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Minister Brightens Season

Chair of the St. Lawrence Parks Commission, Gordon Brown accepts a huge cheque from the Honourable Frank Klees, Minister of Tourism and Recreation, MPP for Oak Ridges, P.C. Candidate for S. & D. Todd Lalonde encouraged Klees to come to UCV as "Alight At Night"kicks off another season. The $220,000 will be shared throughout the Commission (Fort Henry, Parks, UCV etc.). *Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston*

U.C.V. "Alight At Night" brightens up the holidays

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

After its launch and resounding success in 2001, Upper Canada Village's newest winter program, "Alight At Night" is returning for the upcoming holiday season, with some special new features sure to please everyone. The event will run Thursday through to Sunday evenings November 21 to December 15 then every evening after from December 19, 2002 until January 5, 2003 (except Christmas Eve and Christmas Day). Anyone interested in a unique way to spend New Year's Eve, Alight At Night will be open December 31 from 5 to 9:30pm.

"See the Village as it has never been seen before," said Gord Brown, Chairman of the St. Lawrence Parks Commission as he addressed the gathering Friday evening as ribbons were cut and lights made the Village come alive

Anticipating another successful season, this enthusiasm is shared by many of its industry partners from the surrounding communities who are participating in a co-presenting partnership to help promote the event across Eastern Ontario, UCV is ready to brighten the season. On top of that, the Ontario Tourism Marketing Partnership's special Event Marketing Program is supporting the promotion of the event as an overnight destination to markets outside the immediate region, including Greater Montreal and Kingston. "The Ernie Eves government is pleased to invest $15,-000 in the marketing campaign for the "Alight At Night" event, said Frank Klees, Minister of Tourism and Recreation. "Our government is investing in tourism and supporting aggressive marketing campaigns to establish our province as a world class, four-season travel destination."

The Minister of Tourism and Recreation was at the Village last Friday evening. The weatherman did not cooperate, as the rains fell and the dirt streets of the Village turned to mud puddles.

"Gord promised me a truly authentic experience, and I just had it, the mud and puddles are authentic for sure," noted a Minister with a smile. Taking the wagon carry-all from the entrance to the Village Bakery, where a ribbon was officially cut to designate the grand opening of the Bakery, umbrellas were evident everywhere. This season fresh baked bread will be for sale in the Village Store each evening while quantities last, an extra-special treat for sure. Minister Klees tried his hand at helping Baker, Keith Johnston remove a hot loaf from the brick oven. The Minister looked great in his apron and oven mitts suggesting he was not a stranger to a kitchen.

After this a wagon ride through the Village provided a wet, but nonetheless marvellous, colourful display as the Village was indeed Alight At Night. As the rain fell, the lights shone through the drops and sparkled like small diamonds outlining the heritage buildings and along the rail fences. It was not difficult to imagine how much of a winter wonderland this will be when snow flakes drift silently to the ground...

The Minister made his announcements in the Harvest Barn. Warm and dry, an appreciative crowd of Media reps and VIP

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New association to open public gym

by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The South Dundas Athletics and Recreation Association is a newly formed group concerned with the lack of physical activity in the area which they directly attribute to a lack of centralized facilities for physical recreation. A group of concerned locals have formed a committee, and come up with some ideas to eliviate this problem, and give South Dundas a much needed facility.

The goal of the ten person committee, is to help develop a healthy lifestyle, starting with themselves. Unfortunately the group does not have enough resources to get up an running on their own, so they appealed to South Dundas Council for their support in becoming a committee of council, to overcome one of their hurdles.

The group has the support of the community behind them with 250-300 people interested in their primary goal which is making use of the underused existing gymnasium and the Operating Engineers Institute just outside of Morrisburg. The association is a non-profit organization that is seeking Trillium funding. Unfortunately their first major stumbling block has been the high cost of insurance in getting the gymnasium open to the public.

CAO Bill Horner researched the issue of the group being declared

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Parking by-law coming for North Dundas in 2003

by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

All former parking by-laws of the municipality of the Township of North Dundas will be repealed as of January 1, 2003 when a new parking by-law for the municipality will take effect.

All of the standard rules and regulations for parking apply, and the municipal and by-law enforcement officers of the township will be enforcing the by-law, anyone in contravention of any of the other provisions of this by-law is liable to a fine as provided for in the Provincial Offenses Act.

Some of the standard parking rules outlined in the by-law for enforcement include those dealing with disabled parking, winter parking, skate boarding, and heavy truck parking.

Those parking in designated disabled spaces not in possession of a personally issued valid disabled parking permit will be subject to fines.

No person shall park a vehicle in such a manner as to intertere with highway cleaning operations. No person shall coast on a roadway, whether on a sleigh, skateboard, rolier skates, roller blades, cart, children's wagon, or toboggan. In addition, no person shall drive a vehicle, or ride upon a skate board, roller blades, or roller skates, on a side walk except for the purpose of directly crossing the side walk.

No person shall park any heavy truck, trailer or bus or permit any

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New Regional Mental Health Service launched

As part of a province-wide initiative from Queen's Park, Dundas residents have access to a new regional mental health emergency service.

"What we're establishing is a mobile psychiatric response team to serve Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Counties, staffed by bilingual Registered Nurses and Registered Social Workers who have a professional background in mental health crisis situations," explains Team Coordinator Maureen Fedorus, of Tri-County Mental Health Services. "This team will respond to the needs of individuals dealing with mental illness or severe situational problems; for example psychotic behaviour, pronounced anxiety or suicide attempts. Any urgent or emergency situation where something must be done now - today."

Backed by a new provincial funding earmarked for developing regional mental health emergency services, the new Mental Health Crisis Team will be accessed by professionals such as doctors, social workers, police or the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Emergency Department, when faced with these types of situations. While providing assessment, crisis intervention, short-term follow-up or connection to a long-term resource for individuals in crisis. the Team also has a

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Gastroenteritis Outbreak- WDMH Closed

On Tuesday, November 26 the Winchester District Memorial Hospital announced that due to an outbreak of gastroenteritis within the hospital, the facility is closed to all visitors, volunteers and non-essential services for a minimum period of 48 hours. Symptoms of gastroenteritis include nausea, vomiting and diarrhea, and is considered highly contagious. The hospital is undertaking aggressive measures to contain and limit the spread of this illness within the general population, including the cancellation of all elective treatments and diagnostic procedures until further notice.

The emergency department remains open to critical care access only. The hospital recommends that anyone experiencing symptoms of gastroenteritis or requiring medical help, should contact their physician rather than coming to the Emergency Department.

Over the next several days, people are encouraged to phone the hospital at 774-2422 prior to coming in to confirm the status of any elective procedures or to confirm if the hospital is permitting visitors on patient floors.



Parade of Lights Kicks Off Holiday Season

Prescott hosted their annual parade of lights. Large crowds gathered, despite the rain and blustery winds, to watch the beautiful light show make it's way through the town. Once again Santa Claus had the show stopper, as he rode in his sleigh of lights atop a vintage truck covered from bumper to bumper in colourful lights. *Chieftain Photo by Rebecca Comfort*

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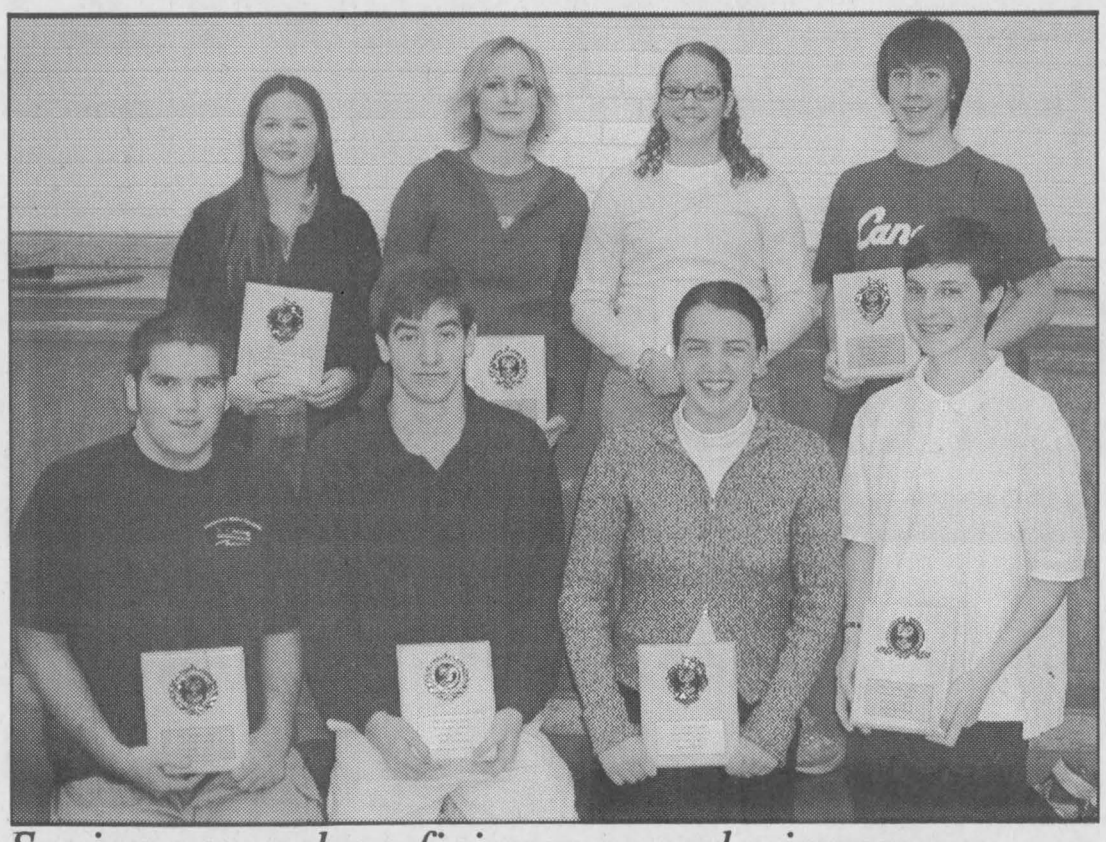
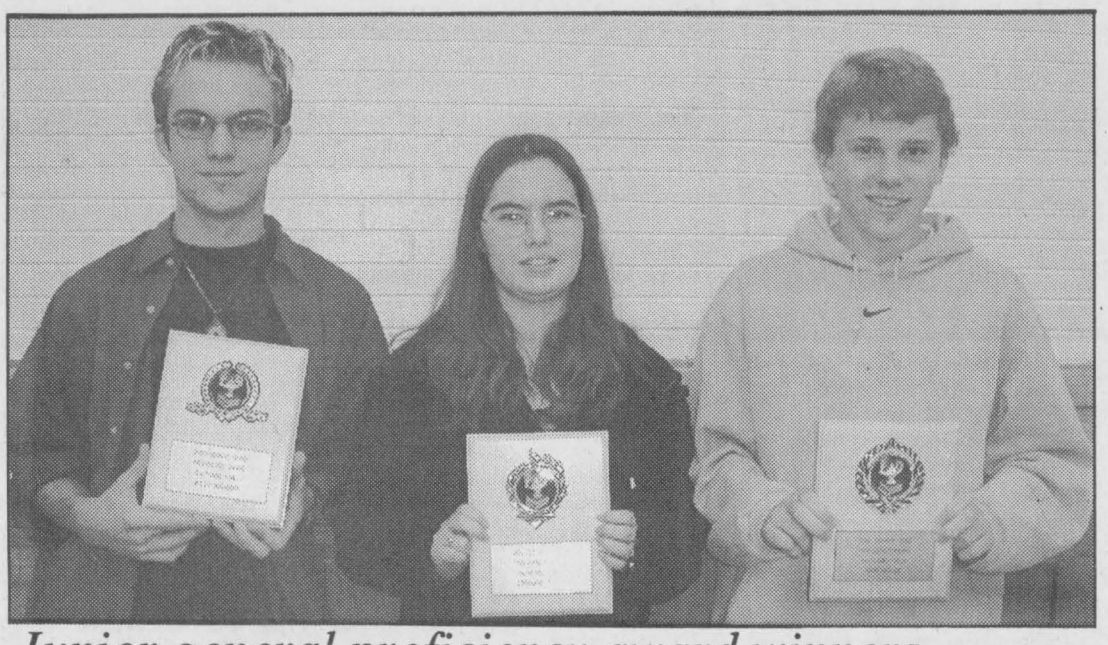
Annual Academic Awards Ceremony at SDHS



Senior general proficiency award winners.



Junior general proficiency award winners.

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by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Anually Seaway District High School honours it's top academic students. Master of Ceremonies for the senior assembly Mark Lewis noted the importance of their contribution "to life at Seaway." Principal Tamara Mitchell explained that "the best education is critical to future enjoyment of life," imploring students to "start now, there's no time to waste." She also noted the fact that not everyone can be the top students, and commended all those who gave their best efforts, and have invested wisely in future happiness."

Individual Awards were given to students who excelled in each subject area for the last academic year.

Visual arts awards were given to Jennifer Cummings and Jessica Toonders (gr.9), Sarah Tuttle and Sally Dentz (gr.10), Tim Goodridge and Adam Bouwman (gr.11), and Nicole Montroy (gr.12).

Drama awards went to Woody McCadden (gr.9), Sam Bilodeau, Matthew Hoftyzer, Emma Stime (gr.10), and Amber Bygott (gr.-11).

Music awards were given to Christina Goodridge (gr.9), Kevin Groniger, Kaitlyn Madge, Sara Stime (gr.10 open), Frankie Buwalda (gr.11 university), and Heather Fawcett (gr.12 advanced).

Business education awards went to Woody McCadden (gr.9), Matthew Hoftyzer (St. Lawrence Medical Clinic Trophy), Jeremy Schnurr, Jason Toonders (gr.11 computer engineering), Alison Fawcett, Kristen Keyes (gr.11 computer science), Allison Dowler (gr.11 data processing), Ashley Jarvis, Kristen Keyes (gr. 11 accounting), Brian Law (gr. 12 computer science), Jessica Gumpel (gr. 12 data processing), Dustin Delegarde (OAC Accounting), David Bilodeau (OAC Computer Science).

Geography awards went to Nicholas Whelan (gr.9 academic), Andrew Byvelds (gr. 9 applied), and Samantha Boone (OAC World Issues). Kaitlyn Madge (gr. 10 academic), Jonathan Bouwman (gr.10 applied), and J.J. Hollister (gr.11 university) received history awards. Law awards went to Laurie Wilson and Scott Hodgson. Alyssa Dekleine and Kaitlyn Madge tied for first in Grade 10 civics. Mark Byvelds and Brittany Spratt shared the outstanding career studies award.

Family Studies awards went to Dorrianne Powell and Sarah Tuttle (gr.10 open foods), Laurie Wilson (gr.11 parenting), Amy McKeen (gr.11 restaurant services), Amber Bygott (gr.11 travel & tourism), Shannon Hawn (gr.11 housing), and Melanie Hansma (gr.12 advanced travel & tourism).

Grade 9 English awards went to Adam Keller (academic), Christina Goodridge (applied), and Christine Lewis (pathways). Vanessa Markell (pathways), Sam Bilodeau, Matthew Hoftyzer (academic), Jonathan Bouwman (applied) were the grade 10 award recipients. Grade 11 awards were given to Kristen Keyes and Ashley Tuttle (university), Cindy Norton and Elizabeth Winter (college), and Sirena Richmire (communications). In addition Ashley Tuttle also received the Legion Trophy for grade 11 composition. Brian Law received both the grade 12 advanced english award and the Student Council Trophy. Ben Byvelds won for grade 12 general and Amber Bygott took home the Beaver Dental Products Ltd., Proficiency in Technology/Communications award.

Core French awards went to Meagan Derksen and Katelyn Merkley (gr. 9 academic), Luke Leslie and Sarah Smith (gr. 9 applied), Kaitlyn Madge (gr.10 academic), Allison Dowler (gr.11 open), Ashley Tuttle (gr.11 university), and Ashley Maksimovic (OAC).

French Immersion awards were given to Adam Keller (The Glen Summers Memorial Excellence & Merit for all grade 9 immersion subjects), Sam Bilodeau (gr.10) and Melanie Hansma (gr.11 Student Council Plaque). Jennifer Dillabaugh received the Best Communicative Skills, OAC French Immersion award and along with it the Encyclopedia of Canada, from the Government of Canada as Part of their Millenium Initiative. Maegan Whitteker received the Department Award for the Highest OAC French Immersion.

Grade 9 math awards went to Adam Keller and Dan Toonders (academic), Kaelic Johnston (applied), and Matt Julien (pathways). Sam Bilodeau took home the VanAllen Trophy for the Highest standing in grade 10 math and the award for academic math as well. Other Grade 10 award winners included, Sirena Richmire (pathways), and Joey Marsolais (applied). Grade 11 math awards went to Ashley Pope (workplace), Elizabeth Winter (college), Danny Xu (university). Brian Law was first in grade 12 advanced math.

Selected students from each grade participated in the Waterloo Math Contests. Pascal (gr.9) contest winners were; Adam Keller (1st), Meagan Derksen (2nd), and Curtis Moffatt (3rd). Cayuley (gr.10) Contest winner were Adam Goodmurphy (1st), and Sam Bilodeau (2nd). Fermat (gr.11) winners were Kristen Keyes (1st), Danny Xu (2nd), Jason Toonders (3rd). Euclid (gr.12) contest winners were David Bilodeau (1st), Dustin Delegarde (2nd), and Jeff Ma[illegible] (3rd). David Bilodeau also won first place in the OAC Descartes Contest.

Tracy Jones, Woody McCadden (gr.9), Sally Dentz, Brittany Spratt (gr.10), Richard Potvin, Shawn Workman (gr.11), Laurie Wilson and Carrie VanAllen (gr.12) were the physical education award winners.

Grade 9 science award winners were Matthew MacDonald (academic), Luke Leslie (applied), and Stacie Lafrance (pathways). Tyler McCormac (applied) and Kaitlyn Madge (applied) were the grade 10 science award winners. Grade 11 recipients included, Allison Dowler (college biology), Ashley Tuttle who won both university biology and university chemistry awards, Natalie Corry (university physics). Dustin Delegarde was tops in OAC Chemistry and David Bilodeau was first in grade 12 advanced physics.

Meagan Derksen won the grade 9 integrated technology award.

Chris VanHaren won the award for outstanding grade 11 communication technology. Kevin Groniger took home the Vandette Trophy for proficiency in woodworking and the General Concrete Trophy for highest proficiency in building construction. Natalie Corry won the Pinkus Drafting Trophy. Transportation

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The Helping Hands meet

The Helping Hands Seniors met on November 6th, 2002 President Zandbergen welcomed all and the Theme Song was sung followed by Prayer. Psalm 90 was read. Minutes of the October meeting were read and approved with a bank balance of $500.99. Ralph Bouwman laid the wreath at the Memorial Service on November 11th. Application for the grant from the John Stewart Estate is to be sent before the end of December. The December 4th meeting is our Christmas meeting and we can bring a guest. It was reported that Mrs. Siderious had a stroke and all wished her a speedy recovery. There were 2 birthdays observed. Mr. VanFoort said grace. After dinner Mrs. Marie Barkley spoke about the Conference of United Senior Citizens of Ontario that was held in St. Catherines on August 12-14th. A question and answer period followed her presentation.

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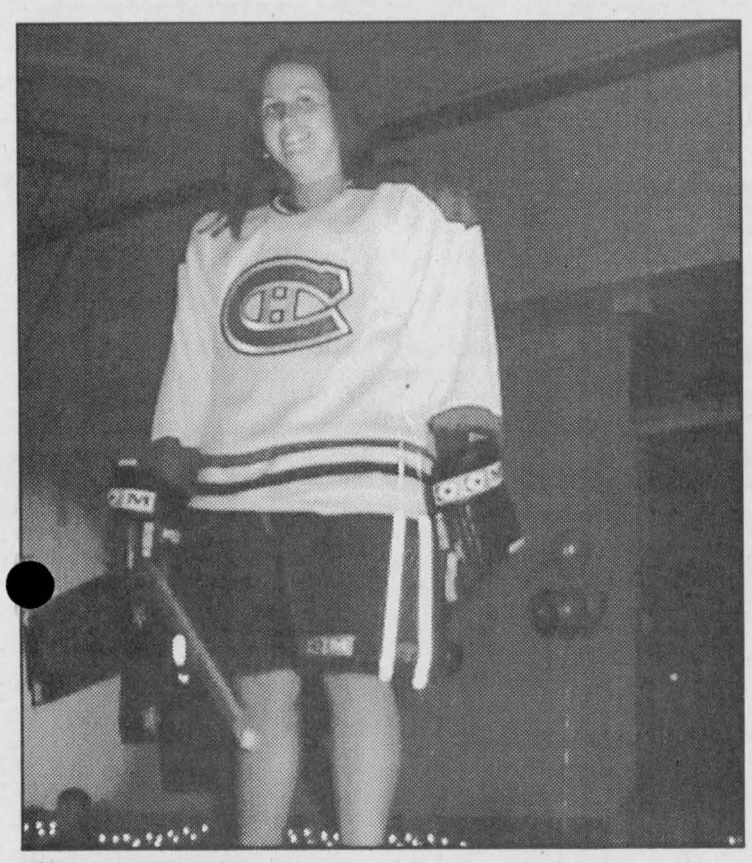

Sports Fashion

Jessica Ault models some hockey gear from Hartley's Sport Shop at the Seaway District High School Annual Fashion Show last week. A cross section of trendy attire it was a fun and informative show. The yound models did a fine job!! *Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston*

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A small but appreciative crowd filed into the Seaway District High School gymnasium to check out the latest in fashion trends. Students were the models and the attire came from Biba, a well known local young adults clothing store, Sears, everyone's fashion expert store and Hartley's Sport Shop, a local sports equipment and clothing store.

The trends for young people this year seem to remain in denim, although the jeans now look like the wearers threw javex along the legs. T-shirts are still a major time in any wardrobe and leisure clothes are high on the lists for Christmas.

The crowd came to show their support for the students as the money raised go to the Prom Committee.

Everyone was entertained by a band made up of school lads, and even if their music was not everyone's cuppa tea, they are pretty good if this is your kind of music.

A highlight was a walk or rather a runway through the decades. Starting with fashions from the 1940s, the men's fedoras and the baggy suits, the high heels for the gals and the highlight had to be when Frankie Buwalda and his partner showed their best swing dance efforts, awesome!!

The 50s had us all tapping our toes to "Greased Lightning" and the leather outfits were reminiscent of John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John in the movie Grease.

The hippy years of the 60s came alive with erratic colours and necklaces of peace.

The 70s saw us all "Stayin' Alive" with the BeeGees and it was easy to get down and boogie with the boys in white. The "Dancin' Queen" grooved us right into the 90s when dark glasses, toques and baggy jeans were tops on everyones' list. A lot of fun, we were treated to the band music again and then it was sports time as hockey players came out front and centre. Jerseys and pants and even hockey sticks are all available locally as well. Sweat and running suits have changed for the better, that is sure.

A fun evening with some true fashion-wise advice.



Under New Management

Keith and Millie Beaupre handed over the keys to Beaupre Jewellers to their son Jeff who is now taking over management of the family business. We wish Keith and Millie all the best in their retirement after fifty years, and wish Jeff the best of luck as he takes over the reigns. Be sure to stop in for their re-opening November 30th. *Chieftain Photo by Rebecca Comfort*

Royal Canadian Legion Newsletter

by Dar

Cribbage League play at the Branch last Saturday was contested by twenty-one men and women. Wilf Summers pegged 1062 to capture top spot for the first time this season. Making their first trip to the podium this season were Roger Coulter second with 1053 points and Andre Gravel in third with 1045. Bernie Montroy with 1042 points occupied the "Bridesmaid" chair. A bakers dozen of skunks found there way into the Lounge and Wilma Montroy latched onto a pair of them, while Darin Eden was busy scooping up three. After twelve weeks of league play, Bernie Montroy still sets comfortably on top with an average of 116.7, while Bob Esford ranks second with 115.2. In third spot with an average of 114.6 is Jake Easter followed by Wilf Summers with 114.4.

On Saturday, November 30th, our Branch will be well represented at Branch 48 Morrisburg where four teams will be competing at Zone Darts. Lots of Luck!

This past Saturday our Ladies Auxiliary managed to have two teams travel to Branch 212 Kemptville to compete at Zone Darts. One of our teams that consisted of Sheila Holmes, Sharon Lewis, Linda Birch and Pat Hart managed to come in second and will now be travelling to Renfrew to compete at District level next April. Congratulations!

At the Euchre tables played on November 19th there were eleven tables being occupied and the first prize went to Arnold Barkley, while Joe Crites picked up the second prize and Edith Baker ended up with the door prize.

At Duplicate Bridge played on Tuesday evening, November 19th, there were five tables being occupied and at the end of the evening the high winners were Brent Lapier and Gerry Leckie.

At our General Meeting on Thursday, November 21st, we had four new members initiated into the Branch, that being Arnold Fader, Maureen Welsh. Frank Welsh and Mary MacKay. Congratulations Comrades, you are really welcomed!

Before closing I'd like to say many many thanks goes out to Gayle, Ann, Gladys and Jerry for putting up the Christmas decorations and setting up the tree. You did a lovely job!

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He had been in custody and releaed recently.With his record, he should not have been out among the community at large.

His sidekick is ready to testify and has a different story to tell about the horrific events that ended when a newly retired couple were shot dead in their cottage...for no apparent reason.

Carrying a lengthy criminal record, the elder man had been convicted of B and E previously. The younger man had been conviceted of drug possession ...they were both up to no good for some time, neighbours of the older man had been afraid for some time of his antics and his father was unaware that he ahd tendancies for such a crime, but the system knew he was a danger to society, they were after him...why was he not behind bars where people could be safe from his ideas, wheer he could not lead others to committ crimes like this?

I did not know the Dagenais couple, Bonnie and Bob were not friends, nor colleagues, not acquantenances, not even remotely friends of friends, but my heart bleeds for them and their families. Like the head of the School Board in Ottawa stated, "News of the deaths was like casting a pebble in a pond. The ripples have gone everywhere."

I was once an elementary teacher and my husband was a high school teacher, so perhaps we have more in common than I imagine. They loved cottage life and saw it as a refuge from the outside stresses of the world ...we always enjoyed time spent at our cottage.

No matter, no one deserves to be gunned down by mistake in a senseless bungled attempt at robbery.

One of the accused is a youth who cannot be identified, he will get a slap on the wrist and be on the streets again before we know it.

The grief felt by everyone who was touched by this happy couple, these people whose goal in life was to teach young people right from wrong is sweeping the entire area.

We read in the dailies that the pair were weak when in court to hear the charges they will face when their time for trial arrives, there were tears in their eyes...should we feel sorry for them?

Did they feel anything as they shot at point blank range a pair of people they did not even know?

A couple who had done nothing to them, nothing to deserve such treatment??

What about the poor 911 operator, who took the call for help as the bullet was speeding towards the poor soul defenseless and unable to save himself or his beloved wife?

This is the stuff we see in the movies, not what happens in our peaceful country. Certainly not so close to home.

How do we ensure no one has to endure such devastation?

We cannot bring them back, we are helpless, except to look at our system of justice and see how we can change it to deter such crazed people from weilding weapons on the innocent.

Our government feels that by registering guns society will be safer...will we? If criminals are allowed to walk the same streets as the rest of us, what safety is there?They will use whatever they can, if not guns, some other weapons will take the place of the guns. The system needs to look within itself and come up with something that works better, maybe the death penalty would deter such actions? If those caught know they will face repercutions, they will think twice. Was this simply a bungled robbery where two men were faced with occupants where they felt there was no one in residence, and if so why did they kill? The younger man was boasting that he was certain he could kill if presented with the opportunity, have we done him an injustice as well along his journey to adulthood?

We need answers, for certainly this couple was well respected and well liked by everyone they touched, it is indeed a specifically sad story that hits close to home, too close to the heart, but we need to know there are other such events taking place and we must find the way to stop such actions, no matter who the victims are.

S.L.J.

Ecological Farmers Association Symposium held at Dixon's

focus

by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario held their Eastern Regional Fall Symposium and Annual General Meeting at the Community Christian Reform Church at Dixon's Corners.

The Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario (EFAO) is a group of volunteers who educate others on organic methods of farming. As part of their mission they do so through conferences, workshops, individual research and consultations. The EFAO is working to enhance and share knowledge about organic farming practices both within farming circles and with consumers.

Founded in 1979 as a voluntary non-profit organization educating people about ecological methods of farming, they bring together innovative people who are refining ecological methods on their farms. Sharing their experiences makes up a large part of their conference as they learn from each other. Over 500 families make up the largest grassroots provincial organization for organic farmers.

According to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Organic farming is a method of crop and livestock production that involves much more than choosing not to use certain pesticides, fertilizers, genetically modified organisms, antibiotics, and growth hormones which are not permitted by accepted by Organic Standards.

Organic farming is seen as a growing market with new opportunities. Farmers are concerned about the environment and issues such as water contamination and soil degradation. They are also concerned about the amount of energy used in agriculture, since many farm chemicals have energy intensive manufacturing processes that rely heavily on the use of fossil fuels.

Some farmers view organic farming as part of the solution to meeting the challenges of modern day agriculture.

Certified Organic is a term given to products produced according to accepted standards as certified by one of five certifying bodies in the province of Ontario. Certification is through an inspection of the farm validating that it meets their standards, and organic integrity is verified through a document trail for auditing purposes.

Commercially, the business of organics is growing at a rapid rate, explained Richard Graham, president of Mu Certified Organic Milk. People are becoming more aware of the nutritional and health benefits of choosing organic products. A growing availability of organic products in mainstream stores is also making that choice easier.

Sunrich Valley, a division of Stake Technology Ltd. offers a full line of organic dairy products, something that consumers are definitely ready for. The Sunrich Food Group, for the last four consecutive years, has been the driving force behind Stake Tech's success. For the last four consecutive years, Stake Tech has been included in Profit magazine's "Profit 100" list of the 100 fastest growing companies in Canada.

Studies show that 63% of people believe that Organic is healthier and this perception means that people are willing to pay a premium for organic foods. As genetic modification becomes more common people become more concerned about what is in their food.

Main triggers to choose organic foods are children, specific food allergies, and healthy lifestyles (disease management or risk reduction).

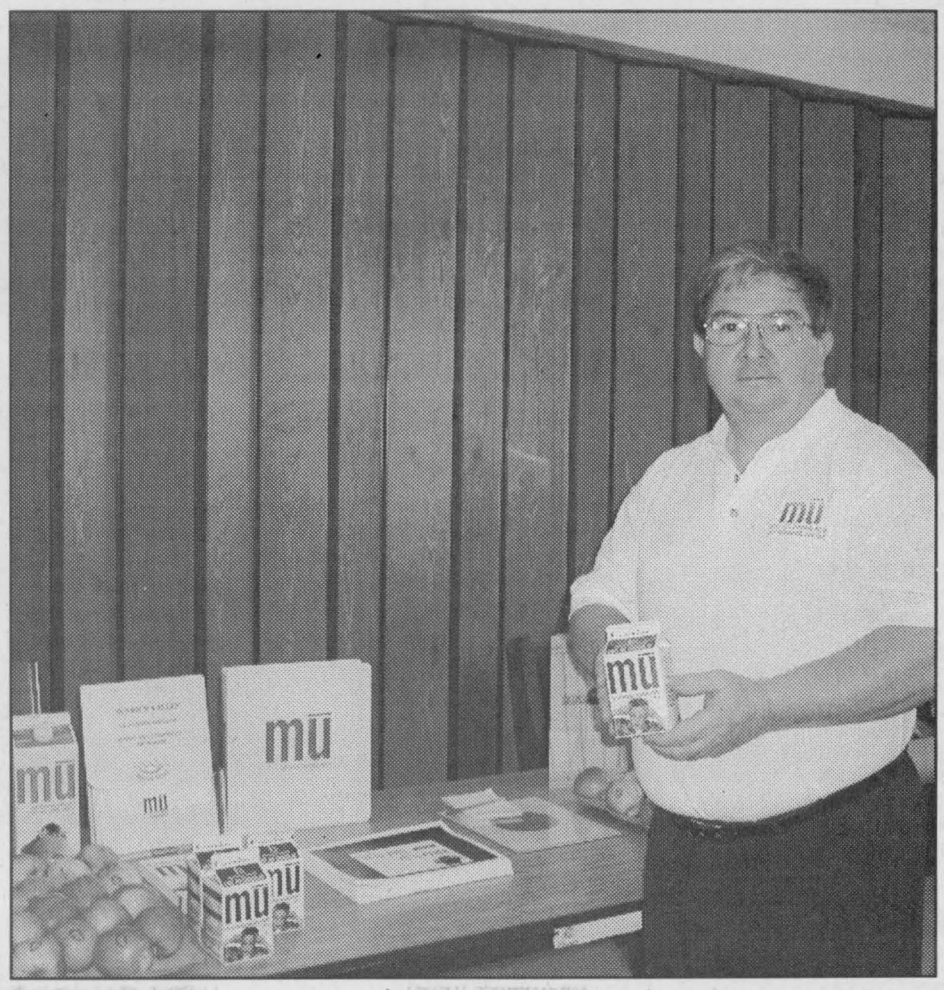
According to market research organic consumers are more likely to be female, between the ages of twenty-five and thirty-four. The more educated the more likely they are to make organic purchases.

Market research has also shown that the main reasons for people not choosing organics is limited availability, lack of selection, and cost. Sunrich is addressing these hurdles and helping organics in their move to the mainstream.

In addition to displays such as the Sunrich display on hand Tom Manly of Homestead Organics presented a slide show of the many facets of agriculture in various parts of the world, with a focus on farming and rural living in the middle east.

The Biemonds, local members of the association participated in the day as well. Maria Biemond put on a wonderful organic lunch. Pieter Biemond was elected as one of the eastern directors.

The conference again combined the ideals associated with organic farming with the big business marketing of a product, a relationship that will have to continue to grow with the growth of consumers' making organic choices.



Richard Graham displays Mū Organic Dairy Products.
Chieftain Photo by Rebecca Comfort

Semester winding down for sons

Just Plain Livin'
with Sandra Lee

I want to express my sincere appreciation to those who took the time to call, send cards or stop and congratulate me and to the special folks who sent or brought flowers to me as well as the person(s) who nominated me whomever they may be, on the occasion of my receiving the Queen's Jubilee Medal for volunteering, I am in debt for sure. I am sure there are more deserving folks out there, but someone felt that my close to 40 years of serving my community were worth the trouble and for them and others in my community who give freely of their time and talents, I accepted it with a smile, although I am not comfortable on the end of the camera I found myself on. Thanks to you all for your consideration.

Both sons are busy creating and writing, with far too many assignments due in much too short a period of time. With less than a month left for them at school before the Christmas break, they have been loaded with assignments and labs.

An invite to hear and meet the Moderator of the United Church when she stopped in Iroquois was nice and the service well worth the evening spent. A story will appear next week. The High School fashion show was a treat and the press conference at the Playhouse has me anxiously waiting for the play to begin. An Annual favourite, the enthusiasm is certainly high around the ranch as we reserved our seats early.

The weekend weather continued to flip-flop as we had a cold snap the wind cutting through the coat and then rain which turned to snowflakes that melted as they struck the ground. The sun even peeked through to tease us every once in a while.

The college kid made a fast trip home to visit the bone cruncher man, the muscle spasm has subsided and the pain killers seem to help relax things. He returned to work and school this week after taking things easy for a bit. He was back in the city Saturday night with a lot of school work due soon. Then too the Apple Computer let him down as the programs crashed and there was little to do but shut down and reinstall everything...more valuable time down the tube, but there was nothing else he could do. Life sure tosses little curves at us everyday. We just need to steer through them cautiously and get on with it.

Funny how things work out, when the pictures were to be transferred to the disk the computer at work refused to read the cameras and so we had to go to plan "B" after some effort and a call to the boss.

Shovelling snow has been on the agenda again and we found the old gal being called into service as the big guy continues to have trouble with that sciatic nerve. Stretching and pain killers help and a trip to the hospital will produce an x-ray that should fill in any unanswered questions and hopefully get us into recovery mode, it has been a while and he needs to get feeling better, so he can get on with things he needs to do especially at this time of year.

The parcel has been sent to Merry Old England...I know I am usually a month late and there are many who will not believe or will wonder what happened. I just decided that it was time to get it mailed so they could enjoy their Christmas gifts on Christmas. A call went across the ocean to check addresses since we had several of them on record, it was great to talk to a cuzzin not seen often enough and with a promise of a Christmas time visit in 2003, we smiled for hours! They are well and will spend this weekend in New York City, a work thing, where they get a weekend for a good deal, and she has always wanted to see New York, so she will get her chance...

The birthday son has not called so we are not sure if he got his gift or not. He did call earlier to mention what the housemates got him, the new watch the girlfriend presented him with and the fact that Christmas will have to be celebrated early since they will be jetting to B.C. to visit her folks for Christmas Day. We will have them to visit before and after their trip.

The college kid had a grocery list this time home since the boys are running out of supplies and neither seems to have any time to shop, they depend on the folks to keep the cupboards filled with edibles...thankfully KD was on sale!!

The big guy was able to play the Jolly Old Elf on Saturday evening for a brief time as the local Medical Staff celebrated Christmas and he "Ho! Ho! Hoed!" his way through a bag of goodies and some jokes.

The decorations are almost out so we can get to the task at hand. The college kid took his minute tree and tiny decorations to the city, so they will have some spirit in the apartment. We sent a very small green reindeer along to add to the festive mood.

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the bottom line

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, SEAWAY HIGH WILL HOST A HEALTH FAIR organized by Seaway students, Sam Boone and Amanda Byvelds. IPS and St.Cecilia's students will attend. Seaway students and staff as well as the public are invited to the gym between 11:45 AND 12:30. Presentations by the EOHU and the OPP among others will be informative and fun.

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THE DUNDAS HEART AND STROKE LUNCHEON RAFFLE WINNERS WERE Gary Lewis, who won the first prize which was dinner for two at the Williamsburg Tea Room and two tickets to UCP Christmas Carol Show. Second was won by Sharon Whitteker who took home a large Christmas Cookie Platter. Congrats to you both!

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SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO IROQUOIS ON DECEMBER 14 AT 1:30PM. The Fire Department has agreed to ferry him to our Santa's Workshop (tourist booth) which will be appropriately decorated. An oversized toboggan and a big stocking has been donated by "This and That", (a FREE draw), Thanks to local merchants, there will be a gift (Jeff Welch) and candy (courtesy of Doug Byers) for each youngster. The adults will have the chance to win a FREE draw thanks to Crawford's Meats. See you then.

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THE I.P.S. REGAL ORDER WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP ON FRIDAY, November 29 from 3 to 8pm and Saturday, November 30 from 9am til noon, for all orders placed by November 14. The second order will be available Friday, December 13.

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THE FIFTH ANNUAL COUNTRY CHRISTMAS TOUR IN SOUTH Dundas will host guests this weekend with stops in Winchester Springs, Elma, Dundela, Iroquois, Williamsburg and Morrisburg. Look for red and white signs along County Roads 2 and 31. Free passports can be picked up at anyone of the stops. The Tour supports Naomi's Womens' Shelter, donations accepted at all stops.

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Awards

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Technology Awards went to Scott Workman (gr.10) and Jamie Byvelds (gr.11). Courtney Garlough was first in grade 10 wood manufacturing technology.

Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program Certificates went to Kurtis Beckstead, Les Crawford, and Adam Ryan.

Perfect attendance awards went to Meagan Derksen, Alyssa Whitteker, Christopher Larmour, Amy McKeen, and Danny Xu.

General Proficiency Awards were given to those students with the highest overall averages. Grade 9 winners were Adam Keller (1st), Stephanie Racine (2nd), and Woody McCadden (3rd). Grade 10 winners were Kaitlyn Madge (93.1%), Sam Bilodeau (93.1%), Sara Stime (88.9%), and Adam Goodmurphy (88.8%). Ashley Tuttle (92.3%), Kristen Keyes (92.1%), and Ashley Jarvis (90.0%) were the top grade 11 students. Top in grade 12 were David Bilodeau (94.2%), Brian Law (91.7%), and Dustin Delegarde (90.0%).

Every student with an average over 80% was recognized as a member of the "Over 80 Club," they include; Grade 9 - Meagan Derksen, Lindsay Fawcett, Christina Goodridge, Tracy Jones, Adam Keller, Jason Kenny, Woody McCadden, Grant McMillan, Katelyn Merkley, Gregory O'Neill, David Patterson, Andrew Peters, Natalie Potvin, Stephanie Racine, Dan Toonders, Katherine VanHaren, Peggy Welsh, Nicholas Whelan, Kate Wilson; Grade 10 - Ben A. Baker, Johnathan Bouwman, Mark Byvelds, Doug Cox, Lauren Dallas, Alyssa Dekleine, Sally Dentz, Jennifer DeVries, Adam Goodmurphy, Kevin Groniger, Erin Hendriks, Stacey Henry, Matthew Hoftyzer, Kyle Jarvis, Michael Pruden, Tiffanie Song, Brittany Spratt, Emma Stime, Sara Stime, Sarah Tuttle, Melanie Weatherhead, Scott Workman; Grade 11 - Frankie Buwalda, Natalie Byker, Natalie Corry, Alison Fawcett David Hamilton, Melanie Hansma, Shannon Hawn, J.J. Hollister, Karla Nugent, Warren Schneckenburger, Jeremy Schnurr, Scott Van'tFoort, Robbie Waddell, Jessica Weatherhead, Laurie Wilson, Elizabeth Winter, Shawn Workman, Danny Xu; Grade 12 - Samantha Boone, Amanda Byvelds, Heather Fawcett, Jessica Gumpel, Scott Hodgson, Christine Kirkwook, Ashley Maksimovic, Carrie VanAllen, and Maegan Whitteker.

Members of the "Over 90 Club," are; Grade 10 - Samuel Bilodeau, Kaitlyn Madge; Grade 11 - Ashley Jarvis, Kristen Keyes, Ashley Tuttle; Grade 12 - David Bilodeau, Dustin Delegarde and Brian Law.

Livin'

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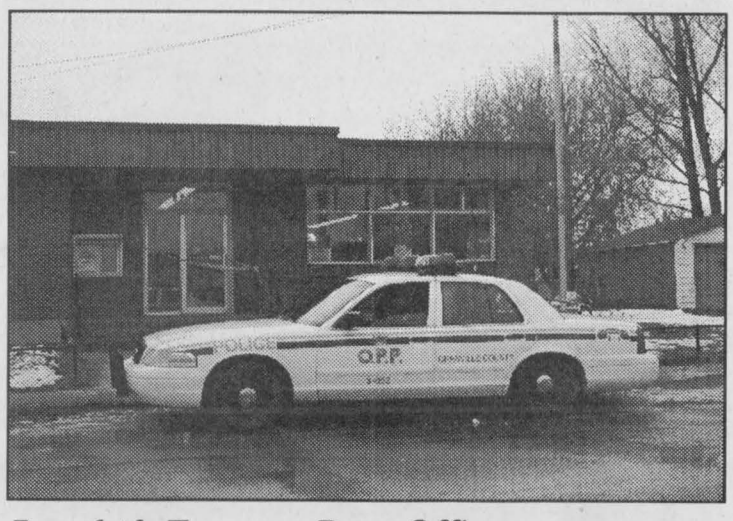
Can you believe that December is all but here? Where does the time go? Some of us will need to get our act in gear if we are to celebrate an early Christmas...

Take care, slow down and remember, the holiday season will arrive whether we are prepared or not. Take each day in stride and don't forget the turtle, slow wins every time. Be deliberate and make lists, they are lifesavers. Take time to enjoy the season as it comes but once a year.

The wisdom comes from William Shakespeare who stated, "Friendship is constant in all other things, Save the office and affairs of love."



Break & Enter at Post Office

OPP responded to a B and E at the Cardinal Post Office Friday, November 22. Between 2 and 6 am-unknown culprits broke the glass in the foyer and entered. A small amount of cash, various Sears parcels and post office parcels (some open/not taken) which had been recently delivered. Any reports/info call Constable Foley (925-4221) or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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Smithers unsolved murder

On Saturday the 18th of November 1972, a man found the remains of 40 year-old, Norma Smithers when he was out hunting with his dog. The body was found near Centennial Park north of Harrison's Corners in a wooded area off County Rd. 15 north of Long Sault. The area consists of a number of small dirt roads and a swamp. Both hunters and couples frequented this area.

Smithers, (nee Zabizewski) was known to frequent local bars in the Cornwall area. She was last seen alive at the Crooked Stove Pipe located in the Cornwallis Hotel, located on Second Street West, Cornwall.

When Smithers was found, she was wearing a green dress and carrying no identification. A fur coat was located near her body. In 1972, investigators, led by OPP Detective Inspector R. W. Waddell, were unable to tell how long she had been dead; there was no decomposition of the body and it appeared that she may have not been there long.

Investigators believed Smithers died as a result of severe physical trauma.

In February of 1999, the Ontario Provincial Police commenced work on Project Millennium (reopening of Cold Cases). With the new process involving D.N.A testing, some of the evidence collected in 1972 is now being re-examined. In August 2002, the investigation was reopened.

The case involving the murder of Norma Smithers remains unsolved and the OPP, under the direction of Detective Inspector Pat Hall, Criminal Investigation Branch, Investigation Bureau, are continuing the investigation.

Anyone with information concerning this historic murder investigation is asked to contact the Ontario Provincial Police, Crime Stoppers, or Detective Constable J.B. Dupuis of the Ontario Provincial Police Lancaster detachment.

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Discussions by a group of concerned citizens have been concentrating mainly on ways to hold the project costs of our proposed water system to a minimum. The current estimates seem to push the envelope beyond the intent of Ontario regulation 459/00 which requires municipal upgrades of water plants to be kept to a minimum level of treatment.

It seems that Ontario Reg. 459/00 has already played an important role in the funding process, by eliminating of frills beyond the "minimum level of treatment." These frills include the ineligible items that did not qualify for funding by the federal and provincial governments. They were originally and continue to be, on the municipality's wish list and still remain part of the project. These ineligible items are, water metering, fluoridation, odour and taste and future growth allowance factors.

Current project estimates have been prepared and include all ineligible items which are not approved for funding by either the federal nor the provincial governments. The estimated cost to each residential water account is $441 per annum.

Water Metering and future growth allowance will not have an effect on the quality of our drinking water!

Water Meters are said to have an expected life of 20 years. When replacement takes place, these units could cost 3 to 4 times their present value.

Likely a full time municipal employee would be required to read these Water Meters. If the employee is indeed full-time, then the municipality will be paying sick leave, vacation pay and pension benefits in addition to salary.

And there are other problems for the municipality to consider, which are not included in the $400,000 plus estimated cost of Water Metering.

1. The municipal accounting office will be faced with individual, tailor made accounting for each client. Very likely the municipality will required to provide new computer software and training for accounting personnel.

2. Currently it is relatively easy to provide projections of revenues from the water accounts. After meters are installed the municipality will be relying on wild guesses to anticipate future revenues.

3. Mr. Eamon, Vice President of Thompson Rosemount, the consulting engineers for the project, has stated that he is aware of situations where a 15% reduction in water consumption has been achieved by the installation of water meters.

This statement invites two questions:

(a) Should a large proportion of Morrisburg and Iroquois water users reduce their water consumption in the future, will the water rate be increased?

(b) Has the estimated project cost taken into account anticipated reductions in revenue, if water meters are to be installed?

There is the issue of fluoridation. To attempt at presenting an argument on this issue, is like arguing against motherhood. Suddenly, you find yourself fighting a myth. Dr. Bourdeau of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit has suggested that it would be a good thing to include fluoridation as part of the water system.

A very interesting article on the subject of fluoridation appears in MacLeans' November 25, 2002 issue. The opening sentence is; "It's the crime of the century....". In the next sentence, "it's and immoral invasion of body privacy". These are two quoted from a Len Greenall of Surrey, B.C. He is a retired contractor and a member of B.C.'s Health Action Network Society. The number of British Columbians drinking fluoride-treated water has fallen below 5%, which is the lowest rate of any province. The national average is about 40% of Canadians who receive fluoridated water.

The article goes on to explain the risks of fluoride overdose even though the Canadian medical, provincial and federal; establishments and health associations continue to back the use of fluoridation. Dr, Hardy Limebank of the University of Toronto says that "mass medicating" the public through the water supply is dangerous and unnecessary. Benefits are "exaggerated" and there is growing evidence of overexposure when other additional sources such as toothpaste are taken into account. Overexposure can lead to ruined teeth (called dental fluorosis, a pitting and discolouration), fragile bones, acute sensitivities, thyroid preventive dentistry, says Dr. Limebank. He said, in the same article, "I am ashamed for my profession and can no longer take part in the charade".

A Mr. Kevin Miership, of Kamloops B.C. is suing both the federal and provincial government, and is seeking to end fluoridation throughout Canada. He claims that treating the water supply by means of fluoridation, violates several constitutional rights including those of "life, liberty and security of the person". The case has not yet been settled by the courts. However Kamloops residents voted last year to end fluoridation, a practice that they have had in place for the past 40 years. Montreal, Victoria and Greater Vancouver have never fluoridated their water!

Health Canada, while on the one hand endorses water fluoridation, they also warn "that children under the age of six are at risk of dental fluorosis, which can cause damage to tooth enamel, resulting in tooth pain and problems with chewing". Extreme fluoride exposure for adults can result in dense and brittle bones, causing joint pain...and greater risk of bone fracture".

It might be a good idea to defer water fluoridation until more information is available to the municipality.

The cost of ignoring the debate, however, may carry a higher cost-in litigation, Dr. Limebank warns. "If we discover that fifty years of fluoridation has actually harmed the population, the legal implications are enormous.

On the subject of the growth cost of $1.6M based on a yearly growth of 1% for the next 20 years. It's uncertain if our property tax assessment is going to be adjusted to accommodate a yearly collection, or will the amount be part of the $441 payment levied on water clients.

In any event, the Ontario government has made it clear that reserves should be established and funded for fifty years to allow for refitting or rebuilding the water system. This factor, we are told is built into the cost. Is there some double banking going on here? Does this relate to the 1% growth factor on some way?

We have heard that the facilities at the Morrisburg Pumping Station on Augusta Street may not be large enough and could require the municipality to expropriate land., Should this rumour prove to be correct, could we expect to receive two-thirds additional funding from the federal and provincial governments to offset costs?

Suddenly this year we are seeing inflation on the rise, electricity rates are going sky high and gasoline higher than it's ever been. We do not need the cost of our water system to get out of control.

Also there was an announcement last week the provincial property assessment will be increased, in some cases by as much as 40%.

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11 a.m. - Holy Trinity
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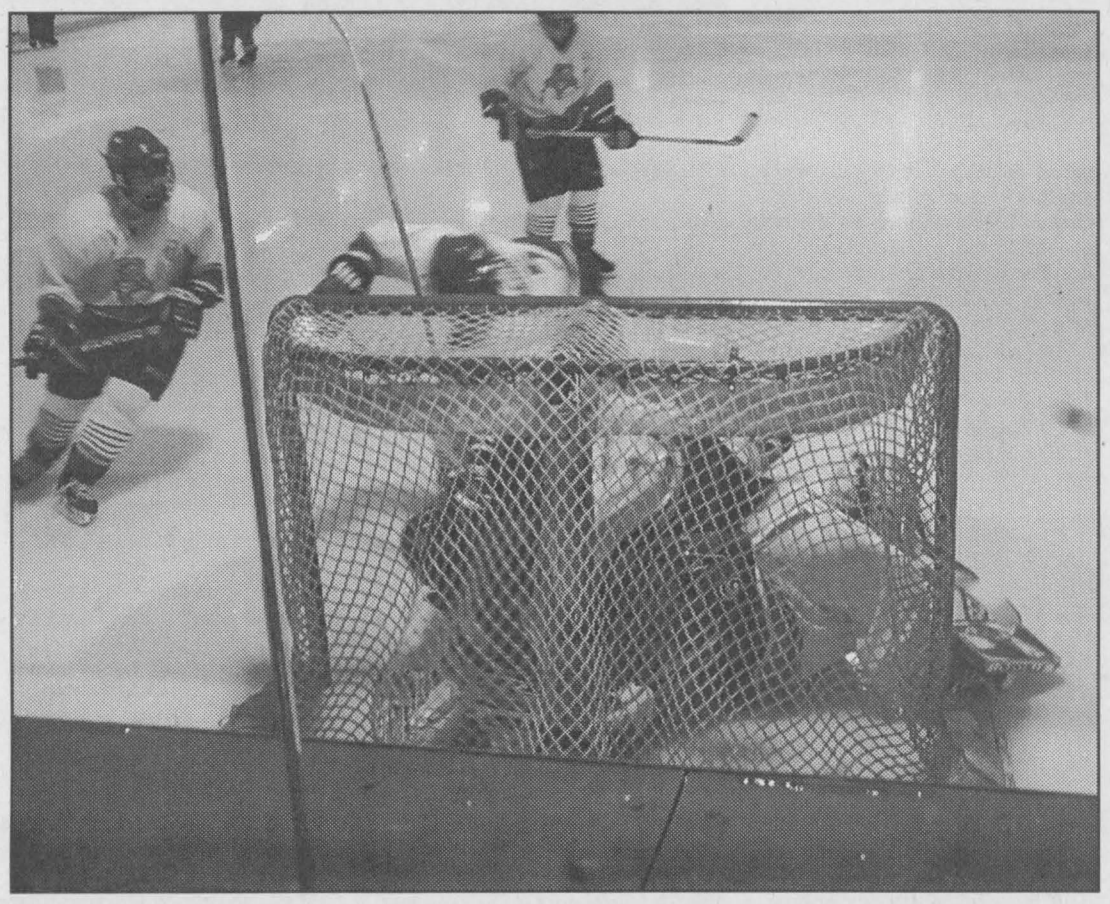


Crowded Net

The Lions' net was crowded Friday night. The Morrisburg goalie was not alone on this rush but the puck was kept out...nice net minding! Facing Athens, the Lions played some good hockey, but came up short when the final buzzer sounded. *Chieftain Photo by S. L. Johnston*

Disappointing weekend for Morrisburg Junior B Lions

by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Two games in a row proved to be a little more than the Morrisburg Junior B Lions could handle this past weekend. Friday night Athens came to town and Saturday night the Lions found themselves in Cardinal for two interdivisional match-ups. Both Athens and South Grenville are part of the very competitive Rideau Division where before the weekend games they found themselves in a three way tie for last place. On the other hand, the Lions play last weekend boosted them into a first. The Lions would have a difficult time holding on to that standing after their weekend play.

Morrisburg vs. Athens

The Lions were first on the board in their match with Athens. Captain Wayne Garlough scored with Jason Denio and Marc Lemire picking up the assists. Athens took advantage of their first power play of the game scoring as Matt Bailey sat in the penalty box on an interference minor. Athens took the lead in the game at the six minute mark of the first, and the Lions tied the game as two with only thirty seconds before heading to the dressing room, as Garlough set up Denio for his first marker of the game.

Early in the second the Lions took advantage of a power play to take the lead in the game once again. Denio scored his second goal of the game, with Garlough and Cody Casselman assisting. Three minutes later Athens tied the game once again, as the momentum swung into their favour. In a matter of minutes they had a two goal lead, prompting the Lions bench to replace starting net minder Jamie Lalonde with Shawn Pollard from the bench.

As the second period neared its end the Lions scored once again (Bailey, from Garlough and Denio) hinting that they may have something left for a come back in the third. Early in the third the Lions started a come back tying the game at five (Froment from Collins and Bergeron).

The game's momentum seesawed back and forth throughout and that trend would continue. Athens scored the go ahead goal at 10:40 of the third. At 8:05 the Lions tied the game once again as Garlough (from Bailey and Denio) potted his second of the night. The Lions took some unfortunate roughing penalties late in the game. Something that they could not afford in such a back and forth battle. Those penalties would prove to be their end as with only 3:40 remaining Athens took the lead for the final time on the power play and knocked the insurance goal into an empty net with less than a minute remaining, to hand the Lions an 8-6 loss, in a hard fought battle.

Morrisburg vs. South Grenville

Morrisburg and South Grenville met in Cardinal. Though the Lions took the early lead, once South Grenville regained it they would never let go. Charlie Froment scored the Lions first goal with Bergeron and Schwartz assisting. Jon Chambers gave the Lions a 2-0 lead with Bailey assisting. Though the Rangers were slow getting started they ended up over powering the Lions, having a 3-2 lead by the end of the first. Froment would have a hat trick by the end of the night scoring in the second and third period with Lemire and Bergeron assisting on the second period goal and Bergeron and Schwartz assisting in the third. The Rangers easily handled the Lions handing them a 7-4 loss, their second of the weekend.

Despite the Lions weekend struggles which saw them lose top spot in the division as they fell to third, several players had individual successes. Froment and Garlough, both in the midst of the division scoring race produced offensively. Garlough added two goals and three assists in one game, while Froment came up with four goals. Their efforts have the pair tied for second place in the scoring race with 38 points, each with 18 goals and 20 assists. Defenseman Jason Denio remains an offensive force, playing a part in all but one of the goals in the Athens game. His offensive charge now has him in eighth place in the scoring race with 27 points, 13 goals and 14 assists.

The Lions host back to back home games this coming weekend. The Brockville Tikis visit Friday night 8:15 pm. Saturday the Char Lan Rebels are in town for a 7:30 pm game. Sunday sees the Lions travel to Gananoque, to complete their three game weekend.

Curling News

by Steve Thompson

The bonspiel season is kicking into high gear with a number of results to announce. Last Tuesday three women's teams from our club entered the big Brockville Bonspiel. The foursome of Anita Cooper, Cheryl Thompson, Wendy Johnston and Betty Locke played well, while Nancy Skakum, Barb Rabideau, Cheryl Lowe and Debbie Strader split their games. Morrisburg's top team on the day was the quartet of Sydney Schnurr, Carolyn Beckstead, Paula Locke and Greta McGann. They won both their games and finished fourth overall. Everyone came home with prizes and hope to return next year.

Also last week, two Morrisburg senior men's teams entered the Winchester invitational. Bob Bedingfield, Peter Zeran, Earl Jeacle and Jack Dikland won both their games, as did Sid Morrell, Don O'Brien, Neil Williams and Tony Toonders. They took the top two places on the big cash bonspiel.

Parnell Cup play resumed on Friday for the senior men. Bob Bedingfield's team defended Morrisburg's colours. Other team members of the foursome were Pete Zeran, Earl Jeacle and Jack Dikland. They lost a close first match to Prescott, but came back in the afternoon to win handily over a Cornwall entry. Prescott emerged victorious and took home the storied Parnell Cup.

The first draw of the senior men's competition at the Club is complete, with Bob Bedingfield, Earl Jeacle and Ron Brown winning the Jim Fraser Trophy. Play in the ten team league for the Kinkaid Trophy has already begun.

Another Founders Bonspiel is in the books, with twelve teams from Brockville, R.C.M.P., Russell, Winchester and Vankleek Hill in competition. Two teams finished in a dead heat to share the trophy. R.C.M.P.'s Kevin Holmes, Frank Churchill, Ralph McIlveen and Bob Bigras tied with Ian Bridges' entry of D. Cook, I. Bridger, G. Cook and Ambrose Arcand. Morrell's Prescott rink was 3rd, Russell's Jim Campbell 4th, Prescott's Peter Lapensee 5th and Bob Hanes from Vankleek Hill 6th. With fine prizes, good ice, a tasty lunch, and a great roast beef dinner, all hope to be back next year. Thanks to the volunteers who made the day work. Those who haven't yet signed up to assist with future events a reminded to do so. The club has a busy schedule this year, and the club rely on volunteers to ensure success in this important part of our financial endeavours.

Our junior representatives competed in the zone play down over the weekend. The fine young team which competes in Morrisburg's Thursday night Competitive League consists of J.J. Hollister, Jeremy Schnurr, Warren Schneckenburger and Tim Boushell. They won their first match, but then ran into two teams of twenty year-olds who went on to win the Zones and advance to the Regional competition. With several more years of junior eligibility left, hopefully the fellows will keep competing at this level.

Dart players vying for Ontario tryouts

by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Top local dart players are participating in the Ontario Zone Shoots 2002-2003. The Iroquois Legion is the hosting venue for three of the four events that will see the top players earn a spot in the try-outs for the Darts Ontario Provincial Championship team.

The top players determined by the four zone tournaments will travel to Kingston April 19th and 20th to try out for the provincial team. Sunday local players gathered at the Iroquois Legion for a shot at a try out spot. Players involved travelled from Cornwall, Brockville, Prescott, and Kemptville joining locals from Iroquois, Morrisburg and Cardinal at the first zone shoot.

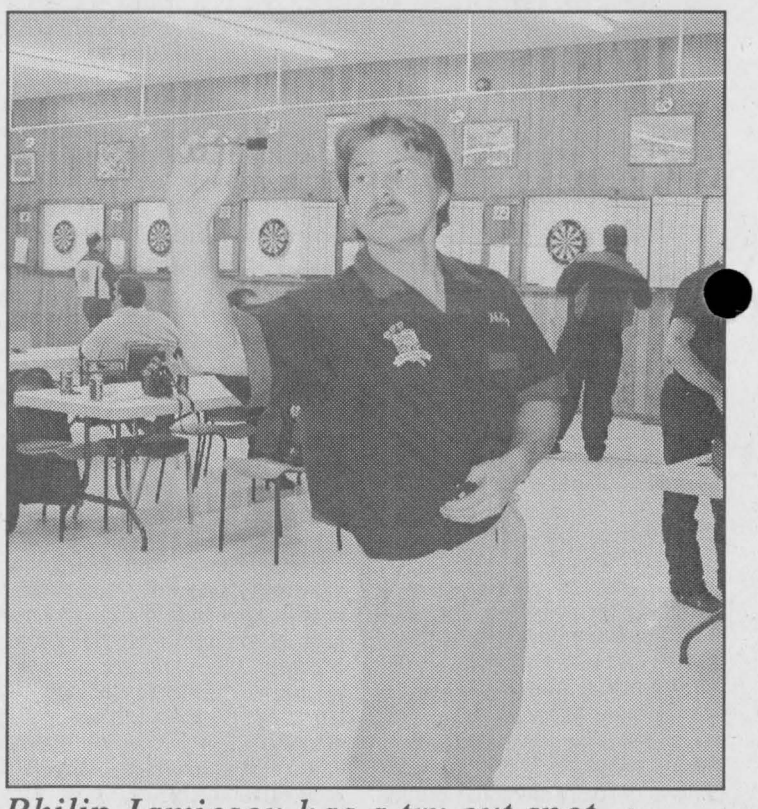
In the Mixed Doubles Event first place went to Pierre Montroy & Linda Birch. Susan Smith & Ron Belonoha placed second while the joint third and fourth place positions were secured by Marc Villenueve & Sheri Sommerville and Philip Jamieson & Patti Dunn.

Linda Birch took the top spot in the Womens Singles event. Sheri Sommerville placed second, and joint third and fourth place spots went to Diane Baker and Patti Dunn.

Pierre Delisle won the first mens singles event followed by second placed Norm Pilon, joint third and fourth places went to Marc Villenueve and Ron Belonoha.

Philip Jamieson is a two time mens singles zone champ, so he has already earned a seeded spot in the Kingston try-outs. All other players will continue to participate in future zone shoots with the hopes of earning the same.

Organizers wanted to thank the Iroquois Legion for donating the use of their facilities on such short notice, and look forward to holding more of their future events at the facility.



Philip Jamieson has a try out spot. *Chieftain Photo by Rebecca Comfort*

RSL Minor Bantams split games over weekend

The Kings were able to manage a win to go with one loss over the weekend. Friday night had the Kings brave a blizzard to take on the Ottawa Valley Titans in Carleton Place and drop a 4-1 decision.

The Kings came out of the gate to take an early one-goal lead by Mike Froom with assists going to Brian Molloy and Mike Empey. This goal would prove to be the only one the visitors would manage on this night. The Titans came back to tie and then go one up with eight seconds remaining at the end of the first. The Kings have had problems in the second period of late and tonight would be no exception. The Titans kept the Kings on their heels for the entire period and could not muster any offence for a come back. The Titans would score two more in the second and take a 4-1 win.

Saturday night the Kings played host to the Nepean Raiders at the Leo Boivin Arena in Prescott. Hoping to rebound from a lack luster loss and the loss of team captain Kyle Atkins due to injury, the Kings saw this match as a must win. The play was even in the first with both teams playing solid hockey. The play see-sawed back and forth with the Kings able to put one late in the frame on a goal by Jason Crooke. Matt LaJoie and Zack VanAllen picked up the assists.

Again tonight the Kings would play a weak second period and only stellar goal tending by Clarke Saunders would keep the score close. The second period was totally dominated by the Raiders and they would take a 2-1 lead to the break.

When play resumed in the third the Raiders moved to a one-man forecheck in order to prevent any odd man rushes. This tactic enabled the Kings to move the puck out of their own end with ease and mount a fore check of their own. The balance of play clearly favoured the Kings and they were able to tie the game mid-way through the frame when Bobby Little deflected a point shot from Tyrell Keicks.

With three minutes left in the game the pressing Kings went ahead for good on a slick three way passing play. Brian Molloy would score the winner with Joel Haystead-Smyth and Peter Roy picking up the assists.

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November 21, 2002

Iroquois 5	70
Prescott 6	70
Iroquois 7	55
Prescott 1	53
Cardinal 4	49
Cardinal 2	39
Prescott 3	35

GAMES WON (3 or more)

Kevin Laming	3
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Joel Adams	140x2
Tom Coville	140-125
Rick Sayeau	140
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Bob Juby	140
Bill Hutt	135
Duane Kirker	132
Jerry Carr	124
Frank Russell	124
Wayne Bellinger	121

Iroquois Mixed Dart League
November 22, 2002

Nordecks	47.5
No Buddy's	46
Stressed Out	45
The Sex Machines	44
Hurricanes	44
Redfox	43
Middle One	42.5
Starburst	33
Awful Slow	31
Giggles	29

WEEKS HIGH SCORES

Duane Kirker	136
Carol Birch	134
Cecil Lewis	133
Pat Hart	124
Bernie Montroy	121

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Iroquois and District

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Ladies Christmas Pot Luck and Auction, Thursday, November 28 at 6 pm at the Iroquois Golf Club. Members and Non-Members welcome. Non-members, please bring something for pot luck or auction table. Members please bring something for both. For more information call Evonne Delegarde at 652-1388 or Carole Brouse at 652-4345.

Iroquois United Church Youth Ministry Fundraiser. Live music by Larry Cromie. Friday, Nov. 29 from 7-8:30 pm. Coffee, tea, juice and desserts. Donations accepted.

Craft Show at the Cardinal Village Square Mall, Friday, November 29 from 6 pm - 9 pm. Saturday, November 30 from 9 am - 3 pm. Sponsored by the Cardinal Lions Club.

Brunch, Bake Sale & Christmas Craft Sale, Sat. Nov. 30, 8:30 am - 12 noon, Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church.

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In 2002, a new Certificate of Approval was issued for the Cardinal WTP directing the Township of Edwardsburgh/Cardinal (Township) to implement the required water treatment upgrades as well as provide standby power at the WTP.

The Cardinal WTP Upgrade Project is being planned under **Schedule B** of the **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment.**

An open house will be held at the Cardinal Municipal Office, at 618 Kings 2 Highway, Cardinal, on Thursday, December 5, 2002 from 14:00 to 16:00 and from 19:00 to 21:00. Public input and comments are invited, for incorporation into the planning and design of this project, and will be received until December 12, 2002. Subject to comments received and the receipt of necessary approvals, the Township intends to proceed with the planning, design and implementation of this project, to be completed by June 2003.

For further information on this project please contact:

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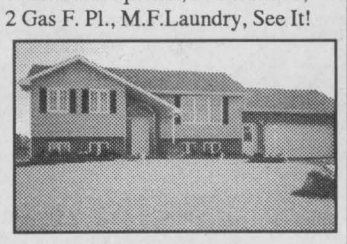

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The Perfect Family Show-A Christmas Carol at Upper Canada Playhouse

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

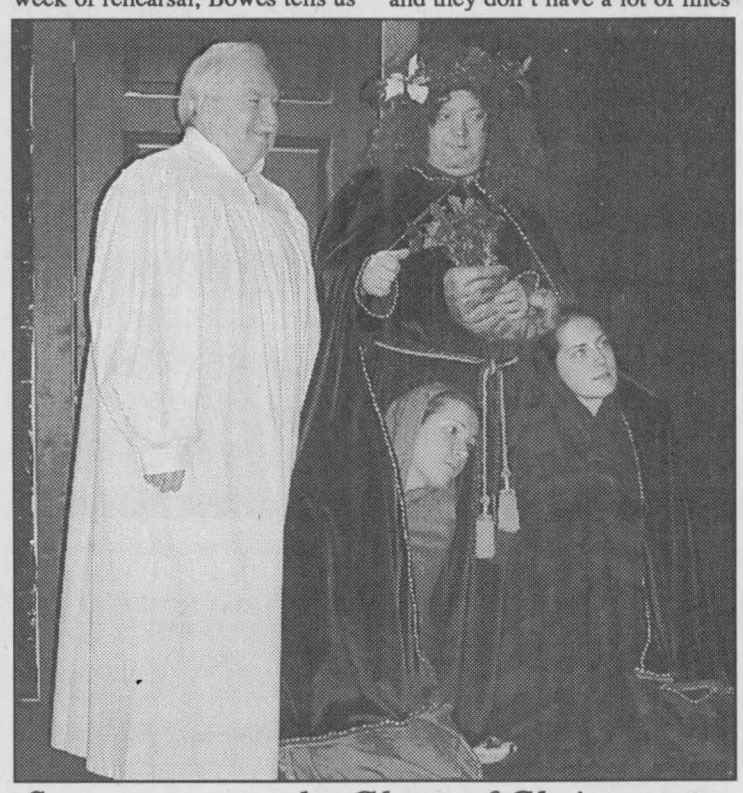
Upper Canada Playhouse audiences are in for a holiday treat this Christmas. A wonderful production of the classic Dicken's tale, A Christmas Carol, plays from November 28 through December 14 at the Playhouse. It features a large cast. Speaking with Artistic Director, Donnie Bowes and seven of the eight members of the cast who incidentally play some 40 characters in this show, we learn that there are some 45 costumes worn throughout the show with wigs. "It was a real challenge to work these changes into the show, they have to be executed rapidly in order to work effectively," notes Bowes. Add talented singers and actors complete with live fiddle music and you will not want to miss this favourite Seasonal show. He smiles as he adds, "This show is different from the usual plays done at the Playhouse."

Previously staged by Bowes at Harbourside Playhouse in Mississauga, where the Mississauga News said, "This marvellous show is a perfect family outing," he is pleased since that is exactly what he intended it to be. "We set out to create a show that the whole family could enjoy...a show for all ages. Christmas is an ideal time for such a family event."

John Weir, popular with Playhouse audiences as the hilarious and loveable father of the bride in the recent hit Maggie's Getting Married, plays Ebenezer Scrooge (never leaves the stage) with another Playhouse favourite, Doug Tangney (Weekend Comedy) playing Bob Crachit and the Ghost of Christmas Past.

A Christmas Carol tells the story of Ebenezer Scrooge, the stingy old recluse who gets visited by the three Ghosts of Christmas, who take him on a magical journey to show him his past, present and future.

The Playhouse will feature three local boys from St. Mary's School in Morrisburg (proximity allows easy access to attend rehearsals after school)... Connor Woodmass, Eric Kohnen and Brian Van Moorsel who will alternate performances as Tiny Tim for the run of the show. The youngsters have some speaking parts as Tim, but a lot for them are non-speaking parts. Their parts are scattered throughout the play. Heading into the second week of rehearsal, Bowes tells us the youngsters are all doing well, "The actors are great with them and they don't have a lot of lines to learn, mostly just being where expected is their job."



Scrooge meets the Ghost of Christmas...

Joining the boys is a cast of professional actors and singers including Gab Desmond freshly back from the Charlottetown Festival who will also provide live fiddle music during the show. Sheldon Davis (first time to work with Bowes) plays Marley's Ghost who ominously appears dragging chains. He also will play the ghost of Christmas Present, Mr. Fizzywig, the school master, a tax collector, a businessman, Peter Crachit, Topper, Dick and a Street Musician. He explained, "The music fit so well and worked perfectly, the music takes place so it is applied to the scene it is in, it is familiar and not taken out of context at all. I play the violin and recorder and sing." Amanda Parsons (My Darling Judith and Don't Dress for Dinner) plays Mrs Crachit and Mrs. Fizzywig and Mrs. Dillbout. She was among the cast in the first show Bowes ever did at UCP, while Jeff Mulrooney (first time at UCP, hailing from Hamilton) appears as Scrooge as a young man as well as Scrooge's nephew, Fred. Zipporah Peddle (first time at UCP, hails from New Foundland) is Scrooge's one-time girlfriend, Belle.

An interesting mix of story and popular Christmas Carols (sung throughout to add to the impact of the play), this is designed to be just the right length (70 minutes in total) for all ages, so the whole family can enjoy this perennial favourite.

Bowes describes the show as an ensemble show where the story is told by a co-revolving stage, a unique experience for the audience at the Playhouse.

Donnie Bowes tells how the prose is so great it "had" to be turned into dialogue in the show. Adapted from the novel, it is not a concept piece, it is not watered down. It is done in "real" time, and the fact that it is seamless, the youngsters love it!"

Taking into consideration that if children come, parents usually bring them, Donnie notes that he wanted to provide a show that they too could enjoy. "The strength of the novel and the challenge of turning it into a play presented a formidable task. The writing is so very dense, the trick was to pick and choose and incorporate those scenes necessary. Casting three actors who have played in this show previously has helped the process." Everyone involved in this show gets along well with everyone else and that has to be a bonus."

Three scenes...street, Scrooges' bedroom and an all-purpose room which becomes whatever is requires: a home, an office, the Crachit House or Peter's House.

As we continue the press conference, John lets it leak that there are special effects, modest, yet there. "I find it a nice change, and it is a challenge for everyone. You have to keep your wits about you as you watch this one, you never know where a ghost will turn up!!!"

"Ticket sales are brisk for this show, with almost all school matinees sold out and a good portion of the evening shows booked, a few on odd nights remain, not a lot to go," adds a proud Artistic Director.

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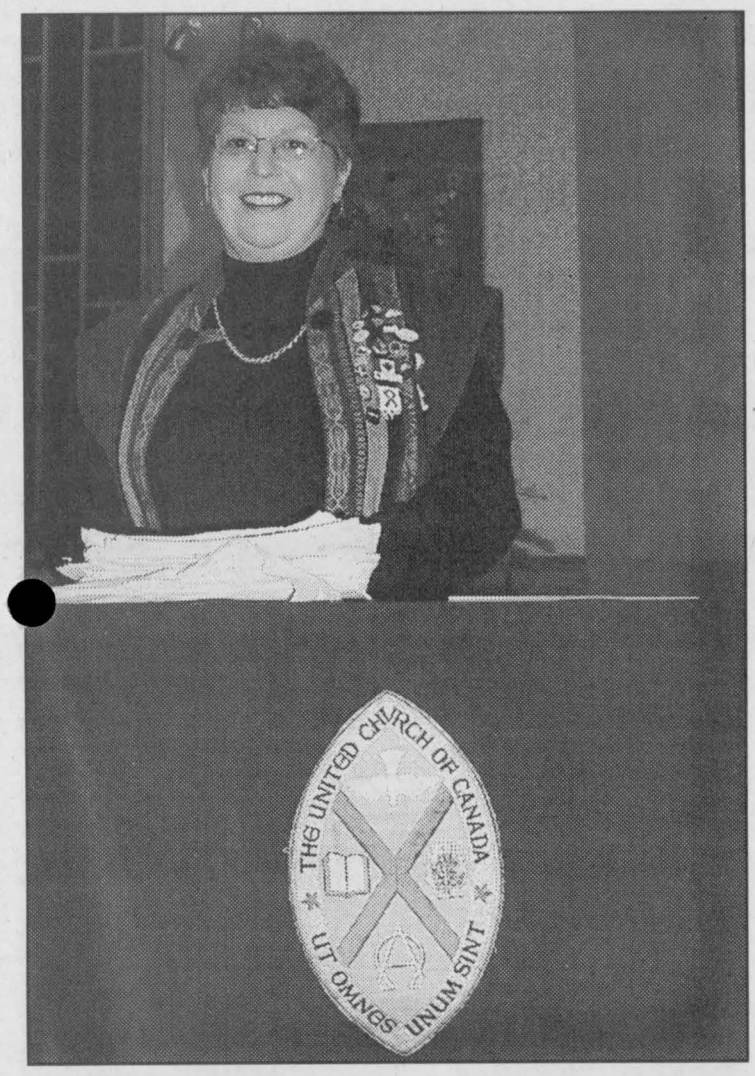

United Church Moderator Visits Area

The Right Reverend Dr. Marion Pardy, Moderator of the United Church of Canada was in the area this past week, and one stop on her trip was at the House of Lazarus in Mountain. Here, Pastoral Director Shirley Nichol (right) presents Dr. Pardy with copies of her books, "Angels on My Windowsill" and "The Angels Continue to appear." *Chieftain Photo by T. Roach*

United Church Moderator visits the House of Lazarus

By Theresa Roach
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The House of Lazarus, located at 2245 Simms Street in Mountain, received a very special visitor on Thursday, November 21 when The Right Reverend Dr. Marion Pardy, Moderator of the United Church of Canada came to visit.

During her stay at the House of Lazarus she toured the building, talked to staff members, volunteers and clients and had lunch with anybody in the building including board members, staff and clients being invited to eat.

Pastoral Director of the House of Lazarus, Shirley Nichol presented Dr. Pardy with signed copies of her books, "Angels on My Windowsill" and "The Angels Continue to Appear." The books are compilations of short stories about the House of Lazarus.

Dr. Pardy expressed an interest to Nichol of meeting with the House of Lazarus' volunteers, staff, clients and board members while she was there. The Moderator also visited locations throughout the Seaway Valley Presbytery during her stay.

She viewed the Quilt of Belonging and spoke on "The Place and Value of Small Group Ministry in the Church's Wider Ministry" at Knox-St. Paul's United Church in Cornwall, attended a worship service and forum entitled, "Tell Us About Our United Church" at Iroquois United Church and toured the Williamstown United Church which is believed to be one of the oldest in Eastern Ontario.

Dr. Pardy has ministered in both urban and rural settings across Canada, since she was ordained in 1982. She was born and raised in Newfoundland and was elected Moderator of the United Church of Canada in August 2000.

"It went really well. She's so warm and friendly that everything went great. I was really priviledged that she would take the time to visit us in Mountain. I thought it was wonderful," said Nichol.



Hospice Hoedown

Doctor Gerry Rosenquist poses with his alter ego a scarecrow created by Hospice folks to add fun to the Hoedown evening. Wendy Byvelds was a major force behind the evenings festivities. A terrific fundraiser, bringing in close to $10,000 for the Hospice. *Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston*

House 2 Gold playing well

The Midget House #2 team travelled to Lewisville, N.Y. Nov., 9th and hosted the first placed Long Sault team Nov., 12th.

In Lewisville the Lions scored two quick 1st period goals by, Brandon McKendry (unassisted), and Dan McLaughlin (Matt VanMoorsel). The team got into penalty trouble ended up with a frustrating loss.

At home to Long Sault they played a great end to end hockey game for 3 full periods, ending in a 3-3 knot. Morrisburg was on the board first as McLaughlin (Duvall) scored. Long Sault answered early in the 2nd and went ahead in the 3rd. The Lions fought back playing well both offensively and defensively. Duvall (Patterson) and Tyler Norgaard (O'Neill) bulged the twine for two markers knotting the score.

So far the Midget #2 Gold team has a record of 3-3-2.



Living Dolls

Haley (2 years) and sister Abby (5 years) Harper were interested in these dolls created by Melba Comstock. The cuddly Raggedy-Anne types were pretty cool that's for sure. The Craft Show was sponsored by Dundas Heart and Stroke at the Stampville Centre on Saturday. A marvellous show, there was something for everyone and every taste. Lunch was delicious. *Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston*

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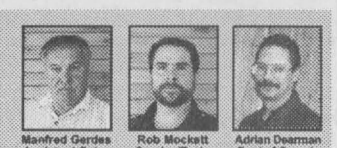

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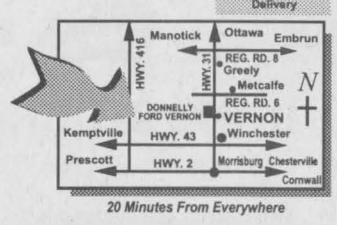

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DINERS CLUBS	~ Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday of each week	$ 4.50
EXERCISE CLASS	~ Mondays at 10:00 am	$ 3.00
FOOT CARE	~ Wednesday, Dec. 18, Thursday, Dec. 19	$ 12.00
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MEN'S CLUB	~ Wednesday, Dec: 4 & 18 - 1/2 day of games, speakers, etc. plus lunch	$ 7.50
MOVIE	~ Friday, Dec. 6 - White Christmas - Bing Crosby	$ 1.00
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Hospice Benefits

A donation of $5,000 will help the Dundas County Hospice. Employees at the Winchester Royal Bank of Canada chose the local charitable organization to receive the money. Pictured areLorrie Munro, Joyce Francis (Hospice Fundraising co-ordinator) who accepted the cheque, Wendy Dale (vice chair of Bd. In Hospital), Marianne Bryan, Brenda Buzzell-Wilson, Brenda Hogaboam, Liz Pelkey and Andrea MacLellan. *Chieftain Photo by S.L. Johnston*

Robotic experience at Seaway High

by Rebecca Comfort
Chieftain Staff Reporter

A new type of extra-curricular activity has been offered at Seaway District High School as part of a pilot project for qualifying students expressing an interest in obtaining hands-on electronics and engineering technology experience.

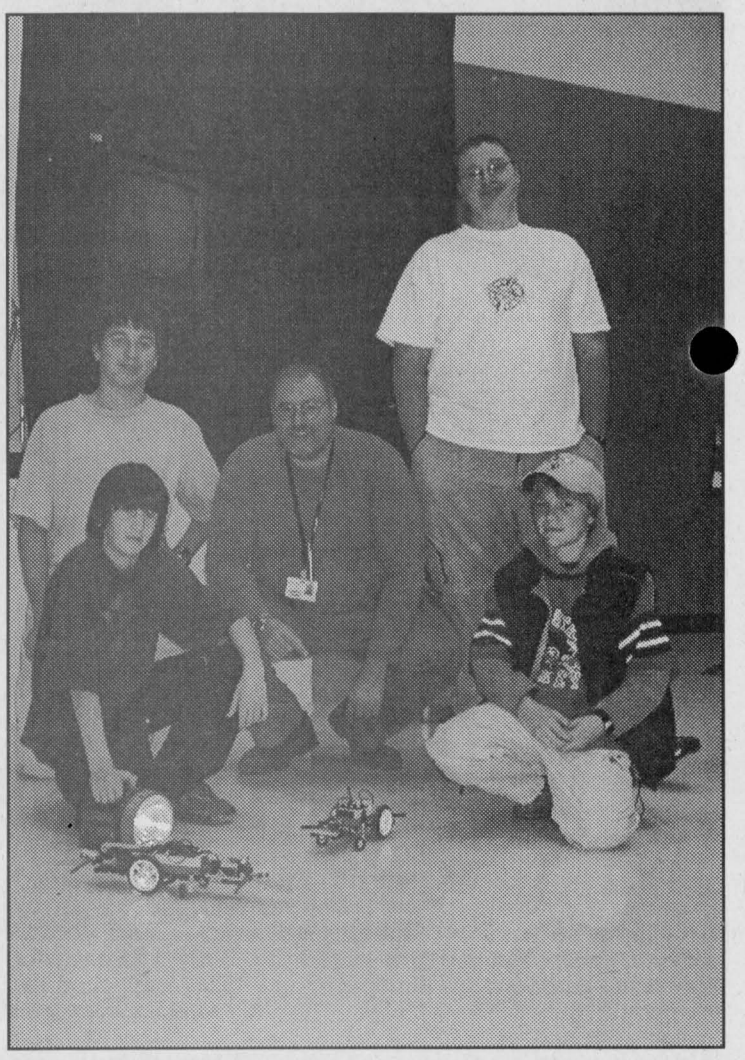
The program started in September and those enrolled meet once a week working with the "LEGO MINDSTORMS Robotic Invention System" under the direction of Larry Terry.

Terry is an engineer and experienced business development professional employed in the high tech industry with Motorola. He has a keen interest in working with youth and technology. An expert in the field he directs and challenges the skills of the student participants, helping them to focus on, and develop their skills in electronics technology.

Terry willingly offers of his time to give youth an alternative after school activity, and to help them evaluate their choices in an overwhelmingly broad technology field.

Terry proposed to "develop, organize, and teach an after school technology program geared to a small number of students who have expressed an interest in electronics, robotics, embedded computers, or advanced concepts in programming with real-time operating systems and networking," and he is doing just that.

Thanks to the initiative of Larry Terry, and the cooperation of the high school and their tech department eight kids from grade 9 to OAC have learned to develop programs, solve problems, experience mechanical assembly and develop real working robot models. A unique and valuable experience that will help them prepare for future endeavours in the high tech industry.



Working Robots

Adam Bilodeau, Nick McIntosh, Matt Terry and T.J. McManus demonstrate their working robots as Larry Terry lends his expertise to the unique after school program which he initiated to give students exposure to technology.

Chieftain Photo by Rebecca Comfort

St. Lawrence Area Birdwatching

by Birds Anonymous

Before I begin the column this week, I have been remiss to mention that a few weeks ago, a visit from Eden Avery, the first lady to grace this space was a welcome treat here at The Chieftain. She looks great and it was nice to hear she still enjoys the column since moving from Iroquois.

The winter style weather has brought out the feeders and the birds. We sit and watch the antics of our feathered visitors as we sip our morning coffee. The Blue Jays with their racket which I guess asserts their superiority over the smaller guests at the feeders chase the Chickdees and Sparrows away from the seeds. A strange little fellow, dark in clour with a very long, narrow beak has been frequenting the feeders along with the several Chickadees and Sparrows who come in flocks to enjoy the fare. These small birds flit into the cedar shrubs that stand along the veranda. The shrub backs which face the house are full of holes and the birds seek shelter and refuge there until their turn comes around at the feeder or they decide to head on to another dinner spot. The snow does not penetrate and they seem cozy in there.

Many loud honkers fly overhead each morning winging their way northward. I am waiting for them to drop by the feeders one of three times as they skid to a landing in now abandoned corn fields searching for kernels left behind by the pickers. They would make quite a photo if they came by and stretched their long necks into the feeder...maybe some day!

Our Irena birdwatcher is ever faithful to the column and reports 3 Blue Jays at her feeder every day. She has a female Hairy Woodpecker clinging to the suet daily. Four Tree Sparrows and a similar number of Chickadees have been habitual diners. The Chickadees keep chasing one another comically around the feeder, amusing to watch for sure. A flock of 25 Snow Birds were sighted along Rowena Road and she mentions the Ducks in Hilliards Creek again, as they float atop the water, bobbing about on the flat surface. There were 3 House Sparrows under her suet and she notes a male and female Downy Woodpecker enjoying the suet ball as well. The 200 or so Canada Geese continue to fly overhead regular as clock work every morning.

If you too have a feeder or four, why not share your visitors with our readers? Call 652-4395 and let us all know what birds are in the area. As winter blankets us in the little fellows with the feathers will be seeking seeds at feeders more and more, we love to hear from you, call before noon on Tuesday so we have time to include your report, thanks, eh!!

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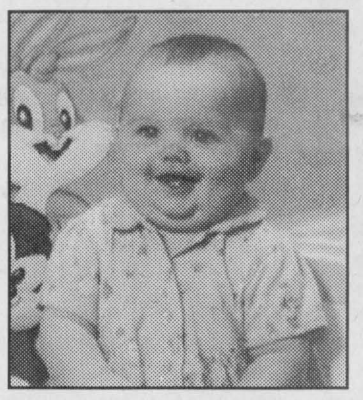

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Silver Retiree

Joan Toupin has been with CASCO for 25 years...she will be missed. Here she poses with President Jim Grey and Plan Manager Paul Choquette as she is about to be recognized for her contribution over the years. A dinner, presentation of service awards-25 years- and recognition followed. Enjoy your retirement Joan! Gary Cameron and Andrew Gill were absent.

RIDE Update- please keep roads safe this holiday season

With the holiday season fast approaching, the Ontario Provincial Police wants to remind the motoring public of the danger of mixing alcohol with driving. Alcohol is a factor in one of every three road users killed. In a continuing effort to make Ontario roadways safer, officers from the OPP will be out in your neighbourhood targeting impaired drivers this holiday season.

From November 28, 2002 to January 2, 2003, the OPP will team up with other police services from across the province for the annual Festive R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) campaign in an effort to remove the menace of the impaired driver and curb the death toll on Ontario roads.

Last year, during the five week OPP Festive R.I.D.E. initiative a total of 456,149 vehicles were stopped at roadside checkpoints. A total of 890, 12-hour licence suspensions were issued and 460 persons were charged with criminal code alcohol-related charges; 439 of the 90 day Administrative Drivers Licence Suspensions were also issued.

Unfortunately, impaired driving remains the leading criminal cause of death in Canada. Alcohol was a factor in more than 1/3 of all traffic fatalities. This needless loss of lives must stop. We can't do it alone, do your part, don't drink and drive, be a designated driver, or simply take a taxi. Help us get the threat of the drinking and driving driver off our roads.

The OPP is asking everyone travelling this holiday season to take extra care in reaching their destination and to make this a safe and happy occasion for everyone. Don't drink and drive!

R.I.D.E. spot checks conducted in Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry this past weekend did not result in any arrests for drinking and driving offences. A spot check along Highway 138 did result in one person being charged for the possession of marihuana.

Last year during the period between November 25, 2002 and December 31, 2002, R.I.D.E. spot checks in Dundas County resulted in two persons being charged in connection with drinking and driving offences, and eight persons being charged in relation to drug possession offences.

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Millie and I have finally decided to pack it in and retire from Beaupre Jewellers and to turn the business over to our son, Jeffrey Beaupre.

We wish to thank all our valued customers for their support over the past 50 years.

Millie has been a valued help to me, an expert salesperson and gift wrapper.

Our son Jeffrey spent two years at George Brown College in Toronto and a two year apprenticeship with me acquiring his Watchmaker's Certificate in 1972. Jeff is an excellent Watchmaker and Engraver. He is a courteous salesman and has acquired his mother's talent for gift wrapping. Millie and I trust that you, our former customers will afford Jeff the same support you have given her and I.

Thanks to all,

Keith and Millie Beaupre

Dear Editor,

On behalf of Branch 370 of the Royal Canadian Legion, I would like to thank everyone who supported the Poppy Campaign by either purchasing a wreath or making a donation. A special thanks goes out to all the Scouts and Guides and their leaders who participated in the November 3 Poppy Blitz.

I would like to thank Bev Sabourin for her efforts in organizing the Matilda Hall Remembrance Service and to pianist Betty Casselman. The refreshments after the service were appreciated by all.

The Colour Party and participants in the parade to the Cenotaph ceremony should be congratulated for their endurance. Comrade Len Roberts organizer of the Legion Service and the Cenotaph Ceremonies was very special.

The Ladies Auxiliary must be thanked for hot dogs and chocolate which they prepared for the Poppy Blitz and for after the Sunday Service. We needed something warm after the cold shower.

Finally, I would like to thank all the veterans who were able to attend the various Remembrance Day services at the local school.

I am very proud of this community, and all the helpful people who live here.

Thanks to one and all,

Neil McLaren,

Poppy Chairman.

OBITUARY

Stanley Keeler

Suddenly at Winchester Hospital, on November 19, 2002, Stanley Keeler of Cardinal. Born in Matilda Township on November 20, 1939, he was 63 years of age. A lifetime area resident,he moved 10 months ago to Cardinal.

Predeceased by his parents, James and Eva (nee Levere) Keeler as well as brothers: Clinton, Wilfred and Bruce and sisters: Leona, Flossie and Sara Markell, Stan was a general labourer all his life.

Mourning the loss are his beloved wife, Bernice (nee Leveree), a son Stanley Jr. of Lyn and step-children; Gordon White of Westport; Steven (Susan) White of RR2, Iroquois; Paul (Karen) White and Lynn Markell, all of RR2, Brinston; Carol (Herb) Markell and Marnie (John) Tuttle, all of RR2, Brinston. Brothers Bucky (Linda) Markell of Prescott and Forrest of Morrisburg survive the loss as well. Saddened also are nieces and nephews. Stan enjoyed fishing, working with horses and repairing cars.

Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation were appreciated by the family. Friends called at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg where service was conducted November 23, 2002 with Shirley Nichol officiating. Interment was at Spruce Haven Cemetery, Brinston. Pallbearers were Stewart Markell, Mahlon and Jimmy Keeler, Paul White, James Deyo and Harry Brown.

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Construction Continues

Cardinal's Walter Street construction continues as the weather chills down. Last Friday a warm spell struck the area and the street turned to mud. A major job the replacing of sewer and water lines will make a big difference for residents.

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Police Report

THEFT

On 25NOV02 police received a report of a theft, which had occurred in the Village of Morrisburg.

Between 23-25NOV02 an entry had been made onto the property of Upper Canada Motors which resulted in the theft of four 16 inch, five spoke, aluminum rims and tires from a 2003 Chevrolet S10 pick up truck parked on the lot. Const. C. O'Neill is investigating this incident.

VANDALISM

On 25NOV02 police began an investigation into an incident of vandalism, which had occurred at the Morrisburg plaza in South Dundas Township.

Overnight on 22-23NOV02 a window in the front door of the Biba store had sustained damage which has been estimated at between $350-$500. Const. C. O'Neill is investigating this incident.

Anyone having information relating to these crimes is urged to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-265-TIPS.

CONTINUED FROM THE FRONT

Village

guests B&B operators, Commissioners, Hotel and Motel operators, and local dignitaries). Mr. Brown explained that this season, a new addition to the event, will include stepping out of the cold and into the warmth here at the Harvest Barn Restaurant where nightly dinner specials and other warm-you-up foods and beverages will be offered. Made to order menu options will also be available for groups of 20 or more who reserve in advance.

The Minister of Tourism and Recreation was present at the event's official launch to present an additional $220,000 in capital funding to the St. Lawrence Parks Commission to upgrade some of its facilities. "Investing in our assets enables agencies like the Parks Commission to continue to offer the excellent programming it does," said Minister Klees.

Visitors will want to bundle up before they venture out to marvel at the sparkling heritage buildings, trees and fences, now decorated with over 100,000 lights that majestically transform this historic site into a true winter wonderland. Old fashioned horse-drawn wagon rides will be available from 5 to 8:30pm Thursdays and Sundays, and from 5 to 9:30pm on Friday and Saturday nights.

"We are expecting this year's Alight At Night event to be better than ever," said Dave Dobbie, Manager of Upper Canada Village. "In the past, where the Village has always been busy from May to October with over 150,000 visitors, it has normally laid dormant through the winter months. But, not any more. " Last year the event drew over 26,000 visitors over the 30-day program. "We have purchased an additional wagon this year and will be streamlining our admissions area to facilitate the crowds," said Dobbie, "And, we've responded to visitors feedback by providing meal services on site."

As well the Village Store will be open, offering a unique selection of Christmas gift ideas and souvenir items. Photos with Santa will be available too. Adjacent to the Store, the Village Cafe will offer a second venue to warm up with hot drinks and snacks.

Musical groups have been invited to perform at the event on select evenings throughout the program. So far, North Dundas High School Band will perform Saturday, December 7, Seaway Sound from Cornwall on Friday, December 13, The Cornwall Centennial Choir on Saturday, December 14 and a community partnered Church choir on December 15, anyone interested in performing should call Gabrielle Thomas at 543-3704.

Admission is $3 per adult, $2 per child (12 and under). The horse drawn wagon ride is $3 per adult and $2 for children extra. A special rate is available for reserving group wagon rides in advance. See you as Eastern Ontario becomes Alight At Night at UCV.

Gym

a committee of council in order that they be covered under the township insurance policy, at their request, and received documentation from their insurance company outlining the details of signage that would allow the group's request to be granted.

As a whole council was in agreement with the group's goals and granted their request, "we look forward to seeing activities underway," was the comment made by Mayor Whitteker.

The South Dundas Athletics and Recreation Association is targeting January 1, 2003 for their opening at the Operating Engineers. They are seeking 100 paid memberships to start, but the group can operate without a deficit selling as few as 75 memberships. There are already 50 people committed to purchasing memberships which will cost about $30 a month.

The group also aims to host one major athletic event per year, which is yet to be determined.

By-law

of them to be parked on any highway within the municipality for any continuous period of time exceeding three hours.

In addition signage will be posted in target areas to clearly display new parking restrictions. New parking restrictions will effect Clarence Street and Centre Street in Winchester, Industrial Drive and William Street in Chesterville. Parking will be prohibited from 7am to 7pm in Winchester in areas of Louise Street, York Street, and May Street.

Stopping will be prohibited during the school year, September to June, 8-9am, and 3-4pm, Monday through Friday on areas of William Street and College Street in Chesterville.

Parking time limits will also come into effect and be enforced in the Villages of Winchester and Chesterville.

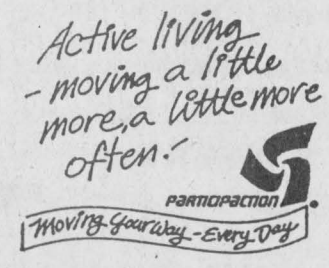
Areas effected by any changes will be well signed, and changes will be well advertised by the township when the regulations come into effect in the new year.

Health Service

mandate to increase efficiency, streamline costs and reduce waiting times in the Emergency.

"It's all about safety and support," says Fedorus, "for the individuals in crisis, and their families and friends. When support and assistance are needed due to mental illness, potential suicide or severe behavioural situation, the Team will provide a faster, less intrusive means to access it than what has been available up until now."

The Mental Health Crisis Team officially opened its doors November 22 at the Cornwall General Hospital. OPP Inspector Michael Hopkins and WDMH CEO Andre Rodier were among those on hand at the launch.



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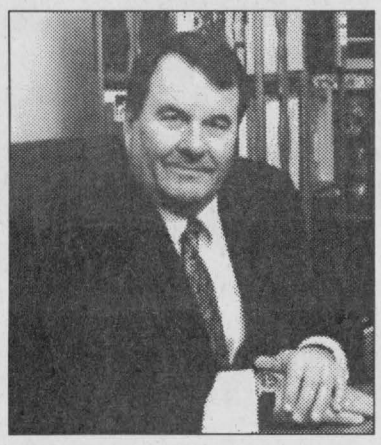

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