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**Temporary art**
*Three-year-old Meaghan Holmes of Metcalfe creates her own one-of-a-kind gingerbread cookie. Children had an assortment of icings and candies to choose from for their cookie decorating at the Metcalfe Community Centre on Sunday (Dec. 12) after the Santa Claus Parade. Photo — Barbour*

# Parade of Lights will sparkle even brighter next year

**by Al Van Bridger**
*Press staff*

WINCHESTER — "If it isn't broken don't fix it." That's how the Country Christmas Parade of Lights committee feels when it comes to appraising Winchester's annual pre-Christmas light-up-the-night extravaganza. They are pleased with and proud of the event.

"I've heard nothing but positive comments," noted Linda McMahon at the organization's wrap-up meeting at Mary's Restaurant on Dec. 8. "But we should revitalize it a bit. Freshen it up."

Kathy Hardy who organizes the entries at the departure point in the old Hydro yard agreed. "We just need to revamp it a bit. Try something new to keep people interested."

**NEW IDEAS**

The committee was unanimous saying the ninth annual parade should receive a polish and a tune-up, not a complete rebuild or a trip to the scrap yard.

A change of days was the most popular idea floated at the meeting. The eight members in attendance discussed shifting the parade from 7 pm on the first Friday of December to the first Saturday of December and moving the start time up to 5 or 5:30 pm. The feeling was that Saturday would make it more accessible to more people and that events geared toward entertaining children could start early in the afternoon. Children could be cared for at the arena which would afford parents the opportunity to do a couple of hours Christmas shopping.

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## Dundas trustee elected UCDSB vice-chair

BROCKVILLE — Dundas County's trustee on the Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB), Greg Pietersma, was elected board vice-president last week. "I was approached a month ago to consider running," he said. He defeated two other trustees in a secret ballot among the 11 on the board.

The main new responsibility Pietersma will have is filling in for chair David McDonald when he is unavailable. Pietersma will also have a seat on the board's management council which sets the agenda for the board.

"I want the board to stay focused on the strategic plan," he said. The UCDSB adopted a 54-point plan last year called CREW. Pietersma is most interested in building on the concept of character education in schools. Without religion in schools, another model is needed to define moral behavior. Pietersma is playing an active role in developing this strategy.

Other priorities include building the role of parent councils in schools. Pietersma said North Dundas is already well ahead of many areas in this respect, having very active parent volunteers. And he's a member of the committee studying declining enrollment in the board, looking toward how vacant facilities can be used.

# Christmas activities keep seniors smiling

WINCHESTER — Christmas isn't only for children; seniors in the Winchester area are getting lots of surprises, too.

The long-term care facilities and support centres offer many Christmas activities to keep seniors smiling.

At Dundas Manor, seniors were offered one-stop shopping on Dec. 7, with an opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts within the manor.

**Bringing the community to the elderly**

Vendors from the community, including Fawcett's Jewellery, Annable's Jewellery, Stedmans, Crazy Loonies, Cottage Cove and Cherished Teddies from Chesterville, all showed up to give the seniors a chance for some Christmas shopping.

Each vendor had a table and manor residents were able to browse and purchase what they liked. In another room, a gift wrapping table staffed by volunteers was set up.

"It was awesome," said Jennifer Hill, activities co-ordinator for the manor. "The community spirit of the different businesses was just great."

She said that it was more than just a way to buy presents; it was a chance to visit with people from the community whom they hadn't seen for a while.

"It was great to visit with them," said Jamie Shadbolt of Stedmans Department Store. "They really appreciate you coming to visit them."

Shadbolt said the event was a great success. "It was pretty exciting," he said. "We had a lot of fun. It's an excellent idea."

Shadbolt said that he'd be back next year if the event becomes annual.

"This was the first time we did it," said Hill. "It was extremely successful, so hopefully we'll do it again next year."

She said the event was important for the seniors.

"So many of our residents are unable to get out into the community," said Hill. "So we brought the community to them."

The Christmas shopping event wasn't the only festive activity planned for the manor.

"Our calendar is jam-packed full," said Hill.

Residents have already been to Alight at Night and to see the Parade of Lights. Santa Claus stopped by before the parade to say hello.

Entertainment throughout December included children's choirs and the Osgoode Men's Choir.

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# Gallons and gallons available for township

WINCHESTER — Pumping tests have discovered that the Morewood Esker has the capability of supplying 600 to 900 gallons per minute, water that could be made available to the municipalities of North Dundas and Russell. Stantec consultant Fern Dicaire presented results from a preliminary hydrogeological survey to North Dundas council on Dec. 13.

A public meeting to discuss whether the municipality should go ahead with developing this resource has been scheduled for Jan. 20 at the Morewood Community Centre.

Although North Dundas has never had an abundance of water, the need in Russell Township is immediate. Russell council had already made the decision to hold public meetings on the water project in January.

Russell has applied to the latest provincial rural infrastructure grant program, COMRIF, to fund the well project. North Dundas could also be eligible for funding through the Canada-Ontario Municipal Infrastructure Fund. What council still has to determine is whether a second COMRIF application on the same project stands a good chance of government approval.

There has been some public feedback on the possibility of developing the Morewood Esker. The main concerns council discussed on Monday were of surrounding farms, and whether producers' regular farm practices, such as manure spreading, could be restricted.

The Morewood Esker is located northeast of its namesake hamlet. It's a long snaky water body that crosses the border into Russell. Well 7 on Thompson Road serving Winchester is already on the esker.




**Cause unknown**
Even with four fire departments battling the blaze at a JED Express warehouse Monday (Dec. 13) night, the fire caused devastating damage. The cause of the fire is still unknown, but an investigation is under way. *Press Photo — Duncan*

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**Christmas Greetings inside:** learn all you need to know to have the merriest holidays ever.




**Concert tonight**
*Take advantage of an annual holiday tradition going on tonight. The North Dundas District High School music department is holding its Christmas concert. Performing will be the junior concert and jazz bands, the senior concert and jazz bands and the school choir. The show always includes a wide range of music, from classical pieces to holiday favorites.*

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# Parade

Starting the parade at 5:30 pm would mean an early finish time which would leave Saturday evening open for other activities.

Township of North Dundas recreation director Mark Guy said, "I think a Saturday parade would open up more options. I think the merchants and the groups serving dinners would all benefit. We can try it and if it doesn't work go back to Friday night."

Committee members mentioned the Saturday idea to a number of people during this year's parade on Dec. 3 and reported it received a positive response.

"I asked the bands about a Saturday parade and they said it would be a better night for them," offered band co-ordinator Garnet Johnston.

Anyone who has new ideas for the parade can forward them to Mark Guy at the Township of North Dundas office (774-2105) or Sandie Puddephatt (774-5858). Volunteers can also offer their services for 2005 by contacting those people.

**CHAIR RETURNING**

Sandie Puddephatt will return for a second term as committee chair person.

She was willing to step aside to support a new parade leader but no one stepped forward. Instead the committee gave her a resounding round of applause for a job well done. They also offered to take on more responsibility in several areas to free up more time for her to oversee the operation.

"We can reorganize our duties and take a lot of pressure off of Sandie," said registrar Sandra Cheney.

"I offered the position but no one wanted it. So, I guess I'm back," chuckled Puddephatt. "If I have the help, the job is that much easier to do. We wound up with a lot of volunteers this year and several people have told me they will sit on the committee. And people have even offered some helpful ideas for next year. I think this year's parade was a fun night for the whole community."

Lorrie Munro of the Royal Bank reported Santa Claus heard Christmas wishes from 83 children this year, down from over 100 the year before.

Kathy Hardy noted she and her volunteers lined up 61 entries and dispatched them in an orderly fashion. Including the color party, four bands, OPP and parade marshall, 69 units made up the parade. There were 78 in 2004.

"It was our best year yet in the Hydro yard. We were as organized as usual but it just seemed to be just the right number of floats. We had seven adult volunteers and no last-minute rushes. It just seemed to be the perfect combination. It wasn't hectic, it was fun." said Hardy.

Fewer entries made for an earlier finish this year which led to a quick departure of traffic following the 8:30 pm completion. The fact there were 17 OPP auxiliary on duty to provide direction also played a factor.

Mark Guy added that he had been at the main intersection in the center of the village in the early stages of the evening but watched the bulk of the parade at the village's west end. "From what I saw I would say most of the peopled watched from the outskirts, not down town. I couldn't believe the size of the crowd out there. I guess people feel they can leave quicker that way. But I would say the crowd overall was as big as other years."

Puddephatt reported the generosity of area businesses and private supporters allowed the committee to cover $4,266 in expenses and deposit $1,566 into next year's start up fund.

"We thank everyone who donated, volunteered and watched this year's parade. The community makes it a success," she said.

Hardy reported 15 first-time entries and pointed to the excellent quality of each entry. "The technology people use today is amazing the quality of the floats is very high. But perhaps we could promote the use of music on each entry. Overall I think our parade is alive and well."

"It was a fun night, a good night," is how Puddephatt summed up parade number eight.



***Is it real?***

Pheobe McDonald tugs on Santa's beard on Dec. 3, when he stopped by to visit with the seniors at Dundas Manor before the Parade of Lights.

*Press Photo — Duncan*

**Cause of blaze unknown**

# Warehouse fire devastates South Mountain business

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — Firefighters from Mountain, Morewood, Chesterville and Winchester departments were on the scene of JED Express, south of Inkerman, at around 8 pm Monday (Dec. 13), when a warehouse fire broke out.

Police were called to the scene shortly after.

"There wasn't anyone home when it happened," said Bea Duncan, of JED Express.

The warehouse and loading dock destroyed by the blaze held equipment and personal vehicles.

"It's devastating," said Duncan. "We've lost a building we use everyday. It's part of our livelihood."

The cause of the fire at the County Road 3 site is unknown.

"There's an investigation under way," said OPP officer Paul Barkley, who was on the scene the morning after. "The Ontario fire marshall is on route. It's a crime scene until he says it isn't."

The scene was still smoldering Tuesday morning, and the building could barely be identified as the storage facility that it was just a day before.

"From what I understand, there was a lot of value in the [warehouse]," said Barkley. Cost of damage has yet to be estimated.

SD&G officer Kim Heaphy is investigating, in conjunction with the office of the fire marshall.

"It's a mess you just have to clean up and deal with," said Duncan. "We just have to move on."

## Seniors

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The old-fashioned prime-rib Christmas dinner is a special gathering that allows residents to reminisce. And of course, they will be enjoying turkey with all the trimmings on Christmas Day.

At the Winchester District Memorial Hospital, there are also events planned for seniors in long-term care.

The Osgoode Men's Choir has already made an appearance, and the annual Christmas party is planned for Dec. 21.

"For many of the people [here], they're spending so much time away from home," said Lynne Wilson, co-ordinator of the WDMH foundation. "This may be the most Christmas that they have."

At the Nor-Dun Seniors' Support Centre, Christmas dinners have already been served at the satellite centres, and seniors at the Winchester centre will enjoy their Christmas dinner tonight (Dec. 15). The OPP choir will also be entertaining at the Chesterville centre on Dec. 21.

"I think some of them don't have family close by," said Caroline Rooney, activities co-ordinator for the centre. "It (activity) helps to keep them cheery throughout the season."

She said that Christmas carols and traditions have a special place in seniors' hearts.

"Christmas is always very special for seniors," she said. "It's an enjoyable time for them."


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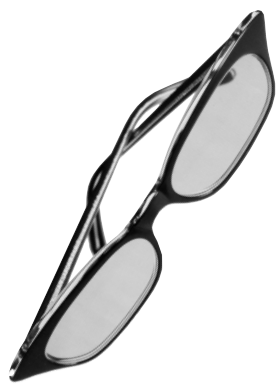

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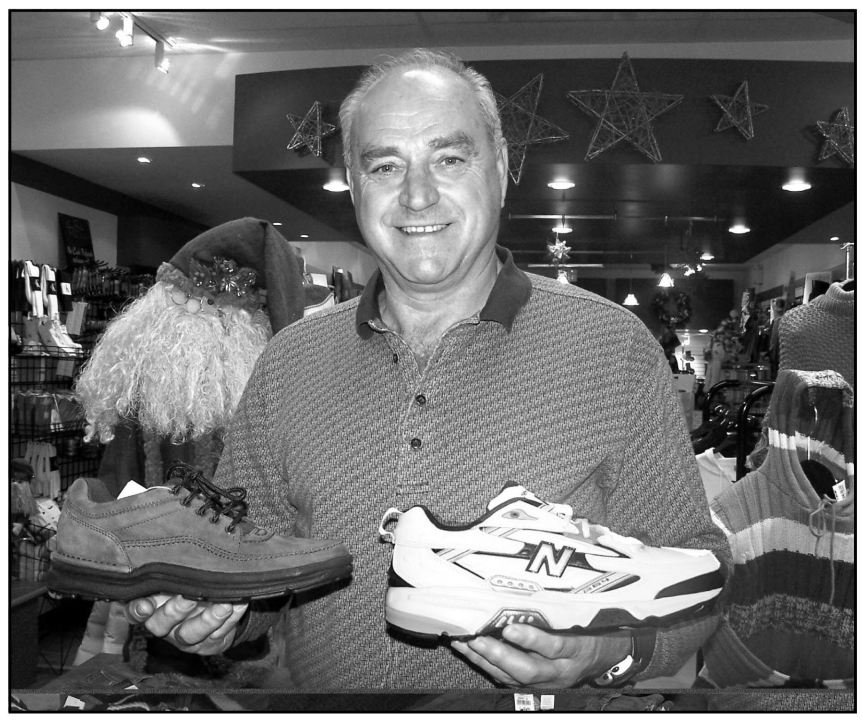

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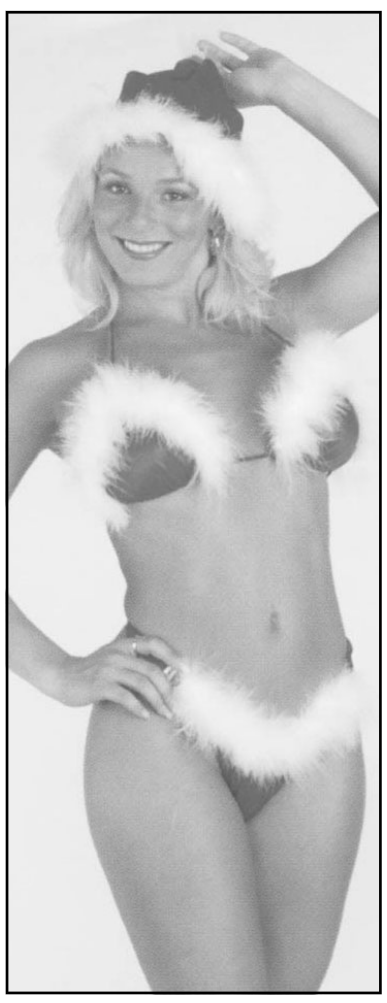

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# Gun registry: false promises

OTTAWA — Who can believe a word Liberals say when they talk about the gun registry? First, they promised Parliament that they would implement the gun registry for $85 million over five years and that the net cost would be only $2.2 million. And remember when Justice Minister Anne McLellan wrote to the Toronto Star in 2001 saying that "user fees will cover the entire cost of the program"? Over a billion dollars has already been lost, despite the total lack of evidence that the program has prevented a single crime.

McLellan, the justice minister who oversaw the registry's 50,000 per cent cost overrun, was named public safety minister and put back in charge of the program by Paul Martin. Two weeks ago, she told the Standing Committee on Justice that the firearm centre's budget for next year would be $85 million.

That number sounds unnervingly familiar. Why should be believe today's budget forecast of $85 million, given what happened after the government's 1995 forecast of the same amount? Why should anyone believe the minister's numbers, when she's the one who led the program from a break-even budget to a billion-dollar loss?

The Liberals' most recent guess has projected the total cost of the firearms program at $1.055 billion as of March 31 next year. But the Liberals have failed to provide Parliament with estimates of the costs of enforcement and compliance, in defiance of treasury board policy and the auditor general's recommendations.

In fact, the government has declared that its own reports on the economic cost and the cost-benefit analysis are cabinet secrets, and therefore cannot be accessed by Canadians even through access to information laws. However, according to reports prepared by the Library of Parliament research branch, enforcement and compliance estimates add hundreds of millions to the costs of the program.

Have Canadians received any value at all for their money? I don't think so. Two million compliant, law-abiding, federally-licensed gun owners have to report their changes of address within 30 days or they could go to jail for up to two years. They are even subject to unwarranted searches of their homes to ensure compliance with firearms regulations.

Meanwhile, Canada's 176,000 convicted criminals, who have been prohibited from owning firearms by the courts, are not tracked by the government and are not required to prove that they are complying with the court orders. Two weeks ago, commissioner of firearms Bill Baker admitted under questioning before the justice committee that these proven-dangerous persons are "no longer effectively covered by the Firearms Act." As Conservative party MP Garry Breitkreuz asked the minister, "Where's the logic in that?"

In response to questions, McLellan said on Dec. 1 that the firearms program is "up and running." But the following Monday, the government reported to the House of Commons that the firearms program won't be fully implemented until Dec. 31, 2007. That will be more than 12 years since the Liberals rammed Bill C-68, the Firearms Act, through Parliament.

To say that the Liberals are lying is an understatement. It's time to scrap the firearms registry.

# Bake and craft sale proves learning experience



**Cookies and more**

Students in the T.R. Leger School Learning and Basic Skills program show off the baked goods they made and were selling to raise money for their program. The students also painted wooden crafts to sell.

*Press Photo – Duncan*

WINCHESTER — Students at the T.R. Leger School in Winchester put their skills to work for a bake and craft sale on Dec. 1.

The proceeds from the sale will go directly back to the students for supplies.

The alternative learning school allows students of varying ages and levels to complete their high school diploma, upgrade skills or learn basic reading and writing.

"We offer the same courses as North Dundas [District High School], they're just packaged up differently," said Jeanne Ward, the lead teacher at T.R. Leger.

In the Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) program, students focus on reading and writing skills as well as interpersonal skills.

"We try to do as many hands-on things as possible," said Marion Stanley, an instructor of the program. "There are a lot of everyday skills that people take for granted."

The T.R. Leger School has a total of 24 campuses including Winchester, Casselman and Morrisburg. The Winchester and Casselman schools have recently become full-time.

"There's certainly a need in the area," said Stanley. "But we have limited resources. She explained why the students decided to hold a craft and bake sale to raise money.

In the LBS program there is a maximum of eight students. One-on-one time is important, and the students also have an opportunity to work closely in groups.

"We have students of all ages here," said Stanley. "There are full-time and part-time programs so that you can alter it to suit your needs."

The LBS students had been preparing for the sale for the previous three weeks.

"One of the students' friends cut out all the wood pieces for the crafts," said Stanley. "Otherwise we wouldn't have been able to do this."

The sale allowed students to learn how to paint and bake as well as how to handle money and talk to customers. The class worked as a complete team throughout preparations. There are also students in the program who are learning English as a second language.

The Program for Alternative Learning (PAL) also had crafts on display, Dec. 1. The PAL students have been working on their projects since September in the program's work-experience segment.

"It's a unique setting," said Ward about the school. She explained how needed this type of education is. "As the new curriculum was put into place, we realized a lot of students weren't served," she said. There is currently a 65 per cent drop out rate in new-curriculum math courses. The higher drop-out rates prompt more students to attend T.R. Leger.

"They can work at their own pace," said Ward. "They can take two days to complete a lesson if needed, or work faster."

In the regular UCDSB system, if a student misses 15 days of class, they fail the course. At T.R. Leger, part-time courses allow students to work or do other things.

"There's a flexible schedule, it's one on one, and the student's can pace themselves," said Ward. "It's the exact same curriculum as NDDHS, but it's taught in a different way."

The school also offers co-operative education and prior learning assessment, which gives certain students high school credits for life and work experience.

Another welcoming aspect of the school is ongoing enrollment. Student don't have to wait until September and start the course over again.

The bake and craft sales on Dec. 1 raised enough money to buy needed supplies for the programs.

"It was a great success," said Stanley. "The students really enjoyed themselves."


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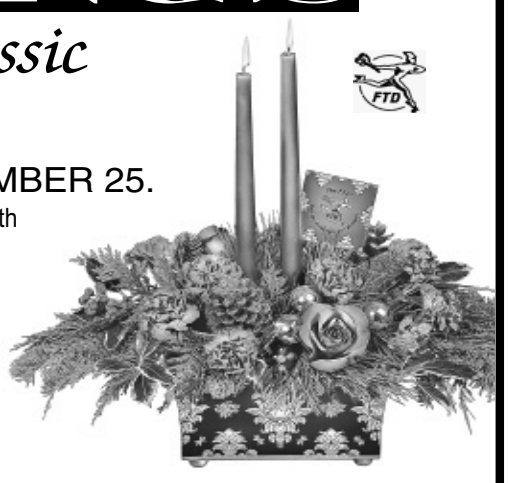
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## Festival of trees

Members of the SD&G OPP participated in the Festival of Trees on Nov. 27, held in support of the WDMH's Renewing the Vision Campaign at Stanley's Olde Maple Lane Farm. The SD&G OPP tree, expertly decorated in OPP blue and gold by the crafty trio of constables Annie Gagnon (left), Julie Cyr and sergeant Linda Bootsma raised a well-earned $425.

# Police blotter

## 401 fatal

SOUTH DUNDAS — Members of the SD&G OPP were called to the scene of a two-vehicle collision on Highway 401 on Mon., Dec. 13, approximately one kilometre east of the Dundas–Grenville County border. The collision took place shortly after 4:30 pm.

A 1997 Nissan Pathfinder driven by Sohail Baig, age 47, of Kingston was eastbound in the passing lane when his vehicle went out of control. His car crossed the roadway and entered the path of another eastbound vehicle, a 2003 Volvo tractor trailer unit.

The truck was driven by Michel Joyal, 59, of Longueil, Quebec. His vehicle collided with the Pathfinder in the area of the driver's compartment. Baig sustained fatal injuries as a result of the collision. Fred Peters, 61, of Kingston was a passenger in the car and received only minor injuries. No injuries were reported to Joyal.

At the time of the collision, roads were snow covered and slippery. An OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigator was called in to assist with the ongoing investigation. Highway 401 was closed to eastbound traffic from the time of the collision until 11 pm.

## Pedestrian struck

IROQUOIS — Police were called to the scene of a pedestrian–motor vehicle collision shortly before 10 pm on Dec. 12. The collision occurred on County Road 16 in the former Matilda Township.

A 1996 Toyota driven by Patricia Quinn, 57, of Iroquois was northbound on County Road 16 when she encountered a pedestrian on the roadway. On attempting to take evasive action, the car struck the pedestrian and entered the east ditch.

The collision took place during a period of heavy snow and poor visibility. The pedestrian, a 14-year-old Rowena Road male, was treated at Winchester District Memorial Hospital for minor injuries. No injuries were sustained by the driver of the vehicle. No charges were laid as a result of the investigation by Constable B. Onstein.

## Cash and liquor

MORRISBURG — Police began an investigation on Dec. 9 into a residential break and enter in the Village of Morrisburg that took place during the previous two days. A forced entry resulted in the theft of cash and alcohol from the home. Constable T. Kingston is investigating.

## Crooks famished

CHESTERVILLE — Police began an investigation on Dec. 10 into a break and enter that occurred during the early morning hours at the Heritage Café in Chesterville. An entry into the business resulted in the theft of money and food items from the premises. Constable K. Heaphy is investigating.

## Witnesses sought

AVONMORE — Police are seeking the public's help in the investigation of a fatal motor vehicle collision that took place on Mon., Dec. 6 at the intersection of county roads 15 and 43 in North Stormont.

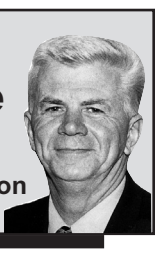
A 1992 Oldsmobile driven by Doreen Clement, 43, St. Andrews was southbound through Avonmore on County Road 15 and entered County Road 43 into the path of an eastbound 2000 International dump truck. The truck was driven by Wilfred Merpaw, 42, of Monkland.

The collision resulted in major injuries to the Oldsmobile driver and fatal injuries to her daughter Leanne, 16, who was a passenger.

Anyone who may have witnessed this collision or have information that may be relevant to this investigation is asked to contact the OPP at 888-310-1122.

# Osgoode ward celebrates the season

**In & around Osgoode Ward 20**
**by Doug Thompson**



OTTAWA — The City of Ottawa continues to harmonize bylaws from the former 11 municipalities. At the time of amalgamation in January 2001, there were approximately 1,800 differing bylaws. As of December this year, there are still approximately 450 bylaws to be harmonized.

Presently, weare working on bylaws dealing with itinerant sellers, refreshment vehicles, and exhibitions (fairs). These will come before the emergency and protective services committee in March. Contact my office for more information by e-mail at doug.thompson@ottawa.ca or phone at 580-2490.

### WINTER ROAD CONDITIONS

Along with many, many residents, I am very disappointed in the strategy of the senior staff of the transportation department. Hopefully we can change the procedures for snow clearing of our streets and roads.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Osgoode Ward Business Alliance (OWBA) executive members Al Graham, Early Stanley, Dale Harley, Leigh Stacey, Debbie Pengelly and Jo McArthur have worked hard to rejuvenate the business alliance that promotes and protects local businesses. Recently, the *Osgoode Insider*, the quarterly newsletter of the OWBA, was mailed to every household in Osgoode.

The OWBA is holding its annual Christmas party on Thurs., Dec. 16 at 7 pm at the former Metcalfe town hall. Guest speaker will be Brian McGarry of McGarry Family Chapels. Hope to see you on Thursday evening.

### A VALLEY CHRISTMAS

The Osgoode Township Male Choir put on a stellar performance of their now famous A Valley Christmas last Friday night (Dec. 10) at the Winchester United Church. Even a driving snowstorm couldn't keep the faithful away from seeing the choir.

### ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN 80TH

A part of local history came alive Sun., Dec. 5 at St. Paul's Anglican Church during the 80th anniversary of the first service held Dec. 14, 1924. It was astounding to have three people in attendance who were at the first service, along with one person who was baptized and who was also at the church's inaugural meeting. Special thanks to co-ordinator Anna Mussel, Wib Cowan, and especially Rev. Carolyn Pollock who led a very moving service.

### METCALFE PARADE

Betty McGowan (Mrs. Claus) put together a tremendous Santa Claus Parade last Sunday. Thirty-two floats meandered their way through Metcalfe. Brian McGowan (Mr. Claus) rode a modern day sleigh, supplied by David Aubrey of Edwards.

Huge crowds lined the parade route and then joined a full house at the Metcalfe Community Centre hall. The Metcalfe Community Association sponsored a gingerbread cookie decorating session and pictures with Santa warmed the hearts of over 300 young and old.

### MIDGET HOCKEY SHOWCASE

Most of the best 16 and 17-year-old midget hockey players in the Ottawa area faced off at the Jim Durrell Arena Sat., Dec. 11. This day-long "A" level hockey tournament was primarily organized by Osgoode Village resident Denis "Mr. Hockey" Dumais. Playing in the Midget "A" game were four players from the Osgoode Rideau Senators: Andrew Beveridge, Kory Churchill, Braden Spencer and James Martin.

The coaching staff of Larry Bellinger and Phil Spencer; and trainers Gerard Giroux and David Martin were from the Osgoode Rideau Senators Midget Club.The "White Team" on which the O-R Senators were playing won the scouted game 6-4.

### GREELY LIONS GALA

Greely Lion Ric Olivieri, chair of the club's New Year's Eve Party committee, is working on what could be the social event of 2004. The Greely Community Centre will be the site of the gala featuring the Stevens and Kennedy Band. Allan and Judy Graham of AJ's Catering will be serving their five-course dinner.

Doors open at 6 pm with dinner at 7:20 pm — then the fun begins. For tickets call Garry Brewster (821-2839), or Ric Olivieri (821-3930).

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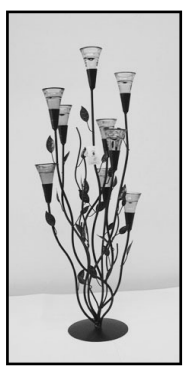


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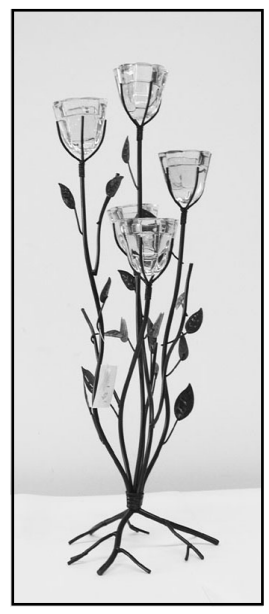

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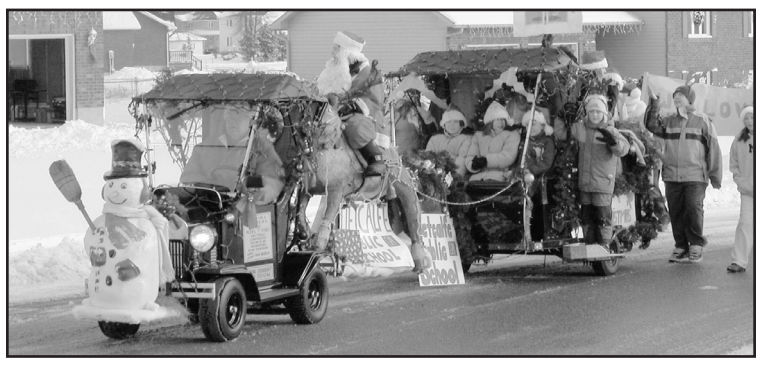
# Metcalfe welcomes St. Nick with parade




The Metcalfe Recreation Association sponsored the parade and the procession would not have been complete without the entry of their own float.



Arnold Saunders built this entire entry. He is seen here driving a 1920 Ford Model T replica, which he made 10 years ago for his grandson, Kevin McAllister. Kevin was just a year old at the time, but Saunders wanted to get a head start on being a grandpa.

At right: Wanting to be a good corporate citizen, Continental Mushroom of Metcalfe once more provided the main ingredient for the mushroom soup that was served at the community centre following the parade.




METCALFE — Judging from the looks of enjoyment on the children's faces, the Metcalfe Santa Claus Parade on Sun., Dec. 12 was more of a warm-up for the activities that followed. The parade wound its way through a residential area then along Victoria Street and south to the arena. Once the parade came to an end, participants from the procession as well as spectators filled the arena hall for more fun.

The biggest hit by far seemed to be the gingerbread cookie decorating and just about every kid had a go at heaping icing and candies on the cookies. It was very much a hands-on experience. Then, with blue and red fingers, the youngsters consumed their artwork, often putting green smiles and moustaches on their faces in the process.

Once again, Continental Mushroom donated the main ingredient for the soup that was served. Muffins and beverages were also available. The event was staged by the Metcalfe Recreation Association with the aid of a small grant from the City of Ottawa.



Santa's helpers are from left: Linda McGowan, Justin Marion, Candice Aubrey, Devon Morrow, Devon O'Reilley and Myra Horner, plus jolly old Santa himself.



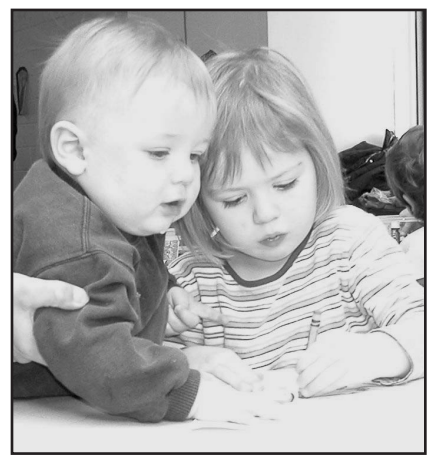
*Icing from her gingerbread cookie put a green smile on the face of seven-year-old Chelsea Guindon of Metcalfe as she ate her artwork. Cookie decorating was a big hit with the kids following the Metcalfe Santa Claus Parade on Sunday (Dec. 12). Photos — Barbour*



Cedric Jolivet of Metcalfe has a serious talk about what he wants for Christmas at the Santa Breakfast on Sat., Dec. 4 at the Metcalfe Arena. *Photos — Barbour*

# Metcalfe hosts hungry Santa

METCALFE — Needless to say, this is a busy time of year for Santa Claus, but the jolly old elf found time in his very full schedule to make a stop at the Metcalfe arena on Sat., Dec. 4 to enjoy breakfast with the locals.



Eleven-month-old John Downey of Metcalfe helps his three-year-old sister Sarah with her coloring after their breakfast.

The parent council of St. Catherine Catholic School in Metcalfe organized the event. It was publicized primarily within the school, but signs were put up around town, inviting the general public. At one point that morning, a hockey game had just finished in the arena downstairs and as the players were leaving, they too were asked if they wanted to join Santa for a bite to eat and a bit of fun.

"We raise a bit of money for the parent council, but this is held more as a community event than as a fundraiser. We do it so the kids can have fun," said Joanne Daley, one of the organizers. She has three children attending St. Catherine School and this was her fifth year in helping plan the Santa Breakfast

After talking to Santa and filling up on pancakes and sausages, the kids rotated between the coloring and crafts tables. The children also had a raffle where every ticket won a prize.

# Cook devises recipe to help out food bank

WILLIAMSBURG — After 30 years of compiling her favorite recipes, Bonnie Richmire of Williamsburg is ready to share her secrets, for a good cause of course.

Bonnie's Best Batches, a cook book containing recipes for appetizers, main dishes, breads, pickles and desserts is being sold to fundraise for the Dundas County Food Bank.

"I can't actually give them food and stuff," she said. "But if I can give them money this way, then it's just as good."

The idea came about when Richmire realized that her recipes wouldn't last forever in a book she'd been writing in for three decades.

"It was just literally falling apart," she said of her ledger.

The idea was to make 50 copies and give them to friends as Christmas gifts. Richmire then decided to print 100 copies, and the fundraising idea began.

The books are available for $10, with $5 of each copy sold given directly to the food bank.

Richmire's favorite recipe in the book is Margerie's granny cake — a sweet treat made with pineapples.

"One lady bought one [cook book] and said she's already used 10 recipes out of it," said Richmire. "So there must be something good in it."

So far, about 75 copies have been sold. For more information, call the Richmire residence at 535-2046.

# Golden Years wraps up 2004

WINCHESTER — The Winchester Golden Years Society had nothing but praise for the Winchester Lions Club which prepared a delicious turkey Christmas dinner for the group. The Lions served Golden Years members during the evening on Dec. 8.

Betty Cooke welcomed everyone. Doris Cross played piano for *O Canada*. Percy Armstrong said grace and led the group in a minute of silence for members who passed away this year.

Entertainment was provided by the Harmony Six. Everyone enjoyed the Christmas singalong. Thanks goes to Doris Cross for arranging the dinner and entertainment.

The next Golden Years meeting will be on Jan. 20 at the Winchester Lions Hall. New members are always welcome. For information call Roberta Giberson at 774-4273.

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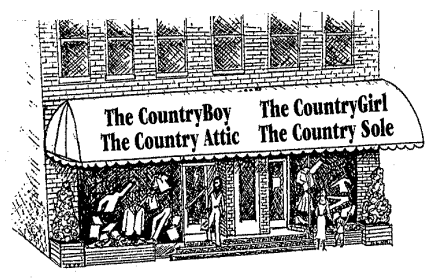

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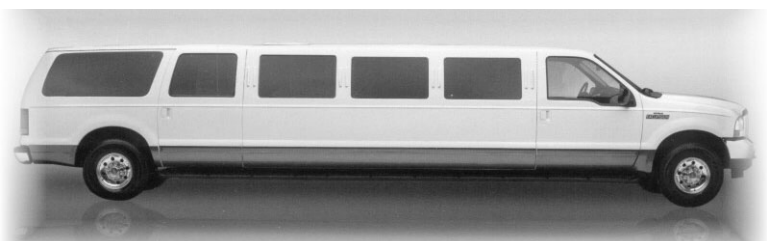
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fruits and vegetables because they're worried pesticide contamination could make them sick. This is ridiculous. The amount of pesticide that might remain on a vegetable after you've washed it off is ridiculously small, posing the most trivial threat. On the other hand, medical professionals widely concur that not eating fruits and vegetables leads directly to a huge number of health risks.

Dr. Joe compares pesticide on vegetables to a bottle of Aspirin. If you lick an Aspirin, it's not going to do anything. If you take two, dance cat talking about how some people shy away from eating

Before he started pitching copies of his books, Dr. Joe came across with some difficult advice. "Nobody gets out of life alive," he said. As consumers we have to decide how we want to manage our risk. You can take advantage of the massive bounty available at low cost at any grocery store and enjoy it. Or you can base your food choices on the amazing amount of conflicting food research that's churned out every day. The best advice is not to trust the media.

C.Z.




If you read this column regularly — and I thank you if you do — you might have noticed that every now and then I lean politically ever so slightly to the right. Yet, as much as I am conservative, I really have no problem with gay marriage. I often say that as a Liberal Conservative, my view is that I am all for two guys or two women having a wedding and getting married.

My problem is with terrorists who are trying to plant a bomb or fly a plane into the church where the two gay people are getting married.

In the recent U.S. election, gay marriage became a peripheral issue. In this case, party policies defined the issue more clearly. The Republicans opposed it, the Democrats favored it. Yet, both presidential candidates gingerly tap danced around the topic.

In Canada, our politics are more complex than that — the term progressive conservative should tell you that. Canada can't draw a political line on gay marriage because there are too many conservatives who are in favor of it and too many liberals who oppose it.

A generation ago, the same arguments opposing gay marriages were being made about mixed race marriages. Those opposed to gay marriages will also say that gay marriage cheapens or waters down their own marriage, or that it is "just the beginning" of immoralities that will lead to men wanting to marry boys.

I don't buy these arguments. If two homosexuals want to get married, it will not make me feel any differently about my wife or my marriage.

Also, the most common misconception about gay men is that they are pedophiles. Homosexuality and pedophilia are completely different things. If the gay population has failed anywhere in its quest for equal rights, it is that they have not taught this to society.

Gay marriage is coming, whether you support it, oppose it, or don't care either way. The only thing that surprises me, especially since Canada is the land of sin taxes, is that nobody in the government has clued in and tried to use gay marriage to increase tourism and generate revenue.

I can see it now "Come on up to Canada, the world's Gay Vegas — get legally married, for a fee, shop, gamble, spend your American dollars, and pay lots of GST and PST. And for dinner, enjoy our Canadian beef." It might be a far-fetched idea, but 15 years ago, who would have ever imagined Hull and Gananoque would have casinos?

*Jeff Morris is currently publisher of the Manotick Messenger, a sister paper of the Winchester Press.*



## This week in...

by Meghan Duncan

### 1924

Mr. T.W. Ault of Cornwall was help up at gunpoint on the highway. After picking up a hitchhiker, the driver had a revolver pressed to his side and was told to stop the car and empty his pockets. The thief only recovered 31 cents before disappearing. That same day, the same man held up the Woolworth store in Cornwall and managed to escape with $68 in a deposit bag before the manager of the store, brandishing a revolver himself, captured the thief and turned him over to police.

### 1944

The Central Ottawa Valley Junior Hockey League held its annual general meeting. Teams from Cardinal, Chesterville, Finch, Inkerman, Morrisburg and Winchester made up the six teams in the league. New gold and green sweaters and socks were bought for the Winchester team.

### 1954

First steps toward construction of an all-Canadian seaway lock at Iroquois were taken, with the project to cost upwards of $15 million. The canal and lock would use about 230 acres, would be 4,000 feet long and would be the means of navigating the Ontario Hydro control dam that would be built as part of the project.

### 1964

A home and a large chick factory in South Mountain were completely destroyed in a massive fire with damage totalling more than $25,000. Overheated stovepipes were thought to be the cause of the fire. Mountain Township and Winchester fire departments were both at the scene, but were only able to save the barn and outbuildings. Luckily, the hatchery was not in use at the time of the fire, and no human injuries were reported.

### 1974

The National Beef Sire Evaluation Program was announced as an extension of the Record of Performance home test program. The new program would provide uniform testing at little or no cost. It would allow beef farmers to chose artificial insemination sires based on accurate and reliable records of progeny performance.

### 1984

Williamsburg's new $1.2 million sewer system was officially unveiled, a project that had begun almost seven years before. The provincial government paid 75 per cent of the final cost. The road work involved in installation of the sewers left County Road 18 with three-metre driving lanes and almost three-metre shoulders for parking.

### 1994

A lack of youth at the Winchester Youth Centre rendered the service obsolete. Use of the centre, which opened three years before, dropped from about 50 youth to not even five. Funded by donations, it cost about $700 a month to keep the centre running, and organizers decided it was no longer feasible. Break-ins and thefts of equipment also contributed to the closure.




This advertisement appeared in the 1934 issue of the *Press*, urging people to use more electricity. It is 70 years later, and the federal government has now sponsored the one-tonne challenge, to urge citizens cut energy use per household by 20 per cent.

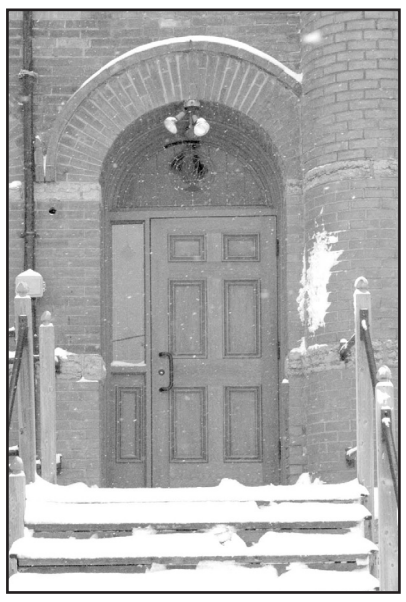
# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Knockin' on Heaven's door

**The Editor:**

How wonderful to see the new door on the east side of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. In 2001 we (the session) suggested and approved that this would be an appropriate memorial to the late Rae Monroe. Margaret Johnstone, Bob Geggie and Larry Giles made up the committee chosen to look after this project. It has finally become a reality and a constant reminder of a wonderful person and dedicated member of St. Paul's.

**Anne Cross**
Winchester



The new door on the east side of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church commemorates the late Rae Monroe.
*Press Photo — Duncan*

## Food bank thanks donors at parade

**The Editor:**

I would like to thank the spectators at the Winchester Country Christmas Parade of Lights on Fri., Dec. 3 for their great generosity in filling collection cans for the food bank. In particular, there was one youngster who presented a bag full of change, totalling over $60, that our volunteer was told he had been collecting for several months for the food bank. If I knew his name, I would thank him personally.

Again this year, the parade was a success. The cash donations received amounted to $2,766. This money is shared with the township Christmas fund for the Christmas baskets. Thank you also for the food donations that were placed in the parked vehicle at the main corner and for those collected during the parade.

**Diana Pethick**
Food bank chair

### Your Opinion Counts

The *Press* welcomes letters on subjects of interest to the community. Letters must be signed and include the writer's telephone number. Letters may be edited for length, grammar and libellous statements.




### *Lions love CHEO*

Winchester resident Ryan Williams, 15, is $5,000 closer to his fundraising goal for the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO). After hearing of his project to raise $200,000 to buy a holmium laser for CHEO the Iroquois/Matilda Lions Club decided it was a project they wanted to support. Over the past two years, Williams has raised $45,000. From left: district governor David Voisey, president Paul Robertson, Williams, Lion Barry Fawcett. *Press Photo — Zabel*

## Council notes from South Dundas

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### Hazardous material agreement

WILLIAMSBURG — The township has entered into a hazardous material response agreement with the City of Cornwall. Trained employees of the City of Cornwall will be responsible for any HazMat (hazardous material) emergencies within the township.

### Civil marriage solemnization

Council clerk Brenda Brunt has taken a course on civil marriage solemnization, and asked council to draft a policy stating the township would provide the service. The policy may entail that the clerk delegate the function to a non-township employee, such as a Justice of the Peace, who would perform the ceremony. At this point, council is proceeding to draft a policy on this matter.

### Sewer project

Council is borrowing $3 million in term financing for the water project to update sewer systems in the Morrisburg and Iroquois areas. It is a $16 million-plus project, and the township has already borrowed $5 million.

### Eastern Ontario Development Fund

South Dundas Township received $7,500 after applying for a $10,000 grant from the Eastern Ontario Development Fund, a $10 million initiative from the federal government that promotes rural economic development. The goal of the development fund is to create a more competitive regional economy, and contribute to the development of businesses, jobs and self-reliant communities. The money will be used to form a strategic plan for development within the township.

# Don your mask and glass beads for Mardi Gras in Winchester

WINCHESTER — Celebrate Mardi Gras at the Winchester Arena this Jan. 29. Village merchants are sponsoring a blowout that is planned to include all the color and decadence that makes New Orleans famous. And the party will be all in benefit of Dundas County Hospice.

"In my circle of friends, we've been inundated with people dying of cancer," said Larry Michaud of Lola's Emporium. It was his idea to hold the Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball when these deaths started hitting close to home. "It hit me, let's have a benefit to fight cancer," he said.

Dundas County Hospice was chosen to benefit from the event because care for the dying is often a service that goes overlooked in the bigger picture of the fight against cancer. "They're the last line of defence," said Michaud. The goal is to raise $10,000 for the hospice, and have a great deal of fun doing it.

Michaud promises that the upstairs hall at the arena will be decked out in authentic New Orleans style. The $10 entrance fee includes a mask and a string of Mardi Gras beads. "Everyone has to have a mask, that's the rule," said Michaud.

Guests will then have the opportunity to improve their party-wear at the bead-exchange table. This is the culture of Mardi Gras. The fancier your beads, the more prestige you have at the party. Guests will have the chance to purchase nicer beads, either to wear themselves, or perhaps give to someone they'd like to dance with. Michaud is importing authentic party supplies from Louisiana.

Featured entertainment at the party will be Mumbo Jumbo Voodoo Combo, an Ottawa band well-known after many Bluesfest appearances. "They're easily the best zydeco band around," said Michaud. The band explores the pulsating rhythms and eerie melodies of New Orleans and the bayous of rural Louisiana. Fans of the group claim that audiences just can't stop dancing.

The menu for the evening will include all the cajun specialties. There will be an oyster shucker on hand and crawdads will be served. Expect hot wings and jalapeno peppers. The bar will be open. There will be a tarot card reader and a palm reader. And a crown and anchor table will give people a chance to exercise their gambling talents.

With so many ways to support the hospice, Michaud hopes it will be easy to reach the fundraising goal. A silent auction will be part of the event and village merchants are pitching in items to put up for bids. "A lot of local businesses are supporting this to the hilt," said Michaud. He expects the assistance of the business community will help cover the expenses of the masquerade, and add to the profits.

The master of ceremonies for the evening will be hockey trivia legend Liam McGuire. And at 9 pm, revelers can look down on the rink from the upstairs hall to watch Michaud's hockey club, the Emperors, take on the South Mountain Bootleggers. Tickets are on sale now. For more information or to volunteer for the hospice fundraiser contact Michaud at 774-6076.


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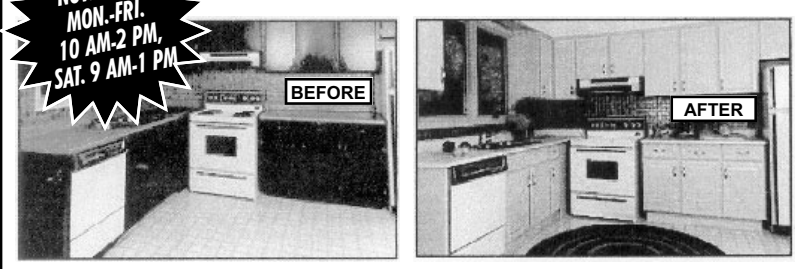


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Adrianne Declaire of Chesterville and Tresa St. Catherine of South Mountain are foods class students in Grade 12 at North Dundas District High School. The school's foods classes made soup from scratch for the fundraising committee's tea and silent auction on Dec. 4.

# Four soups to choose from at high school fundraiser

**by Matt Barbour**

MAPLE RIDGE — The North Dundas District High School fund raising committee held a tea and silent auction on Sat., Dec. 4 to raise money for various school teams, audio-visual equipment, conference fees for students and the fees of visiting speakers.

There were 100 items up for bidding in the silent auction, including a metal art table made by the students. Home baked goods, tulip bulbs and Christmas garlands were also available for purchase. After viewing the auction items, visitors were able to sit down for a meal of soup, sandwiches and dessert. The four varieties of soup were created by Grade 10 and 12 students from the foods classes.

This is the committee's second major fundraising effort of the current school year. About $11,000 worth of cheese was sold in the first campaign. The next fundraiser will take place in the spring, with the sale of popular magazine subscriptions.

The tea and silent auction, held at the high school, coincided with the Homes for the Holidays House Tour. The high school's parent council sponsored the house tour.

## Shepherd Talk

by Rev. Bob Williams

### The destination of faith

There is an object to all the preparation and all the celebrating we do at this time of year.

Our faith is on a journey, seeking a destination. We are not traveling for the sake of sightseeing, any more that were the shepherds, wise ones or the angels. They all had a starting point for their journeys and all had a destination. They all had reasons for leaving where they were and for going to that destination. They all reached their destinations. And they all returned again to their starting places, changed by their trip.

From the first day of Advent with the heralding of the coming of Christ to the world, to His actual birth, and then the visit of the wise ones of the East on Epiphany, the goal is being faithful. In our attempts to do so, we embrace and claim for ourselves the fulfillment of the prophets of old. They exhorted the people of God to follow the spirit of God's love that was embodied in society, which God claimed for himself.

God mandated the holy people and nurtured that holiness through law, prophets, wisdom and institutions such as kingship and temple worship, as well as teaching institutions such as the rabbinical schools. The insistence of God was that they stood fast in their relationship with God, both individually and collectively. In both cases, God demanded justice and fairness, the measure of which was love for God. So says God's word. Any action is to be measured by this yardstick; "Is it loving?"

All this preparation and celebrating is a part of claiming one's rightful share of God's love. Each act reflects one's responsibility for sharing that love with one's self and one's neighbor. Nothing else is expected of you and nothing else is offered as your due. Love and be loved.

The question follows. What are the hallmarks of loving and being loved. The feeling of well being is a part of it. Have a fair share of all that life offers, for each and everyone is a part of it. Look at your life and see if this is the case. If so, celebrate, for you know the full love of God. If not, change.

That is your mandate, your duty and your responsibility. That is the purpose of your accompanying the shepherds and wise men and angels to the manger where Mary and Joseph attended the One who was promised to bring peace on earth and good will among people: Jesus. Don't just stand there looking at him. Listen to his words, for he grew into adulthood, taught and died for you. Accept his salvation into your life and the courage for living that comes only from Him.

Be filled with his spirit and claim the rights that he extends to you. Listen to his spirit and be empowered by the gift that is yours to empower you to fulfill your mandate. Do what the spirit prompts you to do. Don't just be a human being. Be a human doing in Christ's service. Then you can claim to be fully a human being, as Jesus Christ was fully a human being.

The hymn *I Am the Light of the World* has the words, "When the song of the angels is stilled, . . . When the kings and the shepherds have found their way home, the work of Christmas is begun." Shalom.

*This column is provided courtesy of the North Dundas Ministerial Association*



## *Coppertones on tour*

The Coppertones, the SD&G OPP Christmas choir, started making the rounds of community centres to entertain seniors in late November. They were at Maxville Manor on Dec. 6 and today (Dec. 15) they'll be performing at the Park Lane Seniors Support Centre in Williamsburg beginning at 1 pm. The choir, made up of uniform and civilian members of the SD&G detachment, have been entertaining seniors with festive music for the past four years. Call an SD&G OPP office for a performance near you.





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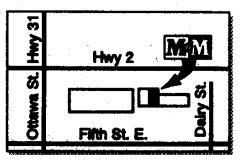


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*"I love what we've done here," said Anne St. Georges. Planning for her new store started just four weeks before the doors were opened to the public for the first time. For the budget conscious gift giver, The Weathervane offers distinctively designed votive candles. The storeowner makes her own beeswax candles.*

# Weathervane brings rustic charm to town

**by Matt Barbour**

WINCHESTER — When asked if there was any one item in her store that she takes pride in presenting, Anne St. Georges quickly responded, "I feel very proud when people come in for the first time and say, 'Wow! Is this ever different! I love the color, it feels very warm in here.'"

St. Georges recently opened her new store on Main Street in Winchester and has called it The Weathervane Interior Accents. She had difficulty pinpointing any single piece of merchandise in her store because she obviously likes everything she sells, from the weathervane-like rooster on the front of her service counter, to the pendulum-powered animated Santa Claus and sleigh.

The Weathervane presents what would be described best as a rustic country flavor. The store offers a wide range of decorative pieces, from unusually designed votive candles, to wall hangings, lamps, quilts and even armoires. Visitors are no doubt impressed by how so much merchandise is so tastefully displayed in such a small area. The Weathervane's floor space is a small 250 square feet. St. Georges, who makes her own beeswax candles, plans to bring in new merchandise every week.

"I love what we've done here," said St. Georges, explaining that the idea to set up shop struck her just four weeks before opening day. She said her veterinarian husband, Derek Fingler, has been very supportive in her retail venture. He did much of the work in preparing the store and looks after their four children when she is in the shop. The children, aged three to eight, can still often be found in the store from time to time, and they readily form a welcoming party when customers arrive.

St. Georges and her husband moved to Winchester four years ago. The inspiration for her new store came from a similar business in the small community of Violet Hill, near Guelph. She said when she was living in Guelph, she found it worth the one-hour drive to go and simply browse through the store. She thanks the owner of that establishment for providing names of suppliers and enough information to help her to get the Weathervane up and running.

St. Georges was a lawyer until eight years ago and although she has had previous retail experience this is her first attempt at running her own store. She feels the response has been very positive. "The biggest thing so far is word of mouth," she said.

# Farmers Night breaks records

METCALFE — There are no words to describe what happened on Nov. 24 at the Metcalfe Lions Den. Record-breaking attendance, excellent auction donations and superb auctioneers were the highlights of the annual Farmers Night.

The evening started with a great meal by the Osgoode Care Centre followed with speaker Liam McGuire, stumping the group with sports trivia. The auction was conducted by Stewart and Erin James. I'm sure it had something to do with a pretty, young lady auctioneer but we broke the bank with over $7,000 in the end. Amazing!

Thanks to the same old rivals, and even some new ones, the auction was a great deal of fun. The ladies even got into the bidding matches. Food items where bought and donated to the food bank, and a glider rocker was bought and donated to the Township of Osgoode Care Centre.

A special thanks was extended to Lion Earl Maash and Laura Harvey who got pulled into helping at the last minute. The club can't thank you all enough for all the hard work and dedication provided for the Lions. The money raised will go to our yearly pledge of $5,000 to TOCC and Winchester District Memorial Hospital.

President Helen Porteous presented Stewart James with an honorary membership to the Metcalfe Lions for all his hard work to make the annual Farmers Night happen. If he is unable to handle this honor, Erin and Stewart Jr. can fill in anytime.



## *Covered in cardinals*

Members of the North Dundas Leos Club made a fleece blanket and then sold raffle tickets for it as a club fundraiser. About 18 club members participated in the project. Tickets were on sale at the Winchester Lions Club during the Parade of Lights ham and beans supper (Dec. 3). The blanket was made by Jill Van Der Veen, Kaitlin Beckstead, Steph Servage and Kerri Taylor. They got a deal on the material from Flair with Fabrics in Chesterville. *Press Photo — Zabel*

# NPS awarded research grant

SOUTH MOUNTAIN — Nationview Public School is pleased to have been awarded an action research grant from the Ministry of Education's Student Success initiative. Nationview is using the grant to develop an innovative program called Elementary Workplace Foundations, which is designed to promote literacy, numeracy, workplace and life skills within the real world, and workplace contexts. The program will also increase students' awareness of the skilled trades as a viable and rewarding pathway to post-secondary employment.

Three lucky Nationview students: Erin Elliot, Grade 4; Travis Faith, Grade 5; and Santanna Shortt, Grade 6, were able to participate in an exciting puppet-making workshop. Noreen Young, a highly accomplished puppet designer for television, led the students through the process involved in creating a puppet that they could take back to their school. Check out these wonderful creations on the Upper Canada District School Board gifted website.

Nationview also implemented another innovative program, the Family Literacy Program, which was a wonderful success thanks to the great efforts of teacher Karen Hill who organized literacy enhancing activities for children and parents to work on together.

Nationview also participated in the Banish Bullying by Caring workshop, presented by Ontario Public Health Association on Nov. 4 at the Cornwall Legion. A group of retired educators plus peer helpers from Tagwai Secondary School used practical and drama activities to examine bullying situations that some students may face on a daily basis. The group looked at the different roles involved (bully, bystander, victim), the types of bullying (social, emotional, physical), and ways to deal with all types of situations in a variety of settings. Each student received a handbook and was encouraged to make a presentation to his or her class on bullying-reduction strategies. According to student services teacher Leeann Chamberlain, it was a day well spent.

The primary and junior students are helping with the annual Brown Bag Campaign organized by North Dundas District High School's Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving chapter. The students are completing artwork that will be placed on LCBO bags as a reminder not to drink and drive. This helping spirit extends to the school's Christmas Food Drive in which students and staff bring in food items to be given to the House of Lazarus. Thanks to all who have donated and to Erinn Rooney who co-ordinated the school's efforts. Also special thanks to Angie Thompson and her Grade 7 class, whose civic efforts resulted in a generous donation to Winchester District Memorial Hospital's Renewing the Vision Campaign.

Lastly, congratulations to the senior girls and boys volleyball teams who have earned their way to the Tournament of Champions. The girls team has won three tournaments including the regional tournament, which was held at Seaway District High School. The boys team has won two tournaments including the regional tournament held at NDDHS. Both teams are coached by Gina Reid and Chrystal McAlear, who are proud not only of the teams' accomplishments, but of their sportsmanship and team play. The school recently held a pep rally to congratulate the teams and to wish them luck in the championship round.




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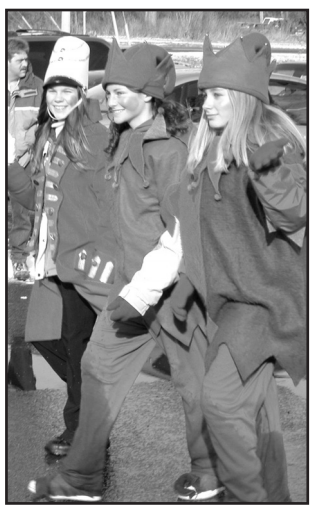
Dressed in period costumes, members of the King's Royal Regiment of New York paused periodically during the Morrisburg Santa Claus Parade to fire their muskets in the same manner as the original regiment would have in the 1770s. Putting on a similar performance was the Brockville Infantry Company.



Among those marching in the Morrisburg Santa Claus Parade on Dec. 4 were the Nutcracker and two elves, from left, Sierra Gillard, Jenna Shay, both of Morrisburg and Brittany Lalonde of Iroquois.

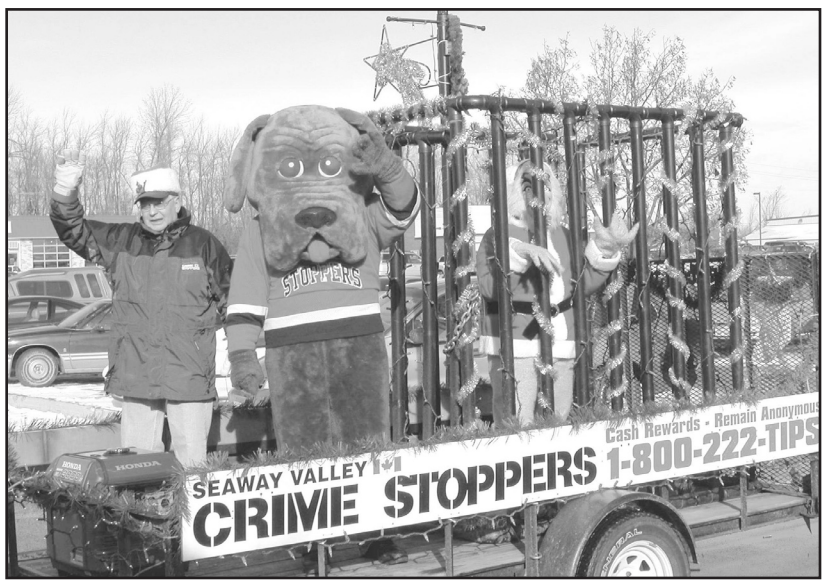
# Santa Claus Parade tours Morrisburg

MORRISBURG — Thanks to Crime Stoppers, the Grinch was found and placed behind bars. His cell was mounted on a float and given a prominent position near the front of the annual Morrisburg Santa Claus Parade on Sat., Dec. 4. Thus, spectators were assured that they could relax and enjoy the event.

With siren bursts from three fire trucks up front, five marching bands and close to 40 floats wound their way through the residential area south of the Morrisburg fire hall. The parade drew participants from a wide area. One of the marching bands, from the Royal West Academy, came up from Montreal for the occasion. And a member of the Brockville Infantry Company came from Bath, west of Kingston.

The procession ran its course under sunny skies. Despite a strong breeze that provided a bit of a wind chill, most of the participants and those watching were happy that the weather was co-operative.

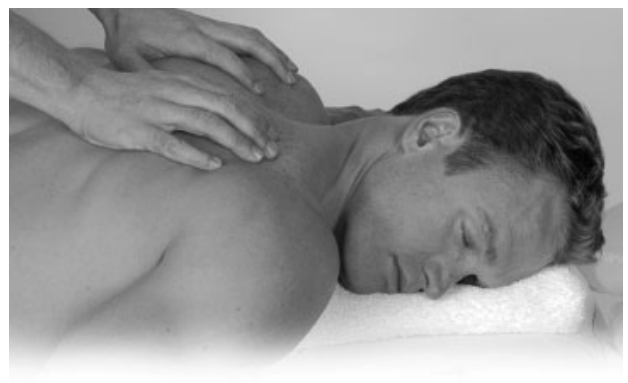
"This is the best weather we've had in a long time," said George Davies, a parade organizer. Davies has been helping plan the Morrisburg Santa Parade for the past 12 years. "I've been involved with parades since I could walk," he said.




Crime Stoppers managed to capture the Grinch just in time and place him behind bars. The Grinch's cell was given a prominent position on a float near the front of the parade, so spectators knew they could relax and enjoy themselves.



After all the music and fanfare of the parade, the celebrity everyone had been waiting for appeared. *Photos — Barbour*

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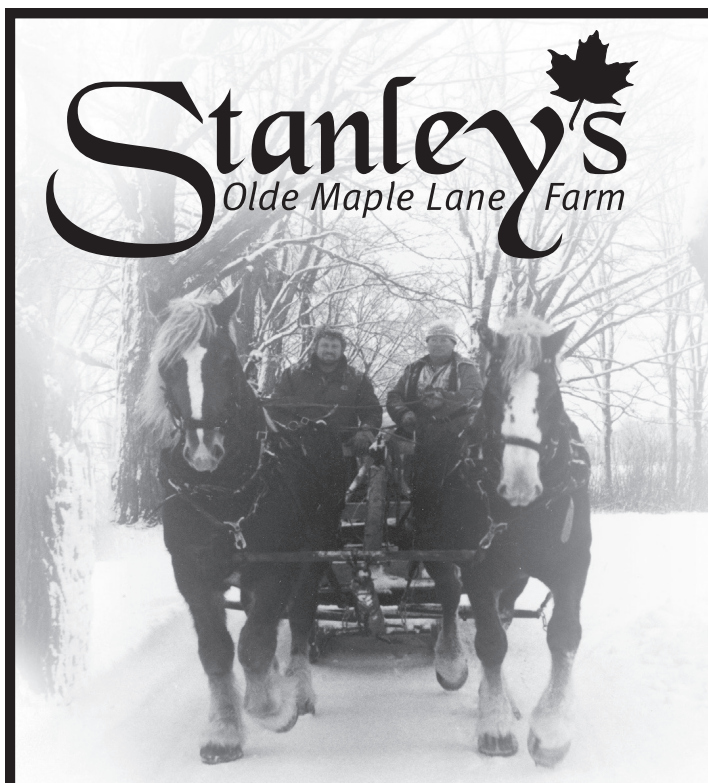

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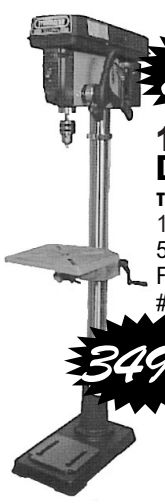

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Gilles Quesnel (left) accepts the Eastern Valley Soil and Crop Award of Merit from Norm Tinkler. The award recognizes individuals who make contributions to the welfare of agriculture in their community. *Press Photo – Zabel*

# Quesnel gets Eastern Valley Soil Crop award

WINCHESTER — Winchester resident Gilles Quesnel is the recipient of the 2004 Eastern Valley Soil and Crop Award of Merit.

The award honors individuals who have shown concern and make contributions to the welfare of agriculture within their community.

Quesnel was raised on a dairy farm in eastern Ontario, and has worked on a tobacco farm and a vegetable farm.

He is a graduate of the University of Guelph and holds a Bachelor of Science in agriculture, where he majored in plant protection.

In 1981, a year after graduation, Quesnel joined the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food as assistant agricultural representative, and would later go on to become the farm management specialist in the Timiskaming district.

It was in 1984 that Quesnel accepted the job of soil and crop specialist in Kemptville, which carried him through to 2000 when he took the position of field crop integrated pest management specialist.

Quesnel has also been secretary of the Eastern Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association at different times throughout his career.

He is presently a member of the Ontario Weed Committee and the Ontario Field Crop Protection Subcommittee.

He has lived in Winchester for 20 years, with his wife Donna and three children, Chantal, Danielle and Alex.

# VandenBergs receive highest honor

CHESTERVILLE — The Eric Casselman Award is presented annually to a Dundas County farmer or farm family based on their achievements as farmers and as leaders in their farm community. The Dundas Federation of Agriculture, in co-operation with the Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association (DSCIA), selected Brian and Lis VandenBerg of Winchester as this year's recipients.

The award was presented at the DSCIA annual meeting held at the Chesterville Legion on Dec. 9. The award has been presented since 1966 in honor of the late Eric Casselman of Chesterville, who was a dedicated leader in the Dundas farming community.

Brian and Elisabeth VandenBerg started farming 20 years ago in the spring of 1984 with humble beginnings. They started on a rented dairy farm near Newcastle, purchasing quota, cattle and machinery. In the spring of 1992 they purchased a 200-acre dairy farm west of Winchester, on County Road 43, from Don and Eunice Johnston. They purchased an additional 62 acres of adjacent land in 2001, which subsequently has been tiled and cropped.

Gradually, Brian and Lis have increased their quota holdings and are now milking 40 cows in a tie-stall barn. They have installed pasture mats and tunnel ventilation for cow comfort and use a solid manure system. Their rolling herd average BCA stands at 215-217-214. They feed a balanced ration of haylage, corn silage, and high-moisture corn supplement mixed by a TMR feed cart. They work closely with their veterinarian, Dr. Henry Ceelen, and local feed representatives in balancing rations and maintaining herd health.

Brain and Lis have four children. The eldest, Michael, is in his second year at Durham College talking the sports business management program. Katrina is in Grade 12 at Redeemer Christian High School (RCHS) in Ottawa and is in the process of applying to university for a degree in education. Erika is in Grade 10 at RCHS and keeps busy with her love of horses. Jeremy is in Grade 6 at Timothy Christian School in Williamsburg and enjoys farm projects, such as raising chickens and garden crops. All of the children have been or are involved in Dundas County 4-H program.

Recently, Brian and Lis have been appointed to the Purina leaders council. Brian is currently serving as chair of the peer review committee for the Environmental Farm Plan. He has also participated for several years in the Forage Master competition, winning twice.




Brian VandenBurg (left) received the Eric Casselman Award at the DSCIA annual meeting in Chesterville on Dec. 9. The award was presented by South Mountain farmer Stephen Mellon. *Press Photo — Zabel*

The VandenBergs are active volunteers in their church and community. Brian is serving as president of the local Christian farmers organization and has had opportunities to meet with government officials from time to time. As a highlight this past spring, he was invited to a round-table discussion with Prime Minister Paul Martin to discuss the effects of BSE in the farming community. Brian has served as a board member for Christian schools and on his church council. Also, he currently serves as a director for the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association.

Apart from farm and family, Lis keeps busy with community involvement. She volunteers in the church teaching Sunday school and is a counsellor for the girls club. She has served on the education committee for the high school and shares her catering abilities in many fundraising ventures at Timothy Christian School.

Brian, Lis and their family try to maintain a positive outlook on agriculture. There are always things you can change and those you cannot.

They strive to do their best to work with the changes they can control and hope for the best with the variables they cannot change. It has been an important part of their philosophy to manage the soil on their farm wisely and be good stewards of the land, on which their livelihood depends.

# Top conservationists selected

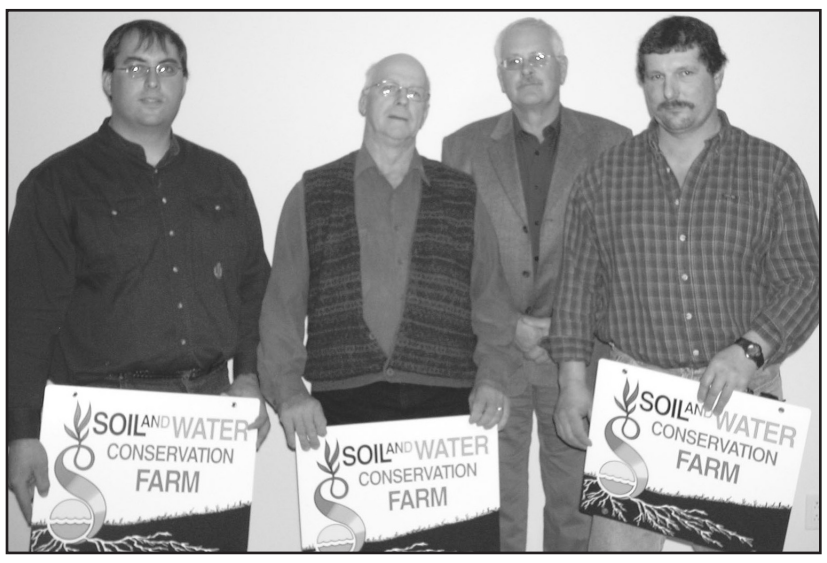
CHESTERVILLE — The Dundas Soil and Crop Improvement Association (DSCIA) distributed this year's Water and Soil Conservation Awards at its annual general meeting on Dec. 9. Three awards were presented at the Chesterville Legion day-long event.

Thurler Farms was recognized. Nick and Oliver Thurler farm a large dairy and cash crop farm in South Dundas. Soil sampling is done as well as a crop rotation of corn-soybeans-corn with some forages for their dairy herd. They use minimum and/or no-till as well as deep-ripping come fall. With their large dairy herd, they made good use of the manure by spreading in the fall and spring, all of which leads to successful cropping.

Herman and Alen Devries were awarded for their conservation efforts. They have a dairy and cash crop farm in South Dundas. Soil sampling is done on a regular basis. They have started to no-till beans into corn for the past three years. The rest of their ground is chisel plowed. The crop rotation is corn off sod, and/or barley stubble-soybeans-barley/direct seeding. Manure is spread on barley stubble and chiseled in. They maintain grass buffer strips around all fields. This way they are able to achieve good crops.

And Denzil and Graham Duke were recognized. They farm a combination of dairy, feedlot, pigs and cash crop in North Dundas. Manure is spread in spring and fall on soybean ground, which is then chiselled in. They use minimum-till for spring planting of corn and under-seeded barley. Their soybeans are no-tilled into corn stubble. They have been doing this for four years. They used to plow everything. They soil test and follow a rotation of corn-soybeans-corn or barley under-seeded as needed. They have been happy with the resulting crops.

The purpose of this award is to recognize, reward and acknowledge farmers who practice excellent soil and water management on their farms, as well as provide a high profile to the basic principles of conservation.




Winners of the Water and Soil Conservation Awards distributed by the DSCIA received signs they can post roadside in front of their operations. From left: Graham Duke, Herman Devries, DSCIA president John Roosendaal, and Nick Thurler. *Press Photo — Zabel*

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Braden Hunt (above) carried the puck in the Pee Wee "B" House 2-1 victory over Osgoode Rideau Sunday (Dec. 12) morning. A member of the Pee Wee "C" House Demons celebrates (centre) his team's winning goal in Saturday's (Dec. 11) 2-1 "B" Division victory over the Kemptville Panthers. North Dundas No. 1 Bantam "C" Demons defenceman Jordan Holmes (#4) at work in his team's 6-1 (Dec. 11) win over Gananoque. Press Photos — Van Bridger

# Demons capture four "A" titles in 2004 Mega Tourney

WINCHESTER — Captain Matt Holmes put the exclamation mark on an outstanding effort by the North Dundas Demon teams entered in the 2004 Guildcrest Homes Mega House Tournament when he scored the game-deciding shootout goal in the final game of the 54-game event.

Holmes cracked in his penalty-shot marker in the Midget "B" House "A" championship game Sunday (Dec. 12) afternoon to hand his North Dundas team the tourney title in a 4-3 victory over the Gananoque Islanders.

North Dundas' Midget "B" title was the fourth of the four-day competition for the host North Dundas Minor Hockey Association, which entered eight teams. In total those eight squads of Demons won 19, lost three and tied one game in the 32-team competition.

The Atom "B", Bantam "B", Bantam "C" No. 1 and Midget "B" House teams all captured "A" division championship trophies.

The Pee Wee "C" and Bantam No. 2 "C" Demons took home "B" division silverware.

Two teams made it into their division "A" finals and finished as runners-up. The Atom "C" House Demons won their first two games only to be shutout 2-0 by Rockland in their "A" final. The North Dundas Pee Wee "B" House squad made into the "A" final in their bracket only to suffer a 5-1 defeat at the hands of the Char-Lan Rebels.

The competition was chaired by NDMHA tournament director Dawna Whitehead who was supported by a staff of fellow minor hockey executives and volunteer parents.

**"A" CHAMPIONS**

ATOM "B" — Backed by the stellar goaltending of Ryan Embury and Colin Giberson the Atom "B" House Demons outscored the opposition 18-3 in three games as they claimed their divisional title. They opened with a 3-0 win over South Stormont on Dec. 10 getting goals from Aaron Burns, Colton Stitt and Victor Delage. Zachary Sloane (3), Burns (2), Delage (2), Nicholas Read, Craig Christophersen, Francis Lebrun and Alex Porteous score in the Demons 11-0 win over Gananoque on Dec. 11. Sloane used a pass provided by Lebrun to count the winning goal in Sunday's (Dec. 12) 4-3 "A" championship win over Kemptville. Sloane (2), and Mitchell Kirkwood counted the other goals.

BANTAM "B" — Solid goaltending was also the key to the success of the Bantam "B" Demons winning their "A" trophy. The champs outscored their opposition 17-2 in three games. Erik Hutten blanked Russell 7-0 before he defeated Almonte 3-1 and then the NGS Braves 7-1 in the "A" final. Chris Embury scored twice and drew four assists in the final game. Nolan Winter (2), Luc Cayer, Brandon Buma and Rod Monteith added the other markers. Monteith, Cayer and Sheldon Myers connected against Almonte. Winter (2), Brandon Buma, Brett Baker, Chris Embury, Cayer and Montieth scored against Russell.

BANTAM "C" — Goaltender Joey Kenney was stellar for the Bantam No. 1 as they outgunned their opponents 14-3 on their way to becoming the Bantam "C" House "A" champions.

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## Teams set for 30th annual Jr. "B" Boxing Day tourney

WESTPORT — Junior hockey fans will be able to get their "live" Christmas hockey fix in Westport.

Teams eligible to compete for the Cy Easterbrook Trophy have been named and the opening-round schedule finalized for the 2004 Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League Boxing Day Tournament.

The Westport Rideaus of the Rideau Division are hosting the 30th edition of the eight-team competition slated for the Westport Arena on Sun., Dec. 26.

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# Hawks waxed twice, polished off by Glens and 73s

WINCHESTER — It was truly a lost weekend for the Winchester Hawks. For the first time the St. Lawrence Division team failed to produce at least a point in a weekend of work.

The two-game debacle started at home Saturday (Dec. 11) night when the first-place Alexandria Glens arrived with just a dozen skaters, including two affiliates, and breezed to a convincing 8-3 victory.

Sunday night (Dec. 12) in Kemptville the hard-charging 73s won for the ninth consecutive time, handing the Hawks their lunch wrapped in an 8-2 pounding.

"That was our worst weekend yet. Saturday's game was terrible. The guys showed no effort, no heart," said Hawks general manager Craig "J.B." Smith. "Alexandria came with 12 players. A little effort and we might have won."

Their non-productive slate lowered the Hawks Rideau St. Lawrence Junior "B" Hockey League record to 13-11-2-2. With 30 points, the Hawks stand three points behind second place Kemptville 73s (16-7-1-0) and seven back of the first-place Alexandria Glens (18-8-0-1).

"Humiliated and ashamed is how I would sum it up," offered Hawks head coach Dale Murdoch. "The Glens were short handed and beat us handily. We were in the Kemptville game for two and a half periods. And you can always make excuses — like we didn't have Stephen Owens, Steve Swan and Tyler Bond, or we had a goal disallowed, and rightly so. But the fact is we didn't play a complete game."

Murdoch said the club did give a better effort in Kemptville but stressed that there was absolutely none given against the Glens. "No Langevin (Simon) and no Brisson (Louis). Nobody in your face. All we had to do is go out and play disciplined hockey. We didn't.

Murdoch and his staff now are faced with hosting the Rideau Division's second-place Brockville Tikis (20-5-1-1) here on Friday (Dec. 17) before going to Gananoque to meet the Islanders (16-12-0-1) on Sunday (Dec. 19). On Tues., Dec. 21 they are in Westport to tangle with the Rideaus (10-16-1-0) in their final game before Christmas.

Murdoch put a positive spin on the recent proceedings. "I always say, play hockey in the present don't think about the past. Every Junior "B" team will get beat up badly every once in a while. Unfortunately we got our two worst beatings in one weekend."

The coach also noted the positive is that the Hawks are still in third place, three points behind Kemptville and two up on Akwesasne (13-14-1-1). And they now hold a game in hand on the Wolves.

**GLENS 8 - HAWKS 3**

Two former members of the Hawks, goaltender Michel Bouchard and forward Marc Andre Fournier, figured in Saturday's win in Winchester.

Bouchard posted the win and has yet to lose to his old mates while Fournier bagged one of the eight Alexandria goals. Jami Jean Louis (2), Mathieu Desnoyer (2), Julien Mcabbee, Chris VanOverbeek and Chris Miffien cracked in the others as the Glens led 2-0 after 20 minutes and 6-1 after two periods.

Stephen Swan (15th), Darren Trenholm (26th) and Alain Michaud (5th) replied for the Hawks. Shawn Smail, Nik Paas, Travis Armstrong, Swan and Trenholm picked up assists. John Thorton got the start, gave up five goals and got the hook. Tyler Bond finished up and surrendered the last three.

The Glens drew eight and the Hawks 10 penalties.

**KEMPTVILLE HOT**

Kemptville continued to stomp on the opposition belting the Hawks 8-2 for their ninth consecutive victory.

Powerplay goals by Tyler Rasa and Codie Grant and an even-strength tally by B.J. Smelser put the 73s up 3-1 after 20 minutes. Bruce Hamelin (12th) counted the Hawks goal, scoring from Denis Gauthier at 13:55.

It was 5-2 after two stanzas. Smelser and Ross Piaskoski scored for the 73s while Shawn Smail (14th) finished off a play started by Gauthier and Trenholm to keep the Hawks close.

Anthony Rocheleau (PPG), Brandon Byrd and Manny Horvath notched Kemptville's third-period markers. Matt Baribeau stopped 29 shots for the win. John Thorton stopped 30 shots working the Hawks' cage.

Winchester was assessed eight and Kemptville six penalties.

# Patterson, Kekanovich lead Devils to opening victories

ALEXANDRIA — Ryan Patterson and Jesse Kekanovich hit double digits leading the North Dundas District High School Devils to SD&G boys high school basketball victories over the host Glengarry District Gaels on the opening day of the 2004-05 campaign.

Patterson dialled in from three-point range and drained five treys in the Senior Devils 43-26 victory over the Gaels. In the other half of the Dec. 6 twin bill, Kekanovich came through with 10 points in his junior debut which finished as a 36-33 win for the little Devils.

North Dundas' home opener against the Tagwi Warriors slated for Dec. 9 was postponed.

Powered by Patterson's perimeter game Brad Holland's Senior Devils opened up period leads of 12-5, 24-12 and 31-15 before finishing with a 43-26 verdict.

Holland, returning for another season with the seniors, has the benefit of working with eight returnees including Patterson, Blain Moran, Mitch Hermansen, Josh Pepin, Chad Hansen, Matt Holmes, Catlin Boyer and Kyle Young. Colin "Soup" Campbell, Colin Hickman and Joe Mayette have moved up from last year's junior squad while veterans Brentley Summers and Grant Hillis round out the roster.

"We have eight people back so we have been able to run the same offence as last year. We took a pretty good lead on Glengarry so we got everyone into the game, which was nice," explained Holland.

Hermansen, Pepin and Holmes knocked down a pair of buckets each in the opening quarter as the Senior Devils grabbed a 12-5 lead on the Gaels. Patterson nailed his first two shots from the rim while Blain Moran drained four and Holmes a deuce in the second period as the Devils opened up a 24-12 lead.

The third quarter was a low-scoring affair with the Devils getting five from Patterson and a pair from Moran while the Gaels managed just three by Karl MacDonell. North Dundas went into the final frame leading 31-15.

Glengarry rallied in the final quarter and outscored the visitors 11-9, thanks in part to a pair of three pointers by Jason MacDonald, but came up well short at 43-26. Patterson swished his final two treys and a field goal to complete his 19-point game. Moran put down two and finished with eight points. Joe Mayette laid in the other deuce to complete the scoring.

**JUNIOR DEVILS**

After he guided the junior girls to an undefeated season and into the SD&G "AA" championship this fall, Peter Onstein has taken on the task of coaching the junior boys squad.

Onstein said he is starting a ground zero having only two players with junior experience, Phil Juthman and Braydon McNeill, in his line up. Ryan Picco, Nic Lewis, Trevor Ashby, Adam Schofield, Ryan Lynch, Ben Clarke, Nolan Winter, James Cutler and Kekanovich are the new additions to the Junior Devils.

Onstein reported his team was very passive through the first three quarters of the game and it cost them.

"We trailed for most of the game. We were down by nine points before we went into the zone, got aggressive and put things together. Nic Lewis (2) and Phil Jutman (1) hit free throws in the dying seconds to seal the victory," said the coach.

Kekanovich led the offence hooping 10 points. Nolan Winter was next with six. Juthman, Lewis, Ashby, Lynch and Clarke also hit the score sheet.



***Zone final***

North Dundas District High School's Gore Mutual School Boy representative in the girls Zone 1 final skipped by Kelsey Erwin opened with a loss to St. Mary's at 9 am on Tues., Dec. 14 at the Winchester Curling Club. The Zone winner will advance to the Regional playdown in Ottawa Jan. 28-29. Lead Gina Porteous delivered the first rock for sweepers Sam Behm (left) and Ainsley Glassford. The loss dropped NDDHS into the "B" final where a win would still put them the Regionals. *Press Photo — Van Bridger*

# Bantam Demons on a roll, move above 500 mark

WINCHESTER — Philip Duncan scored the winner and captain Jordan Barkley supplied four points as the North Dundas Bantam "B" Demons axed the visiting Akwesasne Attack 6-4 and moved one game above the 500 mark.

North Dundas led the Dec. 8 Upper Canada Minor Hockey League contest 2-0 after a period on goals by Barkley and Ryan McRae and went ahead 3-1 in the second on an Ethan Van Koppen marker.

Akwesasne rallied in the final frame banging in three goals but the Demons cracked in three of their own, one by Michael Cross into an empty net with seven seconds left on the clock, to ice the 6-4 victory.

The win extended North Dundas' winning string to four games (3-0-1) and improved their overall record to 6-5-2.

"The boys are improving every game. Maybe they are starting to get into shape. We just have 12 skaters so everyone has to work hard for 60 minutes," noted coach Terry Barkley. "Hopefully they can keep it going."

Barkley, Duncan and Cross netted the final three markers. Barkley (2), Taylor Johnston, VanKoppen, Tyler Jones and Zach Peters picked up the assists. Todd Lynch posted the win.

Clint Martin hit for three of the Akwesasne goals.

**DEMONS 7 - LIONS 4**

Philip Duncan potted a pair of goals on Dec. 6 in Morrisburg, leading the Demons to a 7-4 decision over the South Dundas Lions.

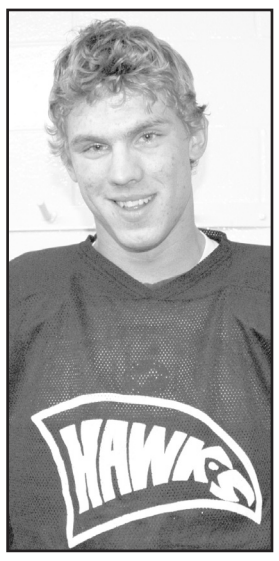
North Dundas got off to another quick start thanks to first-period goals by Cross, Barkley and Justin Hanes. They led 3-0 after a period and 4-3 after 40 minutes.

Duncan cashed in his second marker at 5:01 of period two and scored again at 2:35 of the final frame. McRae and Jones also dented twine in the third period.

Peters (2), Matt VanDelst (2), Duncan, McRae, Barkley, Van Koppen Jones and Johnston all earned assists. Lynch was the winning goaltender.

Chris Tindal (3) and Andre Menges were the Lion goal-getters.

## Meet the HAWKS



### No. 19, Captain Nik Paas

Nik Paas is the 2004-05 captain of the Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks. The 20-year-old forward has set the offensive pace for the team leading the St. Lawrence Division in scoring for most of the season. Currently he has recorded 22 goals, 32 assists and 54 points. In his rookie season with the Hawks (2002-03) he finished third in team scoring with 23 goals, 32 assists and 55 points. The 6'2", 200-pound forward played his minor hockey with the North Dundas Association. In 2003-04 he was a member of the Smiths Falls Jr. "A" Bears. The Inkerman native wears jersey #19.
*Press Photo — Van Bridger*

# Mega tourney

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Ian Henderson (2), Steven Grove, Grant Boyce and Nathan Crump connected for the goals in the 5-1 championship win over Kemptville. Henderson, Harrison Dustan and Michael Needham found the net in a 3-1 win over South Grenville. A 6-1 decision against Gananoque put the Demons into the "A" final. Needham, Dustan and Henderson all scored two times in that game. Henderson and Needham also picked up a pair of assists.

MIDGET "B" — Gananoque supplied the opposition in two of three games the Midget "B" Demons played. And on both occasions the locals edged the Islanders by 4-3 counts. Captain Matt Holmes provided the heroics in the "A" final Sunday afternoon breaking a 3-3 tie with his shootout-goal. Jonathon Sloane, Carl Tuck and Spencer Derue counted the regulation time goals in the "A" showdown. Ryan Picco, Sloane and Holmes were the goal getters in the 3-1 win over NGS. Holmes pegged a pair of goals, including the game winner with 4:41 left on the clock in the Demons first win over Gananoque on Dec. 9. Sloane and Branden Young also dented twine in that game. Donnie Volrath and Tyler Johnson shared the goaltending chores.

**TOURNEY TALES**

Rockland claimed the Atom "C" House "A" title blanking North Dundas 2-0 in the last game.

The Char-Lan Rebels dumped the North Dundas Demons 5-1 in the Pee Wee "B" House "A" showdown.

Casselman claimed the Pee Wee "C" House "A" championship edging South Dundas 3-2.

# Boxing Day

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The host Rideaus are the only under-500 team playing in the competition which gets under way at 9 am with the St. Lawrence Division Kemptville 73s (16-7-1-0) taking on the Valley Division-leading Perth Blue Wings (13-8-2-1).

A pair of powerful squads will be featured in the 10:30 am match as the Rideau Division-leading South Grenville Rangers (22-3-2-0) tangle with the third-place South Ottawa Canadians (14-4-0-4) of the Metro Division.

The home town Rideaus are slated for game three at 12:30 pm when they will meet the top team in the Metro Division, the Ottawa West Golden Knights (19-4-1-1).

Game four at 2 pm will pit the second-place team in the Valley Division, the Arnprior Packers (13-11-1-0) against the St. Lawrence Division's top team, the Alexandria Glens (18-8-0-1).

The elimination games are set for 4 pm (winner of game one vs. winner of game two) and 5:30 pm (winner of game three vs. winner of game four). The two remaining winners will play in the championship match at 8 pm.

Carleton Place played host to the 2003 tournament, won by the Kemptville 73s who defeated the Metcalfe Jets in the final.

Advance tickets are $10 and are available by calling 613-273-7896. Admission price at the door is $12.

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# Sports Scoreboard

### Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League
**Rideau - St. Lawrence Division**

**RECENT RESULTS:**
**Dec. 8:** Brockville 6 - Westport 1
**Dec. 10:** Athens at Westport PPD
Alexandria 8 - Akwesasne 5
Char-Lan at Morrisburg PPD
**Dec. 11:** South Grenville 3 - Brockville 2
Gananoque 8 - Athens 7
Akwesasne 5 - Morrisburg 2
Alexandria 8 - Winchester 3
**Dec. 12:** Kemptville 8 - Winchester 2
South Grenville 5 - Gananoque 4
Brockville 5 - Akwesasne 2
Westport at Char-Lan PPD

**STANDINGS:**

| Rideau: | W | L | T | GF | GA | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| S. Grenville | 22 | 3 | 2 | 154 | 68 | 46 |
| Brockville | 20 | 5 | 1 | 127 | 80 | 42 |
| Gananoque | 16 | 12 | 0 | 147 | 127 | 33 |
| Westport | 10 | 16 | 0 | 113 | 140 | 21 |
| Athens | 3 | 24 | 0 | 71 | 168 | 7 |
| **St. Lawrence:** | **W** | **L** | **T** | **GF** | **GA** | **PTS** |
| Alexandria | 18 | 8 | 0 | 113 | 95 | 37 |
| Kemptville | 16 | 7 | 1 | 123 | 86 | 33 |
| Winchester | 13 | 11 | 2 | 132 | 125 | 30 |
| Akwesasne | 13 | 14 | 1 | 123 | 121 | 28 |
| Char-Lan | 10 | 12 | 1 | 93 | 93 | 21 |
| Morrisburg | 5 | 21 | 0 | 96 | 154 | 12 |

*Teams losing in OT receive one point

| TOP SCORERS: | G | A | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Rideau Division:** | | | |
| Tom Dickson, Gan. | 28 | 32 | 60 |
| Matt Steele, West. | 23 | 23 | 46 |
| Derek Rupert, SG | 18 | 26 | 44 |
| Lenny Horst, Gan. | 22 | 20 | 42 |
| Chris Easton, Gan. | 17 | 22 | 39 |
| Steve Biscaro, West. | 18 | 19 | 37 |
| Bill Donaldson, West. | 16 | 18 | 34 |
| David Lunn, SG | 14 | 19 | 33 |
| Kurt Keyes, Gan. | 6 | 26 | 32 |
| **St. Lawrence Division:** | **G** | **A** | **PTS** |
| Nik Paas, Win. | 22 | 32 | 54 |
| Darren Trenholm, Win. | 26 | 25 | 51 |
| Patrice Brunet, Alex. | 19 | 31 | 50 |
| Dylan Gravely, Akw. | 13 | 36 | 49 |
| Stephen Swan, Win. | 15 | 30 | 45 |
| Tyler Rasa, Kempt. | 15 | 29 | 44 |
| Drew Baker, Akw. | 22 | 19 | 41 |
| Ross Piaskoski, Kemp. | 19 | 22 | 42 |
| B.J. Smelser, Kemp. | 16 | 19 | 35 |

### Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

**RECENT RESULTS:**
**Dec. 12:**
**No Games scheduled due to NDMHA -- Guildcrest Homes Mega Tournament**

| STANDINGS: | W | L | T | GF | GA | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gold Diggers | 6 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 6 | 14 |
| D.B. Stylists | 5 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 12 |
| Ryan's Reds | 5 | 3 | 1 | 19 | 15 | 11 |
| Andy's Maroons | 2 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 15 | 7 |
| Annable's Blues | 1 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 21 | 5 |
| Stewart Classics | 0 | 4 | 5 | 11 | 18 | 5 |

| TOP SCORERS: | G | A | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cheryl Hamilton, RR | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Sandy Roy, GD | 10 | 3 | 13 |
| Laura McDonell, GD | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| G. Smith-Rutley, GD | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| Karla Marshall, AF | 5 | 2 | 7 |
| Maggie Stewart, SC | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Amy Fraser, DB | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Julie Cyr, Reds | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| Janice Casselman, AF | 1 | 5 | 6 |
| Stacey Van Boxtel,RR | 1 | 5 | 6 |

### Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League
**Metro Division**

**RECENT RESULTS:**
**Dec. 7:** Ottawa West 8 - South Ottawa 3
**Dec. 9:** Metcalfe 4 - Ottawa West 3
**Dec. 10:** Metcalfe 3 - Gatineau 2 OT
Carleton Place 7 - Arnprior 5
Renfrew 5 - Stittsville 4
Perth 10 - Shawville 1
**Dec. 12:** Metcalfe 4 - Arnprior 2
Stittsville 3 - Shawville 1
Renfrew 5 - Carleton Place 3
Gatineau 5 - Clarence Creek 4

| STANDINGS: | W | L | T | GF | GA | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ottawa West | 19 | 4 | 1 | 124 | 72 | 40 |
| Metcalfe | 17 | 7 | 0 | 121 | 81 | 34 |
| South Ottawa | 14 | 4 | 0 | 128 | 93 | 32 |
| Gatineau | 11 | 15 | 1 | 105 | 165 | 25 |
| Clarence Creek | 10 | 12 | 2 | 125 | 114 | 24 |

*Teams losing in OT receive one point

| METRO TOP SCORERS: | G | A | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maxime Quesnel, Gat. | 22 | 25 | 47 |
| Mike Berry, OW | 18 | 28 | 46 |
| Mike Wallace, OW | 16 | 29 | 45 |
| Sam Majic, OW | 22 | 22 | 44 |
| Mike Cerilli, Met. | 14 | 26 | 40 |
| Pierre Chenier, Gat. | 16 | 22 | 38 |
| Cory Thibaudeau, SO | 13 | 24 | 37 |
| Martin Paquette, CC | 15 | 21 | 36 |
| Scott Pitt, SO | 15 | 20 | 35 |
| Shawn Godbout, SO | 22 | 10 | 32 |

### Winchester Town Hockey League

**RECENT RESULTS:**
**Dec. 7:**
Ben's Rangers 1 - Boyd Rams 0 (default)
Winchester Flyers 7 - C.K. Cyclones 4

| STANDINGS: | W | L | T | GF | GA | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ben's Rangers | 8 | 2 | 0 | 36 | 31 | 16 |
| Winchester Flyers | 5 | 4 | 1 | 40 | 37 | 11 |
| C.K. Cyclones | 3 | 6 | 1 | 47 | 49 | 7 |
| Boyd Rams | 3 | 7 | 0 | 39 | 43 | 6 |

| TOP SCORERS: | G | A | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| ***Note: Stats for first two games N/A** | | | |
| Craig Holmes, Cyclones | 9 | 6 | 15 |
| Scott Baldwin, Rangers | 8 | 6 | 14 |
| Wes Cory, Flyers | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Al Christophersen, Rangers | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Adam Spirk, Rams | 5 | 7 | 12 |
| Chad Brownlee, Rams | 8 | 3 | 11 |
| Dereck Holmes, Flyers | 8 | 2 | 10 |
| Dave Summers, Cyclones | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Troy McNaughton, Flyers | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Chad Valcour, Rangers | 4 | 6 | 10 |

### Metcalfe Town Hockey League

**RECENT RESULTS:**
**Dec. 12:**
Penguins 3 - Leafs 1
Canadians 3 - Senators 1
Stars 3 - Blues 3

| STANDINGS: | W | L | T | GF | GA | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Canadians | 7 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 28 | 17 |
| Leafs | 5 | 4 | 3 | 38 | 38 | 13 |
| Penguins | 4 | 3 | 5 | 34 | 31 | 13 |
| Blues | 4 | 6 | 2 | 36 | 44 | 10 |
| Stars | 3 | 5 | 4 | 34 | 36 | 10 |
| Senators | 4 | 7 | 1 | 31 | 33 | 9 |

| TOP SCORERS: | G | A | PTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ron Flanagan, Canadians | 13 | 6 | 19 |
| Stefan Rawlings, Blues | 6 | 11 | 17 |
| Brian Downey, Sens | 7 | 9 | 16 |
| Peter Holmes, Leafs | 7 | 8 | 15 |
| Steve Wade, Pens. | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Ray Vidal, Stars | 8 | 5 | 13 |
| Rob Stanley, Leafs | 5 | 8 | 13 |
| Jeff Gill, Canadians | 3 | 10 | 13 |

# Wade leads Penguins to 3-1 win over Leafs

METCALFE — Steve Wade took care of business for the Penguins and powered the Metcalfe Men's Hockey League team to a 3-1 win over the Leafs. Wade scored all three goals for his squad and moved the Pens into a second place tie with the Leafs.

Brett Fitzsimmons assisted on Wade's first goal, scored at 4:11 of the first half of Sunday's (Dec. 12) contest. Carson McVey provided the pass on the second and the third, counted with 7.5 seconds left on the clock and was unassisted. The win moved the Pens record to 4-3-5 and dropped the Leafs back to 5-4-3.

Greg McLaren used a pass provided by Rick Downey and Chris Reaney to ruin Mike Preston's shutout bid in one of the three games played Sunday morning.

Dave Boyd potted a pair of goals, his seventh and eighth, and led the first-place Canadians (7-2-3) to a 3-1 win over the sixth-place Senators (4-7-1). Ron Flanagan's league-leading 13th goal was assisted by Peter Bishop and Ken Quaile. Flanagan then drew the assist on Boyd's game winner. Boyd's second was unassisted and was scored with 12.7 seconds left in the game.

Shane Patterson put the Senators on the board, completing a play started by Steve Corlyon and Derek Medaglia.

Dave Warren teamed up with Pierre Boucher and Geoff Ross and snapped in the game-tying goal with 10:54 left on the clock as the Stars tied the Blues 3-3. Kevin McIsaac, Darrell Warren and Warren were the Star's shooters. Ross (2), Todd Hay, Ray Vidal, Boucher and Kerfoot were the set-up men.

Cory Reaney, Sean Wallace and Dave Sheldrick recorded the Blues' goals. Stefan Rawlings (2), Bruce Bourgeault, Jay Dewan and Paul Roy drew the assists.

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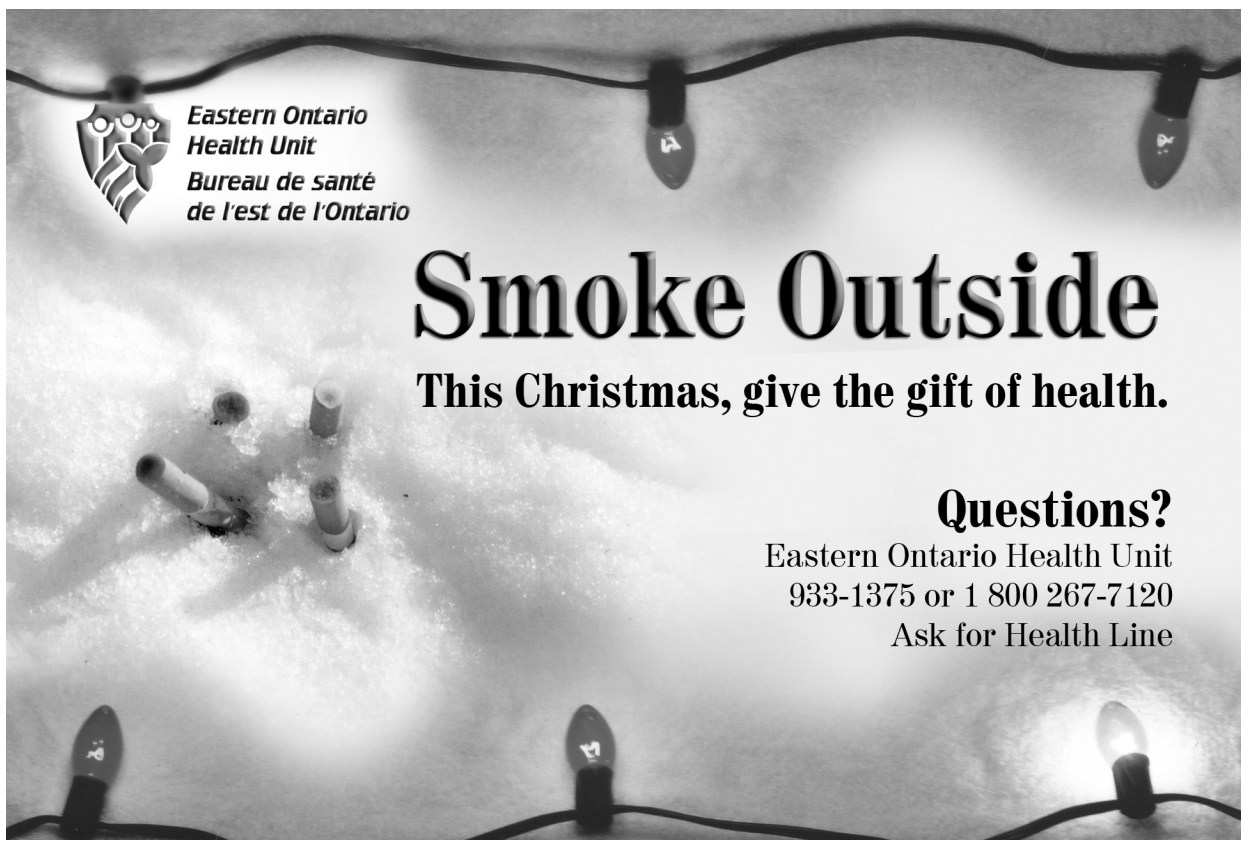





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# Deavy cracks in winning goal in all-Metcalfe Atom match

METCALFE — Kevin Deavy snapped in a pass provided by Connor Ryan to break up a 1-1 tie and give the Metcalfe Atom "B2" a slim 2-1 victory over the "B1" Jets.

Sunday's (Dec. 12) win was the second in two starts for coach Vince Seguin and the Atom "B2" Jets who received perfect goaltending from Travis Smith in a 2-0 shut-out decision against the Blackburn Stingers on Saturday (Dec. 11).

Deavy fired in the winning shot in the first period, finishing off a play started by David Ritchie. Ritchie then added the insurance marker scoring from Joshua McNicholl late in the final frame.

The "B2" Jets struck first in Sunday's all-Metcalfe encounter when Ryan connected for a 1-0 lead after taking a pass from Deavy and Ritchie. Nicholas Pommainville as able to put coach Scott Tenant's squad on even terms when he made it 1-1 with a pass provided by Nicholas Collins and Zac Taylor. That play set the stage for Deavy and Ryan to hook up for the winning goal.

**Ben's takes default win**

# Ice storm freezes out WTHL

WINCHESTER — Weather conditions played a factor in the Winchester Town Hockey League's regular Tuesday night twin bill.

The ice rain which hit the region on Tues., Dec. 7 wiped out one game and considerably shortened the benches for the second encounter. The opening game of the slate saw Ben's Pioneer Gas Bar Rangers take a default win over the Boyd Chrysler Rams who couldn't ice a team. With the result, the first-place Rangers improved to 8-2-0 (16 pts.) while the Rams fell to 3-7-0.

Both the C. K. Cyclones and Winchester Flyers were short staffed for the night capper but played the game. Paced by Wes Cory's four goals the number-two ranked Flyers (5-4-1) rose to a game over the 500 mark by virtue of a 7-4 win over the third-place Cyclones (3-6-1).

Goals by Wes Cory and Troy McNaughton put the Flyers up 2-0 but the Cyclones were able to cut one goal off of the deficit 7:21 before the half when Aaron Sherrer scored from Ryan Holmes. Dereck "Wendell" Holmes and Dave Ralph picked up the assists on the Flyer scoring plays.

Four unanswered goals opened up an early second-half lead for the Flyers. Jay Holmes cracked in a feed from Dave Ralph at 17:06 to make it 3-1. Cory scored unassisted at 15:09 to make it 4-1 and then finished off a play started by "Wendell" Holmes and McNaughton at 14:51 to open up a 5-1 gap. Ralph scored next a minute and a half later to put his team into a 6-1 lead. Cory and Victor Blake provided the pass on that play. Blake fired in his fourth with 5:31 left on the clock after accepting a pass from Blake. That made it 7-3 at the time.

Ryan Holmes (Craig Holmes at 10:45), Craig Holmes (from Dave Summers and Ryan Holmes at 8:14) and Aaron Sherrer (from Craig and Ryan Holmes at 4:04) were the final three Cyclone scoring plays.

Jay Bullied tended the Flyers cage while Craig Smith worked the Cyclone cage.

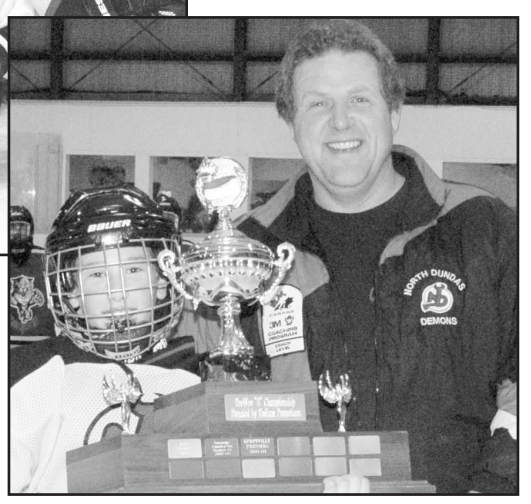


## Mega "B" champs

Eric Prusila's third-period goal was the difference as the North Dundas Pee Wee "C" Demons edged the Kemptville Panthers 2-1 in the "B" final of the 2004 Guildcrest Homes Mega House Tournament on Sat., Dec. 11 in Chesterville. The champs are (not in order): Adam Ross, Alex Howarth, Hayden Moher, Ryan Desnoyers, Adrian Lee, Eric Prusila, Brett Coburn, Braydon Schenk, Patrick Lauriault, Myles Foster, Andrew Sommerville, Martin Touchette, Steven Sedwick-Williams, Edward Findlay, Taylor Scheepers, Brandon DeJong, Thomas Giles; Back (left) coach Tim Moher, ass't coach Ross Giles, trainer Randy Lee.

## The silverware

*Ryan Desnoyers represented his team in accepting the Mega House Pee Wee "C" House division "B" Division championship trophy from NDMHA equipment director Hans Hutten following North Dundas' 2-1 win over Kemptville.*
*Press Photos — Van Bridger*



# Hornets blank Gatineau 5-0

METCALFE — Brittany Smith registered her first shutout of the 2004-05 National Capital Ringette League season backing the Metcalfe Tween "C" Hornets in a 5-0 victory over Gatineau.

Lindsay Donoghue, who scored a pair of goals, used a pass from Venessa Rodrique to put Metcalfe up 1-0 early in the opening half of Saturday's (Dec. 11) game.

Nicole Kettles followed up with an unassisted goal to make it 2-0 at the half. Brianna Sullivan, Tabitha Smith and Donoghue finished off the scoring netting second-half markers. Lindsay Gillmore (2) and Alison Sullivan assisted on the final three scoring plays.

Kelly Ross and Gillmore each scored a goal and Megan Gillis picked up an assist in a 3-2 loss to the Gloucester-Cumberland Banshees earlier last week.

**TWEEN "B" HORNETS**

Kelsey NyenTap created the play and Lauren Brown finished it off recording the Hornet's lone goal at 7:46 of the first half of Saturday's (Dec. 11) Tween "B" game in Metcalfe. The visiting Ravens scrambled back and made it 1-1 before the half and left town with a 3-1 victory on their NCRRL record.

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# Jets soar into second place

METCALFE — Things are looking up for the Metcalfe Jets. The first four games of their Metro - Valley schedule have produced a winning 4-1-0 record which has boosted the defending Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League champions into second place in the Metro standings.

Metcalfe played three games on the road last week and earned all six points up for grabs defeating the first-place Ottawa West Golden Knights (19-4-1-1) 4-3 on Dec. 9, the Mustangs 3-2 in OT on Dec. 10 and the Packers 4-2 in Arnprior on Sun., Dec. 12.

Friday (Dec. 17) the Jets return to their hangar in Metcalfe where they will host the Gatineau Mustangs at 8:15 pm. The Jets final home game until Jan. 7 is set for Sunday (Dec. 19) afternoon when the South Ottawa Canadians come to town for a 2:15 pm matinee.

Thanks to their current winning streak the Jets (17-7-0-0) have taken over second place in the Metro rankings behind Ottawa West (19-4-1-1) who enjoy a six point lead on Metcalfe. South Ottawa (14-4-0-4) is third with 32 points, Gatineau (11-15-1-2) fourth with 25 and Clarence Creek (10-12-2-2) fifth with 24 points.

Metcalfe's goaltending tandem of Matt Gauthier and Andrew Syrett own the second-best GAA in the Metro circuit at 3.29. Mike Cerilli leads the Jets in scoring and stands fifth in the division with 14 goals, 26 assists and 40 points.

# Baldwin brothers, Juvenile Demons blast Blazers 10-2

WINCHESTER — The Baldwin boys were at it again Sunday night. The Inkerman-based brothers combined for eight points leading the North Dundas Juvenile Demons to a one-sided 10-2 victory over the Kanata Blazers.

North Dundas led the Blazers 2-0 after a period and 3-0 after two sessions but blew it wide open in the third period of the Dec. 12 contest ringing up seven goals, including five in the final 7:42.

The 10-2 result improved the Demons' 417 Juvenile Hockey League record to 5-1-0 and extended their win string to five games. Bruce Currie's squad has outscored the opposition by a healthy 43-13 margin.

Tory Baldwin finished the match with three goals and one assist to his credit while older brother Scott scored once and picked up three helpers. Bill McRoberts also collected four points (1-3-4). Devin Kelly collected four assists.

Ian Tait and John Drew each potted a pair of pucks while Thomas Toonders scored once and added an assist. Kyle Dearing (2), Spencer Dawson (2), Morgan Jackson, Justin Morozuk, Brett Bird and Chris Kelly collected assists.

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# Rink in the works for Vernon

**Vernon Community Association hard at work**

VERNON — Vernon Community Association ended the year with a spaghetti supper on Dec 2. The small board worked hard over the year to organize events for all ages. Projects have included a murder mystery, a country music jamboree, Canada Day celebrations, a barbecue on Pioneer Day, kids dances and a Christmas craft sale and bazaar.

The board is trying to keep the hall busy by getting the community out to these events, but at times it proves difficult. As part of the City of Ottawa, buildings that are not used will be closed. At this time, the board is working on a cement-based rink for skating, skateboarding and inline skating to be used all year round. They are also working to have a permanent sign on the library lawn to advertise events in Vernon.

These projects require money, and with no grants from the city, it is challenging. So come out to the events. Also, if you have some ideas, call or come to a meeting. Everything is a help.

Remember the 1998 ice storm? Without the hall we would have been out in the cold. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Vernon Community Association.



The Vernon Community Association wrapped up its year with a Christmas spaghetti party. Standing next to the tree are Helen Porteous (front left), Larry Alexander, Archie Sayant (back left), Lillian Sayant, Sharon Baird, Allison Heron and Linda Heron.

# Crafty residents have eye for park expansion

**by Matthew Barbour**

WINCHESTER — The Hallville Recreation Association will be using proceeds from its craft show held on Sat., Dec. 4 for maintenance and improvements at the hamlet's ice rink.

As yet, the association is not setting aside a large amount of funding for its planned two-acre park on County Road One. "We're not sure where the township wants to go with that," said recreation association director Cheryl Smith. "We have a new committee this year and it is working on a proposal to the township." The community already has an ice rink and a children's playground.

The craft sale was held in the Winchester Arena hall and the space was provided free of charge to the recreation association by North Dundas Township.

A first time vendor at the Hallville Recreation Association's craft show this year was Leslie Morris of Russell. Morris is a familiar face at the Chesterville and Metcalfe farmers' markets. She creates furniture from willow branches, mainly chairs and tables. She says her chairs are very sturdy, having been weight tested to 340 pounds. Her tables come with a variety of tops, from tile to slate. Morris also builds other items using barn board.



Leslie Morris of Russell goes out into the bush to cut her own willow branches to create her bent willow furniture and accessories. She also makes various items with old barn board, like the snowman pictured here. Morris was one of the vendors at the Hallville Recreation Association's craft sale, held at the Winchester arena on Saturday.

Morris said she expects to continue exhibiting at the farmers' markets and that she is more than likely to return to the next craft show sponsored by the Hallville association. Anyone interested in learning more about willow furniture may contact her at 445-2916.

## Lots of chances to skate on the holidays

**Remarks**

**by Mark Guy, Director of Recreation & Culture**



WINCHESTER — The Mountain Recreation Memorial Park will be host to a visit from the gentleman who lives in the North Pole on Tues., Dec. 21 at 7:30 pm. Young people are encouraged to drop by to make sure the old boy knows what they want in their stockings.

North Dundas will have some extra public skating available during the Christmas break. At the Chesterville Arena the public can skate Mon., Dec. 20 from 3 to 5 pm; Tues., Dec. 21 from 3 to 5 pm; Wed., Dec. 22 from 2 to 4 pm; Thurs., Dec. 23 from 2 to 4 pm; Fri., Dec. 24 from 2 to 3 pm; Mon., Dec. 27 from 3 to 5 pm; Thurs., Dec. 30 from 2 to 4 pm; and Fri., Dec. 31 from 1 to 3 pm.

At the rink in Winchester the public is welcome on Mon., Dec. 20 from 3 to 5 pm; Tues., Dec. 21 from 3 to 4 pm; Wed., Dec. 22 from 2 to 4 pm; Thurs., Dec. 23 from 2 to 4 pm; Fri., Dec. 24 from 2 to 3 pm; Mon., Dec. 27 from 3 to 5 pm; Wed., Dec. 29 from 2 to 4 pm; and Fri., Dec. 31 from 2-3 pm.

Public skating times will be posted at the arenas as well as on the township website. And don't forget, the Hawks play host to the Brockville Tikis this Friday night (Dec. 17) at 8:15 pm.

## Safe snowmobilers are sober, drive slow

WINCHESTER — In Ontario there are over 47,000 kilometres of trails, which are utilized by more than 200,000 snowmobilers. The number of snowmobile fatalities in Ontario each year is an ongoing concern. In the past statistics have shown that alcohol is involved in approximately 70 per cent of the accidents involving a snowmobile. The risk of injury to riders and passengers in collisions is ever present

Speed limits for snowmobiles are also different from those posted for other vehicles using the roads. Generally, for snowmobiles there is a maximum speed of 20 km/hour in any public park or exhibition grounds, and in areas where the posted speed limit is 50 km/hour.

In areas where the posted speed is in excess of 50 km/hour, the snowmobiles are restricted to a speed of 50 km/hour. The 50 km/hour limit also applies on public trails. A council of a municipality may reduce these limits within its jurisdiction.

The laws relating to drinking and driving under the criminal code apply equally to the operation, or care or control of a snowmobile anywhere it is found. Charges for impaired and having a blood alcohol over the legal limit carry the same punishments as they do when driving a car, and will also result in a suspension of driving privileges.



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# Council to look at map proposed for ATV bylaw

WILLIAMSBURG — ATVers are quickly growing impatient with the attempts to develop a bylaw allowing ATVs on South Dundas Township roads. South Dundas council members have repeatedly said that policy-making takes time, and that steps are being taken toward a decision.

A meeting at the Iroquois Civic Centre on Nov. 29 drew a crowd of about 50 interested citizens and ATV supporters.

"Quite a few people showed up," said township CAO Andy Brown.

It was at this meeting that a map of roads that could be opened to ATVs was drafted and given to council to consider.

"What council decided is that they want to sit down and look at the map that has been proposed," said Brown.

The map shows roads within the township that ATVers would like to have drafted into the bylaw: all roads in rural areas of the township that are not in conflict with snowmobile trails. The village roads of Morrisburg, Iroquois and Williamsburg have been omitted, but even rural roads pose problems.

"A lot of our paved roads don't have adequate shoulders," said Brown. There is a major concern that allowing ATVs on certain roads would pose problems of lawns and ditches being torn up.

Council will discuss the proposed map and inspect each road carefully. There are still insurance concerns and assessments to deal with, as well.

The ATV bylaw is still far from a final decision.


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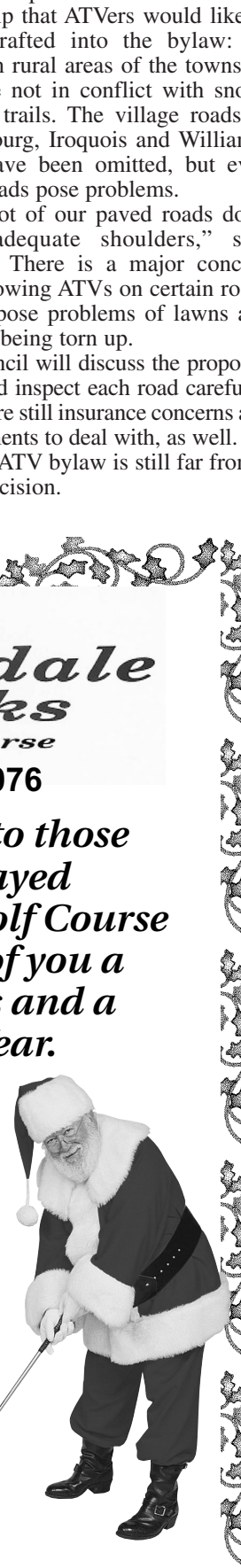

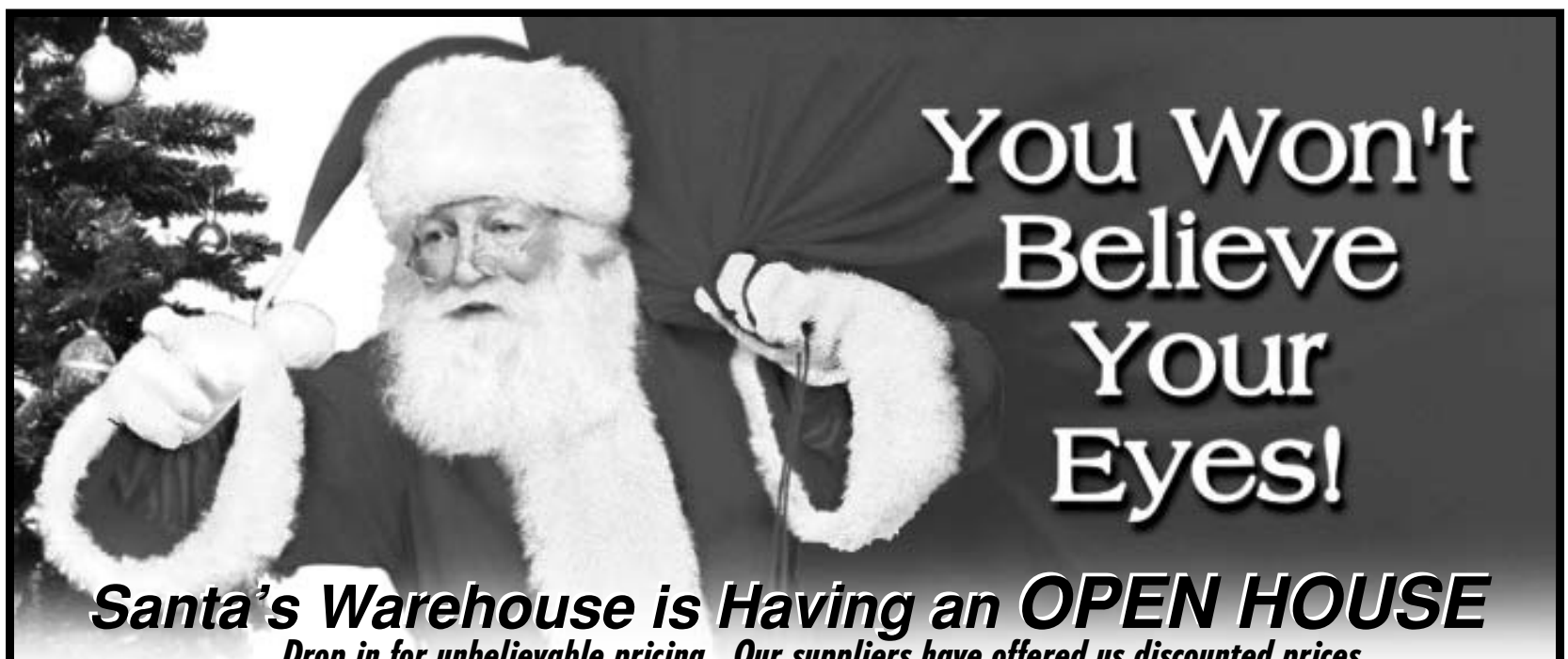


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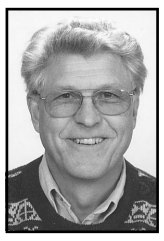
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## Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS – The St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Ladies Group, extends appreciation to everyone who attended their Christmas Worship Service on December 8. A special thank you to all the participants in the program for special music, stories and messages. Where would we be without our Faith, Family and Friends! $200 was raised for the Snow Suit Fund. Thanks for your generosity!
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– Phyllis, Tracey and Dave, Mitchell and Brandon

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## Birth Notice

**IT'S A GIRL!**

BISBEE – David and Linda (nee Vanderlaan) are thrilled to announce the birth of their second child, Rhiannon Meredith, born on Wednesday, December 1, 2004 at Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital in Burlington, Ontario, weighing 7 lb., 7 oz. Rhiannon is welcomed into the world by her big brother Aidan, by her Opa and Oma, Leonard and Mary Vanderlaan of Winchester, Ontario, by her Grandpa and Grandma, Lawson and Edith Bisbee of Dundas, Ontario, and by her many aunts, uncles and cousins.

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## In Memoriam

SINCLAIR – In memory of Megyn Anna, April 29, 1998 - December 15, 1999
– Always in my heart, Gramma

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BARKLEY – In memory of Bert, who passed away December 21, 1999.
Remembering you is easy,
We do it every day,
But missing you is a heartache,
That never goes away.
– Marie, Mark, Mike, Pam and Kristie

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VAN BREUGEL – In memory of a dear mother-in-law; a great Nana, was Jenny who left us all, on December 16, 2000.
– In memory of a dear father-in-law; a great Papa, was Dingeman, who left us all so unexpectedly on October 8, 1973.
How swift it passed
But there is a link death cannot sever
Love and Remembrance last forever.
– By daughter-in-law Barbara; by grandchildren Michael and Debbie (Beth); Jamie and Tina, and now your newest great-grandchildren, Adrianna and Whitnie VanBreugel and by your families.
– In memory of your Dad, Adriaan and now Grampa, was Adriaan, who left us so unexpectedly, on June 15, 2003.
– In memory of your Sister and our infant Daughter, on December 6, 1962, "Now in Heaven".
*"In Remembrance"*
– Mom

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## In Memoriam

YOUNG – In memory of Dad (Delbert), Roger, Garry and Wayne.
Some day we hope to meet you,
Some day, we know not when,
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And never part again.
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The 30th annual Matilda Winter Carnival is fast approaching and the Committee is now accepting applications for the Matilda Carnival Queen Pageant. The pageant will take place on Fri., Jan 21, 2005. This will be open to all girls in South Dundas with the first 10 applications being accepted. You must be between the ages of 14-17 (before December 31, 2004). Please contact Nancy Blokland at 652-2096 for more information or an application form. Last date to register is December 15, 2004.

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**SOUTH MOUNTAIN SANTA CLAUS PARADE**
**Sunday, December 19**

Parade leaves Nationview School at 1 pm and goes down Main St., finishes at Ag Hall. Meet Santa Claus at Ag Hall and kids receive a bag of candy. Coffee, hot chocolate will be available. Also Mountain Firefighters will be hosting a Fire Prevention Breakfast at the Ag Hall that morning from 9 am until parade starts. They will be serving bacon, sausage, eggs, toast, coffee and all the trimmings. Parade sponsored by Mountain Fire Fighters, Mountain Township Agricultural Society and South Mountain IOOF. For information call Terry Foley, 989-5263 or Ed Duncan, 791-6133.

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## Coming Events

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## Card of Thanks

The family of Eric Ball would like to thank their friends and neighbors for their cards, flowers and food and the many donations made in Eric's memory. Special thanks to the nursing staff on '3A' Civic Hospital, palliative care, Doctors Morash, DeJesus, Schnurr and Steele for their kind, loving care of Eric. To Yvon from Winchester Funeral Home, pallbearers, Ross Giles, Harry Vantfoort, Paul Oosterhof, Rick Revels, Dale McNaughton and Ron Lewis. To Rev. Bob Williams for his words of comfort, prayers and visits,and also the choir. Thanks to the UCW Unit 2 for the lovely lunch.

***– Jessie and Family***

## Thank You

A very sincere 'thank you' to my many friends for their prayers, phone calls, cards, visits, flowers and food brought to my home while I was recovering from surgery. Thanks to Father Brian and Pastor Anita for their prayers and visits. To Jen and Florence for their daily help. To Mary and Gabe Slowey for their concern and support. To the staff on Continuing Care for taking such good care of Len while I was ill. To these special people: Alice Weaver, Glen Droppo, Mary and Blake Taylor, Jane Brugmans and Frances and Wayne Chick, who spent so much time 'Driving Miss Daisy'! To my sons Bill and Dan for all their help.

***God Bless you all and have a Blessed Christmas!***

*Love, Miss Daisy*
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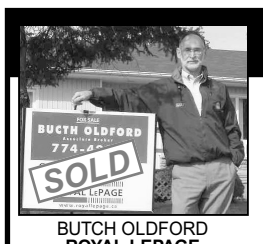


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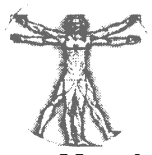

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**The Township of North Dundas Municipal Office at 636 St. Lawrence Street will be closed on Friday, December 24 at noon to re-open Tuesday, January 4, 2005, at 8:30 am.**

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*(Babies born in December 2003 also welcomed.)*

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**Class Environmental Assessment**
**MTO Structure No. 31-089**
**Bridge Located on Nesbitt Road**
***PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED***

The bridge between County Road 31 and Webb Road is nearing the end of its useful life and a decision needs to be made on whether to close, repair or replace it.

The project is being planned as a Schedule 'B' undertaking following the requirements of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment.

For further information on this project, or to inspect a copy of the Class Environmental Assessment, please contact Arden Carruthers, Director of Public Works, Township of North Dundas, 636 St. Lawrence Street, P.O. Box 489, Winchester, Ontario, K0C 2K0, Tel.: 613-774-2105, Fax: 613-774-5699.

A Public Meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, at the North Dundas Township Municipal Office, Council Chambers, located at 636 St. Lawrence Street, Winchester, Ontario, K0C 2K0.

Public input and comment are invited for incorporation into the planning and design of this project, and will be received until Tuesday, January 4, 2005. Subject to comments received and the receipt of the necessary aprovals, the Township of North Dundas intends to proceed with the planning, design and construction of this project in 2005/2006.

***This notice issued December 8 and 15, 2004.***

**Arden Carruthers**
**Director of Public Works**
**Township of North Dundas**

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**Request for Proposal**

The Eastern Ontario Training Board is seeking the services of a Consultant or Company to complete an "Agriculture Research Project" on the training needs in the agri-food, bio-resource industries and environment in the Eastern Ontario Training Board area (SD&G, Prescott & Russell).

**Goals:**
- List existing market studies & analyses of anticipated development in the areas of agri-food, bio-resources & environment
- Identify agri-food, bio-resources & environment postsecondary training available in Francophone Ontario and Quebec.
- Determine postsecondary training needs of Francophones in agriculture, human food, environment, resource management & rural development in Eastern Ontario.
- Identify new training venues in the agri-food, bio-resource & environment sectors & define potential students in these programs.

More information (a full RFP package) and possible examples are available by contacting this office.

The EOTB is issuing a call for proposals through public and private mechanisms. EOTB reserves the right to invite known companies/consultants they consider to have the required expertise and capabilities to complete the work.

In order to ensure that the project criteria are able to be met, vendors considering responses to the RFP should have the following qualifications for consultants:

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- Familiarity with the information and functional needs of training boards and community partners
- Registered as a company

EOTB reserves the right to not award contract if it deems the submissions are not able to meet the criteria.

**Closing Date:**
Proposals (in Microsoft Word or PDF Format) must be received by **4:00 pm: "December 22, 2004".**

**Submission Details:**
Interested vendors are required to submit their proposals in either hard copy or electronic versions to the following location:

Eastern Ontario Training Board
Attn: Denis Thibault
55 Water Street West, Suite 380
Cornwall, Ontario
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denist@eotb-cfeo.on.ca

For any questions regarding the RFP, please contact Denis Thibault at (613) 932-0210.

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**Holiday Deadlines**

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**Thursday, Dec. 23, 2004 at 5 pm**
News and display advertising deadline
**Thursday, Dec. 23, 2004 at 5 pm**

**Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2005 Edition**
News and advertising deadline
**Monday, Jan. 3, 2005 at 5 pm**

**The office will be closed from 5 pm Thursday, Dec. 23, 2004 until Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004 at 9 am, CLOSED Friday, Dec. 31, 2004.**




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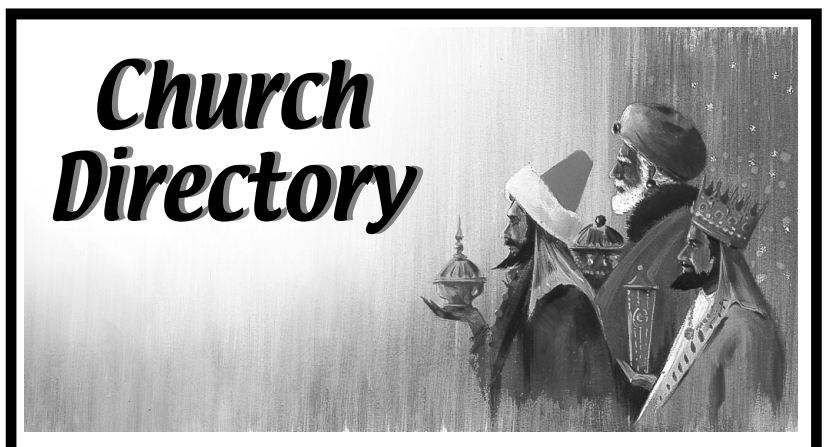

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**Sunday, December 19**
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**7:30 pm -** Praise and Prayer Service
**Sunday, December 19**
**10:30 am -** Morning Worship. Christmas Sunday Children's Program with Jennifer and Andrew Wallace. Sunday School and Nursery available during Morning Service.
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## OBITUARIES

### Arthur Koolwine

Arthur Koolwine passed away at the St. Lawrence Medical Clinic in Morrisburg on Dec. 6, 2004. He was 93.

He was the loving husband of the late Alberta (nee Haarman) for 59 years. He was born in Holland to Art and Geertje Koolwine on March 4, 1911.

He was dear father of Art (Susan) of Texas, Ted (Judith) of Orleans and Gardia (Chris) of Vancouver. He will be sadly missed by grandchildren Erika Koolwine (David Goodwin) and Ryan Koolwine, as well as many nieces and nephews, neighbors and friends.

As per Art's request there was no visitation. The funeral service was held at the Morewood Presbyterian Church on Dec. 10 at 11 am followed by interment at the Morewood Presbyterian Cemetery.

Donations to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Emergency Unit in memory of Art would be appreciated by the family.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Chesterville Funeral Home.

### Lauretta Martha Scharf

Lauretta Martha Scharf of South Mountain passed away at the Elisabeth Bruyere Health Centre on Dec. 11, 2004. She was 80.

She was predeceased in 1985 by her husband Louis Wilkins whom she married in Ottawa. She was born on July 17, 1924 in Edwards to the late Thomas Scharf and Martha Preston.

She is survived by long-time companion Vern Millington. She is survived by children Mary, Garnet (Brenda) and Gloria (Michael);grandchildren Krista, Kirk and Kyle; and by great-grandchildren Phillip, Sophia and Nicholas. She was the sister of Sarah, Tom (Carol) and Herb (Elaine). She was the sister-in-law of Eileen Scharf, Donat Tremblay, Ida Wallace and Jean Anderson (Gerry) and was predeceased by Ethel, Frank, Norman, Dougal and Elisha.

Formerly of Ottawa, she worked in criminal records for the RCMP and the government. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

The funeral service will be held in the chapel of the Byers Funeral Home in South Mountain on Dec. 15 at 10 am with Rev. Carol Bain officiating.

Interment will follow at South Gower Cemetery. Pallbearers are David, Kevin and Randy Scharf; Leonard Tremblay; and Melvin and Bruce Scharf.


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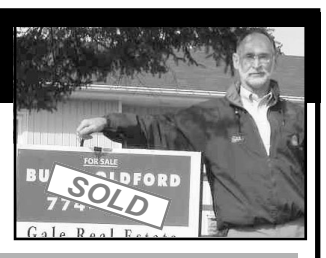


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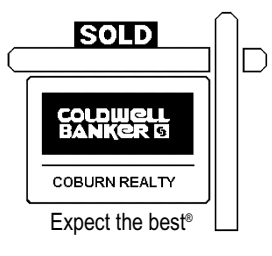


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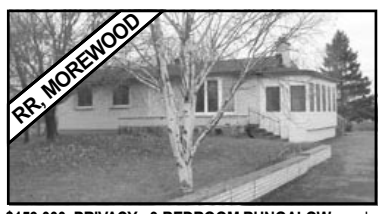


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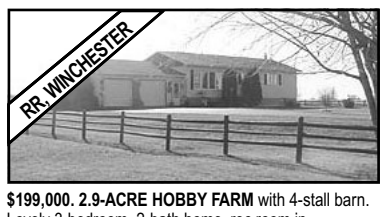


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## *I don't need much*

Three-year-old Matthew Barkley was happy that Santa dropped in at the Odd Fellows Hall in Williamsburg on Saturday (Dec. 11). He didn't seem to have a very long list of presents that he wanted for Christmas.

*Photos — Barbour*



After having breakfast and chatting with Santa Claus, three-year-old Sarah Backes had some difficulty giving the old elf a kiss through his bushy white beard. The breakfast was organized by her mother Joanne Backes, who said everyone was surprised by the excellent turnout during the season's first significant snowstorm.



## *Eat your fill*

Peggy Welsh, a Grade 12 student at Seaway District High School in Morrisburg, volunteered to serve up pancakes, sausage and bacon at Santa's Breakfast in Williamsburg on Saturday. The parent council of Elma Public School sponsored the event.

# IOOF hall mobbed with Santa seekers

WILLIAMSBURG — By Saturday morning, the first significant storm of the season dropped a thick blanket of white on the area and it provided a soft, easy landing for Santa's sleigh in Williamsburg. Although slushy roads made for poor driving conditions, this did not deter people from showing up at the International Order of Odd Fellows Hall to have pancakes, sausages and bacon with the red-suited old soul.

Santa's Breakfast was sponsored by the parent council of Elma Public School to raise money for various student needs. "We were concerned that the weather might keep a lot of people away," said Joanne Backes, who organized the event, but looking around the hall at the few empty tables remaining, she said everyone was pleasantly surprised. She said some people drove in from Winchester and Morrisburg. The event was open to the general public and had been widely publicized.

In addition to breakfast, children were able to have their pictures taken as they spoke with Santa. The kids also received candy canes and coloring pages. "This is the first time we've tried this and we hope to make it an annual event," said Backes.

Several participants went home with prizes. The door prize was won by Joshua Hodgson. The children's Christmas basket was won by Matthew Backes. The adult Christmas basket was won by Phyllis Scott. And Donnie Wells won four Ottawa 67s tickets.



## NDDHS Notes

by Ashley MacNaughton

# One last push

MAPLE RIDGE — North Dundas District High School has been transformed with an array of decorations and season's esprit as we brace ourselves for two weeks of much-deserved rest and relaxation. For some, the homework is slowly coming to a halt; for others, this week means all-nighters as they prepare to hand in final essays and take unit tests. Either way, this Friday (Dec. 17) marks happiness for everyone, from Grade 9 to 12, and even staff!

Aside from Friday being the last day before holidays, it will also be the day that the NDDHS Senior Christmas Concert takes place. Beginning at 1 pm, a variety of performances will take place — everything from cheerleading dance numbers, to teachers' Christmas '70s-style, to a rap about the holidays.

Everyone is welcome to attend the event in the NDDHS gym. A very warm thank you to all the participants in this year's Christmas concert. Special mention goes to script writers and extraordinarily dedicated participants, including members of student council: Rory Dafoe, Alex Braginetz, Warren Meredith, Erin Brown, Ryan Berends, and Meagan Beattie. The show will no doubt be successful thanks to all the hard work and amazing devotion to the concert. It's been great working with all of you.

On the topic of Fridays, I'd like to mention that last Friday (Dec. 10) the school held a special Junior Achievement Awards ceremony. The service commemorated students with meritorious grades and outstanding extracurricular involvement.

The turnout was very impressive, and the lengthy list of students being recognized just goes to show what amazing involvement NDDHS students have. There's still a great deal of time this year for everyone else to get involved. From personal experience, I can say that getting involved and having an active participation in school activities goes a long way.

I hope to see a lot of you at the Christmas concert, and since this will be my last article before Yuletide and 2004's end — have an amazing, happy holiday, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!


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