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Stephen and Daniel Tibben (4-year old twins) were at St. John's Anglican Christmas Bazaar and lunch on Saturday with their Gramma. Here we caught them checking out a soldier decoration made from clay flower pots. The variety of items was wonderful and the crowd that came out to purchase them ensured the success of the day. The main fundraiser for the ACW (Anglican Church Women) this annual event is popular with the community. The homemade soup and fresh sandwiches together with the delicious desserts put it on everyone's list each November.

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South Dundas Council gets educated on closures

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

South Dundas Council got an update on the school closure issue from Upper Canada School Board trustee Maria Thompson, Thursday.

Thompson urged Council to support a chain-letter resolution from the Township of West Nissouri, which calls on the provincial government to give school boards more money to keep rural schools open.

Queen's Park recently announced a one-year reprieve from the new school board funding formula. Mandatory minimum capacities for rural schools have also been relaxed to 80 percent. "A gift, a bit of good news," Thompson said.

Special concern for Elma and Dixon's Corners schools, originally mentioned as alternate targets for closure if the formula flies, all but guaranteed a quick rubber stamp for the resolution.

"When you take a school out of the municipality, it takes the heart out of that municipality," said Mayor Johnny Whitteker after the motion carried.

Thompson said growth in Lanark and Kemptville necessitates more money from the province. But extra capacity in places like South Dundas would put a crimp in funding to the Upper Canada School Board, under the new formula, she said.

Every elementary student in Upper Canada would be allotted 100 square feet, every secondary student 130 square feet. The Board would collect $5.20 for every allotted square foot. "For extra space, you don't get any money. We are short 5,500 student 'spaces.'

"If you are not using the space according to their formula, you lose funding. We're not a rich board. We've always needed the province."

School boards are allowed to sell school buildings and keep the money. But Thompson said selling a school after December 31, 1998, disallows wiping its square footage from the Ministry of Education funding calculations. She was concerned the deadline hasn't yet been altered.

Closing off a wing or room might be an alternative, but "mothballing is not the best solution," she said.

"Is it a bad decision?" asked Councillor Cam Martel about the idea of consolidating partly empty schools.

"If you're a businessman, it's a good decision," Thompson replied, adding made-in-Toronto solutions don't always work in this area.

The usual half-empty-bus-drives-down-my-road question popped up. The trustee said the Board spends $20 million of its $253 million budget on busing.

Pricing the plumbing

Township Administrator Mike Waddell presented a water and sewer charges proposal for residents and businesses serviced by the Morrisburg and Iroquois waterworks. The proposal for next year's rates was subsequently passed by Council.

Featured are $100 deposits for new residential and commercial customers. The deposits would be returned if the customer has maintained a good account for three years, or if the customer moves out and has paid in full.

"So a young couple starting out has to pay the $100?" Councillor Bev Sabourin asked.

"And so does an old couple," Waddell replied.

Residential units will pay $11.25 per month for water, plus another $11.25 for sewer services. Yearly commercial rates will range from $120 to $2,200, depending on the type and size of business.

New commercial and industrial construction are to require water-meter installation, at owner's expense. Metered water will go for 75 cents per 1000 gallons, except for commercially metered customers in Iroquois, which pay according to different levels of usage.

Also on tap is a new policy to
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Local help for Honduras

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

When the going gets tough, the tough get going. No place is this more true than in our very own community.

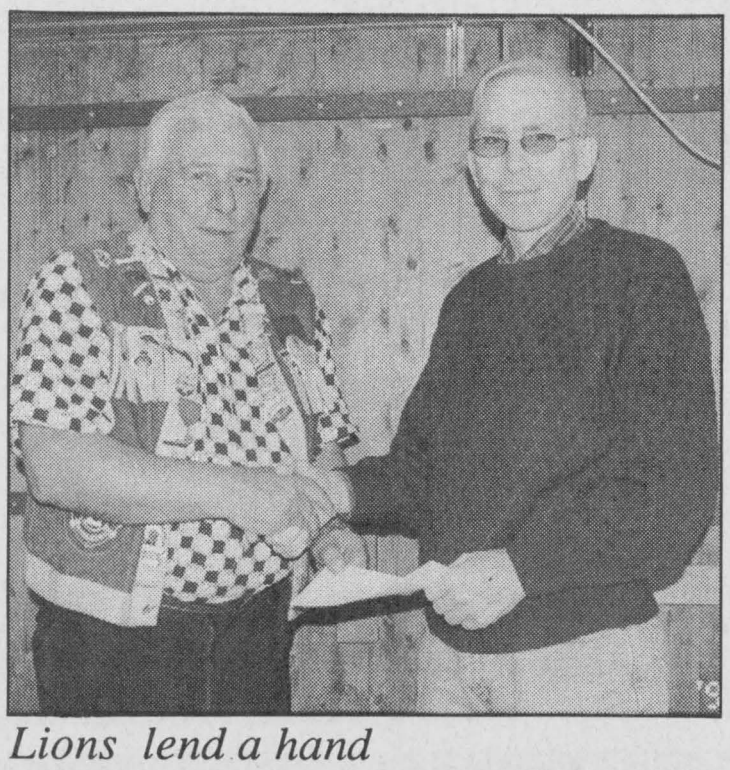
When the news that Hurricane Mitch devastated Central America, tearing apart the lives of people, devastating them and creating a disaster beyond comprehension, ears perked up immediately. The havoc reeked by the hurricane can only be imagined by us as we watch the news reports and listen to the on the scene accounts. The millions of dollars in damage that will take years to replace and repair and a death toll that is staggering (growing daily) in countries that were poor to begin with makes us think about the sadness and anger that must be festering in these countries.

Perhaps the most frightening thoughts centre around the spread of disease. Local folks lost no time getting on the bandwagon. Action was swift and sure as Partners for Children in Development, a local support group in Iroquois started things moving and others joined the relief efforts and prepared to do their part.

George and Irma Jackson were on top of things as they began gathering badly needed medical supplies, clothes and money to help people who they feel are family in a country they have grown to love over the past 20 years as they encouraged and assisted these people to create a better life. These same folks now find themselves with nothing left of their lives. "Their lives are in a shambles, their homes, their jobs, the schools, the roads, the very infrastructure... everything is just gone," says George, "Everything we have worked for over the past few years was swept away by Mother Nature, wiped out completely...all we can do is start again and rebuild." In order to accomplish the vast job ahead, funding is necessary and so the call went out to the community.

The response has been tremendous, as the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club working through the Lions Club of Pedro Sula Honduras have donated much needed funds, $3000. Canadian to help the people begin to rebuild their lives.

Easing the pain of what has happened, the students at Seaway District High School wanted to be involved as well and began selling blue ribbons at a loonie each. Then guidance teacher, Mark Lewis suggested that if the students could raise $630. he would shave his head in front of the whole school. With less than two days to accomplish the task, undauntedly the students dug in and sold ribbons, and sold ribbons and sold ribbons. Donations came from everywhere (Perhaps there is a message here, Mark??) to ensure that Mr. Lewis would in fact become bald...the final tally showed over $1000. raised in the time frame, and yes, Monday at noon, in front of the entire student body, the hair came off!! (Check page 3). The money was presented to George Jackson to be taken to Honduras when he arrives there to do whatever needs immediate attention. "I will assess the situation and whether I remain there to deal with issues or come home to keep things on track, no matter, whatever needs my attention we'll get things done," says George as he smiles, pleasantly surprised by the outpouring of caring that he is experiencing from his community at this time.



Lions lend a hand

The local Lions Club donated $3000 Canadian to the Lions Club of Pedro Sula Honduras to help with the devastation that the country has suffered due to Hurricane Mitch. President of the Iroquois-Matilda Lions, Peter Swank hands the money to George Jackson of Partners for children in Development who will personally give it to the Honduran Lions. *Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston*

According to information the Jacksons have received, the medical centre, the training centre and the block factory along with the girls' home were spared. A school built by Partners near San Pedro may have been hit but damage extent is not avilable due to poor communications. Jackson says, "It was built high and built well, but we are not sure right now."

The Chieftain learned today that the Masons in this region will be donating funds late this week that George will take with him as well to help things out...as everyone wears their heart on their sleeve in this time of trouble.

The rebuilding will take a long time, but with sharing and caring people helping them out the people of Central America will be encouraged to pick themselves up and build new lives.

It is vital that we do not lose sight of their plight, when the news stories die away, the need continues...

Garlough speaks at Canadian Club

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Imagine a world without the exhaust-pipe clatter of a gas or diesel engine. Instead, there is the groan of oxen as they scratch a single-tooth plow, little more than machete blade on the end of a wooden pole, over a dusty field. Or just as likely, people are hauling that plow along.

This is a place where labour is so manual that every bit of the crushed stone used in every bit of rare concrete was pulverized with the ringing of countless hand-held hammer strikes. And every square foot of farmland is worked by hand.

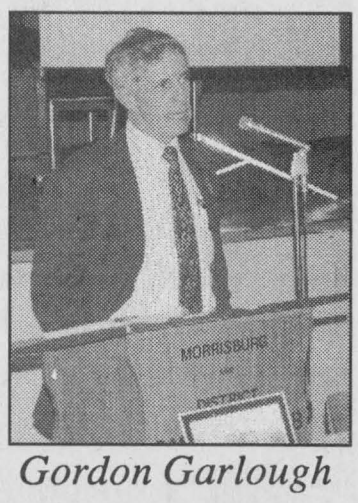
Williamsburg's Gordon Garlough has been to this place.

Speaking at the Canadian Club in Morrisburg on Tuesday, November 10th, Garlough conveyed some of his impressions of a trip he took last winter to Ethiopia and Kenya as a volunteer with the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

"In Canada, we, as Canadians, take the presence of an adequate food supply for granted. And what we consider adequate is really far beyond our basic nutritional needs," said the past president of the Dundas Federation of Agriculture.

"In the world, we are the exception. Many parts of the world have enough to eat but we would consider the quality inadequate by the standards to which we are accustomed.

"CFGB partners work in these deficient and severely deficient areas."



Gordon Garlough

Garlough said the CFGB is run by 13 Christian churches, which grow and maintain a 'bank' of non-perishable grains and money to provide for projects in the third world. A church, for instance, would produce a crop on donated land with donated labour and materials, he said. The crop, or money from its sale, goes to CFGB.

"In Ontario, there are currently about 150 community growing projects with the number increasing each year."

Garlough explained the grain could be used as direct aid in famine situations, but is more commonly used to pay native church groups, in places like Ethiopia, for life-improving
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A parade of concerns on clinic bylaw at North Dundas Council

by Nelson Zandbergen
Chieftain Staff

A show of NIMBYism greeted North Dundas Council at the opening of its meeting last Monday. A group of Winchester residents from the vicinity of Winchester Hospital came out to oppose a bylaw amendment permitting a clinic at a Clarence Street residence.

Council went ahead and passed the bylaw that evening on a 5-4 vote.

"I'd rather not have a business behind my house," said one resident, delivering his bottom line to Council.

Located at 524 Clarence, the house is to be purchased by Dr. Janet Maclean and operated as a referral-only clinic.

The doctor said she would work at the clinic "two or three days a week" and not see more than "three or four patients in an afternoon.

"I'm an internist, not a family physician. My patients are in for an hour at a time," she said, adding she would have one full-time secretary and no nurse.

Residents of adjacent streets like Cass Crescent were concerned mainly about already heavy on-street parking.

Real Estate agents Butch Oldford and Darren Kelly defended Maclean, noting the parking problems stem from pay-for-parking at the Hospital. Apparently, many hospital users would rather not pay the two bucks.

The two men insisted the clinic will not change anything, adding the doctor would support a no-parking bylaw on surrounding streets because on-site parking is adequate.

Another skeptical resident said patients "just can't be bothered to pull in the driveway and park."

Councillor Schoones suggested the bylaw stipulate no more than one doctor at the site. Some I-told-you-so's were heard when Maclean said she "was not prepared to accept that proviso."

Councillors Riddell, Fawcett, Sloane and Mayor Cousineau voted against the amendment.

Said Councillor Alvin Runnalls, "I'd hate to see it more difficult for doctors to move in."

The Mayor promised a bylaw to curtail parking on the affected streets. "The Hospital is losing a pile of revenue because of it."

* Councillor Roger Cole will be inaugurated as the new United Counties Warden on December 14. Cole told his North Dundas colleagues that he wished for the Maple Ridge Public School choir to sing O Canada at the Cornwall event.

"The principal has no problem with the idea, but there is no money for busing."

Cole said he was willing to pay half of the $250 cost, out of his Warden's stipend. He wondered if North Dundas would cover the other $125.

Cousineau saw no problem with the idea during a brief discussion in which Cole was excused. He said a Warden's home municipality generally donates $500-$3,000 for these sorts of inauguration expenses. "It's been a tradition."

He suggested a figure of $2000.

Cole thanked Council when informed the $125 will be covered.

* Councillor Fawcett suggested the township float the Mayor and SD&G's new Warden on the local parade circuit.

Millennium Party-time

The South Dundas Chamber of Commerce is holding a bash this Saturday evening at the Morrisburg Meeting Centre. The "Millennium Community Countdown Party" will begin at 6:30 p.m. Organizers encourage you to come out and mix, mingle, communicate your ideas and celebrate the yuletide season.

Featured is a Porto Bello - Gourmet Dinner of Millennium Soup, Filet Mignon Steak with special South Dundas sauce, and McIntosh apple pie.

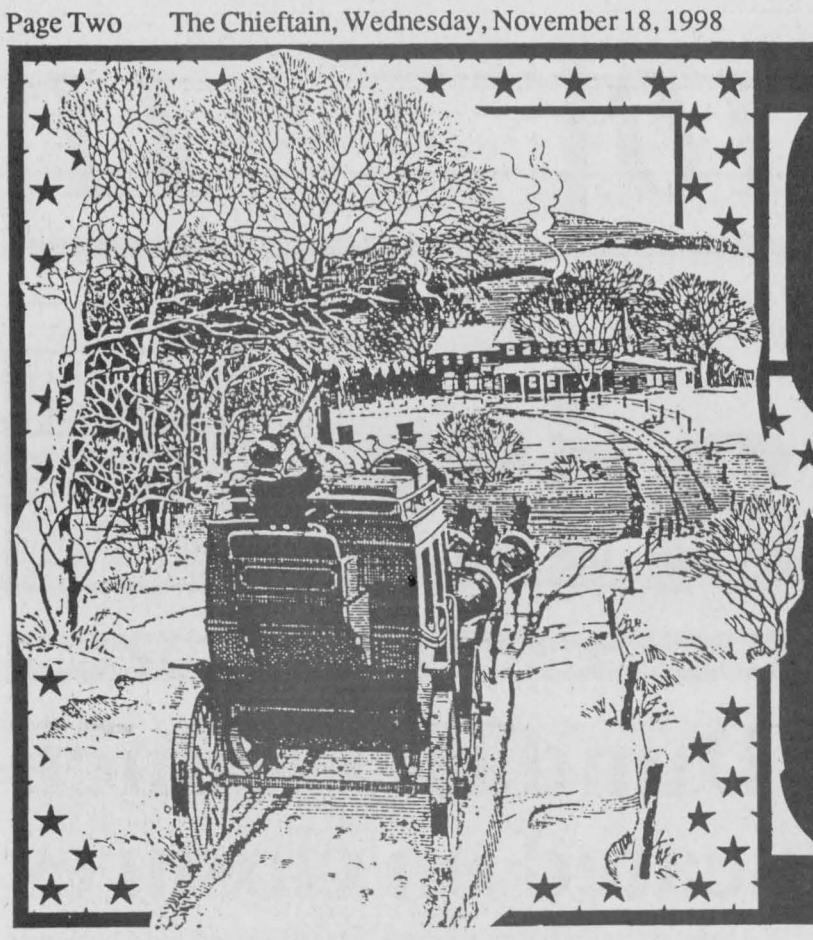
Phil Jenkins will be the speaker that night. Further enjoy an evening of awards, music, educational video, showbiz, and draws. And there's always the bar.

Tickets are $35 each, proceeds to the Christmas Exchange. Call 652-2023 for more information.

Serving "South Dundas on the St. Lawrence," the Chamber is always looking for more members.

Presently busy with various "Millennium Projects" to beautify and promote the local area. the Chamber's "Millennium Countdown Party" is but one item on a long list of community, business and cultural initiatives promoted by the group.

Sound interesting? Then you might consider joining the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce.



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Constable Derek

His main job as an OPP officer in the local area is "helping people feel safe in their own community"...and Derek Needham is happy to be a part of the team stationed in Morrisburg. He continues telling this reporter how he sees his ability to perform his duties as more effective, that he and his fellow officers are not merely symbols, but rather representatives of the community they work in. "We help identify the needs of the people and work to them."

A rookie with the Upper Canada OPP, Constable Needham is a 27 year old officer who hails originally from Kanata. Married for the last 3.5 years, he smiles as he notes that police wives certainly live under considerable more stress than most, but is adamant that his partner in life is very supportive and understanding of his job and what it entails. "This helps me be a better officer."

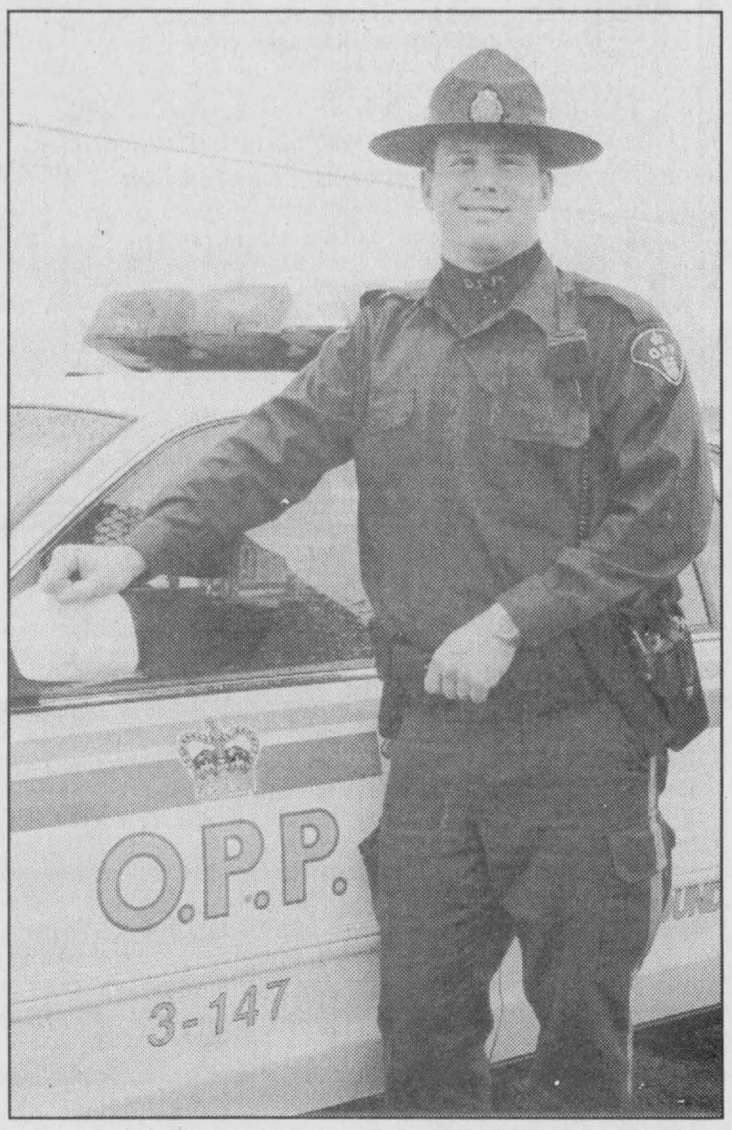
When choosing a career he sought one in which he could be involved with as well as helping people, and police work seemed to fill the bill.

This is his first assignment as a policeman. Graduating from Carleton University with a degree in Economics, he has been self employed for the past 4 to 6 years waiting for a police assignment.

Pleased with his placement in the Morrisburg office, he notes that it was actually one of his choices. He will have some duties out of the Long Sault and Winchester detachments depending upon where staff is required. He explains that when you go through the hiring procedure, you provide three choices of where you would like to be stationed, "I like this area and I know some of the people in this area as well, and I was lucky to actually land one of my choices."

Police College and a month at Orillia where the General headquarters for the OPP is located prepared him for whatever he is faced with on the job. From firearms handling (the OPP use 40 calibre Sigsaver semi-automatic handguns) and usage to vehicle operations (cars only), both federal and provincial laws have to be known and comprehended, defensive tactics and how to deal with community policing issues (violence against women, liaison techniques) were all on his agenda as he learned the trade that would become his life's work.

His distinctive red hair and infectious smile make him an approachable officer who is ready to serve the public in the area. Welcome to South Dundas, Derek.



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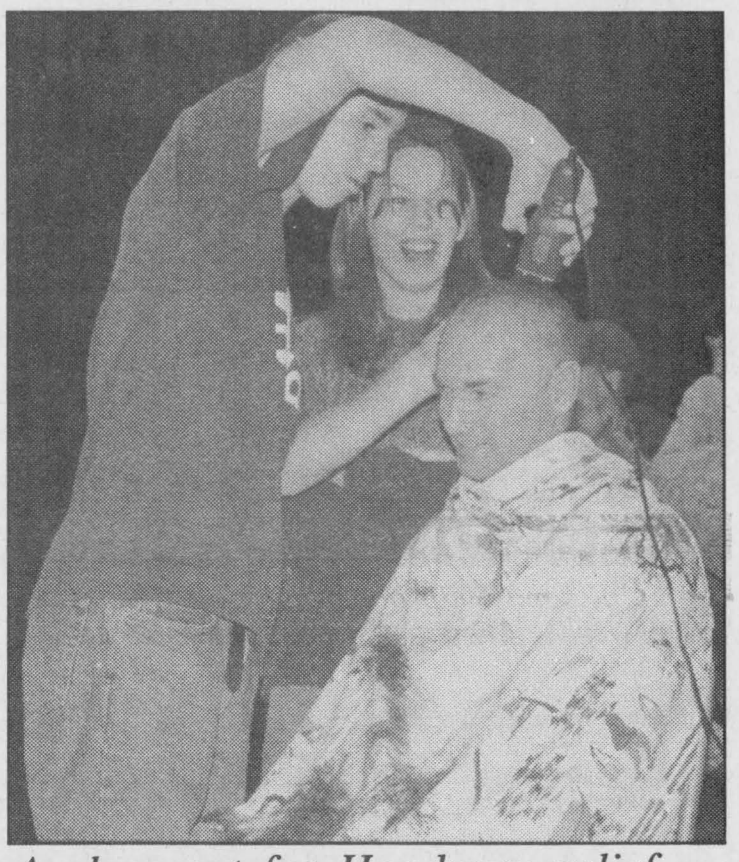

A close cut for Honduran relief

Seaway guidance counsellor Mark Lewis gets the cue-ball treatment last Monday. Karen Koivumaki's grade 10 history class sold the tickets that guaranteed Lewis's locks would hit the floor. Along with chocolate bar sales, $1,034 was raised for George Jackson's efforts in the Mitch-ravaged Honduras. Student Sarah Roberton (pictured) had her name drawn to perform the honours. Jason Klassen assists with the buzz-cut. *Chieftain photo by Nelson Zandbergen*

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This week is Foster Family Appreciation Week and during this time we should all stop and remind ourselves of the contributions made by these people. They indeed merit the highest recognition and praise we can afford them. Foster families of the United Counties as well as the City of Cornwall are meeting a need that is greater than ever before.

The Children's Aid Society of the United Counties applauds the contributions and the help that foster families provide to other families and children in crisis in our communities. A special appreciation dinner is to be hosted by the Society of Foster Parents this very week to show in a small way that the work these folks do is appreciated.

"The foster family is central to the work we do in child welfare. Without the dedication and commitment of Ontario's thousands of foster families, we would not be able to provide the protection some children in our area desperately need," says a spokesperson for the Society.

Children's Aid Societies in Ontario provide substitute care for more than 21,300 children annually. The CAS of the United Counties has 90 foster homes, 29 of which are in the City of Cornwall. This Foster Family Appreciation Week provides a focus for our community to recognize the contributions of foster families and an opprtunity for us to alert the public to the need for more foster parents to care for children in need of protection in a caring and stable environment.

Growing up with a friend who lived beside a foster family, it was easy to see and learn why foster families are vital to many in our area. The love and caring that a family can share with someone who does not know the meaning of such feelings is marvellous. The idea that a family is willing to open their hearts and their homes to children who so desperately need to know what it is like to be a part of a real family is terrific.

Taking children who carry with them extra baggage that weighs heavily on their very being can be a stressful situation, but those who are able to do it are a special group for sure.

Help is available to them when they find things rough, but for the most part they open the front door and treat the foster children exactly as they treat their own.

Letting the foster child learn what is expected from them in all types of things that can be tossed in their path as they head along life's road will make them stronger and provide them the skills to endure whatever life brings their way.

They learn to adapt and to compromise in a functional situation that will create an atmosphere where they can grow and attain their highest potential.

Taking children from homes where life is embittered, where they cringe in fear and cannot be children, they can be expected to defy authority and rebel...leading them out of the darkness and into the light is a struggle for all concerned. Foster parents do just that. They work with troubled youth and with youngsters who have never been hugged or shown that they are important , they defy the odds and bring these children into the sunshine, in a pleasing manner that allows the children the opportunity to reach their optimum in life.

Most children are a product of their environment and so it is vital that when they are removed from a disturbing environment they will change their ways and their outlook and their lives will be better for it.

Foster parents are a rare breed and they deserve our congratulations and appreciation. They do what often seems unattainable. Turning around the life of a youngster must indeed be a reward in itself.

Keep up the battle folks and know that the lives you touch will be better for it and ther youth whose paths you alter will some day reward you many fold. **S.L.J.**

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Jimmy Fraser receives Legion of Honour for service to France

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by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Born at Cortachy, Forfarshire, Scotland, December 1st, 1898, James Fraser is just a few weeks shy of 100-years-of-age.

And after almost a Century on the planet, if you're looking to find James, "Jim" to his friends, you need look no further than the golf course in Morrisburg.

Of course that is during the summer months. If you're looking to find him now, you need look no further the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 48 in Morrisburg.

A legend in Morrisburg, he remains an active curler, sings in the Legion Choir and is a member of the Euchre Club. Full of life and always quick with comment or a kind word, he truly is an amazing person.

A veteran of WWI, Jim enlisted in the British Army in 1916 and joined the 62nd Battalion of the Machine Gun Corp. He saw action in the Arras/Cambrai area, Vimy in France, the Ypres salient area and eventually the pursuit into Germany as part of the Army of occupation.

Last Wednesday afternoon, Denis Bauchard, France's Ambassador to Canada, awarded the insignia of the Legion d'Honneur to Jim and Ottawa veteran Lloyd Wickwire.

"I'm accepting this for all the people who were there and who didn't make it home," he said after accepting the award.

The Legion d'Honneur was created by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802. Bonaparte wanted to form a corps of veteran soldiers and political partisans to serve as an "intermediary corps" between the State and the people.

Addressing guests amid the elegance of the French Embassy's 17th Gobelin tapestry, Ambassador Denis Bauchard welcomed everyone.

"It is both with pleasure and great emotion that we are gathered at the Embassy of France on this Remembrance Day to pay tribute to Mr. James Fraser and Mr. Lloyd Wickwire, Canadian veterans of the First World War."

"On this the 80th Anniversaryof the Armistice, the President of the French Republic wanted to award the medal of Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur to soldiers of allied countries who went to France to fight by the side of the French soldiers, as a symbol of the lasting recognition due to them."

Bauchard told the group that in the early stages of the war, back in August, 1914, Canadians showed exemplary solidarity by being part of their country's impressive war effort, setting the stage for what Canada has been doing ever since: defending freedom throughout the world with courage and clear-mindedness.

In 1996 and '97, France inducted its veterans of the First World War into the Legion d'Honneur. This year, to mark the 80th anniversary of the Armistice, France decided to extend this honour to allied soldiers who fought on the Western Front between 1914 and 1918.

By the end of 1998, veterans from 15 countries (The United Kingdom, New Zealand, Italy, Australia, Czech Republic, United States, Belgium, Portugal, Canada, Russia, Poland, South Africa, Romania, Slovakia and India) will have been honoured.

"Mr. Fraser, Mr. Wickwire, during this war of horrendous slaugter, which took the lives of approximately eight million people, your sacrifices inspired a feeling of pride and unity in the hearts of your fellow Canadians. The hearts of the French people will always be filled with unwavering gratitude and respect," the Ambassador continued.

"Mr. Fraser, you fought on French soil from March 1918 in the Arras and Cambrai regions. You were subsequently sent to Vimy, then Valenciennes in November. As a member of the 62nd Battalion of the Machine Gun Corps (59th Division), you had to wait until September 1919 before being demobilized. On behalf of the Republic of France, in recognition of having fought along side your French comrades-in-arms during the First World War, I make you a Chevalier of the Legion d'Honneur."

In Vimy, the French Secretary for Veterans Affairs, Jean-Pierre Masseret, awarded 13 other Canadian veterans with the Legion d'Honneur during a commemorative ceremony held November 7th.

The Vimy commemorative ceremony was part of a series of bilateral ceremonies organized by France and the Allies between November 2nd and the 11th, 1998, on historical sites dedicated to commemorate major battles of World War I.

Vimy Ridge, where Canadians won a decisive victory in 1917, is now a national historic site dedicated to Canadian soldiers "missing and presumed dead" in France. In 1922, the site of the Commemorative Monument was ceded in perpetuity by France to the people of Canada.

More than 600,000 Canadians fought during the Great War. More than 68,000 died in battle. Fifteen Canadian veterans were inducted into the Legion d'Honneur this year.

On the 9th of November, Jim was also honoured with the John McCrae Medallion and mounted scroll of appreciation from the Queen.

Following the award ceremony at the French Embassy, Jim returned to the Legion in Morrisburg where representatives of all levels of government, his comrades of Branch 48 and citizens of Morrisburg and area gathered to celebrate the life of a soldier, a friend and a wonderfully kind, thoughtful gentleman.



Jim Fraser, Ambassador Denis Bauchard and Mr. Wickwire

Christmas tunes in November

Just Plain Livin'
with Sandra Lee



You may find this tough to believe, but I have found myself humming Christmas tunes this past week or so. Now, certainly the fact that the little girl in the front office decided we should decorate for the season went a long way towards helping us all get into a festive mode, but there have been only a few scant and scattered snow flakes trying in desperation to materialize and it is still November, so we have loads of time to prepare...don't we?

The college kid was home for an evening on Friday and we all went out to help a brother, uncle and brother-in-law and sister-in-law and aunt celebrate their silver anniversary. A good time for all, things went pretty much as planned until the bride and groom arrived at the front door of the establishment. The young man there had not asked anyone where they were headed, until the bride and groom came in. The ploy was that they were bringing mother out for a birthday dinner since she celebrates this week and had a gift certificate to use up...but the cat was out of the proverbial bag and as we waited for their arrival, it was an anticlimax sort of deal at this point. The meal was served and then the big guy had prepared a speech which brought back memories for most in attendance. Some comedic relief is always welcome. Another birthday was celebrated that exact day as a cuzzin's better half turned... never mind, Joyce hope it was a Happy Birthday! Who knew that Hemi was a poet in disguise? Well, a pleasant surprise for sure, he has a knack for rhyming and his ode to Mike and Debbie was perfect. The gift had been quite a dilemma. The idea came late and so it was that numerous folks became involved in the search. Firstly there were 25 silver dollars to be bought, and this was not easy since the advent of the looney. They are no longer silver and rather difficult to locate, even with their nickel and copper content. Then the plan was to purchase a small chest for them, a treasure chest type container. Sounded pretty cool and not too hard to get, famous last words. Several people were out and about trying to find one, phone calls were made and the answer was always the same... "No, we have nothing like that." Then word came that there were some items that might work, orders could be placed for delivery next week or two weeks...not what was wanted. So the search continued and for a wonder, things fell into place on Thursday afternoon, a small wooden treasure chest was found, it was just perfect, exactly what had been desired. Then there was the red velvet to be placed inside to make things just right. Thanks to a couple of friends, their expertise, their material and glue gun, not to mention their patience, the little chest was filled with the silver dollars and given to the anniversary kids. Their names and the date and Happy 25th completed a project which was longer in the planning stages than the actual execution, and as always what ends well is all that matters.

Helping out at the church bazaar is an annual event and then too the old editor was working the weekend for the newspaper as well, kind of running after herself as it were all day long. The big guy was to be at his school commencement but there was just too much to attend to and so he missed it. The college kid had tickets to see the Dave Matthews Band at the Corel Centre and so his dad took him back to the big city and then he and his friend to the show. The Venturer Advisor and a youth attended the Legion Awards banquet and then it was too late to accomplish much else. We missed the auction at the Playhouse, and always look forward to it since it is regularly terrific.

Sunday saw a pot luck at the church and then the second son and his mom drove up to the locks and using a picnic table and a barrel made certain he can parallel park ...he takes his driving test this very week. Figuring he needed the experience of parking where a real car was involved, we went to Cardinal and found some along the streets there, so he could practise. There were also some three-point turns to be done and some last minute checks on things like crosswalks, turns and right-of-ways. If he passes this one he is a G2 driver and will not need to have his old mother or father along when he drives...

The wind sure can blow...and blow it did late last week. Powerful and overbearing it loosened the new shingles and numerous of them went flying across the yard. Standing on the lawn looking skyward the eyes beheld a sight that was not pretty, as the wind struck the roof and rows of shingles flew up as if they would take flight. A hasty call to the roofers assured us this was normal in such high winds. After a few hours this was disturbing and so another call went out and the next morning the lads were on the roof, nailing and securing new shingles where those were

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the bottom line

A LIONS BENEFIT DANCE FOR THE WICKS FAMILY IS FINALLY SET to go this Friday evening. Jill Wicks and her two daughters lost a house, a husband, a father, and insurance coverage on the same day of a devasting fire earlier this year. The event is to be held at the Lions Hall in Winchester, beginning at 8 p.m. Donations also accepted at the Royal Bank in Winchester. (nz)

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MICHELLE DUBOIS IS LEAVING OTTAWA FOR CALGARY. REGIONAL Contact will not be the same without her. Co-host Joel Haslam and Mich held a teary goodbye Sunday night as flashbacks of previous shows -- ten years worth -- were shown. She will become manager of the Stampede. R.C. was cancelled by CTV, but brought back by popular demand. Maybe she was unsure... a replacement will be on next week as interviews progress. She'll be missed; their chemistry worked well. (slj)

THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO ENJOY ANY OF Wingfield shows live will truly be laughing in their lazyboy... Rod Beattie brought Walt, Freddy, the Squire, Maggie, Spike (the Hound) and the colourful folk who make up Persephone Township to CBC last night, and it should be a winner as each week we join the down home country folk. Looks like it will adapt fine to the small screen. (slj)

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UPPER CANADA PLAYHOUSE WILL HOST THEIR FINAL FUNDRAIS- ing event of the 1998 season. "Homes for the Holidays" will feature St. Lawrence Valley Homes and a Victorian Tea. The homes are located in Williamsburg, Mariatown and Morrisburg with the Tea in the basement of Lakeshore Drive United Church in Morrisburg. Kicking off at 1 p.m. on Saturday, December 5, it should get everyone in the Christmas mood. Tickets are $15. Call 543-3713 to reserve yours today. (slj)

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Just Livin'

Continued from editorial page

missing. A few more vents went in as well and now, if the caulking gun was not sitting near the peak, all would be well...

Doing my stint on night patrol in the village the other evening, I was really astounded to see how many people have their Christmas lights and decorations up already. The "curtain" lights that were on sale at CTC seem to be popular and look quite nifty as well. Many were installing their outdoor lights on Sunday as we cruised around both Iroquois and Cardinal. Some great ideas were spotted as folks create winter wonderlands to welcome Santa and the season he brings. It is nice to see some people remember that Christmas is the birthday of Christ as well and the nativity scenes sprout up on lawns and not just at places of worship. We must not allow our children to know only the commercial side of the season... The Swampview gang will put the outside lights and decorations up on the first blizzard of the year, that seems to be a tradition with us, for some strange reason.

How about the Gap commercial for youngsters? The baby in the sled and the husky puppies are just priceless, one of my favourites right now. I am always amazed with the ideas the advertisers come up with, some are just so great!

The Godson has been at Sunday School the past few weeks and this makes the old writer happy. The problem is that when we hug he is looking his old Godmother right in the eye. They grow so rapidly these days. He drew the cover for the cookbook the school is selling to raise funds and his Godfather and I are very proud of his accomplishments...way to go Matt!

A visit with an old friend was brief but Cooke and I exchanged hugs as well and that makes a day worthwhile.

As this is being written the news is that a meteor show will be free for the watching tomorrow evening and into Wednesday morning, hope we can see something, it promises to be quite a show.

As you read this effort the Venturer Company (older Scout aged youth) and their leaders will be at the television station, CJOH touring the facility, meeting workers and discussing their jobs, meeting Max Keeping and checking out the news production-studio and control room as a part of their vocational badge work. Should be exciting for them and a terrific learning experience.

The eyes are growing dim and there are many other stories to write before morning, so I best get on to the next assignment.

Stay happy and grove with the season. For some reason Christmas always brings out the best in us, too bad it could not stay there all year long. Keep a smile on your face and say hello to everyone you meet today, you will both feel good. The wisdom comes from Lord Byron who said, "Friendship is love without his wings."

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Exemplary Service Medal

Perry Robertson has retired from the Fire Department, but did receive his medal from then Councillor Art Roberts for 20 years of dedication to the community through the Department. He was Deputy Chief when he retired in December of 1997. Serving from January'68 to Dec. '71, and then coming on board again from May '81 to Dec.'97, we appreciate it. *Courtesy Photo*



Medal for Exemplary Service *Courtesy Photo*

Fireman Jack McQuigge has served the community for over 20 years starting in January 1976. He serves still and has the added responsibility of being Training Officer as well. On hand to present it on behalf of the Federal Government and the Governor General was then Reeve Peter Swank Thanks Jack from us all!

LETTERS

Bird column interesting

Dear Editor,

This letter is to let you know that the column on birds is most interesting and informative. I especially enjoy reading about the descriptions of various varieties which don't inhabit my area. Much work and effort must be put into writing such a fine column.

Muriel McGruder

Closing of schools an outrage

Dear Editor,

The closing of neighbourhood schools, which is being forced on school boards by the provincial government is an outrage. The recent announcement that the closings are to be put off for a year offers little consolation. We are told that the closings are still necessary to save money.

What the public is not being told, is that the closing of schools is the direct result of the government's decision to continue maintaining financial support for a duplicate separate school system. By the government's own admission, the cost to the public to maintain separate schools is $200 million each and every year. This represents about $1 million for every school day. If the separate system were abolished (as it has been in Manitoba, Newfoundland and Quebec) that 4200 million could be used to improve the quality of education and to keep neighbourhood schools open.

Citizens should also realize that the United Nations Human Rights Committee in Geneva has questioned Canada on its continued support for separate schools in Ontario. The U.N recognizes that preferential school funding for one religious denomination represents a violation of not only our own Charter of rights, but international human rights law as well.

Separate schools solved a difficult social problem in the last century. We must move into the next century in a society which recognizes the dignity and with of every single child, a society that is not divided by the demand that one segment pay a heavy social and financial cost to support the unnecessary and outdated privilege of another.

Sincerely,
Eva F. Ashick,
Pembroke, Ontario.

Save our school

To the Editor,

Closing our schools, you said you would never do

Children's education was the most important thing to you,

But our students' school is in jeopardy, it may close in June,

So now for the rest of the year, all their feeling is dread and doom.

Children are our future, but you keep making it harder for them to succeed,

You say it's for the better, but we all know it is just about greed.

Still you refuse to listen, that closing schools will hurt everyone,

When students start quitting, will it open your eyes to what you've done?

We were told to trust you, what you are doing is for the best,

But that only applies to a quarter, what about all the rest?

Children already have so much pressure, now you want to take their school too.

How can you honestly tell me, you believe this is the right thing to do?

Our children take pride in their school, for we've made it safe like their home,

Now you want us to tell them it's closing, leaving them to stand all alone,

You want me to tell my child, you're doing this all just to help him...

Well, Mr. Harris and Board members, that's a decision we simply won't let you win!!

A concerned parent and Elma School Council member,
Carol Pemberton.

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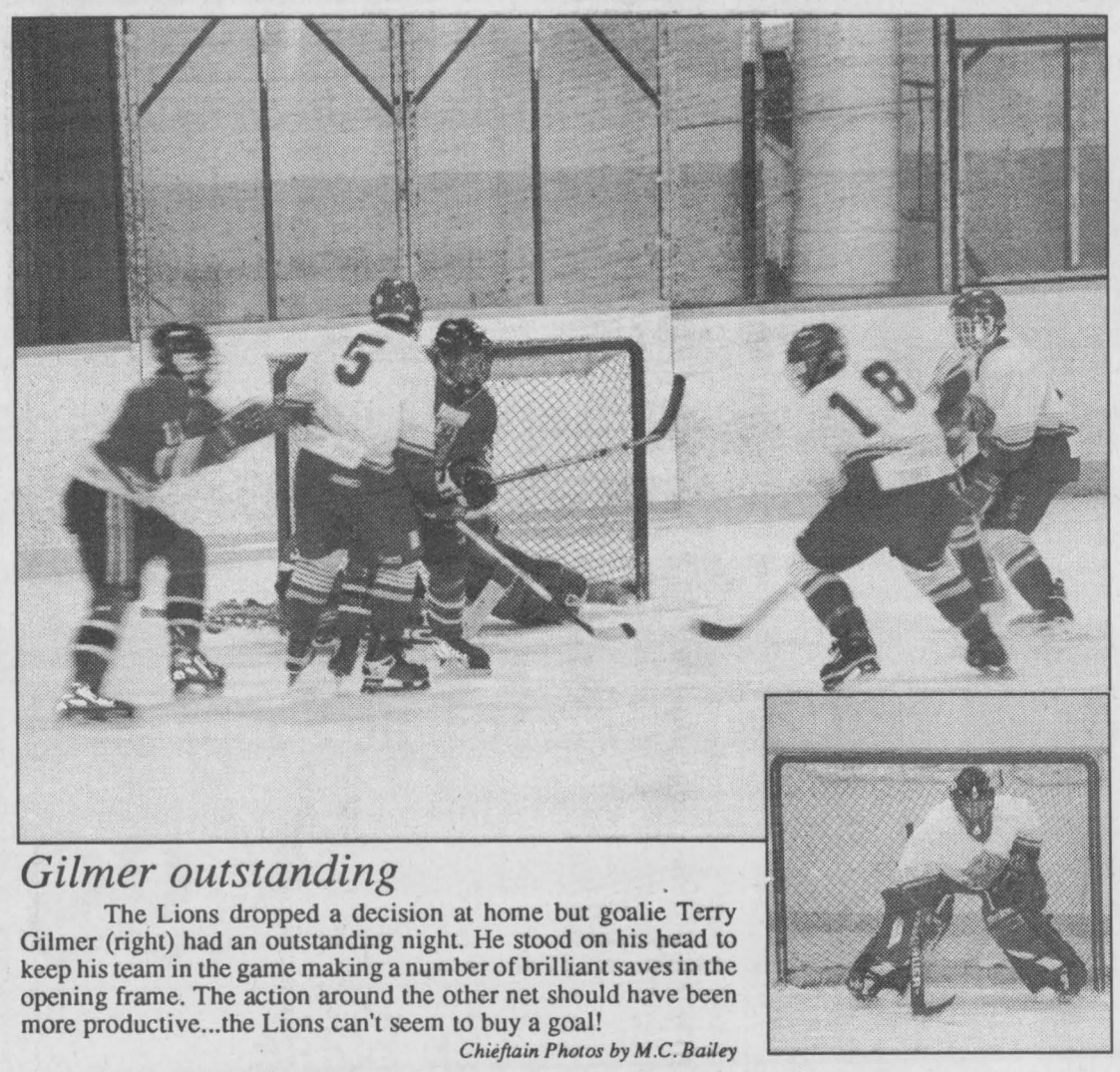


Gilmer outstanding

The Lions dropped a decision at home but goalie Terry Gilmer (right) had an outstanding night. He stood on his head to keep his team in the game making a number of brilliant saves in the opening frame. The action around the other net should have been more productive...the Lions can't seem to buy a goal!

Chieftain Photos by M.C. Bailey

Lions losing streak continues

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A solid first period and a stellar performance by Lions' goalie, Terry Gilmer did not help as the Lions dropped a 4-2 decision to the Brockville Tikis last Friday night in Morrisburg.

"We're just not sure what to do," an exasperated coach Casselman said from his home Sunday afternoon before heading out to Gananoque. "They'll play alright for a while, then make a mistake providing opportunity for the other team to score."

The Lions kept the pressure on the visitors throughout the first frame of the Friday evening tilt. Corey McAllister, back in the line up looked sharp and managed to set up a number of 2-on-1 chances. However, the home team just couldn't finish things off on the plus side.

"There just isn't the commitment," said the coach.

Saturday night, the Lions hosted the Kemptville 73s and after another solid first period, once again ended up on the losing end of the stick.

"We were up by two, the boys made a few mistakes and by the end of the second, they (Kemptville) were leading 8-4."

While the officiating Saturday evening left something to be desired, both coaches were not blaming the ref for the poor performance. "We'll get 40 shots and we can't get a goal."

The final score, Kemptville 8, Morrisburg 6.

McAllister, on fire, scored four and picked up an assist. Nathan Cassie and Wayne Disotell each had singles for Morrisburg.

On a positive note, Casselman was impressed with his two new acquisitions and the atmosphere in the dressing room has improved with the absence of Travis Nelson and Jamie Laframboise. In another move, the Lions traded Shawn Freeland to Akwesasne.

The Lions next home game will be this Friday evening (November 20) at the Cow Palace, game time is 8:15pm.

Ringers ahead in Friday Darts

Last week the editor did not get the results into the paper, and for that she apologizes..."Sorry."

This week saw the Ringers in front with 45 points, Lucky 7 in second spot with 43 while the Dream Team grabbed third with 39 points. Strugglers came through with 37, while Jays Harem snagged 36 points to stay in contention. Coming in with 35.5 points are Cheers, Free Willie and Lloyd's Harem. Guns and Roses are close behind with 35 points. Double Trouble and The Has Beens had 32 points. Double Delight has 31.5. Earl's Pests and the Long Shots each have 30 points and the Cupcakes bring up the end with 28.5 this week.

Jake Summerville went on a shooting spree this week and ended up with 2x100, 123, 177 and 2x140...pretty impressive for sure!

Arnie Fader came through with 128 and 140, Pat Thompson a 133, Denzil Tousant a 126, Thom Greenough 122, Tina Summerfield 100 and 120, Nick Sheilds 114, Trevor Easter 4x100, Jay Buckland 2x100 and with 100 each were Art Ault, Mike Osbourne, Linda Birch, Joanne Graham and Jeff Donnelly.

Games won included:
Jay Buckland and Linda Birch-4, Linda Casselman, Tina Summerfield, Delaine Potvin, Glen Easter, Jeff Donnelly, Lloyd Greenough and Rob Shaver each with 3. Coming along with 2 games won were; Bobbie Jo Deschamps, Joe Roberts, Jake Easter, Kevin Laming, Brian Cooper, Nick Shields and Rodney Francis. Those winning one game each were Joan Ault, Sharon Easter, Linda Southam, Pearl Roy, Lorna Siebert, Angie Reid, Michelle Walter, Marla Seeley, Sheila Holmes, Shelly Cooper, Jean Greenough, Andre Tschoumy, Duane Kirker, Tony Easter, Art Ault, Joe McDonald, Chris Thompson, Walter Reid, Denzil Tousant, Deb Valliquette and Boomer McKee.

Keep it up folks, and be sure to have lots of fun as you straighten those dart shots.

SPORTS CORNER

with Brian St. Pierre

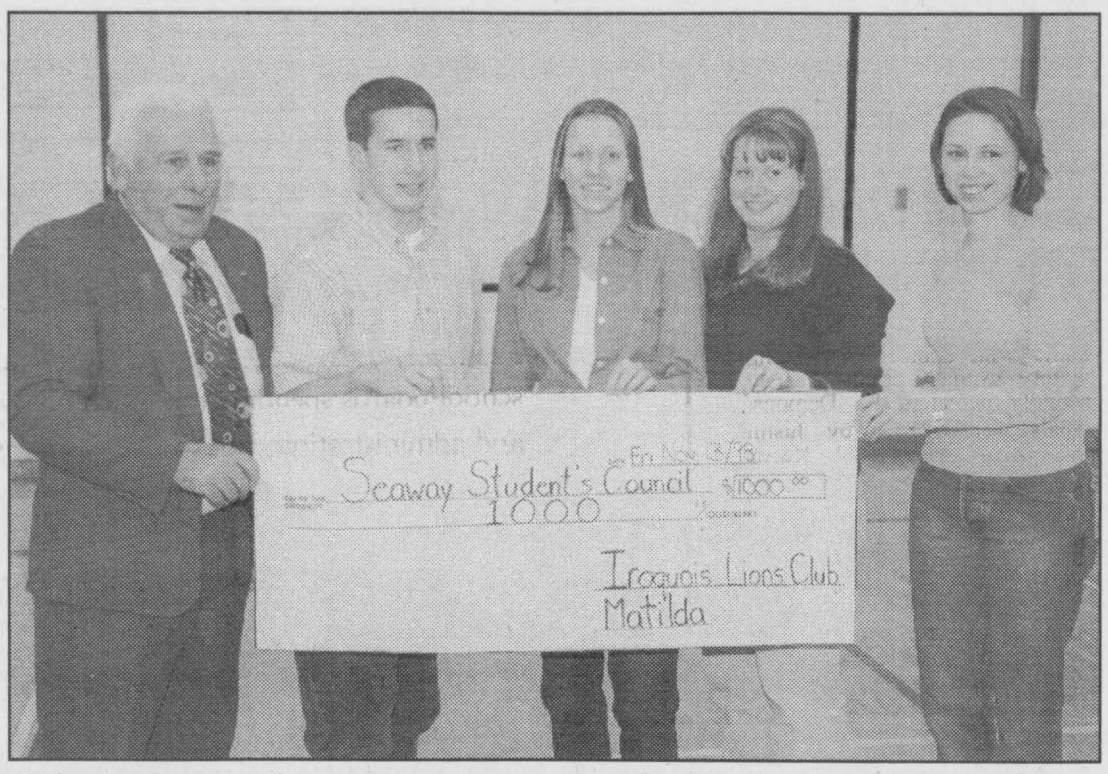
As the National Football League schedule is now passed the half way point, the only glaring reality so far this season is thank goodness for the presence in the league of one Douglas Flutie. That is why this week, I will keep my columns length like the topic involved, short and to the point.

The NFL is the most beloved of all the North American sport leagues, but, this season has been a weekly showcase of drudgery and ineptness on the fields that cover the NFL horizon. The only two NFL teams this season that look like they are anything above average are the Denver Broncos and the Minnesota Vikings. Even though the Broncos and the Vikings are off to great starts, they are putting very little terror in the hearts of foes as they are being led back by a 36-year old career backup quarterback (Bubby Brister of the Broncos) and a 35-year old (Randall Cunningham of the Vikings) who was retired from the NFL only three years ago. With the Broncos and the Vikings not exactly being "super" teams and this being a down season for usual elite teams like the Redskins, Eagles, Giants and Chiefs, the NFL needed a reason for fans to tune in each weekend. That is where 5'10" (in his dreams) quarterback from Natuck, Massachusetts has come to the rescue of the NFL publicity machine.

Even though the 36-year old Doug Flutie has been nothing but a huge winner at every level he has played football at (High School, College, USFL, CFL and now the NFL) he gets nothing but disrespect from so-called experts for this 18-year lucky streak he's supposedly on. I think the thing that most amazes scouts about Flutie is not that he can get the job done, but that someone actually gave a person his size a chance at the quarterback position. In the modern NFL it seems the only guys who get a chance to play quarterback are at least 6'3" and as white as snow. Whenever I see a short quarterback or a black quarterback, I find it hard to cheer for him because, you never know if and when you will see another one.

Much to the chagrin of the naysayers and I think even the Buffalo Bills coaching staff, the effect that Doug Flutie has had on the Bills and the NFL has been nothing short of startling. The first week when fans knew that Flutie was definitely going to start (against Jacksonville) saw the Bills sell-out the game by selling an additional **12,000** seats in three days. Just as impressive and even more important were the 2,000 Club Seats sold in the same week by the Bills. These Club Seats are high priced season tickets that are part of a plan by Buffalo management to raise funds to improve Rich Stadium and keep the Bills in Buffalo. The jolt of enthusiasm that Flutie is giving Buffalo and the rest of the NFL is not only heartwarming but could very well end up being the key to keeping NFL football in Buffalo instead of moving to L.A. or Houston.

I know there are a lot of people out there who do not like Doug Flutie for their own petty reasons. Whenever I look at Doug Flutie, I see an increasingly rare, humble athlete who never fails to say how lucky he has been and continues to be. This from a man who was banished to the CFL for years because he dared to be short, has an autistic child (Doug Jr.) who will probably never know how much his parents love him and whose wife suffered a miscarriage only two weeks ago. The thing I love most about Doug Flutie is that in a world that increasingly says, "size does matter," the quarterback of the Buffalo Bills has the one big organ that really matters: heart.



Christmas dance guaranteed at Seaway

(l-r) Iroquois Matilda Lions Club President Peter Swank, Student's Council President Thomas Casselman, Lindsay Waddell, Ashleigh St.John and Katherine Adams (all members of Student's Council). The Lions donated $1,000 to Seaway High School's Student Council to ensure a Christmas dance can take place December 3. The money will defray the cost of busing, security and other such expenses; any profits will likely be split. But holding the dance is the main thing, Swank and the students agree: Extra-curricular activities haven't been on the agenda since the teacher's strike. At least six members of the Lions will also chaperon the event.

Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen

Back to back shutouts for Peters

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Morrisburg and District Novice Rep ("B") Lions played two league games last week, bringing home victory on both occasions.

First they travelled to Alexandria where they dropped their opponents on Sunday, November 8, the final read 4-zip for the Lions. Solid play from Noah Van Moorsel on defence helped as he nailed two into the mesh at the Alexandria end. The first was scored in the second period after a first that was scoreless. Going in alone, he got things started in style, unassisted he found the net and made sure. Bryce Fournier assisted on the other in the third period. The third counter came off the stick of Alex Whelan who took the pass from Darren Baldwin in the third. The final goal was scored by Alan Waddell with help from Matthew Hummel and Brandon Elliott with 8 seconds left in the game. Graham Peters was between the pipes for the shutout.

The next game was Monday, Nov. 9 at North Dundas. This match kept the spectators on the edge of their seats until the final buzzer sounded to end a well played game.

Morrisburg scored the only counter of the entire game at 1:23 of the first period as Alex Whelan put the puck into the net with the assist going to Matt Hummel. The action was end to end throughout the game, with both goalies coming up with big saves. North Dundas had Roch Peters in the net while Graham Peters grabbed his second shutout of the week in the Lions pipes.

The next game is tonight (Wed.) at 7pm in Morrisburg as South Stormont comes to visit.

Prescott 1 in first place at Seaway Men's Darts

Thursday night saw darts flying at the Iroquois Branch 370 location. Hanging on to first place is Prescott 1 with 58 points. Second is a crowded place as Iroquois 5, Cardinal 4 and Iroquois 7 all come in at 54 points. Cardinal 2 has 53 points to their credit. Iroquois 8 came through with 45 points while Prescott 3 accumulated 38 and Iroquois 6 has 36.

Highscorers this week were Jim Kirkby with 2 x 140. that was a popular score as Duane Kirker, Tom Reston, Jay Buckland and Garnet Summers all snagged a 140. Mike Levere had a 139 and a 121, Bill Hutt nailed a 139 as well. Rick Sayeau had a 134, and Art Ault a 132. Trevor Easter had 2 x 125 and a 120 Doug Allard threw a 125, Glen Adams had 2 x 121, Wayne Bellinger a 121 and a 120. Ken Reid and Glen Easter each had a 121. Nice tossing gentlemen.

Five games were won by Rick Sayeau and Jake Summerfield. Three games won was a plateau attained by Doug Allard, Art Ault, Mike Levere and Doug Laporte.

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Iroquois and District Community Calendar

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Iroquois W.I. Meeting, November 19, at 7:30 p.m. Iroquois Civic Centre. Connie Gruich speaking on travel tips and locations. All welcome.

Fall Yard Sale, Sat. Nov. 21 '98, St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall, Baked goods, preserves, plants. Wewill take donations for the yard sale. Please contact Bev at 657-4568.

Iroquois United Church Christmas Bazaar. Lunch served. Nov. 21st, 11 am - 2 pm.

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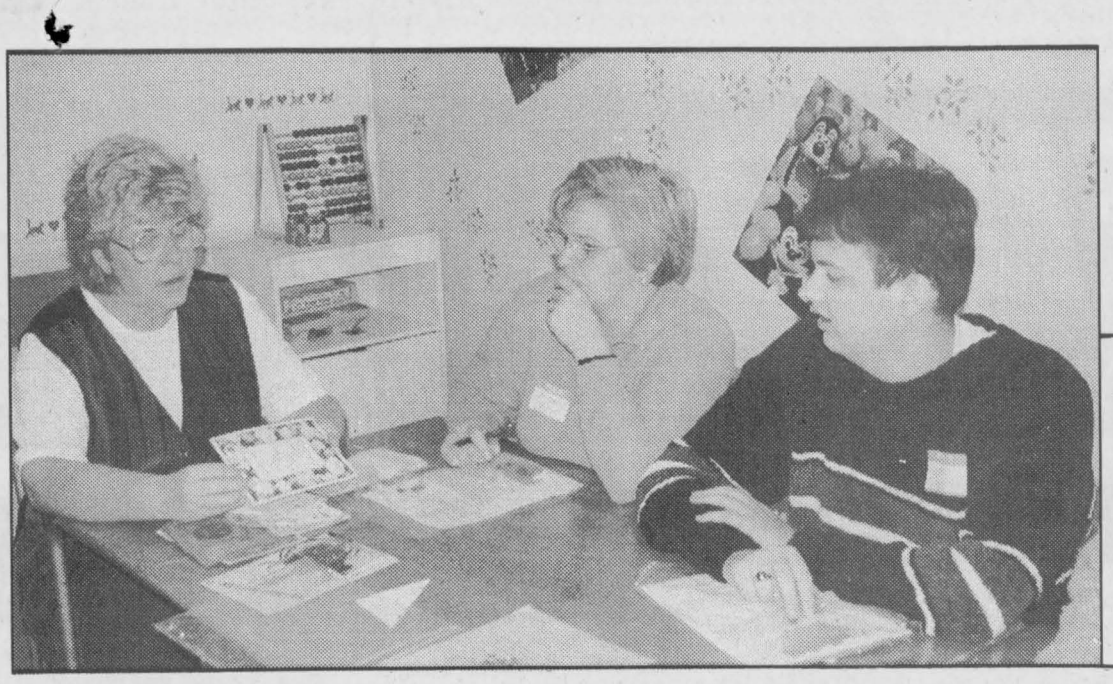

Knox Workshop
Shelley Prins was leading one of the workshops as Knox Presbyterian in Iroquois hosted Workshops for Ministers, Sunday School teachers and Youth Leaders. A puppetry how-to was a highlight of the day's events.
Chieftain photo by S.L. Johnston

NOTICE

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Atom House victorious

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Atom House Lions only played one game this week in UCMHL action. Hosting Kemptville #3 on Saturday, November 14, they were true to form. Their quick offense has served them well thus far in the season and this game would prove to be the same. The Lions posted three counters in the first period demonstrating their effectiveness from the primary drop of the puck.

The teams traded goals in the second and third periods keeping the Lions on top for a 5-2 victory.

Kevin Phifer had a hat trick for the home team and singles came from Anthony Lemaire and Michael Dowson. Helpers were credited to Phifer, Lemaire, Liam Remillard, Jay Hess and Adrian Bongers.

One penalty was assessed to the Lions this game and it was killed off successfully for the Lions as penalty killing has been improving with each game.

Lions drop two of three

The Morrisburg Novice "House" Lions had a very busy week with three games.

Starting things off on Tuesday, they travelled to Chesterville to play North Dundas in a regular league match-up. The Lions came home with another convincing victory to their credit as they soundly defeated the Demons. Goals were scored by Justin Saunders, Chris Tindal, Kurtis Corry, Pat Bongers, Matt Jamieson, Peter Toonders, Scott Douma and Hudson Cochrane.

Then, on Saturday, they hosted the South Grenville Rangers in an exhibition game. The Lions showed a strong effort despite losing 5-3. Goals were scored by Chris Tindal, Scott Douma and Brad Munroe who came through with his first of the season.

On Sunday the Lions journeyed to Metcalfe to play another exhibition game. The Lions played a solid and aggressive game but came out on the losing end of a 6-0 final.

The team now awaits a league decision this week to move up to a higher level of competition from "House League" to "Novice C"...they have demonstrated through their play in exhibition games that they are ready for the challenge. Stay tuned...!

Darts Ontario zone qualifiers

The Darts Ontario Zone Qualifiers will be held in Morrisburg for the first time ever. The first of four rounds will be held at the Morrisburg Legion on Sunday, November 29.

This is a qualifier for the Canadian and National Championships and the top 12 from each division will be off to Toronto in April '99 for the Provincial Championships.

"This qualifier is for dart players of all calibre. You don't have to be a great player to be eligible. The top 12 ladies, 12 men and 12 mixed double teams will automatically qualify for the Provincials," says Bobby Jack Hart, Zone Director for the St. Lawrence area. he adds, "These shoots are for people from Cornwall to Brockville, no super leaguers from Ottawa will be involved."

If this zone shoot is successful it could become an annual event. Other dates include Jan. 10, Feb. 14 and March 7. Mixed doubles get shooting at 10am and single events at 1pm each day. The best three rounds count towards overall points. Registration is $7/event plus a Darts Ontario membership fee of $20. (members pay $15)...thus you are a carded member of the National Darts Federation of Canada and a Darts Ontario member.

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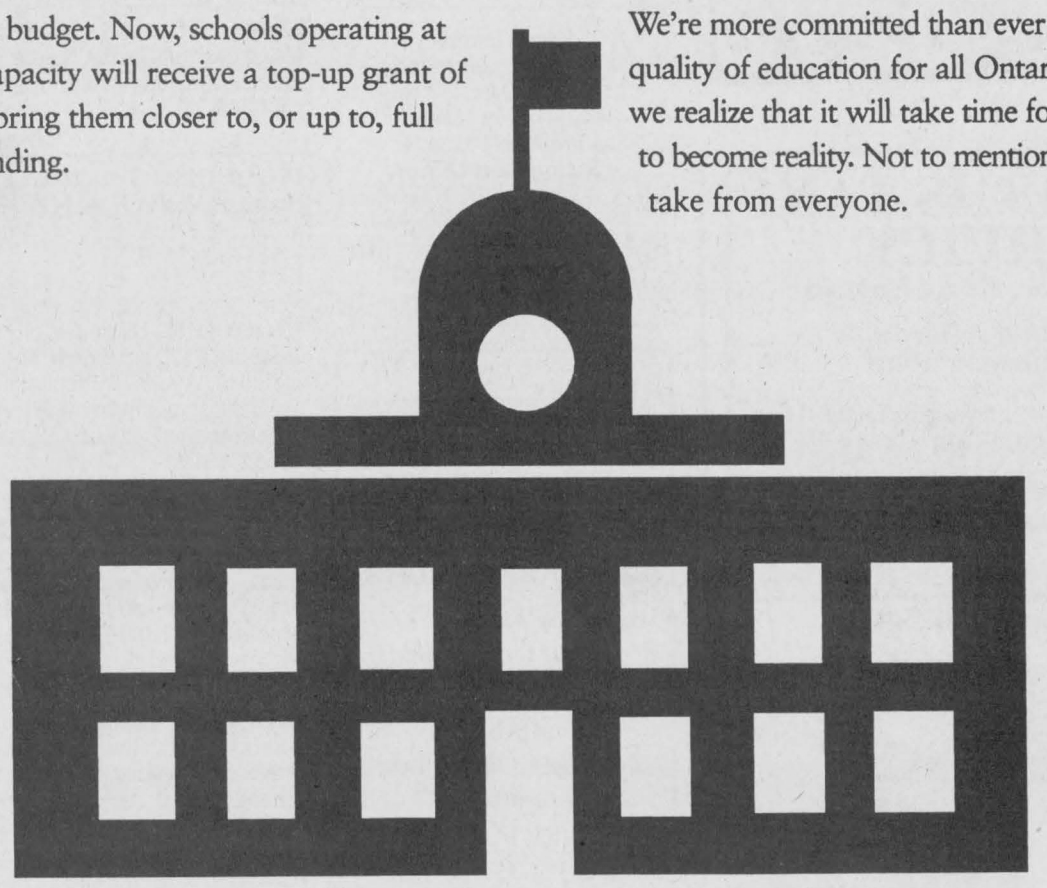

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Sincerely Margaret Murphy Richards
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OBITUARIES

Bob Fawcett

On Friday, November 13, 1998 at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital, Robert "Bob" Fawcett of RR2, Brinston. Born in Matilda Township on March 4, 1940, Bob was 58 years of age.

Living his entire lifetime in the area, Bob worked at several jobs including dye-tender at Caldwells, truck driver and watchman at Continental Mushroom and milk truck operator for Laporte as well as doing various other jobs on a self-employed basis.

A member of the Rowena Full Gospel Tabernacle, Bob enjoyed flying airplanes and playing music, especially in church. He enjoyed family life and sharing fellowship with others. Bob found pleasure in mowing lawns and doing lawn work.

Predeceased by his parents, Dan and Fannie (nee Thompson) Fawcett, Bob is sadly missed by his wife, Goldie (nee Markell) whom he wed on September 2, 1967 at the Rowena Full Gospel Tabernacle and a sister; Sheila (Dale) Merkley of Brinston. He is survived as well by many brother-in-laws, sister-in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois on Monday, November 16, 1998, with Rev. R.A. Leavitt officiating. Interment followed at Sprucehaven Cemetery, Brinston. Pallbearers were Ken and Allan Markell, Francis Henderson, Bert Smail, Steve Levere and Calvin Mayhew.

The family appreciated memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Georgie Seeley

After a courageous battle with cancer, Georgie Serena Seeley of Iroquois on Wednesday, November 11, 1998 at Winchester Hospital. Born in Morrisburg, on May 13, 1913, Georgie was 85 years of age.

Predeceased by her parents; Jacob and Nancy (nee Hall) Garlough, her beloved husband, Jesse Seeley (Oct. 7, 1988) and a brother, Oliver Garlough, Georgie was a caring, soft spoken lady who will be sadly missed by all who knew her. Mourning the loss especially are a son, Weldon at RR1, Iroquois; and daughters: Phyllis Holmes of Iroquois, Wilda Larabee and Verna (Buddy) Sayeau of Cannington, Ontario. Thirteen grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews will miss her as well.

Service was at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois on Saturday, November 14, 1998 with Rev. Georgia Copland officiating. Interment followed at Dundela with pallbearers; John and Karl Groniger, Marten Pepers and Gerald Casselman.

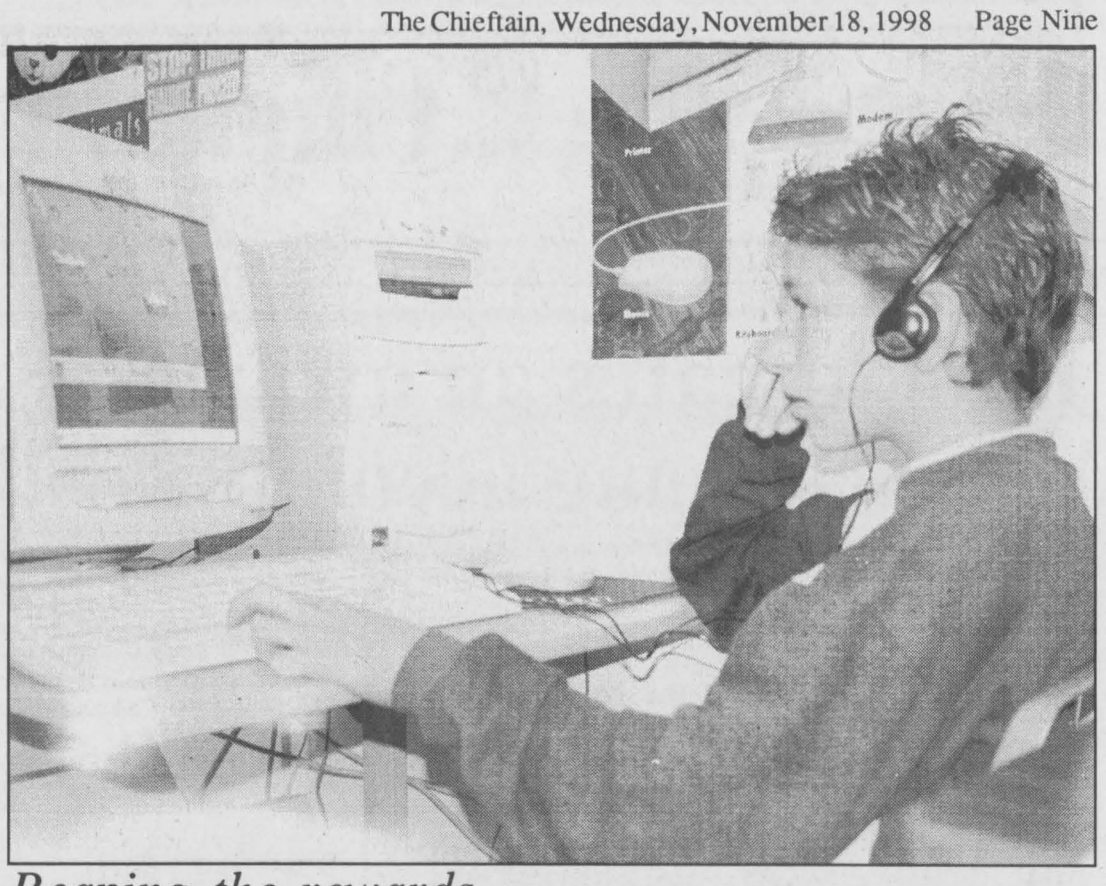
Ada Cornell

In hospital in Ottawa on Sunday, November 15, 1998, in her 91st year, Ada Viola Cornell.

The former Ada Wilson, daughter of the late R.J. and Annie Wilson, she was predeceased as well by her beloved husband, Arthur Allan Cornell formerly of Spencerville, Ontario. As well she was a sister to the late Francis Wilson, Agnes Maitland, Lorna Wilson and Harold Wilson.

Beloved mother of Patricia (Robert) Johnston of North Augusta, she will be sadly missed. Dear grandmother of Debra (Bruce) Kennedy of Brockville and Kenneth (Joy) Fader of North Augusta, she is missed by her great-grandchildren as well, Daniel and Kevin Kennedy, Lisa and Krista Fader. She was a sister to; Sadie MacEwen of Ottawa, Mildred Bailey, Ruby Smart and Norval Wilson, all of Shawville. Also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews.

Friends called at the Central Chapel of Hulse, Playfair and McGarry on McLeod, Street in Ottawa. Service was held in the Chapel at 2pm on Wednesday, November 18. Memorial donations to a charity of choice were appreciated by the family.



Reaping the rewards

Shane Carroll, busy at the computer he and his class mates raised funds to purchase. The energy and drive to earn enough money to buy such an ambitious piece of learning technology is great to see. This purchase provides an experience for the entire D.C. class at Iroquois Public.

Chieftain photo by S.L. Johnston

Students raise funds to buy computer

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The students who make up the Developmentally Challenged Class at Iroquois Public School have done a terrific job of fundraising. From selling freezies, to a BBQ, to a canteen at the 3-pitch and the soccer games, the students raffled a 5 pound chocolate bar (Herseys) and sold tickets on a 4-foot stuffed bumble bee donated by Mustard's Variety Store in the plaza. Candy Apples are a special treat and Barkley's Apple Orchard donated these so they could be sold as well. Tim Horton's donated donuts each Friday to be sold as a fundraiser as well.

The class has been able to amass over $1400 in a three month period through their efforts. Their teacher, Connie Shearer explains that the whole class has worked very hard selling items to raise the much needed funds. "We have been able to purchase a Compaq Presario computer that we located on sale in the city, as well as a Canon bubble jet printer for in-class usage. Enough money was raised to upgrade software we have and install Windows '95." She continues saying, "We hope to get involved with the Internet in the near future as well. Our computer is mobile and so we can take it to the library where the modem allows us to hook into the Internet."

The computer is shared by five students who use it on an alternating basis. They are all very keen and enjoy their time on the keyboard. They will be internetting with a school in Ireland when they go on line. A marvellous way for these students to learn , computers are certainly the way of the future and these youngsters seem to be extremely computer friendly.

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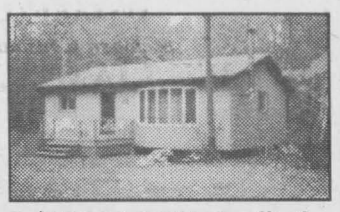

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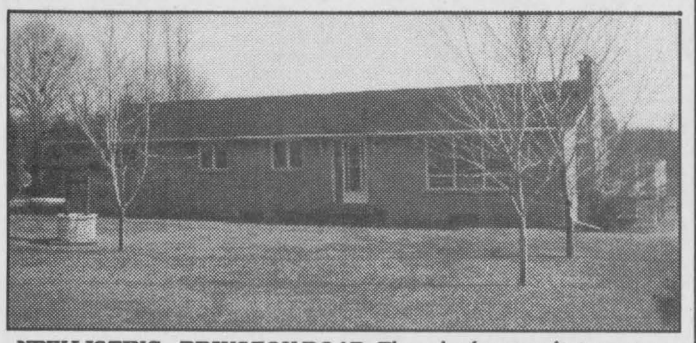

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St.Lawrence Area Birdwatching

by Linda Anderson

Bird feeders are beginning to be busy as we slip into mid-November. This time of year can be dull as far as birdwatching is concerned. Were it not for our feeders, there would be little to report. However, this past week, a reader stopped me in the plaza to report some interesting visitors...a family of 15 **ruffed grouse** paid a visit to their garden. The location will be kept secret to protect the young ones. Large numbers of young are common with game birds such as partridge and grouse, although some of the young in any group may be "adoptees."

A resident on Highway 2 reported an active feeder; lots of **house** and **purple finches, nuthatches, 10 mourning doves, blue jays, 2 hairy woodpeckers and 7 redwinged blackbirds.** The redwings may spend the winter if the feeders are kept stocked. Two **squirrels** fed as well, uninvited guests.

Another resident reported a **Kestrel** on a hydro wire just south of the Branch Road. Its reddish rusty back and tail were very bright against the dull colours of the roadside vegetation. Kestrels nest in old flicker holes, can often be seen perched on hydro wires and used to be called sparrowhawk.

Four **harriers** (marsh hawks) were seen over the fields west of Highway 16 on the way out of Kemptville. The white triangle at the base of tail was quite visible. There are ten species of harrier in the world. In our part of the world, harriers prefer marshy areas for habitat. Its hunting behaviour includes a short stall or hover before it drops down to snatch prey.

Please call your sightings to 652-2555. We especially need bird feeder reports at this time of year when all the songbirds have left. Without your input, the column will not be as comprehensive as it could be. You may remain anonymous if your are shy, but please call.

The column will return on December 2nd, too much happening to get things in order for next week.

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The Chieftain
Arts & Entertainment Page

~Bring On The Snow Dance
~Snowflake Bazaar And Lunch
~Craft Show/Sale At Iroquois Legion

Book creates an awareness of work being accomplished

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Starting with the jotting down of a few notes on miracles in progress being observed and powerful stories emerging from peoples' lives, as she went about her daily tasks at the local outreach mission, Shirley Nichol-Scott has created a book of short stories that will warm your heart and strengthen your beliefs.



Shirley Nichol-Scott and "Angels on my Window Sill "

The Pastoral Director at the House of Lazarus points to the wide window sill in her office and explains how when she completes a counselling session or prays with someone, she likes to give them something from this window sill as a pick-me-up...often it is an angel and so the name for the book; "Angels on My Window Sill."

Attending a writing conference in Guelph, having her efforts critiqued and even having one published, provided the encouragement to accumulate 52 stories which are now this book. Saturday she signed copies for those who bought one, the proceeds going to the House of Lazarus in South Mountain.

Each story ends with an appropriate quote from the Bible. "It was amazing how easy it seemed to be to find one to fit each story."

"I hope the book creates an awareness of what happens here, I want others to know what I do about the people and the House of Lazarus," says Shirley. Some of the tales will bring a tear to your eye while others a smile to your face. As Shirley tells us, "A lot of people who come here feel hopeless, they think no one is listening to them, they have no place to turn...and in the House of Lazarus, they find a safe and confidential atmosphere. Everything here is donated and when the food stores run low, monetary donations provide the necessary items. Victims of fire can come and we will help out as much as we are able."

Shirley gets a faraway look in her eye as she says, "I have learned a great deal since coming here. I came to help the clients an feel like I am reaping the largest rewards. We become very close to our regulars, they are a part of our family. She stresses the idea that "We should not see people less fortunate than ourselves as less worthy, they are not!"

She looks to a story entitled, Dr. Scholl, I Love You" as her favourite. "It means the most to me." Telling how her sore feet were caused by a pair of old sneakers and how a brand new pair of Dr. Scholl sandals came in with a donation box. Putting them on, she felt great relief and so placed a donation in the box to cover them. Several days later when a woman came in after having left an abusive husband behind, shoeless, Shirley parted with the sandals although she was fond of their comfort.

Titles like "Ice Storm'98, Fear of Change, May I Please Buy it Back? and The Empty Shelf, A visit to the Dump, Our Mattress is on the Road, Honest We Have No Eggs! They Really Like Me, Creatures in the Night, The Life of a Snowsuit, What a Wonderful Day, The Christmas Poinsettia, A House Fire, and Albums of Memories" as well as the reason behind the name for House of Lazarus, this makes a good read and a terrific gift.

Shirley and her volunteer helpers enjoy their work and the people they meet. Drop by with your donations and know they get a good and useful home. Joey Kileen (Resource Assistant) and Dawn Jennings Dumoulin (Mission Assistant) along with the 13 others who come out to help at various times weekly are ready to listen, provide assistance and whatever is needed..."we could never service without our volunteers,"says Shirley.

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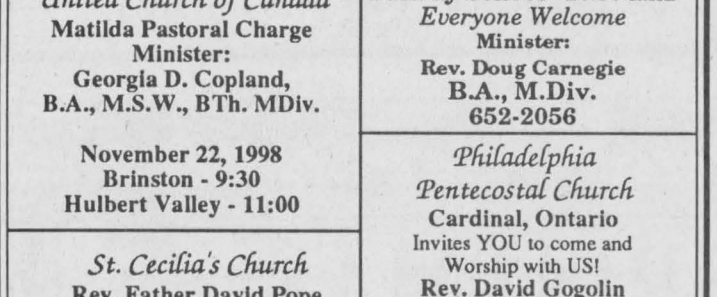

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543-3904 Office
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9:15 am - St.James
11:00 am-St.John's
St. James' Morrisburg
St. John's Iroquois
Holy Trinity Riverside Heights

Anglican Church of Canada
Parish of Edwardsburgh
Rector:
The Rev. Doug Hayman
St. James' Parish, Crystal Rock
9:00 a.m.
St. Paul's Church, Cardinal
11:00 a.m.

United Church of Canada
Matilda Pastoral Charge
Minister:
Georgia D. Copland,
B.A., M.S.W., BTh. MDiv.
November 22, 1998
Brinston - 9:30
Hulbert Valley - 11:00

United Church of Canada
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Worship Service:
Every Sunday - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
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652-2056

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Sunday 9:45 a.m.
Christian Education Hour 10:45 a.m. Worship the Word 7 p.m.
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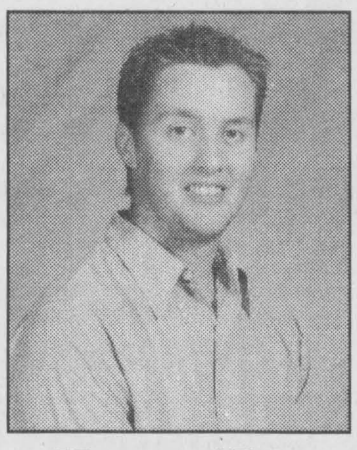

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Iroquois Legion, Branch 370
Lunch Available,
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COMMUNITY DANCE
Saturday, November 21, 1998
9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
South Edwardsburg Community Centre,
Sutton Drive, Johnstown
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Saturday, November 21, 1998
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Matilda Hall, Dixon's Corners
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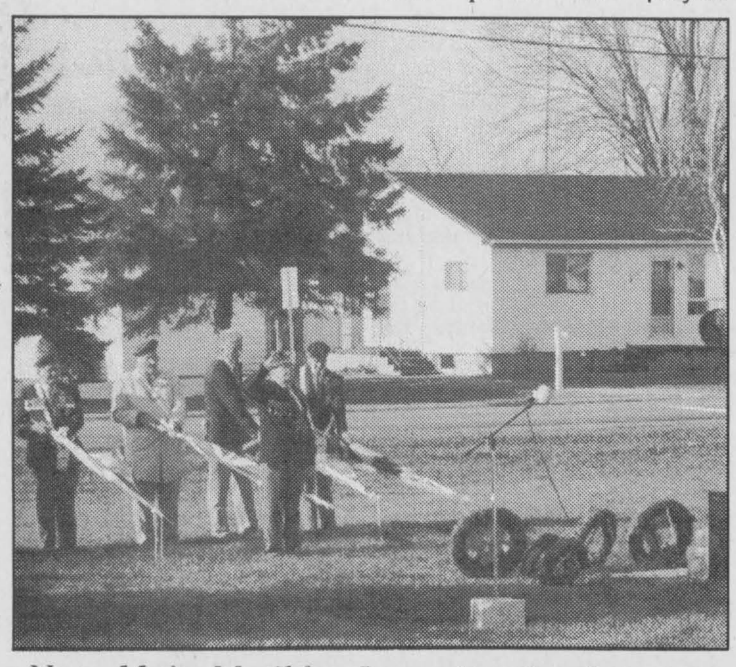
Remembrance Day observed in local area

Morrisburg Legion saw a gathering of those who would remember. Gord McGregor piped the Lament after the reading of the names of the war dead. Laura Barkley from Seaway High played the Last Post prior to the 2 minutes silence and then Reveille afterwards. Wreaths were placed and prayers expressed, singing Oh Canada and The Queen and Branch 48 heard the Legion Choir as they sang as well.

Matilda Township celebrated Remembrance Day with the laying of wreaths at the Memorial, the Last Post, silence to remember and Reveille and then headed inside for the service. Bill Harbers shared "Remembrances from one who was There." Rev Jack Vanderveer (Community Christian Reformed Church) and Rev Georgia Copland (Brinston United) led the service.

Cardinal folks battled the strong winds to take part in the service at the cenotaph. Among those attending and participating this year were the newly formed Sea Cadets. Wreaths were placed and those who gave the supreme sacrifice were noted. Prayers were said as Reverends Dayman, Johnston, Urquhart and Clarke added to the proceedings. The Last Post as well as Reveille were played by a Cadet and Girl Guides, Legion members as well as the community at large attended and took part. "At the going down of the sun and in the morning...we will remember them."



Nov. 11 in Matilda: Lowering the flags.
Chieftain photo by Nelson Zandbergen



'Last Post' somberly plays in Cardinal.
Chieftain photo by S.L. Johnston

Royal Canadian Legion Newsletter
by Dar

Here it is the week after Remembrance Day. The Remembrance services are all over, the poppies and wreaths have been put away for another year. And life goes on. But...as quickly as the days and years pass, we must endeavour to keep the memory alive for the next generation onto whom and why the wars were fought and the sacrifice that was made, so we can all enjoy our "FREEDOM." Would you believe (from stats of the war 1914-18) the number of persons who served at home or abroad from the Iroquois-Matilda area was 169 and those who paid the supreme sacrifice, 32? For the Second World War,1939-45 the number who served was 312, of those, 26 gave their lives and as far as we know, these numbers are quite high when compared to other areas.

This past Saturday evening we held our Honours and Awards pot luck-Remembrance Day dinner. We changed the date from previous years in an attempt to attract more people...a larger gathering would have been nice. The food was great and the fellowship excellent. The awards this year were at a minimum. The Ladies Auxiliary donated a cheque to the local Scouts Canada movement to help defray costs incurred in their activities and the Legionnaire of the Year was shared by two exceptional people who are well known and who do more than their share on behalf of the Branch, Sheila Holmes and Lawrence Scarbo. For those unaware; earlier this year, we had to lay off two of our main bartenders due to the economic situation in these times, namely Sheila and Lawrence. We operate presently with volunteer bartenders, including both of the aforementioned. Both Sheila and Lawrence are as faithful as ever, no matter what time of the day or night when a problem arises, they can be counted on. They truly deserve this award for their dedication over the years. Congrats to you both!!

This past Saturday afternoon, there were sixteen players for Cribbage. Paul Claxton bounced back from the bruising he took at the Crib tables a week ago to capture first place this week. Second went to Bill Farrell who was followed by Joe MacDonald in third. A record number of skunks were recorded (16!) with Wilf Summers picking up a trio of them. There is still room for a few more Crib players and remember you do not have to be a Legion member to come out and compete, simply the desire. Come out any Saturday, play gets underway at 1pm.

On Tuesday night, the main hall was quite full of Euchre players and this past week first place went to Frank Walsh, second to Lawrence Wyatt and Barb Wardle took the door prize. Skunks went to Barb, Doris Froats, Bill Sanderson and Jim Arthurs.

High winners at the Duplicate Bridge were Frank Bickersdike and Brooke Leightizer.

The Pot of Gold winner was Carl Banford who was NOT signed in. Now the Pot is looking pretty good, so don't take chances having your name come up and not being signed in. It only takes a looney and get signed in and who knows, your Christmas could be brighter!!

The Meat Draw was won by Sheila Holmes, Congrats!!

Before I close this week, I would like to wish a speedy recovery to Comrade Reg Farmer who at the present time is in Winchester Hospital. The Branch just is not the same without Reg.-..hope to see him back soon.

Take care and see you next week.



Legionnaires of '98-Sheilia Holmes and Lawrence Scarbo with John Wilson of the Legion



Legion Awards night in Morrisburg

Among those picking up service awards at the Legion last Saturday were: (back, l-r) John Kooyman, 15 yrs; Tom Dougall, 25 yrs; Glen Mattice, associate 5 yrs; Lloyd Merkley, past president's bar; Joseph Loose, associate 5 yrs; Mike Robertson, associate 5 yrs; Leonard Beckstead, associate 5 yrs; (front, l-r) Lurinda Beckstead, associate 5 yrs; Judy Laurin, past officer's bar; Jean Vaughan, associate 5 yrs; Molly Duchesneau, past officer's bar; Helen Fraser, 10 yrs; Bert Tippins, associate 20 yrs; Mitch Cassell, associate 20 yrs; George Dowson, 35 yrs; John Vaughan, associate 20 yrs. *Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen*



Armistice Banquet, Legion Awards in Cardinal

Award winners in Cardinal last Saturday: (back, l-r) Leonard Steele, associate 5 yrs; Roy Douglas, 1st Vice President Medal; Mick Cook, 5 yrs; Walt Smail, 55 yrs; Joanne Graham (hidden) associate 20 yrs; John Gilligan, associate 15 years; Dave Sibbald, 25 yrs; (front, l-r) Sheila Callahan, associate 5 yrs; Shelley Douglas, associate 15 yrs; Eleanor Beatson, associate 5 yrs; Keith Patterson, associate 10 yrs; James Brice, associate 5 yrs; John Millard, 55 yrs, past officer; Garfield Wright, 40 yrs. *Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen*

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- Calipers	- Stabilizer bushings	- Brake fluid condition
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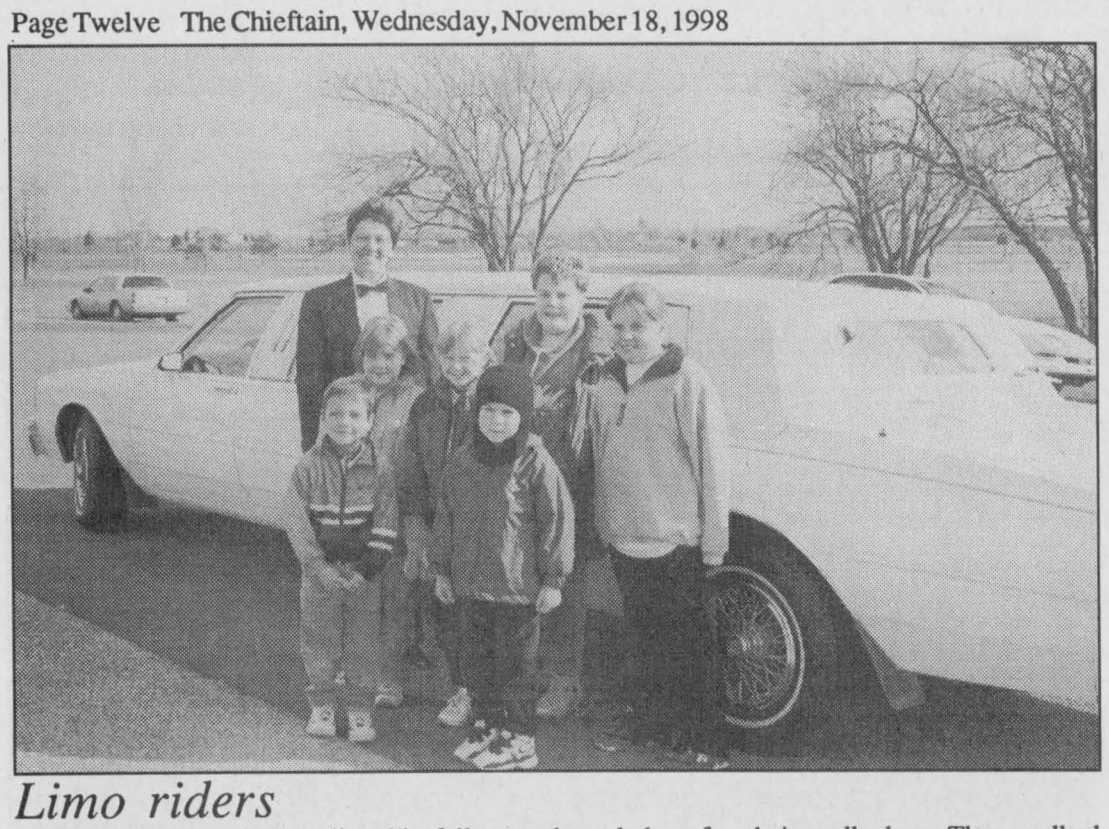

Limo riders

IPS students worked earlier this fall to gather pledges for their walkathon. They walked along the bikepath that goes to the beach area and back to the street where they had a staff member sign their ticket. Those who earned the most money were rewarded with a Limo Ride to MacDonalds for lunch. Among the winners were Art Vissar, Nathan Biccum, Hayley Carr, Matt Goodmurphy, Melissa Flinn and Tracy Jones. Other winners not pictured, but who rode on other days were Kyle Hutchison, Reagan Hall, Sloane Jarvis, Jessica Dodge, Corey Tschoumy, James Dickie, Amber Vaughn, Katie McElheron, Sierena Richmire, Clayton Froats, Holly Johnston and Les Bilmer. *Chieftain photo*



$1,034 raised for Hurricane Mitch victims

George Jackson (far right) receives the cheque from grade 10 history students. Karen Koivumaki's class helped raise the cash for Jackson's Honduran relief efforts. Chocolate bar sales, and tickets for a chance to shave Mark Lewis bald, garnered the hefty sum. The clippers took to Lewis's scalp minutes later. *Chieftain photo by N.H. Zandbergen*

Christmas Exchange is coming

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Sleigh bells are ringing and it is time for you to help spread a little Christmas cheer!

The South Dundas Christmas Exchange (SDCE) volunteers have been as busy as a bunch of elves getting ready for this years' operation.

Organizing the childrens toy drive, Carole Richer has spoken with service groups and is just waiting for the numbers.

"Hopefully we can bring a little joy to those who are less fortunate," Mrs. Richer commented.

Although the SDCE limits the number of baskets (200) given to families, Richer noted that over the last few years there has not been a dramatic increase in the demand.

"It's stayed at a pretty even keel."

An interesting aside, Richer was also pleased to see new volunteers on-board.

"We've noticed that people who just a few years ago were in need of assistance, have reached a point where they no longer need help and they've come in to lend a hand."

Iroquois

Once again The Chieftain and The Bank of Montreal are teaming up to provide the SDCE with gifts from Iroquois.

"As soon as we get the number (of children) we'll set up the tree and get started," said Chieftain Editor Sandra Lee Johnston.

"This is something that really benefits the children and the people of Iroquois have always been so generous," she added. "We're really looking forward to making a difference."

If you would like to help, you can stop by the Angel Tree (which should be up in another few weeks) or call The Chieftain at 652-4395 for more information.

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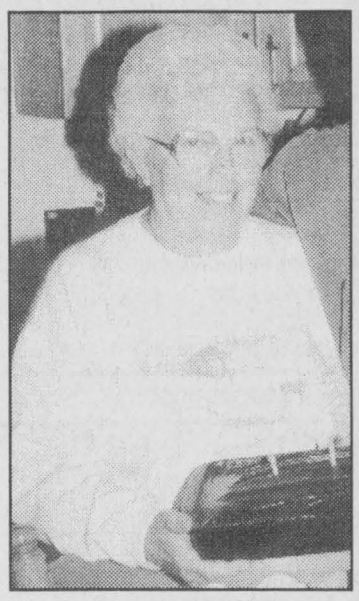

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FROM THE FRONT PAGE

Foodgrain

projects. A hand-dug well topped with a hand-pump, a central building to store foodstuffs, these are the things to make a longer-lasting impact on the life of a rural Ethiopian, he said.

Six million dollars was raised last year through the CFGB. The Federal Government's CIDA program kicked in the balance of $20 million in international aid distributed by the CFGB.

Garlough's slide-show of his January-February trip was an eye-opener. He related how a group of women were drying pottery in the sun. Intended as water flasks, they were constucted from a mixture of manure and animal hair. Manure also served as the main fuel. "The blue smoke hang in the air" around meal-time, he said.

Strangely enough, Garlough said the Ethiopians have a decent education system. Sixty percent have a grade 10 education and yet live in a world that could almost be described as stone-age.

The CFGB grew out of the Mennonite Central Committee a couple decades ago. Its mandate remains "a Christian response to hunger."

South Dundas

please snowbirds, and landlords with vacant units. So long as a residence has an individual shut-off, the township will waive water and sewer rates when the property has been disconnected by township staff, at owner's request. Disconnection will cost $40 ($60 after hours), and reconnection the same.

Mayor Whitteker questioned that idea, noting water can be shut off, but not sewer pipes. He said plenty of people discovered how to flush a toilet without running water during the ice-storm.

Taxing discussion

Council grappled with the pending Bill 79, which will cap commercial taxes to no more than a 10 percent increase for the business owner this year, and five percent for each of the two following years.

"It's going to be an administrative nightmare," Waddell predicted.

Businesses that have already paid too much this year would see that amount refunded, with interest.

Waddell said the shortfall will have to be carried by other businesses. "In Kingston, business people who've had decreases are being asked to give the money back. They're forming lynch mobs."

Councillor Martel said he anticipates a rough ride when readjusted commercial property tax bills are sent out in South Dundas.

There was also concern the tax spreading could spill over into the residential class.

Further pressuring the township are tax write-offs stemming from successful assessment reconsiderations and appeals, some $368,485 at last count.

Whitteker made a point of mentioning that, thanks to some hard lobbying at Counties Council by North Dundas Mayor Claude Cousineau, Morewood's Guildcrest Homes now finds itself in a lower tax class. Originally assessed as large industrial, the company was looking at a tax bill that had climbed from $90,000 to $230,000 this year. "They're 'medium' now. That lowered it way down," he said.

Still peeved at the Nature Conservancy

The last parcel of Dupont property east of Morrisburg will be donated to the Nature Conservancy of Canada on December 31, 1998, as detailed in a letter to Council. A swath of waterfront real estate along County Road 2, beginning just east of the RohMax plant and running to the outskirts of Riverside, is to be swallowed by the so-called Dupont Nature Reserve.

The land opposite, on the north side of Number 2 and running deep to the railway tracks, was officially purchased by the Nature Conservancy on October 20, 1998.

The very first chunk, near the edge of Morrisburg, abutts the other north-side property behind the RohMax plant. It was donated ated in 1997.

The Nature Conservancy revealed it will allow the existing snowmobile trails, and some cattle grazing. However, the land will now be off-limits to four-wheelers and firewood choppers.

Mayor Whitteker saw a bit of an opening in the Nature Conservancy's request for cooperation on the railway spur line connecting RohMax to the main line. The tracks were apparently built in the wrong place and actually sit on Conservancy land, according to legal documents; the Conservancy would like South Dundas to support its Application of Consent, which would put RohMax's easement where the tracks were actually built.

Obviously still needled by the loss of industrial-zoned land, Whitteker suggested not co-operating.

No one around the table took up the idea, however.

The Nature Conservancy, a non-governmental organization, proposes the Dupont Nature Reserve eventually be turned over to Ontario Parks jurisdiction.

The letter states the Nature Conservancy is speaking with "Chamber of Commerce representatives . . . to discuss preparation of the Management Plan for the proposed DuPont Provincial Park."

"I'm kind of disappointed the Chamber of Commerce has gone along with it," said the Mayor.



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