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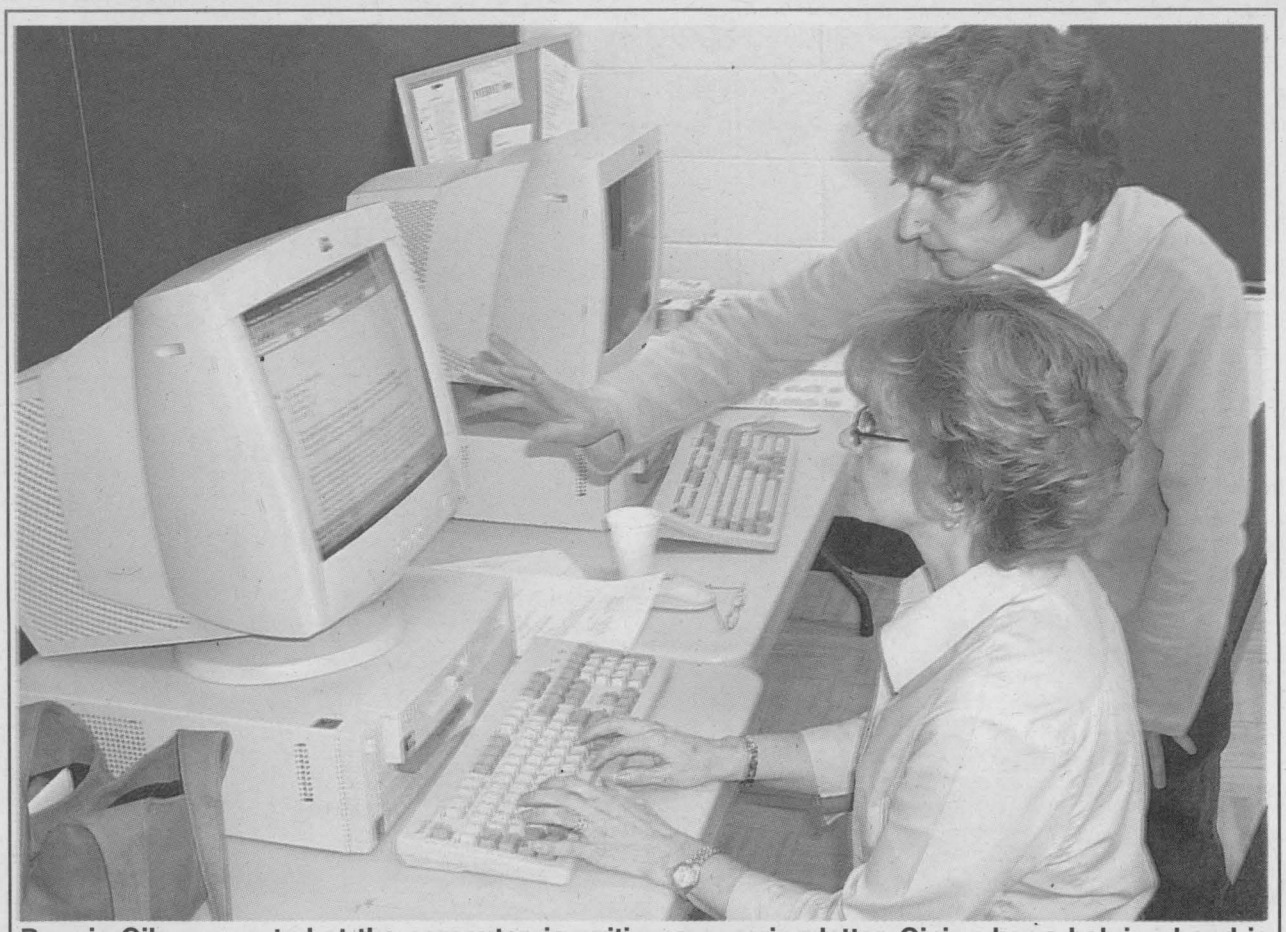

**Bonnie Gibson, seated at the computer, is writing a covering letter. Giving her a helping hand is the Caldwell Action Centre Co-ordinator, Pattie MacDonald. The Centre located in Iroquois is helping the employees affected by the closure of the St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corportation.**

## Action Centre in Iroquois helps

The Caldwell Action Centre in Iroquois is open for business.

The Centre, located in a classroom at the St. Cecilia's Elementary School, in Iroquois, was set up in response to the closure of the St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation.

It has only been officially opened for one day and ex-employees of the St. Lawrence Manufacturing Corporation have already showed up to take advantage of the action centre.

The Centre is designed to help employees prepare for and follow through on their strategy to keep their place in the workforce.

On Thursday, March 16, the Centre opened with an employee's day. There were from 60 to 75 employees who dropped by the Centre to have some time to see what the Ccntre could do for them.

There was also a barbecue and an opportunity for friends who used to work together to touch base. "There were a lot of questions about what we could do for them," said Dave Murphy, a member of the Center's Adjustment Advisory Committee.

Mr. Murphy added that the key to the centre's success in the coming months would be the number of employees who were willing to let the Centre help them.

**CENTRE**

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## Resident runs for South Dundas Mayor's seat

*BY JOSEPH MORIN*
*CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER*

The South Dundas municipal elections are still months away but some residents have already decided that they would like to try their hand at sitting at the South Dundas Council table.

The latest entry into the future municipal electoral race is Morrsïburg's Cam Martel. Mr. Martel has declared himself a candidate for the Mayor's seat at the head of the council table.

He is no stranger to rural politics, having years of experience at the municipal and higher tier levels of government, as well as having an established track record with community groups and institutions.

"This was not an overnight decision," said Mr. Martel, "I thought long and hard about it." Cam Martel's decision to take a run at the Mayor's seat was based on his belief that he could help the South Dundas community as a whole. "We have to take a look at the way we are doing business," he said. He added that as Mayor he would like to take a thoughtful look at how issues are dealt with in South Dundas. "If there is no reason to change something, you do not change it."

Mr. Martel announced his decision to run in the 2006 November municipal election in a press release. He stated in the release, "I have decided to stand in the next municipal election this fall because I have a solid background in municipal politics and a strong interest in a flourishing township."

**RESIDENT**

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## CENTRE
*FROM FRONT*

The Centre is funded jointly by the Federal and Provincial governments. On day one of the program, several employees had signed up for a needs assessment. Bert Morrow of B&B Management, Human Resources Services, was on hand to conduct the needs assessment. The assessments help the action centre to find out what programs to offer the employees who have been, coming to the Centre looking for a new start in the workplace. Ideally, as more needs are identified, the Centre will be able to help more workers. Mr. Morrow says that he has been conducting one-on-one interviews with employees. He has identified 12 to 14 sectors of the business which are recruiting staff. Part of the needs assessment is helping employees understand how their skills can be transferred to different kinds of employment.

Often an employee will have developed an excellent set of skills that they mistakenly believe are only useful in their last job, but in reality are valuable skills and abilities that will help them stand out in other occupations. Mr. Morrow stressed that the interviews are private and all information is confidential. "This a place where I can help people by getting them acquainted with their strengths," said Mr. Morrow. The next step the Centre will be taking is setting up programs to help employees based on the needs identified. Dave Murphy says, "We are hoping that any of the employees affected by the closure will come into the Centre".

Employers in the area will be encouraged to get in touch with Centre to help them staff their companies. The Caldwell Action Centre is open two days a week. Thursday from 10 am. to 5 pm. and on Friday from 9 am. to 4 pm. For more, please call 652-6232, fax-652-1727 or email ceac@bellnet.ca.

## RESIDENT
*FROM FRONT*

Before the South Dundas amalgamation, that drastically changed how residents in Iroquois, Morrisburg and the surrounding villages viewed their communities, Mr. Martel was heavily involved with municipal issues. He served for 6 years on the Morrisburg Council as a councilor. He took on the council portfolio of Public Works. After amalgamation he continued as a member of the new South Dundas Council for another 6 years. In addition to his council experience during those same critical post amalgamation years, he represented the South Dundas Council at the Untied Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SD&G). During the Counties' term he was elected Warden of SD&G.

Defining his political style, Mr. Martel said that he believes that the art of mediation has to be used in order to reach a unified conclusion which should in turn, lead to the community reaching a common goal. He says that you have to be able to sense the direction that your municipality wants to go, and then find a way to help it get there.

When it comes to taxes Mr. Martel is well aware of the relationship between the United Counties, taxpayers and the local township. "I am well aware of the roles," he said, adding, that most people do not know what the United Counties do.

Any modern day township faces similar challenges. Mr. Martel believes that a community cannot stop itself from growing but at the same time has to be aware of the costs of growth. He says, "We must not lose sight of the fact of the importance of planning for the future. It is my belief that our strategic plan must be visited with the express purpose of implementing a course of action that ensures a healthy and prosperous future for our community, while holding taxes at bay."

Mr. Martel, in the past, has been involved for many years in the many aspects of municipal affairs. He chaired the South Dundas Planning Board and has also served as the Chair for the South Dundas Economic Development Commission. He is currently representing the community on the Library Board and is the Chair of the Eastern Ontario Water Resource Committee. Mr. Martel is also involved with the Morrisburg Old Home Week Committee, the Royal Canadian Legion and is currently serving as the President of the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce.

In his press release he states, "As far as issues are concerned the taxes are always on the forefront, followed by municipal services, roads, drainage and bridges in the townships and water and sewer plants in the Villages of Morrisburg and Iroquois."

As far as the South Dundas Council is concerned, he would want to be able to work in "close harmony with the council and the municipal staff "with the aims and goals of streamlining the system and create the most economic operation possible.

# Fatal motor vehicle collision

Morrisburg resident, Anna Johnston, was killed on the weekend in a two car collision along County Road 2.

On March 18, SD&G OPP officers responded to a report of a 2 vehicle head-on collision on County Road 2, about 3 km west of the village of Morrisburg. An eastbound vehicle, driven by a 75 year old female, Anna Johnston, who was alone in the car, from Morrisburg, Ontario, collided head-on with a westbound 2004 Chev. Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV), driven by Vaughan Fawcette of Embrun, Ontario. Mrs. Johnston received fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene, while Mr. Fawcett was taken to Winchester Hospital suffering from non-life threatening injuries. The Morrisburg Fire Department attended the scene for extrication purposes. A section of County Road 2, from Muttonville Road to Coyle Drive, remained closed to traffic as OPP officers tended to the scene.


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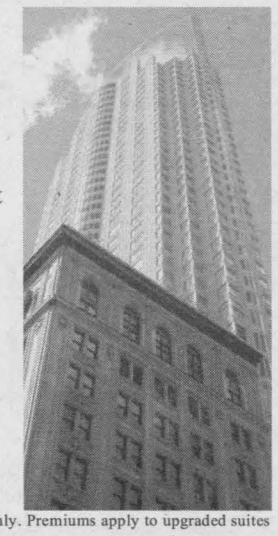

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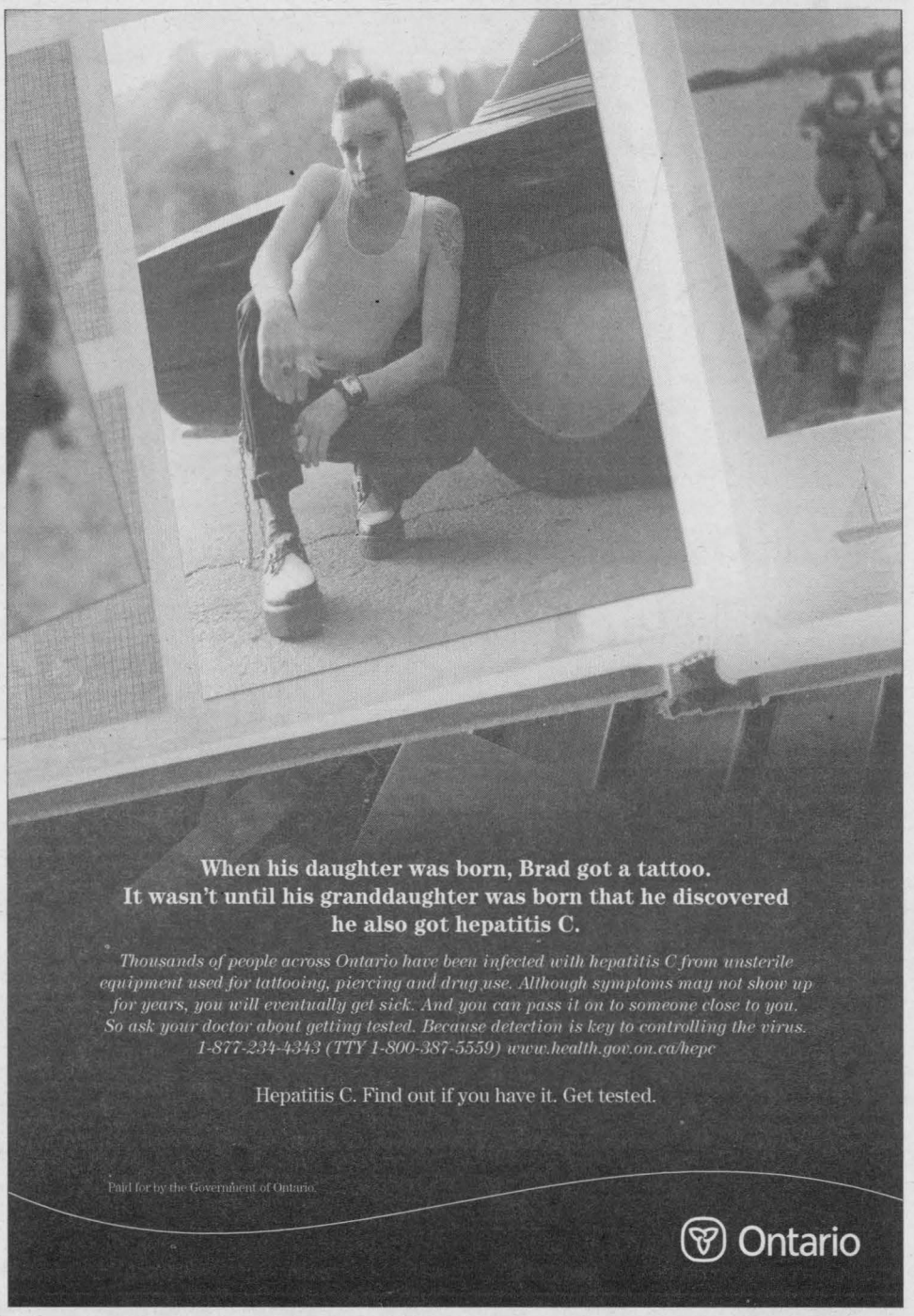

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# South Dundas tourism industry to be studied with survey

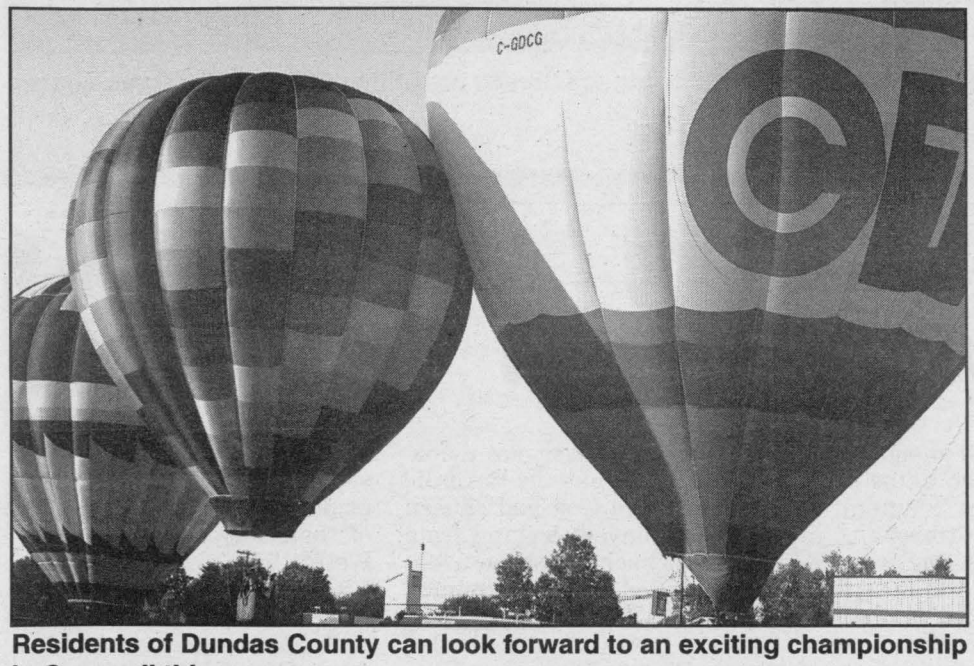
*BY ANDREA CARTIER*
*CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER*

Mike Lalonde, the executive director of Cornwall & Seaway Valley Tourism, was in South Dundas on Monday, March 13 to address a group interested in growing the tourism industry in this area. Lalonde explained to his audience the five strategic directions recommended by the Ontario tourism strategy. These directions include embracing a visitor-first philosophy, building the image and influence of tourism, strengthening strategic marketing, developing an "all of government" approach to tourism, and developing destinations and experiences. Presently, the South Dundas tourist industry is being marketed as a local and regional destination. It is the goal of the process now being funded in part by Service Canada to explore avenues for boosting the area to a higher level in terms of attracting visitors from further afield. As part of the 1000 Islands & St. Lawrence Seaway destination approach, the first step is to take a comprehensive inventory of tourist and related industries in the area. In order to do this, the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation has identified a staff team to work with tourist organizations within the region. Cornwall and Seaway Valley Tourism will serve as the project manager, and ministry staff will be available throughout the process in order to provide support, advice and expertise. A local advisory committee will provide overall leadership and support, and supply local knowledge. Service Canada staff will collect data and prepare reports. Industry committees with interest in the various components of tourism will provide advice during the resource audit, and finally a steering committee will interpret data and advocate for the implementation of recommendations.

The survey will look at tourism products such as attractions, quality, accessibility and accommodations. Data which reflects on the visitation numbers and occupancy rates will also be examined, as well as future trends in destination marketing. The end result should be a comprehensive audit of tourism resources and assets, an evaluation of the destination from a tourism marketing perspective, and an outline for a tourism development strategy.

In order for the undertaking to be successful, important lessons have been taken from other areas which have undergone the same process. According to Lalonde, it is vital that the municipalities be involved, that adequate resources are dedicated to the process, and that orientation sessions be held. The Monday evening meeting was part of an effort to develop communications with the township in order that industry operators participate willingly in the inventory and other stages of the process.

# Cornwall to host 2006 Canadian Baloon Championships



**Residents of Dundas County can look forward to an exciting championship in Cornwall this summer.**

The Board of Directors of Kinsmen Cornwall Lift-Off announced today that the City of Cornwall has been chosen by the Canadian Balloon Association (CBA), as the host community for the 2006 Canadian Hot Air Balloon Championships. The bid, prepared in partnership with Cornwall and Seaway Valley Tourism, was submitted to the CBA in late 2005. Kinsmen Cornwall Lift-Off and the 2006 Canadian Championships will be held in Lamoureux Park from July 13th to 16th, 2006.

The local hot air balloon festival has previously hosted back-to-back national championships in 1996 and 1997. Cornwall Lift-Off was founded in 1994 and is celebrating it's 10th Anniversary in 2006. "We are very excited about once again being selected to organize and host the National Championships here in Cornwall", stated Chris Savard Festival Chair. "In addition to the significant recent growth of our festival, we have a proven track record with the CBA of hosting successful events. This will prove to be a recipe for success for the 2006 festival."

"The Canadian Balloon Association is pleased to award the 2006 Canadian Hot Air Balloon Championships to the community of Cornwall, for the third time in the last ten years," stated David Gleed, CBA President. "The whole region of Cornwall has embraced the sport of hot air ballooning and we are absolutely thrilled to once again invite the top pilots from all across Canada to compete on a national stage in the area."

"The Tourism Office was pleased to play an active role with the Festival Board to prepare this bid package", added Mike Lalonde, Executive Manager of Cornwall & Seaway Valley Tourism. "Our office has seen a significant increase in the number of Lift-Off inquires and out-of-town visitors attending the festival. We feel strongly that the addition of the Championships will assist the Festival to grow even larger this summer."

Kinsmen Cornwall Lift-Off is in the process of finalizing negotiations with its Headline entertainers for 2006 and an announcement party is expected in April.

Cornwall Lift-Off was founded in 1994 and has since hosted back-to-back Canadian National Hot Air Balloon Championships in 1996 and 1997. The success of the festival has grown considerably from modest beginnings in 1994. This year, an exciting assortment of live entertainment and fireworks will compliment the 2006 Canadian Hot Air Balloon Championships as well as the usual passenger balloon rides. This year's festival will be held July 13-16th in Cornwall's scenic Lamoureux Park and it is anticipated that the 2006 festival will attract between 45,000 to 50,000 spectators from Eastern Ontario, Western Quebec and Northern New York State.

For more info about Lift-Off, please visit its website, www.lift-off.ca.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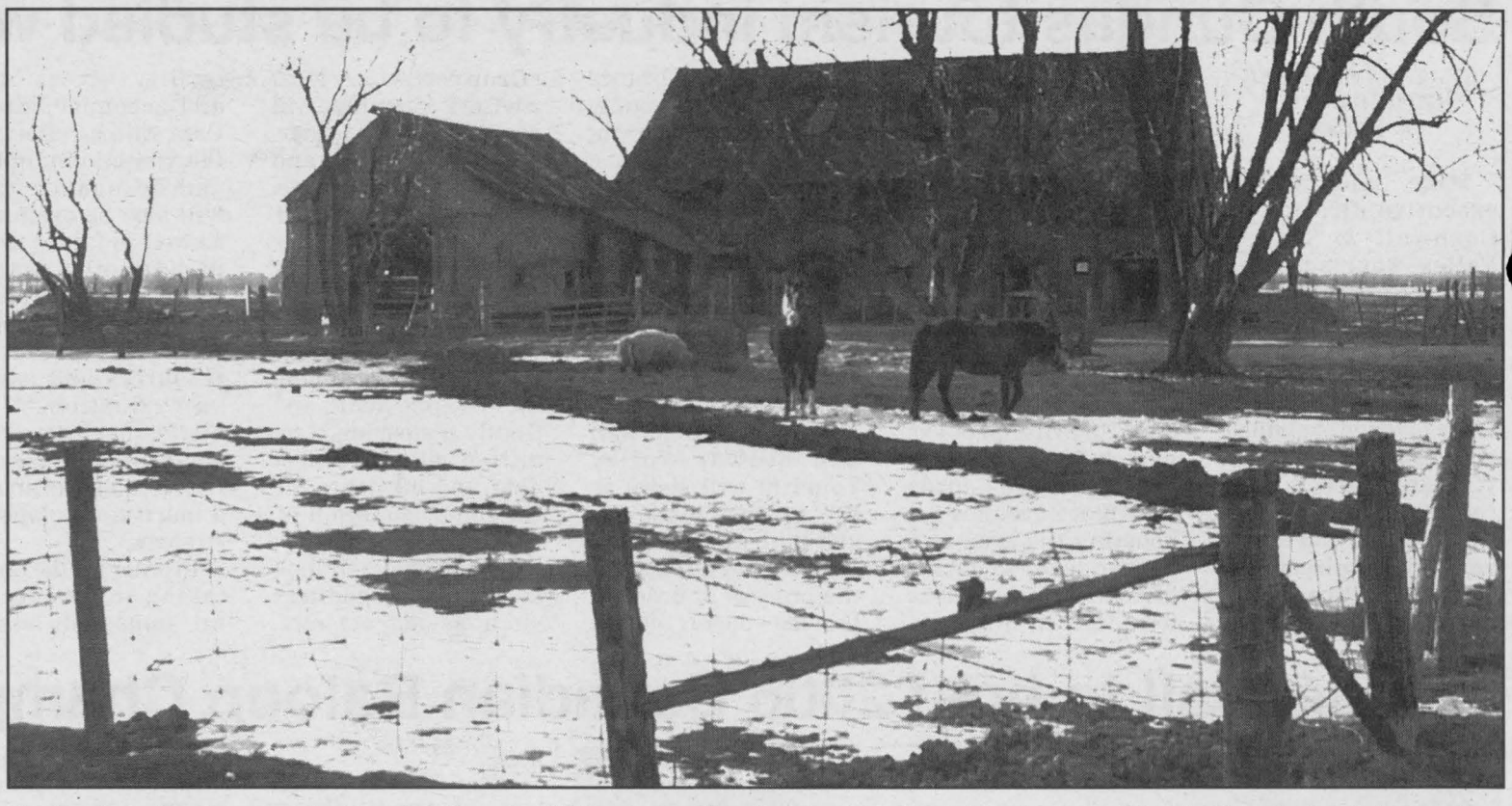

**Spring is trying to come to Dundas County. Warmer weather is near but these horses are still enjoying their winter coats.**

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## Calling on spring

Apparently Monday was he final day of winter. Could have fooled me. I know that the snow has been disappearing a bit at a time and the mornings are brighter, the daylight lasting longer in the evening, but it still feels like winter.

There is nothing, to my mind anyway worse than cold weather without the comfort of a foot of snow, and that is exactly what we have now. Grey skies most of the time and cold temperatures wrapped in a promise from the Farmer's Almanac, that given time all will be well. I have noticed more birds out doing their pre-spring dance and that is indeed a sign that the season is going to change whether winter likes it or not.

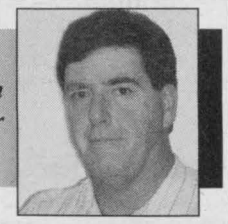
The person in charge of he thermostat must be on break or at the very least lunch because despite all of the obligatory signs of spring, the temperature is a few weeks behind. Perhaps the weather at the moment is nothing more than the pause between income tax time and summer. A wasteland painted with impatience and anticipation.

Memory will tell you that summer is not to be denied. It is just a matter of time before the ground softens, the cold wind becomes a summer breeze and winter boots, hats and gloves are items that are returned to the closet for another few months.

**J.M.**

## *A thought... from me to you*

*by Joseph Morin*
*Editor*



Often we will attend or hear of an event that, to the people involved, has tremendous meaning that we miss.

St. Patrick's Day is one of them, at least for me. I have always thought of St. Patrick's Day as a celebration of all things Irish as well as a celebration of the man called St. Patrick. I was not surprised, after a wee bit of Internet researching to discover that St. Patrick, the person, was quite the fellow and right St. Patrcik's Day is more meaningful than a million metrics tones of green beer.

St. Patrick was the guy the Catholic Church picked to go to Ireland to covert all of those Irish pagans. The time frame would have been around 1,500 years ago. Imagine the trip St. Patrick would have had to make to get to Ireland from Rome. That would be an epic story in itself.

According to historians, St. Patrick wrote two books during his lifetime. One was called the Confessio which turns out to be a thoughtful autobiographical work dealing with his own sense of spiritualism and a second book called the Epistola which was nothing more than a political examination of how poorly the British government of the times was treating Irish Christians. One theme of his literacy works was how thankful he was that the Catholic Church and God had chosen him to convert Ireland from an assortment of pagan tribes to a unified Christian country. He wrote, of himself that he was a, "most humble-minded man, poring forth a continuous paean of thanks to his maker for having chosen him as the instrument whereby multitudes who had worshiped idols and unclean things had become the people of God". Quite a task to take on but apparently he succeeded. He has become also known as the fellow who drove the snakes out of Ireland. Historians believe that the reference to snakes was probably symbolic. These days we all know that there most likely were never any snakes in Ireland thanks to the ice age and how the island was separated from the rest of the continent. Serpent symbols were very important to in the distant pagan Irish past. Converting the people to Christianity would mean they would have to stop worshipping their serpent idols and symbols. St. Patrick was not the first messenger from Rome who tried to convert the tribes there, but legend has it that he was the first person to meet with Druids at Tara and managed to abolished their pagan rites. No mean feat for sure.

The story is that he converted the warrior chiefs and princes, baptizing them and all of their subjects in the "Holy Wells" that to this day bear his name. The circumstances of his death have been lost in time but one account has his death as on March 17, 460 AD. His jawbone was preserved in a silver shrine and, according to local lore, was requested in times of childbirth, epileptic fits and as a powerful preservation against the "evil eye". A second account of his death has St. Patrick ending his days in Glastonbury, England and was buried there. The chapel of St. Patrick still exists as part of the Glastonbury Abbey.

Whether you are a Christian, Moslem, or just about anything else, the historical record of St. Patrick should cause you to marvel at the political and spiritual achievements of one man, on an island, 1,500 years ago surrounded by fierce warriors who most likely did not understand the message he was trying to get across to them.

The modern day St. Patrick Day celebrations intended to celebrate the achievements of the past have evolved into an entirely different event. Understanding what come before green beer and shamrock hats is a sobering thought.

## Spring slow to arrive

*Weather from The Valley*
*By Stephen Balena*

Despite the calender, winter continues to hold a grip on most of Southern Canada and the Northern US. A large winter storm swept across the Northern Plains on Monday, with snow spreading across the Dakotas and into Southern Saskatchewan. On Thursday, March 9 we had a few rumbles of thunder and some lightning in the Seaway, but for the most part it remains cooler than normal.

The storm systems are getting blocked by high pressure over the Atlantic, this is resulting in the storms retrograding across northern Quebec and back into Ontario.

This has brought cold northerly winds and the occasional snow flurrie to the valley and other areas. While there is no major precipitation event in store for our area, the cold winds will continue to blow. We should see temperatures around 3C at this time of year as daytime highs.

Spring arrived this past Monday at 1:26pm without much fanfare. The good news is the rivers in the area are running at or below normal. With most of the snow in our area gone, it appears there is very little risk of flooding this year. The Rideau Valley Conservation Authority website indicates flows are dropping in there watershed.

On the mighty St. Lawrence River, most of it is ice free except for some small bays and inlets. This will allow the 48th Shipping Season to get underway this Thursday, March 23 for the Montreal/Ontario section, a sure sign of spring. The Welland Canal opened on March 21. Authorities are reminding anyone near waterways to remain off all ice. Any ice that exists is very unstable.

Until next time be safe.....

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The Greencover Canada Program is funded jointly by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs along with Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada.

The Ontario Soil & Crop Improvement Association through its Environmental Farm Plan will work in conjunction with conservation authorities throughout the province to ensure that components are delivered in a timely fashion.

The program focuses on land conversion, critical areas, technical assistance and shelterbelts. Each component addresses a specific cost sharing percentage and maximum funding levels.

According to RRCA Forestry Technician Normand Genier, "There is a critical need in the RRCA watershed for the implementation of the critical areas component as well as the shelterbelt initiative."

He went on to explain that "riparian health in critical areas is essential to maintaining water quality and quantity, species at risk as well as biodiversity while shelterbelts provide wind erosion control, snow trapping, micro climate enhancement, wildlife habitat as well as aesthetic value."

Landowners with a current Environmental Farm Plan are encouraged to submit their applications as soon as possible in order to take advantage of this assistance with site preparation, planting, weed control and tree materials as well as temporary fencing to prevent livestock damage.

Additional information and application assistance can be obtained by contacting Normand Genier at the RRCA at 613-938-3611 and asking for extension # 228.

# Reader: If you ate today, thank a farmer

***To the Editor:***

Hello again. Yesterday, at approximately 5:30 A.M. while watering the calves in the barn yard, I was enjoying the peaceful sounds of the chirping of the birds and watching the sun break through the trees at the crack of dawn.

As I continued to look out onto the fields I noticed not one or two, but fifteen deer munching away on our alfalfa roots in a distant field. There went my good mood, and there goes our small profits that we farmers are in need of, as every year it gets harder and harder to meet ends.

Family farmers across Canada are engulfed in the worst farm income crisis in decades. We are faced with record low grain prices, spiraling fuel costs, and uncertainty about our future. Not to mention all the rules and regulations imposed from the big chiefs like Ministry of Natural Resources(wet land designation) Ministry of Environment (nutrient management) (Ontario water resources act) Labor Boards, Health Boards and the lists goes on and on. We're at the point now where the average net farm income is negative $20,000 per farm. Over 90% of the farmers in my general area have quit and the rest are thinking about it. Twenty years ago, North along the 401 near Brighton, Ontario, the farms then, were on there way out, now they are pretty much all gone and houses are popping up everywhere. What's it going to take? When will our government listen and learn from other countries that have made these same mistakes. We don't want handouts. We want this government to give the farmers a long term solution.

Our government needs to be behind us with their support and understanding, that without the farmer, this country is in big trouble.

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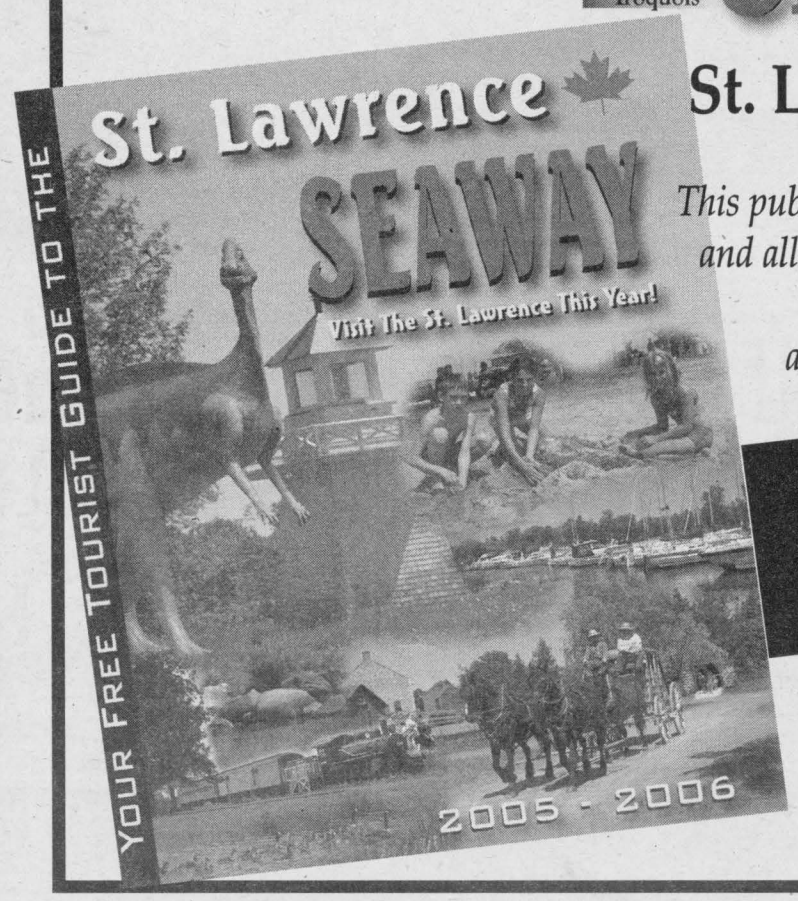


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# St. Patrick's Day tea and bazaar is well attended

*BY ANDREA CARTIER*
*CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER*

The Catholic Women's League held their annual St. Patrick's Day Tea and Bazaar on Saturday, March 18 at the Legion in Morrisburg. The event was well attended with hundreds of people enjoying the homemade luncheon and desserts. The entrance fee entitled the attendees to be automatically entered into a draw for a number of great door prizes. There were also opportunities to purchase 50-50 tickets, as well as tickets for a raffle which offered a tiffany lamp, a hand crocheted afghan, and a $400 gift certificate as prizes. Baked goods were offered for sale, as were homemade preserves, jams and jellies, and a good selection of house plants. The volunteers dressed in green to fit in with the St. Patrick's Day theme, as did many of the patrons.

According to Cathy Lortie, the convener of this year's bazaar, the event has been going on longer than she can remember. "We started organizing this year's tea last October," stated Lortie. "It is a lot of work, but we raise over $2000 on an annual basis with this activity." The money raised by the approximately 80 members of the St. Mary's/St. Cecilia's Women's League is donated to charitable causes. "We support a family in India," explained Lortie, "and we also give to Ryan's Well, the Christmas Exchange, the local food bank, as well as supporting bursaries to three different schools."

The Tea and Bazaar is the main fundraising event for the Catholic Women's League, but the women also help organize a Communion breakfast, and this past year they organized the annual Diocese Convention for all of the Kingston Diocese.



**Alberte Chiasson and Cathy Lortie stand beside the handmade afghan which was being raffled off at the Catholic Women's League annual bazaar on Saturday, March 18 at the Legion in Morrisburg.**

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**Pauline Battershill and Effie Theodosiou were busy selling homemade candy at the annual St. Patrick's Day Tea & Bazaar.** CHIEFTAIN PHOTO - A. CARTIER



**Many people took advantage of the great homemade food.**

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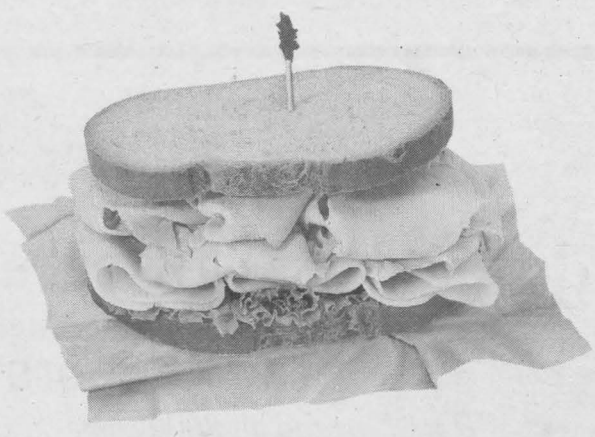




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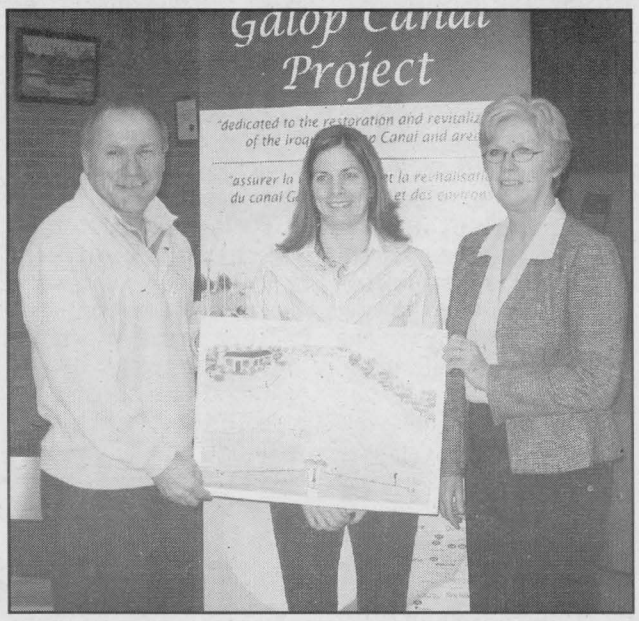
# Rowing Club to hit Galop Canal

At a press conference held on Thursday, March 16, Dr. Trisha Morrow announced the founding of the St. Lawrence Rowing Club. "I am hoping to have a couple of crews from the high school ready for the Schoolboy Regatta held the first week of June in St. Catherines," explained Morrow, who is excited about the prospect of seeing her dream of a rowing club on the Galop Canal realized. "Row Ontario is very supportive of the creation of a rowing club in Iroquois as it is their goal to see a new club a year open up in the province."

Trish Morrow has been rowing since she was a high school student in Peterborough, Ontario. She rowed for Trent University and competed in the Canadian Championships in Victoria, British Columbia. Most recently she has been involved with the learn-to-row program at the Argonaut Rowing Club in Toronto. Morrow has settled in Morrisburg where she and her husband provide chiropractic and fitness services to the local community.




**Mike Lalonde, Trisha Morrow, and Anne Marie Waddell pose with a picture of a rower on the Galop Canal at the announcement of the founding of the St. Lawrence Rowing Club.**

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Morrow is using her connections in the rowing world to help secure some rowing shells for the new club. Until a permanent storage facility can be erected, Robert Houze of Iroquois Marine Services has offered to store the new rowing clubs' boats.

Rowing is an excellent physical activity and appeals to young and old alike. It is a low impact sport that strengthens heart and lung capacity, and at the same time takes advantage of the calming qualities of being on the water. The sport lends itself to both recreational and competitive pursuits, and is a great way to enjoy the scenic old canal.

Protected from the strong current found in the St. Lawrence, the Galop Canal has been used in the past by rowing clubs and already has a 2000 and a 1000 meter course marked out on its walls.

As well as the high school program, Morrow is hoping to have a summer program up and running by the end of June. High school students interested in either program are encouraged to attend an informational meeting at the high school at noon on Thursday, March 23. The rowing club will also be looking for volunteers to help with coaching, and sponsorship to help build a dock. "Experience isn't necessary," stated Morrow. "Row Ontario has offered to put on coaching clinics for those interested." For more information about the club, Dr. Trisha Morrow can be reached at st.lawrencerowingclub@hotmail.com.

# Motorists urged to watch for kids as March Break ends

CNW - Transportation Minister Harinder Takhar is reminding drivers across the province to slow down and watch for children as they make their way to and from school.

"With children heading back to school, it's important for drivers to take extra care," Takhar said. "Making roads safer for our children should be a priority for all of us."

Ontario's Transportation Statute Law Amendment Act 2005 on pedestrian and school zone safety cracks down on speeders and those who ignore school crossings. Effective March 31, 2006, the following provisions will be in place: Fines will be doubled to $150 for drivers who do not stop or yield the right of way at pedestrian and school crossings and the number of demerit points will increase to three Municipalities can set 30 km/h speed limits in areas where traffic-calming measures are in place, such as speed bumps. Fines for speeding 30 to 34 kilometres over the limit will be nearly doubled to $238.

"We applaud the Ontario government's actions in making sure that children travelling to and from school do so safely," said Brian J. Patterson, president and general manager of the Ontario Safety League. "We all have a responsibility to be more careful, especially around school zones."

The government has also provided further protection for children. Under the Act to Enhance the Safety of Children and Youth on Ontario's Roads, owners face a $2,000 fine if their vehicle illegally passes a stopped school bus.

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# Rubber Association says tire care makes driving more safe

To ensure a safe and stress free experience for the entire family, Canadian motorists should prepare their cars for the variety of conditions that Canadian weather brings. Contrary to what many people believe, cooler temperatures affect tire pressure just as much as hotter temperatures, if not more. Poorly maintained tires can turn winter's difficult driving conditions into dangerous situations.

"By taking a few minutes to ensure that tires are properly maintained, motorists will be better prepared to handle poor road conditions," says Glenn Maidment, President of The Rubber Association of Canada.

Measuring and adjusting tire pressure is an easy way to ensure safer driving. Tires are affected by the cold. As temperatures drop, internal tire pressure changes – one psi for every five degrees Celsius. Properly inflated tires last longer, handle better and reduce fuel consumption, which saves money at the gas pump.

Tire pressure should be measured using a good quality tire gauge at least once a month, and before long road trips. Accurate tire pressure measurements are best done outdoors – readings taken from a car parked in a heated garage might not be correct due to temperature differences. To ensure tire pressure measurements are precise, make sure that the tires are 'cold' – meaning the car hasn't been driven for at least two hours.

In addition, snow, slush and ice pose a challenge to tire treads, which are very important for safe driving. An easy tread check includes looking for imbedded objects, cuts or abrasions to the treads or sidewall areas. Motorists can use the "penny test" to measure tire wear. Place a penny in the groove of your tire with the Queen's crown facing down. If the top of the crown is visible, the tire needs to be replaced. For help determining if your tires are winter-ready, consult your local tire dealer.

To learn more helpful hints about tire maintenance visit www.betiresmart.ca.

Here are some more interesting facts: 70% of vehicles have at least one tire that is improperly inflated. A tire can lose up to half of its pressure and not appear to be flat.

Under-inflated tires have less cornering ability, making cars harder to handle. Mixing tires with different tread patterns, internal construction and size lessens vehicle stability. Tire rotation promotes uniform tire wear. Rotate tires every 10,000 km. The car pulling to one side or shaking may indicate an alignment problem. Have your alignment checked periodically to ensure even tire wear.

# New funding helps engage rural students

The Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB) has received more then $220,000 to help at-risk students succeed by providing expanded work experience programs in rural areas.

The Ministry of Education has approved that start-up funding through its Rural School Lighthouse Initiative, part of its Rural Students Success Program. The initiative is designed to help level the playing field between rural and urban students by expanding the types of programming available in rural areas.

The funding will help the Board launch programs for grade 7-12 students at Rothwell-Osnabruck School and North Dundas District High School, said Scott Corden, UCDSB Principal of Students success. North Dundas will launch the Gaining Rural Opportunities in the Workforce (GROW) programs while Rothwell-Osnabruck will implement its Making it Real at R-O initiative. Both programs will work with the community partners to offer expanded work-experience programs in areas such as the agriculture, environmental, tourism, and hospitality sectors. The programs will also tailor in-class course to show how the literacy, numeracy and other skills leaned at school have practical applications in the work world. The programs will be fully implemented in September 2006.

"We are very excited about receiving funding for two Rural School Lighthouse projects," said Corden.

"Both the Rothwell-Osnabruck and North Dundas projects demonstrate a commitment by staff and tremendous support by their respective communities to the students they serve. The projects are unique and creative in engaging students' interest and exposing them to opportunities in their rural communities, while earning toward their high school diploma."

North Dundas District High School in Chesterville has received $178,700 to run its program which will provide greater access to work opportunities in rural areas through mentor ships, certification programs, and e-learning.

Students at North Dundas will gain work experience in three main areas including: Agricultural Technology, Environmental Resource Management, and Agribusiness and Hospitality.

# Take the Driven to Quit Challenge

Are you ready to quit smoking? Enter the Driven to Quit Challenge and you could win great prizes including a new car! Enter online before March 31, 2006 at www.driventoquit.ca. The challenge starts on April 1, 2006.

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This campaign is designed to encourage Ontario adults who are daily smokers to quit smoking for the month of April.

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# OPP Report for Dundas County

During the past week, police officers in Dundas County responded to 105 calls for service. South Dundas – 51, North Dundas – 39, Highway 401 - 15

**Traffic update**

Police were called to investigate eight motor vehicle collisions in Dundas County this week. Other investigations resulted in four criminal charges in connection with alcohol related drinking and driving offences, the apprehension of two suspended drivers and the seizure of four radar-warning devices.

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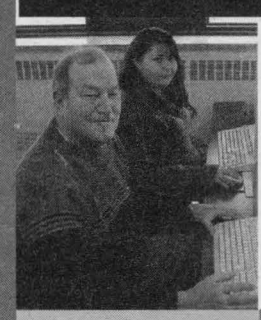

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# Legion News

By Dar

Doubles was played for the first time in several weeks as a total of twenty-four cribbage players had gathered in the Lounge.

Finishing in first place was Marie Mattice with a total of 1073 while claiming the second spot was Karl Kirkwood (with two slim losses) had a total of 1070. Third place honours went to Jake Easter with his count of 1063. Joan Ault looked radiant in the bridesmaid gown as she had a total of 1058. Eighteen skunks were found running around and picking up two each were Doris Wright, Garfield Wright, Don Hutt and Bernie Montroy.

Euchre was cancelled on Tuesday evening due to inclemate weather.

Duplicate bridge started back up two weeks ago so I have the results room both weeks. The first week there was three tables of bridge and the high winners were Brook Leightizer and Brent Lapier. Fir the second week there was again three tables and the high winners were Rick and Judy Darling. The Pot of Gold winner was Bill Ewing who was not signed in.

The Friday meal for this week is to be cabbage roll casserole with the dessert being pie and ice cream.

Now on Saturday past, we at the Branch celebrated St. Patrick's Day. And what a party! We had the traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner and I personally want to say thanks to Gayle Prunner and Salley Lue Francis for joining in with some of the Ladies Auxiliary and seeing that it was a very successful event. We owe a big thanks to them! There was live music and when I got there what a sight. Many had hair sprayed green for this special event. It was certainly a good celebration. I can hardly wait until the next event pops up. By now, the majority of you have received your invitation to the Legion's 60th Anniversary on April 8 and I hope that you plan on attending. It is going to be an evening to remember. The time goes by so fast, it seems like we just had our fiftieth. We have so much to be proud of at our Legion. Our museum holds so many artifacts and memories to cherish. Hope you can come and help us celebrate.

Last week the Ladies Auxiliary President, Joyce Murphy resigned from her position. Automatically the first vice takes over the president's position and that just happens to be our comrade, Sheila Holmes. Comrade Joyce has served her position quite well and will be greatly missed. But on the other hand, Sheila I'm sure will fir into this position quite ably.

We have ordered new chairs for in the main hall and we are hoping that they will be here for our anniversary. The chairs that we have now are not as reliable and to keep replacing the seats and backs, you have really the price of a new chair. So when we have our yard sale the chairs that we do not want will be in the sale. They would be okay for numerous ways but not for in our Branch.

This Saturday the 25th will be another Darts fir Hearts Tournament at the Branch. We have such a great response for prizes for the first one that it was decided to have another one and finish off the prizes and of course make more money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Registration will be at 11 am till noon with the play starting at 1 pm. The cost is $5 per person and there will be a blind draw for mixed teams. Hope top see you there. Oh, as usual, the canteen will be open too.

Comrade Jane Riewe and I attended the Zone Council meeting followed by the Zone Convention at Chesterville this past Saturday. All of the Legions in our Zone were present (represented by their President or other official. The guest speaker was Ron Goebel the District Commander.

His speech was quite interesting but I just want to mention one of his remarks. That was that possibly in the next ten years or so we will be seeing Legions amalgamating (joining with another) or co=locating which is two Legions under one roof but operating each on their own. People do not support their Legions like they used to but the expenses continue to rise. We at the present time are quite fortunate to be doing as well as we do, but again it is the support that we get from you that does it. Until next week, take care.



The St. Patrick Day celebrations at the Iroquois Legion Branch 370 were fun for everyone. In this photo, two of the many energetic volunteers who helped to make the day a good one, stop for a second in the kitchen, taking a break from their kitchen duties. As of 5 pm on Saturday afternoon the volunteers had served over 35 dinners, with more to come.



**Iroquois Legion members as well as members of the public had a great time at the Saturday afternoon St. Patrick Day celebrations at the Legion Hall in Iroquois. In this photo, a crowd of happy green headed diners enjoy the good food and the entertainment provided by David Farmer.**

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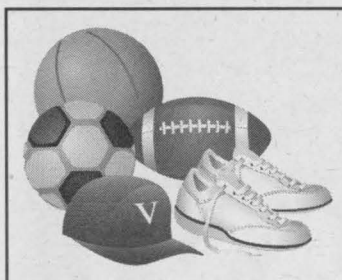

The Atom C House #2 team poses with their plaque after defeating North Dundas to win the East Division. They will meet up with Athens of the West to determine a league champion. Pictured front row from left to right: Justin Schwerdtfeger, Brennan Gillard, Casey McNairn, middle row from left to right: Leslie-Ann Tupper, Josh Martineau, Brodey Casselman, Eric Swank, back row from left to right: David Plamondon, Christyn Veinotte, Katie Veinotte, Breanne Froats, Shannon Van Moorsel, Parker Hart, Bodey Cinnamon, Brandon Bass.

CHIEFTAIN PHOTO - A. CARTIER

## South Dundas Atom C House wins East

*BY ANDREA CARTIER*
*CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER*

In the third round of play-offs, the South Dundas Atom C House #2 team defeated the North Dundas Demons to win the series and become champions of the East.

In the first game of this play-off series, the Atom C #2 team defeated rival North Dundas by a score of 4 to 3. The scoring was opened in the first period by the Demons who beat Lions' goalie, Josh Martineau, after three minutes of play. The second period, however, belonged to the Lions with two goals by Brandon Bass. His first goal was assisted by Shannon Van Moorsel, and Shannon Van Moorsel and Christyn Veinotte assisted on his second. Lesley-Ann Tupper scored early in the third with help from Brodey Casselman and Breanne Froats to put the South Dundas team up by 2. The Demons popped one in to bring the score to 3 to 2 half way through the third period. Brandon Bass scored his third of the night with help from Shannon Van Moorsel to give the Lions a two goal buffer. With just three minutes left in the game, the North Dundas team scored again, but they were unable to tie the game, and the Lions were happy with their win.

The two teams met up again on Thursday, March 16 in Chesterville. In a very exciting game, both teams remained scoreless through three periods of play. The 0-0 tie meant that the Lions and Demons would need to play at least one more game to determine a winner. The final game of the series was played in Morrisburg on Sunday, March 19. The Lions came out determined to win, and Brodey Casselman, assisted by Leslie-Ann Tupper scored the first goal of his hat-trick with 4 minutes left on the clock in the first period. Brodey Casselman scored again early in the second period, again with the assist going to Leslie-Ann Tupper. Brodey Casselman scored an unassisted goal before the close of the second period, and the Lions went into the third leading by a score of 3 to 0. Lesley-Ann Tupper scored an unassisted goal early in the last period to put the South Dundas team up by 4. Although the Demons managed to get one by goaltender Josh Martineau, they were unable to beat the Lions strong defensive play again, and the South Dundas team won the game 4 to 1, taking the series in three games. The Atom C House #2 team will now play Athens of the West to determine the division championship.

## Morrisburg Curling Club

Congratulations to Morrisburg's Little Rockers! At the Granite Bonspiel recently, Bobby Robichaud, Travis McMillan, Luke Whitteker and Connor Woodmass took first place.

Then, on Sunday, our young curlers hosted their own bonspiel. Twelve teams were entered from eastern Ontario and western Quebec, and a team from Montreal came away with top honours. However, a Morrisburg trio, Luke Whitteker, and Connor and Anna Woodmass placed second. Well done! And thanks again to Sydney Schnurr, who somehow finds time to make all of this a reality.

At the City of Ottawa Men's Bonspiel, Robert Houze, Joe McCooeye, Mike Perry, and Bev McQueen played seven games, and were eliminated in a one-point battle by a team from Buckingham. They were competing for the Ottawa Senators Trophy. Sid Morrell, Neil Williams, Raymond Benoit and Don O'Brien played five games in the Senators division, and were eliminated by an R.A. team in the Moosehead division.

The club's competitive league regular season finished last Thursday, with John Wilson's and Larry Cooper's teams in the top two spots. This earned them a bye to the semi-finals. Joe McCooeye finished third, while Craig Harriman's team squeaked into sixth spot. Chris Barkley and Bob Bergland square off tonight at 7:00 to determine the winners of the 3 vs. 6 and 4 vs. 5 teams. These winners play in the semi-final games tomorrow night at 7:00. Why not drop in at the club and watch some exciting curling as the teams move toward the club championship.

Three senior men's teams from Cornwall played three from the Morrisburg club in a friendly bonspiel last Wednesday. Morrisburg won two of the games and hosted the visitors to a substantial lunch afterwards.

Gerry Thompson, Dave King, Brian Fawcett and Keith Brannen were good hosts, while John Lyon, Steve Thompson, Walter Reid and Leon Quenneville, and the foursome of Martin Schneckenburger, Arnold Barkley, Ron Brown and Art Carkner played so well they had to buy drinks for the visitors.

A senior ladies team finished fourth in the Grandmothers' Bonspiel in Winchester last week, splitting their games. Cheryl Thompson, Betty Locke, Alice Thompson and Barb Rabideau enjoyed their meals and their visit to the prize table as well.

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# South Dundas Pee Wee C Lions are "A" finalists

In two tournaments played over the March Break, the South Dundas Pee Wee C Lions were A Finalists.

The first tournament was played on Saturday, March 11 in Carleton Place. The Lions won their first two games to qualify for the championship game against rival North Dundas Demons. The game went into overtime, and the Demons scored with only a minute left in the overtime period.

The two teams met again in the A Finals at a tournament in Kemptville just four days later.

The Lions played games against South Grenville and Kemptville in order to qualify for the championship game. The South Dundas team defeated South Grenville by a score of 3-2. Lions goals were scored by Jared Gibson, assisted by Tyler Bellinger, and two goals scored by Brandon Dejong, assisted by Andrew Beatson, and Donovan Hogan. In their second game of the tournament, the Lions beat the host Kemptville team 6-2. Brandon Dejong scored the first goal, assisted by Zackary Lalonde and Jared Gibson. The Lions scored three times in the second period. Jason Gallinger scored with help from Michael and Andrew Zandbergen, and then Michael Zandbergen scored with help from Jason Gallinger and Andrew Zandbergen. Brandon Dejong got his second goal of the game with assists going to Tyler Bellinger and Jared Gibson. In the third period, Phil German scored with help from Sam Plamondon, and Zack Lalonde got the final Lions' goal with the assistance of Andrew Beatson.

The A Final was tied at 2 a piece after regulation play.

Both of the Lions' goals were scored by Brandon Dejong, with assists from Zack Lalonde and Donovan Hogan. There was no overtime play, and the teams went straight to a shoot out. Ryan Gilmer stopped all but one shot, but the Lions were unable to beat the Demon's goalie, and the Demons won the game 3-2.



**Iroquois Matilda Lions President John Marsden, Morrisburg Curling Club President Joe McCooeye, and Peter Oliver of the Morrisburg Canadian Tire pose for a cheque presentation ceremony. The Lions and Canadian Tire contributed to the Little Rocks program and helped buy a new set of half-weight rocks for the Curling Club's youth.**

# Curling Club thanks sponsors

*BY ANDREA CARTIER*
*CHIEFTAIN STAFF REPORTER*

The Morrisburg Curling Club took the opportunity on Thursday, March 16 to thank Canadian Tire and the Iroquois/Matilda Lions for their help with the Little Rocks program. Little Rocks is designed to introduce children from 6 to 12 years of age to the sport of curling, and presently the Morrisburg club has 50 young people enrolled in the program. "The future of the sport and our club lies with the youth of this community," explained club president, Joe McCooeye. "We are very grateful to these organizations for their help." The money from Canadian Tire's Jump Start program ensures that all children interested in playing the sport will be able to, regardless of their parents' financial status. Peter Oliver, proprietor of the Morrisburg Canadian Tire, is very concerned that all the youth in South Dundas have the opportunity to participate in the sport of their choice. The Jump Start program assists with registration for other sports besides curling such as figure skating, hockey, and baseball.

The Iroquois/Matilda Lions, according to president John Marsden, "Have always been interested in youth and sport, and therefore we were happy to help out the club with this initiative. Curling teaches kids about team play and helps them develop a code of conduct that has been part of the sport of curling over the ages." Money donated by the Lions, as well as dedicated fundraising, helped the club purchase a set of rocks specifically for the Little Rocks participants.

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**Upper Canada Playhouse AGM.** The Upper Canada Playhouse will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday, March 27th at 7PM at The McIntosh Country Inn & Conference.

**On Thursday April 6 2006 at 6:00** p.m., Seaway will be hosting a MURDER MYSTERY dinner! Cost is $10 for a spaghetti dinner and entertainment. There will also be a silent auction and door prizes. (doors open at 5:30 p.m.) Tickets are available from Parent Council members, Lee's Restaurant in Morrisburg, Mustard's Variety in Iroquois, and Rick's Gas Bar in South Mountain. For more information please contact Candace Menges 652-4230 OR Nancy Swank 652-4429

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# Gravel in ditch leaves resident on the hook

Betty Barkley has lived in South Dundas for some 40 years. She lives along County Road 16 or the Brinston Road. Every spring like all other rural homeowners she has to deal with the mess that winter inevitably leaves behind.

This spring her main concern is the amount of gravel that has been pulled off of the shoulder of the road and left along the ditch that fronts her house. "We have always had some stones, but never this many," she says. The problem with the stones is that there is no one to help her clean up the mess.

Unlike other springs, along the road, this year's clean-up will be especially difficult.

The Brinston Road is a County Road and Don MacDonald, the County Roads Engineer was sympathetic to Mrs. Barkley's problem, however there is little he can do to help. "This is something we always try to be careful with," he said.

The problem is that the gravel that has to be on the shoulder of the road becomes embedded in the snow.

The more snow that falls on the road the more is plowed off and the more gravel is relocated along side the ditch and road allowance area. Mr. MacDonald said that normally the County would not encounter the kind of problem that Mrs. Barkley was trying to solve.




**The amount of times that the County had to come by and clear the snow off of the Brinston Road this winter, is the reason there is so much gravel deposited along the ditch.**

PHOTO COURTESY OF B. BARKLEY



**The Dundas School Basketball Tournament was held on Friday March 10. By the end of the day there were two championship teams who rose to the top of he competition against ten other schools. This photo is of the Winchester Public team. The other winning team was Norwood Public. Left to right, front row: Mitchel Matthisen, Brittany Cochrane, Tanner Casselman, Craig Christophersen, Damien Derby, Dylan Young. Middle row: Katherine Delong, Sarah Churchill, Ryan Switzer, Shawna Stevens, Hope Klern Swormink. Back row: Kathy Campbell, Cam Muir, Chase Beaudry, Ashley Pollock, Blyth Armstrong, Issac Campbell.**

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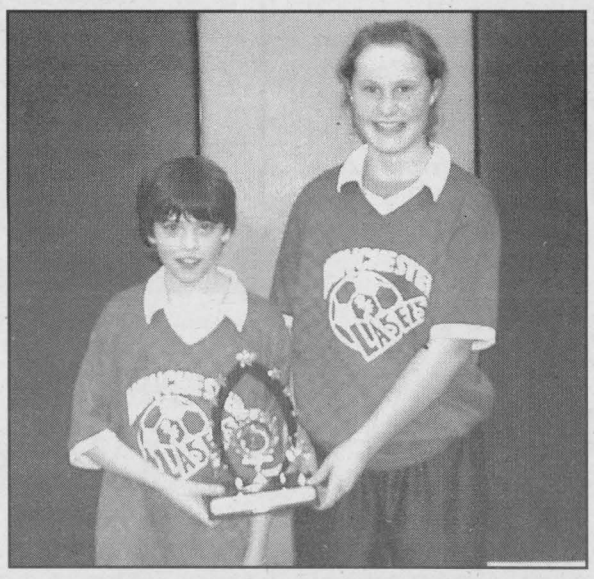

**The tournament was held at the Seaway District High School. The Winchester team was never far ahead of their Morrisburg rivals to feel safe. With only a few seconds to go in their championship game, The Morrisburg team had pulled within a point or two of tying the game but it was not to be. In this photo Tanner Cassellman and Blythe Armstrong are named Tournament MVP's.**


HEAL WITH PRAYER

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# Health unit rejects funding transfer

*BY DANIEL REID*
*RUNGE NEWSPAPERS*

A motion to re-direct new provincial funds, intended to beef up public health, to municipalities was rejected at a budget review meeting for the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit.

The motion, raised by Edwardsburgh-Cardinal Mayor and united counties representative Peggy Taylor, would have taken a 10 per cent increase in 2006 funding and redistributed it to municipalities, a move that North Grenville Mayor and united counties representative Bill Gooch says would directly benefit under funded municipalities in eastern Ontario.

"The extra money that the province has put into the pot needs to come back to the ratepayers of our municipalities," he says.

*HEALTH UNIT*
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## *CURLING NEWS*
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Morrisburg hosted the Dundas County Hospice Bonspiel last Saturday. The charity raised over $1000.00 and Reina DeJong thanked those who helped make the day so successful, including a large number of local curlers. In the first draw, Wally McDonald, Steve Thompson, and Cathy and John Marston finished first over Alice Thompson, Susan McIntosh, Walter Reid and Joanne Baker. In the second draw, Doug and Derek Brannan, Geoff Parkins and Tim Markou finished first, ahead of Ian Wilson, Mike Staebler and John and Kathi Wilson. Perry's Auto Body entered a team of novice curlers and won the hearts of other competitors with their good-natured enthusiasm.

Good luck to Ian Wilson's North Dundas curlers in this week's provincial finals. Don't forget to sign up for this Saturday's spiel and the windup banquet. Good curling to all!

## *CURLING THANKS*
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"These new rocks weigh half as much as the adult rocks, but are identical in size," explained McCooeye. "This will mean an easier transition to the heavier rocks when the time comes." The rocks come in a set of 16 and cost approximately $5000. The Morrisburg Curling club has 130 members, 50 of whom are part of the Little Rocks program. Past president, Steve Thompson, stated, "Thanks to Sydney Schnurr, our young members have great coaching and have the chance to participate in bonspiels all over eastern Ontario. Presently we have four very talented young curlers who are doing extremely well in competition." The curling club, which has three ice sheets, is in operation from late September until the beginning of April. It provides exercise for many seniors who take to the ice several times a week to engage in some friendly competition. The Club executive encourages anyone interested in finding out more about the club or the sport to drop in.

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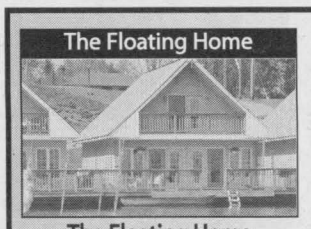

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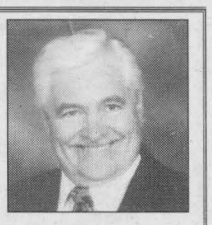

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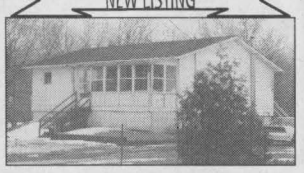

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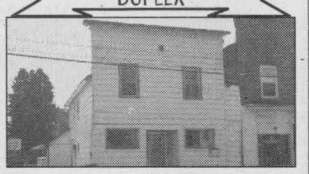

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Niquet Phaneuf Family

## DEATHS

COLEMAN, Lloyd George D.V.M.
Passed away surrounded by his family at the Guelph General Hospital, on Tuesday, March 14,2006, at age 88. Husband to Joyce Coleman. Father to Sharon Crooks (Bob) of Doha Qatar, Marcia Lee (Henry) of New Liskeard, step-father to Lane Aspinall (Doug), and David Doney (Kim) both of Guelph. Brother to Lenore Motherwell of Ottawa. Grandfather to Kari, Meaghan, Arthur, Edward, Elizabeth and Jordan.
Lloyd graduated from Ontario Veterinary College 1941 and he was a past president of the Ontario Veterinary Association. He was a 60 year member and 50 year past master of Mount Zion Masonic Lodge, Kemptville. Lloyd was an active member of the Guelph Seniors Association and of Guelph Wellington Mens Club. He was a faithful member of Paisley Memorial United Church. At Lloyd's request, a private family service has taken place. Arrangements entrusted to Gilbert MacIntyre and Son Funeral Home, 252 Dublin St. N, Guelph. Special thanks to Dr. Kennedy and all the nurses on 4 West, at Guelph General Hospital.


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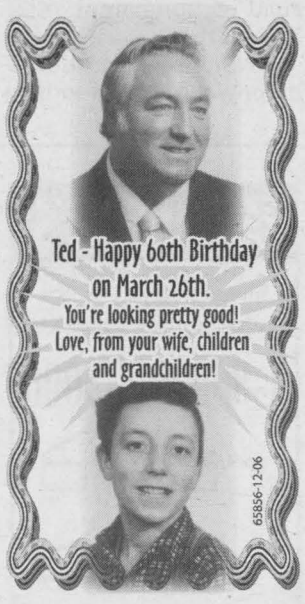



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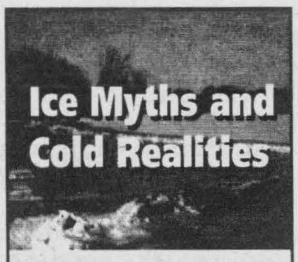


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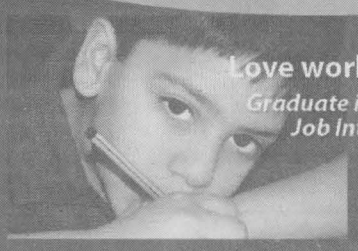

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*HEALTH UNIT*
*FROM PAGE 15*

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The increase amounts to about $690,000 against the health unit's 2005 base funding of $6.9 million.

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The last provincial government cut its share of public health funding from 75 per cent to 50 per cent. Gooch says municipalities have since helped to pay the way and now deserve some kind of compensation.

"For years and years, its been a struggle between municipal governments and the health unit to get the funding," says Gooch. "Municipalities had to make up the difference."

But Board chairman Ken Graham, who helped vote down the motion, says there is a need for more health spending. The health unit is required to meet a set of mandatory compliance standards, set out by the province.

Standards which, Graham says, the health unit isn't meeting.

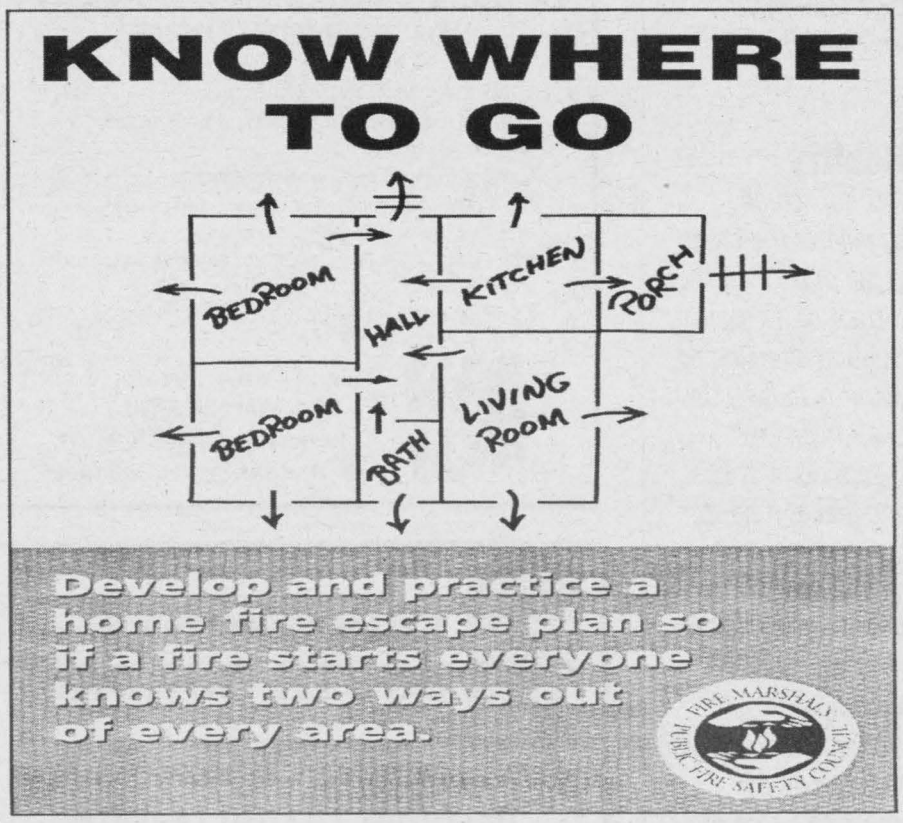
"The expectation when they [say] mandatory compliance standards, in my view, is 100 per cent compliance," he says. "To willingly go down the road of non-compliance, I think that's a problem."

Graham says, the new money could help to hire staff in an effort to enhance various programs and improve the overall delivery of public health services. Graham acknowledges the contributions made by municipalities, making up for the short falls of the province, but he doesn't see a funding transfer as a solution.

"My position on that board is not to do the bidding of council but to act on what I feel is in the best interest of the board."

But the fight isn't over. Gooch says the motion is now being "kicked up to another level" in an effort to prevent the health unit from spending more money.

"We have to ensure that the escalation stops," he says.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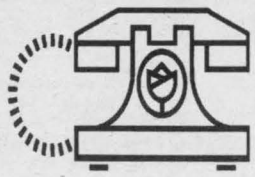
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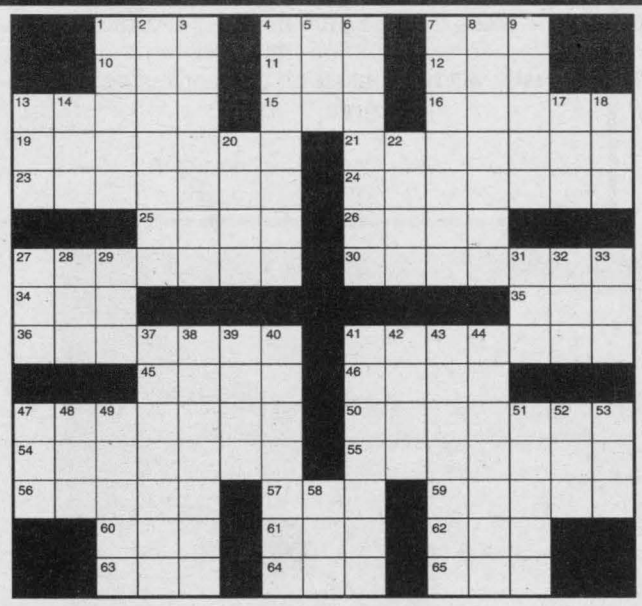

**CLUES ACROSS**
1. Doctors group
4. One point north of due east
7. ___ography: breast exam
10. Juniper berry flavored liquor
11. River (Span.)
12. Fractional part (Fr.)
13. Lack of physiological tone
15. Publicities
16. Liabilities
19. IntÖl relief organization
21. Blacknesses
23. Put to the test
24. Incompetent
25. Islamic ruler or chief
26. Battle of the M_____ (WWI)
27. Otiose
30. Piecemeal
34. Supervises flying
35. Norman Roc__ll, painter
36. Endocrine gland
41. In an angry way
45. Long skirt
46. One point east of northeast
47. Uncovers
50. Cuts indiscriminately
54. Neck garments
55. Marine bivalve mollusks
56. Wipe out recorded information
57. An awkward stupid person
59. Door swinging device
60. Costa del ____, Spain
61. ___ Farrow, actress
62. ___ Lilly, drug company
63. One or another
64. Stray
65. Substance for coloring

**CLUES DOWN**
1. A gathering place
2. Least possible
3. Whenever
4. Devices to remove chalk
5. Auction offer
6. Horse feeding gear
7. ___, pop star
8. Revenged
9. Oil company
13. Highest card
14. Make rigorous demands
17. Golf ball platform
18. Was United ____ (abbr.)
20. _____tasia, royal pretender?
22. Prickly seed vessel
27. A city in European Russia
28. Woebegone
29. Used for hearing
31. Ukelele
32. Shoemakers tool
33. ____den jar: elec. capacitor
37. Ralph Waldo ___
38. Acts in an inexperienced way
39. Shaft on which a wheel spins
40. Gracefully slender
41. Thence (3 words)
42. Count on
43. Embarrassed
44. With irritation
47. Manipulation
48. Company that rings receipts
49. Seaport in Finland
51. Sonia ___, skater
52. Work unit
53. Midway between S and SE
58. What we breathe

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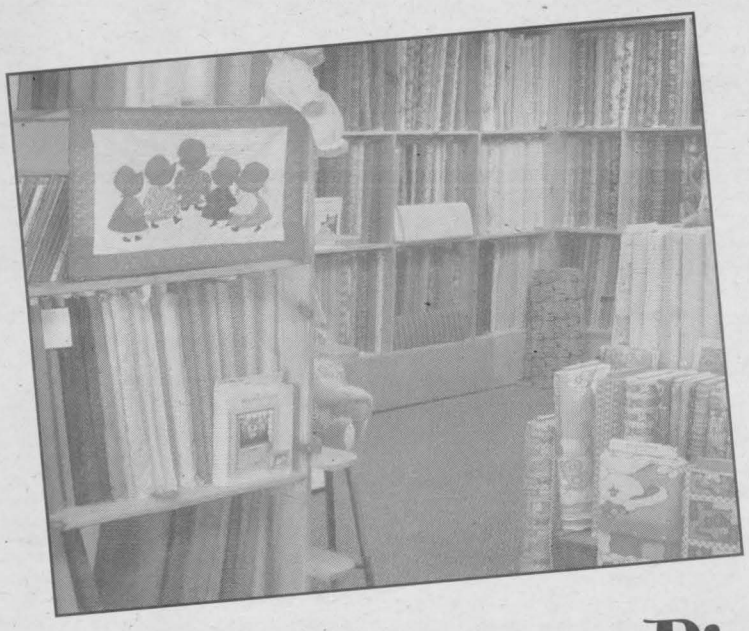

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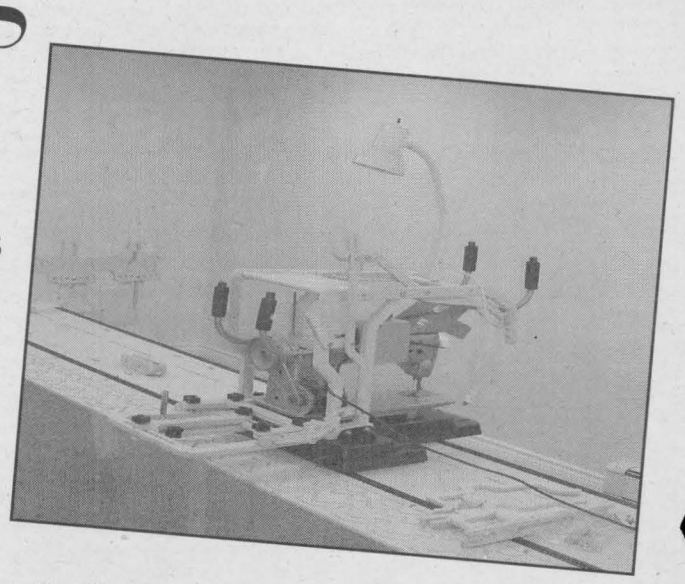

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