Kilger under fire at firearm all candidates debate

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

It was a turkey shoot. Bob Kilger even wore a bright Liberal red sweater, providing a better target to those attending the Firearm Association's May 22 all candidates debate on gun control and crime.

Well, it was supposed to be about those two topics. Mostly it was about Bob Kilger and bill C-68.

Two brief questions about crime-- one about support for the death penalty and the other about giving convicts the right to vote-- elicited responses from all candidates. However after these two questions, one of which was posed by the moderator, Rev. Roy Harwood, the assembled audience got down to business with a volley of questions for Bob Kilger on the Liberal gun control legislation.

"I take it you believe in democracy. If that's true then do you not also believe that an elected group in parliament should do the wishes of the majority of its constituents. What I want to know is why some federal members of parliament of the liberal party were punished by the Prime Minister for voting against bill C-68 when that's what their constituents demanded they do?" asked the first questioner of the evening.

Kilger responded by saying he had met with many people on the issue and received much correspondence and the majority of Stormont Dundas constituents supported the bill as did a majority of Canadians.

"I think that the bill is a balanced approach. It allows us to have some information that from time to time could be helpful either to our law enforcement people or to our court system.

"I am the first one to recognize that yes there will be some additional costs and some will say also there will be some added inconvenience, I recognize that I accept that but certainly I believe that also it is a worthwhile investment and a small price to pay to increase the safety of our homes and communities," said Kilger.

But when pressed to answer the question of the punished MPs Kilger acknowledged that there was a party line to follow. He cited John Nunziata as an example of a MP who lost confidence in his party. Kilger said that he wasn't certain which MPs were being referred to, but said, "If you are referring to Mr. Allman's removal as chairman of the justice committee it was not on Bill C-68, it was on another matter." This brought about calls from the audience of disapproval.

"You're the party whip now you know who they are!" shouted one audience member.

Reform candidate Charles Dillabough was only too happy to identify the three MPs, "Since Mr. Kilger is having trouble remembering who the MPs were, lets name the names: Mr. Paul Stuckley, Mr. Rex Crawford, and Mr. Benoit Seré those were the three liberal MPs that said they represented the wishes of their constituents when they voted against Bill C-68 and they suffered the consequences as a result. They were removed from the Parliamentary committees they sat on."

"Would you vote the way we ordered you to vote or would vote in favor of your prime minister?" the audience member who asked the original question queried.

Kilger answered that he laid out his platform when he was elected and didn't feel uncomfortable voting the way he said he would when he was elected.

"I present myself as a member of the liberal party of Canada. I stand by the Liberal policy, I stand by the Liberal values, I stand by the Liberal Platform. And so I would expect to be able after being elected by the majority of the constituents of the riding in which I'm presenting myself as a candidate for the Liberal party of Canada. I believe I should continue to represent them and vote for the policies of that party as I was elected as a member of that party," said Kilger.

"If I want to be an independent, if that's what I want to be, then I should run as an independent. Well, there's not too many independents that get elected. There's not too many independents that have a great deal of influence in the house of commons." Kilger said forcefully.

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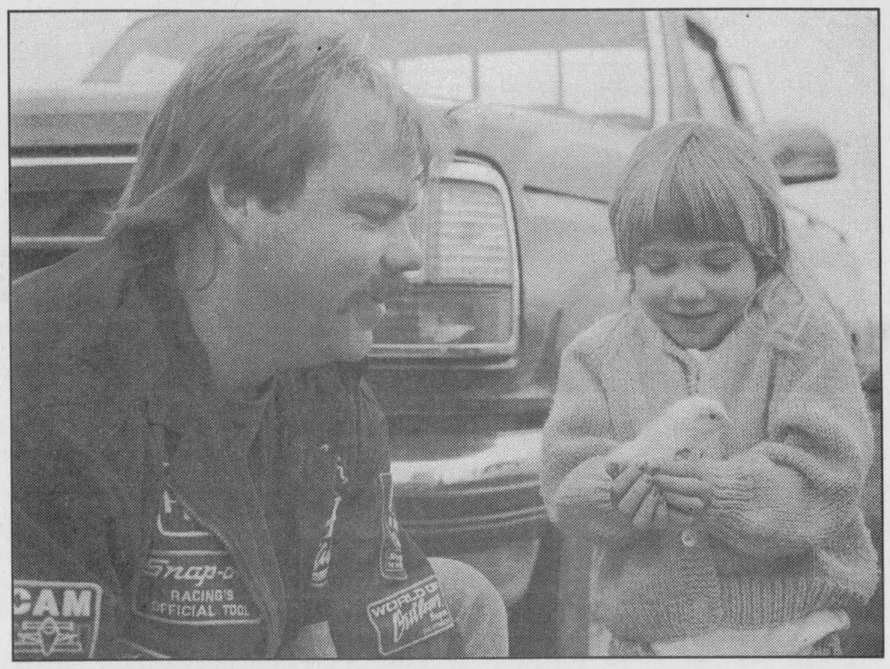

Who's chicken?

Darrin Crawford's daughter Kali (who will be 4 years old in August) smiles as she holds a chick her father purchased in the parking lot of the Matilda Hall in Dixon's Corners. Crawford who hails from Ingleside was among many people who purchased chicks for raising in Dixon's Corners, May 13.

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Employer panel discussion gives direction to Seaway High students

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Finding common ground between education and business is becoming increasingly important in the 1990s. This is true not only for the business sector that is looking for specific skills in students, but also for today's students whose success may rest on having mastered many of these skills.

Senior students at Seaway High had the opportunity on Monday to hear, first hand, just what these skills are from local business; and how to best demonstrate the achievement of specific skills to employers during the job search/interview process.

This workshop is a part of a Secondary School Reform Initiative delivered by T.R. Leger School entitled CONNECT (Community Organization Network Necessary for Employment Career Transition). The mandate of the CONNECT project is to provide improved access to information on job, employment and career opportunities to both secondary students and guidance staff in isolated rural areas. As well, the processes, information and resources to be included in student career portfolios which serve as evidence of necessary employment/career counselling and exploration are included in the mandate. Assistance in the development and implementation of a portfolio plan are included too. These are achieved through linkages with community agencies and local business and industry, through Internet access, presentations to Parent Councils and via workshops presented at SD&G Guidance Subject Council and Professional Activity Days.

Along with Seaway, North Dundas, Rothwell Osnabruck, T.R. Leger-Morrisburg and Winchester Campuses, and Tagwi are participating schools in the CONNECT project.

Mondays' session was the final in a series designed by teachers at Seaway: Shelley Bentley and Donna Notman to help prepare students for what they will encounter after high school.

The first in the series concentrated on problem solving and stress reduction and was hosted by Karen Thompson, Project Facilitator of the Community Organization Network Necssary for Employment Career Transition.

This, the second in the series included three students who just completed their first year at college and another three coming home after their first year at university. They related their experiences , good, bad and ugly as far as being away from home for the first time and all, that it entails.

The third session dealt with OSAP applications, budgets and lines of credit for students. Pat MacDonald of the Bank of Montreal led this one.

On hand Monday to answer questions from Karen and the students concerning what employers are looking for in employees were; Wilsie Hatfield of DuPont Canada, Valerie Lee of the Royal Bank, Martin Habraken of Craig Packaging, and Lila Jollota and Pat Morrel of Ross Video.

All senior students who were available were welcome to sit in on the session. The Transition to Employment class (Mrs. Notman) and the Grade 12, general English students (Bentley) were in attendance.

Most of the questions put to the panel were answered in unison as they agreed on most points. Each was given in turn the opportunity to answer. They agreed that writing skills are important because "Communication is the basis of all work places." The appearance of potential employees is vital. When looking for employees, they felt that they are looking for "team players" who could demonstrate problem solving techniques and leadership skills. (Creative people who are not afraid to take one more step into the unknown to

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Satellite office opens Saturday

The old Stampville School has been renovated and Saturday, May 31st, there will be an open house from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to come in and look around at the facilities.

The new look includes a dining room, a craft room, a games room, a woodworking room and a couple of offices.

This Iroquois-Matilda facility will be used as a Seniors' Support Centre for South Dundas and is also available for rent to community residents of all ages.

As with every new place, it needs some little things to make it run well.

Items include: 12 tea towels, 10 dish cloths, 4 tablecloths, 2 tea pots, 2 10-12 cup coffee makers, 1 100 cup coffee pot, 4 serving platters, 1 electric kettle, 2 large garbage cans, 6 bathroom size wastepaper baskets, 1 rummoli game, 4 decks of cards, 1 sewing machine, 1 answering machine, 1 freezer and seasonal decorations.

If you can donate any of these items please call 535-2924.

Matilda looks at 2 percent increase

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Matilda Township council has had their preliminary budget done for the last two month. However, council was waiting for word from the federal government on what kind of funding would be available through the federal infrastructure program.

"We got a little," explained Township Clerk-Treasurer Bill Horner. Matilda received $21,932. "It will be used to do a little extra road work."

The infrastructure money is split equally between the federal, provincial and municipal governments. The $21,932 includes the provincial and federal share. Matilda will put in approximately $10,000 to make up the remainder of the money.

Reeve Charles Barkley noted that the last infrastructure grant from the federal and provincial government was approximately $200,000 and that council had been expecting to get around that much again.

"I'm not complaining," said the reeve about the amount received in '97, "We were treated fairly considering what everyone else got, but we hoping we'd get more to do some road work."

Residents in the township will experience an increase in taxes this year. The township portion will be raised approximately 2

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SD&G Improv coming to Morrisburg Thursday

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Once again the SD&G Improv Championships are coming to Morrisburg. On Thursday, May 29, the Board-Wide Championships will be held at Upper Canada Playhouse. Two years ago, the Seaway DHS team captured the overall championship. Last year, the Seaway squad ended up fourth overall. This year Dave King, the teacher who works with the Improv students, notes that two teams will be entered from the local High School. "They will compete in an evening of "Improvisational Theatre Games" against teams from eight other high schools from across the region, Says Mr. King.

King goes on to add, "Join us for an evening of fun and laughter. The championship starts at 6:30pm and includes three hours of competitions of unplanned drama games. Admission is only $2.00 with all proceeds going to the Playhouse.

Those who have never had the opportunity to view an improv session, it is truly a marvellous way to let out that stress and laugh.

Improv Theatre (short for Improvisational Theatre) is a competition between teams of five to ten players who compete in a series of spontaneous drama games. The games in this Board area are modelled after the Improv Games on TV Ontario...teams are given a theme (Cucumbers, Tomatoes and Heart Surgery for example!) and a category (Example; to be done in Gibberish) and with only 20 seconds planning time are to present a 1-3 minute drama about the theme done in the category style. Judges rate the competing teams.

The Games generally involve a lot of humour and laughter (from the audience) and makes for a fun evening for any age of spectator.

Seaway entered a team for the first time two years ago. To the amazement of all, the Seaway team won the Board Championship against teams from CCVS, GVSS and Tagwi SS. Last year our team did well, making the "A" finals before ending up fourth overall out of eight teams. This year Seaway will enter two teams to compete aginst one another and teams from Glengarry DHS, St. Lawrence HS, Charlan HS, St. Joseph's SS, L'Heritage, CCVS, GVSS and Tagwi SS.

After the first preliminary match held last Thursday evening, the Seaway teams were in a tie for second and third places. The second preliminary match was held May 15 in Cornwall... Both Seaway teams did themselves, their teacher and their school proud; the rookie squad advanced to the Consolation Round and the veterans will be among the top four vying for the Championship. Speaking with Dave King, The Chieftain was informed that only the top four in each category advance to the next round. "The veteran team placed third overall and so got to move on and the rookies, did an excellent job, placing fifth overall, thus becoming the top team in the Consolation Round. This will make it a real challenge for all the local students."

Anyone who has been before will want to go again to view this event, and those who have not...it is indeed a terrific way to spend a few hours. Leave your troubles at home and grab this show!!

The Seaway students have been practising once a week since the beginning of March so that they could be prepared. Team members are Adam Millard, Natalie Patterson, Alex Liddy, Laura Barkley, Andrew McCourt, Ebony Sager, Rhonda Kuz, Becky King, Mary Jane McCourt, Tami Harper, Bambi Blue, Erica Walsh and Kristy McGill.



Trade fair a huge success in Cardinal

The Spring Fling Trade Fair in Cardinal was a resounding success. The event, held last Thursday and Friday evening at the Cardinal Community Centre, had 749 people attend. Over twenty lucky visitors to the Spring Fling Trade Fair were lucky enough to win door prizes. All door prizes were donated by participating businesses. The Cardinal Business Association also donated two $50 bills as door prizes.

Chieftain photo by S. McKibbon.

No drugs found in IPS police raid

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

According to Iroquois Public School Principal, Dick Turner, the OPP cruisers and vans in the school yard on Wednesday were supposed to be there and there was no cause for undue alarm.

"Due to the persistent rumours that Iroquois Public School Grade 7 and 8 students were using drugs while at school, Ms. Presley and myself arranged for the OPP Drug Squad to visit the school."

On Wednesday morning, last week, May 21, five OPP officers and 3 Police dogs made a thorough search of the lockers and bookbags at the school.

"It gives us great pleasure to report that nothing was detected," said Turner.

He noted that the visit had been arranged some time ago and was known only to himself and the Vice-Principal, Ms. Presley. This makes the nil results seem valid in their minds, as no one could have been prepared for the visit. "There was no warning and so anything that is usually in the lockers was there on this day."

During the locker search, all students remained in their classrooms while Ms. Presley, the school secretary, Ms. Fisher and Mr. Turner accompanied the officers in case a locker needed to be opened in front of a witness.

This should help some parents who may have become anxious about what they were hearing on the street, in the grocery store or post office as far as drugs at IPS go. The education system in Iroquois is working in unison with the community they serve to ensure the best possible learning environment for the youth of the area.

this week

Computer Fair
The first of its kind in the area, check page 2 for information on a successful event.

Scouts at Sheldrick
Local Scouts hosted their American counterparts to initiate District Camp site. Page 4 focuses you in.

Track and Field
Race to page 6 and read the results of the elementary meet and EOSSAA.

Farm 2000
The agrifood industry is on the verge of revolutionizing. Compute over to page 7 for the inside info.

Velveteen Rabbit
A favourite with youngsters, The Velveteen Rabbit comes to life on page 10..hop over there!



Grand opening

Burchell's RONA Hardware held their grand opening last Saturday in Cardinal. The new store, located in the Cardinal Mall, has 4000 square feet of space, plus the garden centre outside. Pictured above (l-r) Joan Burchell, Charlie Burrell, Larry Dishaw, Sandra Lawn, Kevin Burchell, Cole Burchell and Lisa Burchell. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

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Discussion

achieve what they want, those who are willing to go beyond the model.) Attitude is important and computer skills are mandatory in almost all fields today. They addressed the issue of experience and noted that even volunteer work can show initiative, and responsibility while providing the employer with an idea of what you are capable of, what organizational skills you possess, whether you are willing to give that extra. "Even if you were only a babysitter during your school years, it shows you can accept responsibility and a letter of reference from that parent can be beneficial,"stated Ms. Lee.

All stressed that at least a grade 12 is necessary to achieving employment in today's world.

On the topic of resumes, everyone explained that the application that is provided by the business must be completed in detail. Including volunteer efforts came up again. "We are not looking for experience in the workplace necessarily," noted Mr. Hatfield, "Volunteering is a good thing too." It was clear as well that anyone who has held numerous jobs will find that they are viewed in a grey light until the reasons are made clear. Mr. Habraken suggested that if a question on the application does not apply or cannot be answered, it should be stroked out to show that it was read and not just avoided. Handwriting is important, "It must be neat and legible and we need to know what you are saying," noted Mr. Hatfield. He continued telling the students that spelling and grammar are very important and Mr. Habraken agreed. (These can make or break your chances immediately).

The students were encouraged to "Sell themselves" by telling a prospective employer all about themselves and include a letter of reference along with the application.

Resumes should contain your vitals, but be short and snappy. If too long the person reading it get bored and tosses it. Eye catching paper is good, but not too loud. Typed is better than handwritten and keeping something back for the interview is wise, career aspirations should be included and being ready to back up whatever is written is a must. "You need to get your point across in the first sentence of each paragraph. Sell your positive traits, and even if you feel you must be honest and include a negative aspect, use a positive angle to it."

Ingenuity and originality can contribute to success. Sending the resume and the application together sounded like a plan.

The interview process was discussed by each in turn and the young people were able to realize that things like a strong handshake and eye contact are methods of helping themselves in an interview situation. Having done your homework on a company prior to the interview is a bonus and most agreed that they require a commitment to a position. DuPont for instance provides on-the-job training programs to enhance their employees productivity and also to encourage gains as far as education activity is concerned. "You are paid at your entry level and begin as soon as you start working for us.Those who want can aspire to a $50,000. job as you work to learn the skills and gain the necessary knowledge at DuPont."

Ross Video requires that certain skills be shown a having a handle on various situations and a test may be required on a computer program to show familiarity with same.

At Craig Packaging, the interview process is a two way street where the interviewee is expected to show initiative and ask questions as well as answer them. Money is talked about and reasons for wanting the job.

The Royal Bank likes to train the people they hire on their specific programs which no one else operates. There is no test but skills and why you want a banking job come into play.

Everyone agreed that appearance is important when applying for a position. Neatness, and cleanliness are vital, and while the best bib and tucker are not necessary, cut offs and a dirty T-Shirt will almost always guarantee denial.

References were pointed to as ways a potential employee can be checked on. Items like reliability, work habits and such can be learned. Martin suggested that if you know someone at the plant it helps; Ms. Lee said, "An excellent reference helps." Dupont find references a very big help to them. "We follow up on all the names given as references and beat the bushes as well to learn all we can about you if you apply to us," said Mr. Hatfield.

Some businesses call back all interviewees while others stress not to call or come in, but sending a letter of appreciation for the opportunity might not hurt future chances with an employer. (Including a copy of your resume can't hurt either!)

Most of the businesses represented hire summer, part time student workers. Their methods differ, and the students learned that Dupont hires children of pensioners and present employees first, as a standard policy. Craigs' seem very pleased with students they have had in the past, as Martin said, "They are flexible and want to earn money to return to school thus allowing the regular fellows to take their vacation time. "We like to hire people we think plan to stay with us."We realize it is important to be happy in your work environment and if something better for an employee comes along, we would never stand in the way."

As many head off to school next year in a strange locale, they were given information on seeking work in a new community.

Then each business panel member was given a "last word" on the subject. Summing up what they had already said, Mr. Hatfield noted, "Put everything into your first impression, it may be all you have." Ms. Lee suggested that the students remember, "Don't waste that first contact," and Martin noted, "Take your time filling out that application, we can tell if you put effort into it or not, it's important to cover all the bases, you sell yourself on your resume." Both ladies from Ross Video agreed the interview/application/resume is like a first date...a good impression is vital to your future.

"It is important to get the right contact person when sending them," noted Ms. Morrell.

Sharing the World of Work translates to reality in the 90s, this was a most informative session. This should give the students a head start when they step into the workplace. Certificates of Appreciation along with a school pen and mug were presented to the panel by the students.

Mrs. Thompson read a poem to the gathering that seemed to sum up what had taken place: entitled, "Employers Want" it went like this..."People who read, speak, spell and write; People who do it and do it right. People who think and do well in math, People who lead or follow the path. people who work hard and come every day, People who work when I'm looking away. People who listen and know how to share, People who learn and know how to care. People who bend and play with the team...This type of worker is everyone's dream." Anonymous.

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NEWSBRIEFS

MORRISBURG
Manitoba relief

The Morrisburg council sponsored Manitoba relief fund has been increasing daily, but is still short of its $5,000 target. Reeve McGregor has been impressed with the number of people who have donated, but would like to see more $2 donations. Cheques or money orders should be made payable to "Salvation Army Operation Care". Gifts of $10 or more will be issued a tax deductible receipt through the Salvation Army.

MORRISBURG
Birthday party!

Don't forget to book off the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th of June. The Morrisburg Business Improvement (BIA) association has confirmed a number of events for the big birthday celebration. Seniors events, a fashion and talent show, a giant bingo, a chicken barbecue and a street dance, are but a few of the many activities which will take place.

JOHNSTOWN
Ball Tournament

The Edwardsburgh Fire Department will hold their 3rd Annual Mixed Ball Tournament May 30, 31 and June 1, at the Johnstown Ball Park. All proceeds will go to the purchase of equipment. Come out and support the Fire Department.

PRESCOTT
Get in FREE!!

If you own a boat and you don't own a landing permit, you can still visit the USA FREE. That is of course, if you plan to visit Ogdensburg. Canadian boaters can check in in person at the Robert C. McEwen Customs House. The service will operate between 10 am and 6 pm seven days a week. If you want to visit Waddington, you will still need to get a landing permit.

GRENVILLE
Balloon Rodeo

The seventh annual Great Balloon Rodeo and Family Festival will fill the skies over Brockville with a kaleidoscopic array of shifting colours and special shape balloons June 19th to the 22nd. The weekend takes place at the Grenville Christian College located on Highway 2 between Prescott and Brockville. Admission is $10 for adults, $6 for children twelve and under, children under 3 are admitted free.

IROQUOIS
Homegrown Cafe

Open auditions are being held for Homegrown Cafe this Thursday (May 29th) evening beginning at 6 pm. All singers, dancers and variety performers age 5 to 90, are invited to audition alone or in a group. Singers must provide their own musical backup, tape or live.



Computer fair

With over 150 people attending the first T.R. Leger Computer Fair at the Operating Engineers Training Institute in Morrisburg, organizers are thinking about making it an annual event. The show gave students and the public the opportunity to see what area businesses have to offer in the way of hardware and software. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

T.R. Leger Computer Fair was a huge success on May 14th in Morrisburg

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

The first T.R. Leger Computer Fair at the Operating Engineers Training Institute was, according to the organizer, a huge success.

T.R. Leger Computer Instructor Pam Sherrer was pleased with the number of people who came to the show on the 14th of May.

"I'd say we probably had between 150 and 175 people come through," said Ms. Sherrer. Roughly 14 businesses from Cornwall to Winchester to Brockville, took part in the day long event.

The show gave local business owners a chance to show the latest in computer technology. It also gave students at the T.R. Leger Campus and students from the Operating Engineers Training Institute a chance to see the latest.

"We were quite pleased and the exhibitors were pleased as well," Ms. Sherrer said. "We wanted to provide information for the students and introduce them to what the companies have to offer in hardware and software."

Open to the public, the T.R. Leger school also maintained a booth at the show to let the public know what types of services and programs are offered at the Morrisburg campus.

Summer camp

The T.R. Leger Summer Computer Day Camp is proud to announce that it is one of only nine summer camps, in Ontario, to be awarded funding from the Information Highway, Science and Entrepreneurship Camps (ISE), funded by the Public Works and Government Services Canada Program Directorate. This federal government initiative has recently announced that is has provided funding to 31 projects across Canada and the T.R. Leger Camp, initiated last summer, has been advised of its successful application.

The T.R. Leger Camp provides exciting and innovative computer and Internet activities for kids and teens, from age eight to fifteen, in three locations during the months of July and August.

Each camp is one week, and costs $100 per camper. Three weeks are available in Winchester, two weeks in Morrisburg and one week in Alexandria.

Camp Coordinator and Dean of Program at T.R. Leger, Brenda King, reports that the camp is presently exploring a number of options to expand its program to include a site in Akwesasne.

Fort Wellington heritage day camp

Fort Wellington National Historic Site in Prescott, Ontario is seeking responsible and enthusiastic young people (ages 7-14) to play the part of children living at the fort in the 1840's.

Over the course of the session, the children will learn about the history of Canada and the area, participate in period games and activities, and assist in the fort's animation programme. Each child is responsible for furnishing his or her own period costume (patterns are available).

There will be a $30 registration fee to help defray the cost of running the programme.

This year, we are offering two separate sessions. The first will run from June 26 to July 11, and the second session will be from July 24 to August 8. Both sessions will run Thursday to Monday, for a total of twelve days, and the children will be on site for four hours each day (12:30 - 4:30 pm).

A general information meeting regarding the Heritage Day Camp will be held on Thursday, June 5, 1997 at 7 pm in the Visitor Reception Centre at Fort Wellington. All parents/guardians and children interested in the programme are invited to attend.

Information packages will be available during regular office hours after June 5 for those who are unable to attend.

For more information, please contact Scott Kelso at 925-2896 between 9:30 am and 5:00 pm.

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Office opens

The Progressive Conservative Party opened a campaign office in Morrisburg last week. Pictured above (l-r) Linda Smithson, Earl Baker, Jean Charest and Stormont-Dundas PC candidate Leslie O'Shaughnessy. Earlier in the week a Cornwall radio station poll gave O'Shaughnessy the edge in that city.

Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.

Candidates respond in writing to questions from the local agricultural community

In preparation for the all candidates debate sponsored by the Dundas and Stormont Federations of Agriculture, at North Dundas District High School, May 27, the candidates responded in written form to a number of questions posed by the two farming organizations prior to the event.

This was their response to the question, "What is your party's policy in regard to retaining a strong and exclusive Canadian Agriculture Ministry?" as submitted to the Chieftain by DFA President Corry Martens.

Bob Kilger, Liberal:

Unlike the Conservatives, who propose to roll Agriculture and Agrifood in with Natural Resources, Fisheries, Transport, and Environment, as well as cut $600 million out of the Agriculture and Agri-food budget, the Liberal Party is committed to maintaining agriculture's voice at the cabinet table through the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food and his or her department.

Leslie O'Shaughnessy, PC:

The PC Party will look to the merging of Agriculture and Agrifood, Environment, Fisheries and Oceans and Natural Resources into a new Department of Sustainable Development. A strong voice on behalf of all sectors will be maintained within the newly merged department. Flattening the bureaucracy will lead to more direct communication between stakeholders and decision makers. Also in each of the four sectors addressed by these departments, jurisdiction is shared between federal and provincial levels. There is therefore a significant provincial presence capable of assuming responsibility.

Syd Gardiner, NDP:

My personal opinion is that we maintain a strong Canadian Ministry. With the NAFTA free trade deal, the American influence, a Lobbyist will soon take over our agriculture industry, selling it out to Rica Monopolies, thus driving out small family farmers. A strong Canadian Agriculture Ministry is the only method of protecting Canadian Farmers interests.

Charles Dillabough, Reform:

The PC's have outlined a plan to combine the Department Agriculture along with four other current departments into one new Department of Sustainable Resources which will mean agriculture loses its distinct identity and over $600 million in funding. The Reform Party believes that a strong Agriculture Department must be maintained if agriculture is to flourish in the future. We are committed to maintaining a single Agriculture Department responsible for increased funding of research, and the delivery of stable and sustainable funding for crop insurance and income stabilization programs.

Ian Campbell, Natural Law:

The Natural Law Party is interested in what works and is successful as well as being in harmony with natural law. We would continue with a strong agriculture ministry, and regularly consult with all concerned to ensure that whatever way the activities were carried out, that they would be successful.

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Whose rights?

It may be the weather, but I think not.

Whatever it is, I am upset with some of the things going on at this time in this country. A menagerie of items can be discussed here.

It has been brought to my attention that the rights of the elderly in this land are being denied. The very people who built this land and made it what it is today for us to enjoy. Those who are unable to get out to the pole on Monday to vote, may well be denied that right. Because they cannot leave their homes due to physical reasons, they need a special ballot in order to cast their vote. In order to request an application for this special ballot, the senior needs to apply for same. After sending the application to the Elections Office, a ballot could be mailed to that person. Once the voting has taken place the ballot was to be mailed back to the Elections Officer for the riding from whence it came in a sealed envelope. A lot of stamps, trips to the post office for someone and then the voter is at the mercy of Canada Post. Not now because the deadline has actually passed.

Those people in our provincial penitentiaries have the vote brought to them. They have done an injustice against society and yet, we cater to them to ensure their rights are not infringed upon. Paul Bernardo has already cast his vote. Clifford Olson will vote and yet your bedridden or houseridden seniors may well not be able to cast a vote in this election.

The red tape and hassle involved, the solution is to drive to Cornwall and pick up an application, take it back and grab a ballot, drive back home, have the person vote and then drive the marked ballot back to the Election Centre. A lot of time, energy and money for a vote. Who will bother? It is simpler to just forget it!

Voting is a right of each and every citizen in this country; who has the right to deny it?

How are those house or bedridden people to know that this is the only route they can take to be able to vote?

Is there not a more economical route to take on this matter?

Is there not a way that everyone can vote?

On another thing that has me upset this week is the decision made by the Supreme Court regarding the freeing of the brutal killer of an 85-year old man in B.C.

The divided decision which ended up close, with a 5 for and 4 against the vote, saw the Supreme Court judges explain that the RCMP violated the rights of the man who has been convicted of the bludgeoning of an elderly man.

Tossing out the most damning evidence produced at the trail, the Supreme Court ordered a new second-degree murder trial. They noted that the inadmissibility of the illegally obtained evidence could very well lead to the acquittal of the man.

Is this actually a miscarriage of justice?

Not seeming to carry any importance is the fact that the RCMP felt they had to move quickly given the horrific murder scene and the randomness of the murder. In order to prevent any more violence, to stem the tide as it were, the officers acted to protect the community. And for this; the administering of their mandate they are further restricted in the future.

It must be frustrating for officers of the law to see their efforts thwarted. To watch as someone who is guilty of a horrendous crime almost get away with it, despite the evidence to the contrary.

A new rule was also placed upon the police. They must get a warrant before entering a home to arrest a suspect, unless they are in "hot pursuit" of the suspect. Previously all they needed was reasonable and probable cause to arrest a suspect, provided they announced their intent before actually going inside a home.

Whose rights is the Supreme Court protecting anyway?

What about the people this man may confront when he is released from custody? Do they have rights?

Why can those in places of authority just toss out evidence that shows the accused is in fact guilty?

A person cannot be tried for the same crime twice and so even after being convicted of such a terrible and senseless crime, he will not receive the penalty he deserves...I wonder about the system we have in place.

S.L.J.

Fingerprint me

As soon as you are born, you are issued a driver's license dumber. Even if you never obtain your licence, that number remains yours until the day you die.

If you check your driver's license, it will have the year, month and day, you were born, included in your licence number.

From this election on, Canadians will no longer be enumerated to vote in a federal election.

Elections Canada has created a permanent voting list. With help from Revenue Canada, driver's license renewal stations, birth and death certificates, voters will be kept track of by computers. We will never need to spend $40 million to enumerate Canadians again!

Elections Canada admits there is a slight margin of error. The computer tracking of the electorate is accurate up to 93 percent of the time. This means 7 percent of the electorate will be missed, but that's only for a few elections and all you have to do is let Elections Canada know that you have been missed and your name will be added to the list.

From this day forward, the minute you are born, the government will know where you are when you turn 18.

To get a job in Canada, you have to have a Social Insurance Number. Through that number, the government can track your every move. From the time you are old enough to get a job, until the day you retire, if you are working, the government will know where you are.

In Ontario, we have our health cards. When we get health services and they swipe our card, they know where we are and what we're doing.

In reality, George Orwell's 1984 has already come true and has been around for quite a long time. Big Brother is watching and he knows our every move.

So, why is it that some people are so offended about the thought of fingerprinting.

Really, fingerprinting at birth would solve so many problems.

Fingerprint every Canadian and issue them a smart-card for all of the services they will need over the course of their lives.

If you lose your card, all we have to do is check out your prints to make sure you are who you say you are and we issue you another card.

If Mike H. and the boys want to fingerprint me, I'll be the first in line.

I have nothing to hide...

MCB

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Spring Scout Camp hosted at Camp Sheldrick for the 1st time

by Sandra Lee Johnston
Chieftain Staff Reporter

focus

Standing on the knoll and turning slowly around to take in the view of the entire campsite was pretty awesome. Alone in thought,the wind brisk in your face, the sun shining in a blue sky dotted with billowy white clouds, it was not too difficult to realize that this is exactly what the founder of the Scout movement meant to happen. Here, in the middle of nowhere, east of Highway 31, along the Hess Creek where it empties into the South Nation River some two hundred youth and their leaders gathered last weekend to camp out and enjoy the true spirit of Scouting as it was meant to be.

The feeling as this writer stood on top of the grassy berm was indescribable. Looking around at the various campsites, tents pitched in symmetrical order, campfires with flames gaily dancing, kitchens and dining spaces established in their areas and youth everywhere gave a wonderful peace of mind. A retreat from the work world, from the trials and tribulations, the worries and stress; camp gives a new perspective to life.

The splashes of colour that were provided by the tents, the tent flies flapping in the brisk wind, the shouts of laughter mingled with the clanging of cooking utensils and the whizzing of frisbees as they flew through the air gave a kind of carnival atmosphere to the event. Standing stately in a place of respect on top of the hill, solitary and very much necessary, the kybos (Johnny-on-the-spots) were strategically located for all to use.

The newly completed pavilion provided emergency shelter in case of a downpour, but thankfully was not needed on this weekend. Oh, hold it, we did experience rain, but it was mostly during the evening hours when we were headed to our tents for the night on Saturday.

The weekend had been in the planning stages for a six months. A reciprocal visit that sees 150 American Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and their adult leaders hosted by Scout troops from St. Lawrence District is always anticipated with a high degree of excitement.

Last fall at Thanksgiving time, the Canadian Scouts and their leaders headed to Pennsylvania for a long weekend camp with the U.S. troops...this was the return visit. Continuing a tradition started over twenty years ago as two Scouters put a dream into action, this Can/Am International Camp was a marvellous success. The camp was started by Canadian Scouter, Bill Sheldrick and American Scouter Ron Wahcom who got things moving and seem to be unable to stop what is a great adventure in scouting for all who participate.

The theme for the Camporee was CJ'97 and centred on getting back to some of the basic principles of Scouting, including; good personal presentation (uniform), the Scout Law, Scout fellowship, character development and Scout leadership.

The camp site has been used by the District for small events, but this would be the first time it would host such a large camping group. The pavilion which the local Lions' Clubs erected and roofed along with help from the PAL students from North Dundas High School was looking good when the two huge American buses pulled into the parking lot. Close to 150 U.S. scouts spilled out and grabbed their gear. Heading to the registration area, they were greeted by District Commissioner, Ron Pyl and Deputy DC, Jack Woodhouse. Also on hand to take care of details was Tina Bartenni, VP of the District. Formal welcoming the group would happen later.

First thing on the agenda was to get them settled into their camp sites so they could get their tents up. Each U.S. troop was hosted by one from St. Lawrence District. Iroquois was able to host Troop 4 from Pennsylvania and Troop 238 from Connecticut. Divided into their three Canadian Jamboree Units (CJ'97) the U.S. Scouts were divided so each Unit was hosting an equal number of new friends from the other side of the border. Iroquois arrived at 6:30 to find their new buddies had left room between their tents for them to dig in. Putting up tents is old hat to the Scouts by now and in no time things looked ship shape. The dining shelters were a little different story, but as the sun sank in the west, lanterns lit the sites with a friendly glow and new friendships were already being forged.

Saturday was the big event day filled with exciting things to challenge the youth. First things first though as everyone was at the flag pole in full dress uniform to salute the raising of the Canadian and American flags. Cindy and Adrian Glauser did the honours for the host country. Words of welcome were expressed by the St.Lawrence District officials as the U.S people returned words of happiness at being invited to be a part of this historic camp. Then a young man who is a leader this year for the first time after serving his time as leader in training, Ryan Johnston was congratulated for his crest design for this Can/Am Camporee. For his efforts and for the U.S. leaders to take home, a camp cap was presented by the District complete with the new crest. Everyone was impressed with the hard work Ryan had put into the design and offered appreciation for his effort. Since this camp was a pre-CJ camp for many of the Canadians, the crest noted this. Created as half of the actual Jamboree crest, it features the mountain with the sun coming over it as the CJ crest does and then in front are half a Canadian maple leaf and half a U.S. star. In the centre is a Scout symbol (same for both countries), the year and Can/Am Camp. Colourful and distinctive this one will be a keeper for many

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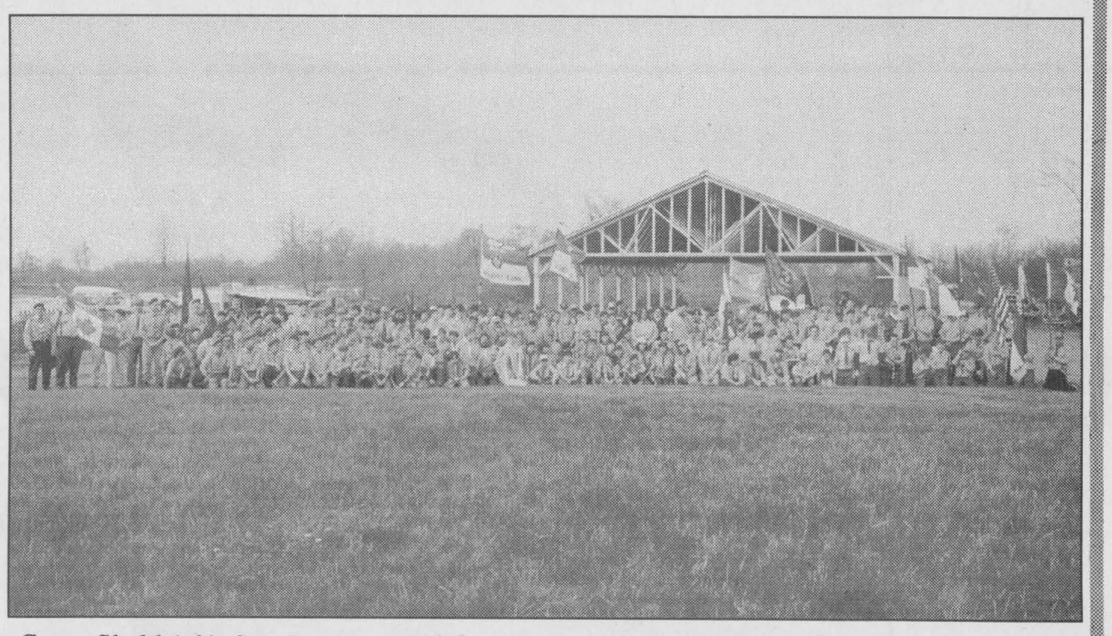

Camp Sheldrick's first International Camporee, 1997...what a gang!

Chieftain Photo by S.L.Johnston

Swampview gang camps out again

Just plain livin'
with Sandra Lee



The Can/Am camp is history for another year. This was the last International one for many who took part and so was very special. A focus story tells the tale and so the writer will move on. Number one son designed the camp crest which travelled home to the U.S.A. with over 150 American Scouts and Scouters, as well as to various parts of the province as well. He was recognized for his terrific effort and his family are proud of his achievement.

A pile of hours this past week were spent getting things ready for the camp. Always a daunting task, getting the equipment organized and packed; the food purchased and readied for transport; the stew created; (This writer prepares a mean camp stew that is a hit which provides a nourishing meal in a hurry for lunch since it needs only to be heated through) and the backpacks stuffed with clean duds, personal stuff and such as will be needed at camp to ensure a pleasant stay, it is hectic around the ranch for a while.

This time, before anything was packed, a trip to the local saw mill was made to secure some wood that could be cut into the shape of a miniature paddle...actually almost 200 of them. They were used at camp for souvenirs of this event. The Scouts created pictures and distinguishing marks on their own to personalize each. Thanks to Horace Roskell for his donation of the wood, to Brian and Wendy O'Donohue and the students in South Grenville's woodworking class for their work to cut out the paddles...Scouts from all over this local area were involved and enjoyed their time with new found American friends.

The lawn is desperately in need of a manicure. Arrangements had been made previous to going to camp, and it was believed that when we arrived home, the grass would be short and looking good...not! When we drove in late Sunday afternoon, hot, dirty and tired, the dandelions greeted us with bright yellow faces turned to the sky. A dandy crop of these mustard coloured flowers decorate the long grass and all that was mowed was what the big guy walked with the push mower on the Thursday evening prior to camp. Apparently the contractor who said he could cut the blades ran out of time. What we will do is debateable. The ride mower is in the hospital and as parts have been ordered, it may be some time before it can be put into action. Once the weather looks a bit brighter, some calls will be made to find someone who can get the job done one more time. The fellow who did a fine job the first week it was mowed was available, but a family member was willing and it seemed best to keep the funds in the family.

It is hard to believe that we are still watching hockey playdowns on the tube, but yet one more round is to be played before the Stanley Cup is awarded. What a country, eh? Hockey and baseball all at the same time...only in Canada, you say!! How could Detroit take their series when this writer had bet on the Avalanche...should have behaved and just watched the game as usual! The Wings and the Flyers will face off for Lord Stanley's Cup of silver.

The headache persists, and is now accompanied by a nasty cough and a runny nose. These made their presence known and felt late last week. The camp was no help, what with the rain and the dampness seeping into every pore. Rain gear assisted, but soggy socks were pulled of in a tent that was a bit chilly until one could crawl into a sleeping bag and snuggle deeply inside to feel the warmth creep into the weary bones. The ground was surprisingly soft, perhaps the long grass provided enough buffer, anyway sleep was fast coming and morning arrived too soon. Saturday evening the rain came, the wind drove it and caused the tents to flutter and flap and one old Scouter to worry about a replay of the twister camp. Finally sleep overtook the fear and even the snores from the next tent could not defy the onset of slumber. The big guy was along and the Americans our troop hosted were pretty good folks. Learning about them and how they operate their Scouts provided hours of talk and filling those hungry bellies of young men and women around the picnic tables kept everyone busy. Trying out the camp kitchen and shelter, the table on wheels and the stoves and lanterns ensured that never a dull moment was endured. Camp does not allow much time for reflection, but seeing the tents in their clusters and the Scouts ripping and tearing about the sites, walking back from the toilet area, an old leader is afforded a few minutes to check things out. The effort is worth what can be observed on the sly. Laughter and rough housing, groups of youth gathered here and there visiting or trading items, sharing experiences or checking out what similarities and differences they find between the U.S. program and that which Canada offers gives a good feeling inside. When a young man from the U.S. smiles and hugs you for the third or fourth time and looks at you straight in the face...and then says, "I am sure glad I met you, Skip!", believe me, there is no better reward for the weekend. The sole Scout who you are unsure about. The one who provides no clues as far as voice or body language as to whether he enjoyed his time in camp but murmurs a soft, "Thank You" as he leaves camp provides all you need to do it again.

Many have mentioned how they seem to become more hungry and consume much more when at camp. The atmosphere is not as stressful as the "real" world and as we drove towards the highway on Sunday afternoon, the thought crossed my mind that all too soon we would be back to the hustle and bustle of work, deadlines and such. It is tough to leave behind the safe little world that is camp. At camp all that can be classified as a worry is whether all the youth are well, getting enough to eat, having fun and learning something about themselves and what they are capable of.

Accomplishments at camp provide youngsters with a sense of achievement that cannot be matched. Having confidence in ones' own ability is wonderful and easily gained at camp. Having the skills necessary for those tasks which need to be done creates a maturity in youngsters and gives

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the bottom line

CANDIDATES IN THE FEDERAL ELECTION ONLY HAVE SIX MORE DAYS left to solicit votes. Sunday (May 25th) the Ottawa Sun came out with an endorsement for Jean Charest and the Conservatives. (mcb)

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I GOT UP EARLY SATURDAY MORNING TO HELP BOB (MELESKY) MOVE into his new apartment, took pictures at the Seaway High yard sale, swung by the Presbyterian Church auction, picked up some pictures in Brockville, caught Burchell's grand opening in Cardinal, watched volleyball at the beach and still made it home in time to watch the game! Not bad for a Saturday...Eh? (mcb)

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SHIRLEY... THE PAPERS ARE SIGNED... YES... YOU CAN ADOPT HIM... IF YOU would like, you can meet me in T.O. at the most convenient time for you. (Porch Party Drive... Thanks for everything, especially you Shirley Cassidy. Love Nate Man and from the other two. We will always remember you.)

IT'S ALL OVER. HOPE MUST NOW REST WITH THE BIG "E" AND FLYERS. Eric and the team have been playing extremely well, but now they face Vernon and Osgoode - two of the best netman in the league. Can shear strength and determination beat the Russians? Time will tell. Go Flyers.. Go! (mcb)

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YOU KNOW YOU'RE GOOD WHEN "BLADES OF STEEL" CASSELMAN IS afraid of the challenge.... Called Robbie up last Sunday afternoon - after the game of course - for a tennis match. Casselman declined, said he'd just had a shower and all, but I know the truth... He's heard about my tennis prowess!

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DID YOU KNOW THAT IN THE RIDING OF STORMONT - DUNDAS, THERE are 66,123 registered voters. If you are not on the registered voting list, you should call Elections Canada in Cornwall. If nothing else, this unnecessary election did serve one purpose - a permanent voters list has been created, saving the $40 - plus million we spend on enumeration each election year. (mcb)

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Focus

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local Scouts.

Divided into ten, mixed patrols, so that Canadian and American Scouts had a chance to meet and learn very rapidly to get along and work as a team. Each newly formed patrol took the name of a province, and then were off to adventure where they would learn and laugh their way through the day. Among the events Canadian Scouters were running to keep everyone busy was a search and rescue, a blooperball game, a soccer game, an activity that provided the opportunity for all to see how physically handicapped folks tie knots and do other assorted events, atomic survival, morse code, constructing a monkey bridge across the creek, a scavenger hunt and a craft (a souvenir of the weekend). The activities lasted approximately 1/2 hour with a break for lunch. The weather was co-operative and many went home with sunburns...who would have thought that suntan lotion would be necessary?

As spot checks of campsites were made by the administration folks, things seemed to be operating most effectively in all areas. On hand for part of Saturday was the Field Representative for the District from Ontario Scout Council, Jim Smith. He seemed pleased with the turnout and the manner in which every Scout and Scouter conducted themselves.

There was time to visit and for friendships to form among the troops from the two countries. No camp would be worth its salt if trading did not take place, and this one fostered a great atmosphere for swapping. At times the exchanges were pretty hot and heavy as Scouts tried to grab that special crest or pin for their collection.

Saturday evening saw everyone gather at the pavilion for Scouts' Own. On hand for this was Reverend Bill Byers of the local Anglican Parish. Scouter S.L.J. (aka Skipper) of Iroquois was responsible for the service and her minister graciously consented to attend and take part. Numerous Scouts among the group, representing both countries took an active part in the readings, so it was a truly interdenominational event.

Later that same evening there was a huge campfire with Campfire Chief, Jack Tennant (Prescott) providing leadership. Various troops presented songs, skits and cheers to get everyone in a festive mood. Troop 1 from Pennsylvania presented Camp Sheldrick with a bag of wild flower seeds to grow as a perpetual reminder of this auspicious occasion. Before the end of the campfire, ashes which have been taken from other campfires were dashed into the flames in a symbolic demonstration.

At the close of the campfire ring, it was back to individual camp sites for a snack and a hot drink, talk around the site campfires, swapping and a little R&R. The rain did not contribute to things, but was encouragement to hit the sleeping bags shortly before midnight, as lights out was called later this evening than the previous one.

Sunday dawned rather dully, with sprinkles of rain trying desperately to ruin the day. After the flag lowering ceremony, which was ably handled by Kaitlyn Shaver and Stacey Cassell from the Canadian contingent and Karen (everyone just calls her Karen!) and Jeremy Young for the U.S.

After a hearty breakfast, it was time for goodbyes, last pictures were snapped for that memory album, the exchanging of gifts took place, hugs and more hugs, best wishes and promises to write and return the visit next fall were followed by those flowing tears and then the American Scouts headed for Fort Henry in Kingston for a tour and then to Rockport to ply the mighty St. Lawrence and learn about the Thousand Islands. As has been said, "Parting is such sorrow" and after a weekend of fun and special moments, it was so very true. Many find it difficult to say "Goodbye", and perhaps this is a testimony to a great time.

Hosting troops included; Iroquois, Morrisburg, Chesterville, Prescott, Spencerville, Mountain and Kemptville. Two Venturer Companies were also at Camp, Chesterville and Kemptville, assisting wherever necessary. These are older youth who have graduated from Scouts.

Also on site for the weekend was the St. John Ambulance van with Helen Liscomb of Prescott detachment and her crew in attendance, just in case of a medical emergency. One lad was transported to hospital in Winchester and another spent some time taking things easy with an iced knee after a wild soccer run, but otherwise everyone left as healthy or more so than when they arrived.

Standing at "alert" in a large circle, the Scouts from the two countries were an impressive lot. Realizing that this is what the movement is all about makes one feel in awe. Preparation for the Canadian Jamboree bogles the mind...afterall there will be at least ten times as many youth in attendance.

The Canadian Scouts broke camp and headed home, tired but happy they had the opportunity which will remain vivid in their memories for some time. Monday evening saw many Iroquois Scouts in bed directly after supper, they were wiped...a sure sign of a successful camp.

Camp Sheldrick is off the Nesbitt Road, north of Winchester Springs on some 90 acres of Ministry of Natural Resources land which they donated for the use of the District Scouting groups. Slowly it is being turned into a perfect camping facility. Through the efforts of local community organizations, Scouters and Scouts, especially the man it is named in honour of, Bill Sheldrick who has spearheaded numerous fundraisers and seen various projects completed that enhance the facility. Scout Camp Sheldrick is a marvellous addition to the Scouting lives of all Scouts in this area.

Just Livin'

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them a new outlook.

This weekend is the annual Ducks Unlimited banquet and we look forward to the evening of bidding, eating and enjoyment it always provides us.

Son number one will vote for the first time in a federal election on Monday. He has not made up his mind yet as to how he will vote and sadly those in the running have not had the time to address the youth who will vote for the first time. The days when party lines dictated how a person would vote have all but disappeared, and so he will be left to decide for himself.

The neighbours have tiny shoots peeking through their garden bed rows. The flowers are plentiful and the transplanted creations are doing well. In no time, the yard will become a colourful palette of flower blooms.

The neighbour to the north has a wonderful water pond in the yard complete with fountain and water spray. These are marvellous things and something often dreamed of in the yard at Swampview, but time and money just do not seem to be in the offing...some day, maybe. For now, we will be content to enjoy theirs, especially after the gold fish take up residence again.

The pool sits dormant yet, hopefully this crazy weather will soon warm up and we ill be able to uncover it and get it moving again.

The word came through the office on Monday that two timber wolves had been spotted at the east end of town. While we could not confirm this rumour, neither could we repute it...

Take things as they come and try to treat others as you would have them treat you...It is the least we can do. William Penn wrote, "I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, for I shall not pass this way again."

Bird Notes

by E. G. AVERY

The list of Summer birds is still growing, as the Songbirds return to challenge the Robins and Finches. Orioles are here now, singing their special sweet songs. They are increasing in numbers to the point where Oriole feeders have been made. Foods suggested are apples, oranges, grapes and juices. Fruits are not plentiful yet, so the birds are beginning to discover the feeders.

Church St. residents have been watching Indigo Buntings. These birds are bright blue with darker touches on head and wings. They nest in low bushes, laying 3 to 4 light blue eggs.

Remember the Bobolinks we used to see in the long grasses near the boathouse area? The local airstrip now covers some of the ground, and the Bobolinks had to move out. They nest on the ground, usually in a place where tall grass adds protection. Bobolinks are described as wearing their suits backwards; the unusual plumage of black head and breast, with yellow and white on the back are the reasons for the reputation of being "backward".

Irena watchers have had American Redstarts, members of the Warbler group, they are black with bright red spots on wings and tail. A White-throated Sparrow appeared, and while on a walk they saw a Kingbird.

Hummingbirds are taking advantage of the feeders while natural nectar is still in short supply.

Watch for Warblers and Cedar Waxwings; and Purple Martins should appear soon.

Non-birds: Even in the dark of the night, a surprise can happen. On Davis Dr. two wolves were chasing "something" back and forth. They were postively identified as Brush Wolves, almost unbelievable, but true.

LETTERS

New Seniors Benefit

Dear Editor:

The Canadian government has proposed a "New Seniors Benefit", which will become effective on January 1, 2001.

It concerns anyone over the age of 60 on December 31, 1995, because starting in the year 2001, they will be given a choice, either to retain the Old Age Security (OAS) and the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or to opt for the New Seniors Benefit; anyone younger will have no choice, they will get the New Seniors Benefit.

The government is expected to save millions of dollars per year by taking into account the amounts of "other" income a senior has.

Some of the richest seniors will not receive any Seniors Benefit at all, but people with modest other income, could feel the bite also.

For the poorest seniors it is proposed to increase this by the princely sum of $120 a year. All interested parties should obtain a pamphlet by the National Council of Welfare called "Proposal for the New Seniors Benefit" which shows in detail, how seniors will be affected, according to their family status and income.

I urge all seniors to obtain this free government publication (Cat# ISBN 0-662-24703-5) by calling (613) 957-2961 or fax (613) 957-0680. It should be read and discussed with family and friends, who may also be affected.

After reading and determining which income group you belong to, you should also pay particular attention to the proposal that, whether you opt for the "old" OAS & G/S or the New Seniors Benefit, the AGE Exemption and the Exemption of the first $1,000 of pension income will disappear regardless of option taken.

The OAS and GIS will continue to be taxable, whereas the New Seniors Benefit will be income tax free.

There are various graphs and tables in the publication, so you may determine where you stand; then call your M.P. with your views and how he or she should represent them and you in the House of Commons, before this proposal will be legislated into law.

Yours,
Ruth Petit
Iroquois

Clarification

Martha Castleman from Cardinal says she talked to the Toronto Dominion Bank about having an Instabank or a money machine. She also talked to the Royal Bank about the Truck Stop getting a machine. She did not talk to the Bank of Montreal.

"I did not talk to all of the businesses, only a couple," said Castleman about her petition. "I'm going to the Business Association for backing."

Correction

In the lead story that appeared in The Chieftain last week, the Toronto Dominion Bank's business hours were wrong. The T.D. Bank is open Monday to Wednesday - 10 am to 3 pm. It is open Thursday and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm. The branch manager noted that the bank has been open Thursday and Friday until 5 pm for at least the last 10 years.



Beaveree

The St. Lawrence and District Beaveree was held at the Waterfront Park in Morrisburg last Sunday afternoon. A water theme was used for this years' event and the young pirate pictured above was ready for action. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

FROM THE FRONT

Matilda

percent. The Counties portion increases by 1.05 percent, public school board supporters will experience a 2.42 percent increase and a separate school board supporter will experience a 4.18 percent increase.

"Any extra money we get this year will go to roads," said Mr. Barkley. Council will be doing some loose surface treatment on a number of roads and will use a portion of the money to purchase a new sander.

On an assessment of $4,000, a public school supporter in 1996, would have paid $1,519.19. In 1997 the same tax payer will pay $1,551.62, an increase of $32.43.

Stampville opens

A three year project for Matilda council will officially come to an end/beginning this weekend.

The former Stampville Public School will be officially opened as a satellite office of the Park Lane Senior Support Centre.

"Two-thirds of the building will be utilized by the seniors and the other third will probably be available to rent for special occasions," explained Mr. Barkley.

"It's a pretty nice building," said the reeve. "A lot of people were concerned that it wouldn't get used, but the seniors are a pretty active bunch," Mr. Barkley finished.

Firearms

The other candidates were asked for their opinions on the topic. It was one of the few times they were able to. NDP candidate Syd Gardiner said he thought that the support for the gun control bill was probably mostly in the cities. He said that in the country citizens had every right to have guns. Dillabough said he thought that a question like gun control legislation ought to go back to the constituents and said he would vote the way his constituents wanted him to. Progressive Conservative candidate Leslie O'Shaughnessy said that as a municipal politician he had already represented the people of Stormont Dundas in supporting resolutions against C-68. He said that he had asked the PC party if he would be able to vote the way he wanted to and was told he could. Natural Law Party candidate Ian Campbell said that his party supports all party government and that the party asks its members to vote as their conscience dictates regardless of other factors.

Kilger's conscience was called into question a number of times, but none of the questions were so lengthy (nor indeed as well composed) as that posed by Al Dorans, a resident of Nepean and member of the National Firearms Coalition.

Dorans launched into a five-minute-long question detailing what he said were various parts of C-68 that violated Canadians' fundamental rights. Specifically that the bill allowed for police searches without warrant, allowed for new regulations without parliamentary debate, took away the presumption of innocence, violated privacy, took away the right to legal counsel, violated property rights through the confiscation of guns and finally provided no compensation for guns confiscated under the act.

The question brought complaints from the audience, "Ask the question already."

"Where was our moderator for the last six minutes?" one audience member complained.

To which Rev. Harwood replied that it was an important question and upon meeting further complaint told the complainer (to the applause and laughter of the room), "Sir, shut your big fat mouth."

Dorans asked Kilger to explain why he had supported such a bill.

"Regardless of the party the government takes great care to formulate laws that will meet the test of those challenges should they occur. We feel confident at this time that the contents of C-68 will meet the test of that legal challenge, of course that remains to be seen," Kilger told Dorans.

Kilger said that government might have to react to the results of the court challenge. He acknowledged there was "a great deal of sensitivity around the issue of searches."

"But I also know there's a tremendous amount of confidence in our law enforcement people--"

Laughter from the audience cut Kilger's word short.

"Well then maybe we disagree," said Kilger, which might have been one of the few statements the audience could agree with.

In a telephone interview May 26 Kilger took the debate in stride:

"When you're the incumbent there are going to be some pieces of legislation that some people aren't going to agree with. You still need to get out and talk to your constituents. You can't shy away from the responsibility-- you have to be just as accessible when you don't agree on a topic and I think the debate was a solid exercise in that."

Still Kilger said that he remained steadfast in his support for C-68.

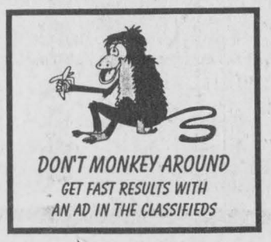
"You don't draft legislation and then blow in the wind with it," said Kilger.

Seaway this week

by Sarah-Jane Whittaker

On Tuesday, several Seaway tennis enthusiasts participated in the SD&G Tennis Championship. Three team members qualified to compete at EOSSA: Junior Girls Doubles Team Dana Hasson and Stephanie Law, and Senior Boys Single Competitor Dinu Chande. Congratulations to Coach Tom Dumbrille and to all team members for their fine performances.

Seaway had a great showing at the EOSSA Track Tournament on Friday in Brockville. Twelve Seaway students qualified for the Regional Championships in Ottawa next Friday: Derrick Casselman, Ricky Cowan, Shanna Dawley, Stephanie DeVries, Alan Markell, Kevin Martin, Greg Millard, Jennifer Morrow, Sharon Spear, Travis Thompson, Sarah Trude, and Dave Vandermeer. Congratulations to all of Seaway's track coaches and competitors for their excellent efforts and achievements.



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Sports

✔*14 of 21 qualify for Regionals*
✔*Spartan Men lose first soccer game*
✔*Primary track meet at Seaway*

Regional track meet starts this Thursday



Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.

Novice ball

The Iroquois novice ball team hosted the Morrisburg novice ball team last Wednesday evening (May 21) at Legion Park in Iroquois. Pictured above, (left) Morrisburg third base coach Bill Morrow, (centre) Iroquois third baseman Jordan Cooke and (right) pitcher Tom Tindall.

Todd Beckstead leads the IPS 13-year-old boys last Thursday

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Area primary schools held their annual track and field event at Seaway District High School last Thursday and Iroquois Public School did extremely well.

In the 13-year-old boys category, Todd Beckstead led the IPS attack with a first place finish in the 60m, 100m and the 400m.

Over the course of the day, IPS had 25 young men finish in one of the top three positions.

10 and under

In the 10 and under category, Dixon's Corners' Scott Workman finished first in the 100m, Chris Douma took third in the 200m and Shawn Shaver recorded third place finishes in the 400m and 1500m.

Morrisburg's Chad Aubin finished first in the 60m, 200m and the ball throw. Shane Servage from MPS picked up a third place finish in the triple jump.

St. Cecilia's did well in the 10 and under category with Joseph Zambon taking first in the long jump, Ben Baker taking first in the triple jump and Corey Cassell taking second in the ball throw.

11 years

Morrisburg's Justin Elliot had a third place finish in the 200m, Tyler Lafortune had a third place finish in the 1500m and Matt Dillabough had a third place finish in the high jump.

12 years

The Iroquois boys did well in this category with Neil Edward recording a second place finish in the 100m and a third place finish in the 60m. Alan Tonky, from IPS, picked up a second place finish in the 400m and Jason Hodgson picked up a second place finish in the ball throw. Iroquois' Allen Chung had a third place finish in the long jump.

13 years

Kyle Gervais figured prominitely in the IPS domination of this category with three, top-three finishes. Gervais was second in the triple jump and third in the 200m and long jump.

Brian Law gave the home team another first in the 800m.

Rounding out the division for the Iroquois men, Scott Carswell picked up a second place finish in the 1500m and Trevor Hanes had a third place finish in the high jump.

Luke Dunne led the St. Cecilia men with a first in the high jump, a second in the long jump and a third in the 60m.

Bryan Verhoevan from St. Cecilia finished second in the 200m and Brian Groniger finished third in the triple jump.

Andy Link added a third place finish in the shot put to the IPS total.

14 years and over

Iroquois' Jamie Parent finished second in the 60m and 100m. Casey Strong had three second place finishes in the 200m, 800m and triple jump.

Ryan Henry finished first in the 400m for IPS, James Delegarde finished second in the 1500m and Micheal Shaver finished second in the high jump.

D'arcy McGann from St. Cecilia finished the day with two third place finishes in the shot put and 800m. Chris Bjejso from St. Cecilia pulled in two first place finishes in the triple jump and high jump.

Women

10 and under

Kayla Irven from Morrisburg was first in the 60m, second in the 100m and first in the 200m. Michelle Jones from MPS was third in the long jump and Katie McElheran was first in the ball throw.

Iroquois' Brittany Horricks was third in the 60m and first in the long jump. Jill Link from IPS had a first in the triple jump and Martha Whittle was third in the high jump.

11 years

MPS was the only school to register in the top three in this category. Kate Edwards had a first in the 60m, a first in the 100m and a first in the long jump.

Adrienne Leroy finished third in the triple jump.

12 years

Dixon's Marlies Quist led this category locally with a first in the 400m, a third in the 800m and 1500m. Annabelle Markell added a third for DPS in the 200m.

Iroquois' Shona Blatch finished second in the 60m and third in the 100m. Christine Kirkwood from IPS finished second in the triple.

Kelly Verhoeven from St. Cecilia finished second in the long jump and second in the high jump.

Abbey McCann from MPS had a first in the ball throw. Cassandra Henry finished third in the triple and Ashley Tuttle finished third in the long jump.

13 years

Iroquois girls had nine top three finishes in this category.

Sarah Roberston picked up a first in the 200m and a second in the 100m.

Angie Felker had a second in the 400m, a third in the 800m and a third in the 1500m.

Crystal Phifer finished third in the long jump for IPS. Sarah Stitt finished third in the triple and Alicia Lafortune finished third in the shot put.

Laurie Irvine finished first in the high jump.

For St. Cecilia, Melinda Mulikow finished third in the 60m and second in the high jump.

14 years and over

Jennie Legue from IPS finished first in the high jump, second in the 60m and 100m.

Susanne Thompson finished first in the 400m for Iroquois. Heather Barlett had a first for IPS in the long jump. Tania Parent was second for Iroquois in the 1500m. Kaitlyn Shaver was second in the triple and Sarah Dulmage was second in the shot put.



Primary event

Primary school athletes converged on Seaway District High School last Thursday for the Dundas County Track and Field event. Iroquois Public School, St. Cecilia's, Dixon's Corners and Morrisburg Public, sent young athletes to the event. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

Seaway to send 14 to regionals

by Michael Bailey
Chieftain Staff Reporter

"It's unbelievable!" exclaimed Seaway District High School track and field coach Irv Francis. "We're sending 14 to the Regionals."

Seaway has never qualified this many athletes to compete at the regional level (one step below the provincials).

"Five years ago we could take our whole track team to an event in a seven passenger van," said Francis. "Talk about cookin'."

Of the 14 athletes going to Ottawa this Thursday (May 29th), Seaway's Sharon Spear led the Spartan attack and will compete in 5 events.

"Sharon was first in the 400m, 400m hurdles and 6th in the 800m," the coach said. Spear will also compete on the two Seaway relay teams.

Jen Morrow and Sara Trude will be heading to the regionals as members of the relay team, as will Stephanie Devries who also qualified finishing third in the 300m.

Midget Dave Vandermeer qualified with a fourth place finish in the high jump and with the boys 4 by 100 relay team.

Derrick Casselman was second in the high jump.

Alan Markell was 4th in the shot put.

Jessica Edwards was fourth in the midget girls long jump.

Shanna Dawley was 4th in the 100m, 6th in the 200m and will compete on two relay teams.

Rick Cowan and Greg Millard will compete in the midget relays.

Kevin Martin was 3rd in the 200m and will compete on a relay team.

Travis Thompson qualified for the regionals, finishing 4th in the 1500m.

Spartans lose 1st game

The Seaway Spartans Men's team, playing in the Cornwall District Soccer League (CDSL), lost a close match to Char Lan II in their first game of the season last week.

Seaway dominated the first 15 minutes as the new Char Lan team struggled to settle down. As they began to play as a team they started to talk the play to Seaway but could not find a way to beat Bill Ault in the Seaway goal.

At the half the game was still scoreless. The second half saw Char Lan with most of the play but it was Seaway who struck first.

A mix up in the Char Lan defence allowed the most dangerous Seaway forward to put the ball past John McNaughton in the Char Lan goal. This setback spurred Char Lan to attack with more urgency and they soon equalised with a Rod Parkinson goal.

Andrew Jarvo was left with a simple task to tap into an empty net for Char Lan to take the lead.

Late in the game a penalty was awarded to Seaway and they failed to convert from the spot as the kicker slipped at the last minute and McNaughton was left with an easy save to conserve the win.

Spirits lose

The Women's team also played their first game of the season last week. The Ingleside Spirits took on the Alexandria Selects.

The Spirits found it very hard to field a full team for this early season encounter so early on a Sunday morning and they managed to field only the required minimum (seven) for this game.

As one would expect when one plays a strong team with a player number advantage this encounter was pretty one sided, with the Selects winning 7-1.

The Selects got their goals from Tamara Hartick (3) and Kelly Laviguer (4). The Spirits lone goal came from Heide Vandelind.

Sports Briefs

IROQUOIS
Blooperball

Jiggers put a leash on the Bull Dogs, absolutely hammering them 14-1. The Leftovers rocked Shavers 9-4 and Mustard's defeated the Road Runners 16-3. Mustard's and Jiggers are tied for first in the league with 2-0-0 records.

The 50/50 winner for the week was Ronnie Lewis.

MORRISBURG
Golf specials

The Upper Canada Golf Course has opened for the season and you can take advantage of the super golf specials. Sundays is Golf and Ride for $44. Tuesday is Golf and Dine for $34. Wednesdays is Seniors Day which includes a golf cart and one round, for only $35. Tee times can be booked in advance by calling 543-2003.

PERTH
Fastball Shootout

The Perth Fastball Shootout will take place July 18-20 at Conlon Farm Park. Eight world class fastball teams will compete for $10,000 in prize money. A weekend pass is only $17. For more information call (613) 267-2049 (evenings).

IROQUOIS
Legion doubles

The Iroquois Legion Branch 370 hosted the 5th annual Men's Doubles Snooker Championship last Thursday evening. The Beaupre Jeweller trophy went to the winning team of Howard Hutchison and Duane Kirker. The duo beat out Lyle Fickes and Paul Murray in the finals.

CARDINAL
Slo-pitch action

Tonight (May 28th) in Cardinal Slo-pitch action: the Doctors meet Boomers; the Baha plays Scorpions and the 730 team plays the Blazers. Monday (June 2nd): The Mudhens host 730; Doctors host Scorpions and the Blazers host the Mudhens.

JOHNSTOWN
Peck's Selects

An exhibition game was played in Johnstown by Peck's Selects. Johnstown won 6-4. Shawn Workman and Robbie Waddell shared the pitching duties. Greg Workman will be coaching the local team and home games will be played in Brinston on Thursday evenings.

O'Brien wins again at Speedway

Two weeks, two feature wins.

That's the story for Kingston's Danny O'Brien at the Cornwall Motor Speedway after winning the 30 lap feature on Sunday night.

Occupying 15th on the starting grid, O'Brien took advantage of the half-dozen cautions throughout the race climbing to third with three laps to go.

The 37 of Kyle Jacobs couldn't hold onto the lead he held for most of the feature and O'Brien passed him with a nice move to the outside of turn one.

Jacobs, from Hogansburg N.Y., finished second with Akwasasne's Billy "The Kid" King taking third.

Pat O'Brien and Luc Plante round out the top five.

It was repeat night at Ron Morin's quarter mile oval, as Eric Gauvreau took the checkered flag in the late model class.

Gauvreau also won last week.

The number nine of Steven Morris, from Embrun, wasn't too far back, finishing in second with Dave Bissonette making a good run and taking third place.

The Duke stock class not to be outdone, Joel Herne made his way to the winner's circle for the second week in a row.

Sticking with the pattern, Lee Ladouceur won the rookie stock feature.

Moon Mullin

Iroquois' Bill "Moon" Mullin finished third in the modifieds qualifying heat and finished seventh overall in the thirty lap feature race.

Doyle's has possession of first place in CSPL

Doyle's Chev/Olds Blazers have captured sole possession of first place in the Cardinal Slo-pitch league.

Last Wednesday night the Blazers narrowly defeated the Baha Beach Club 24-23.

Mike Rylands had 5 hits for the Blazers, John Vanshie, Steve Grant, and Billy O'Hearn had 4 hits each, Mark Rylands had 3 hits.

Batting for the Beach Club, Vern Markell nailed 5 hits and a home run, Roger Sexton had 4 hits, John McCarroll had 3 hits and a home run and Dan Lamoureax had 3 hits.

The House Doctors moved into second place with a 15-7 win over the 730 Truck Stop.

Billy Minkhorst recorded 4 hits for the Doctors in the win. Teammates George Conlin had 3 hits and Barry Stitt, Rod Stitt and Mitch Sabourin, had 2 hits each in the win.

The 730 Truck Stop's Jamie Murphy had 2 hits and rocked a home run, Mike Moore had 2 hits and Matt Anderson had 2 hits.

The Matilda Mudhens won their fifth game of the season to bring them to 2-2-1. The Mudhens downed Scorpion Sports Bar 16-13.

Paul Hiesel led the Matilda attack with 3 hits and a home run. Marc Pilon had 4 hits, Mark Amell had 3 hits and Gary Moore had 3 hits.

For Scorpions it was Rob Perry with 3 hits, Doug Jodion with 3 hits, Kevin Walker, Shawn Toupin and Dave Merkley had two hits each.

Home runs

In the home run derby, the Baha's Vern Markell holds down first place with 5. John McCarrol, who also plays for the Baha, has 4 home runs.

The House Doctors' Billy Minkhorst holds down third place with 2 home runs.

Eight men are tied for fourth in the derby with one home run each. They include: Brent Murray (Boomers); Dennis Hutt (Doctors); Earl Nesbitt (Mudhens); Jamie Murphy (730); Marc Pilon (Mudhens); Neville Sexton (Baha), Paul Hiesel (Mudhens); Tim Roberston (Baha).

Volley For Cancer in Williamsburg will take place in August

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of Volley For Cancer, four new members were elected to the Board. They are David Lapier representing the Williamsburg Community Association, Sue Keeler, Bob Schlegal representing the Canadian Cancer Society and Brian Hanes representing the Williamsburg IOOF.

The new Board members complimented Ruby and Carl Van Allen, the originators of the event, for raising $23,500 for the Canadian Cancer Society in the two events previously held.

The financial statement for 1996, tabled at the meeting, showed that over 98 percent of the funds raised went to the Canadian Cancer Society; with less than 2 percent going to run the event.

The reason for this is that the entire staff who ran the event are volunteers, including the Board of Directors. An audited statement for 1996 will be published shortly.

The date for the third annual Volley For Cancer will be August 16, 1997 and will again be held on the Van Allen farm on Lightning Street in the Township of Williamsburg.

The usual volleyball and horseshoe tournaments will be held and the usual food and beverage concessions will be available.

Six bands have been confirmed as well as an antique car display. Face painting and helium balloons for the children will be part of the event.

As with last year, a swimming pool will be there for the enjoyment of all. A dunking tank will also be in place and area clergy are being invited to be dunked under the theme "Dunk your favourite Pastor". The Williamsburg funeral director David Lapier has also agreed to be dunked.

First and foremost, Volley For Cancer wants to promote this day as a family event. A free supervised parking area is also available.

The Board received the information that the Odonto Corporation has begun this years fundraising activity with a contribution of $1000. It is hoped that other corporate sponsors can be solicited to underwrite the cost of the participant's t-shirts.

The Board noted and has been impressed with the wide community support the vent has enjoyed in the past and look forward to greater support this year in terms of participant prizes and financial support.

The community should look forward to the availability of sponsor sheets and brochures in the very near future.

Any questions can be addressed to Carl Van Allen at (613) 535-2772.

Iroquois and District
Community Calendar

A public service provided by the businesses listed here in co-operation with this paper.

Summer Festival Meeting, May 28, Legion Hall, Iroquois, 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Parent Finders Brockville, next meeting Wed., May 28, 7 p.m., Westminster Public School, Brockville. For info call (613) 925-3383.

Matilda W.I. next meeting, June 9. Roll call is to bring a friend. Also bring an item for the gift basket we are going to raffle. Guest speaker - Denis Haney, topic - self defence.

The Living With Cancer Support Group's next meeting **June 10, 7:30 p.m.** at the **Williamsburg Senior Support Centre.** For further info call **652-4588.**

Sat., June 14 is Scout Day in Iroquois. Last push for funds (CJ Trip). Bed Races, BBQ, Dance, Open House, Yard Sale, Entertainment in Mall.

St. Andrew's & St. James Presbyterian Church, Cardinal "Coming Events" for 1997: June 26: Strawberry Social; **Sept. 6:** Rummage Sale; **Oct. 23:** Anniversary Dinner; **Nov. 29:** Christmas Bazaar.

Upcoming Events at Iroquois Legion, sponsored by Ladies Aux.: Nov. 22: Xmas Craft Show & Sale.

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Open house

Bonnie Parker, owner of Fairbairn Funeral Home in Morrisburg, held an open house last Sunday afternoon. The new owner/managing director was pleased with the number of people who attended the event. Pictured above, (l-r) Wayne Disheau, Bonnie Parker and Eldon LeRoy.

Farm software is a valuable tool for farmers

by Sean McKibbon
Chieftain Staff Reporter

Like so many trends in technology, farm management software isn't particularly new, but it's on the verge of revolutionizing the agrifood industry.

"I can hardly operate without it. It's a valuable tool and I think you should learn how to use it if you plan to still be in farming in the next ten years," says Doug Cleary, who owns a dairy farm near Spencerville.

He says that since starting to use software his herd's milk production has gone up and his feed costs have gone down.

Cleary says that the software has allowed him to do detailed analysis of what feeds work for which cows and what the costs are.

"It's always changing, but this allows so much more flexibility than going through paper records. When you start getting a lot of records it just gets unmanageable," says Cleary.

But the computer will allow him to have quick break downs of income and expenses. He says he can calculate costs per litre or kilogram of butterfat quota or per cow.

Cleary says he uses a number of software systems on his farm. One has been installed in his barn by Surge and is a dedicated system for tracking production and genetic statistics for cattle. The other is a financial program called Quick Books 2 he runs on his computer.

He has also written crop and ration balancing programs on Quatro Pro.

"It's handy when you're going to the bank for a loan if you know your numbers. One time I went for a loan and when the bank manager sent the information off to Toronto, the guys in Toronto didn't believe I could do what I said I was going to do."

Cleary says that the local bank manager went to bat for him because he was confident Cleary knew his numbers.

"They'll let you go a lot further if you know your numbers than if it's just by guess and by golly," says Cleary.

Cleary says that by analyzing his "break evens" and projecting different market values for crops, he has been able to expand his crop acreage.

"When you know your numbers you're willing to risk more or stretch more because you know how far you can stretch before you are starting to lose.

Crop management programs are about to come into their own, says Ted Ceelen.

"It's an exciting time for agriculture in Canada. In the next three to four years you're going to see big changes with GPS (Global Positioning Systems) on tractors," says Ceelen who runs a computer training business.

Ceelen says that while livestock monitoring has been well established-- for example many dairy parlour manufacturers have computerized systems built in-- crop programs have been little more than record keepers.

Entering data on crop performance has been so complicated and time consuming in the past that many farmers haven't bothered.

But with the GPS technology satellites can monitor the exact position of crop equipment in a field. Sensors on board harvesters can measure moisture and yield. With the GPS a map accurate to within a few feet can be made of a field and problem areas can easily be identified.

The main benefit of the GPS based systems will be that the data is entered automatically, says Ceelen. He says older programs that didn't use this technology were too time consuming.

"It will be interesting to see where it leads. If the cost doesn't come down, if it's not cost effective or doesn't give accurate data and earn money, it won't be adopted by farmers," he says.

"There are major changes going on in agriculture. We have some huge farms here in Eastern Ontario that are on par with anybody else in North America. It's getting pretty high tech."

Cleary says that he hasn't got on board the GPS trend yet because of the cost, but he expects to.

"It's coming. We'll probably have it in the next five years," says Cleary.



Marvellous machines

Gas powered machinery revolutionized farming and now global positioning satellite systems and computers placed on board harvesters are poised to do the same. Unfortunately computers and satellites still can't get a tractor out of the mud like this one which was photographed near the River Road.

Chieftain photo by S.McKibbon

Edwardsburgh Township notices increase in pesky adult beaver population

by Steve Coleman
Chieftain Staff Reporter

One of Canada's national symbols is "running wild" in Edwardsburgh Township.

An increase in the township's beaver population this year is keeping the municipality's main trapper as busy as...well...a beaver.

"So far this spring, I've trapped 40 nuisance beavers," said Darcy Alkerton of Nuisance Wildlife Control, the contractor hired to look after township property. "They've been fighting for territory. I'm finding a lot with bites on their hind quarters. It's a real sign of over population."

In one location, Alkerton said he caught 20 beavers in 10 days with just four traps. Every one was an adult older than a year.

Adult beavers kick their two-year-old sons and daughters out into "the real world" during their second year.

The rodents are starting to get out of control, said deputy reeve Ross Sommerville. He said he's received a number of phone calls from residents looking to see whether the township can solve their problems.

Edwardsburgh's policy is that it keeps municipal drains running, Sommerville said. If private landowners have a problem on their own agricultural land or wood lots, it's up to them to take care of it.

Another sign the population is getting too big for the area is the number of dead trees. While he's been back in the bush, Alkerton said he's seen a lot of areas where all of the best trees have been turned into toothpicks.

Most of the poplar, one of the animal's favorite foods and a favorite with woodlot owners, has been chewed down in several areas, he said.

The combination of flat land, tile drainage in fields and big, deep drainage ditches have made the area perfect for the animals to build new homes.

The value of the pelts drops considerably with the arrival of warm weather, Alkerton said. That's when they lose the guard hairs that keep them warm in the winter. The skins are worth more with the guard hairs still in place.

Before the trapping season closed at the end of March, the value of a pelt averaged $31. The price of the fur has started to go up, again.

This winter, 130 beavers were pulled out of frozen waterways in the municipality.

Things seem to work in two-three year cycles, Sommerville said. One of the more-popular areas, this year, has been the land bank taken in by Glen Smail and county road 41 and between county roads 44 and 22.

The problem will continue to grow as long as people consider the anti-fur movement the way to go, said John McKenzie, the senior fish and wildlife technician with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources office in Kemptville.

People in southern Ontario also have "a low tolerance for large predators" which only makes the problem worse.

"A lot of people ask me what they should do about beavers," McKenzie said. "I tell them to buy their wives a fur coat...The local beaver population is healthy. Just ask any roads superintendent."

Large sections of Edwardsburgh Township are ideal for the animals, he said. There are a lot of wetlands in the area bordering on the St. Lawrence River.

An increase in the number of people moving from the city to rural areas has changed some of the traditional ideas about country living, too.

Farmers have also given up on farming some of the township's more marginal land. The property is starting to turn into bush, again.

Looking back:
Fallout from the 1967 farmers milk march

Mr. Miller says his answer was that this would be only a last resort, and that all other action would have to fail before the farmers would turn to dumping.

"I told them, farmers can't afford to produce milk if they are just dumping it on the ground," he says.

Tom Robson, a vice president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, who was also at the news conference, describes as irresponsible" the report that farmers were thinking of the dumping action.

Mr. Robson says he was asked the same question, and that he responded about the same as Mr. Miller.

"I told them every other avenue of protest would have to be exhausted before we consider dumping," he says.

"That is a lot different from saying we're going to dump milk if we don't get what we want," he says.

Eastern Canada farm leaders have denied reports that they plan to dump milk if the government does not meet their demands.

Walter Miller, vice president of the Ontario Farmers' Union was quoted following last week's march as saying that farmers would turn to milk dumping.

Mr. Miller says the quotation "completely misrepresents what I said."

He says the only reference made to milk dumping while in Ottawa was at a news conference of vice presidents of the three sponsoring organizations in the National Press Building.

During the conference, the three organizations were asked what action they plan if the government does not act on their requests.

Representatives of all three organizations said what they do here will depend on what their members want.

The question came: Would you turn to milk dumping?

OFA board members met

by Alvin Runnalls, Provincial Director, Dundas County

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) Board of Directors met on April 16, and since there would be no meeting in May due to spring planting, there was a long and full agenda.

Farm registration is proceeding ahead of last year's pace and so far, refunds are lower. We hope this trend continues.

A draft budget will be presented at the June meeting, a further draft in July, and a final draft at the August board meeting for approval. there was an opportunity for directors to present a wish list. The following ideas were put forward:

* Should OFA participate in future trade missions?
* Consider enhancing communications to our members through the Internet.
* Resources for policy development to deal with new Acts.
* Setting aside funds for those counties requiring emergency-type funds.
* Provide information services cut off by OMAFRA.
* More funding for the Canadian Federation for Agriculture (CFA).
* Emergency funding for coalitions.

The draft land use policy that I mentioned last month was presented and, after a heated debate, was accepted as policy. Waterloo Region was opposed, but could not convince the majority of Directors that a large province with such diversity of geography and agriculture could be treated the same. Each area will have to protect its own agricultural interests according to its own needs. OFA will support those needs.

A resolution from the Sheep Marketing Agency regarding independent ultrasound pregnancy detection was passed. OFA supports the idea of technicians, rather than veterinarians, being able to do this. This practice has been opposed by the Veterinary Association.

Regarding the Pest Management Registration Act (PMRA), we have just heard that its budget will be limited to one year, giving farmers another opportunity to make changes to it.

Farmers have been especially concerned about the effects of the flooding on the Manitoba farm community. The Dundas County Federation of Agriculture (DFA), passed a resolution to contribute $500 to a flood relief fund directed to farmers and is issuing a challenge to county farmers to double this amount. Thanks to a local farmer whose question about what OFA was doing to aid our fellow farmers in Manitoba initiated the DFA resolution. Details for donating will be in the DFA Newsletter in early June, or call DFA secretary, Marilyn Johnson at 448-2636.

Sheep shearing at U.C.V.

A sure sign of spring is the Sheep Shearing at Upper Canada Village, from Friday, May 30 to Tuesday, June 3. It's a great opportunity to discover how important wool was in the 1860s, and how people processed this valuable commodity.

Leicester sheep, a popular breed during the 1860s, will be relieved of their winter coats at the main barn at Louck's Farm. During this annual event, visitors will have a chance to participate in the hand shearing and other aspects of 1860s wool processing. The delicate process of hand shearing takes about 30 to 40 minutes per animal.

"Mr. Loucks" will deliver the unwashed fleece to the Woollen Mill and visitors will be delighted to eavesdrop on his bartering with "Mr. Asselstine" - the mill owner. The water powered Woollen Mill will then take the purchased wool through all the traditional processing steps, from washing in the scouring tanks to the picking, carding, spinning and weaving.

The Village will also show that hand processing was not yet an outdated activity in the 1860s. The women at McDiarmid House will be kept quite busy with manually spinning wool and producing curtain material on the loom.

Visitors will want to stop in at Willard's Hotel for a historical meal, Sunday brunch or candlelight dining on Friday and Saturday evenings. At the Village Store, people will find blankets woven at the Woollen Mill, as well as other Village made articles, such as woollen bats (for quilt making), yarns and teasels.

Admission to Upper Canada Village is $12.50 for adults, $11.50 for seniors, $9.00 for students and $6.00 for children 5 to 12 years of age. Children 4 years of age and under are admitted free-of-charge.

Visitors may want to take advantage of two great specials: people can come back the next day for free (with receipt), or save by purchasing a family day pass for $29.00. The Village is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Upper Canada Village is located one house southeast of Ottawa (11 km east of Morrisburg and 24 km west of Cornwall, Ontario), off Highway No. 2. The Village can also be reached via Highway No. 401, Exit 758. For additional information, please call 1-800-437-2233.

Garden enthusiasts will want to pre-register for the Friday Evening Garden Tours beginning on June 27 and running until August 15. Call 1-800-437-2233.

Matilda W.I. meeting

Thirteen members and one guest listened as guest speaker Shirley Nichol Scott spoke about the poverty and appalling conditions she encountered in Mexico. She is a Pastoral Director from the United Church of Canada and went along with a group of people to try and make a difference for the less fortunate in the slums of Mexico. Shirley came with slides and photographs of homes, shacks actually, made of cardboard and scraps of whatever was available. The people had very little to eat, animals were raised to sell so they could buy beans and flour. There was no clean drinking water. We came away realizing how much we have to be thankful for. Because Shirley works for the House of Lazarus we all brought along supplies for her to take along. The government no longer supplies grants for the outreach mission and so it's harder to supply those in need of assistance.

Joyce Gower, convenor for the meeting, then had us all playing a game. We were asked to bring in a family photo, one we could all study and try to determine who that photo belonged to. It was fun, but none of us got them all!

We then enjoyed a delicious lunch. Members are asked to please supply an item for the gift basket we are going to raffle off. The roll call for the June meeting is bring a friend to the meeting. Our guest speaker is Mr. Denis Haney who will teach us self defence. The meeting is June 9, 7:30 p.m.

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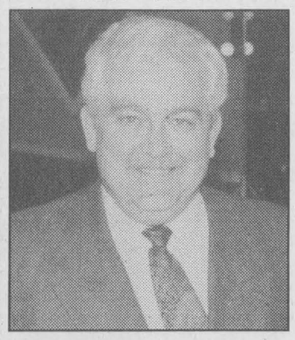
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M28-1tp

Huge multi-family yard sale, 3064 Walker St., Cardinal. Saturday, May 31st and Sunday, June 1st. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Panasonic stereo system, electric steel lap guitar, microwave, bikes, aluminum door, Nintendo system, antique rocker, table lamps, dresser, children's clothing, etc., etc.
M28-1tc

Johnstown community yard sale. Saturday, May 31st, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., subdivision east of Canadian Customs. Lots of homes involved.
M28-1tv

Brinston, across from Frank Ault Excavating. Starts 9:00 a.m., Saturday, May 31st.
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Friday and Saturday, May 30th and 31st. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. West of Williamsburg on Strader Hill Road, house# 11919. Garage fridge, entertainment centre, saddle, annual and perennial plants, something for everyone.
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ANDERSON: Thank you everyone who helped to make my 80th Birthday Party at Knox Church on Sunday, such a lovely day for me. Thank you for all your cards, gifts and best wishes. Special thanks to my daughter Linda, and the special ladies at Knox Church and my fine line dancing friends! A birthday to remember! Thank you all.
Louisa Anderson
M28-1tp

AULT: A very special "thank you" to everyone for over the past few months at home and recently, my six day stay at the Winchester Memorial Hospital, for all the love and support I received from family, relatives and many friends, with phone calls, cards, flower arrangements, plants, gifts, and baking brought into our home. It was thoughtful and very much appreciated. Also thanks to Dr. Eva Tomiak from Ottawa, Dr. Chande, Dr Houze, Kathie Marston, Lynn Hill, and the staff at the Winchester Memorial Hospital for the wonderful care I received during my stay. Also thanks to Rev. Barr for his visit and prayers. These acts of kindness will never be forgotten.
"Thanks again",
Beverley Ault
M28-1tp

HUTT: I would like to thank my family and friends for the cards, phone calls and flowers from the Rebekka Lodge. Special thanks to Dr'.s Prins and McLean, the nurses and staff for the excellent care I received at the W.D.M.H. and since my return home.
Betty Hutt
M28-1tp

PRIMROSE: I would like to thank my relatives and friends for the gifts, flowers, visits, and phone calls while I was a patient in the W.D.M. Hospital. Also thanks to the nursing staff which was excellent and also Dr. Prins and Dr. Chande and the other doctors involved. Special thanks to Rev. Barr for his visits. It was appreciated very much. Thanks again.
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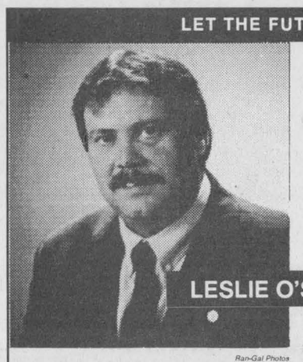
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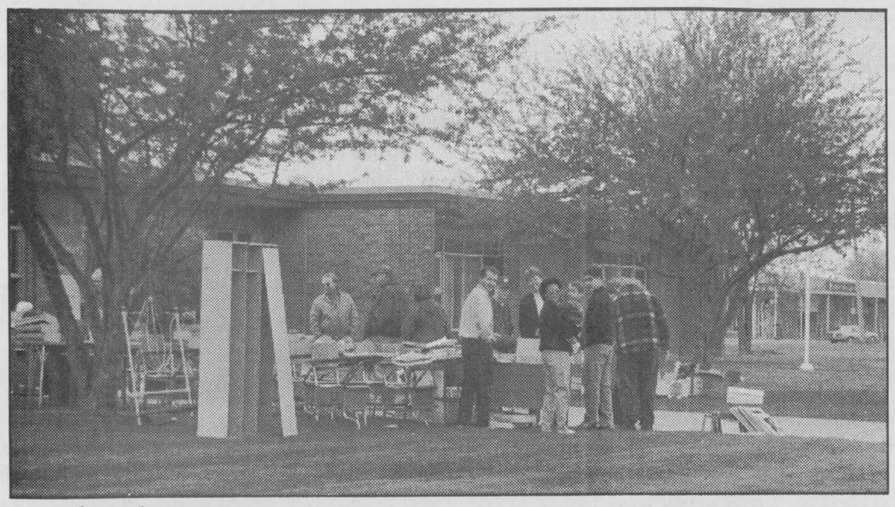

Yard sale

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They were only scheduled to stay open for a few hours, but ended up staying for the day. The Seaway District High School Environmental Club held their annual yard sale in Iroquois last Saturday. All money raised at the event will be used by the Environment Club.

Iroquois Women's Institute held their meeting Thursday, May 15th

Iroquois W.I. held its May gardening meeting on Thursday, May 15 at the Civic Center. Eighteen members answered the roll call "Name Your Favourite Flower".

New business included a reminder of the Dundas & Grenville District Annual in Roebuck. We are asked to take: coins for friendship cheque; pot luck dish; and a $5 craft item. Myrtle Johnston, Jean Loucks and Ruth Hawke will be our voting delegates. Bunny McGimpsey told of the upcoming W.I. summer trip August 5-8. It is called "City & Country" and begins with a two night stay in a lodge in the Haliburton Highlands, then a drive to Muskoka to Toronto where a day and night visit includes a boat cruise of the Toronto Harbour and tickets to see the Mousetrap - an Agatha Christie thriller. Cost is $339/person for W.I. members, double occupancy.

It was moved and seconded that we donate two books for awards to the Best Student in the Arts at Iroquois Public School's graduation. Also a $50 bursary will be awarded to a student graduating from Seaway District High School.

Our June meeting will be a "mystery tour" and because eight roses are being planted to commemorate the W.I. Centennial 1897-1997, at the Queen's Garden at Upper Canada Village, it was decided to travel to UCV for a picnic and tour of the rose garden. This will be Thursday, June 19. Cars leaving Civic Centre at 11 a.m. Bring lunch and a lawn chair.

Jean Shaver and her committee of Judy Barkey, Sandy Decker, and Carole Brouse held a plant exchange and then a delicious lunch of biscuits, jam, crackers, and cheese and fresh fruit was served and enjoyed by all. See you on the "mystery tour".

OBITUARIES

Wesley William Keeler

At Winchester Hospital on May 23, 1997, Wesley William Keeler of RR2, Brinston. Born in Matilda Township on September 22, 1920, Wes was 76 years of age.

Predeceased by his parents, John and Pearl (nee Sipes) Keeler; three brothers, Dan, Rex and Hector and four sisters; Grace Keeler, Kathleen Sullivan, Pauline Hitsman and Beatrice Keeler, Wes was also predeceased by three grandchildren; Ricky McMillan, Melanie Simpson, Wayne Imrie and one great grandchild, Skylar Simpson.

Surviving the loss are his wife, Catherine (nee Lavallie) Keeler whom he wed in Brinston on December 20, 1945. Also mourning their loss are sons; Wayne (Susan) Keeler of Ventnor, Dennis (Laurie) of Morrisburg and Ronnie (Helen) Keeler of Brinston.

Daughters; Doreen Simpson of Winchester, Linda (Jim) McMillan of Hainsville and Laura (Howard) Hutchison of Iroquois also survive. Missing their grampa are Randy, Cindy, Mike, Amy, Angela, Steven, Shawn, Kaitlyn, D.J., Nicole, Kyle, Jordan and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations to the Winchester Hospital or the Heart and Stroke Foundation were greatly appreciated by the family.

Service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Iroquois with Reverend Marcel Charette officiating. Interment followed at Sprucehaven in Brinston. Pallbearers were Jim McMillan, Winsten and Randy Simpson, Ray Fawcett, Lorne Strader and Charles Barkley.

Sidney Markell

Suddenly at home, at the Lamplighter Motel, Morrisburg, Sidney Markell, on May 20, 1997.

Born on October 10, 1949 in Matilda Township, Sidney was 47 years of age. A former labourer with the Township of Williamsburg maintenance crew, he spent his entire life in the Iroquois and Morrisburg areas.

A jovial person who enjoyed fishing, stock car racing and watching movies, Sidney will be sadly missed by his wife; Cairlyn (nee Richmire), whom he wed on August 1, 1981 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Morrisburg also a son; Sydney of Morrisburg and brothers including; Charlie (Cathy) and Art (Kim), all of RR2, Brinston, Bernie (Sharon) of RR1,Iroquois and Brian (Elaine) of Morrisburg. Sisters; Nellie (Mrs George Hitsman) of RR2, Brinston and Flossie of Ottawa mourn their loss as well. Sidney is survived by his mother-in-law, Margaret Richmire and many nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his parents; William and Maude (nee Kelly) Markell, his father-in-law,-Darcey Richmire and two brothers; George and Robert.

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

Service was conducted at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on May 23, 1997, with Rev. Diane Raddatz officiating. Interment followed at the New Union Cemetery, Williamsburg. Pallbearers were; Peter Montroy, Richard Sloan, Sydney and Calvin Markell, Raymond and Gord Richmire, Art Thompson, Cecil Tyo and John Hitsman.

Edmund Serviss

On Monday, May 19, 1997, Edmund Hillary Serviss at Winchester and District Memorial Hospital, after a brief illness of one week duration. Born in Metcalfe on October 24, 1911, Edmund was 85 years of age. He had lived his lifetime in the Morrisburg area and had lived at RR1, Morrisburg for the past 40 years.

Edmund was an Aircraft Mechanic in the armed forces during his worklife. A member of the Anglican Church, he enjoyed fishing and gardening.

Predeceased by his parents, Arthur and Martha (nee Harrison) Serviss, as well as a daughter, Joan Enns and a son, Kenneth Serviss, Edmund is sadly missed by 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his beloved wife, Emily "Jenny" Serviss (nee Brisbois) whom he wed on June 20, 1936. Also a son Graham (Gail) of Westmeath and a daughter, Elaine (Mrs Jim Atchison) of Kemptville and a sister, Edna Haggarty of Iroquois mourn their loss. He is sadly missed by his son-in-law, Doctor Jim Enns of Brandon, Manitoba and a daughter-in-law, Tina Serviss of Morrisburg.

Memorial donations to the Winchester Hospital were appreciated by the family. There was no visitation or funeral service. A family graveside service was held on Friday, May 23, with arrangements entrusted to Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Williamsburg. Reverend Bill Byers conducted the service. Interment of cremated remains was held at St. Johns' Anglican Cemetery, Iroquois.

Cardinal Trade Fair a big success

Well over 700 people attended the 19th Annual Spring Fling Trade Fair in Cardinal last week.

Prize winners included: Joanne Byers, Amanda Kavanaugh, Dot Collison, Melissa McLeod Ryan Knapp, Eleen Lamothe, Tim Yandeau, L. Lascelle, B. Cheetham, Cheryl Shaver, Richard McNalty, Gary McNalty, Joan Abbott, Pauline Farmer, Shawn Bradford, J.J. Stewart, Hannah Adams, Cassie Douglas, Erica Gabriel, Debbie Jessome, Chantale Allaire, Marg McCurdy, Ada Baldwin.

W. Beasley won the Cancer Society Hand-made quilt.

The Cardinal Business Association donated a propane BBQ and two $50 bills for door prizes.

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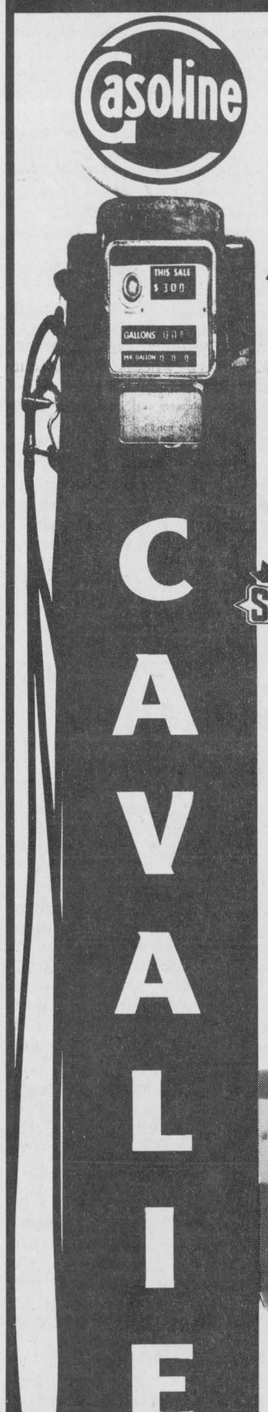

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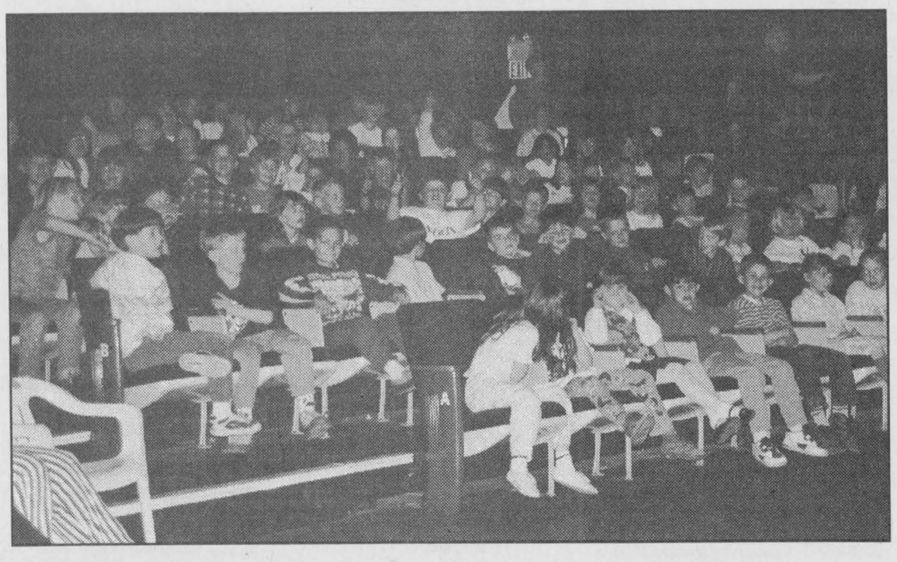

Waiting for the action

Pictured above, local primary school students wait for The Velveteen Rabbit to come to life at Upper Canada Playhouse last Friday afternoon. Theatre New Brunswick's Young Company has performed the show 150 times. The production was directed by long-time Playhouse associate Donnie Bowes. *Chieftain photo by M.C. Bailey.*

The Velveteen Rabbit comes to life for school children

Children from a number of local schools attended a production of The Velveteen Rabbit at Upper Canada Playhouse this week, and watched a bunny come to life right before their eyes.

The play, based on the popular book by Margery Williams, tells the story of a stuffed toy rabbit who becomes a little boy's favourite plaything, much to the chagrin of the more expensive toys in the playroom. The boy's love eventually brings the toy bunny to life.

Theatre New Brunswick's Young Company has been on tour in New Brunswick and Ontario, and performed The Velveteen Rabbit 150 times, ending their tour in Morrisburg. The production was directed by long-time Playhouse associate Donnie Bowes, who adapted the story for the stage, and designed by D'Arcy Poultney, who designs shows for a number of theatres in the Maritimes.

"It's a lot of fun to do shows like this," says Judi Pearl, manager of Theatre New Brunswick's Young Company. "Sometimes the kids don't necessarily know the difference between a play and a movie and forget that the actors can see and hear you."

Upper Canada Playhouse hosts a children's production each year. Last year the schools enjoyed seeing another famous story come to life with Charlotte's Web.

"It's a way of exposing the kids to live theatre, and gives them a chance to learn about literature at the same time. Velveteen Rabbit's cast has put on a great show with lots of energy - we could hear the kids laughing throughout the theatre!" says Upper Canada Playhouse publicist Allison Markin.

Even though there are more than a dozen characters in the play, only three actors performed The Velveteen Rabbit. Two actors took on multiple roles, which often require some fast changes off stage. The costumes were designed to get in and out of quickly, using velcro.

A number of seven-foot tall puppets took the place of real actors. The puppets are made out of broomsticks with styrofoam heads that have been decorated with papier mache, and each took about a week to construct.

Theatre New Brunswick's Young Company has produced 56 plays over the past 27 years, and has given over 3,500 performances to a total of more than 700,000 students from kindergarten to grade 12.

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Throughout the five counties, restaurant owners are being invited to join in a unique challenge: to be smoke-free May 31, World No Tobacco Day.

The Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU) which is spearheading the campaign, is hoping at least 15 restaurants per county will participate in the effort. "The aim is to raise awareness of the serious effects of Environmental Tobacco Smoke on children not only in the home but in public places too such as in restaurants," said Roch Denis of EOHU.

"Everyone could and should benefit from this idea. The patrons get to enjoy a meal in a healthy, smoke-free environment and restaurant owners get the opportunity to satisfy a growing segment of the market," says Denis.

Public demand for smoke-free environments is backed up by 1996 survey of the five counties.

In Winchester, 64 percent of respondents to a 1996 EOHU Survey on Public Attitudes Towards Smoking said they strongly or somewhat supported full service restaurants becoming smoke free.

"As far as we know, this is the first campaign of its kind in this area. We're hoping to show others that while this area has one of the highest rate of smokers in the province, we're not about to simply throw in the towel and give up. This is a chance for the entire community to help turn the stats around," said Denis.

Participating restaurants will also be featured in local advertising and promotions, at no cost to the owners. Blue ribbons, symbolising clear, healthy lungs will be available (at participating restaurants and pharmacies throughout the campaign.

To participate in the Smoke Free Day, or for more information about tobacco issues call the Health Line or your local EOHU office.

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Everyone Welcome
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COMPUTER DAY CAMP
kids ages 8-11: **July 21-25**
teens ages 11-15: **Aug. 11-15**
Call T.R. LEGER SCHOOL
543-2375
for more information
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ART SHOW AND SALE
Featuring local and area artists
Proceeds to Winchester District Memorial Hospital
Allan Hall,
Lakeshore United Church
Morrisburg, Ontario
Sunday, June 8th, 1997
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Entrance Fee $2.00
includes refreshments
M28-2tc

PERENNIAL EXCHANGE/SALE
Saturday, June 14th
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Township Office, Williamsburg
(Rain or Shine)
Donated Plants Welcome
For info call: 535-2018
M28-2tc

Mountain/South Mountain United Church
41st ANNUAL CHICKEN B.B.Q.
Saturday, June 14th, 1997
on Church Grounds
Serving from:
12 noon to 6:00 p.m.
Tickets $7.50 in advance; $8.00 at the door subject to availability
Get your tickets from the canvassers or at local Township business outlets
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BALDI'S...*SPECIALS!!*
Thursdays...**Fish & Chip Night**
Fridays...**Steak Night**
Saturdays...**Roast Beef Night**
Starting at 5:00 p.m.
Iroquois Shopping Plaza
652-1613
F19-tfnc

Bridge Winners

The winners of the May 21st bridge party were first, Lorne Bouck, second Dorthy Burchmore, and third went to Helen Bouck. Seven tables were played.

The Seniors Tournament in Winchester on Tuesday had Marge Strader and Doreen Empey, Lorne and Helen Bouck qualifying for the Senior Championship to be held in Long Sault later this month.

Join us each and every Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Iroquois Civic Centre. We hope to see you all there!



HAPPY 1st ANNIVERSARY!!
CAROL & RICHARD BANFILL
On June 1st
From: Andre, Tammy, Corey, Melissa

Country Hideaway
200 LEWIS ST., CARDINAL
613-657-3006
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
THUR. MAY 29TH., FRI. MAY 30TH,
SAT. MAY 31ST. 9:00 til 1:00 am
Rebecca & Kickin Horse
DON'T MISS THE SUMMER BASH STARTING THURSDAY NIGHT PRIZES & GIVE AWAYS!
JUNE ENTERTAINMENT UPDATE
6TH - 7TH - REG CARKNER
13TH - 14TH - JIM WICKS & WESTBURG UNION
20TH - 21ST - RUNNIN ON EMPTY
27TH - 28TH - STEVE AGNEW & HEART OF THE COUNTRY

BINGO!!
EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT!!
7:30 p.m.
R.C.L. Br. 538, Williamsburg
Bouck's Hill Legion Hall
M26-tfnc

LOBSTERFEST
June 21, 1997
6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Chesterville Arena
Chesterville and District Agricultural Society Fundraiser
All-you-can-eat lobster and roast beef, Casino, "Jazzmanian Devils", Silent Auction, JVK Disco
$40 per person, tickets payable in advance from:
Russell Robinson at 613-448-3534
Good Food, Good Friends, Good Fun!
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HAPPY 30th BIRTHDAY TAMMY
Love from your friends & family

HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY JOHN MacMILLAN
Oh...that's next year!!

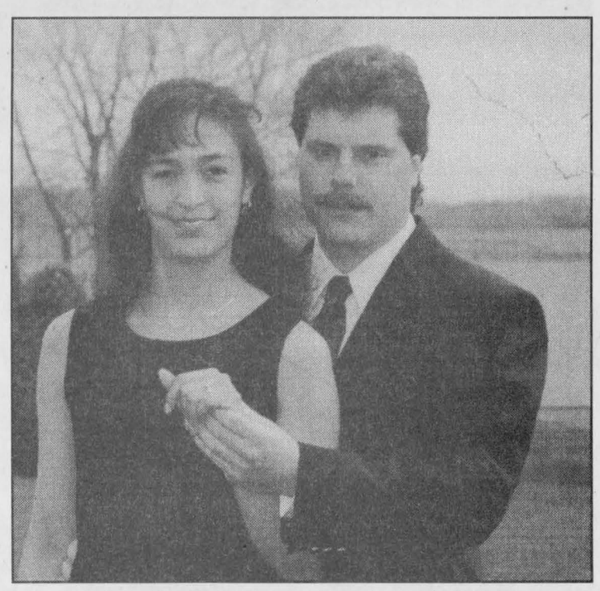


Love ya!



Fashionable dining

Patrons of Cardinal's Coach House Restaurant engaged in some fashionable dining Monday, May 12.They were treated to a fashion show from Maynard's Just For You Bridal Studio and Marge Valtkamp and Bea Laming's Option L Spring and Summer line of casual career wear. *Chieftain photo by S.McKibbon*



WEDDING RECEPTION
In honour of
TAMMY
daughter of John and Gale Sprigings and
JEFFERY
son of Ronald and Freda Whitteker
on Saturday, May 31st
from 8:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
at the Royal Brock, Brockville
D.J. - Light Lunch - Everyone Welcome

Shop Canadian

Come and Worship

St. Peter's - St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Pastor: Rev. Diane Raddatz
Tel: 535-2569
Dunbar - St. Luke's
Sunday's - 9:15 a.m.
Williamsburg - St. Peter's
Sunday Worship & School
11:00 a.m.
Everyone Welcome

United Church of Canada
Iroquois Pastoral Charge
Worship Service
Every Sunday at
10:30 a.m. - Sunday School
at 10:30 a.m. also
Everyone Welcome
Minister - Rev. Eric J. Barr, B.A., M.Div.
652-2056

Anglican Church of Canada
Parish of Morrisburg/Iroquois
543-3904 Office
Rev. Bill Byers
Sunday, June 1st
8:00 a.m. - St. James
8:45 a.m.-Breakfast at St. James
9:30 a.m. - St. James
11:00 a.m. - St. John's
St. James Morrisburg/St. Johns Iroquois
Holy Trinity Riverside Heights

St. Cecilia's Church
Rev. Father Tim Shea
St. Cecilia's, Iroquois
Mass - 9:00 a.m.
St. Mary's Church
St. Mary's, Morrisburg
Mass - 11:00 a.m.
Saturday's 7:30 p.m.

United Church of Canada
Matilda Pastoral Charge
Minister: Georgia D. Copland, B.A., M.S.W., BTh. MDiv.
June 1st
Brinston - 11:00 a.m.
Hulbert Valley - 9:30 a.m.

Philadelphia Pentecostal Church
Cardinal, Ontario
Invites YOU to come and Worship with US!
Rev. David Gogolin
Sunday School - 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Evangelistic Service - 7 p.m.

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

The Presbyterian Church in Canada
Knox Church, Iroquois
Rev. Marion Johnston
B.A., M.Div.
652-2301
Church at 11:30 a.m.

Morrisburg Pentecostal Church
Pastor: Duncan Perry
Church: 543-2681 Home 543-3450
Family Night - Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Sunday - 9:45 a.m.
Christian Education Hour
10:45 a.m. Worship the Word
7:00 p.m. Praise Gathering
Youth Aflame - Wed. Nights
7:00 p.m.
Dial-A-Prayer 543-3456

Community Christian Reformed Church
Dixon's Corners, Ontario
Pastor: Rev. John Gerrits
Phone: 652-2400
9:30a.m. - Morning Service
7:30p.m. - Evening Service
Nursery provided morning service ONLY.
Everyone Welcome
Faith 20 can be viewed every morning at 5:30 a.m. on Channel 6

Cardinal Free Methodist
Shanly Road at Second Street, Cardinal
Pastor Wayne Briggs
1-498-1790 or 657-1317
Sunday
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
11 a.m. - Worship
Celebrating 40 years of Caring for People