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Pool to open despite questionable future

Liz Edwards
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Local kids and adults will have a place to swim for this summer at least, despite any technical difficulties.

The pool at the Winchester Community Centre will be open for the last week of June but will need some major renovations beforehand, says Recreation Director Matt Krisjanis. He says it's possible the cost of keeping the pool running could jeopardize the village's swimming program for the following year.

According to figures from the village's municipal office, this year's proposed budget for the pool is $49,550 including about $15,000 worth of repairs to two inlets and the filtration system as well as the cost of building a partition wall for safer chlorine storage.

The village will not repair the pool's liner this year unless it gets a major sponsor, says Clerk Treasurer Bonnie Dingwall. The repair would cost $45,000.

Swimming pools are a large expense for any recreation program and they are not money-makers, says Krisjanis.

In Winchester, the pool accounts for roughly one- seventh of the village's recreation budget. The village is anticipating $20,000 in revenue from pool programs this year. Last year, the pool cost $33,073 to run, about $5,000 less than expected.

However Chesterville's pool program does pay for itself, according to Robin Langille, that village's recreation director. However he says he doesn't know enough about Winchester's to compare the two programs, though their fees are relatively similar. Krisjanis is planning to consult with Langille on how Winchester can run more efficiently.

"Maybe we put through more kids in swimming lessons. Maybe it's as simple as that," says Langille, adding pools do seem to be a financial drain on many communities.

In Winchester, fees for lessons will be the same for all users who live in areas that support the centre. Last year, after Mountain Township council withdrew its financial support in protest over the centre's

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Morrisburg puts arts on budget back burner

Liz Edwards
Press staff

MORRISBURG — It's more insult than injury, according to Upper Canada Playhouse Director Marshall Button.

But it still hurts.

Last week Morrisburg Village Council cut its yearly grant to the Playhouse to $1,000 from $3,500.

While every penny counts when fighting the playhouse's $100,000 deficit, the amount won't make a great deal of difference to this season's programming and its annual budget of about $400,000.

But Button says the move sends out the message that the theatre is not valued by the Corporation of the Village of Morrisburg, though he notes council members personally are good supporters of the productions.

Council had little choice, says Morrisburg Deputy Reeve Dirk Testerink. Its own grants from the province were cut from about $250,000 to $180,000.

"We had to cut recreation, the Chamber of Commerce, anybody and everybody who gets grants from the village," he says.

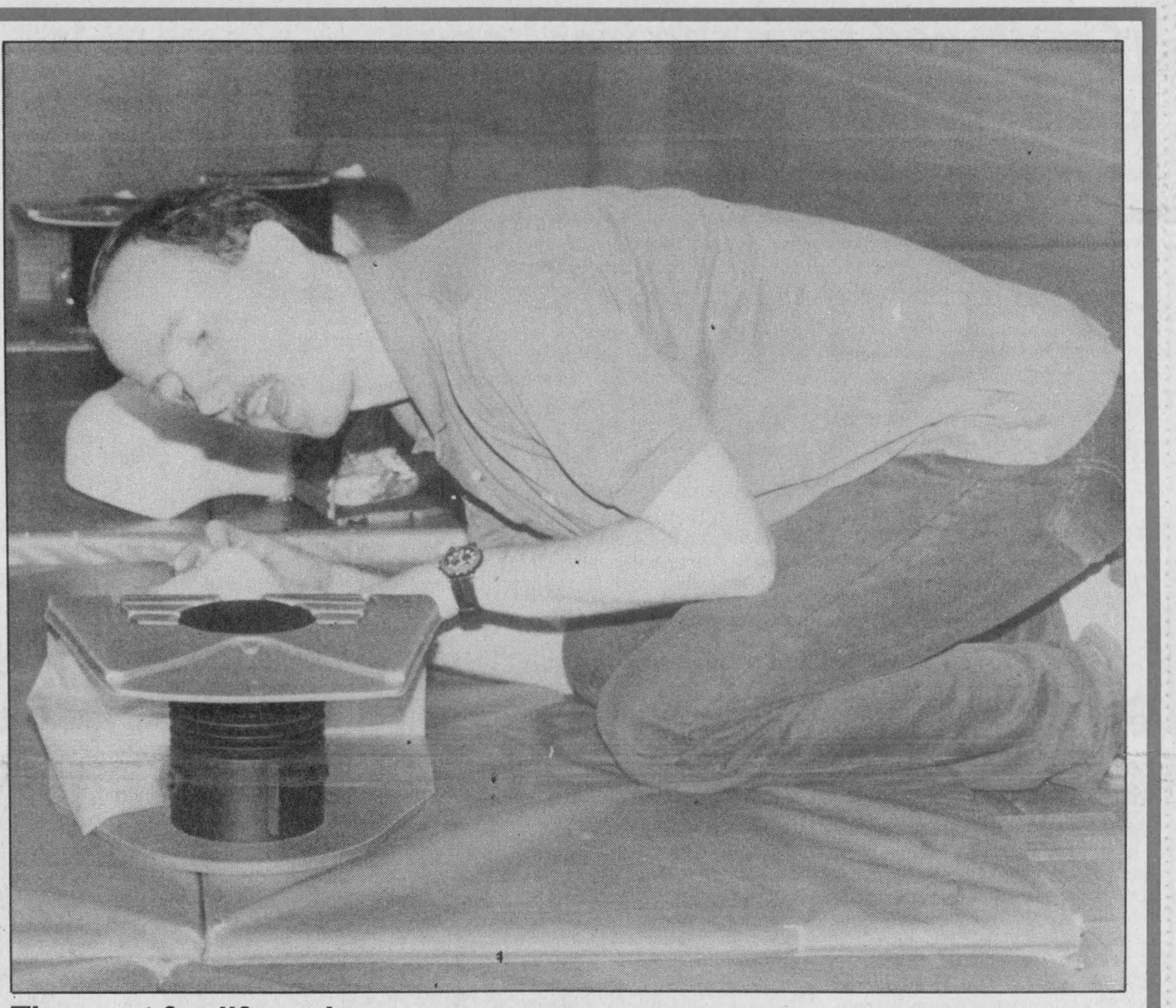
The playhouse's grant was cut by about 70 per cent and Testerink agrees it was a huge bite.

"It was hard hit no question. Some grants were eliminated altogether," he says, though he couldn't name any at that moment.

Button says the playhouse may appeal to council to give a little more. He says the theatre adds a lot to Morrisburg, employs a number of people and attracts tourists. He adds a study by the Ontario Arts Council shows every dollar given to theatre brings $4 back to the community. Proportionally a theatre such as the Great Canadian Theatre Company in Ottawa gets a lot more support from its municipal government.

Other sources of funding seem to be relatively intact with only minor cuts, he says.

The Playhouse get a quarter of its budget from grants, another quarter from fundraising, and half from revenues earned from ticket sales, souvenirs, touring and rental of the stage and auditorium.



Time out for lifesaving

Jason Primeau volunteered his time to demonstrate lifesaving techniques during a basic CPR course at Winchester Public School on Saturday. The sessions lasted a little over an hour and ran all day. They were sponsored by the Discovery Bible Fellowship in co-operation with the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Press Photo— Robinson

Byers penalized $4,000 for $148,000 oversight

Kim Robinson
Press staff

MORRISBURG — Local businessman Edsel Byers has six months to pay a $4,000 fine for evading more than $148,000 in provincial sales tax.

"The fine is significantly lower than what the prosecution was seeking," says John Fagan, a special prosecutor with the Ontario Ministry of Finance.

Back in March, when Byers pleaded guilty to the charge, Fagan had asked for a $100,000 fine as appropriate punishment.

However, the fine handed out by Justice of the Peace Veronica Carmichael on Monday was more in line with the $3,000 penalty Byers' counsel, Doug Grenkie, had suggested.

Fagan said Tuesday there is the possibility that the sentence could be appealed.

Byers will still have to pay back the taxes owing to the province, though this will be handled through the Ministry of Finance's retail sales tax division.

The ministry's special investigations branch uncovered the tax evasion when it examined the financial records of Byers' Winchester-area business, Empire Building Supplies Ltd. Over the 27-month period investigated, from April 1991 to June 1993, 20 monthly retail sales tax returns were found to be false.

Possible fines for this offence ranged from $500 all the way up to $10,000 plus twice the amount evaded. When the prosecution and defence presented their views on suitable fines on March 25, they were at such a variance that the case was set aside for the court's further consideration.

Guildcrest building niche in U.S.

Kim Robinson
Press staff

MOREWOOD — Business is building up at Guildcrest Homes as the modular house manufacturer looks to a new market in the United States.

At the end of March, the company had sold 43 homes so far this year as compared to 31 during the same period last year, an increase of more than 30 per cent. Ten of those homes will be heading for the United States.

"Most of the growth comes from south of the border," says Guildcrest president David Poupore.

New York State became a new market for the company last year. In 1994, Guildcrest began looking at the idea of expanding into this nearby territory. Around the same time, the company was approached by builders in the United States interested in hooking up with a Canadian home manufacturer. Getting certified in New York State was a nine- month process, but according to Poupore it was well worth the effort.

In 1996, Guildcrest is budgeting for a 30-per-cent increase in volume over last year. Poupore says there is even the possibility of hiring more workers, though he cautions that this is not a certainty.

At the moment, there are 68 full-time Guildcrest employees.

Sales representative Nicole Deschesne has been busy promoting Guildcrest to American buyers. Initiating interest through newspaper and billboard advertising, she has found that word travels quickly in this new market where the exchange rate and a high acceptance of modular construction makes the Guildcrest product attractive to American customers. One early customer was a woman who works at an Ogdensburg newspaper where Guildcrest placed an ad.

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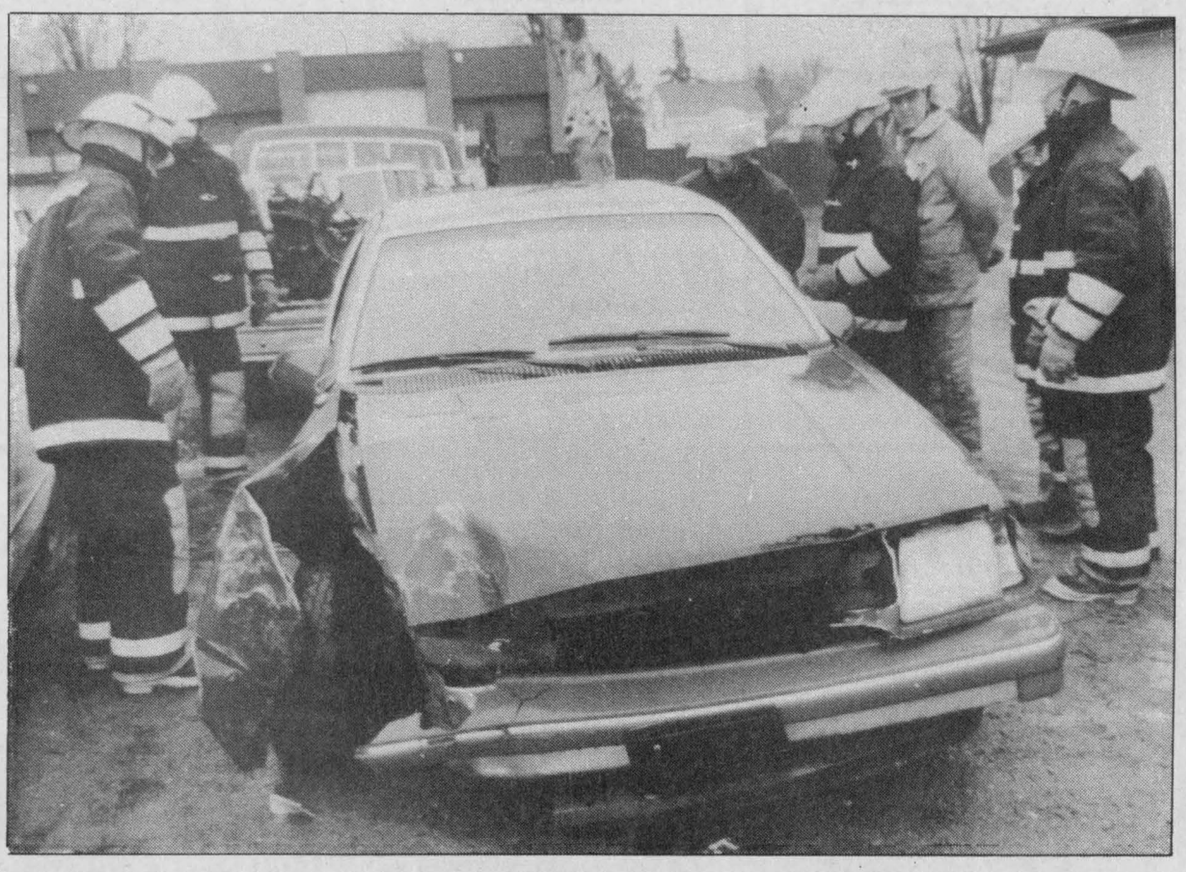

Practice makes perfect

Winchester firefighters were keeping their skills honed last week as they practised how to extract someone from a car wreck, behind Kelly's Garage.

Press Photo — Edwards

Figure skating club wants town to pay ice time debt

WINCHESTER — Fair play is what they want, say the executive of Winchester's figure skating club.

Otherwise the club may start the next season with a deficit, says Lynn McClenaghan, who become the its president earlier this month.

Club organizers want the village to pay the $2,500 debt the skating club incurred with the increase in the cost of ice time for the 1995-1996 season. They did not know they would not receive subsidies for ice time at the Winchester Community Centre until after registration, McClenaghan told council last week. Therefore they did not charge enough to cover costs.

The village should have informed them that the ice rates had changed, says McClenaghan, and should take responsibility for the error. Instead of paying $60 an hour, the club had to pay $100 an hour plus GST.

They found out about the increase when they received a bill on Dec. 1 last year. Groups did not sign their contracts until after Christmas. By that time, they were already using the ice.

Ice rates were set at budget time, according to former recreation director Frank Morgan who retired last June. But the budget wasn't approved by the time he left, he says.

There was no official recreation director during the summer months. Recreation director Matt Krisjanis took over the position from Morgan on Sept. 18. The skating club held its registration on Sept. 5, assuming the rates would be the same, says McClenaghan.

Council has not decided what to do but Reeve Larry Gray suggested the group approach other municipalities as well. McClenaghan says the club considered it but didn't know if it would help as the townships already give money to the community centre to help these programs.

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Parks eliminates staff

Liz Edwards
Press staff

MORRISBURG — The attractions will remain open but there will be less staff at the Parks of the St. Lawrence this summer.

The Parks, which manage such local attractions as Upper Canada Village and Crysler Marina, will have 60 fewer employees this year, 40 of them seasonal. In addition a number of student positions will be eliminated.

Park commission officials could not be reached for comment this week and Randy Parker, president of the union's local for commission employees in the Morrisburg area, says he was not yet informed who would be cut.

He also says he is not sure what action the union will take as it is getting late in the season to do anything. The public service employees strike slowed the budget process down, he adds.

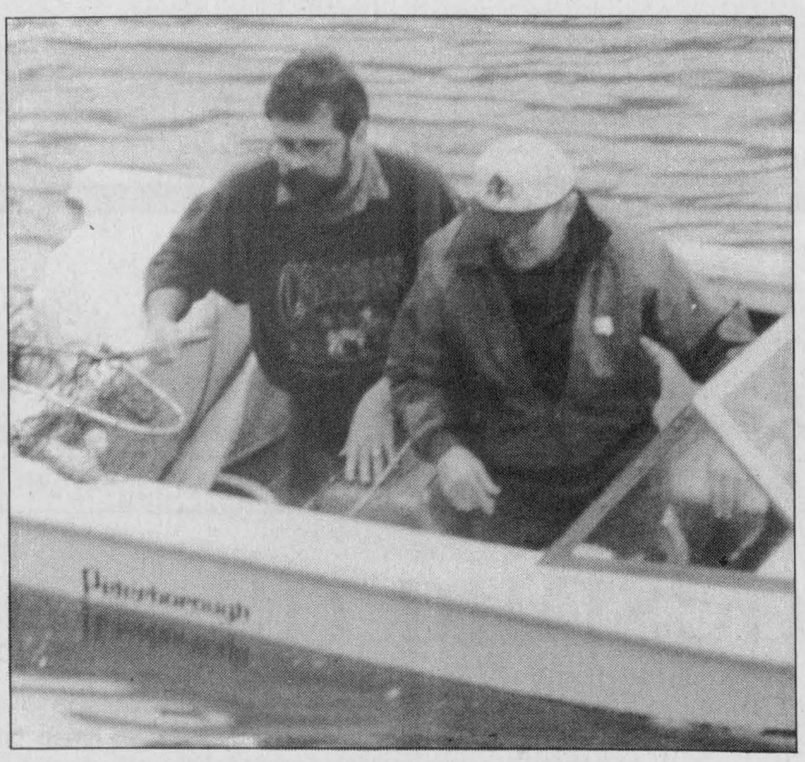
This year the Parks Commission received $6.7 million instead of the $8.7 million it got from provincial government in 1995. For months, the commission has worked on restructuring the parks to cut costs and generate new income.

But some areas feared to be on the budget chopping block were spared. Earlier this year, rumors flew that Fort Henry in Kingston would close. It will remain open with more than 60 costumed interpreters, focusing on the garrison life of 1867 and military demonstrations.

In February, John Ryce, president of the fort's union alerted the media after reading in a local paper that the park could close because it loses money.

There will be new attractions in Crysler Park that will hopefully generate more revenue such as miniature golf, an arcade and a children's adventure playground. They are will open later this year. There will be additional facilities and services on camp grounds such as camper cabins and new programs at Upper Canada Village, a park portraying life in the 1860s.

The Commission is looking for more joint ventures and sponsorship with other businesses and communities, said Diane Rennie, manager of marketing and communications, in a press release.



Lucky duck

Ab Carr, left, and Stan Vanden Bosch net one of the winning ducks from the South Nation River in the Chesterville Rotary Club's duck race Saturday. The club raised more than $3,000 to benefit the community with the annual race. Winners were Susan Page of Ingleside (1st, duck #23, $500), Miles Foster of Chesterville (2nd, duck #428, $100) and Richard Gibeault of Berwick (3rd, duck #526, $50).

Police blotter

Man wakened by thieves

OSGOODE TWP. — On the morning of April 16, a Summerside Drive resident woke to find two males in his house. The pair had kicked open the front door. When they saw the homeowner they fled the scene in a light blue, two-door Chevy Cavalier. Both were described as clean-shaven, in their mid- 20s and with dark hair. The same day, someone entered a Tintern Drive home in Greely. In this case the owners were away. A dark-colored Ford Bronco-type vehicle was seen backed up to the house and it may be involved in the break and enter. A Sony compact disc player and a Toshiba television were among the items taken.

Mall mischief

MORRISBURG — On Sunday, OPP responded to a mischief complaint at the Plaza Deli and Bakery in Morrisburg. During the night, a billboard used for advertising at the business was thrown through a window of the shop. There was no indication of theft at the business.

Joy rider steals van

GREELY — On Friday evening a Plymouth van parked at the Greely Community Centre was stolen and taken for a joy ride. It was later recovered in a field along Parkway Road. A wallet and some tools were taken from the van. The same evening at the community centre, someone popped the door lock of a GMC Tracker and removed a Canon 350 fax machine (serial L1172106) and some hand tools from the vehicle.

Seat belt campaign

WINCHESTER — As the spring seat belt campaign began April 20, spot checks in Dundas County resulted in six seat belt warnings being issued and three charges being laid under the Highway Traffic Act for other offences. That day 74 vehicles were checked. The campaign will continue until May 3. OPP remind drivers that the fine for not wearing a seat belt is $90 and carries two demerit points.

Man shoots neighbor's dog

OSGOODE — A Snake Island Road resident will appear in court on May 28 to face firearm-related charges after shooting his neighbor's dog Friday, April 19. The man's name has not yet been released by the Manotick OPP.

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Pool

deficit, its residents had to pay user fees for lessons programs — an extra $40 per child on top of the $60 per session. That fall, councillors agreed to reinstate the funding.

This year representatives from the village, Mountain and Winchester townships have been meeting to work out what each community should contribute to the operation of the centre.

Talks are going well, says Krisjanis, and they have agreed there will be no user fees.

Applications for the positions of pool manager, lifeguards and instructors are available at the community centre. Krisjanis says the village is applying to a program with the Canada Employment Centre to help pay for three summer jobs for the village's playground program.

Skating

In compensation for the lack of subsidies, the club was given three hours of free ice time in off-peak hours a week, says McClenaghan. According to Krisjanis, there were more available on Sunday morning but the club wasn't able to take it because of scheduling. Some of its coaches are professional and the club must depend on their schedules.

Through fundraising, they took in $3,600 but are still left with the $2,500 debt. McClenaghan is applying for the GST rebate given to non-profit organizations but it will only about half of the debt if the club is successful in getting it.

Winchester's minor hockey association was in the same position but was able to pay for the increase because it had some money available and was able to reschedule its time more easily, says Krisjanis. Minor hockey teams are coached by volunteers.

"It's unfortunate the mishap happened but it won't happen again. There will be contracts signed off before they're on the ice," he says.

He did tell council at its April 15 regular meeting that it would be hard to give money to one group without compensating the other.

However McClenaghan says minor hockey should be reimbursed as well if the group chooses to ask for it.

"I suppose if we didn't come up short, we wouldn't be asking either."

Guildcrest

Deschesne says modular homes are so popular in the state that most people only build on their own if they can't find modular versions to suit their tastes or if modular models are not well insulated, a problem with homes manufactured in the southern United States. With Guildcrest, energy efficiency is a high priority and all homes are built to R-2000 standards.

"R-2000 is the best quality construction and the most environmentally friendly home on the market," says Deschesne. "When they come to see us here they see that we have homes built for the north country."

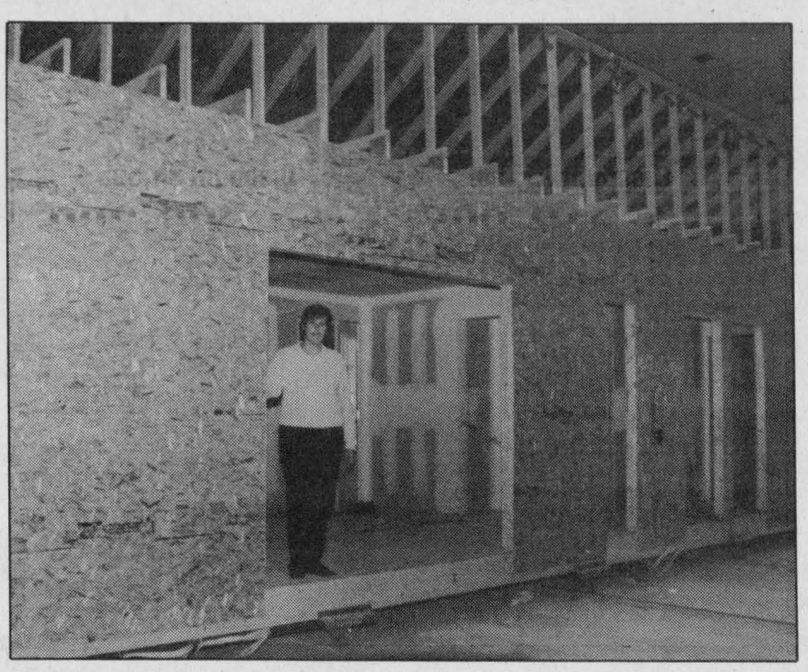
Not only do the American buyers find the energy efficiency of the homes appealing, they are also attracted by the flair of Guildcrest styling.

Deschesne says that most U.S. modular builders don't encourage customization, whereas Guildcrest has an in-house design team which can work out a design from the customer's wish list using Computer Assisted Design (CAD).

When the design is complete, the house is produced in an environment of quality control. The company cuts its own lumber and builds floors and walls in a jig.

"It allows for absolute precision," says Deschesne.

During production, which lasts on average 14 days, the house is not exposed to the elements. The home arrives at the building site 90 per cent complete, with features like carpeting and cabinets already in place.



Controlled conditions

Sales representative Nicole Deschesne walks though one of the modular homes under construction in the Guildcrest factory.

Press Photo— Robinson

Euchre party

by Jean Casselman

WILLIAMSBURG — Winners at the Williamsburg Township Seniors' euchre on Wed., April 10 were as follows:

Ladies: Bertha Christie, Muriel Cossaboom, Ruth Casselman;

Gents: Glenn Pemberton, Harold Pemberton, Keith Scott;

Door prize: Helen Cameron, Doris Hill;

Draw: Keith Casselman (2), John Remillard, Harold Pemberton, Violet Bellinger, Sharon Munro, Olin Smith, Jean Larmour, Audrey Whitteker.

The next euchre is slated for today (April 24). Everyone is welcome.

Man charged in robbery

SAULT STE. MARIE — OPP have arrested a Toronto man in connection with the armed robbery at the Bank of Montreal in Morrisburg April 2. Wayne Bruce Stovka, 34, was arrested April 11 and charged with one count each of armed robbery and using a firearm in the commission of an indictable offence. He is presently being held in custody in the Sault Ste. Marie area. A court date for the Morrisburg charges has yet to be set. The arrest was made after a joint investigation by Sault Ste. Marie and Morrisburg/Long Sault OPP.

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Masons give to hospital

The Masonic Association of Eastern Masonic District has donated $4,400 to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital for the purchase of an Abbott Pain Manager for the Surgery Department of the hospital. Pictured are R.W. Bro. Len Fourney of the Masons, Hospital Nurse Manager Betty Guy, Hospital President Don Smith and David Whetter, District Deputy Grand Master. Press Photo — Edwards

Self-help group gets off ground

by Reina Ruest

CORNWALL — An English project in Proposal Writing at St. Lawrence College, Cornwall, will soon result in the implementation of a self-help program in the Chesterville/Winchester areas.

Students Elva Patterson-Rutters of Chesterville and Colleen Wright of Winchester, along with their classmates in the Social Service Worker and Teacher Assistant programs, were asked to write a proposal for a project of their choice and make a presentation to the class. Patterson-Rutters and Wright investigated the possible needs of their respective home towns for their project and came up with similar conclusions: there was an increasing need for support services for single, separated, divorced, or bereaved individuals and for their families in and around both of their towns!

Their research complete, the students set out to write a proposal to fill the need they had discovered: a self-help group that would meet twice a month for therapeutic and recreational activities in the Chesterville and Winchester areas. During this time, Patterson-Rutters, needing some R and R time, headed out, books in hand, to a camp just 90 miles northeast of Ottawa, to Gracefield's Camp and Conference Centre. A conversation with the camp's manager soon set to work the makings of a weekend retreat and Patterson-Rutters rushed back to discuss it with her assignment partner.

The camp was offering them free accommodations to help them launch the self-help group they were proposing in their project. "We weren't really prepared to actually implement our proposal," laughs Wright, "but here was an opportunity and we hated to pass it up."

"The people we talked to really wanted to form a support group out here," offers Patterson-Rutters, "they just needed someone to get it going for them. This retreat is really all we needed to make the self-help project become a reality."

The weekend retreat for single, separated, and divorced individuals, with or without children, is now scheduled to run May 3 to May 5 at Gracefield's Camp and Conference Centre in Gracefield, Quebec. "It's a beautiful location," says the student team, "and locals will enjoy getting away together while setting up a plan to meet regularly when they return." The cost is $70 for adults and $35 per child, with a family maximum of $140 for a weekend of fun. The retreat includes sessions on the stages of hurting and healing, legal issues, Saturday night coping skills as well as testimonials, recreational activities (campfire, hiking, canoeing, scavenger hunt, herbie course, crafts, carpentry and games) and a Sunday spiritual service.

Registration forms are available from Alan Herbert by calling 819-463-2465, by fax at 819-863-4918 or E-mail, camp.gracefield @ireseau.com.

News in brief

Library Friends meet

OSGOODE — The first meeting of the Friends of the Osgoode Township Public Library will be held on Tues., April 30 at 7:30 pm in the Osgoode Township Hall in Metcalfe.

Everyone with an interest the public library is invited to attend, children and adults alike. The purpose of the meeting is organizational, elect an executive, consider a constitution and harness the energy and interest, which was evident during the last few months in support of the library system.

A Steering Committee has been meeting during the last month to do much of the preliminary organizing. The libraries face a challenge from reduced funding and must have community support to maintain the current level of service. There is something for every library organizer to do that won't demand a lot of time.

For further information, please contact Art Conn at 821-1787 or Bev Rowan at 821-3732.

Author reads works

OSGOODE —Ottawa writer Edwinna von Baeyer will read from her book *Garden Voices: Two Centuries of Canadian Writing* at the Osgoode Branch of the Osgoode Township Library on April 22 at 3 pm.

Players offer mystery-comedy

KEMPTVILLE — The Kemptville Players present "In 25 Words or Death"...a three-act mystery- comedy April 24 through 27, with a dinner theatre on April 27. The play is at Leslie Hall on Clothier Street. Curtain time is 8 pm. Tickets are $6 for adults and $4 for students and seniors. For more information, please call 258-7603.

Comedy cabaret in May

OSGOODE — The Isle in the River Review theatre group will host *Up Against the Wall*, a comedy cabaret featuring Denis Grignon and other familiar faces on May 3, 4, 10 and 11 at 8 pm at the Osgoode Community Centre. Tickets are $10 per person. Contact JoeAnne Legge at 821-3158 or 774- 4253. Some material may not be suitable for young children.

Choir sings at Reformed Church

METCALFE —The Community Christian Reformed school in Metcalfe is hosting the Osgoode Township Male Choir on Saturday May 11 at the Calvary Christian Reformed Church on 3782 Russell Rd. in Gloucester at 8 pm. Tickets are $10 at the door. For more information call Rita at 821-1013.

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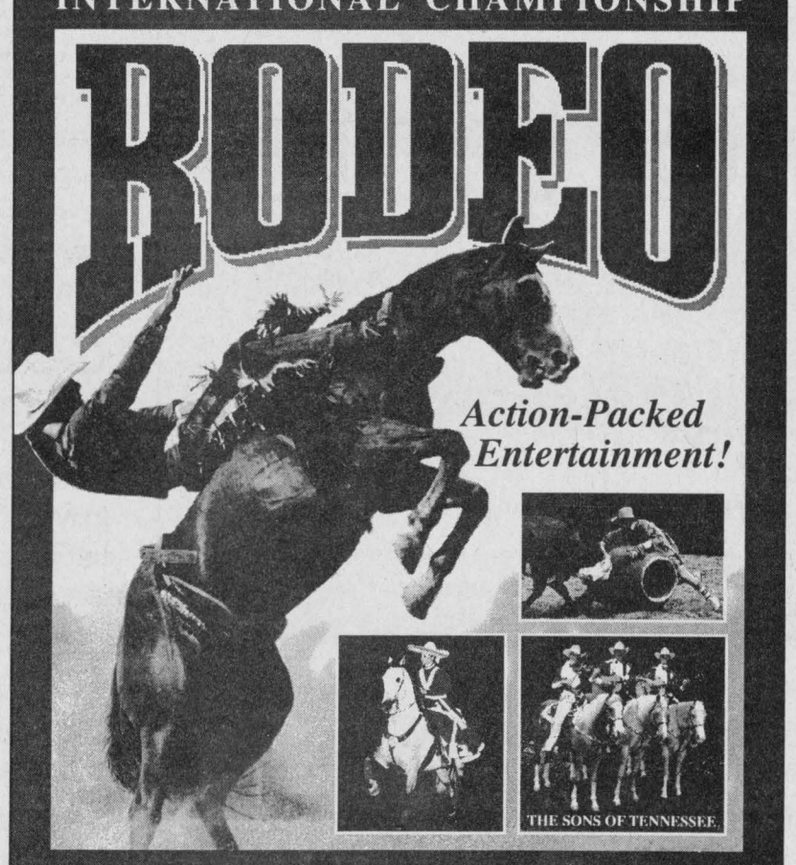

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Rink could close down permanently

Kim Robinson
Press staff

BRINSTON — When the ice melted away this spring, Brinston residents probably saw the last of their rink.

Next winter, skating in Matilda Township will be concentrated at Dundela as the local recreation committee has decided it makes more economic sense to run one rink.

Committee chair Dennis Cooper says having ice on top of the Brinston tennis courts was damaging the paved surface there and, aside from that consideration, the Dundela rink was by far the busier of the two last season.

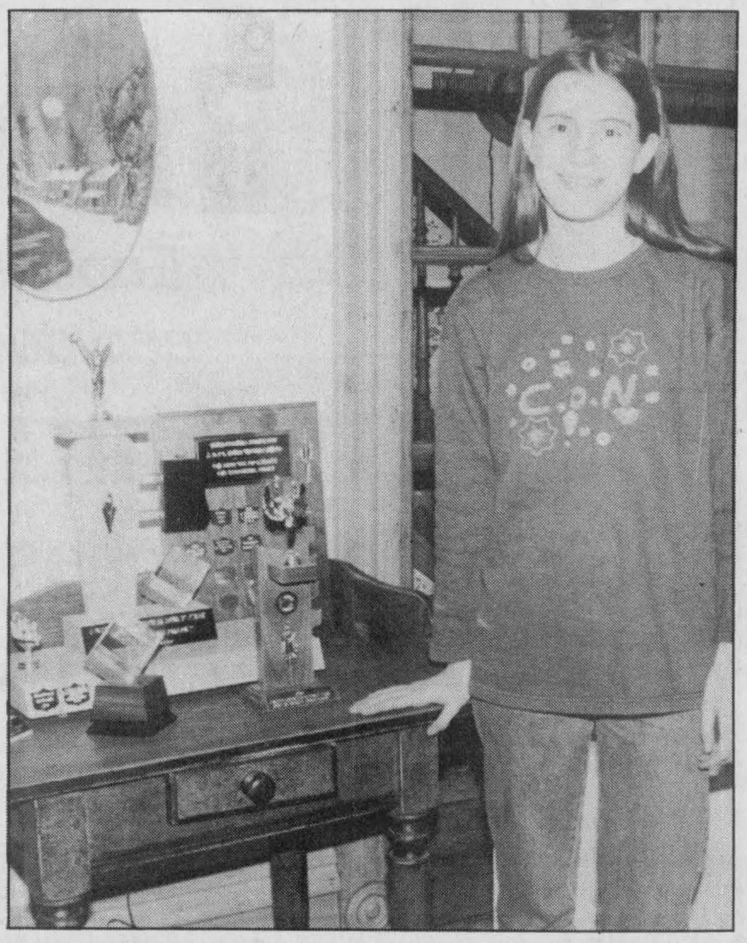
Cooper says it cost $5,800 to keep the Brinston rink running because it was a high-maintenance site. In comparison with the cool, stone dust base at Dundela, the black asphalt on the tennis courts was a warm surface that took longer to freeze.

"In Brinston the rink was flooded for two weeks before it was ready. In Dundela, in four nights there was ice on the rink and it was up and running."

He says so far there haven't been any complaints, though there may be some who will miss the rink once winter comes. Township clerk Bill Horner hasn't heard any complaints either.

"There's not much use being made of that rink," says Horner.

'Shocking' project wins



Robyn Maler earned several awards at the United Counties Science Fair in late March with her study of electrical conductivity.

Press Photo— Robinson

Kim Robinson
Press staff

CANNAMORE — Robyn Maler's project sparked plenty of interest at the recent United Counties Science Fair.

With *The Shocking Truth of Conduction*, in which she presented the results of her tests of the conductivity of water and other liquids, she took home a silver medal as well as awards for best engineering, best energy innovation and best junior girl.

The Grade 7 Maple Ridge student says she's pleased with the recognition, particularly from the engineering field, and she enjoyed learning from other projects at the fair, which was held in Cornwall last month.

Part of the fun was visiting her father's lab at the University of Ottawa to use an Ohm meter, an instrument for measuring electrical resistance, as was researching molecular bonds and explaining the scientific concepts at work in her experiment using her own words. Robyn notes it's important to pare down the research into quick and simple terms that people can grasp easily.

"It's no good doing a science project that nobody wants to look at," she says.

Robyn intends to take part in the science fair next year. She says she may try investigating some aspect of computer programming.

Morewood greenspace group draws up plans

Kim Robinson
Press staff

MOREWOOD — With a little more of the green stuff, money that is, the Morewood greenspace should start taking shape this summer.

Greenspace supporters have presented drawings for the piece of land, located just across from the cenotaph in the hamlet, to Winchester Township Council and last week they held a meeting to get a reaction and suggestions from the community. One thing decided at that meeting was to scrap the idea of building a fence on the property, as it would require too much maintenance.

After the plan is brought back to council for approval, as well as reviewed by the Morewood Recreation Association (of which the group is now a special sub-committee), volunteers hope to start developing the landscape this summer.

Bob Thomas says the greenspace group still has to raise money for additions like plants and park benches, but he looks back with confidence on the community support offered in 1994, when $15,500 was raised in 10 days to add to $20,000 pledged by the township to purchase the land.

"Morewood is very community-oriented," he remarks.

Thomas sees the park as a valuable addition to Morewood. He says that at the moment there is nowhere for strollers to stop and chat while they're out on their walk.

He says the greenspace will take shape gradually in a process of ongoing consultation with the residents who will be using it.

He notes, "It took two years to convince the township to buy it and it's taken two more to get to this point."

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Osgoode 'shortchanged' by region: Thompson

by Derek Puddicombe

OSGOODE — The Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton will be collecting a levy from Osgoode Township for every metric tonne of waste dumped at the Springhill landfill site.

The recent ruling by the Ontario Municipal Board could mean as much as $60,000 the township has to cough up this year. It's money the township didn't count on when drafting the 1996 budget.

The judgment means another $200,000 Osgoode will have to hand over to the region next year.

Pat McNally, director of solid waste for the region said there still have to be some clarifications made on the ruling, but the decision could be retroactive to January 1995.

"This is very discouraging considering all the work the township has done to upgrade the site," said Councillor Doug Thompson.

"It's just another example of how we are being shortchanged by the region."

Regional councillor for Osgoode and Cumberland Robert van den Ham thinks the OMB decision by the OMB is justified.

"The region has to be responsible for ensuring that landfill sites will be available for the future," said van den Ham.

The battle between Osgoode and the region began in June 1992 when the province made amendments to Bill 123, which meant the region could seek compensation from anybody operating a landfill site.

The region then passed a bylaw indicating there would be $20 a tonne tipping fee charged to the township.

Osgoode appealed the bylaw to the OMB indicating the request was an indirect tax and not compensation, it was unconstitutional, it conflicted with existing legislation and that it was not necessary.

Don Reid, Osgoode's treasurer, said the township has two choices. The first is a judiciary appeal where the courts would decide the issue. The second alternative is launching an appeal under the OMB Act based on an error in law. The township has until this Friday to launch the appeal.

"I am reasonably certain there are grounds to appeal the decision based on an error in law," said Reid.

At press time the township was meeting with its solicitors to discuss the document and grounds for an appeal.

It is premature to discuss the effect the OMB decision will have on Osgoode residents said Reid.

Unlike many municipalities in the region, Osgoode is one of the few municipalities that owns and operates its landfill site.

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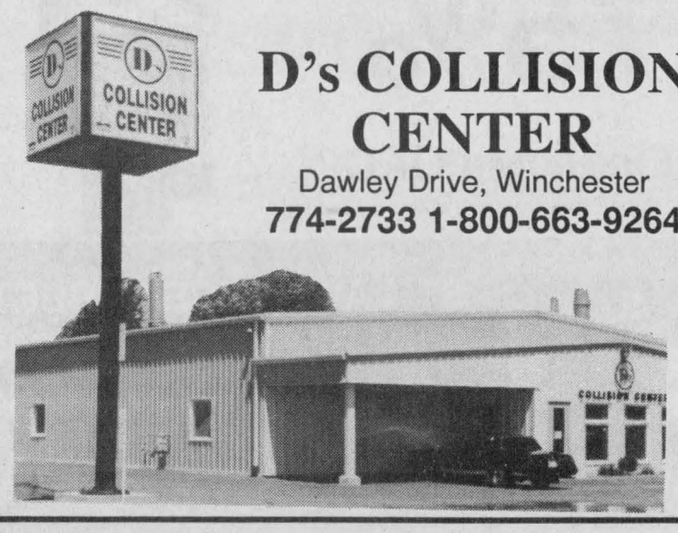

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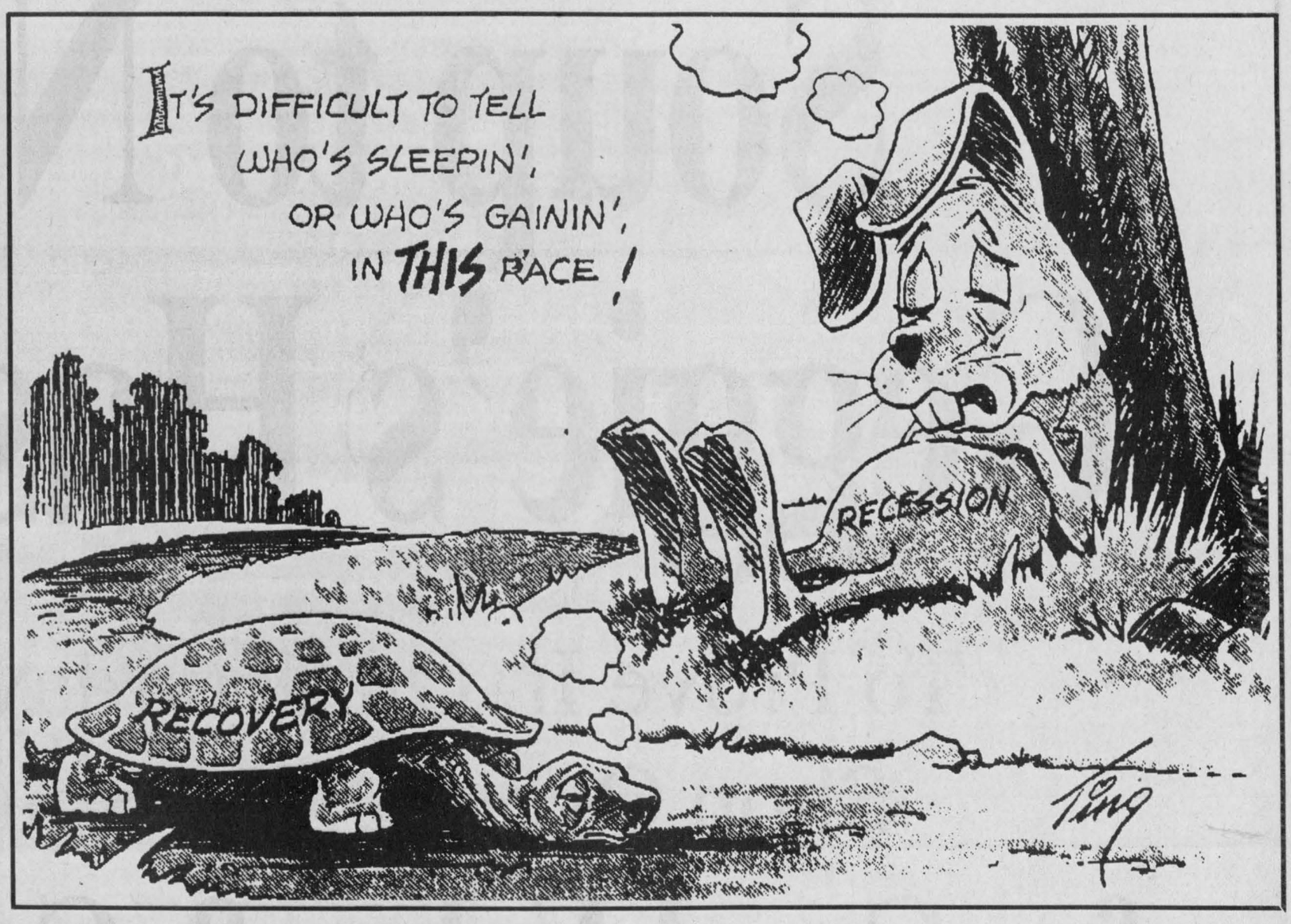

EDITORIALS

Keeping afloat

If Winchester Pool ever needed someone to throw a lifeline, it needs it now.

Otherwise there's always the possibility that it could drown in its very own sea of expenses. The question is what kind of line does the pool need? It may take more than one tactic to pull it out of this swirling whirlpool of debt.

The pool needs a lot of repairs, $15,000 at the least and there's no ignoring the fact that the pool's liner needs to be fixed. It may cost another $45,000. That's a lot of money for a service that pulls in about $20,000 from its programs.

Repairs can't be ignored for long in favor of saving money. A pool has to be in shape for safety as well as maintenance reasons.

People may shake their heads and wonder how it got to this point but it's commonly known in recreation that pools are often a drain on the budget. Even backyard pools aren't exactly cheap to run. Many fitness centers avoid having them if they can.

There's the hope that Chesterville Recreation can help the village out. It's program pays for itself. Maybe there is some way Winchester can change its operations to pull its pool a little farther out of the red.

But suggestions from Chesterville will likely be only part of the solution. Money is tight but perhaps some people, a group, an organization or a combination of these forces would be willing to help financially.

The issue is certainly important enough. Many people are concerned that Winchester needs a pool. In the summer it is instant entertainment for hot adults and children alike.

It also is an important part of a child's development. Children learn to swim and they learn water safety from the programs at the pool. Swimming also promotes fitness which has countless benefits to a person's quality of life.

Public participation could help keep a valued part of the community from sinking.

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This week in...

1946

The principal motorcoach companies serving Eastern Canada announced that they would be showing all schedules in Daylight Saving Time from April 28 to Sept. 29, a change from pre-war practice. Before the war, Daylight Saving Time had been effective only in those municipalities that elected to enforce it, and the bus companies had accommodated the variations. More uniform observance had begun during the Second World War.

1956

Jack Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Anderson of Winchester, was heading to a spot in Canada's north where he and two other Royal Canadian Air Force buddies would set up an air force outpost. The post was to be located about 3,000 miles north of Winchester, somewhere along the 79th parallel in the area of the much talked about Distant Early Warning (DEW) line. Anderson was the radio man, responsible for the trio's only link with civilization — radioing the next closest post 250 miles away. The group would arrive at their destination by skiplane and spend five months there, living in tents and having provisions flown to them once a week, weather permitting.

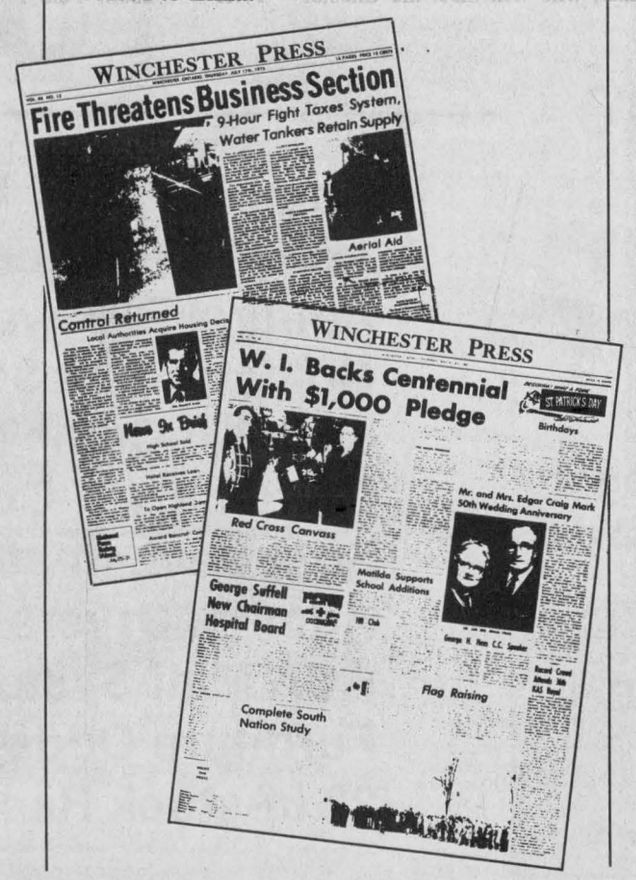
1966

Strong prices prevailed at the Grenville-Dundas Ayrshire Sale held at Holmes Livestock Exchange. The 15 mature animals averaged $327 and 10 heifer calves averaged $141.50.

Plans were being made for a boys' club in Winchester. Members had to be attending school and between the ages of 10 and 19. Parents of the boys involved approved of the plan and assisted in the club's formation, and the Winchester Legion Branch 108 offered the club their facility for the group's activities.

1976

The SD&G Public School Board was holding a special meeting to look at closing Williamsburg Public School. With the closure of the small school, students from Williamsburg would be bussed to Elma.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Six people were left homeless when their St. Lawrence Street residence was damaged by fire. Gilbert Raistrick, who owned the building and lived in half of it, awoke around 6 am to find flames licking up the wall at the head of his bed. The former Winchester fire chief ran to wake his tenants next door, Fern Patenaude and his family. All of Raistrick's possessions were lost in the fire, while the Patenaudes were able to save most of theirs, though their home was damaged by smoke.

A 19-year-old area man was to be arrested for stealing $418 in Easter offerings from a safe at the Winchester United Church.

1986

A seven-member panel set up to inspect public buildings in the area found the provincial courthouse in Winchester unfit for use. The OPP station on the ground floor of the same building was judged to be satisfactory. The panel stated that the only fire extinguisher in the court room was not mounted on a wall and had no inspection tag. The reviewers also found the fire escape stairs rusty and shaky, and they recommended the removal of open wires hanging in each corner of the ceiling, as well as keeping the door leading to the attic locked. The village council agreed to make improvements to the court room.

The Ministry of Health was giving the Winchester District Memorial Hospital a $230,000 boost to its budget. The hospital had been lobbying intensely for more funds since December 1985.

Moral judgement lacking in marital breakup



Meanwhile
by Fred Sagel

This is a tale that illustrates a good point. She is a lawyer in her mid-30s, a litigator enjoying a good income. He has a less remunerative job in the communications field. They were high school sweethearts who married young (23 and 22) and so have been together for about 15 years. The marriage has produced four children ranging in age from eight to two.

During the last few years, the couple has experienced marital difficulties. Their communications had all but broken down and neither felt particularly happy. It was sometime during this period that the husband found himself a 24- year-old girlfriend. It wasn't long before his presence at home became erratic. Sometimes, he would just leave without giving any notification at all and return just as unexpectedly.

Then came the money. Paying her bills one month, the wife came across a monumental credit card bill for a weekend at a luxurious nearby resort. Fancy dinners, elegant hotels and expensive gifts had been showered on the husband's girlfriend. Then, to her great amazement, the wife learned that the children's college funds had been raided to permit the husband to wine and dine his lady friend.

Even though all of this took place, the wife begged the husband to go with her to marital counseling. He said no. He said he wanted a trial separation. She really had no alternative but to agree. That lasted for about two or three months when, one day, the husband told the wife he had taken his girlfriend, along with the children, to a family reunion. He said that his family loved his girlfriend and he tried to argue that the children liked her too.

But despite what the husband says, the children have been traumatized by the distress of the parents. The eight-year-old is receiving professional counseling for depression. The rest are acting out their anger. The wife has become almost anorexic.

What is the point of all this?

Well, until the early 1960s, most Canadians had told pollsters that it was best for unhappy couples to stay together for the sake of the children. But that was before the culture of narcissism had firmly taken hold. Today, majorities say the opposite.

Marriage — once seen as a sacrament — is now viewed as a path to personal fulfillment and happiness. Almost the second it fails to produce sufficient benefits, divorce becomes the ready answer.

I know the two people involved in this scenario. But, like anyone else, I do not know anything about the relationship that existed inside the marriage. I can say, however, that the husband is choosing the selfish option. Unless he was being physically assaulted (which almost seems unbelievable to me) his duty is to his family. By refusing to enter into marriage counseling, he affirms his indifference to virtues like fidelity, self-sacrifice, honor and responsibility.

Walking out on his children should exact such a terrible price in social stigma. He should be told so by his employer. Friends should act accordingly and tell him so. In short, he should be treated as if he had been discovered to harbor Mark Fuhrmanesque qualities.

But it is exactly because modern society makes no such judgments — even our law enshrines "no fault" divorce — that many married people feel free to betray the most fundamental trust that will ever be lodged in them — that of their children.

The breakdown of the family is the root cause of many of today's social evils. It is the very reason why some children cannot do well in school. It is what causes them so much upheaval that they have feelings of inadequacy. It is what causes them to become lost on the road of life. Society suffers terribly for it.

Easy divorce may actually increase the sum of adult unhappiness. If marriage is seen to be impermanent, husbands and wives are less likely to make the kind of emotional investment, sacrifice and time commitment that are the true guarantors of satisfying relationships.

Stigma is the most powerful weapon available to control untrammeled selfishness among adults with children. But changes in the law would help too. Return the concept of fault. And require couples with children to wait a minimum of two years before divorce is actually granted. Help people to understand that true happiness comes from doing what is right, not just what is pleasurable.

Fred Sagel is a lawyer, columnist and political analyst, presently doing post-graduate studies at the University of Toronto.

NDDHS team heads for the top

MAPLE RIDGE —Not bad for a bunch of beginners.

The six-member all-rookie team for North Dundas District High School's Reach for the Top team have made it to the provincial championships after winning the regional competition in Brockville on April 4.

They are one of 32 teams going to the University of Toronto for May 9, 10 and 11 to compete for the provincial title of the competition which tests the students' knowledge of subjects like geography, history, music, trivia and more, in a fast game-show-like manner.

Of course the North Dundas team had a reputation to uphold. The school's team has made it to the provincial competition for the last five years. Several years ago, a team came second in the national contest.

But considering experience isn't on their side, they have done amazingly well, says teacher Val Gibson, who coaches the team along with teacher Kathy Lapointe.

"I think this is the first time we've ever had a team composed entirely of rookie players," she says.

The team is made up of Wesley Ross, 16, Gordon Dean, 16, Tyler Patterson, 15, Heather McGuire, 17, Miles Hanscomb, 18 and Nathan Svenson, 16.

But the all-rookie title isn't 100 per cent accurate, she admits. Grade 10 student Gordon Dean, 16, was on last year's team as an alternate player. He never competed though, but he studied and practised with the team.

And studying and practice is a big part of Reach for the Top. The North Dundas team has given up most of their lunch hours and a few hours after school each week since September to hone their skills. On top of that, they study on their own. Each member specializes in certain areas, though these tend to overlap.

In a second's notice, they have to know the capital of any country, the answer to a history question or the members of the monarchy —an area where they admit weakness.

On the bright side, all the work makes studying for school easier, says Dean, who specializes in literature, art, geography and islands for the team.

Playing is the big thrill though. Sitting on the sidelines is not fun, according to team member Heather McGuire.

"Watching a game is pure torture, watching people make mistakes you know the answer for," she says.

The competition wasn't that fierce in the regionals but they expect reality will hit soon enough, says members of the team.

But Miles Hanscomb, who is the team's music and mathematics specialist, is sure they will do well if they put their minds and their efforts to it.

"If we buckle down, we can probably take it," he says.



Support for sports

Isabel Smith of Morrisburg, left, recently donated $1,000 toward sports at Winchester Public School after winning a prize from National Grocers and Maple Leaf Meats in which she could give the funds to a school sports program of her choice. Here she is joined by her granddaughters (and Winchester Public School students) Leah Ann and Melissa Smith, and school principal George Hollingdrake, who gave her a card of thanks made by students. The money will be used to pay for the school's cross-country skis.

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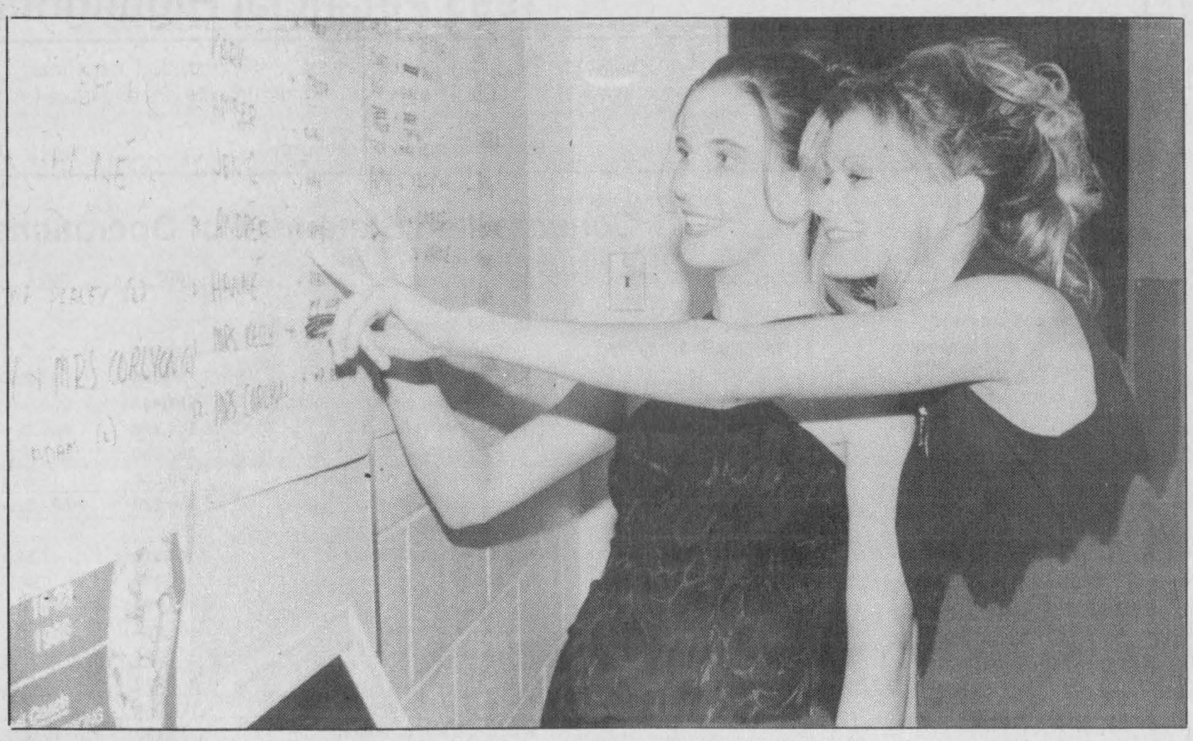

Fashion line-up

Rachel Casselman, left, and Lauren Clobridge look for their place in the line-up during the spring fashion showcase last Wednesday at North Dundas District High School. The fashions, which were modeled by students and teachers, were provided by the CountryBoy/CountryGirl, the Country Attic and Classique Bridals.

Press Photo— Robinson

Dundas teams in Canada Quiz finals

CORNWALL — Winchester and area residents will have the opportunity to see some of their finest young minds in action tonight.

Teams from Winchester, Chesterville and Maple Ridge public schools and North Dundas District High School will be gunning for the Canada Quiz championships held at General Vanier Secondary School in Cornwall at 7 pm.

The local schools advanced to the finals after surviving four rounds of competition held last week at the Transport Training Centre in Cornwall. Sponsored by the SD&G Public School Board, the Canada Quiz is an annual event, testing students knowledge on almost every aspect of Canada.

Coached by teacher Nancy Barton, the Winchester team consists of Leslie Levere, Scott Morgan, Sarah Wall, Jenna Lalonde and Sheena Casselman, who will meet the Chesterville team of James Pitruniak, Craig Munro, Kimberly Dings, Jennifer Windsor, Jason Nicols and Daniel Gasser in the Grades 4 to 6 championship game. The Chesterville team is coached by Mary Chapman.

The team from Maple Ridge will be competing in the Grade 7 and 8 division where it will take on a team from Iroquois Public School. Members of the Maple Ridge team are Jamie Hall, Vicki Ouderkirk, Liam Gibson, Shaughnessy Muldoon, Erika Burgess and Robyn Maler, with coach Sandra Robertson.

At the high school level, the entries from NDDHS fared exceptionally well in Thursday's competition. As a result, Doug Graham's team of Moira Klein-Swormick, Tyler Patterson, Pete Fisher, Gord Dean and Dan Schuler will battle against Rothwell-Osnabruck in the finals for Grades 9 and 10.

Senior students Donald Fisher, Heather McGuire, Tonya Chapman, Erin Sheedy, Owen Sarrazin and Matt Girard will try to topple defending champions Char-Lan District High School in the Grades 11 to OAC finals, with Kathy Lapointe as the NDDHS coach.

The public is encourage to attend the event, cheer on the local teams and pick up some interesting knowledge in the process.

Making this earth a better place

NDDHS NOTES
by Carrie Vandewint



Only in the country would we stand around in eager anticipation of a certain animal's dropping to hit the ground.

On April 25, this is exactly what many at our school intend to do, for the momentous occasion is the day of the Pig Plop.

Throughout the coming week, our highly energetic and motivated environment committee will be selling parts of the soccer field to students and staff at the low, low price of $3 per square, but it is only on the aforementioned date that the actual dirty business goes down. Yes, one terrified, bewildered little piglet will be turned loose on the lush greenery of our well-trodden sports meadow to run and jump and plop wherever it so desires, as hundreds of howling teenagers scream and cheer on this heroic little porker.

Now before the Humane Society decides to run our entire student body in on charges of cruelty to farm animals, let's keep in mind that this insanity is indeed raising money for a good cause.

The proceeds raised by the environment committee through this interesting endeavor will be spent to save the rainforest. All in all, we're definitely lucky to have such eager and dedicated people at our school reminding us to be friendly to our earth. Actually, dedication doesn't quite describe this group.

Do you honestly know of many who would collect and sort and weigh the garbage — I mean real garbage like lunch remains — thrown out by the entire school in one day just to see what could have been recycled or reused?

Or how about people who would go around in their spare time collecting recycled material in the boxes at the school? These are some of the most committed students at North Dundas, and they should be recognized for their efforts. These people who make our air just a little bit easier to breathe and the ground we tread upon just a little bit greener do indeed create a better place for us to live.

So on April 25, if you happen to be driving by the school at noon hour and you happen to see a little pink porker scrambling around a field with hundreds of teenagers jumping and screaming, feel safe in the assurance that your world is becoming just a week bit cleaner (except for one tiny little pig plop).

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Car rally

The Editor:
An open letter to the community, to families and friends of the Winchester Hospital.

The Morrisburg and District Lions Club is organizing a recreational car rally to be held on Saturday, May 11. As was recently reported in local newspapers our purpose for running this event is to raise funds for the hospital and our objective is $30,000. This amount is significant and we are certain, will be put to good use.

We are very much aware that this money can do little to resolve the current financial crisis facing the Winchester Hospital especially since the funds cannot be used for day to day operating expenses.

There is however a greater purpose to our efforts than the one stated above. We believe that it is essential that we come together as a community and demonstrate our passionate support for this excellent facility. The community spirit that we demonstrate via projects such as this cannot help but to influence our politicians when it comes to making the difficult decisions they are being forced to make.

For the good of the community and for the benefit of our children, parents and our future, please support the participants of this event on May 11. We ask everyone to pledge whatever amount they can and for businesses to be generous with their support for employees who take the initiative to be involved in our community.

The members of the Morrisburg and District Lions Club

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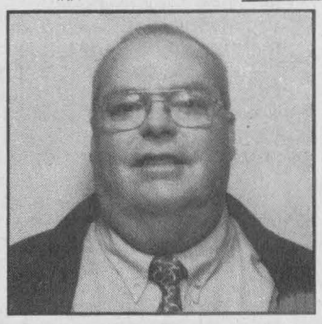

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Soggy sale day

Lorraine Allison and Henry Westenbroek were busy barbecuing in the rain Saturday during a yard sale organized by Winchester Springs Recreation Association. Despite the wet weather, organizers say there were quite a few people stopping by to have a look at what was under the protective tarps they had spread out on the display tables.

Press Photo— Robinson

Rec funding budget chopped

by Derek Puddicombe

OSGOODE — Tom Lee will have less money to play with in 1997.

Lee, Osgoode Township's director of parks and recreation, was informed by Osgoode's finance committee last week that his department will be getting fewer tax dollars next year.

Parks and Recreation took an 18 per cent hit in its '96 budget, operating with $90,000 less than in 1995.

The '96 budget, approved by members of council in January, sits at $881,000 with expected revenues set at $473,000. Expected revenues are up $30,000 from last year due to an increase in user fees for ice surfaces, ball diamonds, soccer fields and hall rentals.

"What we can start doing now is accommodate the hit we are going to take next year," said Lee.

Residents are paying more because of the cuts and that may cause a decrease in the use of facilities by some residents.

"We can expect to be in a similar position next year when expenses will be put back on the user," said Lee.

He doesn't know how much the budget will be affected because the township operates on a different fiscal year than the province.

The fiscal year for the township is from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31. The province operates on a fiscal year that runs from April 1 to March 31.

High school bands jazz it up for appreciative WDMH patients

WINCHESTER — Secretary Dawn Ouellette called the roll after the auxiliary prayer was read: Chesterville 7; Golden Valley 3; Morewood 3; Morrisburg 2; Summers - Cass Bridge - Maple Ridge 6; and Winchester 9. Morrisburg Unit's rummage sale will be held April 26.

Hospital president Don Smith in his report assured us that the raise in fee for the parking lot has not had a negative effect — with all the budget cuts people seem to realize the increase was necessary. Doris J. Cross made a motion that we no longer have coffee following our auxiliary meetings. It was seconded by Margaret Johnstone and passed unanimously. Rose Campbell thanked Smith for the hospital's courtesy in the past years regarding this matter.

Lil Lancaster reported 210 hours volunteered in the Gift Shoppe - plus those hours put in by Aylsa Appleby and Barb Scott on their recent buying trip. New lingerie and gifts are on display for Mother's Day coming up soon — come on in and have a look.

Hilde Vandekemp reported 208-1/2 hours worked for her in-house volunteers and thanked Viv Strader for seven years of faithful service as she will be leaving her hospital duties for now.

Ethelwyn Carkner reported on a wonderful visit by Greg Prest and the junior and senior jazz bands from North Dundas District High School. The entire second floor — not just long term care — really enjoyed the music. The Sunshine Circle Volunteers thought it would be a great opportunity to make this connection with our young people — as it is their hospital too. Prest promised a repeat performance in the fall. Thirty-four hours were put in by the Sunshine Circle group for the month of March.

President Joan Farlinger spoke on all the services provided by the Winchester Hospital, the work of the board, and the auxiliary to the Iroquois Senior Citizens organization. Carol Allan outlined the origins and functions of the Sunshine Circle in long term care — and showed a video of the 1995 Christmas party graciously taken and donated by Mrs. Jim Wicks.

Plans were finalized for the annual dessert and card party at Park Lane Villa in Williamsburg on Wed., May 1 beginning at 1:30 pm. Come on out — it's still only $3.

The next meeting is the annual meeting: lunch together at 12 noon (you pay your own); the regular meeting at 1 pm and the annual meeting to follow. Have your reports ready please!

OBITUARIES

Blanche Cougler

Edna Blanche Cougler of Morrisburg died April 11 at the Ottawa Civic Hospital. She was 80.

A resident of Morrisburg for 16 years, she also lived in Prescott and Williamsburg. Mrs. Cougler was born on Nov. 12, 1915 in Winchester Springs to the late Mason Casselman and Nellie Froats. She married Raymond "Ralph" Couglar in the Lutheran Church in Williamsburg on Nov. 24, 1936.

She is survived by her daughters Rose Bowman (Harold) of Scarborough, Deanna Cassell (Mitch) of Morrisburg and Judy Burbridge (Brian) of Pembroke. Mrs. Cougler will be remembered by her brother Jim Casselman of Brockville as well as her sisters Dora Jackson, also of Brockville, Flossie Summers of Williamsburg and Beatrice Riddell of Chesterville. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Cougler is predeceased by her sisters Doris Gibson, Marion Wolfe and Olive Timmins and by a brother, Cecil Casselman.

Visitation was held at Fairbairn Funeral Home in Morrisburg with a funeral service at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Morrisburg on April 13. Pastor Joachim Barkley-Probst officiated.

Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Interment was at Roselawn Memorial Gardens, Maitland.

Pallbearers included David Cassell, Jeff Cassell, Dean Cassell, Gordon Bowman, Michael Bowman and Gregory Burbridge.

Maisie Coulthart

Maisie Coulthart, a resident of Morrisburg for 37 years, died April 19 at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. She was 72.

A seamstress with the St. Lawrence Parks Commission and former resident of Cornwall, she was born Sept 6, 1923 at Northfield Station to the late Bernard Eamer and Pearl Prieur. She married Ralph Coulthart on Feb. 19, 1944 at St. John's Presbyterian Church in Cornwall.

As well as her husband, Mrs. Coulthart is survived by her children Bill (Carol) of Nepean and Gary (Rozie) of Morrisburg. She was predeceased by her sister Agnes Eamer and her brother Wilfred. She will be sadly missed by her grandchildren Angie and Steven.

Mrs. Coulthart is also survived by her nieces Linda Plaunt (Ron) of Smiths Falls, Judy Lamer of Cornwall as well as nephews Kenric Eamer of Cornwall and Brent Eamer of Hull, Quebec.

She was a member of the Knox Presbyterian Church in Morrisburg and the Knox Women's Club.

Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Winchester Hospital would be appreciated by the family.

A service was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg on April 22 with Rev. Greg Blatch officiating.

Interment was at the New Union Cemetery, Williamsburg.

Pallbearers included Frank Albert, Danny Rice, Bo Gale, Gary Foss, Rob Robichaud and Stephen McCann.

Honorary pallbearers were Michael Lundy and Heinz Westphal.

Arnold Roy Shaver

Arnold Roy Shaver, a resident of Morrisburg for 19 years, died at the Woodland Villa in Long Sault on April 8. He was 81.

A former dairy farmer and resident of South Mountain for 62 years, he was born in Ottawa on March 17, 1915 to the late Charles Roy Shaver and Agnes Mabel Nesbitt.

He was the husband of Beatrice Shaver (nee Dillabough) whom he married at the Elma manse on Oct. 12, 1937.

Mr. Shaver is survived by his son Don (Bonnie) of Kemptville, his daughter Marilyn Salmon (Percy) of Morrisburg as well as his grandchildren Barbara Delaney (David) of Kemptville, Nicole Salmon of Australia, Alan Shaver of Ottawa, Robert Shaver, Trevor Shaver and Matthew Shaver, all of Kemptville. He was predeceased by a grandson Christopher Salmon.

Mr. Shaver was a member of the IOOF Lodge in South Mountain and Morrisburg.

There was a private graveside service. A memorial service was held in the Knox Presbyterian Church in Morrisburg on April 14 with Rev. Gregory Blatch officiating. Arrangements were under the care of the Fairbairn Funeral Home in Morrisburg.

Memorial donations to the Alzheimer Society would be appreciated by the family.

Interment was at the South Gower Cemetery, South Gower. Pallbearers included Alan Shaver, Robert Shaver, Trevor Shaver and Matthew Shaver.

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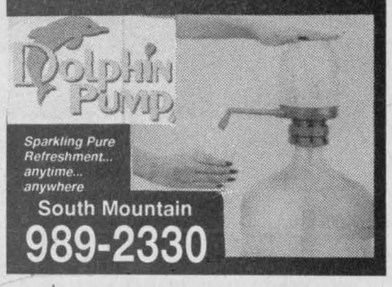

The Corporation of the Village of Winchester
1995 Financial Highlights

The following data has been extracted from the audited 1995 financial statements and is provided in summary form in accordance with the Municipal Act, section 83(1)(b) M.45. The full audited statements are available for viewing in their entirety at the Village office.

Bonnie Dingwall, Treasurer

Consolidated Statement of Operations

	1995	1994		1995	1994
Sources of financing			**Expenditures**		
			Current operations		
Taxation from ratepayers	$ 794,220	$ 792,692	General government	$ 312,596	$ 373,079
Taxation from other governments	130,884	126,461	Fire and control	54,974	44,222
Sewer and water charges	485,997	427,016	Roadways and street lighting	261,442	236,051
Fees and user charges	261,636	301,217	Environmental services	568,794	609,294
Ontario grants	668,317	436,607	Recreation	267,960	311,945
Other income	255,244	192,452	Planning and development	20,506	18,032
	2,596,298	2,276,445		1,486,272	1,592,623
			Capital operations		
Municipal funds, beginning	10,666	(52,053)	General government	61,610	57,342
			Fire	19,984	6,405
			Roadways	462,728	166,444
			Sewer and water	406,364	207,453
			Recreation	24,224	26,731
				974,910	464,375
			Net appr to res/reserve funds	129,090	156,728
			Municipal funds, ending	16,692	10,666
Total sources of financing	$ 2,606,964	$ 2,224,392	**Total expenditures**	$ 2,606,964	$2,224,392

Consolidated Balance Sheet

	1995	1994		1995	1994
Assets			**Liabilities**		
Cash	$ 579,890	$ 500,508	Accounts payable	$ 242,332	$ 120,789
Taxes receivable	182,600	168,890	Other current liabilities	1,720	-
Grants receivable	409,484	214,674	Net long-term liabilities	1,066,577	1,150,754
Due from Hydro Electric System	45,875	56,322		1,310,629	1,271,543
Accounts receivable	118,561	138,343	**Fund balances**		
Other	62,376	61,670	Municipal funds	16,692	10,666
Capital outlay to be recovered in future years	1,066,577	1,150,754	Reserves	967,613	866,745
			Reserve funds	150,429	142,207
				1,154,734	1,019,618
	$ 2,465,363	$ 2,291,161		$ 2,465,363	$ 2,291,161

Mill Rate for Comparison (Public School Support)

	1995 Res./Farm	1995 Com./Ind.		1994 Res./Farm	1994 Com./Ind.
Village purposes	162.622	191.320	**Village purposes**	162.622	191.320
United Counties purposes	67.586	79.513	**United Counties purposes**	65.819	77.199
School support (public)	290.624	341.911	**School support (public)**	277.756	326.772
Total	520.832	612.744	**Total**	505.997	595.291

Note: The 1995 financial highlights portray the operations, assets and liabilities of the Village consolidated with the Village of Winchester Business Improvement Area and the Village of Winchester Waterworks System. Trust funds held by the Village and the revenues and expenditures of the Village of Winchester Hydro Electric System have not been consolidated.

The Parks of the St. Lawrence, an agency of the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Tourism, manages recreational areas from Kingston to near the Quebec border. This tourism driven organization encompasses the internationally acclaimed Upper Canada Village and Fort Henry, 12 campgrounds and day-use area parks, Crysler Park Marina, Upper Canada Golf Course, Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Long Sault Parkway, 1000 Islands Parkway, St. Lawrence Bikeway and a variety of dining and shopping experiences.

GROUP LEADER CUSTOMER SERVICES
(one bilingual position)
Travel Counsellor 3
Group 1 - May to November 1996
36.25 hours per week - $17.50 to $19.60 per hour
(Where candidates lack the full qualifications, an appointment may be made at a lower classification and salary level.)
file no. SLPC-M&C 3/96 (6)

LOCATION: Customer Services Unit (Cornwall)

DUTIES: As the Group Leader of the Customer Services Unit, to provide regular liaison with the Manager of Marketing and Communications; to negotiate and implement tourism partnerships required to increase revenues and attendance; to act as an ambassador of The St. Lawrence Parks Commission (SLPC) in attracting visitors, promoting and upselling the Parks of the St. Lawrence destination areas and facilities via telephone to visitors and potential visitors; to facilitate reservations via a computerized telephone information system; to support and monitor all promotional initiatives and selling opportunities; to provide information in both official languages on Eastern Ontario, tourist information during the operational period, on weekends and after business hours; to achieve targeted revenues for the season and compile statistical reports.

QUALIFICATIONS: Ability to supervise and develop staff; demonstrated experience in marketing tourism facilities; experience in negotiating and implementing tourism partnerships required to increase revenues and attendance in a high paced environment with numerous deadlines; ability to execute a direct sales strategy with potential visitors to maximize length of stay and product purchases within the Parks of the St. Lawrence; extensive experience in customer sales and services, telemarketing *(i.e. computerized telephone information system)* and/or dealing with the public in a courteous and effective manner; good knowledge of the Parks of the St. Lawrence's tourist attractions, events, campgrounds and accommodations; ability to cooperate as a key member of the Marketing and Communications Team and provide exceptional internal customer services to team members and other SLPC staff; ability to work independently in a small working group, meet deadlines, prioritize and fulfil internal and external customer requests expediently and professionally;highly motivated and positive team player; proficiency in English and French, good administrative, organizational and time management skills while exercising a high standard of accuracy and efficiency, computer knowledge and data entry skills; willingness to work evenings, weekends and holidays.

In your application/résumé, please indicate specifically how your experience, skills and knowledge relate to the duties and qualifications stated above. Applications/résumés quoting ***file no. SLPC-M&C 3/96 (6)*** *must be received by no later than* ***Friday, May 17, 1996*** *at* ***4:30 p.m.*** ***SEND TO:*** *Human Resources, The St. Lawrence Parks Commission, R.R. No. 1, Morrisburg, Ontario, K0C 1X0.*

CUSTOMER SERVICES AGENT
(up to four bilingual positions)
Travel Counsellor 2
Group 1 - May to September 1996
36.25 hours per week - $17.02 to $18.65 per hour
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ODHIC's top 10 dairy managers honored



Top managers

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WINCHESTER — The Ontario Dairy Herd Improvement Association continues to recognize herd owners for excellent management in six different management centres.

Points are awarded for excellence in milk value per cow, udder health, age at first calving, calving interval, longevity and herd efficiency. A total score of 1,000 points can be accumulated.

The top 10 herds in Dundas County were recognized during the Dundas County DHI Awards Banquet and Dance held April 12 in Winchester. They include: Tom and Janet MacGregor, Morewood, 885 points; Brugline Farms, Chesterville, 875 points; Wilmer and Linda Porteous, Winchester, 875 points; Ben Berends, Mountain, 875 points; Bill and Donald DeJong, Morrisburg, 865 points; Henry and Rita Velthuis, Mountain, 860 points; Jerry and Peter Byvelds, Brinston, 855 points; John and Archie Mellan, Brinston, 855 points; Martin and Robert Byvelds, Williamsburg, 840 points; John M DeVries, Williamsburg, 840 points.

The award was started for the 1994 year to recognize producers for management practices.



Junior Farmers executive

Earlier this year the Dundas County Junior Farmers chose their new executive. It includes: left to right, front; Angela Daly, agricultural representative; Cindy Robinson-Schoenfeld, president; Patty Duke, press reporter; middle: Laureen McDiarmid, provincial director; Anita Vandenbroek, newsletter editor; Tammy Duke, secretary; back: Raymond Sherrer, past-president; Art Porteous, treasurer; Shawn Backes, sports rep; and Graham Duke, vice-president and assistant provincial director.

Study conducted on corn fertility

by Gilles Quesnel
Soil and Crop Advisor

WINCHESTER — The use of seed applied or "pop- up" starter fertilizer for corn is fairly common. A recent study by professor Murray Miller at the University of Guelph looked at the effectiveness of one solid and three liquid starter fertilizers applied with the corn seed. Results indicate that the four fertilizer materials tested namely 13-52- 0- (MAP), 6-24-6 (Alpine), 10-34-0 (Cargill) and 8-19-3 (Ag Spectrum Co.) were equally effective in increasing corn yields.

Also in the trial, the pop-up effect from the seed placed fertilizer was obtained with as little as six pounds of phosphate (P_2O_5) per acre which is about half the rate commonly used.

The study was conducted on four sites where soil phosphorus levels ranged from low to very high. Where phosphate was needed, the required amount was broadcasted.

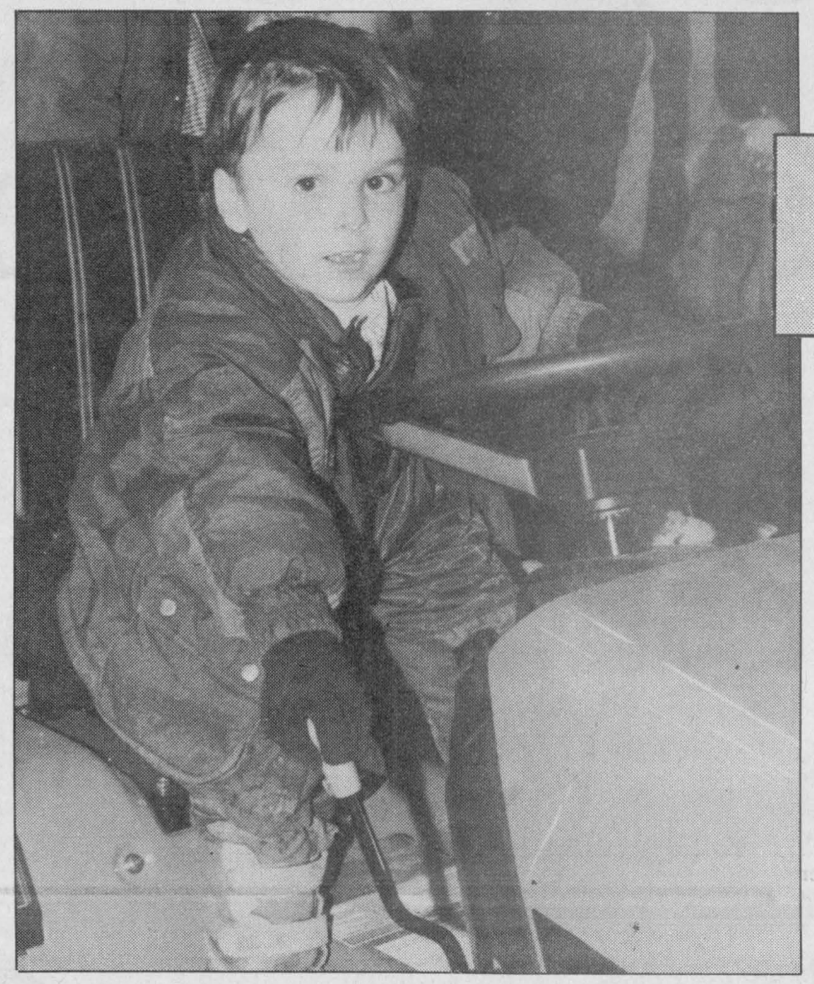
As for the starter fertilizers, some of the phosphate in 10-34-0 is in the polyphosphate form whereas in the other three materials all the phosphate is in the orthophosphate form. Fifty per cent of the nitrogen (N) in the 8-19-3 is as urea while the remainder and all the N in the other materials is in the NH_4 form. The liquid fertilizers were applied directly on the seed at rates of six, 11 and 22 pounds of P per acre while solid 13-52-0 was applied through the insecticide applicator at rates of 11 and 22 pounds of P per acre.

The trial results suggest that the four fertilizer materials tested were equally effective in increasing corn grain yields and that the application of six pounds of phosphate (P_2O_5) per acre (approx. 2.5 gal. of liquid or 12 pounds of 13-52-0 per acre) with the seed was sufficient to obtain the pop-up yield response. Also, the results suggest that yield response from seed applied fertilizer may not be expected when the OMAFRA accredited soil test for phosphorus is above 45 ppm.

It may be difficult to calibrate a corn planter to uniformly apply very low rates of liquid or dry starter fertilizer An option may be to reduce the rate of liquid fertilizer applied from the standard five gallons per acre rate down to 3.5 to four gallons per acre.

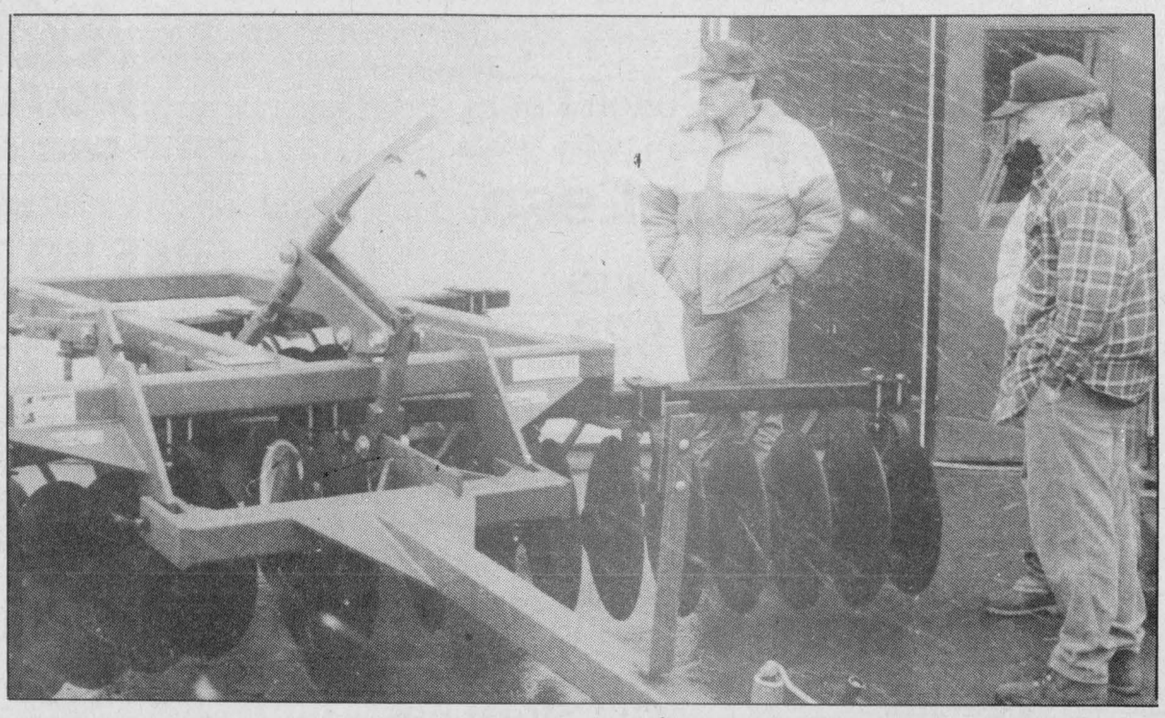
Another option would be to keep the rate at five gallons per acre but mix the liquid fertilizer 50/50 with water. As for dry starter fertilizer applied through the insecticide applicator, a practical rate is 20 pounds per acre.

Farm update



Taking a look

It was a cold day for Weagant Farm Supplies' annual open house on April 17 but some ventured outside to look at combines. Others like Kurtis Byrd, 3, of Inkerman decided to stay inside and try out the lawn tractors.
Press Photos — Edwards



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Students were able to take in a lot of information at the agriculture in the classroom session. Grade 4 student Stephen Baker learned first-hand about how sheep are kept healthy, while master gardener Eileen Johnston talked about choosing a container for planting.

Farm Fair continues popularity with youth

Kim Robinson
Press staff

CHESTERVILLE — The Chesterville Arena was as lively as any barnyard last Wednesday when 18 Grade 4 classes took part in a farm fair there.

Milk, poultry, pork, beef, sheep and field crop producers were represented at the educational session, many with live exhibits, and this year, the Master Gardeners group also took part.

Cindy Clement, who was helping out with the fair, says new features keep it interesting. This way, she says the fair remains popular with teachers. The proof: "They keep coming back."

Lots of laughs were resulting from a sheep presentation given by Jean-Marc Leclerc and Anita Martin in which some students were asked to be models.

"We're trying to explain to the kids the reason why we do things like tagging and injections, that it's for the sheep's health," said Leclerc.

Giving the students a better understanding of how farms operate is the goal of the event.

"The kids start to see that connection with the food they eat every day," says Nicole Thibault, who works for Ontario Agri-Food Education Inc. in Milton, a resource centre that helps with the fair.

Some of the students were surprised by the number of non-food products that have their start on the farm.



"I never knew wallpaper was made with corn," said Winchester Public School student Kyle Mewhinney.

Others were wowed by the scale of farm production. When Tony Wouters talked about farms producing thousands of eggs each day, one student enthused, "Imagine how big an omelette that would be!"

Osgoode pitches in with volunteer help

OSGOODE —The Osgoode Chamber of Commerce recently announced it is coordinating volunteers to participate in a township-wide Pitch-in Week to be held May 6 to 12, 1996

"Our objective is to recruit as many groups, organizations and clubs as possible to assist in the clean-up of township roads and parks," says Dale Harley, the Chamber of Commerce Pitch-in chair.

"We want to show some environmental leadership and perhaps instil more pride in the beauty of our township," Harley adds.

"By coordinating the Township's collective efforts, we are maximizing participation and minimizing duplication."

The major event of the week will be a massive Township clean up day to be held Saturday, May 11.

Arie Bakker, Osgoode Township works superintendent, says "The township will work closely with the Chamber in identifying priority areas for volunteer efforts, preparing route maps and assisting in collection and recycling efforts.

"The collection of garbage accumulated over the winter will help clean up the environment and make Osgoode Township a more beautiful place to live, work and play," says Bakker.

"Making use of volunteers to carry out this important work will help keep township taxes low," he adds.

Volunteers will participate in Ontario's Pitch-In Week Campaign, a program of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH) in cooperation with Pitch-In Canada. Last year more than a million volunteers participated in clean-up events in 409 communities across the province. The OFAH established Pitch-In Week in Ontario in 1978. Each year since then, youth groups, conservation clubs, schools, church groups, volunteer organizations and municipal governments have taken part in roadside and property clean-ups, recycling drives, habitat improvement and other clean-up events across the province.

Wally Dutkiewicz, chairman of the Township of Osgoode Chamber of Commerce says "This Pitch-In project is another example of the business community working closely with the municipality to make Osgoode Township a more attractive place to live and operate a business."

The chamber will contact groups and organizations throughout Osgoode Township to invite them to participate. Volunteers wishing to take part in Pitch-In Week activities should contact Dale Harley at 821-1107 to find out more on how they and their organization can help.

Seniors donate to area hospitals

WILLIAMSBURG — Twenty-three members of the Williamsburg Township Seniors held their monthly meeting in the Seniors' Room on Tues., April 16, following a noon pot luck buffet.

President Ed opened the meeting with "O Canada" while Hilda Garlough played the piano.

The report of the March meeting was read, followed by the treasurer's report. Correspondence included a letter from the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

During the business portion of the meeting donations of $500 to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital and $200 to CHEO were approved.

Evelyn Whitteker was in charge of the program with Audrey Whitteker reading *Thoughts for the Week* and Doris Hill reading *Bringing in the Cows*. Bill Whitteker entertained with a musical recording of Butch Foley singing Irish tunes.



Chick pick-up

Colin Hickman, 8, of RR2 Chesterville was among the many customers who stopped in at C&L Feeds in Winchester on Friday to pick up a batch of chicks.
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Page 285, Item #15: Remanufactured Power Steering Pump, 22-2701X. Copy reads: 129.99 each. **Should read 119.99 each, up.**
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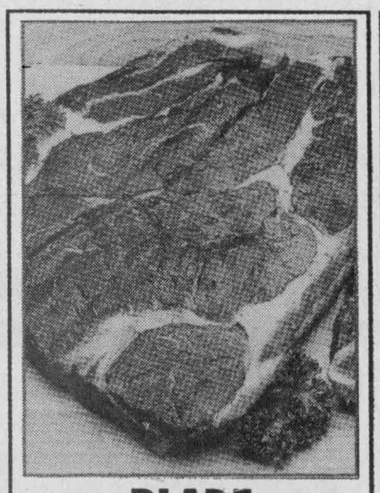

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