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GLENGARRY IN BRIEF

Check out the Trade Show

The Alexandria and District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show will be welcoming visitors at the Glengarry Sports Palace this weekend, starting Friday and continuing Saturday and Sunday.

It has a lot to offer to just about everyone. For more information, check out *The News'* special Trade Show and Home and Garden Supplement, included with this week's edition.

Guatemalan berries are bad

Dr. Robert Bourdeau of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit is backing up a ban against the spring importation of fresh Guatemalan raspberries and blackberries.

The berries have triggered outbreaks of diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting and fatigue in Ontario. Most of the outbreaks stemmed from the Toronto area, but health officials warn that rapid distribution systems mean the berries could easily be available throughout the province.

Dr. Bourdeau says washing all fruit and vegetables is generally a good practice, but in the case of these berries, it isn't enough.

30 years for Cercle des Fermières

The Cercle des Fermières" will be hosting an open house in celebration of their 30th anniversary on Saturday between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. in the basement of the Sacré-Coeur Church in Alexandria.

All are invited to attend their free open house and celebrate with them.

Stork Market Report

* Apr. 8 - to Louis and Manon Lacombe, a boy, Philippe

* Apr. 12 - to Dignard/Lecompte, Manuel and Julie, a girl, Gabrielle Anne

Glengarry babies in 2000:

Boys: 18 Girls: 16

Cable supplier planning high-speed network

By Ross Greer
News Publisher

Regional Cablesystems Inc. of Ville d'Anjou, Que., the sixth-largest cable TV company in Canada with 270,000 subscribers, and the company now supplying Alexandria with cable TV service, has in the planning stages a high-speed fibre-optics network encompassing virtually all of eastern Ontario east of Ottawa that could bring high-speed telecommunications to most small towns in the area, including Alexandria, Lancaster and Maxville in Glengarry County.

Regional's general manager Dimitri Stathis outlined the proposed network to the Communities of Eastern Ontario (CEO-NET) Forum at Tagwi Secondary School on April 15th.

In a lengthy interview with *The News* last week, Stathis explained the network would expand around the towns Regional now serves with cable TV from satellites, to form a loop of fibre-optics cable extending east from Ottawa, incorporating Buckingham, (Quebec), Clarence, Wendover to Hawkesbury, then south along Highway 34 through Alexandria to Lancaster, west along Highway 401 to Cornwall through to Morrisburg, then north back to Ottawa.

A short dead-end stretch would extend from Morrisburg west through Iroquois to Cardinal, the westernmost point in the system.

Part of the network would follow Highway 43 from Chesterville all the way to Alexandria, with offshoots: north to Maxville and St.Isidore; from Finch north through Berwick and Crysler, where the line will split in two, one to the right to Casselman, the other left to Limoges, Bourget, Clarence Creek and then north to Highway 17, and all the way east to Hawkesbury again.

Intermediate points all along the route could tap into the fibre-optics cable to obtain access.

The capacity of the 24-strand half-inch diameter cable would be virtually unlimited. Cable TV subscribers would require a 30 megabytes per second (30Mbps) cable in-house modem costing approximately $200, bringing in over 200 TV channels.

Most stretches of the network would be on poles following roads or railroad lines, but some would be buried underground.

The purpose of the loop, Stathis said, is to ensure re-routing along both directions if one part of the loop should go down.

HIGH-SPEED VERSATILITY

Stathis said Regional is planning the network on the basis of its own needs for its primary cable TV business, but pointed out the fibre-optics network could provide broadband high-speed telecommunications and internet service

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Clean-up of the debris left over from the fire that partially gutted Bob's Hotel continued through Thursday, after Quebec firefighters extinguished the blaze.
Staff photo - Greg Peerenboom

Popular Bob's Hotel gutted

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

A legion of teenagers under the age 19 will no longer be making the weekend pilgrimage to one of this area's favourite watering holes in Dalhousie, Que.

Chez Bob or more informally known as Bob's Hotel was partially gutted by a fire during the early morning hours of last Thursday.

The establishment, owned by a numbered company, 3034577 Canada Inc., was a popular meeting place for Glengarry and area teenagers, who are not yet of drinking age, 19, in Ontario.

But for now, those revellers will have to look elsewhere.

St-Telesphore-Dalhousie Fire Department Chief Glenn Lafleur said the back dance hall portion of the 100-year-old building escaped most of the fire's destruction. But there is extensive smoke and water damage throughout the structure.

Neighbouring buildings were untouched after his tanker and pumper, plus six more from the Riviere Beaudette, St-Zotique and St-Justine fire brigades contained the fire. There were about 50 firefighters on hand.

"The fire was mostly inside the walls; it didn't come outside," Lafleur said as he supervised clean-up operations shortly after noon, Thursday.

"The walls are very thick. There has been a lot of layers put on during the years."

Firefighters did not go inside because the heat was too intense.

Lafleur said a passing motorist saw smoke coming from the vacant upstairs apartment around 2:55 a.m. and honked the horn to alert residents, who quickly called the fire hall, located about seven kilometres away.

Most of the fire, except for a few "hotspots" was snuffed out by 5 a.m.

A few hours later, Surete du Quebec arrived with a special sniffing dog, which is used to investigate potential arson.

Lafleur said the dog found nothing, and the cause of the fire is still unknown.

The News was unable to contact the operator.

MacDonell wants back on Council

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

The itch has returned for a very familiar face in Glengarry municipal politics.

Former Lochiel Township Reeve Ron MacDonell has confirmed an earlier leaning that he will indeed be seeking a return to Council this November.

MacDonell told *The News* that he will likely put his name in for Lochiel ward councillor's place at the North Glengarry Township Council table.

"I'm very concerned with Lochiel and the people in Lochiel," he said.

MacDonell, a five-time winner for the Reeveship, said his decision to seek the ward seat was not based on current Lochiel Councillor Claude Massie's ability to represent the people.

However, he also left the door open on the possibility of seeking a more prestigious seat, like the one he used to hold, such as the Mayor's chair.

"We'll just have to see how it goes."

Regardless, the biggest reason for reclaiming a spot on Council was to improve local governance on roads, taxes and "treating volunteers right – they're the ones who keep things going."

He also isn't shy about the current Council's reliance on non-elected, non-municipal staff advisors, such as legal counsel Alan MacKinnon.

MacDonell also appears willing to devote more time than ever to Council work.

His beef cattle operation and land, which he said has been owned by the MacDonell's for 200 years, is up for sale.

Since his 1997 defeat to Grant Crack for the reeveship, MacDonell has remained glued to municipal governance.

He is currently a member of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Tribunal, the United Counties of SDG Police Services Board and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association Insurance Board.

Hope battles Council over drain report bill

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

No one wants to pay for an engineering report which "legalizes" the (former) Lancaster Village drainage scheme.

The $3,000 (plus taxes) report was presented to South Glengarry Council Monday night by Gilles Leduc of Kostuch Engineering Ltd. The firm had been appointed in October to undertake the study after officials responding to a request for maintainance on the municipal drain, discovered it was not located where it was supposed to be according to a 1981 plan. Instead the drain had been diverted to run around the perimeter of a property owned

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INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

Rogers AT&T inquiring but standing pat on long-distance charges

Telus Mobility not a player

By Ross Greer
News Publisher

A brief lull in *The News'* lengthy investigation of Glengarry's long-standing cellular phone troubles with Bell Mobility and Rogers AT&T was interrupted this week by a declaration by a spokesperson for Rogers AT&T that it has no immediate plans to follow the decision taken by Bell Mobility to stop charging long-distance fees on local calls.

And in another non-development, Telus Mobility, an Alberta-based major player in western Canada and a newcomer to the cell phone wars in the greater Toronto area, has no plans to extend its operations to easternmost Ontario any time soon.

But relief from the current inadequate service may be coming, albeit a long time off, due to a proposal by Regional Cablesystems Inc, the major cable TV supplier in eastern Ontario and the sixth largest cable company in Canada, to bring high-speed fibre optics to virtually all the small towns east of Ottawa, including Alexandria, Lancaster and Hawkesbury.

Meanwhile, Bell Mobility customers, at least those on plans that deliver a monthly itemized statement showing long-distance charges on individual calls, are anxiously awaiting their cell phone bills for April to see if Bell Mobility has delivered on its pledge to stop charging long-distance fees on local calls.

And at Radio Shack in Alexandria, the register of cell phone subscribers protesting the inadequate service of both Bell Mobility and Rogers AT&T has reached a total of 172.

Reina Menard at Radio Shack is inviting any additional unhappy Bell Mobility and Rogers AT&T subscribers to come in to the store and sign the register.

NOW THERE ARE FIVE

There are now five major cellular phone companies competing for business in the Ontario market: Bell Mobility, Rogers AT&T, Clearnet, Microcell, which sells the Fido product, and Telus Mobility.

Federal deregulation has enabled regional companies like Telus Mobility, which is strong in western Canada, to compete in other provinces, as are the national players like Bell Mobility and Rogers AT&T.

Sara Moore, the director of media relations for Rogers AT&T based in Toronto, told *The News* the company's network development team had taken the obvious problems with its cell phone service in Glengarry into consideration, but added she has heard nothing further since.

Moore said additional towers would be needed to solve the problem of inadequate service but that could take a long time. "The business case for that needs to be reviewed but it goes into a national planning process and it can take a longer period of time than we would like, so that's why we look at it three years out and review it every year.

"We do that so we can be certain of our planning for both the long-term, as well as be able to respond to customer issues as they come up, and to customer feedback that can point out areas where we may not be servicing customers as well as we would like."

As for Rogers AT&T's position on the issue of long-distance charges on local calls, Moore said the company has a long-standing policy of crediting the charges for customers who call to complain, and would continue with that policy. But she also said she could see no way Bell Mobility could automatically eliminate long-distance charges on local calls, nor could Rogers AT&T.

"I did say to you the last time we spoke we're not always able to identify when a charge has been assessed correctly because it's been picked up by the wrong tower, but we've always had a policy in place whereby when people call in it has always been credited back.

"I know that could be intensive on the customer's part but unfortunately that is the policy we do have in place. Of course, when it is brought to our attention we do immediately credit it back to the customer."

She qualified that by pointing out the rebate only applies to subscribers on plans that deliver a monthly itemized statement, but not to subscribers who are on plans such as the $25 flat rate plan delivering 60 minutes of calling time that includes long-distance charges. On such plans there is no way of determining how much long-distance time is factored into the $25 purchase.

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Viau retires from Caisse Populaire

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

For newcomers to the Alexandria Caisse Populaire with its three automatic teller machines and second story offices over looking Main Street, it's hard to believe that general manager Jean-Marc Viau started out in a one-room office next to the Alexandria Pizzeria.

When he started as the general manager in 1967, Viau was flying solo.

With $44,000 in assets, the Caisse couldn't hire anyone else, not even a janitor.

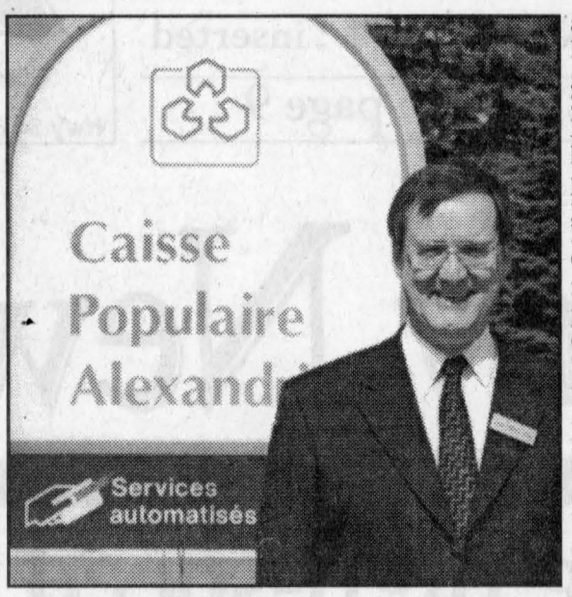
"I didn't like that autumn rain," laughs Viau, explaining how he had to mop the floor and wash window panes for the first five years.

Even when the Caisse moved north where Paddy's is located on Main Street, Viau retained his janitorial duties.

The move to a new Caisse on the corner of Main and Victoria, meant Viau could finally put away the mop.

"In 1971, I lost my job (as janitor)", he laughs again.

It also meant three employees and a first vacation for Viau. He couldn't take holidays in the past because someone was needed to open the Caisse in the morning.



Jean-Marc Viau officially retired from the Alexandria Caisse Populaire on March 31. He served as general manager for 33 years. An evening will be held for the Alexandria resident on May 6 at the Billy Gebbie arena.
Staff photo – Sandra Berry

Slowly, more employees were added and the Caisse gained assets. By 1997, the building of 1971 was torn down, giving birth to the new two-story building next to the Église Sacré Coeur.

Over 30 people are now employed at the Caisse Populaire which has grown to acquire $91 million in assets. Looking back on how the little Caisse progressed over the years, Viau admits he is proud of the Caisse's achievement but his greatest pride lies in the employees.

"I see the progress of the employees and I am proud of them," says Viau.

On his last day of employment with a bouquet of flowers on his desk, Viau looks back on his decision to move to Alexandria in 1967.

"'You're not serious. You want to leave Ottawa to go work in a place like that?' my wife told me," says Viau with a smile.

After working as a civil servant with the federal government for a few months, Viau had landed a job with a Caisse in Ottawa as a clerk in 1965.

Visiting his parents on the weekend, Viau received a call from the president of the board of directors asking him to transfer to Alexandria, which he accepted.

After living and working in Alexandria for most of his life, Viau plans to retire in the same community in which he became known as the Caisse Pop guy.

"I have been in Alexandria since I was five years old. My roots are here now."

And he has not totally left the Caisse yet. He will be working as a consultant for the Caisse on a part-time basis and with its board of directors as secretary.

A few swings at Glengarry Golf and Country Club is on the agenda as well as cycling and walking the streets of Alexandria with his wife Nicole.

More spare time will mean extra time to visit his sons, Stéphane and François, both residing in the community.

Viau will also have time to refresh his Spanish for his upcoming yearly trips down south during Glengarry's chilling winter.

Lise Lauzon has taken over Viau's responsibilities as general manager. Lauzon has been with the Caisse for the past 20 years.

Hope battles Council over drain bill

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by Wallace Hope.

Council wants Hope to foot the bill, in addition to paying $592.23 for his portion of drain maintenance. Hope said he had no problem with the maintainance costs, but that he was not going to pay for the report.

"We have no problem with the report itself," said Hope's lawyer, Gordon Gauthier. "But there has been no new work done as a result of the report. We're talking about a diversion that took place 20 years ago."

Leduc said it was likely that the request for diversion was made after the original bylaw approving the location of the drain was struck.

"It would have required an amendment to the bylaw," he told Council.

No documentation has surfaced to show approval from the Lancaster Council of the day, but both Hope and Councillor Janette Abbey say they remember the diversion being approved.

"I was a rookie on council at that time," said Abbey. "I remember it, but a lot wasn't made known at the table to all members of council in those days."

Hope is adamant that approval was given and insists he shouldn't have to pay for the report.

"I don't know what more you want from me," said a frustrated Hope. "Put it (the drain) back the way it was."

Clerk Mike Samson said that the township had a choice to make when it discovered the drain was not where it was legally supposed to be located.

"Either we dig it up or we have the engineer's report," said Samson. "We were trying to accommodate you," he told Hope.

But Hope said he would rather "leave the lot sit there and have it go to hell," than pay for the report.

Planning for hi-speed network

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to businesses all along the route.

He claimed the high-speed internet service would have the advantages of being always on, provide instantaneous web page downloading, lightning fast multimedia, and equal access to local internet service providers (ISPs)

Local public and private sectors would reap huge benefits from such a system, Stathis suggested: "The public sector would benefit from telemedicine, distance learning and broadband access for local governments.

"For the private sector it would improve competitiveness, attract new businesses and develop worldwide e-commerce possibilities."

Regional would not be involved as an internet provider, but instead would package the system for local internet servers like Glen-Net Communications in Alexandria, who would then enroll individual subscribers, either by cable or by wireless.

The system could also play a role in eliminating the troublesome cellular telephone service in Glengarry County, Stathis suggested. The cellular telephone companies would be able to access the fibre-optics cable and erect more but smaller, less costly, cell phone towers linked by fibre-optics cable.

Land-line telephone long-distance charges could also be eliminated within the network, he said: "If we were to hook up Alexandria to Ottawa by fibre-optics and give subscribers 800 numbers there wouldn't be any long-distance charges."

Stathis made it clear the entire project is in the planning stages, and is not yet a sure thing. But he said he personally is convinced of the viability of the project.

He said extensive consultations are currently going on within the community to develop a clear picture of the need for the kind of service the network would provide.

He added he would welcome enquires from anyone interested in the proposal, and invited interested parties to contact him at Regional Cablesystems Inc., phone 514-352-6400; dstathis@regionalcable.com; www.regionalcable.com

Fire guts barn

A fire could be seen north-east of Alexandria on Wednesday evening as a barn was going down in flames on McCormick Road.

The Alexandria Fire Station was called to the scene just before 9 p.m. but could do nothing but contain the burning building.

There were no animals in the barn. Firefighters remained on the property of Denise Bilodeau until midnight.

Last party

Alexandria News

The last card party before summer recess will take place on April 27 and wil be hosted by Claude and Lucie Massie.

Roy resigns

Gerard Roy, president of Club Fraternité for the past 14 years, has resigned for health reasons.

However, he will remain on the board as a consultant and minor duties.

Current vice-president Mathieu Charlebois will replace him as president.

Reserve tickets

Members are reminded to reserve their tickets for the dinner and dance on May 7 no later than this Monday.

Bridge results

Alexandria Bridge Club results for Apr. 18 are: N/S 1. V. Campbell and L. Atkinson 2. E. Marjerrison and J. Campbell and 3. G. Lalonde and Y. Roussin; E/W 1. R. and K. Zacios 2. M. Laviolette and W. Smith and 3. K. MacCormick and D. Burnett.

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When washing your feeders, always wear gloves. Scrub the feeders in hot, soapy water and then disinfect them with a soak in a solution of one part bleach to nine parts water. Dry the feeders thoroughly before refilling them. You should also rake the ground around your feeder regularly to remove hulls, mouldy seed and droppings.


Felice Thayer, manager, sets up one of the rustic cedar and ceramic bird baths available exclusively at *Bird On A Wire*, Eastern Ontario's headquarters for summer birding supplies.

And don't forget water!

Another good drawing card for summer birding is water. By making it a part of your avian smorgasbord, your backyard becomes a one-stop shop that birds find hard to resist.

The ideal bird bath is a large, shallow bowl with no more than 3" of water. Also make sure the bottom of the bath isn't slippery. If need be, add a flat stone or a few handfuls of gravel to give the birds better footing.

The real key to bird bath success is location. Always try to place it near a tree, bush or some other type of cover. This gives the birds a feeling a security by providing a refuge they can reach quickly when threatened by marauding hawks or a neighbour's cat.

Just as with feeders, your bird bath should be cleaned regularly. Use a solution of water and white vinegar to help prevent algae growth. However, be sure to rinse the bowl thoroughly before refilling it.

Nature's 'helicopters'

No discussion of summer birding would be complete without mentioning the joys of feeding hummingbirds. While 'hummers' eat insects for protein, these little dynamos rely on sugar nectar for energy. Which isn't surprising given that their tiny wings beat up to 75 times per second!

When choosing a hummingbird feeder, remember that bigger isn't always better. Since they are quite territorial and don't like to share, a large feeder can be wasteful, or even dangerous. Artificial nectar left out too long can ferment and fermented nectar is deadly. It's better to have a number of smaller feeders. They may be a bit more work, but it's worth it.

You can make your own hummingbird nectar by adding 1/4 cup of sugar to a cup of boiling water. There's no need to add red food colouring. It won't harm the birds, but all good feeders feature bright red parts which seem to be more than enough to attract the attention of hungry hummers.

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GLENGARRY SCENE

McDonald, Faubert honoured for service to Glengarry Memorial

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

Two former long-serving members of the Glengarry Memorial Hospital board of directors were posthumously awarded honourary memberships last Thursday.

Directors joined with family and friends to watch board chair Johanne Wensink present the plaques to the families of Alex McDonald and Albert Faubert. Both men served 12 years on the board.

Ray McDonald said his father would have been honoured to receive the award. Not only was he an active volunteer, but also used the hospital to the fullest.

"He had four children born here and we came here for all the scratches and bruises," McDonald said.

Alex also spent six years on the executive: two years each as chair, vice-chair and treasurer.

Helene Faubert said her father's volunteering philosophy meant a personal commitment to the hospital.

"Anything my dad did he put his heart and soul into it," she said, adding the hospital's progress through the years would make him "really glad."

Honorary memberships are given out to former directors who must have accumulated 10 years of service and who may have provided instrumental service to the board.



Family of the late Albert Faubert, top photo, received the honourary membership from Glengarry Memorial board of directors chair, sitting, left, Johanne Wensink, Lucille Faubert, Helene Faubert; standing from left, Brian McMenamin, Madeleine (Faubert) McMenamin, Diane Faubert, Ernest Thauvette. Missing from photo are Maurice and Richard Faubert.



The family of the late Alex McDonald, left photo, also received the honourary membership from Wensink, from left, Chantal Lalonde, Dean McDonald, Wensink, Ray McDonald, Doreen McDonald, Mary MacCuaig and Susan McDonald-Cox.

The Glengarry News lands two top scores in newspapers' competition

Somebody thinks we take great pictures and have an excellent classified section.

The Glengarry News received the highest mark, 90 out of 100, for the photography category in the 1999 Ontario Community Newspapers Association General Excellence Awards for newspapers with a circulation of 6,500 to 12,499. The *Stittsville Signal* also had a score of 90.

The News' classified section also got a glowing review, and shared first place with *Barrhaven Independent* on a ranking of 45 out of 50.

The News' sports section was also strong, posting an evaluation of 45 out of 50, good for sole second behind two papers which had perfect scores.

The editorial and opinion page also did well, placing in a four-way tie for second with a 90 marking.

Overall, *The News* finished a respectable seventh out of 16 competing newspapers. Judges gave us a final score of 820 out of 1,000, 50 points behind the first place winner, but 80 points ahead of last place.

Carriere puts across auto dealers' case

By Ross Greer
News Publisher

More than a little annoyed by an article in *The Glengarry News* entitled "The man who gets wheels", veteran local auto dealer Fern Carriere of Carriere Sales on County Road 34 at the north end of Alexandria, this week presented the case on behalf of all local car dealers who he felt were demeaned by the story.

Carriere took issue with a statement made by Paul Tenger, the freelance car finder profiled in the article: "I'm not a dealer. I'm trying to find the best vehicle," Tenger was quoted as saying.

"As a tax-paying dealer here for the past 12 years I resent the implications of that remark," Carriere said. "I always try to find the best vehicle for my customers and I think most of the local car dealers do the same.

"I buy most of my cars from local dealers and I give up to one year warranty on the power train for cars in the $10,000 range, and up to three months for cars selling for around $3,000," Carriere said.

"This man is not a licensed, bonded car dealer, but I am and I always try to be honest and fair with my customers so I'm not pleased when I see someone saying things that are just not fair."

Youth Centre enters a new era

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

With close to $50,000 in grants, policies and procedures in place and a full-time coordinator on staff, the North Glengarry Youth Centre is ready for a rebirth in Alexandria.

"Before changing the outside, we have to work from within and that's what we have done," explained centre coordinator Nathalie Ranger.

Ranger came to the centre in August of 1999. A month later the centre was closed and Ranger had put aside her plans to works with youth to concentrate on administration.

New approach

A youth centre philosophy was put into place, a mandate that the centre could share with the community.

"We wanted to put forth a common vision," Ranger explained of the centre. Instead of a drop-in centre where youths can shoot pool and hang out, the centre is to be developed into a program where youth can plan out activities and take part in them. Hence the creation of a youth committee.

Because youth centres take an active role in the community, Ranger established an advisory committee comprised of various community representatives.

But now that the backbone has been rebuilt, it's time for Ranger and the kids to take action.

She is thankful the centre is located in Island Park where youth can run around and play games.

"It has a lot of potential. It's all up to us."

By youth, for youth

There are plans for a pool club, improv evenings, basketball and volleyball teams, weekend camping and a canoe club – ideas brought forth by community youths.

""We have money to do it, what's missing is the kids."

The Trillium Foundation has approved a $6,000 budget to be spent solely on youth activities.

"That's what is so nice about this, it doesn't cost the kids a penny."

The bilingual centre has reopened as of April 6. Anyone from 12 to 18 years of age can visit the centre three days a week. The centre is open from 3:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays, from 3:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursdays and from noon to 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

Ranger says the hours will increase during the summer with a temporary closure in July for staff holidays.

Already 15 youths have visited the centre in the past week, a sign of encouragement for Ranger who has set a goal of 300 youths at the centre for this year.

Funds to come

The remaining $49,200 is to be used for salary, office supplies and administrative costs. Two computers have already been installed in the centre with access to the internet. Sporting goods are slated to be purchased in upcoming weeks.

These funds will allow the centre to operate with a full-time coordinator for 12 months after which more funding will have to be sought.

But Ranger is not worried. She is optimistic that Trillium will fund another year's operation if all goes to plan – that is if youth take up in the activities.

Centres like Hawkesbury's La Maison des Jeunes have received funding for Trillium for up to three consecutive years.

The centre is currently operating under the direction of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit, but Ranger says that's only temporary, to give the centre enough strength to branch off on its own.

Ingrained in community

Despite negative comments about the youth centre's credibility and reputation in the past, Ranger says she has received nothing but positive comments since the centre's official open house on April 6 when 59 community members attended.

"Everyone has something good to say about the centre. I even got two calls for donations following the open house."

The community's response to the centre is something Ranger takes very seriously.

"The success of a such a centre, depends very much on the community."

Volunteers wanted

Being the only full-time worker on staff, Ranger admits managing administration, the drop-in aspect of the centre and overlooking activities are responsibilities she can't undertake on her own. Hence the need for volunteers.

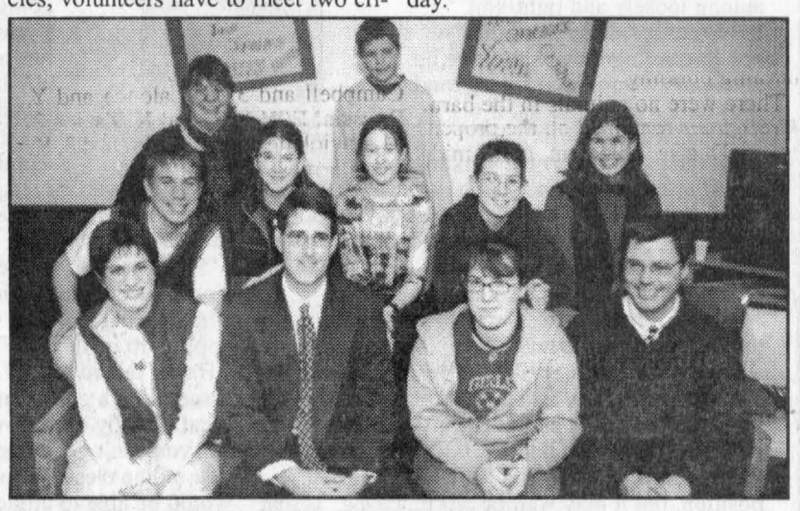
"The more volunteers, the more hours for the youth," said Ranger.

With a group of 15 volunteers, she estimates three hours a month from each individual could provide extended hours for youth.

Under the center's new set of policies, volunteers have to meet two criteria before being considered at the centre – a clean police check and a basic training.

Check it out

While an open house was held for adults, Ranger has planned a dance for all youth to check what the North Glengarry Youth Centre atmosphere is like. A dance is planned for this Saturday.



North Glengarry Youth Centre committee members and supporters celebrate the centre's reopening, bottom row, from left, Stéphanie Décoste, North Glengarry Mayor Grant Crack , April-Dawn Poulin, and centre administrator Marc Bisson; middle row, from left, Martin Carrière, Sophie Delorme, Stéphanie Jeaurond, Camil Sabourin, Gabrielle Chénier; top row, from left, centre coordinator Nathalie Ranger and Samuel Ranger.



Youth Centre advisory committee members are, front row, from left, Carmen Renault, Linda McCrank, France Sauvé and Lyne Valade; back row, from left, OPP Constable Hugh McClements, co-ordinator Nathalie Ranger, Charles Gagnon, president Francine Chénier and Michel Laviolette. Absent is Ronald Cholette.

It's auction fever at nearby historic farms

Martintown

Virginia Winn
528-4379

April has been the month for auction sales in the Martintown area. The day before the big snowstorm, Apr. 8, despite cold and soggy conditions, all roads led south of Martintown to Nick and Gerdie Huizinga's Glen Falloch farm sale. The great crowd in attendance managed to find shelter in the shed and barn. The Huizingas are retiring from dairy farming after 30 years and their herd was sold previously and went to Wisconsin. Fortunately for their neighbours, they are staying on in their home and keeping the surrounding acreage.

The following Saturday, Apr. 15, (The Sunny Day), all roads led north of Martintown to William McIntosh's Glenburnie farm and house sale. The Martintown Women's Institute served lunch at the auction and some of the proceeds were donated to the Richer family to help with their Toronto expenses. Reports say that there was a great crowd at that sale, and the great weather made for a pleasant day.

Congratulations to Karen and Warren Murray of Martintown on the birth of William Cole on Apr. 3. Cole, 10 pounds, one ounce at birth, is in Ottawa at CHEO having had a difficult time since he was born. Big sister Jessie is trying to be patient while waiting for him to come home. Prayers and best wishes go out to the family from all in the community.

Granddad, Doug Murray of Glen Falloch, is recuperating well at home. Following my last report it seems that there was some question as to exactly how many hips one man can have! There is still more surgery scheduled for Doug this spring, so the count is on.

Among the many people who have volunteered their labour for the Habitat for Humanity house in Cornwall are three Martintown men. Donald Thomson and Campbell Murray recently worked on the drywall and Art Buckland has put his painting skills to work.

Euchre scores

On Apr. 4, the Martintown Optimist Euchre raised $200 for the Canadian Cancer Society. Unfortunately, gremlins took off with the record of the winners, but you know who you are (winners, that is). The scores for the Apr. 18 Optimist Euchre are as follows: Ladies, 1. Solange Glaude, 2. Cecile McKinnon, 3. Elizabeth Briere. Men, 1. Hormidas St. John, 2. Armand Bissonnette, 3. Lawrence Thauvette. Door Prizes were won by Ann McDonald, Irene Ross, Eileen Johnston, Chester Valley, Jean McDonald, Armand Bissonnette and Shirley Gallo.

50/50 winners were Claire Flaro, Florençe Harkin, Roger Brazeau, Myrtle MacMillan, John Lapierre, Estelle Brazeau and Rene Poirier.

Winners of the lucky cups were Judy Jonsen and Isobella Champagne. The organizers were happy to have the tanned snowbirds back, as well as some new faces, tanned or pale!

The next Martintown Optimist Euchre is scheduled for this Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Community Centre.

Onagh Ross is sending out a plea to all spring cleaners and movers and shakers to donate unwanted or surplus books to be sold at the Optimist Book Sale on the long weekend in May. Any hard or soft cover books are welcome with the exception of those weighty Reader's Digest tomes and magazines. They just don't have a market in the second-hand book world! For more information call Onagh at 528-4488.

Bridge scores

The scores for the Apr. 18 Martintown Goodtimers bridge are as follows: North/South, a tie for first and second, Doris Lambert and Fay Hudspeth, Audrey Blair and John Roulston, 3. Jeanne Plouffe and Andre Bergerin, and tied for fourth and fifth spots were the pairs of Jane Troop & Jean Murray and Joan Owen & Don Crawford. East/West, 1. Marion Thompson and Norah Ruth, 2. Bob Evans and Charlie Thompson, 3. Audrey Pasco and Barbara Ross, 4. Penny McLeod and Joan Turner.

A little of last week's trip journal was trimmed for space restrictions, so I'll fill in the gaps here. We were lucky to have spring-like outdoor café weather while Ariana showed us the sights of Strasbourg and guided us on our way into the alps for a day of skiing, before heading south to Provence. Flowers were out everywhere: forsythia, magnolias, bulbs and pansies in the north, and roses, lilacs, laburnum and more pansies in the south. Instead of the Raisin River, we followed the Isere, the Rhine and the Rhone and were awed by the vineyards which went on as far as the eye could see.

We visited a 2,000 year-old Roman theatre and a triumphal arch in Orange (the name of a place) and an equally old aqueduct, called the Pont du Gard, near Avignon, but were chagrined to see yellow plastic arches upon entering nearly every town. Somehow the contrasts between the old world and the new seemed more incongruous over there.

Belated best wished to Jen and Jamie who tied the knot on April 14. I'd love to have some details about dresses, flowers, colours, guests from away, but haven t made the right contacts yet!

Best wishes to Sam McLeod, who is in the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Cornwall.

I can't remember a more miserable Easter weekend weather-wise. Will we ever see those long-awaited May flowers? March was unusually mild, and I'll venture a guess that April was the wettest in a long while and I can't help wondering about the progress of the horseback trek which Maryellen Seale of Martintown is making. We must be in for some sunshine this week!

Bingo! for Lions and Optimists

By Ross Greer
News Publisher

The Glengarry Sports Palace's Board of Management has given a resounding Bingo! to the Alexandria Lions and Optimists clubs as the new operators of the weekly Bingo Nite at the local sports shrine.

The decision was made last Thursday evening at a meeting of the Board.

The two service clubs will assume full control of the long-standing weekly institution beginning on Thursday, May 4th. Proceeds from Bingo Nite will remain with the clubs, to be distributed to charities and local organizations at their individual discretion.

Bingo Nite has long been run by the Town of Alexandria and later by the Township of North Glengarry, with the proceeds being used to subsidize Minor Hockey. But the provincial government has decreed it is illegal for a municipality to operate a gambling event like a Bingo game, forcing North Glengarry to divest itself of the operation.

South Glengarry also had a hand in the verdict, since it is a contributor to the operation of the Sports Palace, and has three members on the Board of Management along with the seven members of the North Glengarry Township Council.

Historically, Bingo Nite has attracted between 130 and 140 players.

Rejean Boulanger, who negotiated the takeover on behalf of the Optimist Club, said the two clubs plan to continue the practise of charging each player an admission fee of $20, which covers Bingo cards for an evening's play.

Boulanger said there will be $2,800 in prize money up for grabs each evening, including a top prize of $1,000.

Mike Depratto, the vice-president of the Lions Club, who presided over Bingo Nite for many years, said he plans to be heavily involved as a volunteer under the new regime in the interests of furthering the Lions Club's philanthropic work.

Get set for Pride Day number two

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

After a not-so-good turn-out for the North Glengarry Pride Day on April 15, the North Glengarry environment committee is holding Pride Day number two at the Lochiel garage on Saturday.

"There was still snow on the ground when people woke up that morning," said Julie Akkermans of the April 15 low turn out.

The Kenyon depot had approximately 50 participants, down from last year's attendance of 100.

Alexandria had about 10 people drop by, which is similar to last year.

The bomb was dropped in Lochiel where attendance was zilch except environment chair Bill Franklin and one township employee.

So now that the snow has melted, it is hoped people will get together to clean up their townships.

The Lochiel garage will be accepting garbage from North Glengarry from noon to 2 p.m. with warm hot dogs and drinks for everyone who pitches in to clean up the road sides.

Corrections

The date for the Glengarry Highland Games Friday Night Tattoo will be Aug. 4, not July 28 as published in the April 12 edition of *The News*, which regrets the error.

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The organizer of the francophone volunteers awards night on April 13 was the Le Centre culturel "Les trois p'tits points". . ., not the Centre de Sante Communautaire de L'Estrie as published in April 19 edition of *The News*, which regrets the error.

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Rogers AT&T still ignoring concerns

Disappointment would be the most polite word we could use in reference to the position expressed last week by a spokesperson on behalf of Rogers AT&T, by its own admission "Canada's leading wireless network", when asked by *The News* if the cell phone service provider intends to follow the lead of its competitor Bell Mobility in stopping its practise of charging long-distance rates for local calls.

The position taken by Rogers AT&T on this issue is curious, both from a moral point of view and, dare we say it, from a legal point of view: The company openly recognizes its subscribers in and around Glengarry County are paying long-distance charges on many local calls, but because its equipment has no way of determining on a call when one of its towers wrongly decided a local call was a long-distance call, the "wrong" tower comes down on it's master's side and chalks it up as long-distance.

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Bell Mobility had much the same problem with its towers, but took a different position, albeit after considerable cajoling. Colin Harkes, Bell Mobility's director of networking operations, was quoted in the April 12th edition of *The News*: "We quickly realized that because the Rigaud tower is so high, when it picks up a call placed in Alexandria to a number in Alexandria it's recorded as a call placed in Rigaud, and we should not have been charging long-distance."

In recognition of that, Harkes announced in the same interview he had taken technical steps to eliminate such charges in the 525, 528, 347 and 874 land-line exchanges.

But Rogers AT&T seems to be taking the position it's the customers' problem, and at the customers' expense. The company's only solution appears to run along these lines, to paraphrase: "If you call us we'll credit the long-distance charges on your bill."

This is a form of negative billing, to paraphrase Canada's leading wireless network: "We'll put the long-distance charges on your bill, but if you call us we'll take them off, but if you don't you'll have to pay for it."

Again, it seems to us this is an open acknowledgement that the long-distance charges should not have been levied in the first place.

And it also seems to us this is a form of negative billing, to paraphrase Canada's leading wireless network: "We'll put the long-distance charges on your bill, but if you call us we'll take them off, but if you don't you'll have to pay it."

Clearly, this is not fair and it's not right. And it's not in keeping with Rogers AT&T advertising, to quote from it pamphlet "Make the right connection":

"Connect to Rogers AT&T Wireless and become part of Canada's leading wireless network. We'll provide you with the quality service and enhanced value that Canadians have come to expect and deserve. Our innovative products and dedication to customer service will keep you in touch across Canada and around the world."

In Glengarry's case, that statement rings more than a little hollow.

We have a suggestion for both Rogers AT&T and Bell Mobility: have your accountants tally up all those long-distance charges you have been raking in from Glengarry over the past five, or six – who knows how many years? – throw in some of your own money and do whatever you have to do to make things right.

That's what seems only fair and right.

We will do even better next time

In the weekly bruising bump and grind of all hands striving mightily to put out each and every week the perfect edition of Canada's finest weekly community newspaper, we wish and hope, there are times when the forest seems to fade into the background of the trees.

Sometimes we wonder if all this toiling in the journalism vineyard is going unnoticed by the people out there we care the most about, you, our faithful readers and subscribers.

But then there's the consoling thought you must, or you would surely not be doing us the honour of buying and reading *The Glengarry News* each week.

Everyone likes to feel his or her work is appreciated, dedicated newspaper people no less than anyone else.

That being said, the next best thing is to see our efforts win the recognition of our peers in the community newspaper industry, which can best be measured in the Ontario Community Newspaper Association's annual Better Newspapers Competition pitting *The Glengarry News* against all the other member community newspapers in Ontario.

The results of our efforts in last year's competition will be found in this week's edition on page 3, and they do us proud. We placed well in a number of categories but we didn't win, place or show in other areas of the competition where would have liked to have done better.

But we've taken note of the judges' comments and we've put them together with our own realizations of why we didn't do as well as we hoped we would, and this points out the road we need head down to do better next year.

The objective, of course, as always, is to make *The Glengarry News* the finest all-around weekly community newspaper in Canada.

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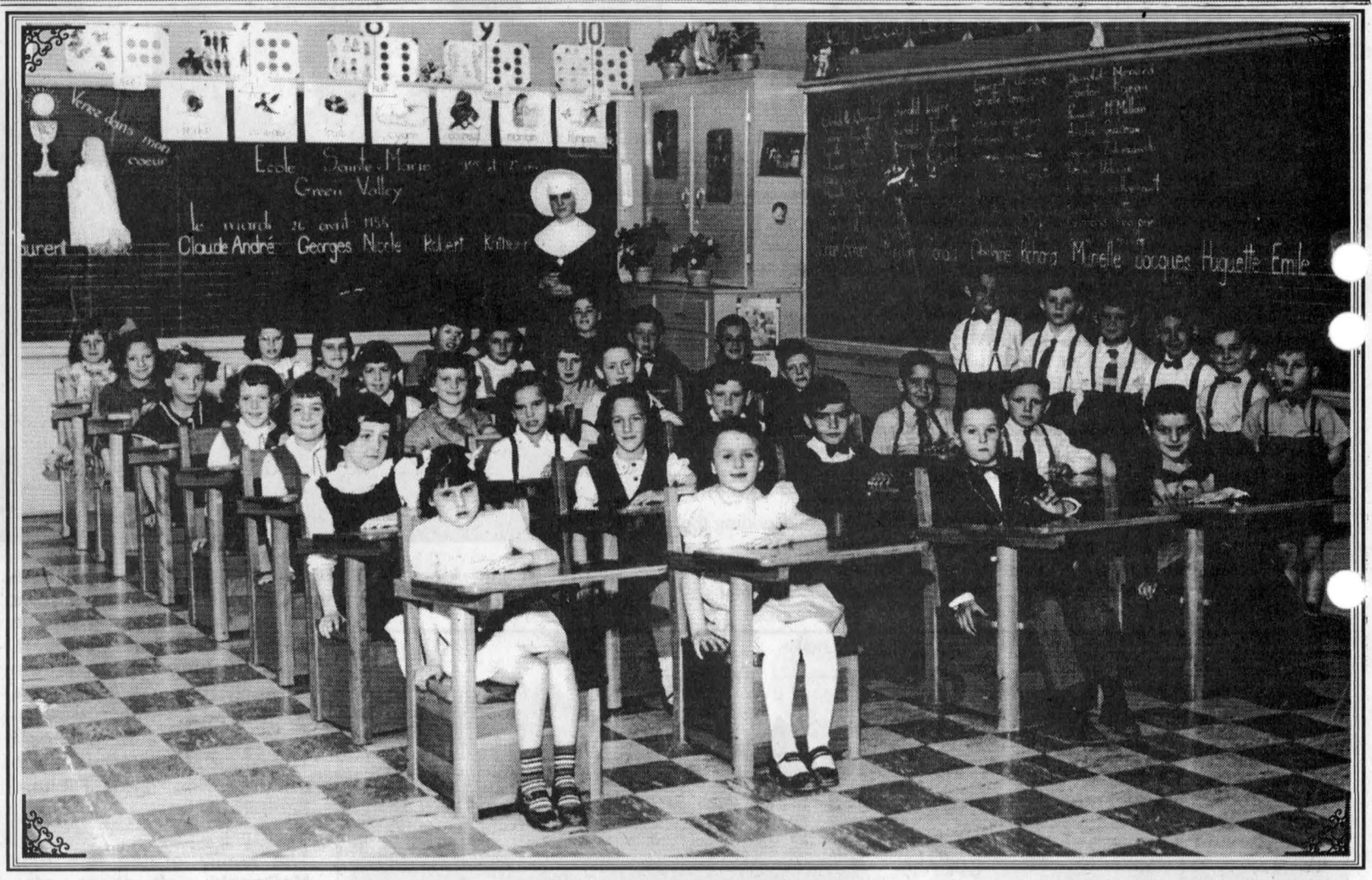

Soeur Pauline's class

Ste. Marie students pictured with Sister Pauline Rhéaume in 1955 in Green Valley are wanted for the Ste. Marie reunion weekend on July 8 and 9. From front in first row to the left are unknown, Nicole Deguire, Ghislaine Leroux, Ginette Leroux, Lillianne Beaupré, Lucille Joanette; second row, front to back, Marjolaine André, Huguette Joanette, unknown, Claudette Quesnel, Aline Dupuis, Diane Cuerrier, Agathe St. Denis; third row, front to back, Roy McDonell, Pierre Delorme, Chum Lajoie, Claude Brunet, unknown, Victoria Delorme, unknown; fourth row, front to back, André Gareau, unknown, Émile Lefebvre, Donald Ménard, Bernard Émond, unknown; fifth row, front to back, unknown, Richard Vaillancourt, Jacques Lefebvre, unknown, Ronnie McMillan and Raymond Beaupré. *The Glengarry News* welcomes submissions of old photographs of Glengarry County for publication in this space.

Who wants to be a local politician?

FIRST PEERSON



GREG PEERENBOOM

The extraordinarily successful game show Who Wants to be a Millionaire? and its equally famous Philbenism "Is that your final answer?" is a very relevant at this time of the year.

All across the county, closed door meetings are being held among loosely and tight-knit groups of residents. And they're not concocting recipes to serve up Glengarry's unofficial spring (and fall) bird – what else but the Canada Goose.

But the question is being asked by different people and will be repeated by media types such as myself over the next few months, such as the one I asked William Hagen and Ron MacDonell on Monday.

"Are you running for Council?"

In MacDonell's case, it was more of a formality to put a story in for this week's issue.

The former long-serving Reeve of Lochiel Township was sure as a dog digging for a buried bone that he was running, except he wasn't 100 per cent sure which bone he was after.

He intends on going after the Lochiel ward position, but it may well be worth asking "is that your final answer?" in a few weeks, maybe months time.

I couldn't help but feel that MacDonell is waiting like a hawk on a post, scrutinizing every twitch that North Glengarry Mayor Grant Crack makes.

So what are Crack's intentions? Well at this stage I'm not prepared to pin him down just yet. I believe a politician currently in office shouldn't be pestered to state a "final answer", but be allowed an opportunity to make an announcement. Unless of course, there is a slew of candidates already and the deadline is only a few weeks away.

Such was not the case for outgoing Councillor-at-large Gilles Paradis. He has let it be known just after getting elected – and maybe it was even before then – that his tenure would most likely be just the one term.

In the case of ex-Lochiel Deputy-reeve Bill Hagen, the "final answer" that he will be throwing his farmer's duckbill hat in is only two weeks away.

"I'll be sending a press release in two weeks. You'll be one of the first to get it," he told me.

So, barring a drastic change of heart, Hagen appears to be in like Flynn.

Hagen talked briefly about the importance of assembling a good campaign team. And that's what it really boils down to.

If you can't get a handful of followers to help you on the election trail, then it's doubtful you would be able to attract enough votes to mount any kind of a challenge.

Anyway, getting back to the supportive "pack" philosophy, it looks like the North Glengarry Community Economic Development Group is in something of quandary.

This activist organization would naturally love to have someone who would curry their desires. God knows they felt spurned by Council midway through the first term.

The problem for them is that appearing too bold or unified in their support might jeopardize their chosen one's acceptability by, for lack of a better description, "The Silent Majority".

Well, if it appears that it's more fun to muse about North Glengarry politics than it's southern cousin, South Glengarry, you're right, it is.

That's because the South is by and large "The Silent Majority" and nothing else. Politics down there is like playing golf on one of those exclusively par-3 hole executive courses.

It takes just one shot to stay on the green and out of trouble. But even that's starting to change. Victoria Stewart and her SLAP troopers have started making expansions to a few holes, adding in a few, excuse the pun, water traps.

But it's still nothing to the par-72 course North Glengarrians go through which has the likes of the BIA bunker, the MacLennan Drain ditch, the Island Park pond, the PUC electric storm and the LACAC lost ball.

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Speaking of South Glengarry, Councillor Jim McDonell called me the other day and VERY politely informed me the township did indeed have someone at the April 15 Tagwi Telecommunications Forum.

The News had lamented the fact that no one from North or South showed up.

We weren't entirely to blame, however. McDonell said his registration was listed under his day job, Bell Canada, not the municipality of South Glengarry.

He queried if he should register under South Glengarry as well, but the registrar advised him not to as it would alter the head count.

LETTERS

Resident wants Council to address wharf issue

To the editor,

Recently I received a call from Fisheries and Oceans Canada regarding its failure to settle the future of South Lancaster's wharf with the Township of South Glengarry's Council.

To bring the matter to everyone's attention, I subsequently asked to be placed on the agenda for the March 27 council meeting. After conferring with Reeve Sangster, Mr. Samson, clerk-treasurer, denied my request given that "negotiations are ongoing (and) we feel that it would be inappropriate to hold an open discussion during a council meeting."

As of March 26, this was untrue. The only thing "ongoing" is Council's refusal to respond to Fisheries' letters of intent, the first of which dates back to June 1999.

Further, council has ignored Fisheries' request to obtain written quotes "for proposed rehabilitation work." Mr. Samson, however, uses the claim that until council knows what Fisheries is prepared to contribute, the project cannot go forward. If this game proves anything, it is the level to which council will sink in trying to hoodwink ratepayers in order to push through its own plans.

Since the wharf is used by all townshippers, the village of Lancaster's fire department, and has proven its necessity to Federal Emergency Response crews, I believe that council has an obligation to allow its citizens a voice in its future.

For the record, 95 per cent of the federal wharfs in Ontario have been taken over by local governments, whilst only a few of the remaining five per cent are now in private hands. Personally, I cannot think of any municipality that is willing to give up almost its entire waterfront property. In fact, many have used their powers of expropriation to take such lands back. But then this is Glengarry.

The issue is not just that the hamlet may lose its only public space but council's underhandedness in dealing with the matter. Some of us no longer trust council nor its publicized vision of Glengarry "where the rural lifestyle melds with estate living and well-varied commercial and industrial enterprises." Who wants their homes mingled amongst smoke stacks and factories? Is this hodge-podge approach to development shared by Glengarrians outside the hamlet?

Victoria M. Stev
South Lancas

Musical's energy was awesome

To the editor,

Wow! Were you there?

What a fantastic, wonderful performance by GDHS students in the musical production of "Leader of the Pack!"

So much talent and energy and the band was awesome too!

Many, many thanks to all involved for a very enjoyable evening of entertainment, and especially to teachers Mr. and Mrs. Caddell, assisted by over half the GDHS teaching staff, for their "overtime" and "extra-curricular dedication" to the students of GDHS. Well done!

Hopefully we can look forward to another production next year!

Jean Lemieux
North Lancaster

Organizer thanks H&S canvassers

To the editor,

I wish to thank wholeheartedly all the volunteers in South Glengarry for their hard work and dedication during the door-to-door campaign for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario in the month of February.

With all of your help and support we were able to reach and exceed our year 2000 goal and more homes were called on than ever before.

Thanks also to you who welcomed the canvassers at your doors and donated so generously to the Foundation.

Dianne Crutcher
Co-chair P to P Campaign
Glengarry Chapter of Heart and Stroke, South Glengarry

Remembering 'the Buffalo', a Glengarry legend

To the editor,

I'm a native Glengarrian who would like to revive an old legend; that of Finnan 'the Buffalo' McDonald.

Since the beast he wrestled with was 10 to 12.5 times his size and the deed was witnessed when it happened June 1,1827 I don't think it should be left to gather dust in the history department of the University of Winnipeg.

Professor Jenny Brown of the U of W is my academic source for the few facts I present and her records will attest to the fact that John Ermatinger, a Swiss trader, and David Douglas were among the witnesses.

The incident is written in the journals of Douglas as Finnan Mor, as I call him, was guiding him along the banks of the North Saskatchewan while Douglas catalogued the flora and fauna of the area. What has never been made note of is the size of buffalo. They range from 2,400 to 3,000 pounds. This means that at 240 pounds Finnan Mor was outweighed 10 to 12.5 times. He packed all that weight on a rawboned 6-foot 4-inch frame.

Sincerely,

Neil J. McDonald,
Winnipeg, Man.

Legaults nominated for outstanding farmers

On April 1st in Guelph, the annual banquet for the Outstanding Young Farmers Program was held. Candidate couples from across Ontario were there to have one chosen to go to the national level. Candidates were between 18 and 39 years of age, they derive the majority of their income from farming and show innovation, stewardship and community involvement in their farming careers.

Tayside farmers, Alain and Diane Legault, nee Vander Wielen, were one of the seven couples nominated. They did not receive the nomination to go the national but they did bring credit to themselves in being nominated at the provincial level and to bring recognition to their farming enterprise. Alain represents the fourth generation to be on the farm, now known as Domar Farms Ltd., and there 60 fine Holsteins are milked and 800 acres cropped. The current production per cow is 10,473 kg. which places the herd on the top five in Stormont County over the past ten years. Presently the herd has one excellent cow and 20 classified as very good, 100 embryos have been sold and eight bulls have been purchased for artificial insemination units. In 1999, Alain and Diana received the Master Breeder award from Holstein Canada.

We compliment Alain and Diana for their achievements and contributions to the community and wish them well as their daughters grow up and follow in their parents' footsteps.

New members

At the United Church on Palm Sunday, Robyn Brown, Dean Brown, Keith Brown, Victoria Jackson, Mitchell Jackson, Lois Jackson and Barrie McIntyre were accepted into the membership of the church by profession of faith. Kathy Lucking became a member through a transfer from Lancaster.

The Handbell Choir from Rideau Park United Church in Ottawa was present for the service and delighted the congregation with several numbers. Afterwards a pot luck luncheon and fellowship were enjoyed. Last Saturday, at a special service in the Church, Catherina Marie Blair was presented for the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. She is the daughter of Nicole Beaulieu and Erin Blair and her local grandparents are Lorna and Gerald Blair.

Outstanding spellers

In the newsletter from the Public School, two students were singled out for their achievement in the Spelling Bee of Canada. Amber Oakes place fourth overall in the intermediate division and Jordan Coleman went to the 6th round out of 17. We congratulate these two pupils.

Andrew Vallance, Colin Blaney, Hughie MacQueen, Jenna Campbell and Kayla MacLennan participated in the Curl for Cancer bonspiel on March 31. The magazine fund raiser is on now and the students will appreciate it if you support the cause to raise money for their-end-of-the-year trips.

Florence McCoy

It recently came to my attention that the last of the sisters of the late Charles Blaney had died in March. She was Florence McCoy of Tweed. The other members of the Blaney family which lived just across from the present Manor were Charles and Stanley and their sisters Lena Lothias, Ada Weedmark, Jessie Empey and Laura Blaney. Fortunately the Blaney farm remains in good hands with Donald and his wife Janice and their sons still farming and with no other dairy breed than with a fine herd of Ayrshires.

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CWL celebrate

The CWL of St. James Church met at the Manor on March 27 and hosted the March birthday party. The Old Time Fiddlers provided the entertainment which was much enjoyed.

The celebrants were Hilda Winter who enjoyed a lively dance with her husband, Morris, of Cornwall, Mary Humme, Hilliard Presley, Doris Bulloch, Sarah Boisvenue, Elvin Sloan, Jeannine Leduc, Mae Munro and Christena MacLennan.

The monthly meeting was held after the party and was opened with a prayer by Father Jacques Lebelle. Claire Besner presented a spiritual reading and this was followed by the minutes of the last meeting, read by Pauline Benton.

Over the Easter week-end, the special services were on Holy Thursday at 8:00 p.m., Good Friday at 3:00 p.m. and on Holy Saturday at 8:00 p.m. First Communion and Confirmations are on May 7th. The 74th Annual Diocesan Convention is on May 28th, at Maxville. Registration will be a St. Bernard School at 9:00 a.m., Mass will be at 5:00 p.m. at St. James and the closing banquet at the Maxville Sports Complex at 6:00 p.m.

Guest speaker in Renfrewshire

Enid and Don Bond returned last week from a very special 19-day visit to Scotland. Mr. Bond was slated to be the guest speaker at the Renfrewshire Province Dinner and the first few days were spent with friends the couple has known through the Ottawa Valley Curling Association and the curling that teams form here and from Scotland have played over the years. Mr. Bond's address was entitled "The Scottish Influence in Glengarry" and in it told about, among other things, the place names and family names we have here.

Then it was to Stewarton for the World Curling Championships and for the victories earned by the two Canadian teams. Afterwards visits with friends on a farm trip in Ayr and then in Pitlochry, north of Perth. Also, much to his satisfaction, Mr. Bond was able to work in three games of golf.

Cowboys and a grieving widow

The Diners' Club meeting at the Manor on April 13th was one of the best. Besides an excellent meal, a very well prepared Murder Mystery play was presented by staff and volunteers. It had a rodeo theme so all were dressed as cowboys except the grieving widow, played by Allison Graham, who was dressed in solemn and who could bring on the sobs and tears on cue.

Co-ordinator Laurie Benjamin was the spokesperson and she had her husband, Phil, dated to be the only man in the cast, that is a man playing man's part. The other cast members were Phyllis Burtenshaw, Dina Murray-MacDonald, Barbara Graham, Bobbi-Jo MacLeod, Kelly McCourt, a co-op student and Joan Siwik. There were 17 diners there and those who missed it, missed an excellent outing.

Bowler rejoice

The bowling season has come to an end for those who have enjoyed bowling over the winter in the program sponsored by SOS at the Manor.

There were four teams for Tuesday and the same for Thursday morning. Each team had a name and the following will indicate the suggestive names that each team chose.

The Happy Rollers consisted of Trudy Wilamoski, Aneila and Alojzy Kowalski and Krystyna Lewandowski. The Rolling Pins were Helen Baker, Bill Bailey, Gerald Jans and Herb Gillingham. The Morning Glories blossomed with Bruno Besner, Ruth McIntosh, Homer McLeod and Leslie Clark. On the High Rollers team were Vernon Campbell, William McDonell, Malcolm MacRae and Darlene Bailey. Spares included Gregor McEwen and Claire Besner. On Thursdays, the Champs who may have been putting up a false front were Harris Annett, Ruth McIntosh, Agnes Campbell and William McDonell. The Sprouts, who sprouted a long time ago, were Bruno Besner, Shirley Villeneuve, Sylvia Douglas and Lorna Winter. The Alley Cats and the Tiger (I wasn't the Tiger) consisted of Keith Forrest, Eileen Scott, Gordon Winter and Ed Ukrainetz. The Strykers who got their share of strikes were Joan O'Hara, Marlene Annette, Elise Forrest and Vernon Campbell. Claire Besner and Denise Lea filled in when called upon. To celebrate the end of the year, there will be a closing dinner on May 4th at 1:00 p.m. at the Manor. All are encouraged to get their names on the list as early as possible.

Card party

At the 500 card party on April 7th, Walter Boivin, who appears to be a new name on the list, found encouragement when he not only won a 50-50 draw but also the door prize. Tonie Oetelaar, Catherine MacRae and Elizebeth Briere earned the ladies' prizes while Jack McDonnell, Hormidas St. John and Norman MacLeod apparently played their cards best. Other draw winners were Norbert Ryan, Mrs. Oetelaar, Mr. MacLeod and Chester Valley.

May 1st is the date for the next party.

Tea for Mother

There will be a Mother's Day Tea at the Manor on Saturday 13th from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Town Square. All friends and relatives are welcome to attend this annual event.

Calendar draw

The winners in the Lions Club Calendar Draw last week were Erma Bradley, Feneghvale, Louis Poulet, Cornwall, Herb Auer, Cecile Delhey, Moose Creek, and Doug McMillan, Avonmore.

Woods ducks, foxes and blue birds

A caller who lives at the edge of town was excited to report that a pair of bluebirds had visited a bird house at the back of their property. The birds did not stay around but I think this is the birds' habit to stake out nesting sites and then to call back permanently in a couple of weeks. Let's hope I am not misleading.

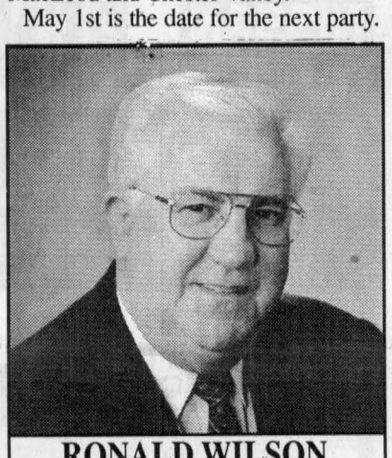
The same couple has a fox which passes by every morning. While some don't like foxes, it is sort of interesting to have one in full view, regularly.

Two families at St. Elmo have wood ducks that have taken up residence. One of these also has a pair of partridge coming around. I wish we had reports on the Hungarian partridges that used to be seen in the country.

Last week, I enjoyed feeding about a dozen juncos. They came during the snow storm and are certainly staying longer then usual. They are feeding Niger seed and it is interesting to see them scratching in the grass for it. Another bird that we still have is the red-breasted nuthatch. It is a rare one and I am hoping that it will find one of my bird houses to its liking.

Bingo

St. Bernard School is holding a fund raiser in the form of a non-smoking bingo. It will be held at the Nativity Hall in Cornwall on April 26 at 7:00 p.m. If you lack transportation, you may use the bus that will be at the school and for a seat, all you have to do is phone the school at 527-2989.



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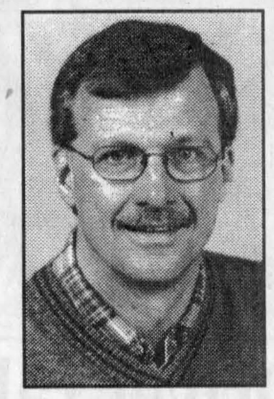

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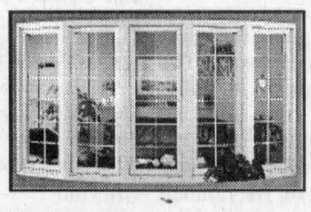

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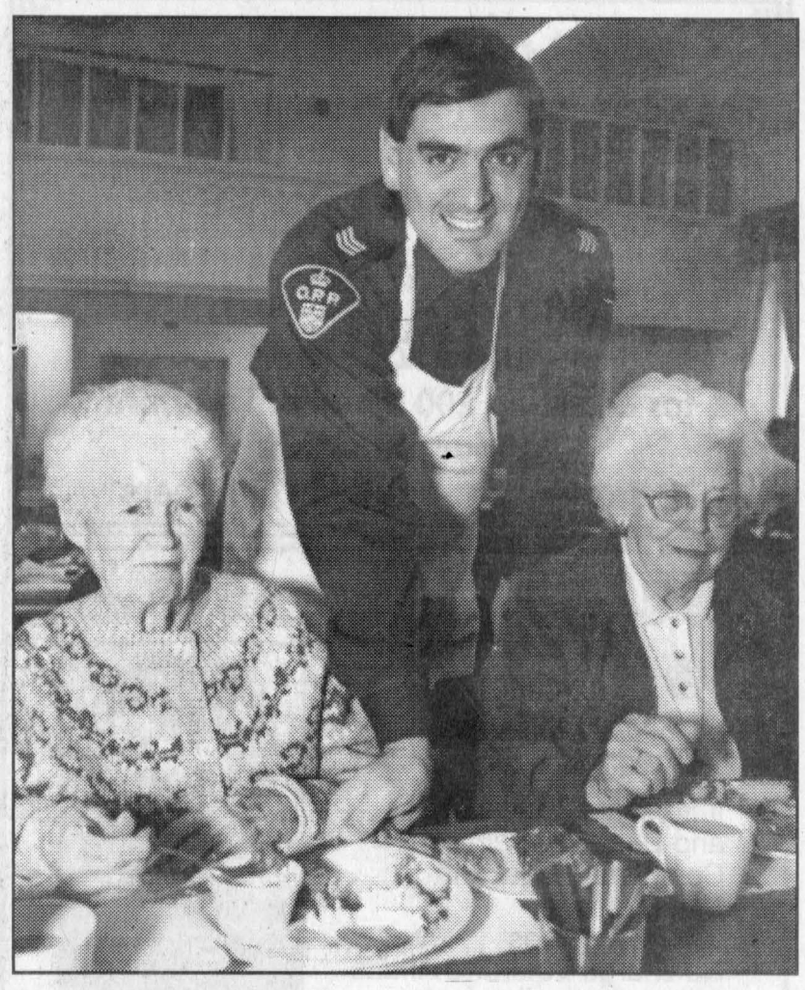

Tibi McRae, left, and Millie Pidgeon, both of Lancaster, get served by SDG OPP Sergeant Brian Eadie during the OPP's breakfast at the Knights of Columbus Hall in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church which raised money for the OPP Summer Youth Camp.
Staff photo - Greg Peerenboom

Cube van stolen from town business lot

Each week Crime Stoppers spotlights a crime that has been committed in the area.

Crime Stoppers would like to remind you that we need information on all crimes not just the crime of the week.

This week Crime Stoppers is asking for your help is solving the theft of a cube van from Alexandria Builders Supply.

The incident occurred between the evening of April 22 and the morning of April 24. The white 1994 Ford van bears Ontario licence 4325CE

If you have information on this or any other crime, please call Crime Stoppers at 937-8477 or toll-free at 1-800-265-8477.

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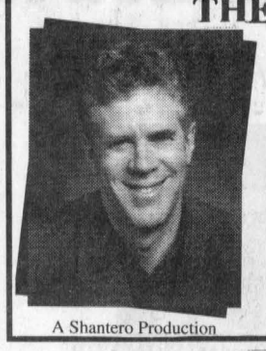

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Driver takes police on speed chase

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When someone doesn't agree with an officer's charge, they normally take the case to court. But that was not the case for a Lancaster resident on April 24.

After being stopped by Ministry of Transportation Inspector Pat Kellar on Hwy 401 near Fraser Road, a 65-year-old man simply took off heading west again when he did not agree with Kellar's actions.

Kellar had stopped the Ford pick up and trailer heading westbound on Hwy 401 and found the vehicle to be unsafe.

The SDG OPP were called for assistance but the driver was persistent. The man would not stop when Constable Rick Rowe followed him with all emergency lights activated.

He continued westbound but was caught when he exited on McConnell where the roadway was blocked by another OPP cruiser.

Still the man would not cooperate with offers as they arrested him for failing to stop for police.

The 65-year-old man has been charged for failing to stop for police, resisting arrest and operating an unsafe motor vehicle.

He is scheduled to appear in Alexandria court on May 12.

Boyfriend strikes partner

A 24-year-old woman was assaulted by her 25-year-old boyfriend in her residence near Williamstown after a lover's quarrel.

The woman alleged to police that her boyfriend struck her in the face and left as she called the police.

The boyfriend was later located and charged with common assault.

He is scheduled to appear in Alexandria court on May 12.

Western gear stolen from Bob-T in Lancaster

Over $17,000 worth of leather and western apparel was stolen from Bob-T tack shop in Lancaster on the evening of April 17.

After prying open the door, person(s) took the following: nine saddles, 22 Koolah coats, 37 pairs of jeans, seven outback and western hats, 47 pairs of western boots, three deer skin gloves and an assortment of buckles and earrings. The value of the stolen property is estimated at $17,800.

Anyone with information is asked to call Const. Peter Robertson at 1-888-310-1122.

Thieves lose control

A car was routinely stopped for speeding near Monkland on April 19 by SDG OPP Const. Don Petryna but the driver took off after chatting with Petryna.

The car sped northbound on Hwy 138, then headed East on County Road 43 to wind up on Lakeshore Road.

The gravel road curves were too sharp and the driver ditched the 1990 Chevrolet Z-24, stolen from Nepean, as he headed south. A bag of coins, stolen from a telephone booth in Cornwall on April 19, was found in the car.

The canine unit with 12 officers were successful in locating one suspect after two men took flight on foot.

Justen Wall, 20, of Ottawa, is charged with possession of stolen property over $5,000, possession of break and enter tools and possession of stolen property under $5,000.

The second suspect, presently at large, is described as a white male, in his 20s with blond hair.

Anyone with information is asked to call Const. Petryna at 1-888-310-1122.

Spooked by home owner

It was a close call between a home owner and thieves on the afternoon of April 17 in Greenfield.

Driving up her laneway, expecting the visiting car to stop, the Greenfield resident was surprised to see the four-door Chevrolet Lumina speed down her laneway.

Upon examining her property she discovered the residence was broken into and a gold wedding band, computer games, CD player, breadmaker, intercom system and telephone had been stolen.

A generator and welding machine had been dragged outside the shed ready to be loaded up.

The car with two men inside was last seen southbound on County Road 30. The driver is described as a male in his early 20s with short dark hair.

Anyone with information is asked to call 1-888-310-1122.

Mischief on Main Street

An Alexandria man was seen breaking the window of a grocery store on Alexandria's Main Street.

Although the suspect fled before the arrival of police, he was later located and arrested.

Eric Lacombe, 22, is charged with mischief, breach of probation and cause of disturbance.

He is scheduled to appear in Alexandria court on May 31.

OPP occurrences (April 17 - 23)

Motor vehicle accidents:	
Property damage	7
Personal injury	0
Traffic calls	26
General complaints	49
Criminal investigations	14
Criminal Code charges	7
Provincial charges	30
RIDE setups	2
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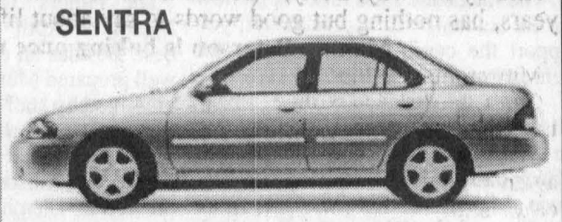

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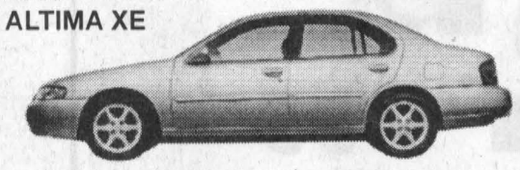

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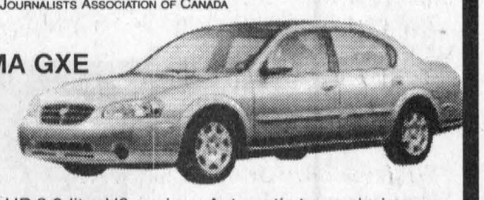

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Honour roll

Grade nine: Andree Beaupre, Lachlan McDonald, Megan McIntosh, Nicole Melnyk, Lisa Migneault, Amy Moore, Laurie Poirier, Naomi Servage, Stephanie St. Denis, Mallory Wereley, and Cassandra Zoppas.

Grade 10

Sean Batty, Renee Beaupree, Jason Cardinal, Eric Cumming, Virgina Donkers, Sarah Evans, Megan Flaro, Stacey Gilmore, Aimee Holla, Kristofer Hones, Jennifer Larkin, Sandra Leishman, Melissa McDonald, Dean Melnyk, Juliana Richard, Robb Schaefer, Allison Smart, and Agnes Sobesiak.

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Jamie Esdale, Dorothea Kubli, Sarah McDonald, Melissa Nysten, Elizabeth Rankin, Christopher Reasbeck, and Joey Van Loon.

Baby time

Just to prove that spring has truly arrived, we have the start of what is promising to be a great season for babies in the area.

Kicking things off, for that is no doubt what he'll be doing once he is old enough to play soccer is Seamus Ian MacLennan. was born to Jennifer (MacLachlan) and Sandy MacLennan — their first, weighing in at a healthy 10 lbs, plus.

Proud grandparents are Elizabeth and Lyall MacLachlan and Janet and Rod MacLennan, all of Williamstown.

Sister for Bronwyn

Grace and Ralph Gordon are also grandparents again, with the birth on Good Friday (April 21), of Jemma (Gemma?) Alexandra Gordon, to Darcy and Annie Gordon.

The new darling was born at Women's College Hospital in Toronto, and is a sister for Bronwyn, aged seven.

Congratulations to you all!

First great-granddaughter

Betty Clarke of the Glendale, was blessed with the arrival of her first great-granddaughter recently, born to her grandson, Rob Clarke and Liz Graham (who also used to live in the Glendale).

Baby Sabrina was born at the Lakeshore General Hospital and has returned to her parents' home in Pointe Claire.

And by the way, Betty, who has lived in the area for the past three years, has nothing but good words to say about life in the country!

Maman Peterson is baking once more

Mmmmmm! What's that smell?

Can't be the Kraft plant, although it's coming from that area. No, indeed. This smell, is, well, more of a bakery sort of smell.

Yes, Annette "Maman" (Mumma) Peterson, has opened her bakery again for the season, and will be producing her famous bread, pies, cakes and you-name-its, fresh every Friday.

There is always something interesting to be found at Paul and Annette's garage sale, and the baking is no small part of it.

Meanwhile, Paul, who is quite a book collector (especially of books about Canadian Prime Ministers), tells me he is now looking for publications from local authors such as Ralph Connor, Grace Campbell, Dorothy Dumbrille, etc., and from James Oliver Kerwood.

To order bakery or to chat to Paul about books, give the Petersons a call at 347-3848.

Spring concert

Looking for something to do tonight?

The Char-Lan Concert Band and Choir is presenting its annual spring concert in the school's cafetorium this evening (Wed.) at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

Teen dance

The next teen dance at St. Mary's centre is being held on Friday, May 12 from 7 to 10 p.m.

All young people, aged 11 to 16 are welcome to attend.

Brunch

Circle it, star it, highlight it — do whatever you have to do to mark Sunday, May 7, the day for you to have a lovely brunch out at the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre in Williamstown.

The South Glengarry Cancer Society will be your host at the brunch, which runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The cost is $6 for adults; $4 for children aged six to 12. The under-six nibblers can eat for free.

It is hoped you will all come out and support this very worthwhile fund-raiser.

Bridge

Williamstown Bridge Club results from April 19, show Elizabeth Marjerrison and Jim Campbell continuing their winning ways in first place.

In second were Bob and Francoise Govan, while Grace Leroux and Evelyn McPhail were third.

Jim speaks on telecommunications

Councillor Jim McDonell spoke up at South Glengarry's council meeting Monday, to say that despite there being no representation from council at the telecommunications forum held at Tagwi on April 15, that the elected reps from these parts were very supportive of the committee and the work it was doing.

Jim said he hoped the area would get some of the services (high speed internet access) which CEO-NET is trying to bring to Glengarry.

Euchre

The Glengarry Community Club's open euchre results from April 12, see Florine Goodfellow winning for the ladies, and Lorne Bennett for the gents. Other winners included Florence Bennette and Barrie Shaw and Delard Dubeau and Donald MacGregor.

Delard also won the door prize, while Ethel Clark was the winner of the special draw for a bottle of maple syrup.

Catherine Welcher, Ethel Leitch, Germaine White, Carol Dubeau, Clarice MacPherson, Bill Leitch, Alda Major, and Theresa Bourdeau were the 50/50 winners.

The club had a wonderful visit a while back to a sugar camp at St. Eustache, and Reta Heath recommends it for any group wanting to take a bus trip next year.

The Glengarry Community Club's next open euchre will be held May 10 at the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre at 1:30 p.m.

From Wales

Home for Easter is Sarah Harrington of Cardiff, Wales.

It seems that the "spring break" at universities in the UK is much longer than here in Canada.

As a result, Sarah will be in Canada until May 9th or so.

Rescuing the pink flamingo

DUNVEGAN



PEGGI CALDER, 527-5293

With a heart as big as all outdoors and a commitment to the bird world that left everyone in awe, dimunitive Kathy Nihei held the Vankleek Hill Nature Society members in the palm of her hand as she described her work with injured and orphaned birds at the Wild Bird Care Centre in Nepean.

Beginning with a hummingbird rescued from a neighbour's driveway, since 1981 she has worked with 60,000 to 70,000 birds of about 170 species. Following the 1998 ice storm, they had the highest number of daily admissions ever with 79 on one May day. This was attributed to dehydration caused by the loss of canopy shelter in the tree nesting areas.

Kathy held the group spellbound as she told of the rescue of Elisha, the pink flamingo that escaped from a Connecticut waterfowl sanctuary. The eventual capture and return of the bird, was no less unusual than the admission of an Atlantic Puffin that had been found by miners at the mine entrance in New Liskeard as they came off their shift. They drove it two hours to town, and insisted to Ministry of Natural Resources officers that it be returned to where it belonged. A conservation officer drove the bird ten hours to Kathy's facility where it was checked out and pronounced healthy. Arrangements were made with Air Canada to fly the bird back to the East Coast so it could join a puffin colony and get on with its life.

About five years ago they had many young dead and dying Great Blue Herons. Necropsies at Guelph showed no parasites, nothing obvious, but the bodies were emaciated. One of Kathy's concerns is that these birds are suffering from the decline of frog populations which are their primary food source.

Six healthy young herons were returned to a rookery in the St. Lawrence, where they had come from. Releases of recovered birds are made in the area that the bird originally was picked up.

Kathy recommends to those helpful people who will try to "rescue" young birds that, if the bird is a baby and not injured, return it to the nest as soon as possible, and quickly so as not to scare the parents and siblings.

If the bird is a fledgling and on the ground, move it to a low branch to be away from cats. The parents most likely know where it is and expect it to be there when they return. If a bird has hit a window and is stunned, put it in a small dark container and leave it for an hour or so. If it hasn't recovered, bring it in to the bird centre. When a bird veers up at a window, sternum (breastbone) fractures result; from a sideways veer, they suffer collarbone or wing fractures.

Survival rates for the Centre's admissions suffering from cat attacks are very low - ranging from 14 per cent for adult birds to 22 per cent for nestlings. Kathy says it's ironic that healthy domestic cats are placed at risk by being allowed to roam outside, which results in hundreds of healthy wild birds being brought in to the Centre because "cats are around".

When asked about her policy to treat everything, including starlings, cowbirds, sparrows, gulls and other nusiance birds, Kathy stressed that she wanted to help all species. She compared them to people, saying she doesn't judge one from another, and posed the question that if the Centre turned away people with starlings would those same people bring the "good" birds when they found them?

The Wild Bird Care Centre can be reached at 613-828-2849 or 2348.

Chuch services

On May 7, services at Kenyon Presbyterian Church return to the summer hour of 9:30 a.m.

All in a wave

What does a wave mean anymore? Do you wave a "thank you" to those who let you go ahead at a corner, or in traffic? Or are you afraid to wave in traffic? Do you wave to your neighbour? If your neighbour doesn't wave, do you figure they're not talking to you any more?

Years ago, my dad travelled around the west end of Manitoulin Island in a bright yellow and black company truck - as forester for the Ontario Paper Company, he did a lot of visiting with landowners.

He'd wave to everyone he saw, and when we asked who that person was, he'd reply "PR!" My sister and I couldn't figure out who all these people were with the same name, and it was some time later that we found out he meant "public relations" and was actually promoting the company with his friendly waves.

Maybe that's what a wave really is. Promoting yourself to those you meet in the course of a day.

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There were more than a few people upset to see a large Canada Goose hobbling about with a muskrat trap fixed to it s leg at Treehaven. Yes, this is another hero story in my neighborhood. (Hey, Gus thinks Barry is a hero to save his life!)

Actually, for the people living on the water it was horrible to see this goose in such a nasty predicament every day. The many attempts to rescue the goose failed. But if there is a will, there is a way. Rick Duchene and his son Jamie finally pulled it off. Well, not exactly. Once the goose was captured they crossed the channel to Bill McGrath's and with the right tools the trap was removed. Rick and Jamie know what it feels like to be hip deep in frozen cold mud and water.

That was the bad part. The good part was the feeling that comes with the success of freeing the goose. Very good Earth day project, guys!

Euchre results

There was a ham euchre in North Lancaster Apr. 16 with 28 tables being used. The results are as follows.

Ladies 1) Rita McCarthy, 2) Lorraine Lanthier, 3) Manno Gareau and 4) Claudette; men, 1) Roy McDonald, 2) Roger Brazeau, 3) Marcel Glaude and 4) Real Fournier.

The 50/50 draw went to Audrey Tyo, Helen Sabourin, Bertha Sauvé, Jean McDonald, Irene Quenneville, Noel Campeau, Diane Roy, Beatrice Lalonde, Wendel McLeod, Gerald Paquette, Isobel MacDonald, Huguette Ranger, Beatrice Fontaine, Nicole Chenier, Diane Roy, Pete Bellware and Lucille Faubert.

Door prizes were won by Real Deschamp, Marie Therese Theoret, Claude Seguin, Roger Brazeau, Bev Fournier, Florene Monpetit, Lionel Doré, Aime Théoret, Isolbel MacDonald, Real Diotte, Inez Franklin, Gracia Seguin, Ted Lapenser, Jacques Laurendeau, Laurette Viau, Real Seguin, Gerald Paquette, Marcel Campeau and Audrey Tyo.

From the parishoners of Glen Nevis we would like to thank everybody for your support. Thank you.

Earth

Saturday was Earth Day. I must say that this little corner of our earth was mighty wet, damp and dreary. I thought about the recent snowfall and felt a little better. I put on my CD, Sandbar Serenade from Cayman Island and felt much better. But watching the marsh life outside, watching the birds oblivious of incessant rainfall, is good. Mr.and Mrs. Mallard have left the river in favor of the huge puddles nearby. Real puddle ducks! They join snipes feeding in the ditch and even have a quiet siesta in front of our kitchen window.

The rainfall abates. As we enter the road with the dogs a large heron literally walks the water as he scoops air with enormous wings, and is aloft and flying to a safer place. Later I spy him by the dock. No waiting this time. He hunkers down and throws his fish to shore. Back up he swallows it with a gulp and a lumpy throat. Neat!

The Iris shoot pale green leaves above water level and a hawk swirls and dives above the marsh.

Yes, the marsh is interesting and one would think this conservation area a safe haven for wildlife and fish.

On Earth Day those who walk our road can see the large amount of garbage that has been left by visiting fishermen. It is perplexing. Fishing in a conservation area? As for the litterbugs, they have no excuse. We have this problem all over in our community.

Embrace Earth

You may have seen Julie Flaro of the St. Lawrence River Institute in the Freeholder holding the world (a globe) in her hand.

The story with the theme of Earth day was interesting. As Julie says we should embrace Earth Day every day of the year.

I guess it s all about education and the River Institute does that well. I am reminded that we all have a chance to hold the world in our hands just by very small actions.

Procession of the cross

The hearty nature of some Lancaster and area residents was evident on Good Friday as thirty to forty people joined in the Procession of the Cross, braving heavy rain and cold winds.

Another twenty to thirty followed in cars. After a short service at St. Andrew's, St. Joseph's and Knox hot cross buns and coffee was very welcome.

Thanks go to Gerry Cook of Cornwall who portrayed Christ and carried the cross and to the O.P.P who provided escort.

Thanks again to all of those who participated in the Noon Hour Lenten services.

The final total raised in the Avenue of Loonies, designated for the Canadian Food Grains Bank, was $725.

On Holy week Knox held a number of meaningful services. On Maunday Thursday the traditional Tenebrae service was held. Rev. Andrea Harrison of At. Andrew's United of Williamstown and Rev. Gary Stokes were co-celebrants of the sacrament of Holy Communion.

On Easter Sunday a small group of early risers gathered for the reenactment of the ancient ceremony of the Lighting of the New Fire. A delicious continental breakfast was served in the following fellowship hour. Easter services concluded with a Celebration of the Resurrection for Lancaster, Bainsville and Summerstown United churches.

Concert at Knox Church

Although Lenten services are finished the fellowship goes on at Knox Church. All in an April Evening is a series of seven Sunday evening concerts that start on Apr. 30. This series celebrates the Easter/Pentecost Season and features area vocalists Luane Wood-Doyle, Penny Bedard, Randy Pitts and Peggy Haramis, Ken Roach, the Mackenzie- Keelers, Nancy Grant and the St. Andrew's United Church Choir of Williamstown. The audience will be invited to join in the singing and light refreshments will be served. A freewill offering will be used to update the Knox Church sound system.To enjoy the first concert come to Knox Church at 7:30 p.m. Luane Wood- Doyle is the guest vocalist.

Puddle duck treats

In spite of puddle duck type of weather, many little ones with their families took part in the annual Puddle Duck Egg hunt at Cooper Marsh on Sunday. Mr. Puddle Duck himself had a grand time greeting the children and having some fun with them.

The hunt was for pegs which earned each child a bag of Easter treats. The children were treated to face painting and coloring activities, not to mention the refreshments for all.

The Cooper Marsh Conservators thank the many volunteers including a nice group of young people, Kaylee Fraser, Crystal and Kimberley Lebrun, and Kylie and Alicia Cumming.

Draw prize winners are as follows: Linda Akink, Christine Martin, Josephine Ferro, Alyson Orwell, David Kings, Casia Martin, Eryrn Neeson, Kara MacDonald, Dylan Hurley, Belinda Comeau, Tosha Burns, and Amanda Hurley. Congratulaions to all

The Conservators wish to thank those who donated prizes: Creg Quay, House of Personal Profiles, Lancaster Dairy Queen, artist Robert McGee, Kerry and Allison Small and the Cooper Marsh Nature Boutique.

Financial support came from Chem Tech Environmental Inc, Dennis Burns, Northern Breakers, Kerry Small. Roger Menard Garage, Agnes and Bill Cooper and anonymous donors. Thank you!

Taste of summer

Monday's sunshine is so welcome. After an early walk I checked my snow flattened tulips. They seem fully recovered and full of buds, ready to bloom. This reminded me that our local greenhouse must be ready for Spring Open House. So I called Pierette and sure enough Gauthier's Greenhouse opens this weekend. This year the Open house is for three days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Pierette tells me that there are many new and novel plants for the year 2000.

Visiting a local green house to see all of the colorful plants and getting a taste of summer is a great way to spend a few hours.

Plans for Canada Day

Sunday, May 30th, at Mario's, at 9 a.m. This is what you need to know if you are part of the South Glengarry Club Council. Plans are progressing for Canada Day and will continue at this meeting. Chairperson, Barry Millett, reminds any individuals who would like to share and help in the this to know that they are very welcome.

The aim of this group has always been to provide an excellent family day celebration for Canada Day in our community.

Curling banquet

From the Lancaster Curling Club: Last call for our annual year end banquet. It will be held this Friday at the curling rink. Tickets are $25 each. For this you also get a prime rib supper and dancing to the tune of the Pierre Vailliancourt Band. If interested please call Kirsty MacLeod as soon as possible. 347-1187.

Results of the Last Chance bonspiel will be included in nest week's column. Have a super, sunny week!

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A new business has opened at Kirkhill!

Joan McGregor and Jim DiStephano have renovated the former United Church manse into a "Bed and Breakfast" and named it "La Casa di Manse." All the best in your endeavour.

Visitor at the manse

Idella and Milton McGregor, Montreal, spent the weekend with Joan McGregor and Jim DiStephano at Kirkhill.

On Sunday Curtis Rigby and baby Kaylea, Gananoque, and Cara Rigby, Alexandria, visited with them.

Happy birthday Verna

Kathy and Harold MacDonald, Ottawa, organized a birthday party on Apr. 18 for his sister Verna MacDonald, also of Ottawa.

It was held at an Alexandria restaurant.

Among the guests were Frasers, MacDonalds, MacDougalls, MacKinnon and MacRae, - all first cousins, spouses and friends. Belated greetings Verna from your many friends in the area.

Visiting Dalkeith and Maxville

Mary and John Weese, Trenton, Scott Weese and Melanie Kierstead, Ryan Weese and Jenny Szwedo spent their weekend with Ian and me and then on to Maxville with Ruth, Garry, Hughie and Morgan MacQueen.

Easter at the Peerenbooms

The home of Greg, Sylvie and baby Jacob Peerenboom held a family reunion over the holiday weekend.

Joining parents Jack and Margaret Peerenboom, Thunder Bay, were brothers Pat, from Pittsburgh, and Dan, from Waterloo, Ont., with his friend Debra Henderson of Brodie. Brenda Noble also came for Easter supper.

Phyllis (MacLeod) McLaughlin

Phyllis (MacLeod) McLaughlin, beloved wife of the late Peter McLaughlin, died on Apr. 17 at age 76.

The memorial service was held in Etobicoke on Apr. 20 and was attended by her cousins Eileen and Lorne Hamre, Toronto, Lois Hartling, Marilyn and Ellis MacLeod, of Ottawa, Mary Helen MacLeod, Stittsville and Sandra Tubman, Munster.

Phyllis was born at Dalkeith the daughter and only child of the late John and Annie (Hyde) MacLeod.

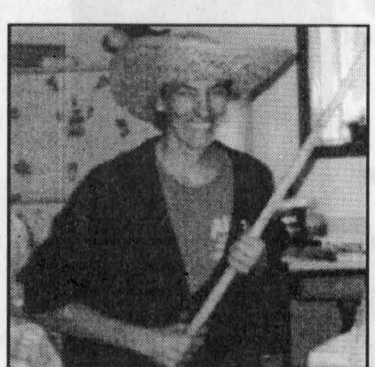
Puppets a success

The puppet show at the library was a huge success and this Wednesday the adventures of Arthur will be featured at 7 p.m. This is the last of the series.

Sandbag league

Top spots for game played Apr. 4: highest square, men, Rheal Cyr - 1,450, Alain Piché - 1,320; ladies, Ghislaine Menard - 1,350, Pauline Piché - 1,320; highest single, men, Guy Perreault - 5,070, Rheal Cyr - 4,70; ladies, Ghislaine Menard - 4,810, Helene Leduc - 4,720; highest double, men, Guy Perreault - 9,690, Rheal Cry - 9,180, ladies, Ghislain Menard - 8,870, Helen Leduc - 8,570.

Les Flames - Armand Paquette, Denis Avon, Arcade Menard and Ronald Sicotte.



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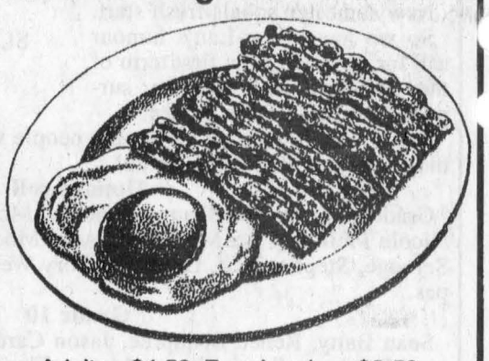
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Spring junior golf camp

This year the Glengarry Golf and Country Club will offer for the first time a Spring Junior Golf Camp.

Chris Learmonth, GGCC's new club pro is organizing the camp which will be offered to students between the ages of eight to 18.

The five-week camp runs May 13, 20, 27 and June 3 and 10 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The cost of the course is $40 per child.

The camp is limited to the first 60 registrants and golfers do not need to be a member to register.

Call Chris Learmouth C.P.A at 525-2912 if interested.

Colts head into Fred Page Cup today

For the Cornwall Colts Junior A Hockey Club the 1999-2000 campaign has been quite a success.

The team won the Central Junior A Hockey League last week with a 4-1 series decision over the Brockville Braves.

With the win the Colts guaranteed a spot in the four team Fred Page Cup tournament in Pembroke.

Their opposition will be Central Division rival Pembroke, Maritime Junior A hockey League champions Halifax Oland Exports and Coaticook Frontaliers, the Quebec champions.

The Colts first contest is against Halifax today at 3 p.m.

Colts head coach Al Wagar spoke about what he expects going into the tournament.

"It's going to be intense hockey. We had a good playoff run and good playoffs but the Coaticook and Halifax teams both had the same playoff record as us at 12-2."

During the season and playoffs, the Colts relied on the talents of several Glengarry-based players.

Last year, Jean Desrochers of Alexandria was phenomenal during his first season in an Alexandria Junior B Glens uniform.

The same could be said about his initial season with the Colts.

"Jean is a big finesse player. He's six foot two, 205 pounds and is a great puck handler. From the blueline in he's very dangerous."

Other Glengarry-based players to crack the Colts line-up this year were Lindsay Campbell, Derek Wagar, Matt Verdone, Kasey MacDonnell and Graham Charbonneau.

Wagar described what each of them brought to the team.

"Lindsay is a tough forward that comes to play every night. He played on the top line.

"Derek was probably our steadiest defenceman. He sees the ice well and gets the puck out of our zone with the first pass.

"Kacey was Derek's partner and they played well together. He's really tough and provided our team with a lot of muscle.

"Matt is a rookie. He surpassed what most coaches would expect out of a 16-year-old.

"Graham started off the year with us then went down to Char-Lan (Rebels) and had a great season there. He's done everything we've asked him to do."

And what does Wagar expect from the Fred Page Cup.

"We'll take it one game at a time. as far as i'm concerned everything from now on is gravy because we won our division championship."

Junior Crusaders start season with no expectations

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

Looking back at last year's soccer season the Char-Lan District High School junior girls team can reflect on a successful season that included an Eastern Ontario Secondary School Athletic Association championship.

As the 2000 season unfolds, Char-Lan junior girls coach Paul Carriere says it is totally unclear what the future holds.

"You can't go with year-to-year expectations.

"Especially in junior soccer, players move up too quickly and you don't know what you've got until the first game."

The junior squad was only selected late last week and they'll only have had only a couple of practices under their belts before the season starts tomorrow.

The general feeling is pleasant at the Charlottenurgh high school though.

"We have a good group of athletes," said Carriere.

"We're optimistic and we'll see how it goes."

Looking ahead to the season Carriere said he will expect big things from second-year players Jenny Larkin and Julianna Richard along with rookie Cassandra Zoppas.

CDHS Junior Girls

Name	Playing experience
Andree Beaupre	Rookie
Renee Beaupre	Rookie
Bobbi-Lee Chatelaine	Rookie
Sarah Fournier	Rookie
Jenny Larkin	Return
Sarah MacDonald	Return
Melissa McDonald	Return
Jenna McIntosh	Rookie
Nicole Melnyk	Rookie
Katie Munroe	Rookie
Katrina Payer	Return
Veronia Poitras	Rookie
Juliana Richard	Return
Christine Sandilands	Return
Courtney Sloan	Rookie
Melissa Tierney	Rookie
Mallory Werely	Rookie
Cassandra Zoppas	Rookie

Coach: Paul Carriere

Zoppas, a grade nine student, makes the starting line-up at full back.

Overall, Carriere described what he expects from the second-year players who will be the obvious leaders of the squad.

"We have good speed this year.

"I expect them (returning players) to help with our system. I want them to ease the girls into games because there's a lot going on on game days. I want them to make sure the first-year players are comfortable. The kids returning all have good leadership skills."

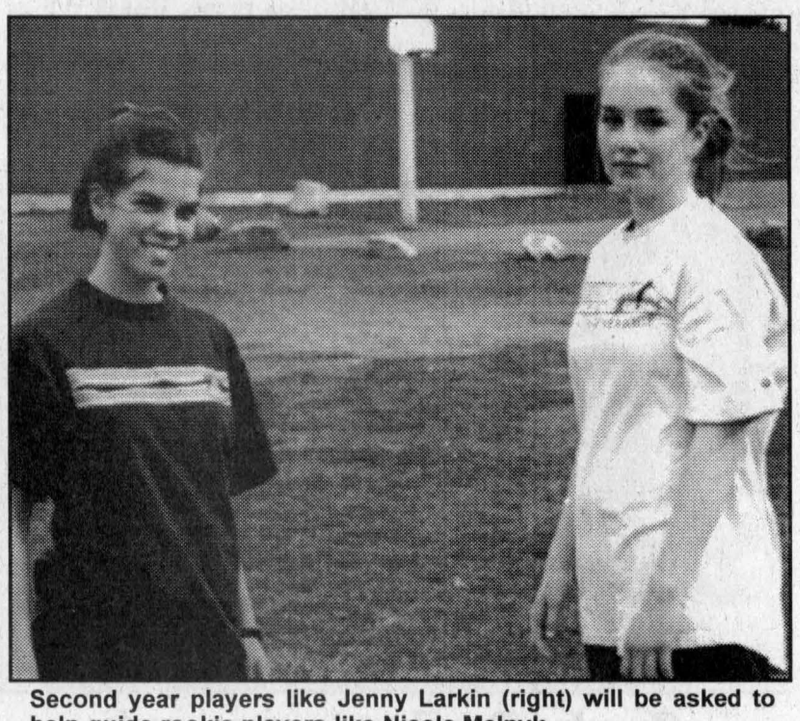
Carriere said he is not expecting big things at the beginning of the year.

"I'm not concentrating on winning too much early. The first couple of games will be almost like practices."

Carriere is also the convener of girl's high school soccer in SDG.

The season which was reformatted recently because of dampened fields should get under way as newly-planned.

"One of our fields is almost ready," he said.



Second year players like Jenny Larkin (right) will be asked to help guide rookie players like Nicole Melnyk.

"Our main field has been re-seeded and won't be ready until the end of the season. The city schools fields' have been draining well and should be ready.

"So far so good."

Having fun is number one for junior Gaels

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

Last year the Glengarry District High School junior girl's soccer team won their 18th straight SDG championship, they also took home the Eastern Ontario Secondary Schools Athletics Association championship.

And they're hoping to do it again.

There is a tradition of winning at GDHS and one of the junior coaches, Anne MacDonald, was asked if there is any pressure on the players.

"It's certainly in the back of their minds. Winning isn't the first and foremost thing though. More importantly there's skill development and it's really important for the girls to just go out and have a good time."

Rachel MacGillivray, one of 11 returning junior players, said she hopes her team continued the SDG streak.

"Hopefully we'll do our school proud.

"First we have to make SDG. From there we'll have to go with our streaks and keep the Glengarry name going."

Teammate Emmaly McCorkell had a more laid back approach to the year.

"We look really good but we have lots of work to do. The team is really committed and we hope to go far.

"It's up to bonding and having fun though."

The tryouts to this year's team started in March and the selected group has been practicing since then.

Co-coach Glen Campbell said there are several strengths in the team.

"Their enthusiasm is probably the most noticeable. We have a good base. They have all played lots of soccer growing up and most have them have played with each other before."

Although GDHS has a tradition of winning, MacDonald said it isn't so easy anymore.

"Every year it is getting more and more difficult to win. SDG is becoming very competitive."

Campbell explained what he hopes for this season.

"The number one thing is the fun side of it. Winning and losing isn't a factor. The girls don't really know about the streaks. We tell them, never be outworked but we don't want to put extra pressure on them."

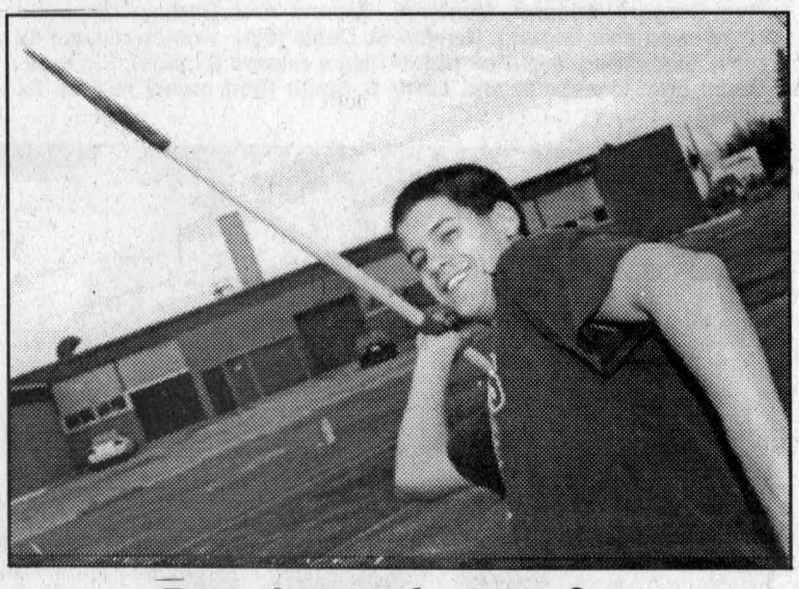


Rachel MacGillivray (left) and Emmaly McCorkell agree having fun is the number one goal of high school sports.

GDHS Junior Girls

Name	Playing Experience
Rose Huxted	Rookie
Kristy Kennedy	Rookie
Josette Laferriere	Return
Marie Lajoie	Return
Rachelle Larocque	Rookie
Tina MacDonald	Rookie
Rachelle MacGillivray	Return
Dawn MacLennan	Rookie
Ashley McLeod	Return
Laura MacMillan	Rookie
Loni MacSweyn	Return
Emmaly McCorkell	Return
Amelie Palmer	Rookie
Jodie Poirier	Rookie
Amanda Portinari	Rookie
Jennifer Quesnel	Return
Jenna Sauve	Return
Melanie Sommers	Return
Mandy Taylor	Return
Jesse Van Overbeek	Return

Coaches: Anne MacDonald and Glen Campbell



Practice makes perfect

Glengarry District High School student Mathew Leith practices throwing the javelin during an after school practice last week. The SDG Warm-up Track and Field Meet is Friday at St. Lawrence.
Staff photo — Todd Anderson

Senior crusaders look to take it one step further this season

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

After last year's loss in the Eastern Ontario Secondary School Athletics Association final, the Char-Lan District High School senior girl's soccer team is looking to get one step further in their 2000 campaign.

Last year's loss was in fact the second consecutive disappointing finish to the year.

In 1998, the Crusaders lost in the EOSSAA semi-finals.

This year looks pretty good for the team.

Plenty of the players are back and they should know what it takes to get to the next level after last year's experience.

Complimenting the returning players is a fresh talented crop of juniors who were part of the EOSSAA winning team last year.

"We're expecting a strong showing at the local level," said coach Mona Leblanc.

"We have lots of returning players

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Big city pro happy to be in Glengarry

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

The Glengarry Golf and Country Club has a new pro.

Chris Learmonth, 34, signed a contract with the GGCC in late January and started his new job on March 13.

Learmonth, an acquaintance of past GGCC president Jim MacDonald, moved to Glen Robertson from Montreal March 1.

"I've known Jim (MacDonald) for three years," said Learmonth.

"In the past couple of years he told me of a possible opening. We spoke about the position in mid-January and we went back and forth with the contract."

Ian McKay is the new general manager at GGCC now and Learmonth looks forward to working with him.

"He seems like a great guy. We should have a good working relationship."

Learmonth negotiated his contract with the help of his boss, Andrew Phillips.

Phillips is the head pro at the Alma Ridge Golf Club in Montreal where Learmonth was previously employed.

"There were six of us (pros) there," said Learmonth.

"It was 36 holes and it was a private facility."

So how does the 18-hole, public available Glengarry Golf and County Club rate compared to Alma Ridge.

"I think it's an excellent course.

"I played it a couple of years ago with John Hope, Scott Daprato and Jim MacDonald. It's a beautiful country club with a nice amount of elevations and the water comes into play nicely."

Learmonth, a 10-year pro, has had to get used to new living conditions as well.

"It's great living here. You are one hour away from two cities here. You have Ottawa to the west and Montreal to the east.

"It's country living with city pleasure. I'm happy to be here."

Learmonth's job description is pretty detailed at GGCC.

Along with teaching during private lessons he will also: be in charge of merchandising and purchasing, run member events, staff the pro shop and repair clubs.

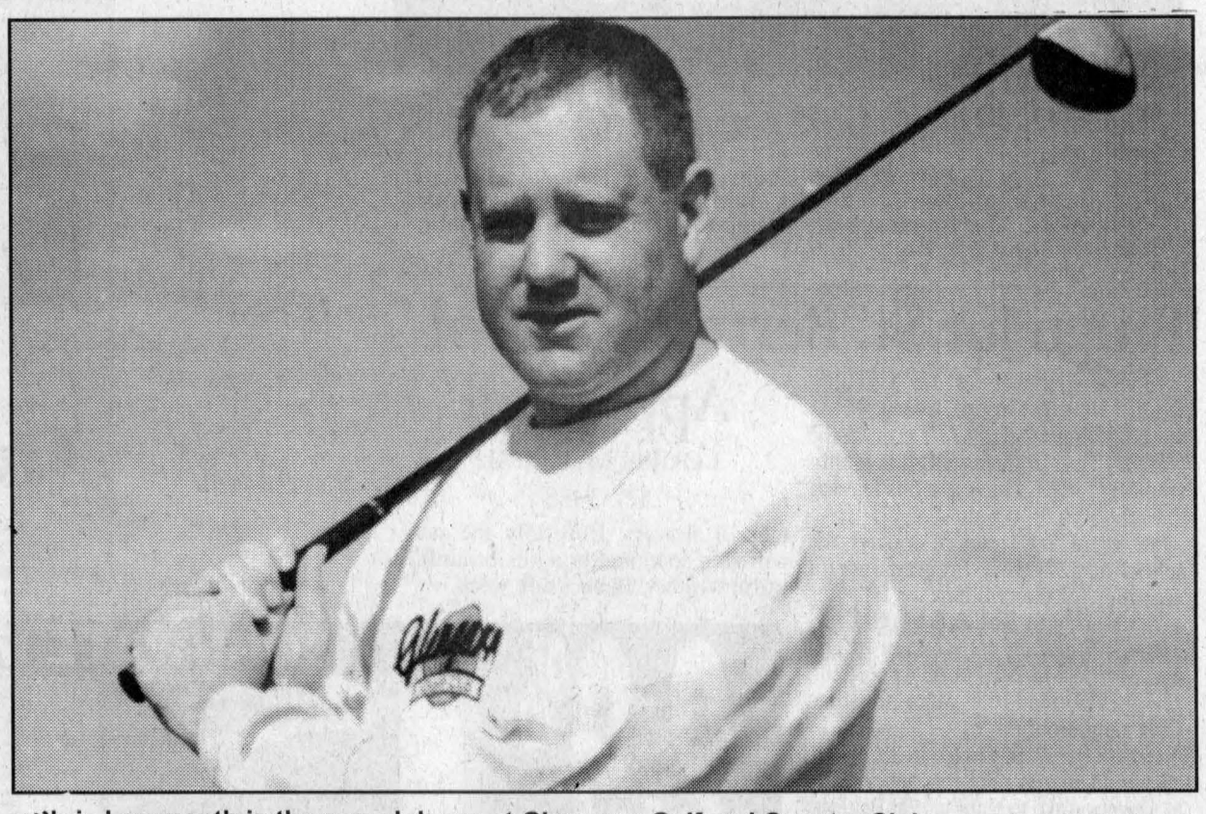
Learmonth will also represent the club with his playing ability.

"I will represent the club in the Ottawa Valley Tour. I will also sneak out to a few events in Quebec. I'll probably average out to 2-3 days a month away from the course."

When asked what he hopes to bring to GGCC Learmonth said: "I'm trying to raise the level of the golf course. I want it to be a better place for members and the public to play."

The first program that Learmonth has been working on is a new Spring Junior Golf Camp.

"My first thing I worked on is to get the kids going. There's 100 at the club and they're the ones down the road who will be members."



Chris Learmonth is the new club pro at Glengarry Golf and Country Club.

In order to become a pro, Learmonth went through a rigorous five-year span of tests.

There were annual exams, a playing test to qualify and another one after the five years to qualify with a class A card.

"When I did it ten years ago we had to play 36 holes and shoot 152 to get in, and then the same to get out," said Learmonth.

"It's tightened up the last couple of years and you have to go to business schools and have degrees."

As the season approaches, the range opened yesterday and the rest of the course is scheduled to open Friday, Learmonth prepares for a busy first-year as the GGCC pro.

"It's a big year for me. There's lots of things I have to do like meet a lot of people and learn how the club operates.

"I'm very happy to be here though."

Could it get any better for the senior Gaels

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

Last year was a dream season for the senior girl's soccer team at Glengarry District High School.

The team had a stellar season as they captured the school's first provincial championship in high school soccer competition.

Heading into the 2000 season the team is already preparing for what might be another exciting end to the season. 12 of the 18 GDHS players this year return from last year's squad.

"The only obstacle I see for us this year is financially," said a confident head coach Marc Sauve.

"OFSSA is in Fort Frances this year and it will cost us around $15,000 because we'll have to fly there."

By bus the trip would take around 30 hours and cost just as much.

Sauve's comments prove that he is confident his team will return to the provincial championships to defend the school's title.

"We can't look too far ahead. We must compete at the local level against some capable teams like St. Joseph's and La Citadelle. Out of SDG, Almonte has always played really strong against us. They have a good program there."

None-the-less if the school does qualify for OFSSA, fund-raising has to start early. It already has.

"The girls have had a few fund-raisers already," said Sauve.

The team has pretty much the same lineup this year but several junior players from last season will be welcome additions.

"We lost a few but picked up several juniors. We picked 17 as opposed to 19 last year. We have the best 17 players in the school right now."

When asked for a list of key players returning from last year's squad, Sauve gave an obvious response.

"Key players returning . . .well, everybody who's coming back. They're all provincial champions and every single one of them is an asset."

First-year players who have impressed the coach in tryouts are Melanie MacCullogh and goaltender Josianne Laferriere.

Laferriere is the only player on the team that attends Le Relais.

Two of Glengarry's most potent scorers will be playing together once again this year.

Forwards Melissa MacDonald and Raylene Sauve have been playing soccer together since they were four years old.

"Our strength is team unity," said Sauve. They all want to win together and they all cover each other's back. They want to make sure they return to OFSSA to defend their crown."

GDHS Senior girls

Name	Playing Experience
Brenda Bartlett	Rookie
Angela Cullen	Return
Mandy Duval	Return
Jennilee Hamelin	Rookie
Tamara Hartrick	Return
Josianne Laferriere	Rookie
Melanie MacCulloch	Rookie
Lynn MacDonald	Rookie
Melissa MacDonald	Return
Abbey MacGillivray	Return
Tarah MacPherson	Return
Tristi MacSweyn	Rookie
Alison McCauley	Return
Raylene Sauve	Return
Alanna Shepherd	Return
Sadie St. Denis	Return
Lee Tuppert	Return
Fiona Wilson	Return

Coach: Marc Sauve

Added depth will help squad

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and strong juniors coming up.

We've added a lot of depth."

Wouldn't it be nice for the Crusaders to make the EOSSAA finals again.

Residents of the Charlottenburgh area would be able to drive down to the school and cheer on their local squad. CDHS hosts the EOSSAA championship this year.

"As a dream we would like to come out on top at EOSSAA," said Leblanc.

Leblanc elaborated on the task at hand.

"We have to focus on the two groups (returning players and first-year players). I think last year they were happy to get there (EOSSAA final) and this year they want to do more."

The team is scattered with talent, a bonus to any coach.

"I don't look to one person. I think that will be our greatest asset.

"They're are a lot of really strong players on the team. I'm lucky to have them all."

And can these talented players play together as a team?

"They play a really strong supportive game," answered Leblanc.

"They are aware of the open spaces and fill them up. We have a lot of fit girls at all positions and they all have a lot of speed."

CDHS Senior Girls

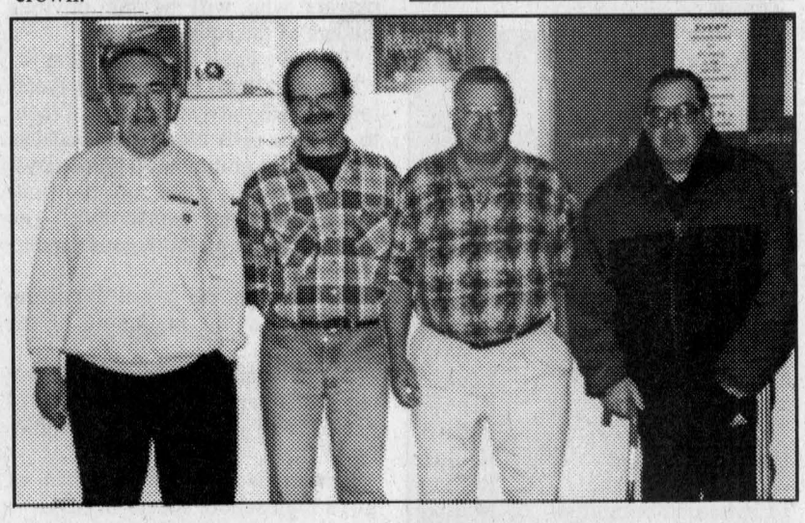
Name Playing	Experience
Angie Alguire	Return
Colleen Atchison	Return
Candice Bougie	Rookie
Kaylee Fraser	Rookie
Terri Gillespie	Return
Lisa Haddow	Return
Calla Humphries	Rookie
Megan Jarvo	Rookie
Stacy Lafave	Rookie
Kim Lauzon	Return
Kristen McDonell	Return
Laine McDonell	Return
Christine Owen	Return
Janice Poirier	Rookie
Christie Rankin	Return
Grace Rawnsley	Rookie
Heather Robertson	Rookie
Kim Robertson	Return
Amanda St. Louis	Rookie
Vanessa Van Sleeuwen	Rookie

Coach: Mona Leblanc



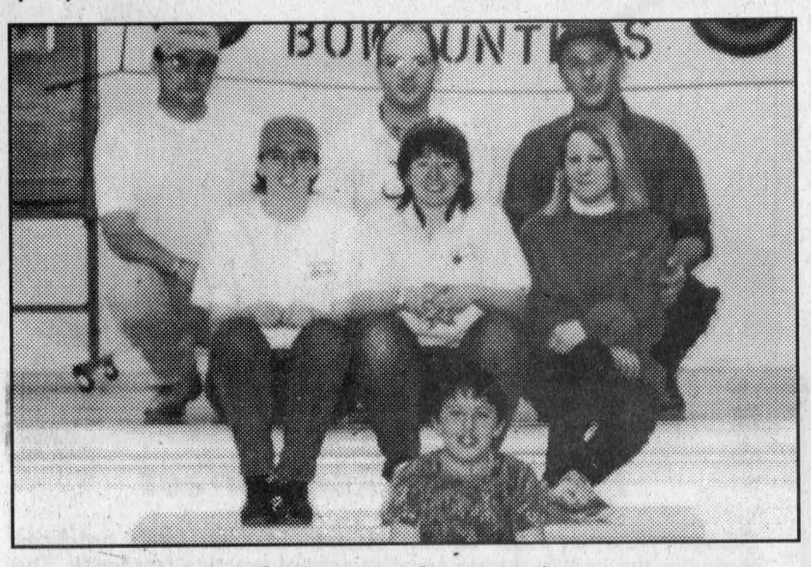
Border Bowhunters awards

On Apr. 14 the Border Bowhunters Archery 3-D Club held its annual awards at the Sacred Heart Hall in Alexandria. Winners are: front Ron Gregory (second- Master's). Second row: Barbara MacLeod (third- women's fingers), Denyse St. Denis (first- women release fix pins). Back row: Mike Fox (third- men's release fix pins), Emile St. Denis (first- master's) and Larry S. Smith (first men's release fix pins).



Pool sharks

Representing the Knights of Columbus from left are: Claude Lecompte, Peter Kolada, Richard Bellefeuille and Gerry Bellefeuille who won 128-124 over Frenchies in a pool tournament on April 11. Absent is Ron Lalonde. *News* photo — Lisa Menard



Other winners

Front Mathieu Gareau (first- cubs) Second row: Tina Bond (second- women's fingers), Sharlene Gauvreau (first women's fingers) and Diane Moore (first women's open). Back row: Angus Dewar (first men's fingers), Jacques Gauvreau (second men's release fix pins) and Campbell Dewar (first men's crossbow).



Black belt recipients

From left Greg Hagen, Charles Cockerell, Marc Sauve and Brian Jodoin all earned their black belts after a rigorous variety of tests Friday night. The foursome are members of the Glen Robertson School of Tae Kwon Do.

Bingo for St. Bernard school

Apple Hill

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St. Bernard School in Maxville would like to invite everyone to attend a bingo tonight at 7 p.m. at the Nativity Hall in Cornwall. It is a non-smoking bingo. There is a bus leaving the school at 5:30 p.m.

For more information contact the school at 527-2989. Proceeds go for activities for the children.

Here's to Bill and Myrtle

Happy wedding anniversary to Bill and Myrtle MacMillan of Apple Hill. They celebrated 63 years together. Congratulations.

So long

I would like to take the opportunity to say goodbye to Sabina and Paulette Rossie and their three children, Delio, Vicky and Cristino. They are moving to a new home. We wish them the best of luck. We will miss you.

God bless you all. Sorry to see you leave after so many years.

Tons of flowers

They say that April showers bring May flowers. Well, with all the rain we have been having, we should have tons of flowers. Hopefully the rain will stop soon and bring us beautiful warm weather. Have a safe week.

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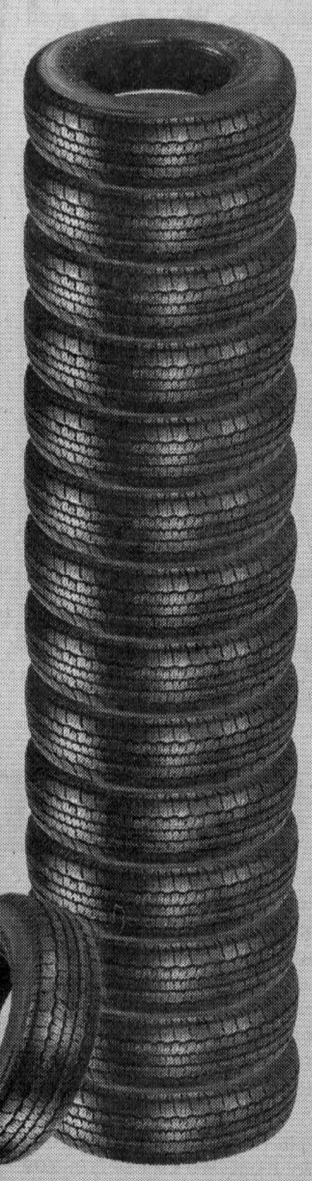

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LeRoys honoured by Holstein Canada

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

After 34 years of striving for the best in both production and type, Arthur and Linda LeRoy of St. Eugene were recognized with the Master Breeder Shield on April 8 at the Nation Holstein Convention in Kitchener.

"It's satisfying. It makes you want to continue," said Arthur. "It's the most prestigious award."

The LeRoys took over the family farm from Stanley D. LeRoy in 1966 where a purebred Holstein herd had already been established by Arthur's father.

Managing a 45-cow milking herd and overlooking the associated work that comes with taking over a sixth generation family farm meant that Arthur and Linda had to set priorities.

Without hiring full-time help, the couple had to put showing aside to concentrate on breeding and management, a move that has served them well.

Arthur was familiar with showing, having been an active member in the 4-H calf club..

For Barbhome farms, an emphasis was placed on type as it is Arthur's belief that a strong correlation exists between production and type.

Again, the LeRoys management seemed to have proved successful, not only earning them a national award but producing many excellent cows.

One Barb Home-bred cow that did very well is Barb Home Counsellor Fleur which was sold to Seaway View Holsteins and Signature in the 1990s. That Holstein became a good show cow at both the Royal Winter Agricultural Fair and the International Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, placed fourth or fifth in her class for three consecutive years.



Arthur and Linda LeRoy of St. Eugene were in Kitchener on April 8 to receive the Master Breeder award presented by the Holstein Association of Canada. From left are president Dale Bienert, Arthur and Linda LeRoy with June Bienert.

Submitted photo

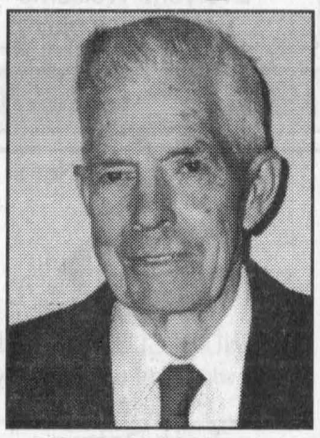
"It's safe to say she was a great cow," said Arthur.

Now that they have achieved their goal, the LeRoys don't plan on slacking off.

Researching some history, Arthur established when purebred Holsteins first came to Barb Home – in 1923 when his grandfather Gilbert R. LeRoy bought his first two purebred Holsteins.

The two black and whites were probably the founders of the LeRoy herd, something Arthur and Linda will keep improving as they continued to operate the farm with son Dwayne.

Kirk Hill farmer showed Junior Champion Holstein in 1942



CAMPBELL MACDONALD
(1923 –

Campbell MacDonald was born and raised on the family farm (Don Hope Farm) at Kirk Hill where he farmed all his life.

Campbell maintained an excellent herd of registered Holsteins and was one of the first farmers in the area to ship fluid milk to Montreal.

In 1942, he showed the Junior Champion Holstein calf at Kemptville.

During the 1960s and 70s, he built up a herd of horses which were used in the production of Pregnant Mare Urine (P.M.U).

Throughout his farming career the farm was improved by clearing land and installing tile drains.

In 1951, Campbell married Gretta MacCaskill and they raised a family of eight children.

Three of them operate family farms in North Glengarry and one in Priceville.

Another daughter was employed by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) in agriculture extension.

Mr. MacDonald served as a school trustee for the local public school board and was chair of the board when Laggan Public School was built.

His interest in municipal politics earned him the position of councillor for the former Lochiel Township.

Campbell has been a director and past president of the Glengarry Plowmen's Association.

As well, he was a member of the Glengarry Holstein Club for more than 20 years.

In addition, he was involved with the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, the Quigley Cheese Factory Association and the Glengarry Soil and Crop Improvement Association.

Mr. MacDonald is a member of Kirk Hill United Church where he has served for many years on the board of Stewards and the Session.

McDonald, Gordon Ferguson and Murray Arkinstall will officially be inducted in the Glengarry Agricultural "Wall of Fame" on April 28.

The eighth annual induction ceremonies will take place at the Angus Grey Hall in Maxville. Guest speaker is Dr. David Dennis of Queen's University. To reserve tickets call Murray Howes at 525-3640.

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LACOMBE – Louis and Manon are very happy to announce the birth of their first beautiful baby boy Philippe Lacombe born Saturday, April 8, 2000 at Hotel Dieu Hospital weighing 7 lbs 2 ozs. Proud grandparents are Denise and Yvon Lacombe of Green Valley and Monique and Claude Lacombe of Alexandria. 17-n/c

Card of Thanks

LUSCOMBE – Many thanks to our family, neighbours and friends for their cards, phone calls and gifts for our 25th wedding anniversary. A good time was enjoyed by the many who braved the weather on April 8.
–Sincerely Iona and Paul 17-1c

LEFEBVRE – We wish to thank our children, friends and relatives for their good wishes during a supper held in honour of our 50th wedding anniversary. It will be a memory we will treasure always. Special thanks to the Georgian House Restaurant for their hospitality.
–André and Jacqueline 17-1p

In Memoriam

LAPINE, Mildred – In loving memory of a dear cherished mother, grandmother, great grandmother. Two years have come and gone but not forgotten. On April 23, 1998 the time had come to say goodbye. Although we were prepared, it was still hard to endure. You were the strong one that kept us together; your words were comforting to us which I will never forget; I miss your smile; I miss our talks. I know you're watching over us, saying don't be sad for me, be happy, as I'm free from pain; life on earth was rewarding but now I have a new life, in a new paradise called Heaven so 'till we meet I will be watching over all of you.
–Sadly missed, your daughter Edna, son-in-law, Raymond and family. 17-1p

MacGREGOR – In loving memory of a dear mother and grandmother, Wilma, who passed away April 28, 1985.
Though her smile has gone forever
And her hand we cannot touch,
Still we have so many memories
Of the one we loved so much;
Her memory is our keepsake
With which we'll never part;
God has her in His keeping,
We have her in our hearts.
–Remembered with love, the MacGregor family. 17-1p

THEORET, Rolland – In loving memory of husband and father who passed away April 26, 1997.
Our lives go on without you
And nothing is the same
We have to hide our heartache
When someone speaks your name
The special years will not return
When we were all together
But with the love within our hearts
You will walk with us forever.
–Lovingly remembered Annette and family 17-1p

MACCUAIG – in loving memory of our dear brother Duncan, who passed away April 30, 1999.
Your end came sad and sudden,
No time to say goodbye,
You were gone before we realized,
Only God knows why,
God in Heaven, hear our prayers,
Watch over our brother with tender care,
Be a good Sheperd, don't leave him alone,
Love him as we did, when he was at home.
–So dearly loved by all who knew him. So very sadly missed and lovingly remembered by sister Cassie and Alex Cardinal, Maxville, Ont. 17-1p

TURPIN, Thomas H. – In loving memory of my beloved husband Tom who passed away April 27, 1998.
We made our vows together
And said "Till death do us part"
When God came and took your hand,
My whole world fell apart.
I know you walk beside me
And when my life is through,
I pray that God will take my hand
And lead me straight to you.
–Remembered with love, Margaret 17-1p

URQUHART – Alex who left us on April 29, 1991 and Hazel who joined him on March 12, 1999.
To some you may be forgotten
To others a part of the past
But to us, who loved and lost you,
Your memory will always last.
–Sadly missed and lovingly remembered Russell, Christina and family 17-1p

MacNAUGHTON, Enid
A day in April came with deep regret
It brought a day we shall never forget
Deep in our hearts your memory is kept
To love and cherish and never forget.
–Clifford and family 17-1p

Memorial Services

BROWN – A memorial burial service will be held for Robert and his wife Sylvia Elaine Webb, parents of Kirk, Robert, JoAnn Brown, Saturday, April 29, 2000 11:30 a.m., Maxville Cemetery. 17-1p

Coming Events

GOLDEN Triangle Equine 2000 trade show, Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., tack, feed, horse related items, Hwy 138 Bonville, north of Cornwall, free admission. Tel. 613-346-5686. 17-1p

CORRECTION - Lochiel Reform Presbyterian Church's annual Psalm sing was held April 21. Sorry for the inconvenience. Tel. 874-2989. 17-1c

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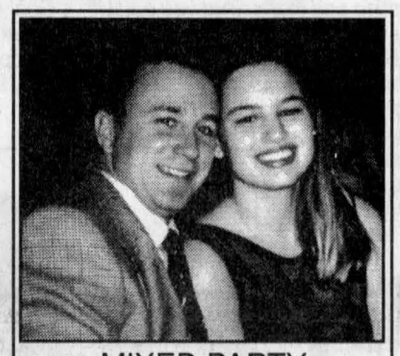

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PANCAKE Breakfast and Bake Sale - in Knox Presbyterian Church, Moose Creek, Sat. April 29th 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Adults $5, 12 and under $3, Pre-school free. Everyone welcome. 16-2p

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daughter of
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Music by DJ
Lunch Served
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Coming Events

THE annual meeting of the plot holders of the Maxville Cemetery will be held on Thursday, April 27 at 8 p.m. in the Munro & Morris Funeral Home lounge. 16-2c

SOUTH Glengarry Cancer Society brunch, Sunday, May 7, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Recreation Centre, Williamstown. Adults $6, children $4. 17-2p

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(5 pm - 7 pm) and
SATURDAY, MAY 6
(10 am - 2 pm)
at the
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Coming Events

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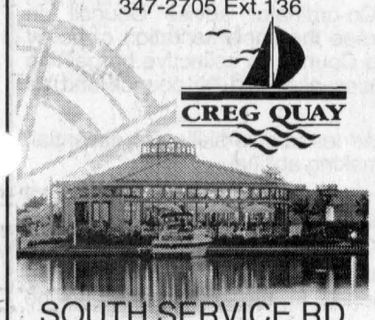

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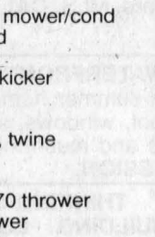

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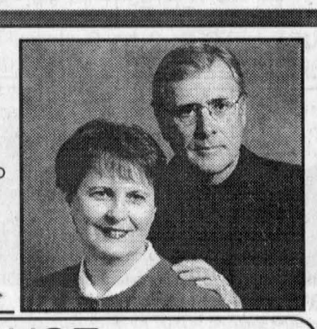

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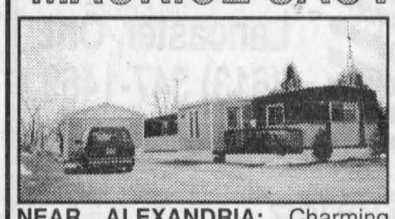

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JEAN-MARC LEFEBVRE, Q.C.
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Solicitor for the Executrix and Estate Trustees 16-3c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

ALL PERSONS having any claim against the Estate of Donald McDonald, late of the Township of North Glengarry, in the County of Glengarry, who died on the 3rd day of September, 1999, are required to submit full details of their claim, in writing, to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of May, 2000, after which date the estate will be distributed.

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Girl guides meet with Dr. Janet Lalonde

GREEN VALLEY



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525-3581

The Guides have been busy completing their program during the past while and also doing lots of neat crafts and playing fun games.

The Guides visited the Alexandria Vet Clinic during the month of April and had an excellent chat about animal care by Dr. Janet Lalonde.

They also had a lot of interesting questions to ask.

The girls held a "teddy bear making" day at the Green Valley Community Centre where each girl made her own teddy bear, thus, earning her sewing badge and learning new skills.

A big thank you goes out to all the moms who came to help and the kind lady in Alexandria who donated the fun fur.

On May 13-14, the Girl Guides will be travelling to Ottawa/Hull to sleep overnight at the Children's Museum.

The theme for the evening will be Egypt.

The girls will have the run of the museum. They would like to thank ahead of time the parents who will be driving.

On May 27, the Guides will be participating in "The Gathering". The unit will be performing skits for their parents and others and all of the other units in the area will be there too.

The Girl Guide cookies have arrived; they are $3 a box.

If you want a box, or a few, you can contact any Girl Guide.

The cookies are delicious as usual.

Volunteers honoured

Congratulations to two local ladies who were recognized for their volunteer work in the community.

Lorraine Beriault for volunteer work with the Optimist Club here in Green Valley and to Fernande Menard for her work with teens in "La Releve."

Expecting mother

A surprise mixed baby shower was held for Nathalie and Daniel Beriault last Saturday evening in St. Telesphore where they reside.

Daniel is the son of Lucien and Lorraine Beriault of our parish. They're expecting their first child in May.

Let's keep both mother and child in our prayers.

Little Ella

Last week, little Ella Vaillancourt spent the week out of hospital. She stayed at Ronald MacDonald House in Toronto with her parents. She still has to return to the hospital for tests.

This past weekend, her grandfather, Jean Lajoie, motored to Toronto to visit his little grand daughter. She's one tough little lady.

Rainy Easter

I hope everyone enjoyed the Easter weekend even though it was rainy and cold.

God bless and have a safe week.

NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY

invites the public to attend a meeting to start the process of the redevelopment of the Alexandria Island park

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 - 7 pm

Glengarry Sports Palace

INVITATION

CANTON DE GLENGARRY NORD

le public est invité à une réunion pour discuter le devélopement du "Alexandria Island Park". Tous sont la bienvenue.

MERCREDI, LE 26 AVRIL, 19:00

Palais des Sports

16-2c

BUILDING LOT AUCTION

RR1 Summerstown

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 1 p.m. Sharp!

TO BE SOLD ON SITE: Lot 6 - Plan 103 across from Rodgers Marina. Lot is 75'x257'.
It WILL BE SOLD subject ONLY to a minimum bid of $5,000.
TERMS: $1,000 deposit, balance due on or before May 31/00.
DIRECTIONS: 10 km est of Cornwall on Hwy. 2, turn right on Rodgers Marina Rd. (ARTHUR ST.) Property is 200' south of Hwy. 2 on the east side.

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NORTH GLENGARRY PRIDE DAY

Due to the roadside conditions on April 15, 2000, we will be holding another Pride Day on

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2000

12 noon to 2 pm

Take pride in your neighbourhood and your township by celebrating North Glengarry Pride Day

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

-Keep North Glengarry clean and litter-free
-Collect all the litter along the roadside and/or streets in your neighbourhood
-Bring this garbage to the drop-off centre in Lochiel

Meet up with your friends and neighbours while you enjoy the entertainment and refreshments at each site. You could also win some great prizes and receive free giveaways.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29 at 10 a.m.

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HOUSE FOR SALE - EVERYTHING MUST GO
TERMS: Cash

Auctioneer: Hélène Faubert - 613-525-3142
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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

4-Plex at 221-223 Louise St., Cornwall

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 11 a.m. Sharp!

TO BE SOLD ON SITE: Good solid, well maintained 4-unit income property, separate services, gas heat, gross rent is $1,825 p/mo. Investment opportunity knocks! Check it out.
IT WILL BE SOLD subject ONLY to a minimum bid of $30,000.
TERMS: $1,000 deposit, balance due on May 31/00.

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ESTATE AUCTION SALE

FARM EQUIPMENT – TOOLS
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SATURDAY, APRIL 29 at 12 NOON

MF #1105 diesel tractor, cab, new tires, nice clean tractor; JD #318 lawn tractor, hydo; 1998 Suzuki 4-wheeler, only 300 km; snow blower, 3 pth, V; McKee #520 snow blower; Cockshutt mower, 7', semi-mount; MF belt driven mower, 3 pth, 7'; JD box blade, 3 pth; land leveller, 3 pth; Cockshutt seed drill; new lumber; drill press; tarp garage for single car; building jacks; rigid pipe threader; table saw; cut-off saw; electric air compressor; workmate; chain saw; hand tools; drills; cordless drills; Shop Vac; compressor, 3/4 hp; cabinets; wood working lathe; mig welder; tool boxes; planer 10"; shaper; sanders; radial arm saw; air hoses; chains; extension cords; pipe wrenches; dry wall gun; high speed rotary cutter; loading ramps; bolt cutters; 50,000 BTU heater; electric sprayer, 25 gal.; double Lazy-boy chair; stereo; plus load of other shop items.
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ESTATE OF ARNOLD MCINTYRE

AUCTIONEER: MURRAY BLAIR
Avonmore, Ontario Phone: 613-346-5568

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NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY

FREE ACCESS AT LANDFILL SITE

Free access will be granted to the North Landfill Site on Beaver Brook Road to former Charlottenburgh and Lancaster village residents for disposal of non-commercial, non-hazardous waste on, Tuesday, May 9, Thursday, May 11 and Saturday, May 13 and Saturday, May 20, 2000. Operating hours at the site are 9:00 am to 6 pm and vehicles must be registered, which can be obtained at the Municipal Office Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4 pm.

Free access will be granted to the North Lancaster Landfill Site to former Lancaster township residents for disposal of non-commercial, non-hazardous waste on Monday, May 8, Thursday, May 11, Saturday, May 13 and Saturday, May 20, 2000. Operating hours at the site are 9 am to 5 pm and vehicles must be registered, which can be obtained at the Municipal Office Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 4 pm.

SPECIAL GARBAGE PICKUP

A special collection of items such as refrigerators, stoves and furniture is scheduled for all our residents' normal collection day on May 8, 9 and 10 or 11, 2000. Excessively heavy articles such as car parts/motors, tree stumps, fences, building supplies, etc. will not be able to be collected but can be discarded at our free access days outlined above. Should you have concern with the nature of your special pickup articles, please contact Char-Lan Sanitation at 525-1349 or our office at 347-1166. 17-1c

ANTIQUE AUCTION SALE

ANTIQUES and 1965 IMPALA 4-DR. HARDTOP
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SATURDAY, MAY 6, 10 a.m.

Tilt top games table; games table; library table with rope leg and lion head drawer pull; dining table, 6 chairs, buffet and glass front china cabinet; parlour tables; brass bevelled glass hall mirror with hat hooks; empire vanity; dresser with oval mirror; bonnet chest; needle point stool; misc. chairs; German mantle clock; clock shelf; cradle; carved wall pocket; fern stand with rope legs; caned bottom chairs; rocking chairs; oil paintings including a great pastoral scene believed to be circa 1870; many prints; pocket watches; hat pins; jewellery; umbrella with mother of pearl handle; dishes, including set of Limoge with platter, covered veg. dishes; flow blue vase; glassware; silver plate tea service flatware for 7 with case; sterling pieces; linens; vintage clothing; two early samplers; baskets; 18" early Scottish dancing man in full Scottish dress; eight day wall clock (needs repairs); crocks; jugs; butter bowl and paddles; mixing bowls; scales; sun dial; musket; Fada Bakelite radio; treadle sewing machine; trunks; Windsor wheelchair; fridge; stove; washer, dryer; freezer; roto tiller; Seeburg square juke box loaded ad working; stern "Mohammed Ali" pinball machine; other misc. articles. This is a very interesting sale.
VEHICLES: 1965 Impala 4-dr. hardtop, 107,000 miles, as is. Ford tractor 2110.

TERMS: Cash or Acceptable Cheque - Canteen 17-2c

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BUILDING LOT AUCTION

Dornie Road

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Motivated vendor has already built out of town.
This property WILL BE SOLD subject ONLY to a minimum bid of $5,000.
DIRECTIONS: From Hwy. 34 in Alexandria go west 6 kms on Hwy. 43 to Dornie Rd. then north 1/2 km to lot.
TERMS: $1,000 deposit, balance due on closing June 30/00.

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SUPER ANTIQUE AUCTION SALE

777 Boul. Lery, Ville De Lery, Quebec

SATURDAY, APRIL 29 at 10 a.m.

PARTIAL LISTING: 10 pc. walnut dining room suite; fancy carved hall mirror stand; carved Victorian 1 door wardrobe; french 1 door wardrobe; set of 5 carved french chairs; 4 pc. art deco bed room set; Chippendale mahogany desk bookcase; 4 pc. french parlor set; curved glass china cabinet; round oak table; Chippendale writing desk; carved Victorian sofa; carved console table; large selection of tables; pine 2 door cupboard; pair french arm chairs; french cylinder desk; mahogany washstand; selection of benches; queen size mahogany carved bed; Hepplewhite table with chairs; large selection of nightstands; oak grand father clock; selection of chandeliers; Tiffany style lamps; bronzes; paintings; Flow Blue; Tea sets; clocks; 1920 Philco radio; advertising including Coke 1941, Royal crown, Sweet Caporal, Pepsi and others; oriental rugs; Lalique; lamps; dish set and many more too long to list.

PREVIEW APRIL 27 and 28 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 29 at 11 a.m.

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Children brave rain to look for eggs dropped off by Easter Bunny

GREENFIELD

MARY COUTURE
527-2421

The Easter egg hunt was a success with around 25 children participating.

Winners of colouring contest age 2 to 5, Angie Leroux; age 6 to 9, Michelle DeRepentigny; age 10 to 13, J.F. Decoeur.

The 50/50 draw was won by Yvon Paquette.

Samuel Yvon Paquette was the winner of the Easter basket.

Yard sale

On May 6 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. the recreation association will be sponsoring a community yard sale at the former township hall parking lot. Cost: $5 a table.

For more info call Monica Lauzon at 527-1350.

Bingo

There will be a bingo for Mothers' Day on May 13 at the parish hall.

Door opens at noon; bingo starts at 1 p.m. The jackpot will be $250. Everyone welcome.

Euchre party

On May 3 they will be sponsoring euchre parties at the parish hall starting at 8 p.m. and will run every second Wednesday.

If anyone is interested in helping with the euchres being held on May 3, please contact Christine DeRepentigny at 527-1568.

We need everyone to help to make these events a success.

The next recreation meeting will take place on Tuesday at 7:30

Shotts host guests from Maniwaki

Hugh and Vedie Hansen and Karen and Ray Millar from Maniwaki, Que. spent a few days with Harry and Louise Shott.

From Moose Jaw

Robert Ripley from Moose Jaw, Sask. spent a week's holiday with his parents Gil and Nancy Ripley.

Alice Buckland

Alice Buckland, a former Greenfield resident and later resided in Toronto, passed away last week. Condolences to the family.

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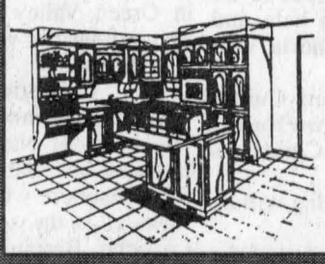

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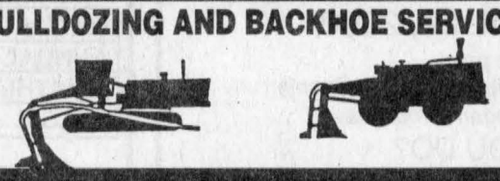

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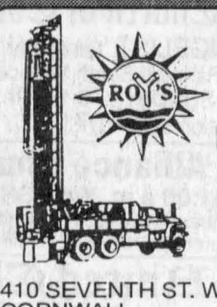

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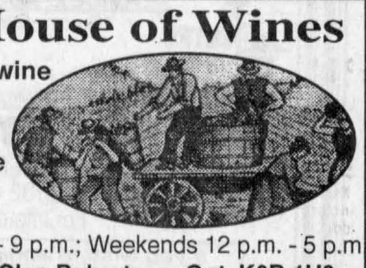

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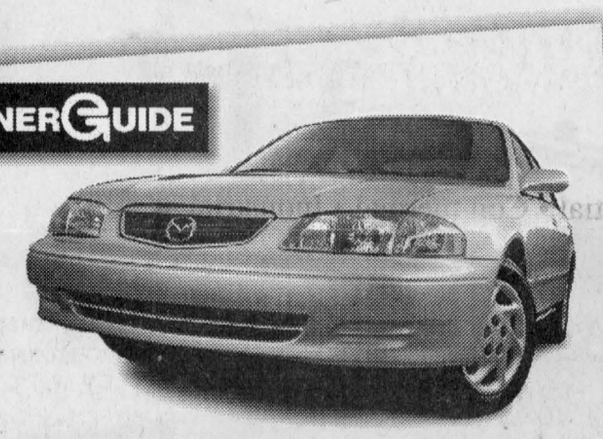

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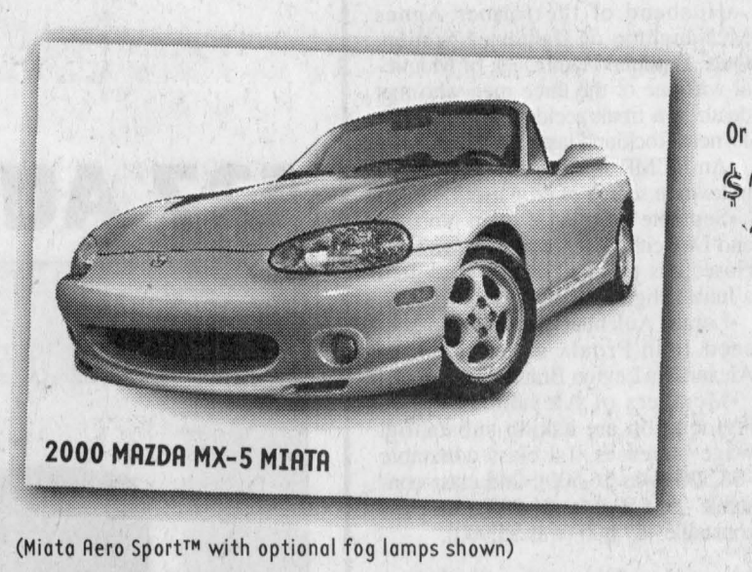

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Breadalbane Highland Paths



KEN MCKENNA

From time to time the word "Breadalbane" enters these columns. The original Gaelic spelling is *Bràghad Albainn* and it means "the heights (or breast) of Scotland." There is no actual place of that name in Scotland; it simply defines a very large area in the Highlands east of Lochaber. Breadalbane here in Glengarry, just north of Dalkeith, was named after the original.

The Campbell Earls of Breadalbane controlled most of the area for centuries. Some other names associated with it are MacPherson, MacLaren, MacNab, Dewar, Comyn (Cumin, Cumming or Cummings), Fletcher, MacGregor, Robertson, Murray, Menzies (Mingus), MacEwen, MacLure, MacDiarmid and Shaw.

The last Earl of Breadalbane died without issue recently. The claim to the title may now lie here in Glengarry with the descendants of Nor'Wester John Duncan Campbell, son-in-law of John McDonald of Garth and ancestor of Grant Campbell, Q.C. and his brother Atholl Breadalbane Campbell.

Killin, the most beautiful village in the Highlands and the only settlement of any size in Breadalbane, lies on the banks of the River Dochart. This small river rushes past the village in a series of rapids and waterfalls, before emptying into Loch Tay.

Glendochart extends eastward to Glenfalloch and this area was home, over a thousand years ago, to the Celtic St Fillan, whose priory stood near the village of Crianlarich. St Fillan's crozier, the curved staff carried by him as he travelled about through the district, is one of the most beautiful examples of Celtic art in the world. The Dewars, (from the Gaelic *deòir*, almoner) were the hereditary keepers of the crozier. After the Reformation, the crozier was lost for a time but was discovered many years later in Canada. It was eventually returned to Scotland and now can be seen in the Museum of Antiquities in Edinburgh.

Gordon Winter of Maxville recently sent me a copy of an article on Killin, found in an old Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry atlas in the attic of the home of the late Dr. Wm. H. McDiarmid by Muriel Campbell McAskill, the next resident. The article, titled "Killin" and dated 1882, is by the noted Scottish scholar and antiquarian John Stuart Blackie.

Dr. Blackie describes, with Victorian eloquence, the magnificence of the Breadalbane Highlands around Killin: "You cannot turn a corner here without encountering an old grey rock, or an old black wall, or a green knoll, to which the intelligent native points and says to the traveller, 'Thereby hangs a tale!'.... Like a child led by an angel in a dream, I had nothing to do but to look, and to listen, and to admire."

At the ruins of St Fillan's Priory, Blackie and some of his learned companions looked for relics: "This move led us up Glendochart, the site of the early preachings of St Fillan, of whose memorials we were in search. This beautiful green valley, once the site of a numerous population, fell a victim, like so many of our bonnie Highland glens, to the short-sighted and selfish policy of big farming; and we may be sure that the pious son of the devout Irish lady Kentigerna would not have had his principal preaching station here had not the population then been in the reverse of the condition of what it is now."

Near the ruins, they found the remains of an ancient wall. "This was the sacred site of which we were in search, the Priory, or ecclesiastical headquarters of the great apostle of Western Breadalbane...we set ourselves stoutly to skin off the luxuriant crop of nettles which with which the flat sepulchral slabs had been overgrown...But our labour proved vain. The slabs whose faces we brought into the stare of day were the mere crude mica slate of the district, without either letter or mark, except in one case, where we found three Latin crosses, one beneath the other in a straight line on the face of the slab; a signature which seemed rather to disappoint than to gratify the director of the operation; for being a firm believer of the independent character of the early Celtic Church, he naturally expected... to find an Iona cross with the well-known circle at the top, rather than the simple Latin cross, indicating a connection with the Papal Church."

In the 19th century there was a widely-held belief that there was no connection between the Celtic Church and Rome. The discoveries of Dr. Blackie and his companions at St Fillan's Priory threw some doubt on that theory. Modern scholars generally concede that although there were many variations in the practices of the early Christians in Ireland and Scotland and elsewhere, they still recognized an affiliation with the Universal Church.

Auld Lang Syne

Gleaned from the fyles of The Glengarry News

NINETY-FIVE YEARS AGO
Friday, April 21, 1905

•The last classes in the history of the Boys' Separate School were held on Tuesday and the demolition of the building has already commenced. The new structure will be one of the finest school buildings in Eastern Ontario.

•Bell Telephone will branch out from Maxville this summer. A line will be built to Dunvegan via St. Elmo and Athol, while another line will run south, possibly to Apple Hill.

•On the 1st of May, the Commercial Hotel will pass into the hands of Messrs. Gormley Bros., the well-known hotelmen of Finch, who have rented it from Arch. McMillan.

•Among the appointments noted in the Ontario Gazette is that of Angus McDonald, Alexandria, as License Inspector for Glengarry, vice W. J. McNaughton, retired.

•J. A. Macdonell has purchased the lot on Kenyon St., next to the residence of A. P. McDonald.

•Dr. J. Howard Morrow, who has practiced his profession in company with his father at Maxville for some time, will shortly remove to Greenfield, where he will open an office.

NINETY YEARS AGO
Friday, April 22, 1910

•The newly formed Alexandria Canoe Club is in its quarters at the head of the mill dam. Already canoes have been received from the Peterborough Co. and the membership is growing. N. Gilbert has placed a gasoline launch on the pond to take citizens for a spin on the water.

•In the list of successful candidates in the final examination held last month at the Ottawa Normal School, we note the following Glengarrians: Margaret Daly, Greenfield; Ethel M. Hope, Summerstown; Mary A. McDiarmid, Maxville and Violet L. Marjerrison, Apple Hill.

•Ewen L. McCuaig and Hugh McGillivray of Laggan, left here Tuesday morning for Saskatoon. T. Andre, A. Gareau and J. Sauve, all of St. Raphael's, also left for Winnipeg.

•Early this week the Messrs. Mulhern, owners of "The Pines," Main Street south, disposed of the property to Dr. J. Howard Munro of Maxville, who will take possession on August 1.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
Friday, April 23, 1920

•Owing to certain differences which have arisen between the management and the employees of the Carriage Works, not a wheel has turned since Monday. The higher cost of living is reported to be the chief cause of friction, and Mayor Simon is bending every effort toward bringing the parties together.

•Edmond Lalonde went to Montreal on Sunday to meet his brother David, who with his English bride was expected to arrive at the Metropolis the following day.

•Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Bathurst of Dalhousie Mills, were in Ottawa attending the marriage of their son, Thos. W., to Miss Edna Proctor, of Ottawa.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
Friday, April 25, 1930

•Mrs. D. R. MacDonald and the Misses Teresa and Mildred MacDonald, who left Saskatoon to take an apartment in Montreal, where guests of Mrs. D. A. McArthur here.

•On Friday, Miss Florence Cluff, RN, of Maxville, sailed from New York on the SS Bremen.

•Prior to leaving Dunvegan to make their home in Western Canada, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. McCuaig and family were tendered a farewell banquet in Donald Dewar's hall. An address was read by John D. McLeod and a well filled purse was presented.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
Friday, April 19, 1940

•A woodworking plant is to be Alexandria's newest industry. Montreal interests last week purchased the Bond Hanger building at the station.

•Maxville Millionaires bowed to Peterborough in the Eastern Canada intermediate hockey series.

•Major D. C. Cameron, OC, "D" Company, SD&G Highlanders, has been appointed assistant to Col. C. B. Topp, Commandant of the Ottawa Area.

•Shepherd Bros. are reported negotiating purchase of part of the Munro & McIntosh property, on which they will build a cold storage plant.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
Friday, April 21, 1950

•Dunvegan dairymen plan to purchase the cheese factory from the estate of Dan Ross to organize the Dunvegan Dairy Product Co-op.

•Two Toronto men are in Cornwall hospital following an accident near Glen Gordon where the stolen car of J. Y. Humphries, ag. rep., was completely wrecked.

•John Chisholm has been awarded a $100,000 contract for erection of a new steel bridge over the Nation River at Chesterville.

FORTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, April 21, 1960

•The home of Henry Cameron and his father, John Allen Cameron was lost with all contents in a fire early Good Friday morning. Homeless are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cameron, their six children and his aged parents.

•Royce MacGillivray of McCrimmon West, has been awarded the Lord Heyworth Fellowship valued at $2,000, for graduate study at the University of Toronto.

•Ray Smollet of the local station staff is to be the new agent at Glen Robertson.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, April 23, 1970

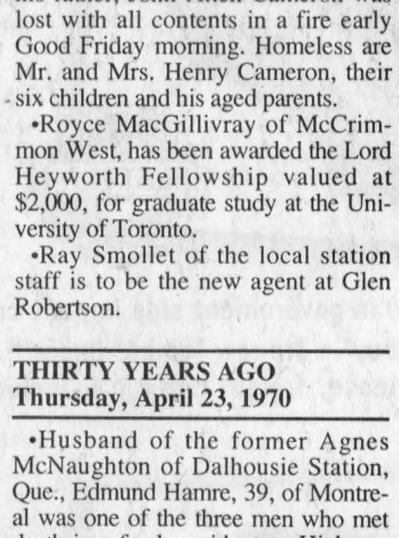
•Husband of the former Agnes McNaughton of Dalhousie Station, Que., Edmund Hamre, 39, of Montreal was one of the three men who met death in a freak accident on Highway 17 near Rockland last Thursday.

•An RCMP squad from Ottawa was in town in search of drug users.

•Separate schools at Glen Norman and Dalkeith which were to have been closed this year will remain open until a Junior High School is erected.

•Lorain Aulenback is slated to succeed John Proulx as president of Alexandria Legion Branch.

•Members of Alexandria Police Association are asking substantial wage increases. 1st class constable –$8,500 (was $6,500); 2nd class constable –$8,150 (was $6,200); 3rd class constable –$7,800 (was $5,900).



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TWENTY YEARS AGO
Wednesday, April 23, 1980

•Rene and Francine Cadieux of Maxville lost their home when fire swept through their home on Monday.

•Lucien Ranger and Clif Britton were the recipients of many gifts when crowd attended a testimonial dinner held in their honor on Saturday.

•Two buildings directly north of their office have been levelled and a parking lot created at Glengarry Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

TEN YEARS AGO
Wednesday, April 25, 1990

•Each year, the Alexandria and District Chamber of Commerce and the Alexandria town council give a panel of judges a mission to find the best residents Alexandria has to offer. Wading through a wad of nominations, panel members this year chose Patrick Leroux, Duncan MacDonell and Marc Lalonde as the youth, citizen and businessman of the ye respectively.

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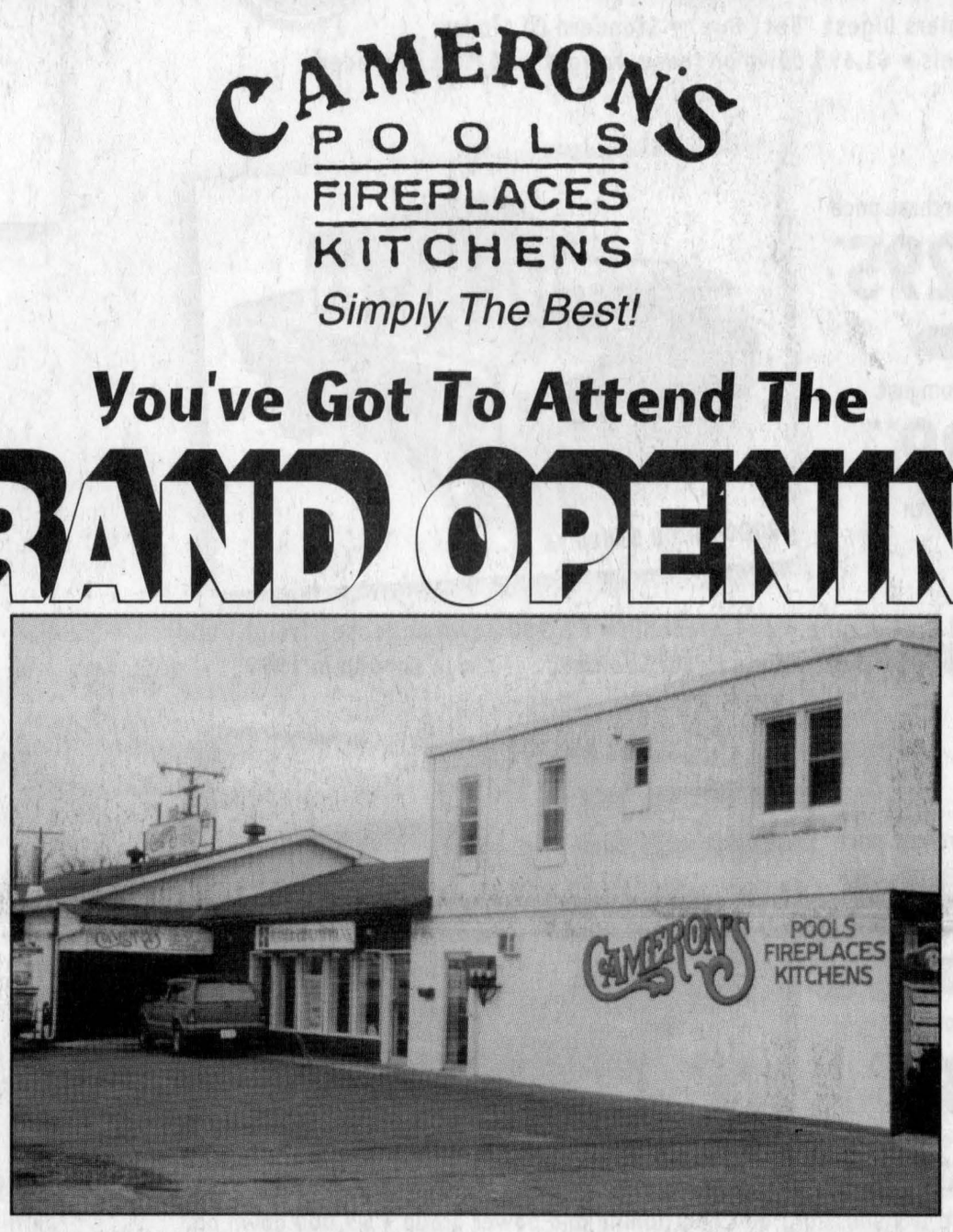

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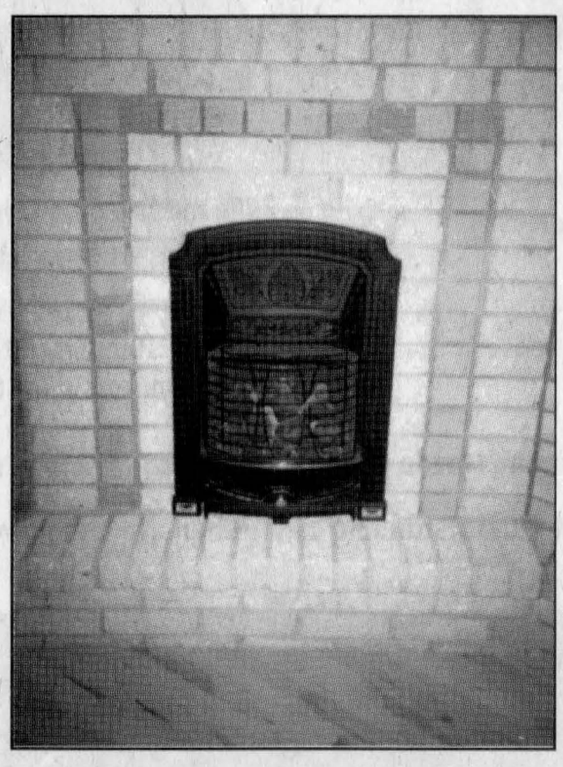

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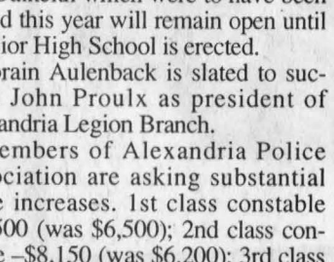

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Reptile act on Saturday

The 2000 Trade Show is strutting out a number of attractions in addition to becoming a temporary home for approximately 40 exhibitors.

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The children are sure to enjoy, and even adults too.

"He comes highly recommended," commented trade show chair Mike Depratto.

Other more down to home entertainment is toe-tapping Mike McAnany and three fashion shows.



The 2000 Trade Show features, among many other booths, from left, furniture refinishing, a reptile show, top, wine sampling and Beanie Babies.

Trade Show makes a big return

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

An arena full of friendly people, with plenty of attractions inbetween await, starting this Friday at the Glengarry Sports Palace in Alexandria.

The Alexandria and District Chamber of Commerce Home and Trade Show is back after a three-year absence and organizers believe it's worth planning your weekend around.

There will be almost 40 exhibitors in the arena, showcasing a vast array of services and products, many of which they are confident you have never seen or heard of.

Trade show chair Mike Depratto said the timing is right in two senses.

Earlier, he said local residents needed the trade show back because there is wealth of new businesses and products locally that weren't displayed at the chamber's last trade show in 1997.

Secondly, he said the 2000 version is being held two to three weeks earlier than the 1997 or '96 editions.

"We always had good shows, but we didn't get the traffic like we should have. Hopefully,

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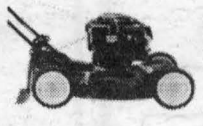
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Let's get 5,000 tons worth into our blue boxes

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

For those who put tin cans and the weekly newspaper in the blue box and then wonder where it goes and what it's used for, RARE has the answers for you.

RARE receives all recyclables from North Glengarry and South Glengarry Townships and Hawkesbury.

The little plant that grew

Recyclage Alexandria Recycling Équipe was started in September of 1990 by the Équipe psycho-sociale of Cornwall as a job creation program for challenged individuals, using recyclable materials like pop cans and office paper.

It took on another proportion when the former Town of Alexandria decided to set up a recycling program for its residents in 1991. A 15,000 square-foot building was purchased and funding of $1 million was made available through the Ministry of the Environment and OMMRI.

Toss in the blue box

With five full-time employees and seven part-time employees, the plant processed over 4,400 tons of materials in 1999.

The objective for 2000 is 5,000 tons which RARE general manager René Jeaurond feels is realistic.

But there is one condition: "This can and will be achieved only through a collective participation of all residents in our Blue Box program."

So this is the advice he has for you "Let's fill our blue box instead of the landfill."

Check out the maps

The soil has been checked, the lines have been drawn and the maps are out. Local farm owners will be able to check how the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs has classified their land at the booth RARE will share with the North Glengarry planning committee.

Also indicated will be the location of licensed pits and quarries as residents had voiced their concerns to the townships about such operations.

Unfortunately, North Glengarry doesn't present any Class 1 land like our neighbours on the south side.

Chamber Trade Show is also a family outing

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it will be earlier enough so people aren't already doing other things," he said.

And while the exhibitors are the meat and potatoes of any trade show, Depratto and the organizing committee want to ensure it is an event for the entire family, not just the conscientious shopper with the wallet.

The show will have on board Little Ray's Reptiles, an educational show that both thrills and teaches children; popular Scottish and Irish one-man music act, Mike McAnany and a number of fashion shows, organized by Bonnie Glen owner Maurice Menard.

The Lions Club will also be hosting a wine-sampling.

In addition, the chamber will have a card dealer on site to tempt anyone with a game of chance on his a black jack table.

The chamber of commerce will be using the revenue from the exhibitors' booth fee and the black jack proceeds to finance the chamber's activities throughout the year, such as the Alexandria Canada Day Celebrations.

The chamber helps to promote commerce in the Alexandria area and assist businesses with information that might be of importance.

There is an admission fee of $4. Children under 10 are free.

However, Depratto stressed the fee is reimbursed in the form of vouchers of equal value.

For example, visitors after walking through the booths and partaking in the activities can replenish themselves by using the voucher to get a free fry at Dairy Queen or other town establishments.

Depratto said it's a way for restaurants to participate, as it would require too much preparation and equipment to set up a temporary food outlet.

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Shield your home and family from UV rays

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

If you're thinking of putting a bay window in the living room or better protecting your family from ultraviolet rays, drop in at Glengarry Windows and Doors Ltd booth.

Owner Marc Lacombe will be present as well as other consultants with a display of various doors, windows and a new product called Solar Film.

Solar film

A display will be on hand to demonstrate how the specialty film decreases UV rays penetration into the home, protecting the family from damaging sun rays.

Lacombe was aware of the product last year but did some research before presenting it to his clients.

"If a product is not good, we don't sell it."

The film was installed in one Glengarry home and Lacombe says he has had nothing but positive comments.

The film is availbale in 33 to 83 per cent UV protection.

Lacombe is quite confident in the film. He is even planning to have it installed in a Main Street show room.

Building needs

Also on display will be PCV and aluminum railing, siding, security bars, patio doors, French doors, Farley windows Partatec metal doors and aluminum storm doors.

The company works alongside Glengarry Renovations, which is also owned by Lacombe.

Together both companies employ five people. Lacombe bought the company from his sister in 1999.

Glengarry Windows and Doors Ltd., lcoated on Main Street North, was started by his father, Michel Lacombe, in 1982.

Taking a closer look from the computer screen

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Established in 1998, Glengarry on the Web understands about business cards and publicity ads but also sees the potential of the internet.

"Although most businesses recognize that they should have an internet presence, lack of internet knowledge, where to start and how to go about it are the first stumbling blocks," says site coordinator Joanne Marriott.

Glengarry on the Web, the official web site for Glengarry, has simplified the entire process and has done it at a price that every small business can afford.

Cost for the page is nominal and its hosting and promotion fees are less than a dollar a month.

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The www.glenweb.on.ca site was launched close to a year ago and its popularity has had growing success.

"We had over 20,000 hits last month," reports Marriott. "We're getting hit like crazy."

But as hits increase the more expensive it gets to maintain the site.

In need

Hence the need for more businesses to join in.

"By supporting the community web site, not only is your business well represented, your advertising dollars also help support the growing number of community groups," says Marriott.

So why not browse for a while and see what this site has to offer.

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A love of bowling and a taste for children's clothes

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Although many of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce Trade Show booths cater to the adults of the community, young kids with a carte de mode to meet can take a peak at Les p'tits amis table.

The booth will feature some of the newly arrived spring and summer collection for infants and children as old as 14.

Les p'tits amis has been around for at least 10 years, but moved to its present location, adjacent to Alexandria Lanes, in 1999 when Joanne Nadeau bought the business .

For anyone who has aimed for the pins in Alexandria, Joanne is the friendly face behind the counter at the Alexandria Lanes where she works with her husband Mario.

Her new business meant less time for the bowling alley but Joanne didn't let that deter her from what seems to be the Nadeaus' favourite sport.

With an employee at the children's clothing store, Joanne is at the bowling alley for eights months out of the year.

The store is taking part in the fashion show which will be held Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

Getting ready for elections

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

More than those running for office are getting ready for this fall's upcoming municipal elections, so is John Jans of Jans Signs.

Founded in 1991 by Jans, the business has always remained in the Jans home but is now located in a shop adjacent to the house on the Glen Roy Road.

Specializing in volume signage, Jans sees the opportunity to cash in on the elections.

So expect to see ample examples of volume signs at the booth.

Your very own sign

Since only so many politicians will walk through the doors of the Alexandria Sports Palace this weekend, Jans will also bring a few examples of individual wood signs for the house, farm or business.

He will also bring a few example of vinyl stickers he has custom made for different local companies.

As for his schedule for the weekend, expect to see Jans at his booth for the entire three days.

"I'm a one-man show," he said explaining how he will only get someone to fill in when he gets a bite to eat.

Smell the aroma and taste the full bouquet

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

There won't be any cheese, but the Lions Club booth should have a wide enough selection of wines to satisfy most palates.

Alexandria Lions Club treasurer Pierre Burelle hopes the wine tasting booth will raise funds for the local charity group.

"At the same time the public has a chance to learn about wines."

Burelle as well as other representatives from the Liquor Control Board of Ontario will be on to hand offer wine suggestions.

An advantage to the booth, says Burelle, is that wine lovers can taste a different wine without buying the whole bottle.

"It might cost you $2 to taste a $20 bottle of wine."

From 10 to 15 different wines will be on display with one-ounce tasting portions. Wine connoisseurs will be eager to taste rare and expensive wines such as the Tignanello '96 which costs about $60 at the liquor store.

For amateurs looking for the right wine to serve on a Friday evening with red pepper steak they might want to taste a French cabernet sauvignon.

"Hopefully we'll make a few dollars at this," says Burelle.

Depending on the turn out, the club might organize a wine show in the fall.

"We won't be competing against the Ottawa Wine and Food Show," jokes Burelle.

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Building up your equity

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

So you're thinking about saving up, planning for the future, but you don't know where to start. How about the Scotia Bank booth.

The booth will focus on retail banking with an emphasis on long-term investments.

Senior personal banking officer Carolina Filion explained that long-term investments are not solely for those who have a few thousand dollars to invest, it's also for those who have zilch in their savings account.

"Every person is separate," she says explaining the reasoning behind the many different plans to choose from.

And that's when the confusion starts - the option between a branch network, a trust or brokerage division. How many years? Does one risk losing all invested capital for an increased return?

"It's become a lot harder," says Filion of the different investment possibilities.

And that is why a representative of the bank will be on hand to distribute literature on investments and to discuss individual possibilities.

So whether it's $25,000 or $25 a month, there's a way for you to plan you long-term investments.

Always well protected

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Started 30 years ago, Rémi Prud'Homme Insurance Brokers Inc. boast about 8,000 clients across Ontario.

The founder still remains at the business with eight full-time employees.

The company provides coverage for cars, homes, farms and businesses with special catering to the Knights of Columbus throughout Ontario.

Insurance representative Michael Depratto explains the company is looking more to be present for its customers than anything else.

"We're there to answer questions. It's a service to our clientele," said Depratto.

And for those who walk through the trade show early enough, there will be something waiting for them at the booth.

"Pens go to the first 500 visitors," said Depratto.

Other free-bees are a $100 gift certificate from Canadian Tire, a jacket, golf shirt and hat which people can enter their names to win.

Get your cleats and ball gloves

By Todd Anderson
News reporter

The trade show is an excellent time for Pic's Sports Shop to make a transition to summer sports from winter sports.

Pic's Sports Shop owner, Richard Picard said people will be able to purchase items from their store at the show.

"There will be a couple things people can buy: Bikes, sandals and summer wear."

With the weather finally co-operating with what looks like a warm summer, Pic's Sport Shop prepares to clothe and equip it's customers with top quality footwear, apparel and sporting goods.

The business is family owned and operated.

Employees include owners, husband and wife Richard and Helen Picard and part-time staff, son Patrick and daughter Renee.

Pic's, which is located at the south end of Alexandria, will display bikes, bike accessories, summer foot wear and apparel as well as soccer and softball equipment.

Richard added that Pic's Sport Shop equipment is of "good quality and at a good price."

For Pic's, the winter and summer months are the busiest. In between seasons business quitens down.

"Once the soccer or hockey season starts, we get busy," said Richard.

Pic's Sport Shop also provides some services to customers.

"We check out, and repair bikes, we sharpen skates and we have the only rivet machine in Alexandria that attaches blades to skate boots when they need to be replaced."

Pic's is also an avid sponsor of sports in Alexandria.

The team has provided sponsorship to indoor soccer, ladies softball, Glengarry Soccer League (mens and women's) and Alexandria Soccer League teams.

The Picard's will reach the two-year mark of ownership of the business on August 1 of this year. The family purchased the business which used to be M and D Boisvenue Sports from Mike Boisvenue in 1998.

Strutting down the aisle

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Those familiar with Maurice Ménard's past fashion shows, know what to expect, for others it will be a surprise.

"This is a small one," says Ménard of the 20-minute show. The Alexandria resident has organized over 10 shows in the past.

Spring and summer fashions from Les p'tits amis, Viau's Ladies Wear (Chez Colette), Paddy's and the fashions of Vankleek Hill's Nicole Cayen will be displayed by 30 models choreographed to music played by Boucane's CD Sound.

As masters of ceremonies, Ménard will give a brief description of each design.

The show will start Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m.

Check out Elvis

Pete Paquette is slated to give three impersonations of Elvis and dancers will give at least two show of country rock dancing to popular tunes such as Mambo No. 5.

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Turning your backyard into a gold and koy fish santuary

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Put fish and pastime together and what do you get? Fishing. But for Doug and Judy Harvey of St. Eugene that's not the case.

Harvey Landscaping and Design have been in operation for 10 years and one of their specialties is catering to those who want to raise fish as a hobby, hence designing and building ponds.

"We vary from small city ponds to two-acre ponds," says Judy. "Anything is possible."

They will be setting up a natural stone pond at their booth which they will be sharing with Moad Mountain Enterprises of Vankleek Hill.

$40,000 fish

Depending on the conditions at the Sports Palace, Japanese koy fish might be swimming in the water as well as the common gold fish.

Leigh Mode, who co-owns the fish and fish food distribution company with Vern Gilkes, explains the reasoning behind the growing popularity of koy fish in North America.

Compared to the common gold fish, which can reach up to seven inches in length, the koy fish can grow as long as 36 inches.

There is also a coloration factor which attracts many hobby breeders.

A young fish with average colouring can cost as little as $15 but an adult with appropriate colouring can reach as much as $40,000.

English gardens

While the swimming fish will certainly attract the attention of young and old, the Harveys will offer a portfolio of their past work which includes water falls, English gardens, and stone masonry. They will also be showing a video of Regional Contact which featured the couple in July.

The couple also operate Vines since 1998, a pond and garden store, located east of Vankleek Hill on Barb Road.

Doing your banking from your computer screen

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

The Caisse Populaire of Alexandria will have the usual long-term investments and mortgage options on display but the computer will be the main focus of their booth.

With many families and business owners hooked to the internet at home, it's a matter of learning how to do your banking on-line to make life easier for many.

Accès D is an optional banking method the Caisse wants to promote. Members can access information on their banking transactions, anytime, anywhere from either a computer or the telephone.

"There are a lot of people who don't know about this and how it can make life easier," says Chantal Lajoie of the Alexandria Caisse Populaire.

Not that the Caisse doesn't want to see members walk to the teller, they just want to make life easier.

So if you're slightly uncomfortable about making payments from a computer screen, visit this booth on the weekend.

Two to three Caisse employees will be available to answer your questions and concerns and show you how simple it can be to transfer funds, make payments or check up on your financial situation.

Devoted to the well-being of every francophone

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

The Centre de santé communautaire de l'Estrie in the quaint little building set west of Alexandria' Industrial Boulevard.

Established in 1992 to cater to the healthy well-being of Alexandria and surrounding area's francophone population, the center is more than a doctor, nurse and receptionist.

The center covers three areas - physical, mental and community health.

Its services range from the annual physical examination to a fun volleyball game with elementary students to promote healthy drug-free living.

Stethoscope and thermometer

The centre provides a full-time doctor on staff with laboratory and electrocardiogram services.

Parents with nutritional concerns for themselves and their children can consult with a nutritionist.

In the brain

For anyone confused and going through hard times, the centre offers psychological, psychiatric and social evaluations from which a person can be directed to many of the services offered.

Group therapy is an option as also is personal counselling and psychotherapy.

For the people

It is in the community aspect that the centre gets out and involved with the people.

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Financial advice from Berkshire Securities Inc.

By Todd Anderson
News reporter

Anyone looking for financial advice at the trade show will want to check out the Berkshire Securities Inc. booth.

Barry MacDonald, financial advisor and branch manager for Berkshire, said his company is committed to the long-term investment plan rather than quick and unpredictable methods.

"We like to look at the complete financial planning process. We like to take a long-term look at investments. We handle all types of investments like bonds, stocks and mutual funds," said MacDonald.

Advice for all

Luanne Nadeau, also an advisor for Berkshire, will represent the company at the trade show.

"We'll have materials we can hand out on investments that we have available," said MacDonald.

"Luanne will be there to give advice on what we would do in certain situations."

Software

Berkshire will also have software packages on display that make financial planning quite easy.

MacDonald said he wants to spread the word about his company at the trade show.

"I guess we're just there to show people what we offer. Obviously our cliental knows about us. I don't think the rest of the county is aware of what we can do.

"The show will be a non-intrusive environment for people to make inquiries. I think people feel somewhat committed when they have to come into our office to ask questions."

Tidbit of history

MacDonald has been with Berkshire for 11 years.

Berkshire began in 1985.

Berkshire employs two people other than MacDonald and Nadeau.

Andree Gauthier and Sandra McCuaig are administrators with the company.

Paddy's puts new TY Beanie babies on display

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Although their slogan is "affordable quality clothing for casual living for ladies and gents", there's much more at Paddy's than shirts and pants.

Owner Gail Belair-Abrames will be bringing the new collection of Y2K TY Beanie Babies for all to marvel at, and look for the odd monkey.

Persian rugs

Also on display will be one of the Persian rugs for sale at the antique store located behind the Main Street North store.

Antiques

And speaking of antiques, about six pieces will be up for grabs at the show.

The antique stained glass will be left at the store as it is quite fragile and hard to temporarily hang up for the weekend.

The store specializes in pine, oak and mohagony pieces, mostly originating from the Eastern Townships of Quebec.

Names after the barber

While the desks, armoires and blanket boxes display some of our earlier history, the store's name reflects a bit of Alexandria's 20th century downtown history.

Started 14 years ago on the west side of Main Street where Gerald Paddy once operated his famous barber shop, Belair-Abrames decided to take the barber's name for her business, hence Paddy's.

Fashion show

Some of the store's spring and summer collection will be featured in the fashion show which will be held throughout the weekend.

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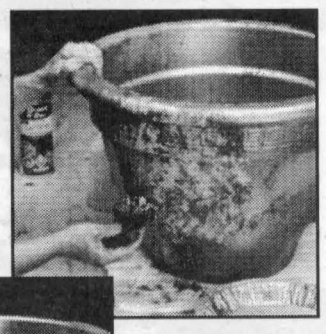

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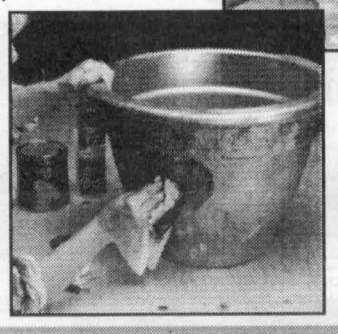

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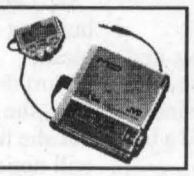

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Alexandria & District Chamber of Commerce Trade Show 2000

A feet-warming experience courtesy of Alexandria Air

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

If you do get cold feet at the trade show, then the place to turn to could be the Alexandria Air booth.

Owner Mike Stefanich will have on hand a central furnance and air conditioning and radiant floor heating units running.

Stefanich said it is an excellent opportunity for him to show the radiant floor heating and for visitors to feel it firsthand.

"The technology is old; it's hot water that's been upgraded," he said.

He added a floor heated by hot water pipes underneath has to be felt to be appreciated.

"You really have to feel it underneath. It really makes a difference."

Radiant floor heating has become efficient for newer homes because they require as much as 50 per cent less heat than older residences.

As for the furnace and air conditioning unit, Stefanich said he wants to demonstrate just how quiet the latest models are.

There will also be many brochures on hand and he will be glad to answer any questions on his products or help with any problems.

Stefanich started Alexandria Air in 1995 after working as a gas furnance contractor. He built up his own clientele as local residents wanted someone closer than Cornwall or Hawkesbury.

"It just grew from there."

Alexandria Air has one permanent employee who works full-time during the summer.

Alexandria Builder's Supply offers tables of goods, services

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

Judging by their four-table booth, Alexandria Builder's Supply Home Hardware doesn't make any bones about it – spring is the busiest time of the year for them.

ABS will have tables some of its departments on display: small engines, including lawn tractors, paving stones, landscaping and gardening, and paints.

Co-owner Ron Aubin said they wanted to showcase these items because they're in high demand over the next few months.

The booths will have three employees on site who will be busy interacting with visitors.

"They'll be demonstrations on things like sponge painting," Aubin said.

"On landscaping there will be different displays on how to place stones and advice on flowers and shrubs."

He hasn't decided whether the booth will perform transactions, because he only has so much inventory on site, such as the lawn tractors.

"It's stuff I can't sell unless its flowers out of the garden.

"But if anyone wants to buy we can make them a price and then they can come to the store and we can settle there, on Monday," Aubin said with a chuckle.

ABS has been a steady and proven performer in Glengarry's retailer sector, since it began operating in the early 1970s.

Original owner Gilles Menard has moved on with Bob Beaudette becoming Aubin's new partner.

ABS employs almost 20 people during its peak period.

Craftswoman shows the many ways to make signs

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

While at the Home and Trade Show, and you're looking for an exhibitor whose love of her work is reflected in her business, than Lettrage JRL Lettering is as good a bet as any.

"I really love my job. And I love keeping my customers happy because whenver they come in and pick up their sign, and they like it and that just satisfies me too," said JRL Lettering owner Kate Muri.

Home and Trade Show patrons will get a first-hand appraisal of her handiwork. Included among her creations made by air brushing, sand blasting, painting and decaling.

Air brushing and sand blasting are two techniques increased by Muri since she purchased the established business in 1997.

JR Lecompte started it nine years ago, building up large clientele list for Muri to please.

Muri does not have any formal training in art – she did intend to enter an art school – but she has a natural apitude which visitors will notice.

"I'll have a lot of pictures too, because most of the signs I took pictures of. It's good to show people and at what price.

"Sand-blasted is very expensive but it's a lot of work as well. And I'll be showing air-brushed signs and air-brushed decals.

"The customer will be able to order whatever they need."

Muri accepts just about any order; big and small.

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She is assisted on a part-time basis by her husband and one employee.

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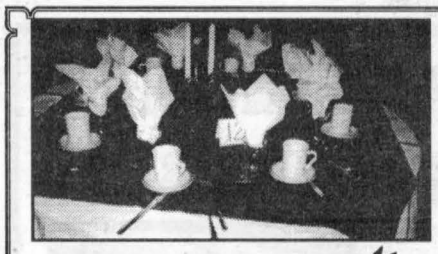

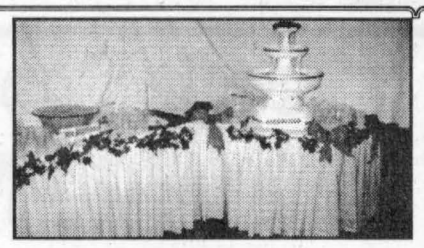

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Learn all about dishes

Satellite dish systems will dominate the Miron Electronics Sales and Service booth at the Home and Trade Show.

The business will offer a special deal on Bell Expressvu Satellite Systems.

Along with satellite systems and accessories, Miron will also be displaying home theatre units, projector (big screen) televisions, VCR's and DVD machines.

The business will also give out a satellite dish system in a draw.

Miron owner, Pierre Miron said he hopes to make a lot of sales at the show.

"We are estimating that we will sell 150 to 200 satellite dish systems," he said.

Pierre and Gisele will be present at the show along with Bell Expressvu product manager Brett Johnson and region saleswoman Madelaine Long.

The 20-year-old business employs Pierre and his wife Gisele along with two other locals: Corrina Depratto and Michel Jolicoeur.

Miron also has businesses in Embrun and Lancaster.

Miron's have plenty of electronics appliances and accessories for sale.

Some of their featured items include: mini disk players, video cameras, DVD machines, VCRs, CD players, speakers, cordless and cellular phones and portable radios.

The business also does repairs on appliances.

When asked to describe his business Miron said, "We always say we have the best price and the best service."

The many sides of Sears

By Todd Anderson
News reporter

For over 40 years Sears has been offering it's products for residents of Alexandria.

This weekend at the Alexandria Home and Trade Show they will use two booths to show they are still around.

Sears manager Richard Leger said he isn't too concerned about making any sales at the show.

"I'm there to show, I'm not there to sell.

"We could sell but we just want to instruct the customers in what we have to offer."

At the show Sears will have appliances, lawn mowers, tables and patio tables on display.

The business will also have a draw for a microwave oven.

With Sears having it's busiest months obviously towards Christmas, Leger said one of the hopes he has from the show is that it will boost summer sales.

"Yes, that's one reason but you just got to show you're still around."

Along with Leger, his wife Noella and Connie MacDonald are also employed at Sears.

The business offers customers items ranging from kids' clothing, to bicycles, to tools. The store displays larger items such as lawn mowers, bicycles and air conditioners. Smaller items can be ordered through the Sears catalogue.

Getting the fertilizer

Read grass fertilizer labels carefully, professionals caution

(NC) - Ever get confused trying to decipher the number code on fertilizer labels? The numbers refer to the percent by weight of three key ingredients in the mix - nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. No matter what the fertilizer, the label always lists the elements in that order. Sometimes, they are referred to by their chemical symbol - N, P, K.

All three elements are essential to healthy grass, according to Douglas Smith, head of the Technical Standards Committee of the Organic Landscape Alliance.

Many fertilizer labels also indicate the presence of other nutrients, such as magnesium, calcium and manganese.

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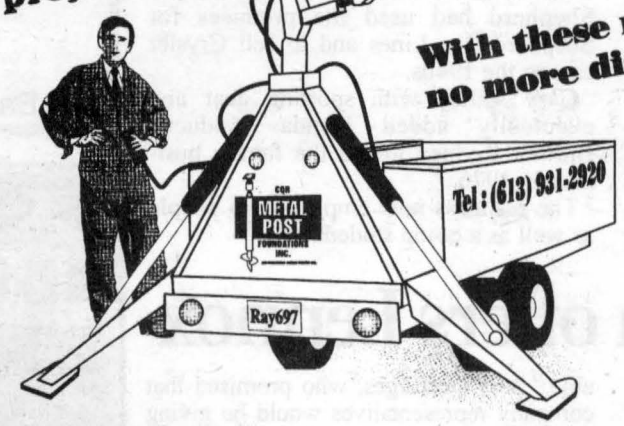

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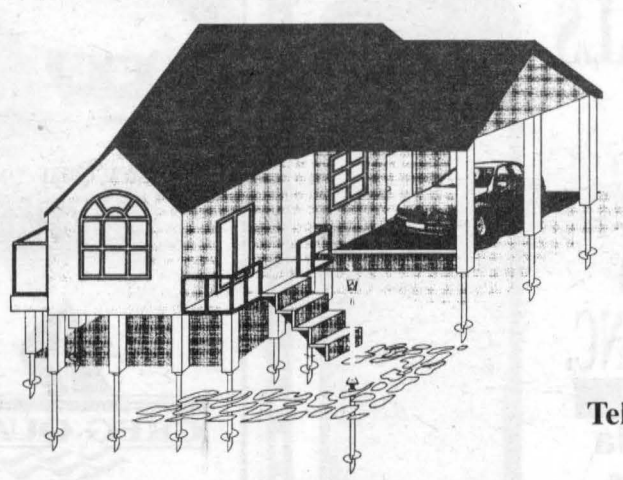
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Chamber remains an active proponent of commerce

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

If you're looking to prepare for the summer events season and happen to be a community-minded individual, then you shouldn't miss the Alexandria and District Chamber of Commerce booth.

Chamber president John Hope said the booth will publicize all its events over the next few months, including the big Alexandria Canada Day Parade and Celebration.

Get to know your chamber

The booth, with available brochures, will also inform people of what the chamber's mandate is and what projects it will undertake this year.

Hope said the chamber's presence is more important than ever in promoting and improving trade, commerce and the economic, civic and social welfare of its members, since the Alexandria Business Improvement Area organization is no longer a functioning body.

Many functions

The chamber also:

- acts as an advocate of business with government;
- creates a climate conducive to encouraging volunteers through participation and interaction. Volunteers are the key resource through which we accomplish our objectives;
- communicates effectively with members and solicits their opinions and feedback.

New innovation is great for building foundations

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

As every builder knows, the most important part of construction is the foundation.

Roger Lalonde has taken this to heart and wants to show trade show visitors a very dependable tool for creating strong foundations.

The owner of CQR Metal Posts Foundation will show how his secure anchor metal screws work to ensure a stable foundation.

"I use it to build patios, decks, street lamp-posts, street signs.

He said CQR posts resists the dire effects of frost because each post has a plastic tubing which moves up and down, instead of the metal post.

One of the best advantages of the secure anchor screws is that they could be drilled into the ground when the ground is still drying up during spring when heavy machinery can't access a property because it is too soft.

Lalonde began CQR last year and intended it to be a part-time job during the summer when he was on vacation from his technical department teaching position at La Citadelle in Cornwall.

"But I've been busy all year. I've been getting a few students to help with the bigger jobs."

Power tools and tillers

By Sandra Berry
News Reporter

Part of the show room on Alexandria's Main Street will be on display with Honda ATVs, generators, garden tillers, water pumps and all the power tools to make Tim the Tool man glow with joy.

The Bombardier snowmobiles and sports equipment will remain in the store for anyone to browse through at 83 Main St. N.

The sports/bike/ATV/snowmobile shop has become sort of an institution in Alexandria. Gary took over the business from his father Louis in 1976. Mr. Louis Shepherd had used the premises for Shepherd Bus Lines and to sell Crysler cars in the 1940s.

Gary started with sporting gear and eventually added Honda products. Brother Rodney joined the family business in 1976.

The business now employs two people as well as a co-op student.

Cornwall firm offers Lennox

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

Although this will be its first visit to the Alexandria Home and Trade Show, Cornwall Heating & Cooling Inc. has been in business for five years.

Located at 800 Campbell St. in the city, Cornwall Heating & Cooling is owned by Christian Desforges and is a service-based company, with seven trucks on the road.

Desforges said his main purpose in attending the show is for "public relations" more than anything else.

"We want to let them know we're available," said Desforges, who promised that company representatives would be giving out "good advice" at the show.

Cornwall Heating & Cooling Inc. is a dealer for Lennox Products and will have fireplaces and air conditioners on display.

The company is also a service agent for Union Energy and does a lot of installations.

Desforges said he was trying to get the word out that consumers have a choice in service agents and that his company has an insurance plan in place for heating and air conditioning.

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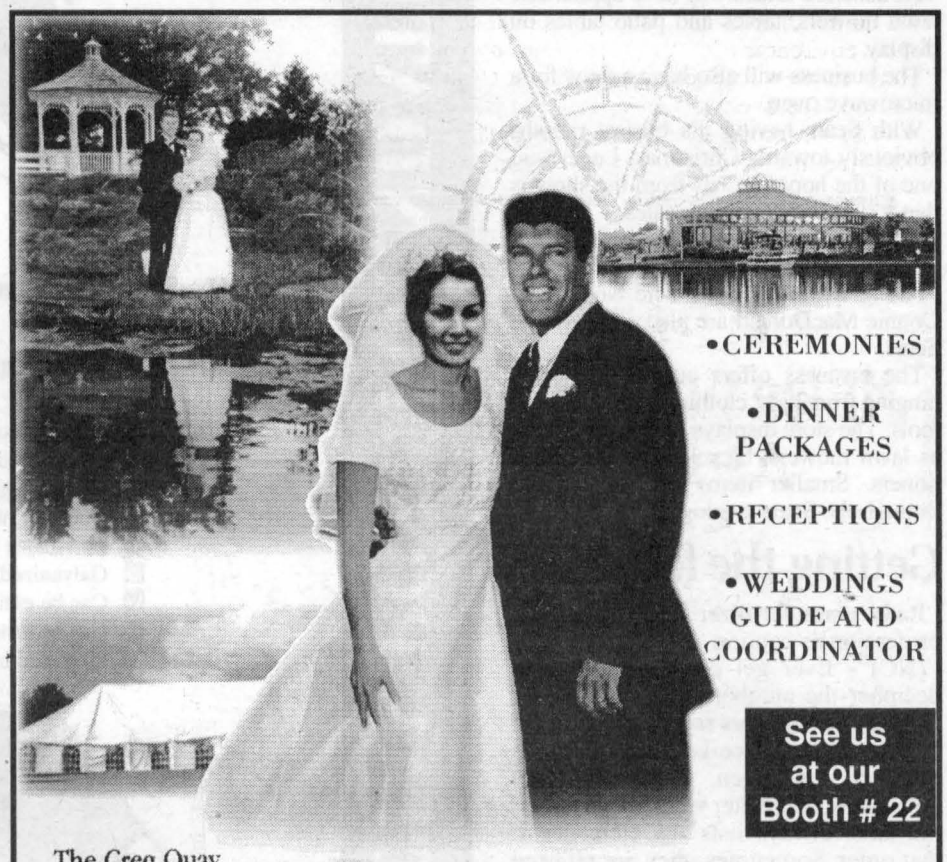

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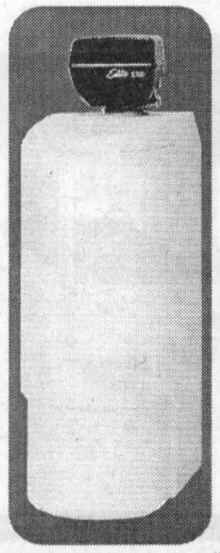

McLeister House the place to pamper your body

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

Visitors to The McLeister House Esthetics and Spa's booth at the show will be able to see demonstrations of make-up, gel nails, and facials.

Owner Brigitte Sauve says that although her business at 27 Main St. N. has not yet had its official opening, she is taking clients already, and visitors to the show will be able to get information on the products and services available.

"We will really be pushing our Day Spa," said Sauve, describing how her business offers a full day of pampering and beautification, complete with a light lunch.

McLeister House specializes in everything from celluite treatment, massages, facials, manicures and pedicures, Reiki, and ear coning, to Golden Moor mud wraps and baths.

"Unfortunately we can't offer a mud demonstration at the show," laughs Sauve.

But visitors to the booth will be eligible to enter a draw for a basket with samples of Golden Moor, Rhida (facial products and body creams), and A.G. lotions.

Health unit will be out to help you start taking care of yourself

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

While the trade show will concentrate on improving your home or business, there's also a booth more concerned with a little old you.

The Eastern Ontario Health Unit will have a number of health professionals to give advice on a variety of health-related issues.

Booth co-ordinator Clothilde Howieson, a public health inspector, said information will be available on exercising, smoke cessation, nutrition, among others.

The booth is also providing a practical service by giving out water testing bottles to anyone who wants to get their wells analyzed.

The booth will also be one of the most interactive, as it will offer a draw every couple of hours "to make sure people visit our booth," Howieson said.

"There will also be a big draw at the end."

Health promotion is certainly nothing new to the health unit. Howieson noted the local organization is marking its 65th year, making it the oldest such health unit in the province.

The Alexandria office employs about 15 people, including inspectors, therapists, homemakers, administration and nurses.

Questions and answers with a lawn expert

Q: We just moved into our first home and have a small yard. What kind of mower should we buy?

A: Consider a manual reel, push-type lawn mower which is easy to use and maintain. Reel mowers don't have spark plugs, gas or oil,or pull-cords, so they always start on the first try. They are lightweight making them easy to push, lift and store, and they emit no pollution, which is good for the environment.

Reel mowers are cost-effective, too. The average mower is under $100, compared to around $300 for the average power mower.

Along with the great savings, reel mowers provide a great cut by shearing grass blades to seal in nutrients. Power mowers cut by tearing or ripping the grass leaving it vulnerable to disease and allowing moisture to escape, leading to unhealthy, brown grass.

Q: Our neighbors have a great lawn, and we never see them do anything more than mow. What tips do you have?

A: Healthy lawns are more than just pleasing to the eye. They help maintain a healthy and safe environment by cooling our neighborhoods, replenishing our oxygen supply, filtering our air and reducing noise pollution. By following proper mower techniques, you can have the lush, green lawns you desire.

* Consider using a reel, push-type mower for a clean, scissor-cut. The reel action sutures grass blades helping grass retain much-needed moisture, unlike the rotary-action of power mowers which rips and tears the grass blades leaving them more vulnerable to disease.

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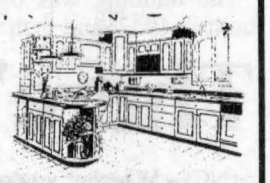

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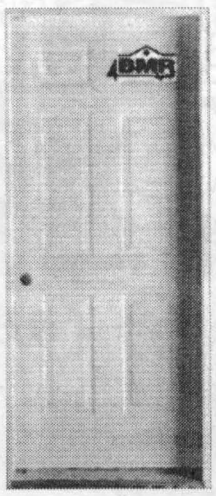

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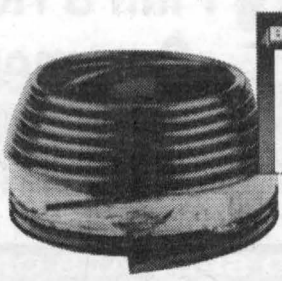

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Booth offers menu samples

Bite-size portions will be on the table at trade show

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

The Pavillon Bonnie Glen Pavilion is sure to be one of the most popular booths in the Home and Trade Show.

"You're going to be able to taste all the food we have. There will be little bite pieces: our chicken, roast beef, souvlaki; all from our menus," said co-owner Maurice Menard.

There's plenty of food so Menard has bought two tables.

Along with the tasty offerings, his booth will showcase the new improved Bonnie Glen.

The building was originally a aircraft hangar, built in 1942, and then used as a dance hall before a succession of owners transformed into a restaurant, banquet hall.

The building, one of the most popular venue for all kinds of events, has received a much needed renovation and expansion since Menard and his wife Lise bought it in October 1998.

They've brightened up the main hall with new paint, a new ceiling and bar, expanded the foyer and added a large patio.

The hall can host 120 people for dinner.

The Menards offer a large wedding package, which includes the catering, hall, decorations and wedding cake.

Pavillon Bonnie Glen Pavilion employs an average of 20 chefs, waiters, bar staff and cleaners per

There's always a right way

(NC) - Whether you're pruning your rose bushes, weeding your garden or simply cutting the grass, there is a right way and a wrong way. Mark Cullen, the host of HGTV Canada's Mark Cullen Gardening, is an expert at doing the job right. Here are some of his tips for making your garden look its best:

When cutting the grass, keep the blades of the mower set high so the grass is at least 5 cm (2 inches) high.

Lawns need about 2.5 cm (1 inch) of water a week. The best time to water the grass is in the evening to avoid evaporation. To tell if your garden needs watering, stick your finger into the soil a few centimetres. If the soil feels dry, go ahead and water.

Planting nasturtium, poppies and marigolds attracts insects that eat aphids and other pests.

Organic material will decompose fastest in your compost when shredded into pieces one inch in size or smaller.

When pruning roses, cut back to an outward-facing bud. This encourages an open bush through which air will circulate freely and sunlight will filter.

Hot-weather crops will ripen faster if some of the forming fruits are picked off while they are small, directing energy to the remaining fruits.

A mulch about 10 cm (4 inches) deep will prevent weeds from germinating and growing.

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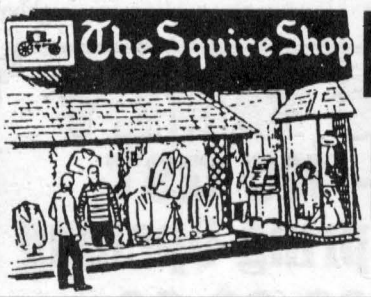

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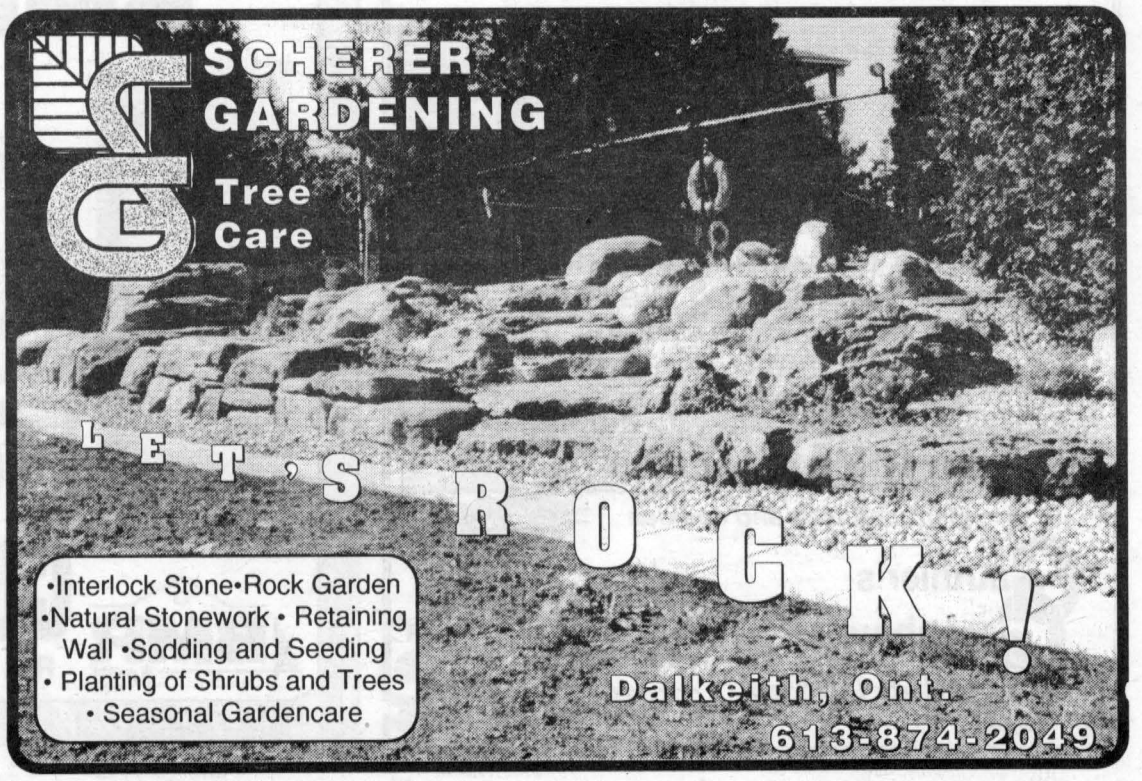

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New heating and cooling gadgetry

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

Ultimate Combustion Services of Alexandria will be giving visitors to the trade show a glimpse of the latest in products for heating and cooling the home.

General manager Richard Marleau says a new air purifier, Sanuvox, which uses ultraviolet light to clean the air, will be on display at the company's double booth.

Also sure to gather the crowds will be a home filling station for natural gas. The refilling station allows you to fill your car overnight from the natural gas at your house.

Marleau acknowledges that the latest gadgets may not be for everyone, but says, "We will have a good supply of fireplaces and air conditioners on display too."

Ultimate Combustion, (formerly Stewart Mechanical), has been operating for nine years and has 12 employees. The company also does industrial, commercial, and agricultural work and is the authorized dealer for York heating and cooling systems.

Staff will be on hand at the show to introduce visitors to the company's competitive insurance plan. Rebates for York products will also be available.

Home-grown entreprenuers are offering big show savings

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

Planning on decorating your home, than a visit to A.C. Upholstery will definitely help you make your living space more pleasing.

Co-owner Andre Lefebvre will have window coverings, bed spreads, awnings, furniture upholstery and furniture refinishing available at his two-table booth.

Lefebvre is confident that all visitors will be able to pick out an interior window covering, such as a horizontal and vertical blinds, and at the right price.

"Our show prices are up to 60 per cent off," he said.

The furniture refinishing, done by partner Normand Giroux, will be shown in stages from rought to half-finished to completed.

"We're also going to have a sample of exterior awnings for over the patio."

If the workmanship doesn't impress you, than Lefebvre also has a number of draws for a total worth of $200.

A.C. Upholstery is one of the oldest businesses in Alexandria, going on 15 years in 2001. It is located on the 1st Concession of Kenyon.

With Lefebvre and wife Celine take pride in the fact they are home-grown Alexandria business entrepreneurs and hope to see all their customers at the show.

Plant some friends for your veggies

By Julie Francoeur
horticulturist

(NC) - Today's way of gardening has left nature and its ecosystems far behind - you can see it in the inroads made by the harmful insects and recurrent diseases. In nature, a stable ecosystem is founded on the interactions between varied elements. What we try to do is keep the birds and insects away from our gardens, and reserve our flowers for decorating the house. That's our biggest mistake! The solution to these problems is often a natural one.

"We should all practice companion gardening, which groups plants together in ways that interfere with the homing systems used by harmful insects," states Julie Francoeur, a horticulturist with RONA Botanix.

"For example, combining vegetables with flowers or herbs helps to camouflage the fragrance of vegetables which protects them from potential enemies. Coriander, sage, rosemary and onion planted among your carrots, for example, will keep carrot rust flies at bay."

Francoeur also suggests that instead of keeping your herbs in one corner of the garden, you should spread them throughout the garden.

By planting alyssum annuals and cosmos, you can attract insects that are beneficial to your garden, while keeping the pesky ones away. Another good tip is to you surround your tomatoes with African marigolds, which will protect them from nematodes. Also plant nasturtiums or petunias. - they help keep the aphids away.

ENEMY PLANTS

Friendly neighbors? Not always! According to Francoeur, some related plants can stunt each other's development. It's best not to plant them side by side in your garden.

"It's also a good idea to avoid coupling onions or garlic with legumes, or corn with tomatoes."

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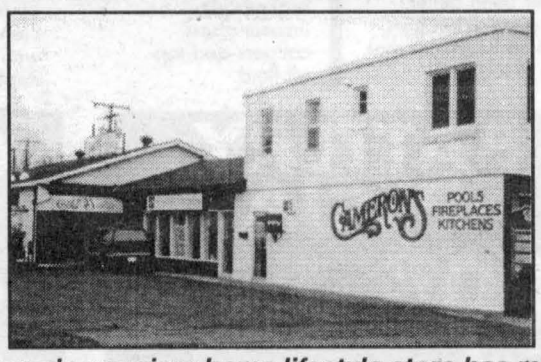

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Everything you need to create serenity

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

For an eclectic mix of products, try Serenity Shoppe's booth at the trade show.

Among the many items that Bob Safruk will be showcasing is a "chiminea" or Mexican outdoor fireplace.

"They've been out for three years in the big cities, but not here until now," Safruk said.

There is a relationship between his chiminea and some of his other goods. For example he will also have outdoor stepping stones, so you can walk to the chiminea and barbecuing oils to cook your favourite grilled steak.

For dessert, Safruk will have on hand specialized jams and jellies.

After dinner, a customer can utilize a few of his bathroom products, including salts and palm oils.

Then relax to the sweet fragrance of incense and watch a decorative flag blow in the breeze.

Safruk's "Flag Lady", Jo-ann Safruk, will bring a wide assortment of flags.

She will have NHL team, Canada, Ontario Ensign and the Scottish Standard.

There will be flags that could be placed in a free-standing pole for outside or put into a flower pot.

The Serenity Shoppe has been in business on Main Street, Alexandria since fall 1997.

Jo-ann Safruk introduced her flag wares last year.

When gardening, don't forget about the herbs

By Julie Francoeur
horticulturist

(NC) - Fine herbs at your fingertips now there's a great idea for boosting flavor while saving money. Listed are a few basic gardening tips will set you on the way to your own herb garden.

"Growing herbs is easy," says Julie Francoeur a Horticulturist with RONA Botanix. "As long as they get a minimum of eight hours of sunlight per day, most of them are happy." Remember to check the plant label: a few - such as chervil, mint and parsley - prefer light shade. One other thing they all need is well-drained soil. Clay soils can be mixed with one-third sand to improve drainage."

No yard? No problem! A flower box - or even a pot - is a great spot for annual herbs. Just water daily starting in early July, and change the earth every year. You can use a potting soil and compost mix such as Botanix Garden and Balcony Mix.

For quick results, Francoeur recommends that you buy a few seedlings at the beginning of the season and follow up with seeds.

"For flowerboxes, you're better off with seedlings if you want rapid growth," says Francoeur.

You'll find herb seedlings with the annuals and perennials at your Botanix Garden Centre.

Some herbs have to be replaced every year. Others are perennials that will stay around year after year. Prune the perennials back in the fall and apply granular fertilizer in the spring. Botanix 4-5-7- for Gardens and Flowers is an excellent choice.

Herbs are too often relegated to the back of the kitchen garden. Although they are first-rate companions for garden vegetables, they can be incorporated into your flowerbeds as well. For convenience sake, of course, you should plant them as close to the kitchen as possible.

"You can create a special bed for your herbs or simply scatter them throughout your other plant beds," suggests Francoeur.

Make sure you check the height and spread of the mature plant and give it enough room to grow. You can also create interesting effects by juxtaposing herbs with contrasting foliage. Try mixing rosemary, purple sage and curly parsley, or chives, tricolor sage and oregano, or lemon thyme and purple basil. . . the effect will be spectacular.

RONA Botanix is pleased to provide these pointers on herb gardens, for more helpful hints and information visit www.rona.ca - the reference site for your home.

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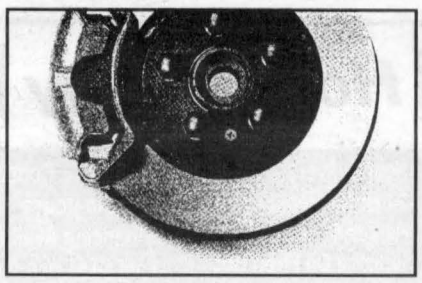

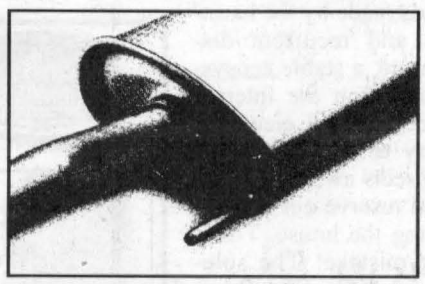

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Elementary school students' computer skills on display

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

Ecole elementaire Terre des Jeunes may seem like a strange addition to a trade fair, but principal Paul Hurtubise is anxious to showcase the computer skills of its students.

Terre des Jeunes was established in September 1998 and since then the student population has been growing rapidly. When school opened this past September, there were 80 children. By September 2000, Hurtubise expects 130 will be registered.

Hurtubise credits what he calls "a different philosophy" for the school's stellar growth.

"Our emphasis is on French, discipline and computers," he said.

Even the youngest children spend many hours at the consoles, while the older students act as mentors. The school has 40 Pentium II computers, all networked.

At the show, an example of the students' work for the community will be handed out. A pamphlet designed and printed by Grade 7 students advertises the Township of North Glengarry's meeting on April 26 for the redevelopment of the Alexandria Island Park.

The school council committee endorsed the idea of advertising at the trade show, and Hurtubise said a parent in a clown suit will be on hand at the booth to add some fun to the occasion.

Nothing like a stove to keep you warm

By Greg Peerenboom
News Editor

With Sunworks of Hawkesbury approaching its 20th anniversary, owner-operator Richard Kerr is certainly an expert in the evolution of heating stoves.

Kerr will have several models of wood, gas, pellet and gas-fired fireplaces, as well as chimneys and accessories for visitors to check out first hand at the trade show.

"In that time, over 20 years, there have been a lot of changes; (stoves) have improved. They're more efficient and cleaner burning," Kerr said.

He said some models are not just suitable for heating one room or a portion of a house, but also the entire building.

"When there are no ducts in a house, they could be used as stand-alone units," he said, explaining there are many older homes which don't have a centralized heating system.

Kerr is planning to offer some specials at the trade show, so the timing is right.

Sunworks was bought by Kerr and it has seen significant expansion in the two decades he and wife Pat have operated it.

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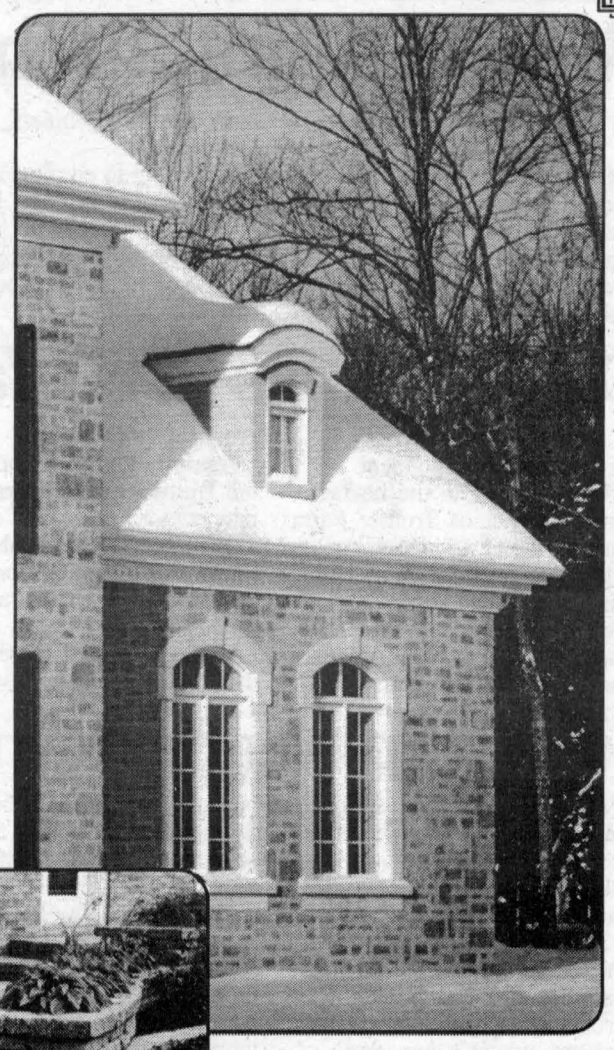



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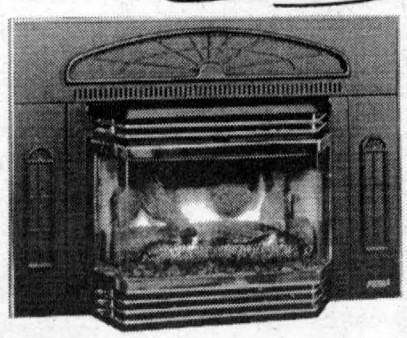



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Richer's mini-kitchen on display

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

Mario Richer's Professional Kitchen Designs has been in business in Alexandria for the past decade.

Located at 74 Elgin St. W., Richer's company makes custom-built kitchen cabinets, vanities and wall units.

According to employee Maryse Wood, Richer will be having a model mini-kitchen set up at the trade show, so that visitors can get an idea of the sort of products that can be created.

Two employees will be present to man the booth and to answer inquiries.

Professional Kitchen Designs do work not only in PVC and melamine, but in natural woods such as pine, oak, apple and cherry.

Dealer brings in big farm equipment

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

After 27 years in the business, Gerald Trottier of Trottier Farm Equipment Ltd. is in the process of handing over the reins to his sons, Richard and Daniel.

The company, located on County Road 43, sells tractors, farm equipment and parts. It also provides shop services.

Formerly Ford-Holland dealers, the Trottiers now sell Branson – a new tractor line.

One of the latest models of these tractors will be on display at their booth at the trade show, according to Gerald.

"We will have a representative there at all times to answer questions, give information, or take orders," said Trottier.

Pamphlets on the product line will also be available and besides the tractor, generators will be on display.

Trottier said he is glad to have the opportunity to introduce his business to the public through a venue such as the trade show.

Steel keeps your garden growing strong

(NC) - The first day of spring brings with it an eagerness for outdoor living and with lawn tools and gardening accessories in hand, millions of Canadians will be returning to their yards. Whether it's mowing the lawn on a Saturday afternoon or tending to a prized rose garden, steel is there to reverse winter's damage.

Steel, the material that helps gardeners till, mow, clip, chip and pull, provides strength and durability to a variety of lawn and garden maintenance tools, which can save homeowners valuable time and energy. Consider:

• Steel rock rake - any gardener who is plagued by stones, large or small, will appreciate the back-saving benefits offered by this innovative tool. Hardened steel tines that flex without deforming, make the rake work like a third hand, allowing gardeners to sift through soil, collect the rocks and scoop them into any container all without bending.

• Steel digging tools - are excellent for planting and weeding because of their strength and durability. They're guaranteed not to bend or break no matter what the soil condition.

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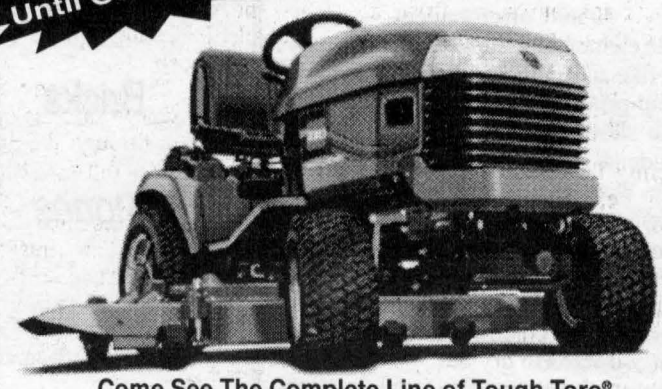
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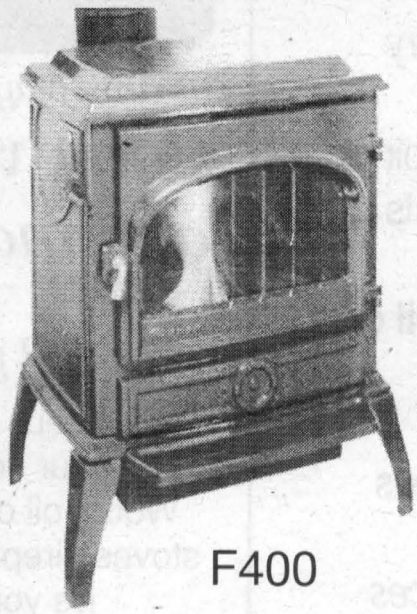
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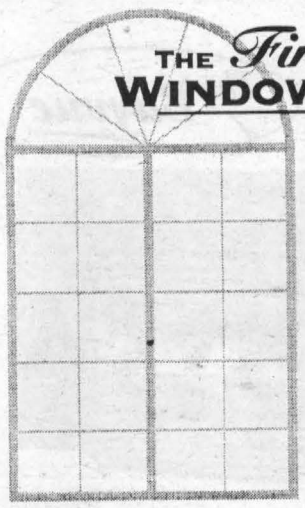
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Some cool-weather crops to consider for an early start

By Mark Cullen
Host, HGTV

Let's start with the cool-weather crops, since they're the first seeds you sow and the first seedlings you set out; they will provide the first harvests.

Cool-weather crops can be planted out early in the season and can tolerate some frost, as long as it's a light one.

Beets

Soil: Cool, moist, well-worked (loose) soil. Like a nearly neutral pH.

Sowing Time: Sow three to four weeks before last frost or start indoors. Sow successively to July or August.

Fertilizing Needs: Light feeder. Do well with a seaweed fertilizer.

Watering Needs: Water only when soil starts to dry out.

Pests and Diseases: Flea beetles sometimes munch small holes in the leaves, which retards the plant's growth. Treat with rotenone.

Harvesting: Pick the greens of beets as well as the root – the tops have more vitamins. You can also mulch beets heavily and leave them in the bed for winter and spring harvesting.

COMMENTS: Light frost will not harm the young plants.

*Keep well weeded.

*Grow baby varieties of beets in containers.

Beans

Soil: Cool soil

Sowing Time: Sow early – end of April to end of May. Plant a second crop in the late summer in mild climates.

Fertilizing Needs: Medium feeder.

Watering Needs: Water when plants begin to bloom and when pods start to develop. Carry on with watering through harvest period.

Pests and Diseases: Prone to rust, though rust-resistant varieties (noted in seed catalogues) are available. Control aphids with insecticidal soap.

Harvesting: They're ready for picking when you can see the outline of the bean through the pod, which should be about 5 to 8 cm (2 to 3 inches) long.

COMMENTS: Fixes nitrogen in the soil. When beans are finished, don't pull up the roots; leave them to return the nitrogen to the soil as they decompose.

*Young plants can withstand a light frost.

*Matures later than other beans but will age quickly in hot weather.

*Pinch out growing tip for a better crop and denser growth.

Broccoli

Soil: Cool, fertile, loose soil, but also tolerant of fairly heavy clay. Avoid soil in which another member of the cabbage family was planted the previous two years.

Sowing Time: Start indoors from seed six or seven weeks before the last frost or sow outdoors during the two weeks before and after the last frost. Seedlings go out in late April. Mulch with straw or leaf mould when soil is warm.

Fertilizing Needs: A medium to heavy feeder that benefits from additions of nitrogen. Every two weeks fertilize with manure tea or fish emulsion.

Watering Needs: Water well and regularly throughout the season, since broccoli is a shallow-rooted plant and thus dries out quickly.

Pests and Diseases: Seedlings can be attacked by root maggots; lay newspaper, cardboard, or tar paper around seedlings. Control flea beetles with rotenone. Cutworms can be forestalled by placing collars around seedlings. Try planting chives and garlic nearby as insect repellents.

Harvesting: Pick during coolest part of day. Smaller shoots are produced one the main head is cut, so you can keep harvesting broccoli often into the fall. Harvest frequently when the weather is warm.

COMMENTS: Young plants can tolerate light frost, but seedlings should be protected.

*Plant in spring through July for successive harvesting.

Carrots

Soil: Cool, loose, deep, sandy soil. Prefer a pH of about 6.5.

Sowing Time: Sow direct in soil up to five weeks before last frost. Plant weekly until mid-June, thinning as needed. Seed can be slow to germinate.

Fertilizing Needs: Light feeder, Mulch in warm weather to keep soil cool.

Watering Needs: Water well and frequently, especially in the weeks after seeds have been planted and during dry spells.

Pests and Diseases: Few pests and diseases threaten carrots. If yours are bothered by the carrot rust fly, use row covers to protect the plants and work in the carrot patch on still evenings.

Harvesting: Thin seedlings and use in salads. My friend Lois Hole, who gardens on the prairies, stores carrots outdoors in a plastic pail sunk into a hole in the garden. covered with a layer of newspaper, they will keep until Christmas, she says.

COMMENTS: Weed well; carrots will not be able to stand up to weeds if left untended

*Flavour improves with a light frost.

*Good for container growing – just make sure the container is at least 25 cm (10 inches)

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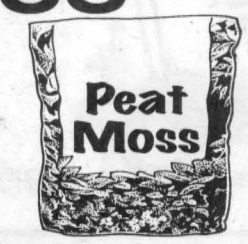

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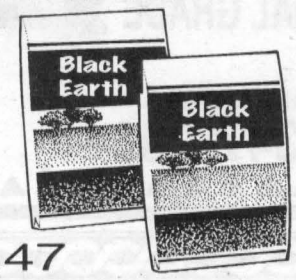

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A shopping guide for horizontel blinds

(NC) - The concept of horizontal blinds goes all the way back to 17th century Venice. Their popularity soared in the 1940's and 50's as they could be seen covering the windows of most urban homes.

Today, the horizontal mini-blind is the most popular custom window covering in Canada and variations on the style have expanded dramatically.

"Horizontal blinds now come in hundreds of colors and finishes and are available in materials such as wood, aluminum, and vinyl," says Karin McCoy, Visual Planner at Blinds To Go, the country's leading manufacturer and retailer of custom made blinds and shades. "This variety makes them easy to coordinate with any type of decor." Slat sizes are available anywhere from half-inch to three inches which allows you to adjust the proportion of the blind to suit the size of your windows.

They can be adjusted to allow whatever amount of light, privacy, and ventilation you need at any given time. "At Blinds To Go Superstores, horizontal blinds can be custom made for virtually any window up to 12 feet wide by 10 feet high, and can be cut to suit a variety of specialty shapes," added McCoy. Here is a breakdown of the different types of horizontal blinds available today that can suit the different décor styles in your home.

Mini-blinds are usually the least expensive custom treatment for windows allowing your window decor to have custom styling even on a tight budget. Some variations such as wood blinds, used to be expensive, can be found for considerably less than a few years ago.

"For warmth, durability and natural beauty, wood is the number one choice for many customers," said McCoy. "Wood blinds reflect a long lasting level of quality and craftsmanship that can't be duplicated." With a premium selection of colors to choose from, these quality wood blinds make for a superior window covering.

Since vinyl is a relatively inexpensive material, it became the premier choice for ready-made mini-blinds among the mass merchants. Over the years, as price wars raged, greater efforts were made to cut costs, and eventually compromises were made in the basic engineering of the blind so that vinyl blinds were clearly inferior products.

However, McCoy says, today's vinyl blinds are made with quality components that take advantage of vinyl's physical characteristics to provide rich textured finishes. Blinds To Go even offers vinyl blinds made in wood blind thickness which give a look of a wood blind at a fraction of the cost. Some contain a wood element for a more wood-like appearance. Also available are vinyl interpretations of satin and lace, which both give the look of curtains or drapes for a fraction of the cost.

Metal has been the classic horizontal blind material for decades. You will find them in both .006 gauge and .008 gauge thickness.

Buying a new home versus resale

(NC) - Purchasing a new home is one of the most important-not to mention biggest-investments you're likely to make. But given today's economy, how can you determine which home, new or resale (previously owned), will give you the most bang for your buck? The following lists the advantages of buying a new home:

Includes the latest in modern fixtures, household appliances and technology.

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*Modern room layouts and features mean you get more house for your money.

*Built with durable materials resulting in less maintenance.

*Custom designed and finished to suit your tastes and preferences.

*Energy efficient.

*Improved ventilation systems.

*Covered under a comprehensive seven-year warranty.

These are just some of the benefits of buying brand new from a registered builder. More information on buying a new home is available at the Ontario New Home Warranty Program's web site at www.newhome.on.ca or by calling your regional ONHWP office.

How do I choose a home builder?

(NC) - Better safe than sorry. Check the rating of each of the builders you are considering, before you buy.

Make sure the builder is registered with the Ontario New Home Warranty Program (ONHWP) and has enrolled the home or condominium unit. This ensures that your investment is covered under warranty should problems occur.

Ask your builder for his or her ONHWP registration number and the home's enrolment number. You can also call your local ONHWP office for updated information.

And talk to the builder. If the builder is new, ask about their previous work experience. Inspect the builder's homes personally.

Log on to www.newhome.on.ca for ratings and other important information.

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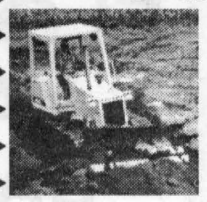
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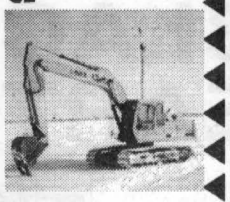
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Garden a science lab for kids

(NC)-Children are often bursting with curiosity when you start to get out the shovels, rakes and hoes. "A garden is like a giant science lab - kids can learn while they're having fun," says Julie Francoeur, a Horticulturist with RONA Botanix stores. If you want them to catch your green thumb, give them a little plot to garden on their own...or almost on their own.

According to Francoueur, you should make it a game. In one corner of the garden, create a labyrinth with small shrubs (Japanese spirea), perennials (daylilies) or large annuals (sunflowers). Have the labyrinth lead to a little teepee - it will become their favorite hide-out in no time. You can build the teepee using five or six 2-metre bamboo poles attached together to form a teepee. The kids can plant runner beans, squash, cucumbers or other climbing plants around the base. Decorate their hiding place with a homemade bird-feeder or birdhouse, wind chimes made of old gardening tools, or a few old garden toys.

"Children are also fascinated by vegetable gardens," says Francoeur "Give them a little corner of your kitchen garden to plant their own vegetables." Get them to draw their own little row-markers, or make a scarecrow using some of their old clothes. "This is hours of family fun, and you might even get kids to eat their vegetables!" adds Francoueur.

As the children grow older they can choose their own flowers and vegetables. However, when they're starting out, it's best to steer them away from disappointment by suggesting traditional crops such as green beans, tomatoes, carrots, snow peas, corn and onions. Quick growing plants are a good idea too: radish, lettuce, and zucchini. Mini varieties, such as cherry tomatoes and mini carrots, are especially fun for kids because they can munch on them straight out of the garden. For the first few years, it's better to avoid difficult plants like melons, cabbage, broccoli and eggplant.

Give them their own set of garden tools to make it easier, sturdy but a little smaller than yours. Otherwise you might find yourself looking high and low for your own.

Solutions on the internet

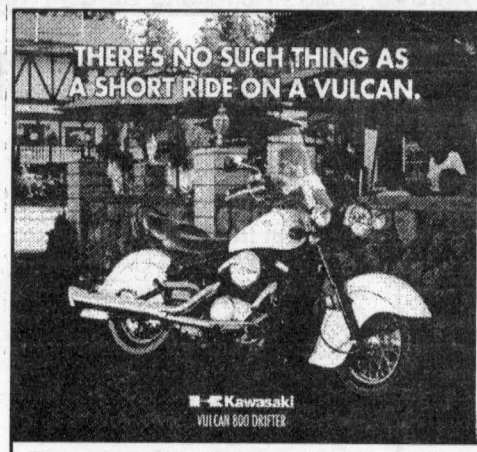
(NC)-Today's gardener has easy access to a wealth of useful and interesting information not readily available only a few short years ago. It's ready and waiting on the worldwide web. To help you get in-touch with this fertile resource of product and other information, let's look at a few of the more helpful sites and what they have to offer.

Let's start with two of the most informative sites on the web--especially as they relate to problem identification and product solutions. They are www.cil.nu-gro.com and www.wilson.nu-gro.com.

Both sites are accessible in English and French, and employ user-friendly, step-by-step design. With this easy-to-use format of illustrations, photos, and text, users can readily identify and obtain details of their particular problems, review a selection of product solutions, and access detailed product application instructions.

These sites also offer timely links to other sites of interest to both amateur and professional gardeners.

The Canadian Gardening website at www.canadiangardening.com is another unique site, with a variety of inviting reasons to visit. One great feature is an interactive forum for discussion of various gardening topics.



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Better soil, better turf

(NC)- If you want to have a healthy, chemical-free lawn, you should concentrate on improving the quality of your soil, according to Douglas Smith, head of the Technical Standards Committee of the Organic Landscape Alliance.

"Your soil is ready to work for you and should become an active participant in maintaining your lawn," Smith says.

"The soil below a healthy lawn is rich with beneficial microorganisms."

The goal of organic lawn care is to increase microbial activity.

This improves soil structure, develops grass with a strong root system and enhances the ability of the grass plant to take in nutrients.

According to Smith, lawn care chemicals destroy the natural vitality of the soil so they create a vicious cycle for the home gardener: they need to be continually applied to keep the grass growing, and weeds and pests at bay.

If you want to make the switch to natural lawn care, Smith says there are six simple steps to help regenerate your soil.

First, stop using chemicals. If you use a lawn care company which applies fertilizer, check the labels to ensure the product is "organic."

Cut the grass slightly longer.

This helps prevent it turning brown in the heat. Also, leave grass clippings on the lawn.

They will decompose in a few days, adding valuable nutrients to the earth.

Put down some grass seed, in the spring and fall - even if the lawn doesn't look like it needs it.

And, finally, apply organic fertilizer and compost to create a nutritive environment for beneficial soil microorganisms.

If you don't have the time or inclination to cultivate an organic lawn yourself, you can hire an organic landscaping company for about $200 a season for the average 3,000-square foot lawn.

Organic Turf Tips is brought to you by the Organic Landscape Alliance (OLA), a non-profit trade association promoting organic lawn and garden care.

To locate an organic lawn care company near you, call our referral service, at (416) 596-7989.

A few secrets about those garden bugs

(NC)-There's more to gardening than meets the eye-especially when it comes to those tiny insects in the backyard.

But thanks to HGTV Canada's new series The Secret World of Gardens, hosted by Martin Galloway, much of the mystery is being solved.

For instance, here are a number of things that, until now, you may not have known:

Ladybugs are able to survive outside all winter because they have a protein in them that acts like antifreeze and prevents the watering n their cells from freezing.

While honeybee hives survive from season to season, bumblebee colonies only last one season.

Each spring, new bumblebee queens build a whole new monarchy from scratch.

The majority of a dragonfly's life is spent underwater as an aquatic insect prowling the bottom of the pond for food.

Toads burrow below the frost line each fall and wait out the winter.

Like the flowers in your garden, they are drawn to the surface in the spring by warmth of the sun.

Not all flies are created equal. Some are flesh eaters, some are hunters and some are pollinators.

Without them, gardens wouldn't run as smoothly or as beautifully.

Ants farm aphids for the sweet liquid they exude-and will fight to the death to protect an aphid colony from enemies such as the

ladybug.

Some hummingbirds can live for up to 10 years. If they like your garden-both as a place to find food and raise a family-they will return to your backyard year after year.

Butterflies taste with their feet. If they like what they taste, they suck up the food with their "drinking straw" proboscis.

Discover more about The Secret World of Gardens every Monday at 8 p.m. ET/PT during Garden Time on HGTV Canada.

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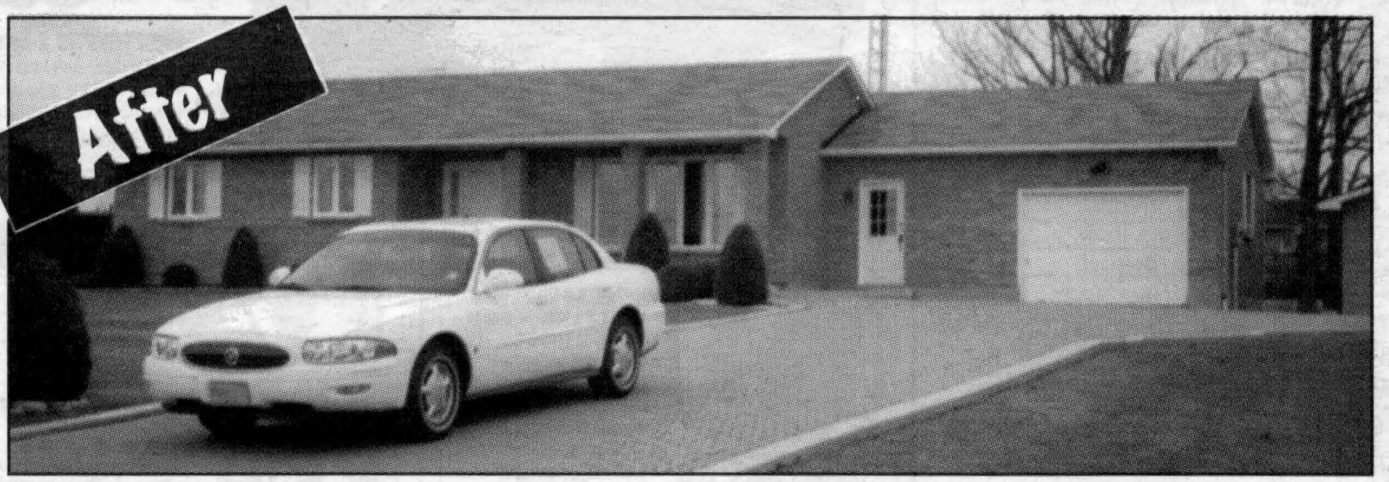

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