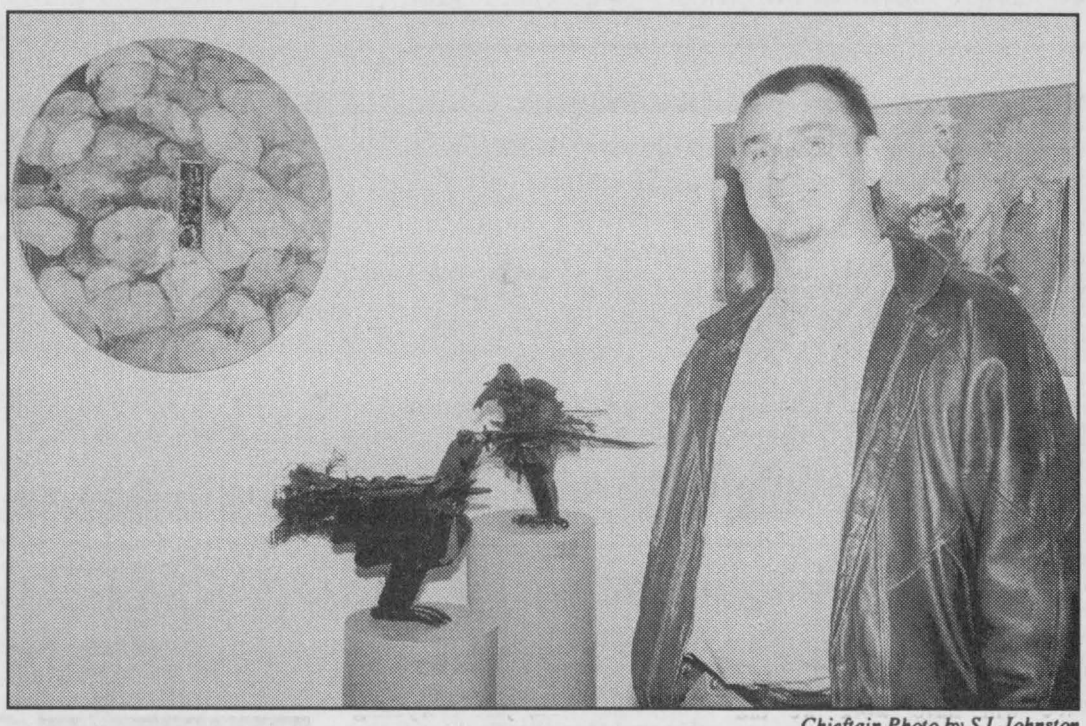

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Jan Mills stands in front of some of his pieces...a couple of old crows...

An unexpected type of evening

Just plain livin'

with Sandra Lee



They say you never truly appreciate something until you have to do without it. The writer got to verify this on Monday evening.

Working throughout the day on Monday, the computer and I seemed to be getting along pretty fair. Late in the afternoon, it became apparent that not enough breaks had been taken and lunch seemed a distant dream. When, all of a sudden, the eyes became blurry and no amount of rubbing would help. Sitting back, taking off the glasses and trying to relax even though panic had already gained a foothold, did not help either. Struggling to my feet, a slow and rather mournful trip to the washroom to splash water on the tired eyes was not able to relieve any symptoms and then the legs really got rubbery! The trip back to the chair was rather an adventure in recollection. Trying not to trip over obstacles and vainly trying to get back to the safety of my friendly chair was a difficult task. In the middle of another panic attack, son number two arrived seeking a ride home. A few moments, a sigh and a happy thought that family is what really counts when the chips are down. A hasty explanation and we were out of the workplace and in the pickup. The next move was not very smart and demonstrates how being completely scared stiff can take over the senses and cloud judgement...getting behind the wheel, the eyes were worse. The sight was there, but there existed a definite line between the top and bottom view, like a pair of bifocals, except there were no specs on my nose. The top was foggy and would not focus well, there was no perception of distance nor space. The bottom portion was extremely distinct with a black and white checkered pattern which was exploding in marvellous star bursts. This sensation was happening in both eyes and would not cease and desist!no matter what I did. Anyway, I sat behind the wheel and the son kept the wheels on the pavement, and the truck between the lines. No traffic and the ability to make out shapes enabled us to arrive safely at the ranch. Once in the yard, tears began and the shakes set in...a call to the clinic revealed no doctor in the village and so it was Morrisburg Clinic we depended upon for assistance. Better than the doctor ordered, we were in, in record time and a doctor came to check things out. He explained what he felt was going on and then proceeded to suggest that we should make a trip to the big city where specialists could verify his diagnosis and deal with things more effectively. The fact that he was unable to see the back of the one eye with his handy dandy little light thingamagig led him to wonder what was happening inside that eye ball. Because both eyes were affected, seemed to suggest that there was no retina detachment or any such thing, but, better safe than sorry.

A dash home for instructions on the most direct route to the General Hospital, since this would be our first visit and a change of duds, in case it chilled down and we were off northward. The son went to Grams and Gramps for a bite to eat, and the nursing niece travelled with the big guy and the patient, for support and guidance.

Arriving at the hospital, I understand that we parked in a time limited zone, and so the big guy went out to move the vehicle to a better parking area, where we would not receive a fine. During this time, the niece and the writer were busy being processed. The nurse at the Triage desk was most pleasant. A person who usually has no blood pressure to speak of,

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the bottom line

by Peter H. Nicol

The big labour unions in Ontario are threatening to flex their muscles in the days ahead if the provincial government doesn't back down and do what it is told. And what it's being told to do is to kill Bill 136, the legislation which will prohibit strikes for a two year period while institutions like hospitals, school boards and municipalities are being merged. Instead, should a dispute arise, the matter will go before a Disputes Resolution Committee which will have the power to settle the matter for the first contract.

In some cases, a decision will have to be made as to which union will represent the newly formed groups; groups whose people may have been members of two or three different unions before they merged into a single unit.

The government understands that a great many issues will have to be resolved in order for these mergers to take place and some decisions will simply have to be imposed. Although the process will be a difficult one, it is a process that the government has committed itself to and one that has the backing of the people of Ontario. It is understood also, that the process would be impossible if, at every juncture, a union went on strike or threatened to do so because it didn't like what was going on. A decision which was acceptable to four union groups could be scuttled by the fifth and ironically enough, the other four would also have to go on strike in order to show 'solidarity', even though they had no quibble with what was being offered.

Recently, some twenty-five hundred union delegates met in Toronto and vowed to fight Bill 136 with everything they had. With everything we have too. And that's the problem.

The union leaders threaten to lash out at the government, at Mike Harris, but Mike Harris isn't the government. I am. You are. Our friends and neighbours and families and the guys on the bowling team are. When union leaders threaten to "shut down the province", it's not some ubiquitous "they" who is affected, it's me and you.

It is our rights, our services, our expectations which are being trampled on. The people of this province elected Mike Harris and his party to represent us; we knew what he stood for and what he said that he would do. We agreed with his approach, his programme. Two years later, the majority of Ontarians still agree with his approach and his programme. We did not elect some union leader to disrupt our lives in order for him to satisfy himself and a vocal minority who care about themselves and little else.

If the union leaders make good on their latest threats, the people of Ontario should file a class action lawsuit against them. If these guys think they know what is best for all Ontarians, let them put aside their union blinkers and run for public office where their views can be judged by those who will be affected by them. If they're only interested in a self-serving power struggle, that's fine too as long as they stay on their own playground and let the government of Ontario do the job it was elected to do by the people of this province.

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Every so often we get to read articles bemoaning the increasing number of personal bankruptcies in this country. The major culprit in this tale of woe is almost always the government; whether it be federal or provincial or even municipal. Presumably it is the current policy (or lack thereof) of one or more of these groups which is responsible for such a lamentable state of affairs.

The reality is somewhat different.

There are, statistics tell us, thirty million Visa and Mastercard credit cards in Canada...not counting any other brand of card. And Visa and Mastercard alone account for more than $15 Billion worth of debt.

Governments don't charge stuff on our credit cards. We do. People in this country carry the largest debt load that they can get away with. Eventually that is going to catch up with them. If they have some kind of disruption in their income, a layoff, strike, downsizing, whatever, it's going to catch up to them that much sooner. And when they can no longer make the payments, they declare bankruptcy. It's easy, it's socially acceptable, and for many, it is the only way they will ever get out from under the mountain of debt that they have incurred.

Businesses extend themselves in much the same way. And if they extend credit to too many people who end up not being able to repay their debts, the company too is in trouble.

People just don't want to save for anything these days; they want everything now, and putting it on credit is the easy way to achieve that. Oddly enough, even the banks discourage savings accounts, judging by the paltry interest they pay to them.

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Focus

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novel, there are so many aspects to them." The idea of scavengers, both the crows and the artist; the trickster idea (in native culture crows are such creatures) where driving along, your eyes play tricks and you are never certain until the last minute that those black specs ahead are crows or discarded tire pieces come into play in the creation of this unique and marvellous piece. "I don't know if I could part with these fellows."

While he admits that he has indeed mellowed through the years, he remains true to himself nonetheless. "I make sure now that I do not compromise, I refuse to rush a piece, I'd rather wait for things to come together. I am more content with my work now which perhaps has come through a maturity and a confidence in what I am capable of."

He stresses that he "guides" his work along. "I never dominate a piece, I let the material work for and with me. You must know when to let go. You cannot allow yourself to dominate a piece or it will become stagnant." He adds that a little patience is best, rather than running off head strong...better results will be forthcoming when things begin to gel. "I have a respect for all the materials I use. If you force things then ego starts to take over and you are lost. I try to help items along, intervening in what I feel is the right amount."

He has some very interesting ways of thinking as far as his work is concerned. "Art is a verb, not a noun for me. It is the act of doing it that satisfies me. What I show in a work should say something about the piece to anyone who sees it. While we all see differently, if I have done a good job, everyone who looks at a piece will perceive something in it. All are open to interpretation. If people talk about my work, that is satisfying to me. I do not work to offend anyone. If I have enough in a piece to make it valid each person looking at it will see something."

He says that trading with other artists is most rewarding, "It doesn't pay the bills, but is a lot of fun!" Having collaborated with three other artists to produce some pieces, namely Marc Trottier, Rene Price and Gerry Swift, Jan is anticipating his next show in the Vankleek Hill Arbour Gallery. "We will have work we did together as well as a piece that is uniquely our own as well." The process of collaboration is intriguing. Starting a piece and passing it to others to add their ideas to and ending up with something which bears no resemblance to what you started must be wild. Jan's easy manner and open mind allow him to grow. His efforts in the art world demonstrate a creativity and a feeling for the world around him. He is a perceptive and caring human being. He puts 100% into whatever he undertakes and his pieces demonstrate a sense of being "right on."

In conclusion, he says, "Artists seem to put a lot of unrealistic pressures on themselves, we are none of us perfect...all we can do is our best and if we please ourselves, others will enjoy what we do. While everything will not work out as we imagine it to, as long as we feel comfortable with what we do, and the challenge remains alive, and you really like it, you will endure as an artist."

Alot of late nights loom ahead of Jan as he tells of a medieval theme he is perusing with items from a throwaway society that speak volumes to him about knights in armour and such. His piece at the Playhouse entitled, "Road Torch" is inevitably only the beginning of bigger things to come.

Utilizing his life experiences and sharing them with anyone who takes the time to check out his work, Jan would seem to be a piece of art himself, this writer could have listened and admired his work for many more hours. Learning about the pieces created a new awareness for me.Thanks Jan!

Just livin'

Contined from editorial page

this evening there was a marked pressure and when the wrist band was placed on the left arm, it was even higher than recorded. Amid protests from the writer, "I am NOT staying here over night!" and all that stuff, it was explained that this is normal procedure now, so if it is indeed necessary to be admitted, the entire questions and answers deal does not have to be gone through again...efficiency in action!

The lights were turned down, the room made sound proof so as not to make things worse for the patient and all the forms were filled out in no time. The next steps, although careful and measured were to an examination room. In the meantime, the big guy has parked the car, gotten himself lost in returning to the emergency area, and finally came to room E8 where a nurse had taken a lot of the same info and given an eye chart reading test. The nerves would not relax and the clock ticking away the minutes seemed to be suggesting that all the work unfinished would not be accomplished on this night.

Anxiously, we waited, the big guy found us and the three of us waited even longer. Reclining on the exam table, and trying to keep from wild panic attacks, the niece was reassuring the old aunt that the eyes would be fine...as she explained some of the finer points of the testing and examining procedure that could be used to find the problem. It was great to have her along, and hopefully she knows how important it was to the writer...thanks Wender!!

After what seemed like an eternity, a very pretty young resident came to ask the same questions and shine that extremely bright light in each poor eye. Reflex testing and strength resistance and all that jazz and she left to consult with the Doctor on duty. A very nice gentleman came back with her and they explained how things were not too desperate and the sight would continue to return. Some meds, relaxation and less stress and life should be normal again.

The plan was to get home and at the doctor's suggestion, dictate the stories to the son or the big guy and have then ready for Tuesday morning as paper deadlines loomed, but the writer does not recall much after lying down on the couch upon our arrival back at Swampview. The old noggin was sore and the eyes hurt somewhat and the mood was just relief and "leave me alone."

What had happened was called, an Ocural Migraine. Now, this old head has endured more than its' share of migraine headaches and there have been numerous trips to the local hospital during sessions that seemed unbearable, but never has the eyesight been affected in this manner. Waking up the next morning things were sore and the feeling of timidness returned, you know, that hesitant feeling, unsure and all; but things seemed pretty fair. The sight seemed almost back to normal and the headache will no doubt go away soon. Standing in the bedroom window watching the mist burn off the swamp as the sun started climbing ever so slowly skyward was appreciated more than usual on Tuesday morn. The drive to Cardinal early in the day was so very welcome...the sun glistening on the mighty St. Lawrence, the birds sitting in a perfect row on the guy wire, the greens mingling with the bits of red and brown that have appeared on some maples, the youngsters waiting for the bus to arrive and well, just everything that could be seen. Soaking in the beauty of the world around me was a terrific experience and one that was thoroughly enjoyed, believe me!

The truck went to the muffler doctor on Tuesday, seems things were not hanging too tightly between the catalytic converter and the muffler. Son number two liked the throaty sound and the rumble was neat and brought back memories of younger days as we drove along, but not pleasant to the ears, so a call was put in for repairs.

The weekend was crazy what with the funeral and staying up all night to watch it after being on the Community Watch. Son number one was home with some pretty good art work in tow. He was deposited back in the city late Sunday with even more items to make his digs more personally his own. The care package went along with some new cereal and we remembered the cheese this week too! (last week it stayed at the ranch by mistake).

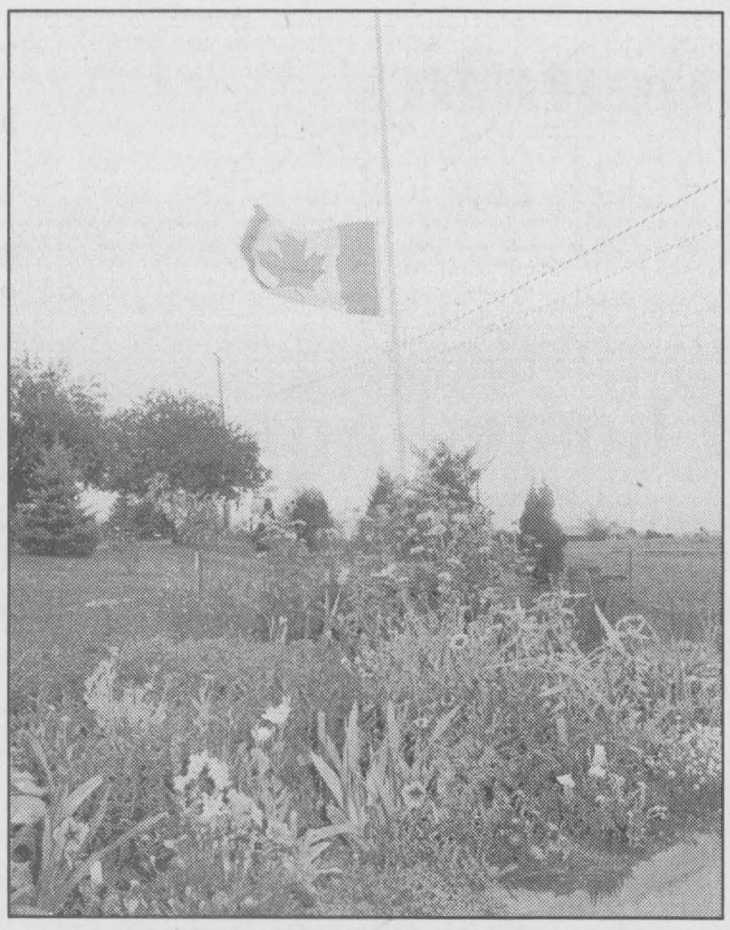
The writer was flippin' burgers for the Literacy folks, from the Dundas Community Learning Centre as they held a fund raiser in the plaza. One of those asked to help out, it was fun and we sold out. We each have to do our part to help when and where we can.

Church was interesting on Sunday as the sermon hit a lot of chords, helped with the mourning process for the Princess of Wales and Mother Theresa and the organist played a couple of the hymns played at Lady Di's funeral, tying things up pretty nicely while bringing home how many feel these days.

Finally we will get to work on Scout things again. An advert in this issue explains registration and we will boogie from there.

Take care, stay happy and keep a smile on your face. The wisdom comes from Schopenhauer, who said, "What a man is contributes more to his happiness than what he has."

Editor's note: Last week in The Bottom Line, a piece was misinterpreted by some of our readers and although an apology has been made to Rose Fawcett at The Rise'n Shine Restaurant, this is also being included in this week's edition. The reference to "Rosie" was not directed at the owner of the local eatery, rather at the Rosie seen in the television commercials who is such a "quick picker-upper" with her paper towels. Unfortunately, too many people read it to be a slanderous statement against the lady on Dundas Street and encouraged her to action. She understands that it was all harmless fun on our part, with never a thought to her or her business prowess. Thanks Rose and it is indeed good to know people read our efforts!!(S.L.J.)



Respectfully flying

Canadian flags all over were flying reverently at half-mast in respect for Lady Di's passing. It was amazing the out pouring that her death allowed to come forth. People all over the world were truly moved to action. There was a need to demonstrate the love that this Queen of Hearts was able to have showered upon her.

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Love Mom

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✔*Iroquois Golf Club champs*
✔*Terry Fox Run Sunday*
✔*Tip of the Week*

Iroquois Golf Club hosted annual club championship

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Iroquois Golf Club hosted their annual Club Championship play on the weekend. The wet weather was not a deterrent and everyone had a great time. Getting wet is sometimes part of the game and those who frequent the fairways and greens are no strangers to rain.

The atmosphere in the club house after each group finished their round was one of joy and laughter, as plays were replayed and shots made over and over again.

When the drizzle cleared on Sunday, the gentlemen were recognized and the trophies presented. In the Junior category, James Delegarde had the 1 day Low Net score. Recording a 65 for the day, this being his score after his actual score minus his handicap was noted, allowed him to carry off the plaque for a job well done. Jeremy Adams was the Top Junior with a low gross of 150 for the two-day tourney. Well done guys! Jeremy has carried the gold home previously, but it always feels great to be a winner.

Charles Marsden was the winner of the Super Senior class (+65) with a 187 for the tourney. Alton Cassidy shot a 162 over the two days to snag the Senior Award.

The winners in the C class were pretty happy to be called to receive their awards; Low Gross going to Sid Morrell with a 177, and Net to Bob Bergland who swung to a total of 131 for the tourney.

The B class saw, Alton Cassidy come in at 162 for Gross winner and Roger Levere with a 136 for the Net trophy.

The A winner, and Men's Club Champion was Les Gilmour who nailed a solid 153. The excitement grew as things really came down to the wire as when the round was finished, Les was tied with Randy Casselman who also counted 153 for the two days. Randy had a 6 shot lead after the first round, but Les was determined and battled back to tie in regular play. A sudden death playoff saw Les capture the Club Championship when the extra hole had been played. Les was able to birdie the hole for the victory.Both gents played hard and played well...as tourney organizer, Brent Mattice put it, "It's a shame that someone has to lose!" Randy grabbed the Net A class award with a 139 though, so he did not go home unrewarded for some pretty good playing.

On the lady side of the game, Debbie Malette had a 2-day score of 169 to be crowned Club Champ for 1997. Mary Jean Craig was A Net winner with a 142 for the 2-days. She was also named Senior Champ for this year.

In B class, Nelly Leightizer was Gross winner with a score of 203 while Betty Locke was able to Net a 149 for that trophy. C class saw Betty Styles come in with a 203 while Mary McAdam shot a 138 for the Net title. The D class winner was Ruth Robertson who swung to the tune of 233 for Gross and Dorothy Culkin's 168 was good enough to take the Net prize in this class.

There were some notes that made news on the female side of the tourney; namely that Audrey Rooney shot her first "par" ever and Jan Mustard her first ever "birdie." Everyone will expect great things from these gals next year on the course along the St. Lawrence in the shadow of the dam.

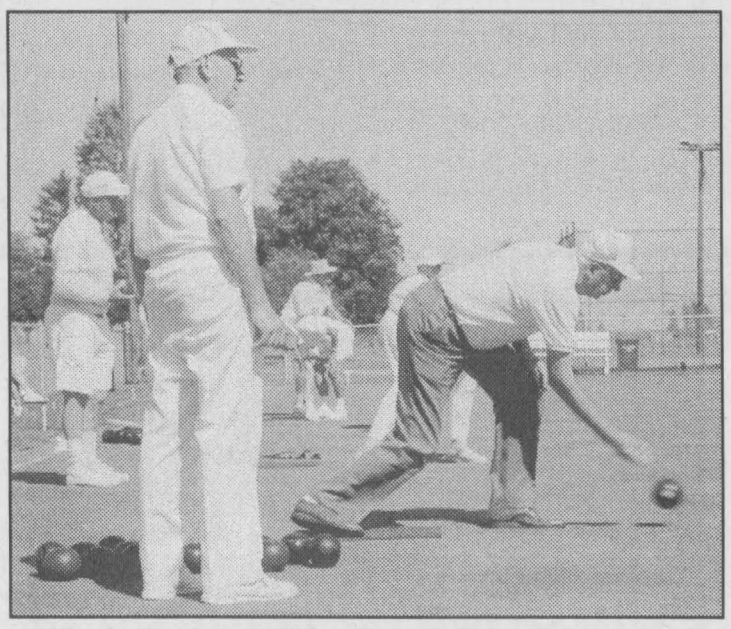
Last week, Iroquois hosted as well a 4-man scramble with a 3-way tie for first place. Due to the fading sunlight, prize money was divided among those scoring under 14, Thom Miller of Prescott, Terry Grove of Williamsburg and Paul Ferguson of Prescott.

Ladies twilight closing will be Saturday, September 13. Call 652-4367 for entry info.



Men's Champs

Iroquois Golf Club crowned their gentlemen champs on Sunday. James Delegarde, Les Gilmour, Randy Casselman, Bob Bergland, Sid Morrell, Alton Cassidy and Jeremy Adams all carried off honours. The story will fill you in on what they actually won and why. Some pretty good golfers this group can be proud of their achievements. *Chieftain photo by S.L.Johnston*



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R and T Bowling

The Iroquois Lawn Bowling Club hosted playdowns for the annual Recorder and Times trophy on Saturday. The winning gang hailed from Smiths Falls. Other clubs who took part included Iroquois and Prescott. The sun shone and the greens looked perfect.



Golf Champions

The Iroquois ladies were able to declare winners after a two-day tourney in Iroquois. The local club ladies champ is Debbie Malette. Others sharing the honours include Mary Jean Craig, Nelly Leightizer and Ruth Robertson. Seated are winners; Betty Locke, Betty Styles and Dorothy Culkin. These gals swing a mean club, well done indeed girls!

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Terry Fox Run set for Sept. 14

The 4th Morrisburg Annual Run for the Terry Fox Marathon of Hope sponsored by Branch 48 of the Royal Canadian Legion is set to go this Sunday, September 14, rain or shine. The Run will begin at the Legion parking lot. Participants may run, walk or jog any distance from 1 to 10 kilometres or if they prefer, they can rollerblade or even ride a bicycle or skateboard.

Registration begins at 9:30am at the Legion with the Run to start at 10:00 am. The course will be open from 10 til 4pm. Pledge sheets are available at the banks or the lounge of the Morrisburg Legion.

T-shirts are also available for $15. each, pins are a looney. Volunteers are needed to help with the Run and of course participants are most necessary to the success of this event. Call Ross at 543-3304 for more information.

Tip of the week

by Andre LeBlanc, CPGA

Working on your swing during the winter months...I get a lot of questions dealing with how someone can improve on their game during the winter. I tell them the best way is to find a golf school indoors and work on basic fundamentals all winter . These fundamentals include grip, posture, turn and tempo. The only other aspect of the swing which one might work on is the swing plane. Swing plane is the angle your club is on at the 3/4 position. While you are working on this, it is a good idea to have an instructor monitor your practice during this time.

If you are saying to yourself, there are no golf schools in this area, try going to Ottawa or Cornwall once a week to a facility and that will even help your game * I hope these tips have been helpful and I look forward to doing this again next year...see everyone in the spring.

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Community Calendar

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Registration for Girl Guides (ages 9-11), **Brownies** (ages 7-8) and **Sparks** (ages 5&6), **Wed., Sept. 10, 7:30 at the Iroquois United Church Hall.**

Registration for Beavers (5-7); **Cubs** (8-10); **Scouts** (11-13) & **Venturers** (14-17). Boys & girls welcome, no experience necessary. **Thurs., Sept. 11, 7-8 p.m., Civic Centre, Iroquois.**

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 370 Iroquois, Mixed Dart League registration Sept. 12, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Non members of Legion welcome.

Sept. 14: Vicki Cameron, will talk to the **Valley Writers' Guild, 2 p.m., St. John's United Church, Prescott St., Kemptville.** Non-members $4 at the door. For info call **Joy at (613) 658-5245.**

Iroquois Badminton Club starting season Sept. 15 & 17 at S.D.H.S., 6:30 p.m.

Mixed Volleyball League starting **Tues., Sept. 16, 7-9:30 p.m., S.D.H.S.** Register there. All welcome. $10/person.

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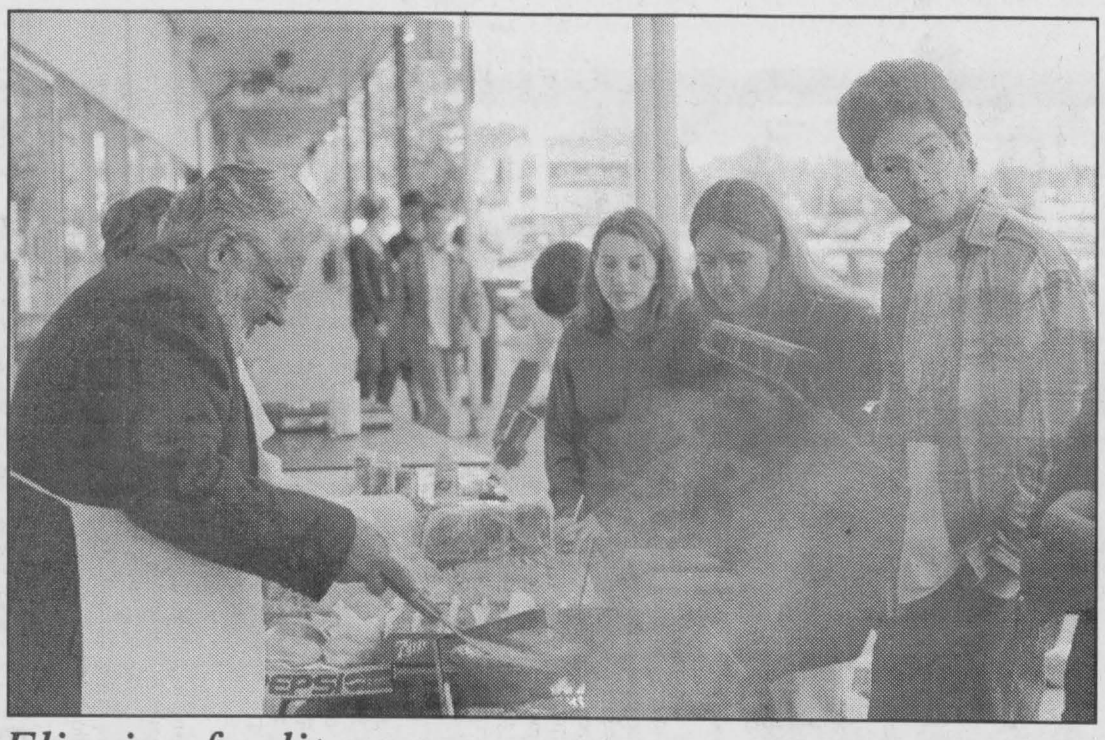

Flipping for literacy

The Dundas Community Learning Centre had found the perfect ally in Seaway District High School's new principle, Larry Poirier. Poirier, who started his teaching career in English and French instruction, was flipping burgers and roasting hotdogs at the Centre's Literacy Barbecue, Friday, September 5. With him are some Seaway students lining up to test his culinary skills. The centre located at 457 Main St. Winchester teaches older youth and adult reading, writing, numeracy and other life skills. *Chieftain photo by S.McKibbon*

Seaway welcomes principal

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Seaway District High School's new principal says a balanced education is what students need today. Larry Poirier says that a well rounded student will have instruction in technical subjects as well as the basics such as reading and writing.

"One of the things that has been emphasized at Seaway is that we are moving toward a new century and so we need to learn new skills. That's dynamic, it's growth and I support that largely. There needs to be a balance though between technical and basic skills-- reading, writing, mathematics. Computers are important as well, but there needs to be a balance. I heard a computer guru at MIT once speaking once and he said that the two greatest skills a student can have are reading and writing," says Poirier.

Poirier says that those two skills allow students to convey their ideas and absorb new ones.

With a background in English and French instruction, Poirier's views on education are no surprise. But he has more than just book learning under his belt. The new principal is no stranger to hard work. Growing up on a farm near Apple Hill Poirier has worked as a farm hand, a construction worker, even at a textile factory.

"Work is work, my Father used to say. That and work never killed anyone," says Poirier. He takes an egalitarian view of labor saying that all work is important, but he recognizes, practically, that to a large degree it's the white collar work that gets the lion's share of monetary reward.

So, sporting a suit with a Looney Toons tie, Poirier expounds on his belief that students need a balanced education to take on whatever life and the job market throw at them. He says that he is saddened by the decline of history and geography as subjects of study.

"We understand our present and the future through the study of the past and I encourage my students to take history courses. Now in the modern high school setting with so many subjects for students to take-- the basic requirement for history is two credits. Whether we can change that emphasis is another question," he says.

He says the school has many strengths and he is proud of its technical achievements. "We have a high computers per student ratio and Jim Millard's media course with the radio station and everything is one of the flagship programs of the school and the board."

Poirier lives in Cornwall and has six children. He commutes every day to Iroquois.

He was last at Cornwall Collegiate Vocational School as the vice principal. He has been teaching for 29 years.

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Leaning toward farming

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

None of Martin Constapel's friends wanted to be farmers, but he doesn't hold it against them.

The 18-year-old Dundas County resident might have been an oddity at his high school, but he's part of a growing number of youths choosing a future in agriculture and studying at Kemptville College.

"A kid's dream isn't normally to be a farmer. It's kind of frightening 365 days a year of milking and cleaning out stalls. But it is the sort of thing where as you get older you like it more," says Constapel.

In fact, more and more students are enroling in agriculture related programs, says the associate director of academics at Kemptville College, Ben Hawkins.

"The number of farms may be declining, but farms are getting larger. The agriculture industry isn't declining. It's still producing. People have to eat. I think it is a pretty crucial part of the economy," says Hawkins.

He says 165 junior students entered the diploma program this year, which is up from last year. Hawkins says there has been a general upward trend in enrolment over the last decade. He says that agriculture schools all across Ontario have maintained their enrolment numbers or experienced slight increases.

Nevertheless, none of Constapel's friends have chosen farming as a profession.

"I think it's because if you don't have a farm it's really hard to get enough land to start one. Because it's half a million just to get a little farm. Or if they have a farm (my friends) don't like it," he says.

Hawkins says that even though farms are harder to acquire now, he says that many agriculture students are looking to become involved in farming related jobs. He says they want to be soil specialists, or produce buyers for example. "They aren't necessarily going to school to take over the family farm," says Hawkins.

But that is precisely what Constapel wants to do.

He says the independence of operating a farm appeals to him.

"I've worked before in a business environment on a co-op program and I didn't like it. I had a boss and it's like you're always scared of your boss every minute. I didn't like that at all," he says.

He says most of his friends are impressed that he has a vision of what he wants to do so early in life.

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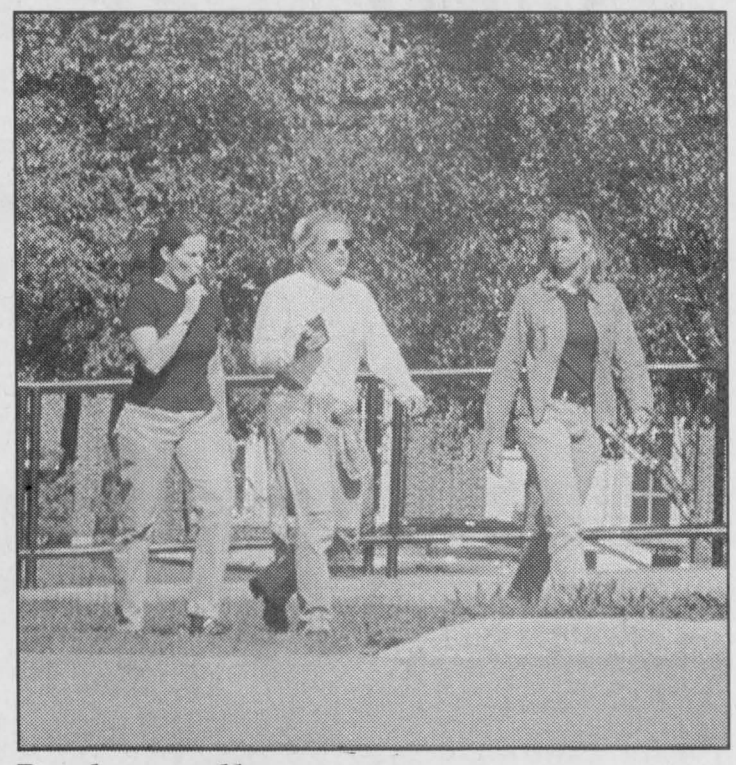
"I want to take over my family farm and I don't want to be a farmer who doesn't do anything new. I want to do new things and be 'book smart' as well as have practical knowledge," says Constapel.

Constapel is going to his first year of study in the agriculture program. During his Fall semester he will study agricultural mechanization, soil science, livestock systems, "Applying Plant Science" and "Applying Math" and computer applications.

He says that the most surprising aspect of Kemptville College so far is the friends he has made.

"I have been able to meet people for the first time with the same interests as I have. It's weird we talk about manure spreaders and corn prices-- thing you hear your dad talking about. It's kind of scary," laughs Constapel.



Back to college

Students headed back to Kemptville College this week. Enrolment is up with 165 students going into their first year of a diploma program in agriculture. Seventy students started their first year of a power and equipment certificate and 12 students enroled in the new equine studies course. *Chieftain photo by S.McKibbon*

Farm Brief

MOUNTAIN

Clarifying "normal"

Mountain Township councillors are considering lending their support to a resolution from Ashfield Township asking the Ontario government to review the new Farming and Food Production Protection Act. Ashfield's council seems to be worried they won't be able to pass environmental protection bylaws to regulate intensive livestock operations. Such operations can produce large amounts of manure and other waste products over a small area. Ashfield wants to know if such operations will be considered "normal farm practice."

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Cards of Thanks

GILMER: Sincere thanks to all our relatives, friends and neighbours who did such a fine job of making my 90th birthday so "special". The gifts, flowers, cards, phone calls and inquiries were very much appreciated. Thank you!
Harry and Luella Gilmer
S10-1tp

GILMER: I would like to extend sincere thanks to all who sent cards and came to see me while in hospital and for visits and phone calls at home.
Percy Gilmer
S10-1tp

PARKS/FADER: We would like to say "A Special Thank You" to the following people who helped make the Anniversary Museum in the Iroquois Plaza a success for the past two months: Biba (Steve & Laura Lynn Casselman) for donation of building; Village of Iroquois employees for delivery and pickup of tables and HMCS Iroquois Bell; Jean Loucks for donation of tables and Leo Merkley for pen holder for signature book; C.S. Brooks/Caldwell for their display; St. Lawrence Seaway Authority for their display; Don Graham for his display and help; Anita Gilmour for her sketching of the buildings in Old Town; The people that volunteered their time to help out in Museum; The many people who made donations of pictures or items to the Museum, that everyone enjoyed seeing; Audrey Rooney for filming Museum pictures and people; All the people that talked on camera for their time and knowledge; Iroquois Chieftain and Morrisburg Leader for their coverage of this event; Village of Iroquois Reeve and Councillors for their time and help. Again a special thank you to all who joined us over the past two months at the Museum
Gladys Parks and Joyce Fader
S10-1tc

Auction Sales

Auction Sale
at the home of
Hubert Wey
2502 County Road 21,
Spencerville
Saturday, September 20
10:30 a.m.
An assortment of household effects, tools and 18 round bales of hay. Full list next week.
Terms: Cash or Approved Cheque
Proprietor: Elfrieda Burchill
-Auctioneer-
James Cooper
652-4145
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Death Notice

GAIL THOMPSON: Suddenly at home on Saturday, September 6, 1997, Gail Thompson (nee Ellis) of R.R.#2 Iroquois, in her 50th year. Beloved wife of the late Eric Thompson. Dear mother of Bill (Joyce) Lapier of Pittston, Laurie (Rob) Lapier of North Bay, Anthony (Roxanne) Harper of Prescott, and Jeff Lapier at home. Step-mother of Rick, Randy, and Kevin Thompson. Sister of Shirley Perry of Cardinal, Brenda Ellis of Brockville, and Joan McPherson of Fort Smith, N.W.T. Sadly missed by 12 grandchildren. Also survived by nieces and nephews. Friends may call at the **Marsden & McLaughlin Funeral Home, Iroquois,** on Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. Funeral service at the Funeral Home on Wednesday, September 10th at 9 p.m., followed by cremation. Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.
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Will be CLOSED
Friday, September 12th through to September 21st
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In Memoriams

CLAXTON - In loving memory of Albert Claxton, who passed away September 14, 1995.
Two years come with great regret,
A time each year we can't forget;
We watched you suffer, we watched you sigh,
And all we could do was just stand by;
You suffered so much in silence,
Your spirit did not bend;
You faced your path with courage,
Until the very end.
Sadly missed and always remembered, wife Ina and family
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CLAXTON - In loving memory of a dear father and grandfather, Albert, who passed away September 14, 1995.
Two years since the sad day,
The one we loved was called away;
God took him home, it was His will,
But in our hearts he liveth still.
Sadly missed and always remembered, Allen, Dianne and Family
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Saturday, September 13 at 10:00 a.m.
(Rain or shine auction under tent)

Round oak pedestal table (5 leaves); set of 6 oak chairs (circa 1900); oak curved glass china cabinet; press back rocker; leather upholstered oak rocker; oak rocking chair with carved figures; Knectal 8 piece mahogany dining room suite; pine blanket box; corner what not stand; Craftline grandfather's clock; oak frame sofa & chair; colonial style sofa & chair; walnut sofa table; 4 piece bedroom suite; cedar lined blanket box; Vilas maple round table & 4 chairs;upholstered chairs; coffee & end tables; GE 2 door fridge; 4 burner h.d. stove; 9.6 cu ft Danby fridge (6 months old); Woods chest freezer; GE auto washer (2 years old); Frigidaire auto dryer; dehumidifier; Hitachi vacuum with power head; porch swing (like new); patio furniture.

1861 - 2 United Counties map; Royal Winton; mantle clock;lamps; crocks; milk can; silver tea service; Cross & Olive crystal; Nippon; Candlewick; Cornflower; lady figure teapot, cream & sugar; oil lamp; hair receiver; cow bell; bird bath; postal scales.

MTD Snowflite 10h.p. snowblower (4 years old); Mastercraft lawn mower; wheelbarrow; garden tools; ladies bicycle; CCM exerciser bike; hand tools; aluminum stepladder.

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DISTRICT 65

Par la présente, une notification est donnee aux électrices-électeurs du **CANTON DE DUNDAS SUD** (villages d'Iroquois et Morrisburg et les cantons de Matilda et Williamsburg), le **CANTON DE GLENGARRY NORD** (les cantons de Kenyon et Lochiel, la ville d'Alexandria et le village de Maxville), le **CANTON DE GLENGARRY SUD** (les cantons de Charlottenburgh et Lancaster et le village de Lancaster) et le **CANTON DE STORMONT SUD** (les cantons de Osnabruck et Cornwall).

Ces nominations sont dans le but de choisir des personnes aptes a remplir le poste de

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Pour le **DISTRICT 65**
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Les électrices/électeurs sont priés de prendre connaissance et d'agir en conformite avec cet avis.

Si plus d'une candidate/candidat applique pour le post et remplit les déclarations requises, le bureau de vote sera ouvert aux dates suivantes dand le but de tenir le scrutin:

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le samedi 1 novembre, 1997 de 10 heures á 20 heures

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Large painting by Aromi; 8 place setting Limoges dinnerware "Bridal Rose" with several serving pieces; Gone with the Wind lamp; super antique hanging lamp; Royal Doulton "Clairmont" dinnerware for 8 plus extra pieces; Mother of Pearl handled fruit set; perfume bottles; Belleek cream & sugar (black mark); Royal Crown Derby; Flow Blue; mustache cups; Victorian child's dishes; early Blue Willow; metal door stop; Schultz & Dooley steins; hens on nests; Pinwheel crystal; silver tea service; Royal Doulton character jugs (Old Charley & Old King Cole); cups & saucers; framed needlepoint; Roy Rogers paper memorabilia.

Walnut china cabinet & buffet (circa 1930); Victorian settee; like new sofa & chair by Corsair; Sklar sofa bed; floor model jewellery stand; dresser with mirror (circa 1910); coffee and end tables; System II computer with printer; RCA floor model radio (mint); Victorian side chairs; 8' church pew; military uniform; metal railway sign (Ludwig).

Coca Cola machine, model 39; Ideal 200C slider pop machine; Vend 56B pop machine; 2 Gulf Oil signs; 1955 Browser gas pump model S22TV; 1950 Gilbarco model 996.

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DISTRICT NO. 65

NOTICE is hereby given to the Electors of the **TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH DUNDAS** (Villages of Iroquois and Morrisburg and the Townships of Matilda and Williamsburg), the **TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY** (Townships of Kenyon and Lochiel, Town of Alexandria and the Village of Maxville), the **TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY** (Townships of Charlottenburgh and Lancaster and the Village of Lancaster) and the **TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH STORMONT** (Townships of Osnabruck and Cornwall), that nominations for the purpose of nominating fit and proper persons for the office of

R.C. French Language Separate School Trustee for
DISTRICT NO. 65
(ONE TO BE ELECTED)

Nominations will be accepted at the Municipal Office, 90 Main Street South, Alexandria, Ontario, Monday to Friday between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.**, and on Friday, October 10, 1997 between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.**

Electors are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

If a greater number of candidates to fill the said office are nominated and make the required declarations, polls will be opened on the dates stated below for the purpose of taking the poll.

ADVANCE POLL: Saturday, November 1, 1997
from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

POLLING DAY: Monday, November 10, 1997
from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Dr. Michele B. Dutnall	Dundas Veterinary Services	Fire Hall St. Lawrence Street	**WINCHESTER**

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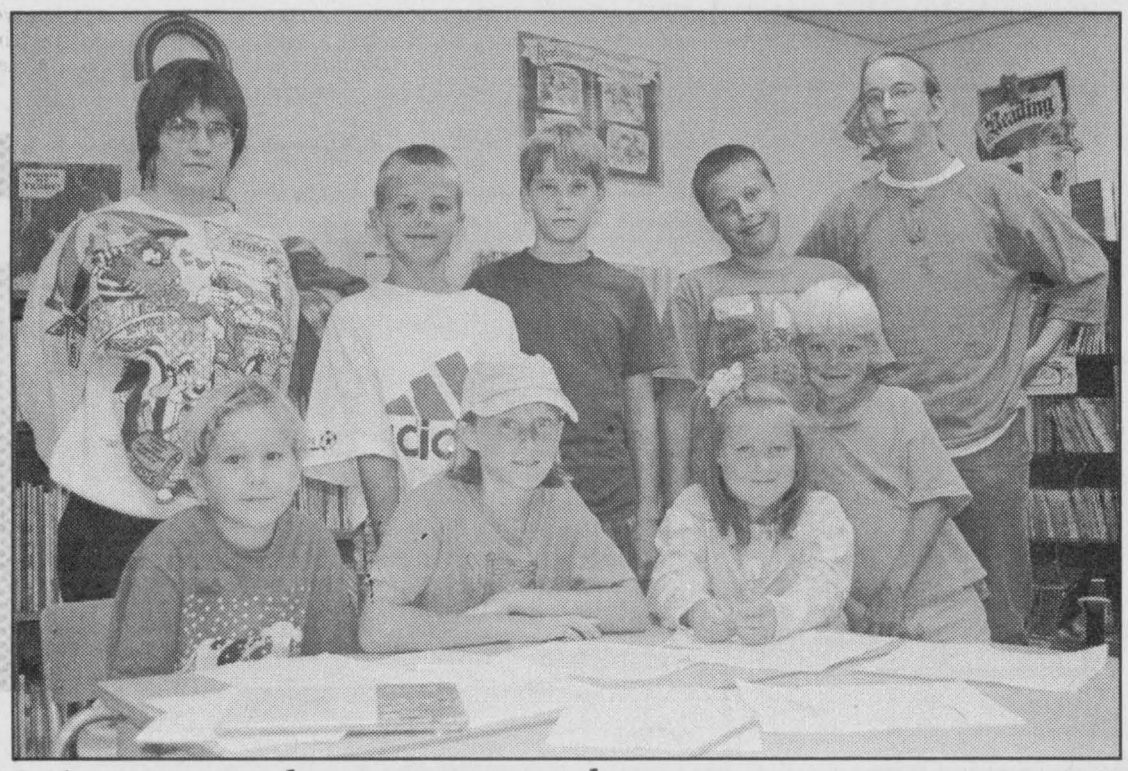
The Chieftain
Arts & Entertainment Page

✔South Dundas at the Races
✔Nature's buffet at UCMBS
✔Fair Days ahead



Library youth program ends

Steve Robertson has returned to University and Dawn Levere also is back at school. The program they operated at the local Library during the summer vacation ended with a pizza party and other fun events for those who took part. The reading idea was terrific and encouraged youngsters to read more, the younger set were read to and looked forward to their story time each week. Good luck and thanks you two, from all readers.

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey

Inside an hour

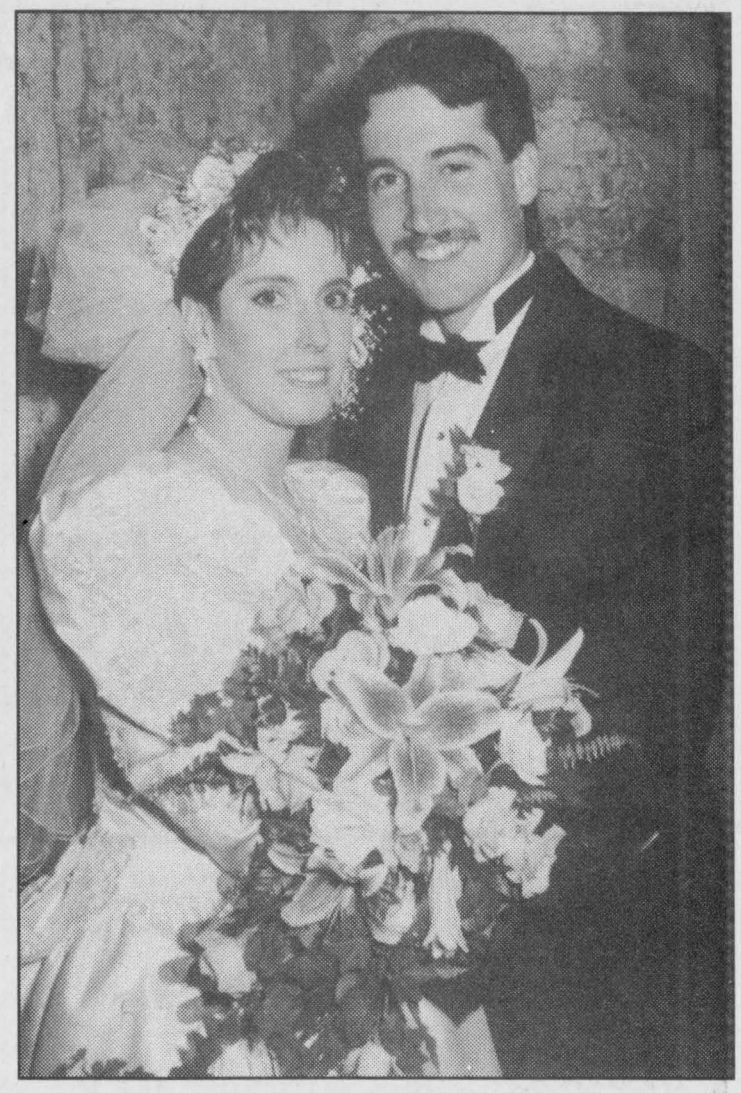
Well the obvious place for entertainment this weekend is the Spencerville Fair, but let's not forget about the excellent possibilities closer to home.

For instance the Country Hideaway in Cardinal has Jim Wicks and Westburg Union Fri. Sept. 12, 9:30 to 1:30 and a repeat matinee Sat. Sept. 13 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Trot over to the Rideau Carleton Raceway Sept. 13 for the South Dundas "Night at the Races," sponsored by the Williamsburg Community Association and H&I Country, Brinston. There's a dinner package for $19.95. For more information call Barb Scott at 652-2015.

Catch mystery writer Victoria Cameron at St. John's United Church, Prescott St. in Kemptville, Sun. Sept. 14 at 2 p.m. She'll be rapping about her part in the Cottage Country Killers murder mystery anthology. There is an admission fee of $4 for non-members.

Learning to identify and prepare edible wild foods can be a mouth watering experience. The Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary is having a Special presentation of "Natures Buffet" Sept. 13 at 6 p.m. Join the Sanctuary's special naturalist guests as they serve up an entree of colorful slides and anecdotes, a main course of field identification tips and other useful cooking and eating tips. The cost to participate in this event is $2.50 per person. Children under four years of age are free.



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The upcoming 1997-98 Season of five Dinners and Guest Speakers at 7:00 p.m....
Sept. 16, 1997, Legion Hall
WHIT FRASER, Chairman:
Canadian Polar Commission, "For Generations To Come: Contaminants, The Environment and Human Health In the Arctic"
Oct. 21, 1997, Allan Hall
JOE ARMSTRONG,
Author; Historian:
Legitimize Dissent or Lose the Federation"
Nov. 4, 1997, Legion Hall
***LEGION,* Representative of Royal Canadian Legion:**
"Rekindling The Spirit of Canada"
April 21, 1998, Allan Hall
VICTOR DWYER,
Education Editor, Maclean's:
"Grading The Graders: Measuring Excellence In Education From Kindergarten to University"
May 12, 1998, Legion Hall
***WILLIE GIBBS,* Chairman, National Parole Board:**
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U.C.M. Bird Sanctuary holds presentation

Head out to the forest at Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary on Saturday, September 13 at 6pm for a special presentation on "Nature's Buffet."

Learning to identify and prepare edible wild foods can be a mouth watering experience. Join the Sanctuary's special naturalist guests as they serve up an entree of colourful slides and anecdotes, a main course of field identification tips and other useful cooking and eating tips.

Through this special presentation and guided walk, participants will be introduced to the many wild plants that can be added to your daily diet.

The cost to participate in this program is only $2.50 per person and children four years of age and under are FREE.

Be sure to mark Sunday, September 28 on your calendar for the Sanctuary's 7th annual Waterfowl Day event taking place between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm.

For information on these and other upcoming programs at the Sanctuary call 1-800-437-2233.

Heart Smart cooking course begins

It might look good to taste, but is it good for your heart? Food can be good for both your heart and your palate if you take the "Heart Smart" cooking course.

Heart Smart, the art of healthy eating is being sponsored by the Dundas Heart and Stroke Foundation. Instructor Kathy Johnston will be your guide through the world of cardio-friendly cuisine.

Over the years people have become increasingly aware of the importance of diet in relation to their health. The relationship between diet and heart disease, as well as other nutrition related diseases, is well established. The Heart Smart course, which runs from Sept 30 to October 28, is intended to help people improve their cooking and eating habits.

Participants learn basic survival skills for a heart healthy lifestyle and gain an increasing awareness of the relationship between good nutrition and good health. You will become aware of personal dietary habits and the factors that influence your food decisions. You will identify personal areas of improvement and develop goals and an action plan.

These goals will be achieved through a variety of strategies. This course consists of an introductory module followed by 4 information modules. Each module includes a cooking demonstration that includes food preparation, class discussion and recipe tasting. Participants will be provided with copies of recipes demonstrated. Discussion topics will include: Being Active and Maintaining a Healthy Weight; Label Reading; Dietary Fat Cholesterol and Fibre; Heart Smart Shopping; Eating Out and Quick Meals.

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Dump receives extension

by Steve Coleman
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Edwardsburgh Township's landfill site on Pittston Road has received a new lease on life.

A Ministry of the Environment assessment board approved expanding the amount of ground the site covers and renewing the operating licence until either the new county garbage dump opens or five years have passed.

Assessment board members did have concerns about truck loads of salt that were dumped at the facility in the early 1970s, but said Aug. 27 the township found an acceptable solution.

"The problem is avoided by moving the goal posts," the two-person panel said in its written decision. "Although we expressed concern about this approach, we understand this is the least-expensive way of maintaining compliance with ministry policies...The township is indeed lucky the site is not surrounded by residents who are less eager to sell parcels of land or who are prepared to actively oppose the spread of leachate contamination in their ground water."

The salt dumped at the site more than 20 years ago has made its way into the water table, but the south-east flow isn't expected to spread into land that isn't owned by the township.

Other contaminants found in the ground water inside the dump include high levels of iron, manganese and dissolved solids higher than Ontario Drinking Water Objectives. The board chastised the township for not having more up-to-date water test results ready for the hearing.

The licence renewal also says trash and covering material at the landfill can't take up more than 13,000 cubic metres. The most, per year, has been limited to 2,600 cubic metres. The bulldozer that packs trash at the site squeezes from 352-700 kilograms (774-1,540 pounds) into a cubic metre.

Edwardsburgh has also decided to stick with one household hazardous waste day a year. The board backed down from a suggestion the township should put up a storage building on site to hold things like paint until it can be picked up.

This year, Leeds and Grenville will set up shop at the works garage in Spencerville from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sept. 27.

"It would have been too expensive for a small municipality like Edwardsburgh to collect household waste on a daily basis," said Reeve David Dobbie. "It's costly to get rid of that stuff. One day a year seems to be sufficient."

Since introducing a $1-a-bag price for trash dropped at the curb, the amount of garbage going to the dump has also been reduced. Ninety per cent of it comes from Edwardsburgh's 1,600 homes.

Another recommendation from the two-person panel that the township needs to increase the number of items collected in blue boxes has also been handled, Dobbie said. In the last year, things like plastic bags and styrofoam cups have been added to the list of things that should be sorted out on garbage day.

In Spencerville, people are responsible for taking their own recyclables to the landfill site for sorting.

Although there have been delays from the Ministry of the Environment's Toronto offices in getting the paperwork approved for the new county waste site to be built in Edwardsburgh, the certificate of approval landfill is still expected to be in county council's hands by October.

The new location could be open for business as soon as 1999.

Edwardsburgh residents have taken their trash to the Pittston Road site for more than 30 years. Despite the fact the boundaries were accidentally moved at the north end after garbage was dumped in the wrong place, the record has been spotless, he said.

"Our employees keep the township landfill site in excellent shape," said Dobbie. "It's almost perfect."



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1st Time Riders Program

Local bus owners and operators annually prepare those youngster who will ride the bus for the first time each fall by holding a program entitled First Time Riders. The idea is of course to ensure the safety of those children who will ride the bus as well as those who will not. Instructional time followed by a movie and a bus ride rounded out the program for the close to 50 children who came out on Saturday and brought their parents along.

OBITUARIES

Gertrude Tinkler

At Cornwall General Hospital on September 2, 1997, Gertrude Tinkler of Woodlands Villa, Long Sault.

Born on June 27, 1908, in Chesterville, she was 89 years of age.

A housewife who spent most of her adult life was spent at RR1, Inkerman (Oak Valley). She moved to Hartford Home in Morrisburg where she resided for five years before moving to the Villa.

Predeceased by her parents, John Munroe and Cassie Munroe (nee Meldrum) and her beloved husband, Earl Tinkler whom she wed on August 5, 1939 in Cardinal and sisters, Cora Parrington, Norma Brown and Hazel Clarke. Brothers Ed, Albert and Harold also predeceased her. Mourning the loss are a son, Norm and his wife Doris of RR1, Inkerman and daughters; Margaret Hunter of RR1, Iroquois, Edith and her husband, Dale Wise of RR1, Williamsburg and Mildred and her husband Ernie Beckstead of RR2, Brinston. Also saddened by the loss is a sister, Frances McMurray of Markham. A devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, she had a special place in her heart for children.

Gertrude enjoyed playing cards, doing puzzles of various types and was always ready for a good game of scrabble. Reading and dancing were two of her favourite pastimes as well.

Memorial donations to Winchester and District Memorial Hospital were appreciated by the family. Service was conducted at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg with Rev. Carol Delisle. Interment was at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville. Pallbearers were grandsons; Brian, Brent and Brad Tinkler, Mark Wise, Kevin and Kirk Hunter and Chris Beckstead.

Morrisburg Curling Club starts season

The Morrisburg Curling Club's season is about to get underway. We look forward to an active season with regular day and evening leagues and special events throughout the year.

Mark October on your calendar; the club is offering a Curl Canada Clinic to new and experienced adult curlers, FREE of charge. Come out and learn the game, all you need is warm clothing and a pair of indoor runners, the rest is supplied by the club. Instruction will be given by certified coaches...learn the back saving, efficient, no-lift delivery. This Clinic will be held on Wednesday evening, October 15, at 7pm, with FREE evening curling for anyone during that week, as well as the opportunity to participate in a friendly, non-competitive bonspiel at the club on Saturday, October 25. Bring your friends and enjoy the post-game camaraderie in the lounge.

Morrisburg's annual Swing'n Sweep will be held on Saturday, October 18. Contact Donna Dillabough at 543-4377, Debbie Strader at 543-3791 or sign up at the club on registration evenings.

Little Rock Curling (6-12 yrs.) and Bantam -Junior (12-18 yrs.) curling begins on October 19, Sunday. The youth program includes regular instruction and in-club games, with the opportunity to travel to other clubs in the area to participate in weekend bonspiels, always a favourite with the kids. These spiels are inexpensive and include lunch and prizes for all competitors.

The appeal of curling is its availability to all ages and skill levels, with minimal financial outlay to learn. All skill levels have a place in in-house leagues and several special events throughout the year are open to the general community as well.

Registration for youth curling is Friday, Sept. 19, from 7-9 pm and Saturday, Sept. 20 from 10-noon. Adults can register on Thursday, Sept. 25 and Friday, Sept. 26 from 7-9pm each evening...see you there!!

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South Mountain's House of Lazarus needs food donations

The House of Lazarus in South Mountain needs you to reach into your kitchen cupboard and make a donation to the local food bank.

"Well, for food we're very low," said Joey Killeen, resource assistant at the outreach mission which was established in 1989. "I don't think we've ever been this low."

Without food or monetary donations, patrons of the food bank may start to go hungry.

The outreach mission held their annual yard sale to raise funds on July 1. They netted $2,400 but a large portion of that has already been spent. They've had to go out and buy bulk food items to distribute to needy people.

"We're missing a lot of canned vegetables and fruit and cereal," said Killeen. "We don't have any peanut butter."

The food bank is also in need of pasta, spaghetti sauce, coffee, tea, powerdered milk and many other non-perishable food items.

Killeen knows that donations typically drop off in the summer when many people are away on holidays, but she says last year at this time they seemed to have gotten more donations.

"The demand is always there," she added.

The centre has about 100 clients a month and has had to cut back the amount of food they give to each person/family.

The House of Lazarus needs your help.

"We're short on clothing as well," said Killeen. "People really need jeans and sweat pants and big t-shirts."

She says they have quite a few donated dresses and dress pants, but that's not what people really need. She also would like to remind people that if the clothes aren't good enough to wear, they should be sent to the landfill site, not the outreach mission. When people donate clothes that aren't useable, the volunteers just have to turn around and take them to the dump.

The centre will also take any donated dishes, toys, books, etc.

The centre, which doesn't receive any government funding and is run on donations, fundraising and contributions by the United Church, is located at 3006 Bridge St. in South Mountain. They are open from 9 a.m. until 12 noon Monday to Friday and the last Saturday morning of the month. They can be contacted at 989-3830.

NEWSBRIEFS

WILLIAMSBURG

D&M Convenience opens

D&M Convenience opened their doors to the public September 6th. The convenience/video store is located in downtown Williamsburg and is open seven days a week.

MORRISBURG

Milano's

Milano's Pizzeria opened in Morrisburg the last week of August. Owner Mike Tabaja is looking forward to a successful business in that village. Milano's Pizzeria is located in the Morrisburg Village Plaza.

MOUNTAIN

Amalgamation plan B

Mountain Council rejected outright a letter from the village of Chesterville stating that it wanted to be exempted from the plan for an amalgamated North Dundas. "If they want to separate after we amalgamate that is up to them, but they are in this now," said Mountain's Deputy Reeve, Don Johnston.

MOUNTAIN

Paving for Forestwood?

The Forestwood Heights subdivision may finally get some of its roads paved. Mountain Township Council received word that the subdivision's developer has contracted an engineer for that purpose.



Rock and Coot

Oxen were cheaper in 1860 than horses and although their knees were not strong enough to last longer than about 12 years they were the farmer's choice. These lads are working at Upper Canada Village and are 8 years old. They weigh about 1700 pounds each and are Devan Cattle originating in Devonshire, England. The Fall Fair is under preparation at the Village, why not check it out this year, you will be happy you did. The weekend of September 20/21 will see the Village host their 22nd Annual Fall Fair.

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Writers' guild begins season

On September 14, the Valley Writers' Guild will be thrilled to kick off the 1997-98 season by presenting as guest speaker one of our past members, the prolific author Vicki Cameron. Vicki is co-author and co-editor of two mystery anthologies published by General Store Publishing House: *The Ladies' Killing Circle* (1995) and this summer's release, *Cottage Country Killers*. She has also published two non-fiction books with GSPH. She co-wrote with Peter and Paul Derycke a dog-training manual, *From heel to Finish: The System of Ghent for the 90's* (1993). However, it is probably for *Don't tell Anyone, But...UFO Experiences in Canada* (1995) that she is most renowned. Vicki is a founder of *Capital Crime Writers*, and sits on the National Board of *Sisters in Crime*. Always diverse, her essays and short stories appear on the Web at TheCase.com. This is sure to be a great meeting where members will reunite after a hopefully fruitful summer, and where interested parties can learn about mystery writing, writing on the Web, or writing well in general, from the affable and knowledgeable Vicki Cameron. Copies of her books will be available for purchase at the meeting, which she will of course be happy to autograph. The meeting takes place at 2 p.m. at St. John's United Church on Prescott St. in Kemptville. Non-members are welcome and pay $4 at the door.

Now in its 8th year, the Valley Writers' Guild membership has grown to over a hundred members from all over Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec, with members of all ages, from all walks of life, who have achieved varying degrees of experience and success in every possible genre, but who have in common simply a love for the written word. Meetings take place once a month from September to June, usually on the second Sunday, from 2 to 4 p.m., always at St. John's United Church in Kemptville. Our impressive list of past illustrious speakers includes romance writer Jo Beverly; columnists Roy MacGregor and Charles Gordon; former Global news anchor Peter Trueman; The Red Fox author Anthony Hyde; author of the current best-seller *The Great Canadian Trivia Book*, Randy Ray; childrens' author Tim Wynne Jones; biographer Patricia Morley; multi-award winner and highly acclaimed author Frances Itani; and Tom Shoebridge, screenwriter and founder and coordinator of the Summer Film and Television Institute, and of the Canadian Screen Training Centre. Membership fee for a year is $30/single and $45/family, and includes free entry to meetings, subscription to our bi-monthly newsletter Valley Writers' News, the use of our extensive reference library, and free entry in our several annual writing contests, for which winners receive cash prizes and publication in our annual anthology, *The Grist Mill (Food for the Mind)*, which is sold in book stores. For more information about the meeting or about the VWG, contact chairperson (and humble but deserving winner of this year's Stephen Leacock Award for poetry) Joy Hewitt Mann at (613) 658-5245.

Walk for funds great

The local office of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario applauded the community for supporting so well, the fund raising walk held in Cornwall on Sunday. More than 250 walkers turned in $13,338.80 with more monies expected.

Margaret Reynolds, Chairperson of the local event, was enthusiastic about the success of the Walk.

"We were elated about the numbers that supported our efforts," Reynolds stated. "We were so grateful to the walkers, our supporters and all our volunteers who made the day a success.The name of the event may deter the male members of our families, but next year, we invite more men to join their women for this great day of outdoor exercise."

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Fun at camp

Rideau Hill Camp on River Road offers lots of summer fun. This group of campers and counsellors is pictured making cardboard, waxed canoes which they later used to mount cabin pictures in. Pictured from left to right: (back) Colleen Poole, Leslie VandenHanenberg, Counsellor Dave Millard, Jake Horsefield, Virginia Martel, Kim Wilson, Andrew Mellan, and Counsellor Shannon Boyd; (front) Counsellor Ben MacPherson, Chris Mellan, Blake Martel, Shane Cliff, Trevor Gilmer and Neil Thomson.

Rideau Hill offers children more than just memories

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Ask Rideau Hill camp's activity leaders what they like about their job and you will know why kids love it there. Their responses are almost identical.

"Swimming."
"Canoeing."
"Making new friends."
"Archery is awesome."
"Yeah archery rocks!"

"I wanted to keep going to camp," says Ben MacPherson in answer to why he became a counsellor, or activity leader as the position is now called. He and many of his fellow activity leaders came to Rideau Hill when they were younger and now get to have a second childhood.

With an Olympic-sized pool, an archery range, great games, religious instruction and a beautiful location on the banks of the Rideau, Rideau Hill is an ideal place to be a child, whether for the first or second time. Children as young as toddlers and as old as 15 years visit Rideau Hill every summer for week-long camps. Each week has a new theme.

During Rideau Hill's first ever canoe camp the Rideau Hill staff took the real kids on a canoe trip across the river to Baxter Beach, Thursday, Aug. 14.

'We teach them the different paddle strokes, you know like the j-stroke. We teach them canoe-over-canoe rescues, self rescues. They were really soaked. The first day we didn't have a swim period because the kids were in the water so much," says camp director Karen Milne. She explains that the difference between this camp and the others is that more time is devoted to having the children on the water. Whereas other camps would see the kids moving from activity to activity more often, this camp is more intensive.

"It's really fun," said Colleen Poole of Winchester, as she and the rest of Cabin Two worked on a song about why they liked camp. Of course cannoeing was tops on her list.

Unlike previous years the children don't stay with their cabin group for the whole day. For many activities the cabin groups are mixed. She says this gives the kids more opportunities to meet new people. She says it also makes it easier for the counselors. In previous years there has been a full time arts and crafts director, but day to day activities are now taken on by the "activity leaders."

Despite these changes, the important things have stayed the same. Sure, maybe the cabins have been replaced or renovated, daily activities may be a little different, but the old camp bell is still there, the campers still gather around the campfire at night and goodbye tears still well up in the eyes when camp ends and the children bid farewell to their new friends.

"Rideu Hill Camp was started in 1968 through the United Church of Canada as a place for young children to come together and worship. We've kept that and respected that, but it is also to form and shape kids and help them to learn about themselves," says Milne. She says that through Christian talks and discussions the children learn about how to relate to other people as they learn about God.

There are three times a day when the kids tackle this kind of learning. The first is Morning Watch after everyone wakes up, then Discovery Period when the camp's chaplain talks to the children on a particular topic, finally there is vespers when an individual cabin leads a small worship service.

Milne says she wants to instill in children a sense of respect for others and the world around them.

'We want them to learn to have fun and most of all know that they are a really great kid."

Next year will be the camp's 50th anniversary she says. With attendence up and a renewed focus on religion the camp will meet its birthday with proud memories and hope for the future.

CONTINUED FROM THE FRONT

Cardinal

Councillor Burrell suggested that perhaps $200. would be of benefit to the group in their plight, "We have to help them."

Mr. Pakeman added, "I feel we can certainly give them all the moral support they need, but I cannot justify spending taxpayer's money in this manner."

It was agreed that the Clerk would call and see what kind of money they are looking for and council will go from there when they get an idea of how much is being asked for.-

Health

responsibility of the municipalities in the not too distant future," says Jack. "The fact that federal and provincial programs are intermingled will have an affect on the housing situation. The degree of local control will be regulated by policy and the municipality will be limited in what it can actually do. Mr. Harris spoke and assured everyone (with a pinky swear!) that, "It will be revenue neutral."

Taxes could be astronomical, increases in the double digits... unless the province takes care of things. Many are worried about the state of things in this province and the Ministers found themselves under the gun during the open forum.

Mountain

no exact elevation measurements then. Workers would make an arbitrary mark-- on a tree or signpost for example-- and measure depths on the drain relative to that mark. This works until somebody cuts the tree down or it falls.

Johnston says he worked very hard to extrapolate and calculate the old measurements and says his measurements are not off by more than a centimetre.

In the case of the Biccum Drain most of these marks seem to be gone, says Rose. The reeve says she can sympathize with both sides of the dispute and says the dispute has left Mountain between a rock and a hard place.

"If these people on the drain say the drain is working fine they don't want to have to pay for more maintenance. It's the same way for the others. If they have standing water they aren't going to be too happy about having had to pay for maintenance and not received any benefit," Rose says.

It takes a whole community to raise a child.

Council thanked by woman who met Queen

by Steve Coleman
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Years of unpaid community work paid off for a Johnstown woman this summer with a chance to meet the Queen and the Governor General.

Patricia Gillis was one of 10 recipients who made the trip to Rideau Hall July 1 to receive this year's Governor General's Caring Canadian Award for going above and beyond the call of duty in her volunteer work.

The Edwardsburgh Township resident's honor was one of just 55 appreciation awards given out by the Governor General Roméo LeBlanc in its second year.

He officially founded the volunteer award with the Feb. 8, 1995 installation address: ''If I am to be known for anything, I would like it to be for encouraging Canadians, for knowing a little bit about their daily, extraordinary courage and for wanting that courage to be recognized.''

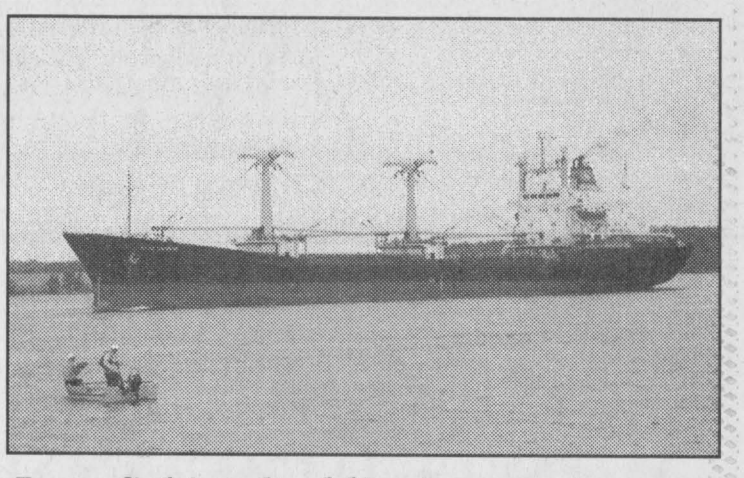
The award was first presented in 1996 to ''recognize caregivers and volunteers whose voluntary contributions have strengthened community values and inspired commitment and dedication in others. These people devote their time, either by providing services over many years to a local cause, to an individual or a group in need, or in an extraordinary activity.''

As a part of the award, it's usually reserved for people who haven't been recognized before for the contributions they've made.

The reception with the Governor General and Diana Fowler LeBlanc included dinner at a private room in an Ottawa restaurant, front-row seats at the Canada Day celebrations and an opportunity to meet Queen Elizabeth at Rideau Hall, Gillis said. She also turned out to be one of the few who got to shake the Queen's hand.

While she was informed in January she'd be receiving the award, the Johnstown resident said she wasn't told until five days before the presentation when the ceremony was going to take place. It meant putting plans to go to Cape Breton for a vacation on hold, she told Edwardsburgh Township council Sept. 2.

Council submitted her nomination papers for the award.



Bass fishing buddies

There was a large group of bass fishermen on the mighty St. Lawrence on the weekend as they held their annual foray to the area. These two brave souls in the foreground are dwarfed by the large ocean going vessel passing in the background. With the drizzle it should have been a great fishing day. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

Body discovered

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The body of John Curry, 53 years of age was discovered at Casco after midnight on September 3, 1997. A resident of Lawrencetown, Nova Scotia.

Apparently, Mr. Curry had gotten into the sleeper portion of his tractor (trailer) and was found there.

An autopsy revealed that his death was due to natural causes, in all probability a heart attack according to Prescott OPP.

His tractor was parked on Casco property and after being located in the same parking space on the third day after being noted, an unusual occurrence officials called the police who subsequently located the body.

Mr. Curry had gone to Montreal with a load and came to Casco waiting to pick up his load from there. Schedules are a bit off during holiday weekends and he was trying to get in an extra run.

Calling his head company who had been attempting to locate him as well, it was learned that he had been missing since August 30.

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