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Council 'newcomers' attack appointments, unfair purchasing

By Greg Kielec
News editor

Alexandria council veterans Jean Paul Touchette, Bruno Massie and Jacque Joly had a taste of what business will be like on the almost brand-new council.

And it appears that the new Alexandria order was a little more than what they had bargained for last Tuesday night.

Massie, Joly and Touchette -- under attack for much of the meeting -- found themselves on the firing line when they tried to force through a resolution reducing the size of the police commission from five members to three.

They also found themselves on the firing line for pressuring councillors to approve applicants chosen by them to sit on three outside boards.

The applicants were chosen by the threesome prior to the meeting without consulting council members.

In both cases, it was not the motion itself, but the tactics its proponents were using to try to get it passed which result in defeat in the case of the police commission motion, and near defeat for the board appointee motion.

The downing of the police commission motion was the three top council members. The motion put forward by them was defeated by a five to four vote margin.

Four new councillors -- John Hope, Jacques Lajoie, Francine Richer and Gary Shepherd -- upset at being pressured into the vote, with the help of veteran incumbent Archie McDougall, defeated the proposal.

It was McDougall who gave council's top three politicians a rough ride when the appointee motion came up for discussion.

McDougall said although council members can vote against the motion, the way the names were decided on and presented leaves little choice but to vote for them.

He said the last time appointees were named, a secret ballot was undertaken. Now the process is ''cut and dried'', leaving no alternative for council members.

''It's an imposition,'' he told Mayor Touchette.

The motion netted six votes, just barely passing.

It was Reeve Massie, who put up for vote the ill-fated police commission motion proposing the number of members be cut back to three in order to save money.

The plan did not go over well with three of the new councillors at the meeting, especially when they were told that the way the appointments are made, they would have no control over who sits on the commission.

Touchette said that two of the appointees are non-political and are made by the province. Massie said the third member would automatically be Mayor Touchette. ''The mayor is automatically on.''

Touchette however said the chairman's position does not automatically go to the mayor. He said any member of council can head the commission.

The strongest argument against reducing the size of the commission came from Lajoie, who said it was unfair to ask new councillors to make such a decision without time for study.

Lajoie said he was not against the principle of cutting government to save money. He was opposed to a minority on council trying to force other members to make a decision which they were not ready to make.

He also challenged the assertion that the mayor should automatically be appointed to chair the police commission.

He asked if the motion is delayed, that someone other than the mayor be appointed to the commission, saying there should be ''three responsible

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Christmas is...

Glengarry's schools were the center of attention last week as numerous Christmas concerts entertained proud parents and sent butterflies through the stomachs of little ones. Above, Mrs. McBeau's grade 2 and 3 class staged a nativity play, complete with floppy-eared animals, at Alexander School in Alexandria Dec. 18. At right, Laggan school's senior kindergarten students perform '21 Elves' before a packed crowd Dec. 18.



Workers consider pay suit

By Andre Perrella
News reporter

The laid-off workers of Regal Knitting Manufacturing were told last week that they will be getting their overdue pay cheques after Christmas.

But plant manager Gilberte DeAngeles also said if plant owner Maurice Venery doesn't fulfill his promise of paying before New Year, the workers may file an action suit.

''The unemployment office said we can't lose,'' DeAngeles added.

Sewing machine operator Ella Belanger, one of the 25 women who were laid off at the Alexandria textile plant on Dec. 6, said this might be another false promise.

''We were supposed to get our pay cheques on the sixth of December (when the lay-offs took effect),'' said Belanger, who worked seven years for the company.

''When we got there, we got nothing. We had a meeting on Monday (Dec. 16). Supposedly, the pay was going to be there. And again. Nothing.''

''We should have had our pay a long time ago,'' said employee Diane Menard, who spent six years with the company. ''I'm almost two weeks behind in pay.''

DeAngeles, who was also laid off, said Venery promised employees during the Dec. 16 meeting that they will be getting their pay cheques between Christmas and New Year.

Holiday and severance pay were not discussed, however.

''Right now, it's just the pay,'' DeAngeles said.

According to her, Venery said he will give all he women the girls, if he can. ''But, like I said last time, it's only a hope,'' DeAngeles said.

But Belanger said the company, which owes her $1,000 in pay cheques dating as far back to Nov. 22, lost all hope.

Venery, who lives in Montreal, could not be reached for comment.

Stealing from the poor: Donated money for Christmas baskets taken

By Andre Perrella
News reporter

The Grinch came early in Alexandria this Christmas season.

Money for the poor and disabled was stolen during a break-in at an Alexandria restaurant Friday morning.

Sometime during closing hours, between 1 and 5 a.m. Friday, Dec. 20, the rear door to Burger House at 582 Main St. S. was pried open and an undetermined amount of money collected for the Alexandria Lions Club Christmas Basket drive was stolen.

Alexandria Police Const. Leo Lemieux said about four cartons of cigarettes were stolen as well.

Restaurant owner Claude Lecompte said the incident upset him deeply.

''When I saw they stole money from the poor, I said ''goddamit! That's not nice,'' he said.

He said the fact that he is insured does not make him feel much better.

''I'm going to get my money back. That's for sure. But the poor?''

Pierre Aubry, who chairs the Christmas basket drive, also had unkind words for the person or persons who committed the act.

''It just shows you how little disregard some people have for others,'' he said.

Aubry said that although it's difficult to estimate how much money was in the donation box, he figures it might have been around $200.

''Throughout town, there were no other boxes nearly as full,'' he said.

He said the box contained one-dollar Loonies, two-and five-dollar bills. ''I think I saw a $20 bill in there,'' he added.

Despite this setback, Aubry said money is still coming in. About $5,000 was collected so far, not including money inside donation boxes.

The Lions basket drive was not the only victim of an un-Christmas-like act. The Grinch also struck at St. Joseph's School in Alexandria.

Money and gifts were stolen during a break-in at the school in Alexandria late last week.

Sometime overnight between Thursday, Dec. 19 and the next day, a window to a Kindergarten room was broken.

About $70 in cash, money raised through a raffle for a field trip to Quebec City, and another $20 from the milk fund were stolen.

Some gifts, such as boxes of chocolates students gave their teachers, were also stolen.

''It's sort of a Grinch type of thing,'' said Alexaxandria Police Const. Leo Lemieux.

''I was very surprised,'' school Principal Gloria Theberge said, adding that there are very few break-ins at the school.

Police have no suspects.

Firefighting veteran: After 35 years, Jim's not ready to call it quits

By Andre Perrella
News reporter

Jim Graham, who retired as Alexandria Fire Department's deputy fire chief last week after 35 years, doesn't think retirement is an appropriate word.

''Really, it's not a retirement. It's a change,'' Graham, 64, said during an interview.

''Everyone thinks I'm going to Florida. There's a heck of a lot of things I want to do. The fire department was only a part of my life.''

Graham spent 35 years fighting fires with the Alexandria Fire Department, 20 years as deputy fire chief.

He said he will still inspect fire extinguishers.

But he is especially looking forward to broadening his horizons by visiting as many museums as possible, and by reading on just about anything, especially on technical subjects.

''Everything he does he enjoys,'' says his wife Janet.

Graham said he enjoyed firefighting because it was a good way to contribute to the community, and it gave him a chance to practice his mechanical skills.

''Jimmy was always very careful and felt he was doing a good thing,'' said Fire Chief Gerry Charlebois, Graham's brother-in-law.

Most co-workers know him for being low-key, prompt, a good story teller, and a good, strict, trainer.

''Jimmy, you got to give him credit. he was a good trainer,'' said Maurice Brunet, the new deputy fire chief.

''I learned from him 30 years ago.''

Graham was also known for being a good, strict, Coca-Cola Classic drinker.

''You can offer him a Pepsi, and he'll refuse,'' said firefighter and dispatcher Paul Lalonde. ''It's a must. He has to have Coke Classic.''

Firefighters hauled in six cases of Graham's favorite drink at his retirement party Tuesday night, Dec. 17, at the Alexandria Pizzaria.

Perhaps Graham won't be fighting fires anymore. But he still wants to fight some ignorance about the profession.

He, said people often confuse a firefighter with a 'fireman.'

''A firefighter fights fires. A fireman works on a train (shovelling coal in the engine).''



Members of Alexandria Fire Department gathered together to honor 35-year veteran Jim Graham, department deputy chief, on his retirement last Tuesday. Pictured above is Graham (second from left) with all the awards presented him at the retirement party, including 16 cases of Coke classic. To the left of him is Pete Champagne, president SD&G Mutual Aid Association, with Alexandria Mayor Jean Paul Touchette and firefighter Doug Turton to the left. Pictured back l-r, are Fire Chief Gerry Charlebois, Lions club member Kibby Lutz, former fire commission chairman Michel Boisvenue, and firefighters Maurice Brunet and Adrien Menard. Staff photo — Greg Kielec

Although Graham cherishes his work with the department, he does not like to dwell in the past.

''I've forgotten more than I'll ever remember,'' he added.

And he will have enough of the drink to last him a while. Graham watched in amazement as firefighters, one by one, pile 16 cases of the soft drink in front of him to highlight his love for the drink at his retirement party last Tuesday night.

The sight of eight firefighters carrying in the soft drinks two cases at a time was certainly impressive, and culminated in a host of awards ranging from members of the fire department to an award from the town.

He was presented by Chief Gerry Charlebois a silver firefighters hat and a symbolic key to the firehall as the department made him an honorary life member.

Charlebois joked that the distinction will allow him to continue washing his car at the firehall, a privilege only granted to members of the fire department.

He was presented an engraved clock from the town and was also rewarded for his long service by Alexandria's Lions club. He also was presented a plaque from the SD&G Mutual Aid Association President Pete Champagne.

And he received a number of other awards, even a suspended Coke can with a glass underneath pouring into it with fizz on top.

Mayor Jean Paul Touchette said Graham was a ''devoted, hardworking leader'' whose firefighting and mechanical skills and overall knowledge of the fire department was an asset to the men he served with.

Graham, in a short speech after the presentations, said many things have changed since he first joined the fire department.

When he started, there were only 12 members on the department, which used a 1930 Chev truck which had no brakes. Now the department has some of the best equipment and most dedicated members in Eastern Ontario.

He said he was glad to have contributed to the department, adding although he was a member for 35 years, ''sometimes it feels like 35 days.''

Environment group comes under fire

By Greg Kielec
***News* editor**

Alexandria council's environment committee has come under fire for not following the town's tendering process for the purchase of equipment for the Recyclage Alexandria Recycling (Equipe) plant.

Environment Committee Chairman Jacques Joly found himself under fire at the beginning of last Tuesday's meeting when it was learned two pieces of office equipment purchased for the RARE plant were not tendered.

The plant purchased a photocopier and fax machine in Cornwall, at a price of almost $7,000. Because the purchases were not publicly tendered, Alexandria businesses were not able to submit bids.

Joly announced a number of purchases at the beginning of the council meeting, saying they had been previously approved by council.

Under questioning from Lajoie, he conceded that only some of the materials were sought through tender. Usually all major purchases are tendered and the tenders opened and decided upon in open council.

Joly also conceded that Alexandria businesses were not even given the opportunity to supply two things purchased in Cornwall -- a photocopier and fax machine -- at a cost of almost $7,000.

The admission did not go over well with Lajoie or Councillor John Hope, who said that both pieces of equipment could have been purchased in Alexandria.

The purchases were made by Chuck Charlebois of L'Equipe Pyscho Sociale, the founding organization of the recycling plant.

Massie, defending the purchases, said Charlebois did not know there are businesses in Alexandria that can supply faxes and photocopiers.

Joly was also grilled on why the tenders that were received for materials were not brought to council for approval.

Lajoie asked if in the future, purchases could be made through the tendering process, with a notice of tender placed in the media. Joly said the town usually sends invitations for tenders to prospective suppliers.

Touchette said the town always tenders for local bidders whenever it makes large purchases. ''I know what you're saying and we've always done it,'' he told Lajoie.

McDougall agreed that the usual practice of council is to tender for large purchases, but said, the procedure used by environment committee members is not the way things are usually done.

''They (environment committee members) have not followed the standard procedure,'' he told Lajoie.

But he added, because there has been a change in council, with a lengthy time period between meetings, it may have been necessary for the environment committee to circumvent normal procedure for the sake of expediency.

Lajoie has requested extra information from Joly on the purchases, including the tenders for other items purchased. Joly said he would comply with the request.

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people'' on the committee.

Councillor Francine Richer also spoke out in favor of keeping five members. She said having a three-member commission would be effective only if all the three were active and worked hard.

Touchette argued that council could not wait another two weeks to make a decision because the committee appointments must be received at the Ontario solicitor general's office at the beginning of the year.

He added, there is nothing more Lajoie could learn to help him decide on the proposal in two weeks if the issue was delayed until the next meeting.

Joly also argued in favor of the proposed cut. ''Is there going to be any damage there if we cut back from five to three,'' he asked Lajoie.

He said the present size as the committee is the same size of the town's police force. ''Is it worthwhile to have five members on the board when you have five people working (on the force),'' he asked.

But it was evident when the motion was called for a vote that the one council member needed to sway the vote was not going to change his position.

McDougall said he would not vote for the motion, but not because he was against cutting the commission; but because he was against the principle of forcing a motion through council without an opportunity for study.

He said he did not think Lajoie's request for a two-week reprieve was ''ridiculous'', and also ridiculed Touchette's argument that the names of appointees must be at the solicitor general's office by Jan. 1.

''I'm really not concerned about Toronto now or the solicitor general,'' he told council members.

He said after the motion was defeated that council should show some regard for the new members, who are just learning their way around the council table, and ''it's just the process at this point I think is unfair to the new people,'' he said.

Christmas donations still needed

The Alexandria Lions Club Christmas basket drive has raised about $5,000 so far, but project chairman Pierre Aubry said there may be a shortage of canned foods.

The baskets were distributed yesterday (Sunday), but donations are still being accepted to help pay for costs. Cheques can be made out to the Lions Clubs, Box 1000, Alexandria, Ont., K0C 1A0.



Artist and decorator Alojzy Kowalski repainted the statue of Our Lady of Victory at the St. Catherine of Sienna Church in Greenfield.
Staff photo — Andre Perrella

Greenfield residents show pride in renovated church

By Andre Perrella
***News* reporter**

Greenfield parishoners are praying with more delight inside the St. Catherine of Sienna Church which they all helped renovate and decorate.

''It's just tremendous,'' said Pastoral Assistant Sr. Gertrude Godard.

Renovations of the church and its grounds began in May, 1991, and will continue until July, 1992, in time for the church's centennial on Oct. 12, 1994.

Most of the painting and decorating is complete.

Local artist and decorator Alojzy Kowalski repainted the altar and statues of the Virgin Mary and of St. Catherine of Sienna, the patron saint.

He also refurbished the Stations of the Cross.

Godard said she is pleased that much of the renovations were done within budget.

She said about $36,000 raised from donations helped pay for the work, and another $14,000 is still needed for renovations to the door and roof.

Godard said about 50 families volunteered to clean, paint and beutify the church between August and October of this year.

''We had teams of volunteers cleaning up and hauling materials. I had three teenagers who spent a whole morning in August moving and carrying things.''

The community effort amazed Rev. Rejean Lebrun, the parish priest. ''I really call it a miracle because it's a small parish,'' he said.

''It was a beautiful blend of a lot of cooperation.''

Godard said the Bishop of the Alexandria-Cornwall Diocese, The Most Rev. Eugene LaRocque, was impressed when he visited the church earlier this month.

''He was amazed and very powerful in his compliments to the community.''

Corrections

In a story about Sunday shopping printed on page three in the previous issue, Tuesday, Dec. 17, *The News* incorrectly referred Fran Robbers as the owner of Kathy's Custom Framing and Gallery. Robbers is a manager of the store.

The News apologizes for error.

A line was inadvertently ommitted from a letter by Richard Lapointe on supply management farming in last week's issue of *The News*, changing the meaning of a quotation at the end of the letter. The quote should read: ''The cost of food would not be reduced significantly by shutting down the supply- management boards -- unless the Canadian food processing industry sinks as well. On $100 of Canadian food, only $2.50 to $5 goes to the farmer. About $15 is for input and financing costs, $50 goes often into inefficient distribution and commercial practices, and about $25 in added value.

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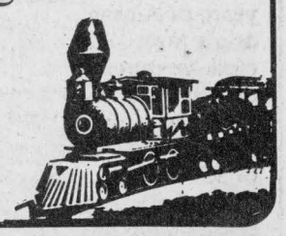

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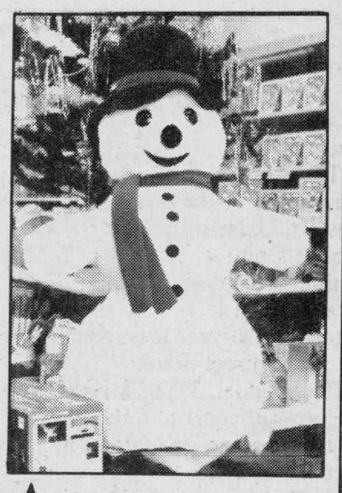

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1991: The year of turmoil

The year 1991 was one of many ups and downs for Glengarry county residents. Highlighted below are some of those ups and downs that made the first six months of The Glengarry News. The second half of 1991 according to The News will appear in the following issue.

January

The year began on a sombre note when a girl was killed and her father injured in a house fire. Christy Baker, 14, died in a fire at her Roxborough home early Thursday morning, Jan. 3. Her father Dan was seriously injured in the blaze that took firefighters from five departments three hours to extinguish.



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Burns offerings

The Glengarry Pipe Band performed for a crowd of 400 people at the Bonnie Glen Saturday night, celebrating Robert Burns' birthday. It was the first time the band performed tunes to be used during this summer's competitions. For story, see page 2. Staff photo — Faith Bloomfield

Flu bug empties schools

Later in the day, a two-car collision on Hwy. 34 left two people seriously injured.

Amid the deepening recession, some good economic news was well received by workers at the Consoltex in Alexandria when plant manager Donald Racine announced that all of the 46 workers who were laid off in September were returned to work and that the textile plant was back to seven-day operations.

Mary Amanda-Claire Jamie Major became Glengarry's first newborn of the year when her mother Audrey Branchaud gave birth to the eight-pound, one-ounce baby girl at 9:33 a.m. on Jan. 5 at the Hotel Dieu Hospital in Cornwall.

Audrey Chretien asked about 80 people at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Williamstown to pray for her son Cpl. Rob Chretien who was stationed as a air weapons technician in Qatar during the Gulf War crisis. Meanwhile, many Glengarrians held candlelight vigils amid fear of war.

Brian Gibson, a Leading Seaman Boatswain with the Canadian navy, reunited with his wife Shelley and 18-day-old baby girl Ashley Dawn on Jan. 10 after spending about six months in the Persian Gulf on the HMS Protecteur enforcing United Nations sanctions against Iraq.

More than 70 out of 185 students were absent from Laggan Public school a week before a flu bug invaded area schools.

Lee Bradshaw, the plant manager of Alexandria Footwear, said all of the 90 laid off workers will be called back to work.

Firefighters from Maxville, Moose Creek and Kenyon braved the cold to save a burning home in Maxville.

Nino Ricci's novel, Lives of the Saints, published by Dunvegan publishers Jan and Gary Geddes, won the Governor General's Award for fiction.

February

Peter Charlebois, who served 30 years as Alexandria's town clerk-treasurer until retiring in 1963, died on Feb. 2 at the age of 93.

A Liberal Party economic task force study announced on Feb. 7 that Alexandria lost 351 jobs due to the Canada-United States Free Trade deal, deregulation of the transportation industry and high interests rates.

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Construction of a long overdue permanent home for The Glengarry Child Care Centre finally got the green light when funding was approved by the Ontario government.

Alexandria's town council moved at its Feb. 21 public meeting to bring in blue boxes in town as part of a plan to reduce dumping.

March

St. Andrews United Church in Dalhousie Mills began its sesquicentennial celebrations on March 3 with a sermon followed by a homemade "family dinner."

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Touchette defends conduct over release of development bond

Payment of funds done 'on site', mayor tells council



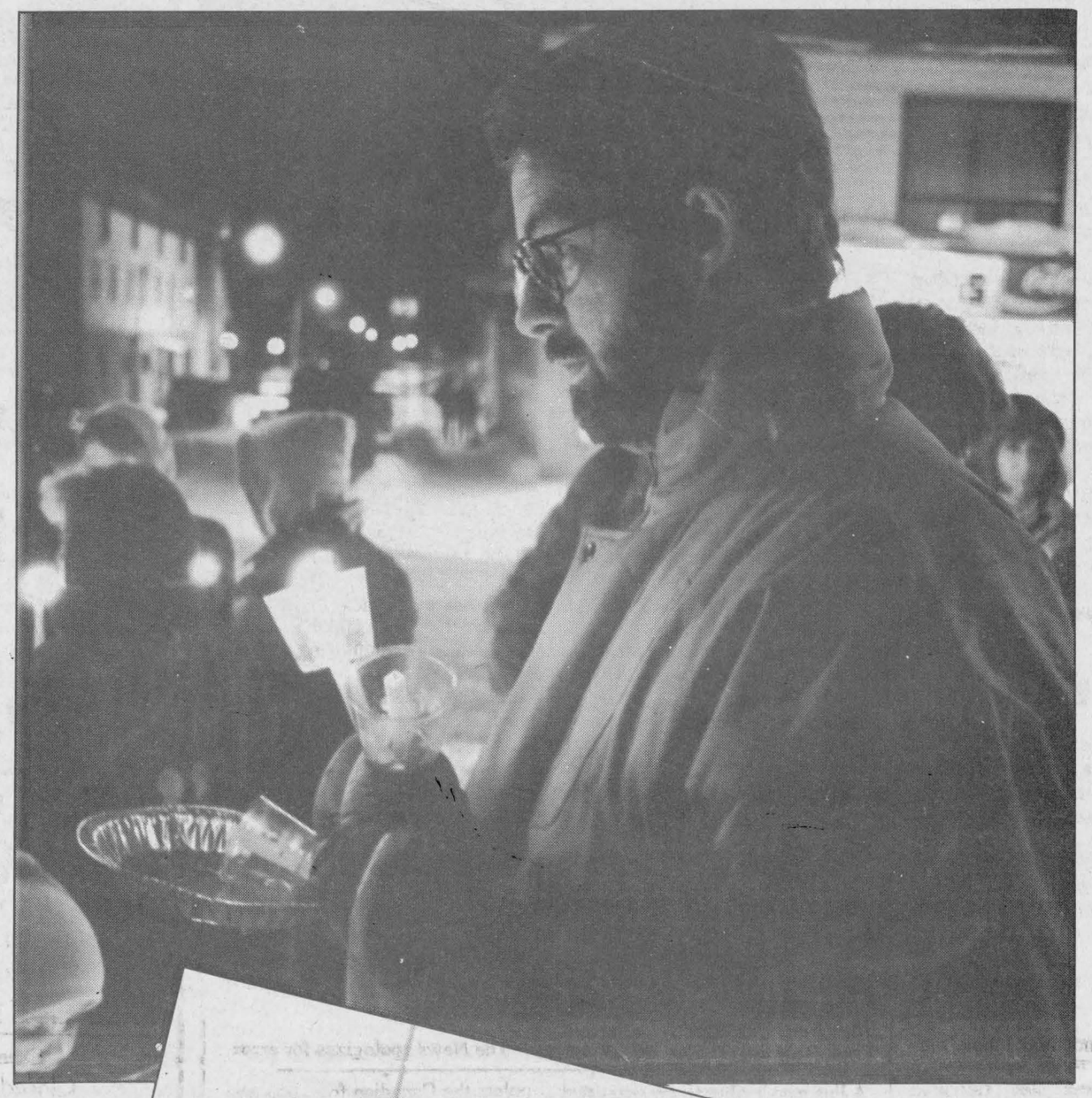
The Alexandria office of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit upgraded its environs when it signed a five-year lease for the former GTL building on Main Street South.

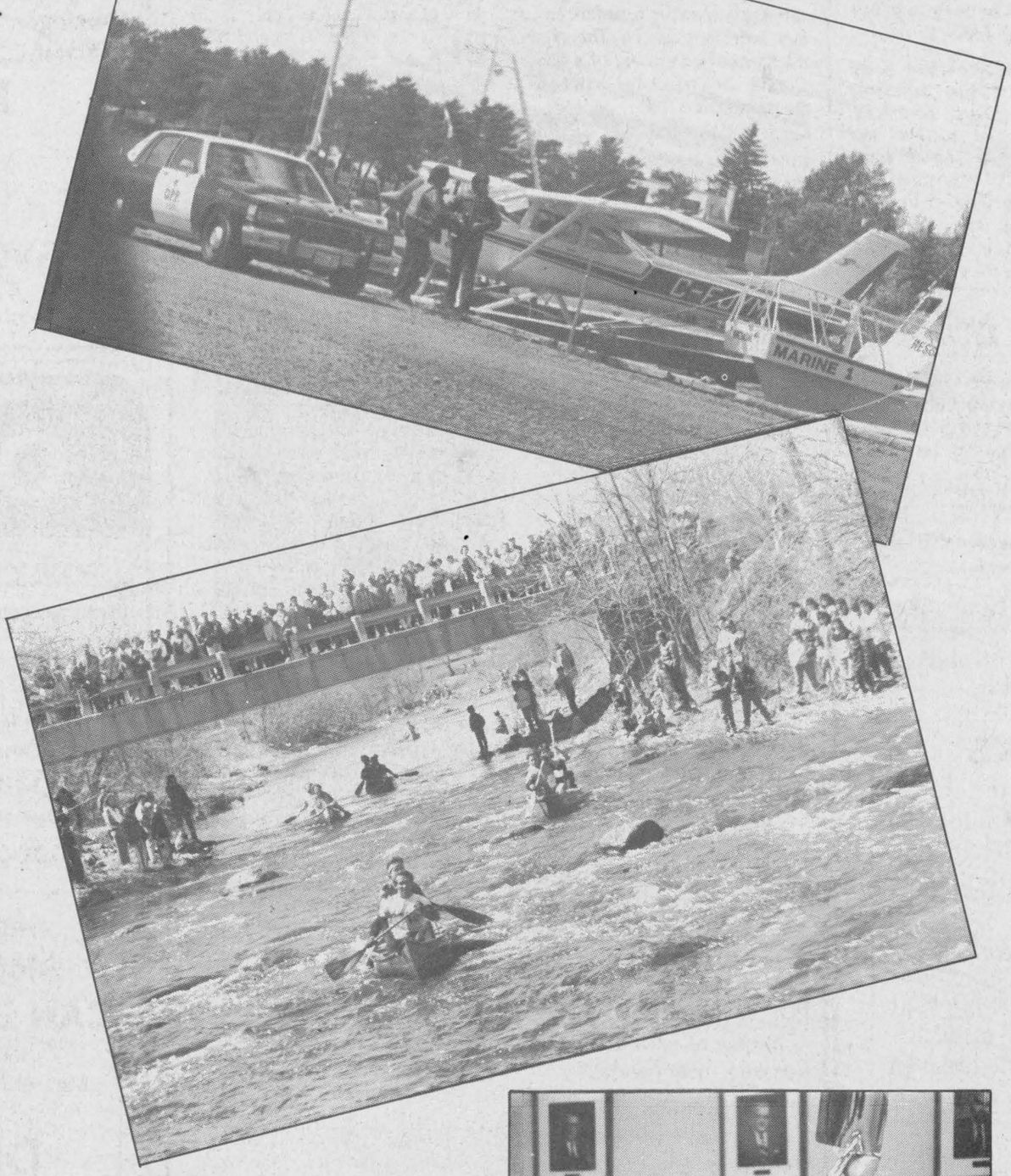
Fred Sadori, 35, of Moose Creek was sentenced in a Cornwall court to three years in jail after pleading guilty to possession of drugs with a street value of more then $1 million.

Several Glengarrians serving in Persian Gulf began making their way home after the March 3 cease fire was signed. They included: Paul French of Williamstown, Rick Sabourin of Alexandria, Guy Mondoux and his brother Denis of Williamstown, Caroline Mongillo of Alexandria, and Hugh Fitzpatrick of Williamstown.

ESRG teachers voted 96 per cent in favor of a strike to protest stalled contract negotiations with the separate school board.

Councillors of the United Counties raised taxes by 22 per cent to be spent on SD&G services.









April

Glengarry Transport Limited's approximately 130 employees agreed to wage cuts in order to keep their troubled company afloat.

Shane Heard, 23, of Halifax died on Hwy 401 near Lancaster on March 29, when his car skidded off the roadway and crashed into a ditch.

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GTL looks to form new company

Shoe plant rocked as company cuts 76 of 100 jobs



ESRG teachers began their strike on April 9. While 460 students had their classes postponed, about 250 of them staged a sit-in at one of the schools gyms in support of their teachers.

More than two-thirds of the Brown Shoes's unionized workers at the Alexandria plant were told that they would be permanently laid off as the recession forced the company to tighten its belt.

The SD&G County Board of Education approved a proposal to raise school taxes by as much as 12 per cent.

May

Local MP Don Boudria appealed the federal government for help to the trucking industry in his riding, especially the troubled Glengarry Transport Limited.

The Ontario government announced on May 7 that the Alexandria registry office would close by November.

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Plug to be pulled on GTL soon, says union, management



"Is Alexandria, Ont., really that horrible?" read a headline in a Montreal Gazette article earlier in the month referring to David Rayside's controversial book about the town "A Small Town in Modern Times, Alexandria, Ontario." Rayside concluded in his book, which was launched at the Priests Mill Restaurant on May 10, that there are class differences in Alexandria between the French and English, men and women, and municipal politicians tend to worry more about industry than anything else.

Glengarry Transport Limited declared bankruptcy on May 10 shattering what was a local symbol of pride. However, Newco was formed from the ashes employing Alexandria's GTL workers, but paying them almost half of what they used to earn.

The new company formed from GTL's demise failed as well. Workers in Montreal and Southern Ontario refused to work complaining of unreasonable working conditions.

ESRG teachers returned to work on May 22 ending their six-week strike on May 21 after an all-night bargaining session with school board negotiators.

Five GDHS/ESRG high school students were injured when fights broke out at a post-prom party in Dalhousie Mills. One student required 100 stitches after being stabbed by a broken beer bottle.

June

Guy Lapierre died on June 4 after a tractor-mower he was riding fell down an embankment and into Finney's Creek in Lancaster.

Maxville merchants tried for the third time to have their own chamber of Commerce.

Blaming the recession and federal government policy, managers at the Brown Shoe plant in Alexandria announced the plant will close in August costing the jobs of 40 workers and dashing hopes for another 74 workers who were laid off in April.

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Brown Shoe closing plant end of August



Lancaster Township tax

Three men were found drowned in the St. Lawrence River-Lake St. Francis on June 19 after a fishing boat capsized. The accident claimed the lives of Jeffery Boileau, Robert Ceasor, both 19 and from Cornwall, and Christopher Sauve, 22, of Summerstown.

The Alexandria Police Auxiliary of eight volunteers was inaugurated on June 12.

Police launched an internal investigation examining their rescue efforts after three men drowned in the St. Lawrence River on June 19. The investigation was launched as a result of criticism from the parents of Christpher Sauve, one of the victims.

Editorials/Opinion

A Christmas Eve of a Harried Housewife

'Twas the night before Christmas
When all through the house
Not a creature was stirring,
And I felt like a louse!

The stockings were hung by
The chimney, all right,
But to finish my chores
Would take me all night!

I sat there quite numbly,
With a sad, vacant stare,
And told myself, crossly,
"It just isn't fair!

"For since early dawn, now,
I've been fast on the run,
And though I keep trying,
I can't get it all done!

"Everyone else is
All settled in bed,
And I haven't finished
That shirt meant for Fred!

"Some gifts still need wrapping,
I must bake a cake —
But my poor head is throbbing,
I'm blind from the ache!

"The floors need a waxing,
The furniture, too.
Does anyone, anywhere
Have so much to do?"

I recalled things unfinished
And felt like a sap —
I wished, most of all,
I could just take a nap!

But now I rose, slowly
(I just couldn't shirk),
And forced my tired muscles
To go back to work.

The gifts I got wrapped
(Though the bows went askew),
No time to change them —
They'd just have to do.

The cake that I baked
All fell to one side
I looked at the mess
And just about cried.

Next I tackled the shirt
I'd been making for Fred,
But, as luck would have it,
I ran out of thread!

"Oh, next year," I vowed,
"I'll start in the fall!"
(But, next year is next year,
Not this, after all!)

As I struggled with candles
To get them to stand,
A cut waxen Santa
Broke in my hand.

When a bell I was hanging
Crashed down to the floor,
My cheeks felt hot teardrops —
I couldn't take anymore!

Again, I sat tiredly,
And with petulant pout,
I cried to the heavens —
"What's this all about?!?"

I fell to sleep quickly
As I sat in my chair,
And then, in a vision,
An angel was there!

The angel spoke softly,
"Christmas, my dear —
Have you forgotten? —
Means Christ is here.

"This is Christ's birthday,
So you shouldn't fret.
(Yet, folks get so busy
They often forget!)

"For young and for old,
Christmas is caring
And, more than that,
Christmas is sharing.

"Christmas is happiness,
Christmas is love,
Christmas is gratitude
For God, up above."

I awoke from my dream
Feeling comfort and peace.
From tension and worry
I had now found release.

I thought of the morning
And what it would bring —
Floors cluttered quickly
With wrappings and string.

Air filled with laughter,
Singing and noise,
House brimming over
With loved ones and toys.

I'd whisper to Fred,
Midst hugging and kissing,
"Here is a shirt, dear,
With the buttonholes missing."

Who'd notice the silver
And floors were not polished?
(And the lopsided cake
Would soon be demolished!)

Though I saw by the clock
The night was half through,
I knew there was one thing
I needed to do.

As I took the old creche
From its box on the shelf,
I hummed a sweet carol, there,
Quite to myself.

Then I put a small table
Next to the wall —
A spot which I felt
Would be noticed by all.

On the top went the manger,
Beloved and old,
In straw, the dear Christ-child,
Protected from cold.

As I lovingly placed
Each figure with care,
I thought of my blessings
And offered a prayer.

"Thank you, dear God,
For all that you do.
And most of all, Lord,
I thank you for You!"

Then I crawled into bed
And turned out the light.
"Happy Birthday, dear Jesus,
'Twas for me, a good night."

Taken from: Farm Women Dec. 1986. Written by: Charlotte Dorsett, Camas Valley, Oregon.

Sent in by: Joan MacGillivray, R.R.#1, Vankleek Hill, with apologies to Clement Moore.



Santa's letters file - revealed

After Thoughts

Joe Banks



Leaked documents from Alfie the Elf in the data processor's office in Santa Central at the North Pole (now another community of our new territory, Nunavut) has produced some intriguing information about the Christmas wishes of some of Glengarry's most prominent citizens.

There seems to be more than the usual amount in the "politicians" file this year.

There's one for instance, from Alexandria's mayor J. P. Touchette, asking Santa for an honorary lifetime appointment as mayor, a subscription to "Let's Make a Deal" magazine, and a dartboard with *News* editor Greg Kielec's picture mounted over the bullseye.

Here's one from Don Boudria, asking Santa for an audio cassette tape recording Brian Mulroney's Commons comment referring to birth out of wedlock, elevator shoes and a dartboard with Canada Post president Don Lander's picture mounted over the bullseye.

A letter from MPP Noble Villeneuve requests that Santa send him an ethanol plant (with the money to keep it operating), a jet helicopter to help him get past those speed traps on the 401, and a dartboard with Shelly Martel's picture mounted over the bullseye.

Newly-elected Kenyon Township councillor Blair Williams, judging by his letter, wants a very large broom (to keep things in order), a better constitutional deal for Canadians and a dartboard with the pictures of every political party leader mounted over the bullseye.

There's plenty of others here from people who want to be politicians, or those who tried — and didn't make it. But of course, all they wanted for Christmas was election to office, and a dartboard with pictures of all of their opponents mounted over the bullseye. The only exception is unsuccessful deputy reeve candidate in Alexandria, Fern Seguin, who has two simple requests — a boatload of jumbo perch and more chances to go fishing.

Environment superwoman Pat Ager, it says here, wants less from Santa this year — it saves on packaging and unrecyclable giftwrapping. RARE plant manager Rene Jeaurond, on the other hand, wants Santa to bring all of the North Pole's old newspapers, javex bottles and cardboard, though he added the plant's chimney may be too small to get everything down.

Here's a letter from Mike MacDonald, local roadhouse owner, who tells Santa he would like a second floor, the return of quarts and a shot at stand-up comedy on the Carson show. His brother Jamie, has a simpler request: two homeplate Blue Jays tickets and an indoor soccer field so the game can be played year-round. Oh yes, and a request that the Expos make it to the 1992 World Series.

Oh, and look, there's one from David Rayside, author of the book "A Small Town in Modern Times" detailing life in Alexandria. Says here he wants the key to the town, but I hear Santa is doing some serious thinking about that one.

There's more here, but I won't bore you further, except to say that I had no idea people were still asking for toupées . . . oops, that one's from me . . .

Merry Christmas everybody. Hope Santa's good to you.

Guard takes heat from rookies

News to me

Greg Kielec



To describe it in terms of a sports match, it was an upset, maybe even a rout -- kind of like the San Jose Sharks defeating the Edmonton Oilers.

There was plenty of stickhandling, shots were taken, blood pressures rose and there was even arguments over calls and procedure.

But the arena was quite different. It was Alexandria's council chambers and it was the first full, working meeting for an almost brand new council which was put into power during the municipal election of Nov. 12.

And it was evident from the beginning of the meeting that the new kids on the block -- Jacques Lajoie, Francine Richer and John Hope -- were not going to take backseat to incumbent Mayor Jean Paul Touchette and Deputy Reeve Jacque Joly, nor political veteran Bruno Massie, now reeve of council.

It was the southwest, comprising Touchette, Massie and Joly (at the far left corner of the council table as viewed from the spectators gallery) against the northeast -- Lajoie, Hope and Richer -- for most of the night.

Joly -- defended by Massie and Touchette -- and his environment committee which he took over from ousted councillor Fern Seguin, was roundly criticized by the northeast, led by Lajoie, for failing to purchase in Alexandria, office equipment needed for the town's recycling plant.

The southwest threesome was abruptly halted by the new kids of the northeast -- with the help of political veteran Archie McDougall -- when it tried to force through without time for study a resolution that would reduce the size of Alexandria's police commission from five to three members.

And the old guard took a battering as well over the procedure of deciding appointees to outside boards and just barely squeaked through a resolution naming council's choices for appointees.

It took just one meeting to change. There was no talk about harmony, a popular theme with many candidates prior to the Nov. 12 election.

There were no sales pitches advocating the advantages of unity over debate. There were no philosophical pinings for council unified in one cause. No one implored the rebels to stop rocking the boat or risk ruining Shangri-La.

But those pleas and arguments will come.

Allegiances have been formed. The lines have been drawn in the sand. And the new kids have driven their point home with purpose.

They are here to do what they think is best for the town, even if it means straying off the path set out before them by their political superiors.

It is a message that the old guard cannot help but heed. The battle has just begun.

There is another way....

That's Life

Lesley Cadham



When last we saw Cathy, she was howling uncontrollably at a friend for having the gall to call a Christmas party 10 days before Christmas.

The over-indulgent, sometimes irrational and usually loveable comic strip character couldn't believe that anyone would not only have all their gifts purchased and wrapped, holly boughs hung, and Christmas lights lit, but would also have planned, sent invitations to and cooked for, a party.

I don't believe it either. No one in the last 40 years has been ready for Christmas.

Sure, we've been known to put our feet up and heave sighs of relief in December, but only on the 24th at 5:01 p.m. And it's been a sigh of passive resignation, when all the stores have locked their doors and we can't do more than wrap what we've managed to bring home, anyway.

So why do we do it? I once asked a friend.

Because it's fun, she replied.

Fun?

Couldn't we have the same "fun" plummeting down a rocky ravine in a Volkswagen Beetle? Wouldn't it be less painful to have all our teeth drilled without a local anesthetic?

As a child I felt a little sorry for the kids who, instead of real presents, got a couple of weeks in Florida at Christmas. But I now know why their parents chose the less traditional "celebration." It was less expensive to pay airfare, hotel and two days at Disney World, not to mention easier to juggle 14 suitcases and six children, than it was to take part in the Christmas we've come to know.

It was a smart alternative, but there is another that is perhaps more affordable and less stressful; one that goes to the heart of Christmas. Read on.

I was standing around talking with a Glengarry church minister the other day when the second most popular question on earth, preceded only by the one about the weather, crept into the conversation. She asked me if I'd finished my Christmas shopping.

People only ask the question because they know you're going to say "no," and misery loves company. If you have the nerve to say "yes" we look at you like, "Oh sure. And I'm . . ."

But the conversation took a warm turn, when in her own words, the minister announced that the Twelve Days of Christmas is more than a fun song to sing.

The Christmas season is supposed to start, not end, on Christmas Day. After all, the birth of Jesus Christ did not bring everything to a grinding halt, it began an era we have talked about and lived by for almost 2,000 years.

I read somewhere that a woman has

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A merry Christmas service at St. Finnan's

In the Glens

Angus McDonell



There is a twofold significance to the approaching Christmas Eve and Midnight mass ceremony at St. Finnan's co-cathedral beginning at 11:15 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 24.

First the birth anniversary ritual of Jesus and secondly commemorating that the first mass in the pioneer St. Finnan's mission log church was celebrated on Christmas eve, 1833, by the pastor Rev. John McDonald.

That custom became a growing heritage tradition by succeeding generations especially after the installation of the new pipe organ, 1907, a gift by Archie M. Chisholm mining magnate of Duluth, Minn., and an uncle of "Archie Eddie" MacDonald among the few survivors of that noted parish family.

With all due respect to St. Finnan's past choirs, and there were several, the choir presentation this year is slated to exceed in talent, variety and volume of past records and we predict could very well be in the forefront for some time.

Sister Kathryn Cameron of the Holy Cross Sisters is the choir director ably assisted by organist Suzanne Viau Labelle who has followed retired Mrs. Christena (J. Daniel) MacDonald, a gifted musician with a matching personality who presided for many, many years.

Following several weeks of devoted practises the choir is well prepared in every respect and at 11:15 p.m. the violinists will open the lengthy program with Christmas melodies.

Emphasizing the Christianity variety that prevails at Christmas time the choir's first number is of Polish tradition, In Night's Deep Silence. Then in succession: While By My Sheep (I watch at night); Children Run Joyfully and Do You Hear What I Hear?

The First Noel in English tradition will be followed by violin medlies. Soloist Paul Besner will sing O Holy Night then the Gaelic choir will add a first to be followed by the entire choir rendering: Hark the Herald Angels Sing and Away in a Manger, the latter a German (Luther) folk song.

A new Negro spiritual number follows by soloist Ken Roach, Go Tell it on the Mountain.

Then a German hymn Good Christians All Rejoice and Once in Royal David's City an H. J. Gauntlett rendition. Finally, by the entire choir What Child is This? English traditional.

At this time the mass celebrant, Most Rev. Eugene P. LaRocque, and assistants headed by pastor Rev. Bernard Cameron proceed to the sanctuary while the choir sings the traditional processional Joy to the World.

To those of us hanging on to tradition it will be pleasing to hear the Latin rendition of the Kyrie and Gloria in excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the Highest) by Charles Gounod.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! ancient Latin that precedes Good News and great Joy to all the World and Today's born our Saviour Christ the Lord, Alleluia.

During the preparation of the gifts, more old favorites: O Come All Ye Faithful by James Wade and Angels We Have Heard on High, French traditional.

During the Bishop's reciting of the Sanctus the choir responds with Holy, Holy, Holy by Charles Gounod, followed by his rendition of Agnus Dei; Lamb of God, preceding the Communion.

At this time the choir excels in talent and variety as they first sing German Franz Gruber's Silent Night with an English verse; the soloist Mrs. Gertrude Schriner renders a German verse and a French verse is sung by the French choral group.

In conclusion, Birthday of a King is a rousing finale by the choir accompanied by the violinists. The Recessional is the traditional Merry Christmas To You.

And that goes for me, too.

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Christmas is a family centred celebration

"So the shepherds hurried away and found Mary and Joseph and the baby lying in the manger.

(Luke 2:16)

The Holy Family of necessity makes of Christmas a family-centred celebration! Jesus, the Messiah promised to the Jewish people, of David's royal family (that's why He is born in Bethlehem, the town of David) always comes to a believing community: the faith-community of Mary and Joseph; the faith-community of the shepherds and of the Magi; the faith-community of families and peoples today.

From Apostolic times the Christian family is called to be the domestic Church, a faith-community drawn together by a forgiving love, united in the Holy Spirit and given to interior prayer, worship and good works; it is the basic faith-community in which the faith of the children will take root. No other faith-community, neither the school nor even the parish, can replace it; these can only build on what the children receive at home. If there is no faith, there will be no love and no hope — and the whole of society is shaken!

Our Canadian family, a rich mosaic of Native, French, English, Scottish, Irish, Ukrainian and many other cultures, is a marvelous example of a respect for the identity, the uniqueness of each person but in the harmony of a great symphony. With social programs to be found nowhere else in the world we have attempted to support the poor in our midst and to welcome refugees from other lands. Will Christmas '92 find the Canadian family intact or will there have been a divorce with all its suffering?

Jesus alone is our personal Saviour but also the Saviour of the our world! He came in poverty to freely give His life on the altar of the Cross, the Passover lamb who freed us from the slavery of sin by His blood. He comes now in the power of His Holy Spirit and grace to forgive, to reconcile, to enliven each one of us, our families and our society. He will come again in glory to finish His work of salvation of the whole of creation — sin, division, divorce, suffering, death, will not have the last word! "O death where is your victory; O death where is your sting?" (1 Cor. 15:56)

May the celebration of this birth of our Saviour in the stable of Bethlehem, of his being a member of a human family, of the chosen people covenanted in faithful obedience to the only true God, be for each of us a grace-filled moment for a personal conversion, a moment to make of our families the faith communities they should be, and a moment to work for a new confederation for our beloved country, one which will promote unity in the respect and enrichment of each culture and the support in faith and love of the poorest among us.

Then we too, like the shepherds shall find Jesus surrounded by Mary and Joseph who comes to save us! A Holy Christmas and a New Year of the Lord (A.D.) full of hope, thanks to the faith and love of each one of us!

Eugene P. LaRocque,
Bishop of Alexandria-Cornwall

Township leaders predict 1992 to be a grim year

Most of Glengarry's township reeves and deputy reeves are predicting a tough year ahead.

Many would like to keep taxes to a minimum, but they also feel this will be a tough promise to keep.

"It's nice to say there won't be any tax increases," said Jennifer Charbonneau, the reeve of Lancaster village.

"But I don't think it's realistic to say there's not going to be any tax increases. It's baloney."

Many other reeves echoed the same sentiment that it will be tough maintaining services without increasing taxes.

But some will still dare, such as Lochiel Reeve Ron McDonell. However, he said he knows it will be a challenge to maintain adequate services without a rise in cost.

"It's not going to be easy," he said. "People want continued services without a rise in taxes. It's going to be a difficult time."

Dave MacDonald, the reeve of Charlottenburgh, said he believes his township has not only been hard pressed with the recession and government cut backs, but with isolation.

He said his township will improve by cooperating and communicating with neighboring townships, the provincial and federal governments, and residents.

"My New Year's resolution is to bring back the positives," he said. "There are too many negatives in this township."

Lancaster Township councillors will be celebrating the end of 1991 on a brighter note.

They have finished building the long awaited Green Valley sewer project under budget.

The cost of the project was originally estimated at $3 million dollars. Deputy Reeve Stephen Preston said they have saved $400,000.

And that, he said, was the high point of 1991.

"The opening of the Green Valley sewer and coming in under budget is certainly a big item."

Council members hope to continue keeping costs down, because they, like everyone else, expect 1992 to a tough year.

And tough economic times often mean tighter belts.

"We'll have to have restrictions on our budget," said Wilfred Vallance, Kenyon's reeve.

He said expected cutbacks from the federal and provincial governments are going to bite into his township's coffers, making 1992 "a challenging year."

Maxville's Reeve, Jim MacEwen, said he will try to lighten the load off his residents' shoulders by increasing the tax base. He said business incentives might lure more business.

"I hope that we'll attract business and get the village moving again," he said.

Alexandria Mayor J.P. Touchette's New Year's resolution is similar. He said his town is in a good enough location to attract more industry, hence more jobs.

"My great resolution is getting everyone back to work in Alexandria, or we'll die trying."

Another way

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started celebrating the 12 days, giving her child a small gift each day, with the largest present being bestowed last.

Perhaps if we followed suit, we would be able to focus more on the real meaning of Christmas — sharing, caring and giving — and worry less about deadlines.

Perhaps I'd feel more contented, and less like my toboggan had run headlong into a tree.

Merry Christmas.

Carnation is storing PCBs in Alexandria

By Greg Kielec
***News* editor**

Alexandria's Carnation plant is now PCB free.

The factory removed its last pieces of equipment with capacitors which contain PCBs in October. It is storing the 451 litres of the toxic substance at a site at its 181 Bishop St. location.

Richard Bellefeuille, factory engineer, said the project was part of a plan to remove remaining in-service machinery with PCBs and replace with machinery that does not contain PCBs.

The work was done in October by a contractor licenced for handling of PCBs.

PCBs, or polychlorinated biphenyls, are highly toxic carcinogen used in plastics and as an insulator in electrical devices. PCBs are persistent because they bio-accumulate, meaning they can be passed up the food chain and accumulated in humans.

Bellefeuille would not say how many litres of PCB waste is being stored at the site. "There is certain information we do not like to divulge."

Katarina Columbus, environmental engineer with the Ontario Ministry of Environment in Cornwall, said 451 litres of PCBs are being stored at the site.

Bellefeuille said the PCB site poses no danger to workers or area residents. The waste is stored in a locked building in special containers approved by the MOE.

"It is in a site approved by the Ministry of Environment. That's what they are there for, to ensure there will be no danger to the public."

He said there was more potential for danger when the PCB machinery was in the factory because there was the possibility an employee could be exposed to the chemical if a capacitor were to develop a leak.

"They were in the building where employees could be exposed if there was a leak. Where they are, they are in a contained area that's fenced in and locked and they are in special containers that are approved by the Ministry of Environment."

Columbus said because there is no approved method for the destruction of high-concentration PCB waste it is normal procedure for industries removing equipment containing PCB material to store the waste on site.

"There's no place for them to go," she said.

She estimated there are about 30 PCB storage sites in the five-county area, the majority at industrial plants.

The ministry granted the permission for Carnation to establish a waste site in response to an Oct. 1 submission from Carnation providing details about the site and the need to establish it.

The creation of the storage site is subject to a number of conditions, outlined by Mike Holy, MOE district manager, in the letter to Carnation factory engineer Richard Bellefeuille.

The conditions state that the operation and maintenance of the site shall be "in strict accordance" with standards specified in a set of federal guidelines published by Environment Canada in 1989.

All spills and leaks of PCB wastes must be reported to the Spills Action Center at 1-800-268-6060 and no material other than PCB wastes or PCB-related wastes can be stored at the site.

Carnation has three months to prepare a contingency plan describing the procedures to be followed in event of a spill or fire. The company must keep a manual detailing the plan with a list of authorized persons, which also must be provided to the fire department.

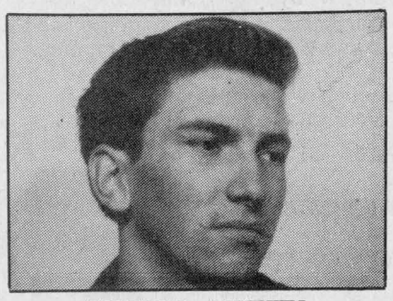
The manual must be readily available to all personnel associated with the operation of the site and shall be provided to ministry inspectors upon request.

The storage site must be posted with the appropriate external signs to indicate the presence of PCB waste and appropriate labels must be maintained on all storage containers to identify content and concentration.

Dancing

Scottish Country Dancing fanciers can now gather at the Cornwall Armoury at 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday.

This is not a school, but for fun and Scottish Country Dancing. Please call Pat Forbes of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society. He can be called evenings at 933-3634.



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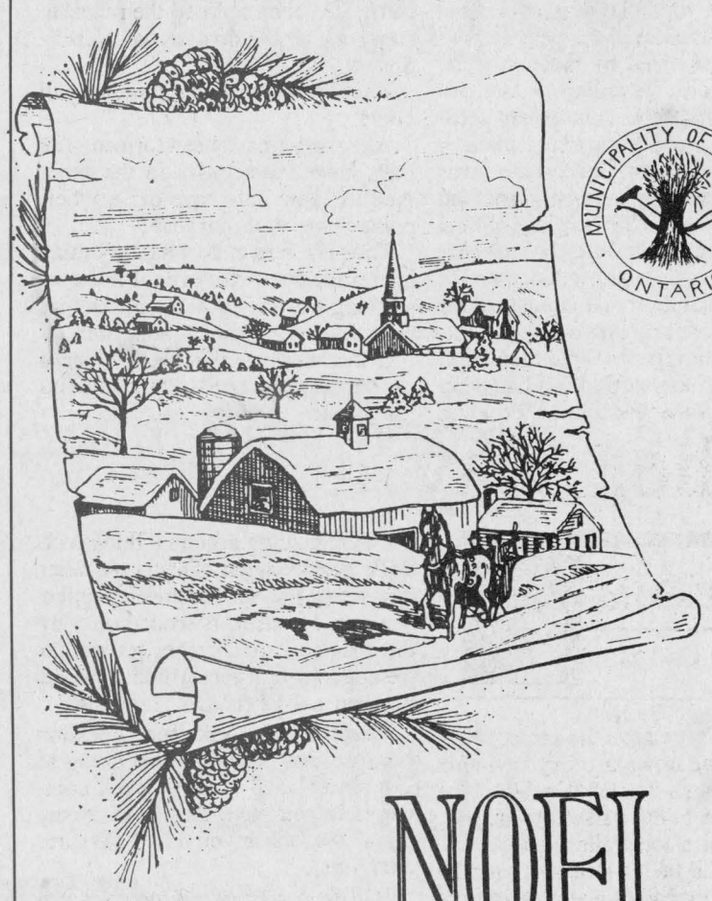

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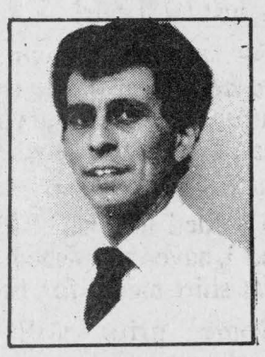

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Back-to-back snow storms made driving treacherous

Police briefs

Last week's snow storm and the cold snap caused several highway accidents all over Glengarry.

Hwy. 401 had to close for one hour Wednesday afternoon to haul out trucks and other vehicles that slid into ditches during the storm on Tuesday.

No one was seriously injured in the accidents, most of which happened between five and 6 p.m. Tuesday

Coye Dewayne Karnes, 45, of Levelland, Tex., was driving a 1992 Freightliner west on Hwy. 401 near Summerstown Road at around 5 p.m. when a blowing snow, which eliminated visibility, was blamed to have caused him to drive into a median and crash on a culvert.

A passenger, James Gibson, 53 suffered minor injures after the crash threw him off the truck's sleeping compartment.

He was sent to Hotel Dieu Hospital.

The truck, which was moderately damaged, was left on the road.

Fifteen minutes later, Rene Lapierre, 55, of Cornwall was driving a 1991 Oldsmobile west on Hwy. 401 near Hwy. 34 where he lost site of the road due to blowing snow and drove onto a guard rail.

The car was moderately damaged.

And at 6 p.m., two trucks slid onto the median.

Paul Desrochers, 28, of Ste. Catherine, Que., was driving a 1991 Volvo tractor-trailer west on Hwy. 401 near Fraser Road where he lost control on the slippery road and slid onto the median.

Mark Matthiesen, 27, of Winchester, who was driving a 1987 International tractor-trailer directly behind Desrochers, lost sight of the road because of blowing snow and followed the Volvo into the median, where both trucks collided.

No one was injured. Both trucks, which were left on the road, were moderately damaged.

There were considerably fewer problems elsewhere.

Two vehicles slid into ditches Saturday, Dec. 14 on County Road 10, and another three vehicles were ditched Tuesday, Dec. 17 on Hwy. 417.

No one was injured.

Hit and run

A car was hit by another vehicle which did not stop.

Gaetano Zuffellato, 58, of Summerstown was driving a 1990 Mercury Topaz west on Hwy. 401 in Curry Hill Tuesday, Dec. 17, at around 5:15 p.m. when his car was side-swiped by a trailer being hauled by a passing vehicle.

The vehicle did not stop. The only description Zuffellato has is that the vehicle was orange.

The Mercury was lightly damaged.

Tags stolen

A van belonging to IGA was broken into last week and car-order tags were stolen.

The door to a semi-trailer used for storage was pried open and about 10 cases of car order tags were stolen sometime overnight between Dec. 16 and Dec. 17. The tags were then found dumped in the Kenyon Dam.

Const. Leo Lemieux of the Alexandria Police Department said the tags are worth $1,000 to IGA, but worthless to anyone else.

"Maybe (the bandits) thought they were stealing cigarettes. As soon as they found out what they were, they threw them in the river."

House broken-into

A Maxville house was broken into last week and about $3,000 worth of goods were stolen.

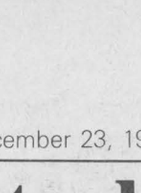
Kathleen MacLeod left her RR1 Maxville home at around 12:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 13. When she returned an hour later, she noticed the front door was forced open and several household items gone.

Her color television, video-cassette-recorder, a jewellery box, a gold necklace, and a calculator were stolen.

Police have no suspects but are investigating the incident.

Iona bids farewell to two part-time teacher replacements

St. Raphael's
Cathie MacDonald
525-1174



Info Iona

Students of the Week: Junior Kindergarten is Connie Sloan, daughter of Wayne and Elsy of Williamstown. Connie loves to laugh with the children in class. Senior Kindergarten is Jean Michel Poissant, son of Alain and Sylvie of Grande-Isle, Quebec. Jean Michel is working very hard to learn English. Grade 1 is Charlene Kenny, daughter of Ron and Brenda of Martintown. Charlene has a quiet manner. She is a good listener and does all her work neatly. Grade 2 is Jenna Sauve, daughter of Marc and Mary Lynn of Glen Robertson. Jenna is a very enthusiastic participant. She is a great reader and does nice neat work.

Grade 3 is Michael Deruchie, son of Richard and Madeleine of R.R. 1, Williamstown. Michael participates very well and completes assignments on time. Grade 4 is Matthew Flare. Matthew does excellent work and behaves great in class. Grade 5 is Brenda Van Sleewven. Brenda is very creative and always cheerful, with a willingness to help out. She is very vocal and speaks her mind. Grade 6 is Jason Pilon. Jason has good leadership and creativity skills. Grade 7 is Shawn Bryan. Shawn did just excellent on his French project. Grade 8 is Marie Durochie. Marie is an excellent contributor in Art class.

The boys and girls participated in three volleyball tournaments. A boys tournament and girls tournament were held at Iona. Maxville Public School won the boys and Laggan Public won the girls. Iona Juniors went to North Stormont where they won the "B" championship. Congratulations to all the students for their hard work.

This Friday Iona bids farewell to two part-time teacher replacements. Mrs. Lillian Heagle and Miss Cindy Byer. Mme. Berger returns to staff in January. Frank Pilon the school custodian has left Iona for Immaculate Conception. A big thank you to Frank for his spirited work ethic, enthusiasm and love of children.

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Euchre party winners for the women were Anna McDonald, Marie-Claire Campeau, Bea McDonald and Gisele Titley. For the men, Rene Poirier, John Lapierre, Jacques Laurendeau and Eric Pilon. Fifty-fifty winners were Leonide Rozon, Maurice O'Connor, Lucy Shorey (twice), John Lapierre. Eric Pilon won the door prize. Next euchre party is December 29 at 8 p.m.

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Parish liturgy members gathered together on Sunday night for a Christmas party. They enjoyed a lovely supper of meat pies, meatballs, vegetables, fruit salad and squares under the convenorship of Teresa McDonald and Angela Cloutier who themselves prepared most of the dinner. After the dinner an announcement was made of a special award for Lloyd McDonald who has taken up the Sunday collection of the parish, scarcely missing a day in more than 25 years. Sister Jeannine officiated over several games which everyone participated in and was enjoyed by all. Bonnie Cumming sang two beautiful Christmas songs, Julie Lamarche played a beautiful trumpet accompanied by her mother Bernice on piano and Malcolm Cumming and Jacques Lamarche played the piano and guitar to led the group in the Christmas sing-song.

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Due to bad weather, attendance at the pot luck supper sponsored by Mount Carmel House Auxiliary was not as high as expected. The variety of dishes and desserts was plentiful and everyone enjoyed the feast. Door prize winner was Claire Sabourin. A number fearing bad roads wanted to leave but the euchre enthusiasts remained to test their luck. Winners were for women: Aileen Munroe, Ina Sproule and Marie O'Brien. For the men: Jacques Laporte, Howard Quail and Bernie Barker. The skunk prize went to Pat Quail. Fifty-fifty draw winners were Kevin Rayburn, Line Laporte, Marie O'Brien and Lillian McDonald. Three other door prizes were given away, Rose Leroux, Bernie Barker and Pat Quail. Thank you to all for coming.

Santa greets 160 children

Glen Robertson
Janet Marr
874-2429



Santa greeted 160 children at the Optimist Christmas party held in a packed Recreation Centre. The seasonal fun included carol singing led by Germain Lacombe on the piano. Optimists Joanne MacDonald, Linda VanDenOetelaar and Louise Carriere were in charge of the party which included snacks and gifts for all.

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The recent pot luck supper held by the Optimists proved just how many good cooks there are in Glen Robertson, according to reports. New members of the year were welcomed and the CD Street disco provided good music for a great evening.

The club executive wishes members and Glen Robertsonians seasons greetings and a happy 1992.

Ecole Laurier Carriere

The true meaning of Christmas and a celebration of the Nativity were the subject of an hour long play by 30 students. Parents and staff attended the play which was organized by Sister Lilliane and Sister Lucille.

The school dances, from 3 to 5 p.m. for the junior grades and during the evening for grades 4 to 8 provided fun, games, music and refreshments for all, with both staff and parents supervising.

Results of the contest for the best decorated classroom and best decorated desk are eagerly awaited. Some of the desks are works of art according to principal Paul Hurtubise.

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Christmas greetings are included here from Sharon Burnie-Gardiner, director of Outreach Services in Glengarry. This area includes Glen Robertson and Dalkeith, Alexandria, Kenyon, Lancaster and Lancaster Township, Martintown and Williamstown as well as a 15-mile radius around each centre. She reports that more volunteer drivers and helpers are needed for the Meals on Wheels service which also has room for new clients.

Those wishing to volunteer should phone Joanne Marriott at 874-2502 or Sharon Burnie-Gardiner at 347-1175. Seniors wishing to enquire about receiving meals should contact Cheryl Rigby at 874-2449.

The Glengarry Outreach Services van is available to any senior without transportation in the Glen Robertson area on Wednesdays. This transportation program provides rides to medical appointments and for shopping, especially for groceries. The van has recently made trips to Alexandria, Cornwall and Hawkesbury for seniors with appointments and shopping needs.

To enquire about using the van contact co-ordinators Dini and Tom Hagen at 874-2645 or Janet Kirton at 525-2543.

The monthly foot care clinic for seniors continues its successful services at the Recreation Centre. For an appointment contact Jean Bush at 874-2760.

Kowalski named to 'Court'

Greenfield
Mary Couture
527-2421



Top Mary Kay Cosmetics Award

Aniela Kowalski was named to the Consultant Court of Personal Sales during Mary Kay's Cosmetics 12th annual seminar, "Winners Circle" held in Toronto. Ms. Kowalski was recognized for her sales achievements during the contest period in June and July.

In recognition of her achievement, Ms. Kowalski was presented with a 10 karat white and yellow gold court ring featuring 12 full-cut diamonds and a larger centre diamond, totalling 50 points.

Rescheduled

The Greenfield Recreation Bingo was rescheduled to Saturday, Dec. 28 in the Greenfield Parish Hall.

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Le centre culturel "Les trois p'tits points..." held a ground-breaking ceremony to launch the constructin of its new home in Alexandria's Industrial Park. Pictured left to right; jean-Yves Larougery, general director; Josée-Louise Denis, assistant director; Claude Brunet, construction committee member; Alexandria Mayor Jean Paul Touchette; Jean Marc Lefebvre, of Richelieu Club; Lise Decaire, cultural centre president; Bernard Leger, vice-president; Bernard Leger, vice-president; Danielle Guay of MCSS; Yanik Villeneuve, program coordinator; Jacques Lajoie, project manager.

UCFO enjoy Christmas party

Glen Norman
Audry Cober
525-1266



On Saturday, Dec. 14, the annual Christmas party for l'UCFO was held at Ed's Place in North Lancaster. Everyone enjoyed the music by Omer and Florence Claude. Door prizes were won by Suzanne Laupret, Rejean Cholette, and Remi Campeau. President Bernadette Campeau was the MC for the evening which ended by a delicious lunch served by Darlene. Thanks to all who attended.

Dalkeith carnival one month away

Our carnival is only one month away. If you are aged 12-20 and want a chance of becoming our Carnival Queen, present yourself at the Optimist Hall for further details.

Time flies — but this carnival is a quarter of a century after the centennial carnival Dalkeith had in 1967!



Science

The graduation of Josée Bourgon from McGill University, in Montreal took place in June 1991, with a Bachelor of Science, major in Anatomical Sciences. Josée is now pursuing her studies in Dentistry at McGill University. She is the daughter of Jean-Pierre and Georgette Bourgon.

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UCW gathers for luncheon

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874-2408



The Glen Sandfield UCW met at the home of Gail Kronwald on Dec. 18 for a cold-plate luncheon and their Christmas meeting.

The members and guests had been requested to bring a Christmas reading or poem. President Lorna Chapman began reading with the Christ of Christmas followed by a Christmas Prayer from the Ideals magazine read by Nancy Campbell. Margo MacRae read two, one about John the Baptist, the second The Prayer of a Confederate Soldier. Della MacDonald, Christina MacLachlan and Bessie MacLennan read several lovely Christmas Legends. One favorite was how the lamb in the stable cuddled close to baby Jesus to keep Him warm. When his coat touched the child it changed into the soft, thick, curly lamb's coat we know today. Another one was the story of the ox, so bemused by the shining halos around the heads of the Holy Family, he thought the water to blest for him, so he drank outside from a muddy puddle instead. Everyone is familiar with the tender story of the little girl who was sad because she had nothing to give the baby Jesus, stood near where the angel's wing brushed the ground. Up sprang a white rose bush. She gladly picked them and offered them to the Christ Child, but when the roses touched His feet they turned pink, as they are to this day.

Did you know that the more mince pies you taste, the happier you'll be? One month of happiness for every pie you taste. Sounds like a good alibi to me. All charming legends from long ago!

A brief discussion on modern teaching and learning problems followed. European schools were compared to Canadian ones and class sizes were much larger in Bavaria than here, 65 pupils. One person quoted from a famous author "A good teacher teaches children first, not subjects."

Margo MacRae brought candles and programs for a lovely devotional service in which each candle is lit from the centre one. We each receive light from Christ, but His light doesn't diminish at all, and with our light added the world becomes that much brighter.

Several carols were included in the candle lighting service. The choir sang three new Christmas songs and the meeting then adjourned amid holiday greetings.

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Jamie Chapman of Ville LaSalle arrived Friday the 20th to visit grandparents Bud and Lorna Chapman until Christmas. Wendy and Dianne Chapman of Verdun came Saturday the 21st for a five-day Christmas visit.

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Earl and Janice MacLennan, Shayne and Brittany of Maxville and Erwin and Charlene MacLennan and Tasha from Alberta visited recently with Isabel and Lloyd MacLennan. Earl and Charlene's little girl Tasha was baptized Sunday morning, December 22 at Glen Sandfield United Church during the Sunday morning worship service.

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May we just remind our readers that for many, this holiday season is a time of loneliness, sadness or despair. Please do share your happiness and bounty with someone who is less fortunate. Christmas is giving, and nothing is more meaningful than giving of yourself. Loving kindness is priceless, perhaps not to you, but to the one with whom you share, it may well be just that. May you find blessings and happiness this Christmas and all year through. A very Merry Christmas from Glen Sandfield to everyone.

Farewell

Green Valley
Helene Quesnel
525-3303



This is the last column I will write for Green Valley! I has truly been a rewarding experience writing for our little hamlet and meeting such wonderful people.

Unfortunately my schedule does not permit me to keep writing a column on a weekly basis so I regrettably am putting down my pen and am still hoping someone will fill my shoes to keep everyone in Green Valley informed of the happenings.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Candlelight service

Dunvegan

On Christmas Eve there will be a candlelight service of carols and lessons at Kenyon Presbyterian Church. The Christmas lessons will be read by the youth of the congregation and there will be special Christmas music by the choir. You are invited to celebrate the Christ child's birth at Kenyon Church, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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Mario Jeremy Gut was baptized on Sunday, Dec. 22, in Kenyon Presbyterian Church. It was an extra happy occasion for Franziska Gut because her parents and brother and sister came from Switzerland to attend the baptism and visit for Christmas.

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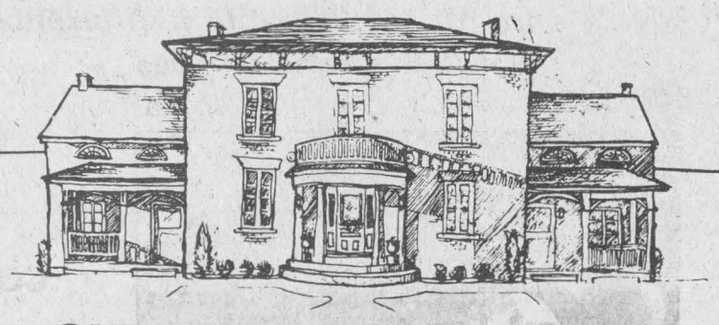
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all residents of Dunvegan and also to all the friends far and wide!



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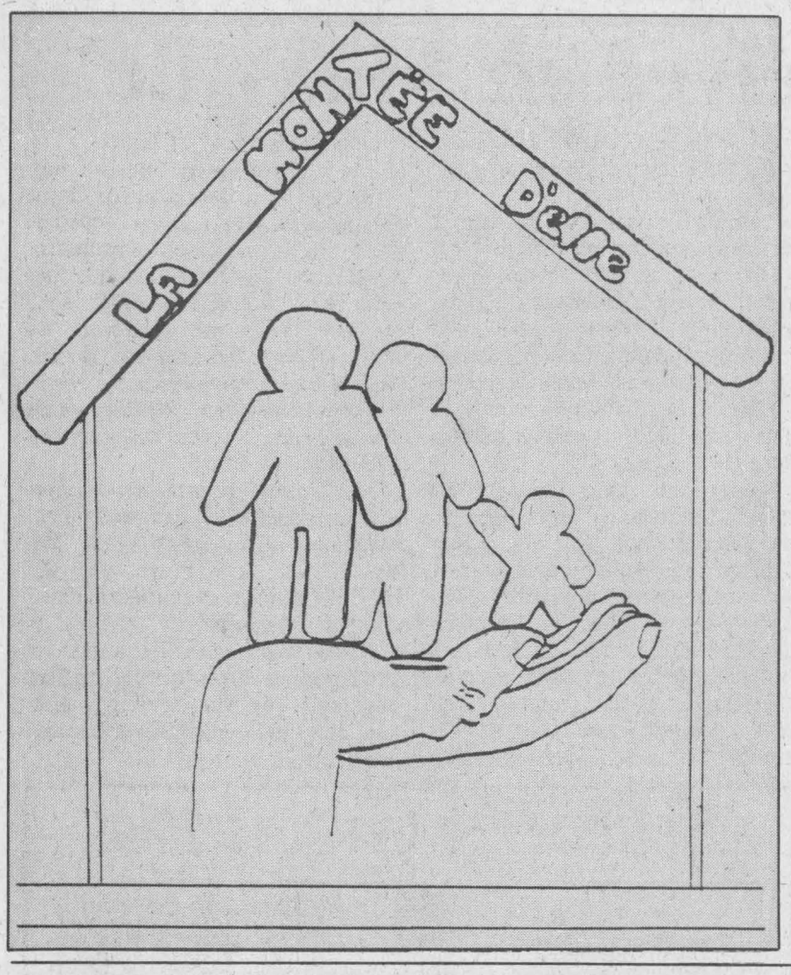



Montée d'Elle logo winners

Norman Menard, the president of Richelieu Club of Alexandria, handed out cash prizes to three winners of the Montée d'Elle logo contest recently at St. Joseph School in Alexandria. Inset, 12-year-old Timothy Smith accepted the $75 prize and certificate of merit. Ginette Hurtubise, 12, of Ste. Thérèse School in North Lancaster won the $50 second prize, and Sonia Menard, 12, of Laurier-Carriere School in Glen Robertson won the $25 third prize. The money was donated by the Richelieu Club. The logo will be used by the women's shelter, headed by Dianne Lalonde (back, right).

Staff photo — André Perrella

Bonspiel a success

St. Elmo
W. MacKinnon
527-2348



Christmas Eve worship services will be held in the community hall, Moose Creek, at 7:30 p.m. and in the Maxville United Church at 8 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join in the fellowship of these Christmas Eve services of worship.

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The Senior Men's Curling bonspiel held at the Maxville Curling Club on Sat., Dec. 14, morning and afternoon, was a good success and enjoyed by all who participated.

Twelve teams of curlers came from Huntingdon, Que., Lancaster, Alexandria, Vankleek Hill, Russell, Cornwall, Morrisburg and Maxville. The ladies of the curling club provided a much enjoyed luncheon at noon. President Jim McKay welcomed the curlers to Maxville.

A team from Lancaster, Don Snider skip, Keith McKay 3rd, Ray Picard 2nd, and Marvin Sparey lead, with 29 and a half points for the two games of the 9 a.m. draw took first place. A team from Vankleek Hill was runner-up in the same draw, Lorne Boyd skip, Emile Beaudette 3rd, Jean Gonthier 2nd and Eddie Seguin lead, with 19 points and tied with a team from Maxville, Elie Martin skip, Ross Conners 3rd, Albert Quenneville 2nd and Leslie Clark lead.

The winning team in the 11 a.m. draw was a team from Morrisburg with 21 and a half points; Jack Newson skip, Gerald Adams 3rd, Jack Cole 2nd, George Cooper lead. The runner-up team was also from Morrisburg, Howie Eamon skip, Dwain Hass 3rd, Arnold Cenden 2nd, and Ted Herriman lead. The two best come-back teams from heavy defeats in their morning games to win their afternoon games were from Russell with skips Jim Sullivan and Don Graham.

The committee from the Maxville Club which organized this first Senior Men's curling bonspiel for Maxville were Hugh Fisher and Wallace MacKinnon.

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Good wishes to everyone for a very happy Christmas celebration and a good New Year.

The Gordon Church WMS met for the Christmas meeting on Thursday, Dec. 19 at the home of Dr. Wallace MacKinnon with the president Mrs. Jack McKay leading the worship period and presiding for the business. She was assisted by the secretary-treasurer Mrs. Lester Lavigne.

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The St. Elmo community welcomes Marten and Tracey Schol from Switzerland to their new farm home St. Elmo West following the return home to Switzerland of Marten's parents.

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The Canadian Bible Society canvass for the St. Elmo Unit of the Maxville-St. Elmo Branch has been very encouraging. Through the generosity of the good supporters of the Bible Society in the community the total contributed is $261, an increase of 25 per cent compared to that for 1990, which also was an increase above the amount for 1989.

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Seniors can stop being victims of crime

By Andre Perrella
***News* reporter**

Senior citizens can prevent being helpless targets of crime, according to Ontario Provincial Police Const. Gilles Ruest of the Lancaster OPP detachment.

"More and more seniors are victims of crime because young people find it easy to rob old people," he told about 75 senior citizens who attended a lecture on Nov. 7, sponsored by the Fraternite Club, at Alexander Hall in Alexandria.

Seniors can take simple precautions to protect themselves against burglary, robbery and fraud Ruest said during a lecture on crime prevention Thursday afternoon, Nov. 7.

"I know of a senior who bought a large pair of rubber boots, and placed them near the front door. This gives strangers the impression that someone big lives there, making them think twice before entering that house."

Although that example drew some chuckles from the audience, Ruest said there are simple preventative measures seniors should practise.

He said all doors and windows should be locked so that the only way burglars can get in would be to break in.

"The burglar knows that if he has to break something like a window or door, he will attract attention," Ruest said. 'He doesn't want to attract attention. He wants to get in quietly."

Ruest also gave some tips for outdoors.

He said elderly women can prevent having their purses snatched by keeping them unlocked and tucked upside down under the arm. That way when a robber grabs it, the purse opens and all of its contents fall to the ground.

He also urged women who leave their purse on the carriage when shopping to tie the purse strap to the carriage. "So when someone tries to take your purse, they take the whole carriage with them."

Perhaps the more serious crimes are ones seniors volunteer for.

Ruest said seniors are often lured into scams, such as the popular "bank inspector" scam.

This usually happens near a bank, where a senior would be approached by someone claiming to be investigating a bank teller who might be stealing depositors' money.

The senior is asked for help by providing the fake inspector with $100 of which the serial numbers will be written down. He will then supposedly deposit the money with the suspicious teller.

However, the fake inspector takes the cash and disappears.

"Whenever someone approaches you concerning such a situation, the first thing you should do is call the police," Ruest said.

Ruest also talked about scams involving telephone solicitors who are offering senior citizens 600 personalized pens for $200. The quality of the pens are usually poor.

Maxville OPP officers have received many complaints of such sales pitches. Many complained that solicitors asked for credit card numbers.

Ruest gave other examples of scams, all with a common theme.

"Like they say in English," Ruest said, "If it sounds too good to be true. It probably is."

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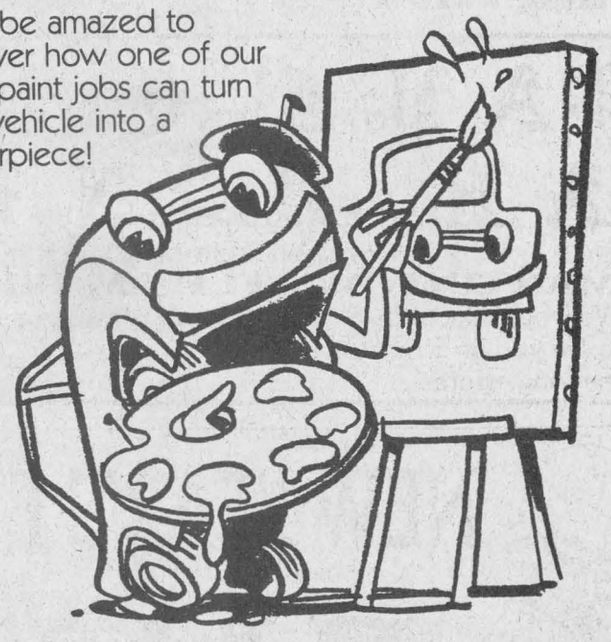

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The village and the surrounding countryside has been well decorated with Christmas lights and other decorations, well chosen for this special festive time. Not all places are judged since entries must be submitted to the local Horticultural Society. However, there was a good number of homes to visit and the following prizewinners are announced.

Front door — Eileen and Basil Tait, Rosalind and Tom Nugent, Dorothea and Ross Conners.

Window — the Taits, the Nugents and Roger Guindon, tied, Lorna and Gordon Winter.

Outdoor Christmas tree — The Taits, the Nugents, Scott Robertson.

Overall — the Nugents, Mr. Guindon, the Taits and Winters, tied, Hilda and Peter Alex MacLean, Annie and Adrian St. Denis.

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The front page photograph in last week's *Glengarry News* was that of Mr. and Mrs. Nugent and some child. They were on the float entered in the Alexandria Christmas parade by our Horticultural Society.

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Grace and Gregor McEwen enjoyed a bus trip to Toronto where they attended the Living Christmas Tree Concert.

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Colin MacLellan is home for the holidays from his studies in education at Brock University in St. Catharines.

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We extend sympathy to Edgar, George and Leo Currier and their families in the death of their sister, May Pilon in Alexandria.

With apologies for being so late, sympathy is extended to village clerk Connie Charbonneau and her family in the death, at the age of 36, of her brother-in-law, David Bisson of Cornwall.

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At the service in the United Church on Dec. 15, the baby daughter of Peggy and Ken Wilkes, Fournier, was baptized. She was given the names Hannah Marie.

In the afternoon in the hall of the same church, an old-fashioned Christmas concert was presented by the children from the four village churches. Warren MacIntosh was the chairman for the program and everyone had a good time. Lunch and treats were served afterwards. Presents under the tree were delivered to Lazarus House.

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We were sorry to learn of the break-in the MacLeod family experienced at their home in Athol. This young family lives in the farm home that was once that of Andrew Fisher.

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I really wasn't aware of the fact, but apparently some of our stores have been open this month for Sunday shopping. It has been reported that business on these days has been very slow and it looks as if the message has come out clearly for our village.

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Buck MacMillan, Cornwall, phoned to tell me about an award his niece, Joan MacLeod, writer-in-residence for the Taragon Theatre, Toronto, received on Dec. 3. It was the Governor General's Literary Award for Drama and carried a $10,000 cash prize with it. Miss MacLeod is the daughter of Muriel and the late Fred MacLeod of Vancouver and a grandniece of Joanna MacLean of this village. To this young lady whose ancestry is well rooted in Glengarry, we offer our congratulations. Her play was entitled Amigo's Blue Guitar.

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When Mabel Christie died, I mentioned that she was the last Christie living in the area. However her late husband, John, has three of his five brothers still living. They are Duncan in western Ontario, Hugh in Belleville and Mac in the Maritimes.

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The choir from the Public School visited the Manor last Thursday and delighted the residents with their singing and friendly visiting.

On the way back to the school, the members stopped at the Town Square Christmas Tree for an interlude of Christmas carols.

A food drive was on at the school last week. Donations went to the Agape Centre in Cornwall.

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There are some Centennial New Year's Eve dinner and dance tickets still available at local stores.

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The monthly meeting of the CWL was held on Dec. 9. After the opening prayer and business, the Christmas basket raffle was discussed as were donations of food for the Agape Centre.

The next meeting will be on Jan. 8 at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Martine McDonald-Hill. A video on evangelism will be studied. On Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. a pot luck supper is planned and will be held in the basement of St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church.

Sonia Villeneuve, who submits this monthly account, wishes all readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Herb Holmes, reporter for the local Lions Club has told me that the breakfast was a success, as usual. In fact, a shortage of food was encountered for a few minutes because broomball players patronized the function more than expected.

The 50-50 draw is finished and the last two winners were Catherine Kippen and Hubert Vander Wielen.

The Club's Christmas meeting was held on Dec. 17 and Santa Claus made a call to it.

Lions Club President Ron McRory offers all those who contributed to the club's food hamper as well as those who supported the club's fundraising events during the year his sincere thanks and best wishes for 1992.

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Your correspondent received a photocopy of a page from the Montreal Witness, dated Sept. 4, 1894 from Ken McEwen of Ottawa. His mother, Mrs. Mac McEwen had preserved it and passed it on to him.

The reporter who apparently visited Glengarry beforehand, wrote a very interesting account of the people he met and things he learned.

One lady, aged 92, Mrs. Ewan McMillan, could understand English but would not attempt to speak it in front of strangers. Gaelic was her native tongue and she continued to use it. Her marriage was the first recorded one in Lochiel Township and took place on Oct. 30, 1821.

The reporter spent a day in the Maxville-Martintown area. He first met John McEwen who was Agnes Campbell's grandfather and Murray McEwen's great grandfather. Mr. McEwen related that his father-in-law, Peter McDougall was the area's first subscriber to the Witness. Mr. McEwen showed the reporter a letter which is still in the family. It was written by Hugh McEwen back to his brother in Scotland in 1819.

The reporter visited the old log Congregational Church at St. Elmo, now used as a hall. It was reported to be one of the oldest churches in Canada for this denomination. The Rev. Wm. McKillican and his son, the Rev. John are mentioned as ministers of the church. James McKillican of Maxville had a watch belonging to the Rev. William which was still going and was thought to be 150 years old then.

The page contained many photographs, including those of Mrs. McMillan, Peter McDougall, the Rev. John McKillican, W. E. McKillican, the pocket watch and two communion tokens.

A final observation I will pass on is that the surnames were all spelled with Mc. The Mac spelling was a later adaptation which never became consistent in families.

Historic Maxville

Do you remember when

— young men from the area went on the harvest excursion to the West every fall?

— a parade was quickly organized through the village on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1918?

— the young people used to ride or walk to the Literary Society meetings at St. Elmo?

— Willie Guindon slaughtered animals in the slaughter house in Hugh Benton's pasture field southwest of the present MacEwen grain elevators?

— there was no electricity or running water in the public school?

— the High School consisted of five forms and a staff of five teachers?

— the outdoor skating rink was northwest of the CNR Station and an Alexandria hockey player died as a result of an injury suffered during a game there?

— the George Wade orchestra was a real hit at the dances held in the newly opened Ferguson Hall?

— farmers hauled bags of oats in to the village's feed stores to have the oats ground as grist?

— Father Gauthier came to the school and gave us pencils?

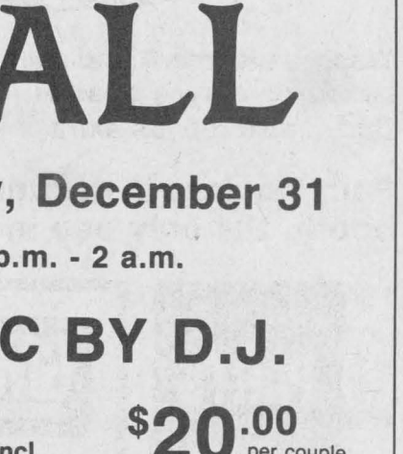
— the sidewalks were kept plowed by Levi and Oscar Lalonde and by Lawrence "Marbles" and Joe Currier during the winter but the streets were only open for sleigh traffic?

— hefty Miss Minnie Stewart kept order in her first class school room by threatening to sit on her students?

— Peter Munroe was chairman of the High School Board and Miss White would call upon him to help settle a discipline problem?

— about forty train pupils attended the high school from as far west as Carlsbad Springs and school hours were adjusted sometimes to fit in with the train schedule?

— there were regular Saturday night movies in the Institute Hall?



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East Hawkesbury in
Glen Sandfield — 7:30 p.m.
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Dalhousie Mills — 11:15 a.m.
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Births

MILNE — Jeff and Debbie (nee O'Connor) are pleased to announce the birth of Ronald James, 3 lbs. 14 ozs., on Thursday, December 12, 1991. Ronald James is the fourth grandchild for Madelyn Milne, Lancaster, and eighth grandchild for Archie and Mary O'Connor.

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Births

O'CONNOR — Danny and Ginette (nee Ouimet) are pleased to announce the birth of Sarah Megan, 5 lbs. 8 ozs., on Wednesday, November 20, 1991. Megan is the seventh grandchild for Archie and Mary O'Connor of Alexandria and fifth grandchild for Claude and Rita Ouimet of Cornwall.

Cards of Thanks

ROBERTSON — We would like to express our sincere thanks to our family, friends and neighbors who were so kind to us at the time of the recent loss of a dear husband, father and grandfather, Bill. We are grateful for the sympathy, flowers, masses and good support. Special thanks to the medical staff of Glengarry Memorial Hospital, Dr. Marleau and Rev. Denis Vaillancourt and Munro and Morris Funeral Home.
—Juliette and family. 52-1p

ARKINSTALL — I would like to thank my family and friends for cards, letters, visits and gifts; Rev. Wild, Rev. Frank and Felicia Bailey, Dr. Redda and nurses at the Hotel Dieu Hospital.
—Anna Mary Arkinstall. 52-1p

LAJOIE — The family of the late Edgar Lajoie sincerely wish to thank family and friends for expressions of sympathy, flowers and mass cards. Please consider this a personal thank you. 52-1p

PEAL — The family of Lillian Peal wishes to express their gratitude to Diane Morin director, Debbie Mondoux head nurse and the entire staff of Chateau Gardens, Lancaster. During her time there Lillian received the highest level of professional care provided with a personal and loving touch. This support given to Lillian and her family during her last illness merits our sincere and deeply felt thanks. 52-1p

OSBORNE — We give a heartfelt thank you to the organizers, people preparing meals and volunteer drivers of the "Lancaster Meals on Wheels." This service is excellent and greatly appreciated. We wish everyone involved a Merry Christmas, healthy and happy New Year.
—George and Margaret Osborne. 52-1p

BRUNET — The family of the late Emile Brunet sincerely wish to express heartfelt thanks to friends, neighbors and relatives for expressions of sympathy, flowers and charitable donations at the time of our recent loss. We also wish to express sincere thanks to the entire Chateau Gardens staff for the loving and compassionate care given to our late father.
—André, Micheline, Luc and Denyse. 52-1p

In Memoriam

GAUCHER — In loving memory of a dear son, Francis Ian Gaucher who passed away Dec. 29, 1989.
Your gentle face and pleasant smile
With sadness we recall,
You had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.
The voice is mute and stilled the heart
That loved us well and true,
Ah, bitter was the trial to part
From one so good as you.
You are not forgotten loved one,
Nor will you ever be,
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.
We miss you now, our hearts are sore
As time goes by we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can fill your vacant place.
—Always loved and remembered, Mom and Dad, Mike and Roger. 52-1p

MICHAUD — In loving memory of a dear husband, Bill, who passed away one year ago Dec. 29, 1990.
When evening shades are falling,
And I sit in quiet alone,
To my heart there comes a longing,
If he only could be home.
Friends may think I have forgotten,
When at times they see me smile
But they little know the heartache
My smiles hide all the while.
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BERIAULT — In loving memory of a dear mother and grandmother, Florida, who passed away December 23, 1977.
In our hearts your memory lingers,
Sweetly tender, fond and true,
There is not a day, dear mother and grandmother
That we do not think of you.
—Always remembered by the Beriault family. 52-1p

GUINDON — In loving memory of a dear father and grandfather, Andrew, who passed away November 12, 1987.
Farewell, dear father and grandfather, thy work is o'er,
Thy willing hands will toil no more,
A loving father, kind and true,
No one on earth we'll find like you.
—Always remembered by the Guindon family. 52-1p

PICKEN—In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather, Bertram Howard, who passed away eight years ago December 24, 1983.
Just when your life was brightest,
Just when your years were best,
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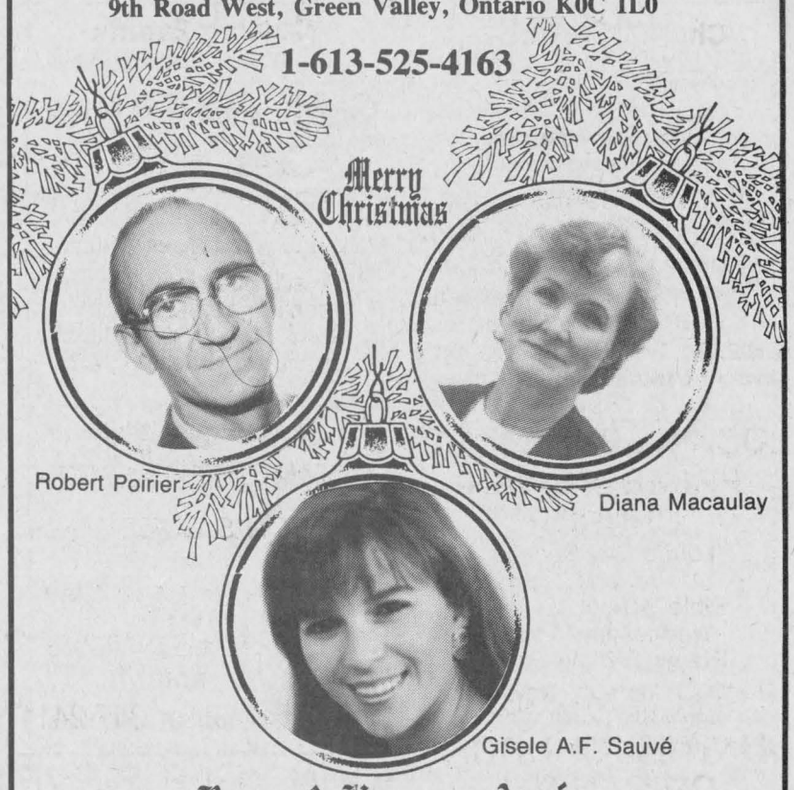

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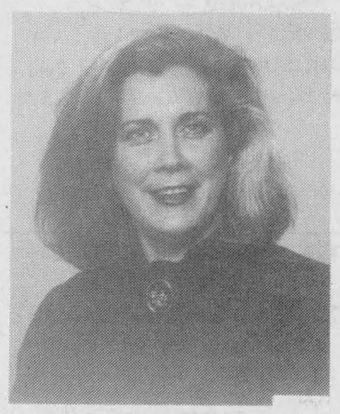

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Obituaries

Eugene Guy Bedard

Eugene Guy Bedard passed away at the Cornwall General Hospital on Tuesday, December 10, 1991 at the age of 58.

A resident at 251 Laframboise St., Cornwall, and formerly of Lancaster, Ont., Guy Bedard was the son of Mrs. Irene (Brosseau) Bedard, and the late Eugene Bedard.

He is survived by his wife the former Marjorie Upper and by Brian and his wife Roselyn, Cornwall, Dwayne and his wife Lisa, Burlington, Ont., Deborah, Mrs. Drew Foulds, Montgomery, Alabama, U.S.A., Susan, Mrs. Doug Perry, Kingston, Ont.; and by eight grandchildren.

Also surviving are six brothers and a sister. They are: George, Orleans, Ont., Leo, Ottawa, John, Kitchener, Fern, Chateauguay, Que., Marcel and Luke, both of Cornwall; Cecile, Mrs. George Proctor of Kitchener. Eight grandchildren mourn the loss of a loving grandfather.

He was predeceased by one brother Roger.

The Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on Thursday, December 12 at Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church, Cornwall by Rev. George Maloney of St. Peter's Parish, assisted by Rev. Kelvin Maloney, pastor of Blessed Sacrament.

Pallbearers were Lorni Wattie, Gary McGregor, Warner Watters, Ron Brunet, George Jodoin and Raymond Abraham.

Rheal Rene Cardinal

Rheal Rene Cardinal died December 7, 1991 at the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Cornwall. He was 79 years of age.

A native of Lochiel, Ont., and a resident of 2 Alice St., Cornwall, Mr. Cardinal was a son of the late Edmond Cardinal and Josephina Carriere. He was the founder of Cardinal Cheese.

He is survived by his wife Juliette Lacombe and by a son and four daughters: Claudette Cardinal (Luc Larochelle), St. Bruno, Que., Nicole Cardinal (Rene Hamel) of Montreal, Que., Carol Cardinal (Steve Wells) of Vancouver, B.C., Jean-Claude Cardinal (Aline Desrosiers) and Lise Cardinal, both of Cornwall. Six grandchildren and one great grandchild also mourn.

Also left to mourn his loss are two brothers, Edward and Paul-Emile Cardinal, both of Cornwall, and a sister Mrs. Germaine Clement of Alexandria.

Mr. Cardinal was predeceased by five brothers, Eudore, Edmond, Napoleon, Leonard and Romuald Cardinal and by four sisters, Mrs. Claudia Lanthier, Mrs. Edna Menard, Mrs. Simone Clement and Mrs. Marie-Louise Biard.

The funeral took place on December 10 at Nativity Co-Cathedral, Cornwall at 2 p.m. and the celebrant was Rev. Marcel Larouche. Burial was in St. Paul's Cemetery, Dalkeith.

The pallbearers were the Nativity Guards.

Edgar Lajoie

On December 12, 1991, Edgar Lajoie died at Glengarry Memorial Hospital. He was 78 years old.

Mr. Lajoie was a resident of Alexandria and was predeceased by his father and mother Armand and Rosina Lajoie.

He is survived by his wife Marguerite and by five sons and two daughters. They are: Claude, Fernande, Remi, Serge, Diane, Guy and Luc.

Also surviving are brothers Baptiste, George and Henri, nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

The funeral was held at 2 p.m. on Dec. 14 at Sacred Heart Church. Rev Roger Desrosiers and Rev. Raymond Dumoulin officiated. Burial was at Ste. Marie, Green Valley parish cemetery.

Pallbearers were six grandsons: Paul, Marc, Stephane, Michel, Guy Jr. and Alain.

Matthew Allan Noble

Matthew Allan Noble died peacefully at Maxville Manor on Dec. 12, 1991. He was 74 years of age.

Matthew lived most of his life working in the area around his home at Milles Isles, Que. In 1979 he moved to Ontario and in 1982 became a resident of Maxville Manor. Mr. Noble was a victim of Alzheimer's Disease.

He is survived by one sister Lucy (Roy) Sinclair, Toronto, one brother Albert, Ottawa, one sister-in-law Iris, and by several nieces and nephews: Diane (Bill) Ashby, Calgary, Douglas (Fran) Barrie, Virginia (Don) McLeod, Pickering, Raymond (Debbie) Ottawa, and Howard (Phyllis) Dalkeith.

He was predeceased by two sisters Hazel and Myrtle (Draper) and by one brother Victor (Iris).

The funeral was held at 2 p.m., Monday, Dec. 16, at Milles Isles Anglican Church. Rev. Michael Robson officiated.

Marie Ida Pilon

Marie Ida Pilon died on Dec. 8, 1991 at Hotel Dieu Hospital, Cornwall. She was 84 years old.

Born in St. Raphael's, Mrs. Pilon was the daughter of the late Henri Beaupré and the late Georgina André. She is predeceased by her husband Eugene Pilon. Mrs. Pilon was a resident of Greenfield for most of her life.

She is survived by nine sons and four daughters. They are: Arthur Pilon and Muriel Philipps, both of Alexandria, Edgar Pilon of Chateauguay, Que., Rene Pilon of Marmora, Conrad Pilon of Port Perry, Fernand Pilon of Dorion, Que., Lionel of Ile Bizard, Que, Denis Pilon of Wendover, Ont., Yvette (Mrs. Lorenzo Dicaire) of Apple Hill, Alcide and Philip Pilon, Denise (Mrs. Fernand Ouimet) and Mrs. Anita Lavigne, all of Cornwall. Also surviving are 59 grandchildren and many great grandchildren.

Mrs. Pilon is the sister of Mrs. Marie Joanette of Kapuskasing, Alice (Mrs. Eugene Dion) and Helene (Mrs. Alex Dore) both of Cornwall.

She was predeceased by a brother Eldege Beaupré and a sister Mrs. Yvonne Derepentigny.

The funeral service was held Dec. 11 at 2 p.m. at Ste. Thérèse de Lisieux Church. Rev. Rene Dube of Nativity Co-Cathedral officiated assisted by Rev. Charles Emile Claude. Burial was in Notre Dame Cemetery.

Honorary guards were: Ken Pilon and André Pilon. Pallbearers were grandchildren, Alain, Dominique, David, Gerard and Gerald Pilon and Germain Dicaire.

Loretta Valade

Mrs. Loretta Valade passed away at the Hotel Dieu Hospital, Cornwall, on Monday, December 16, 1991. She was 85 years of age.

She was a graduate of the Registered Nursing Program at French Hospital, New York, a member of the Catholic Women's League of St. Andrews Roman Catholic Church, and was formerly of St. Andrews West. She was a native of Lancaster and was until her retirement a nurse at Hotel Dieu Hospital, Cornwall, Macdonell Memorial Hospital, Cornwall General Hospital, and also an industrial nurse for Courtaulds Canada Limited.

Mrs. Valade was a daughter of the late Thomas Fraser and the late Ellen Roell. She was predeceased by husband Archie Valade.

She is survived by five nieces and a nephew.

She was predeceased by brothers John, Thomas and Vincent and sisters Mrs. Ruth DiRienzo and Mrs. Mary Salvatore.

The Mass of Resurrection was celebrated by Rev. Charles MacDonald, pastor at St. Andrews Church, St. Andrews West at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 18. The Catholic Women's League of St. Andrew's Parish formed an honor guard at the funeral.

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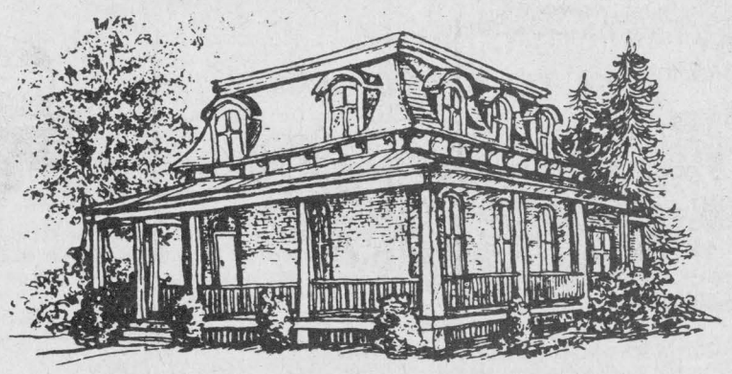

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At this point in time, my Christmas gift to everyone who reads this column is a five minute break. Sit down in your favorite spot with something or someone you enjoy and just relax for a few minutes. The world will still turn but you will feel like a new person after that brief respite. Season's Greetings.

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A Christmas Eve Candlelight service will be held in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, South Lancaster on Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 8 p.m. The Young People of St. Andrew's will conduct the service and music will be provided by an ecumenical choir. Following the service, a fellowship hour will be held in the church hall. Everyone is welcome.

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A joint Christmas Eve service for St. Lawrence Pastoral Charge will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 24 at 8 p.m. in Knox Church, Lancaster. Everyone is welcome.

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Enjoy bringing in the New Year at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 544 Lancaster on Tuesday, Dec. 31 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music by Bruno and Nicole, hot and cold buffet and party favors are included in the price of $12.50 per person. For more information, call 347-3286 or purchase your tickets at the Legion bar.

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The Lancaster Brownies held their Christmas party on Thursday, Dec. 12. Four new Brownies were enrolled. The Brownies and their parents made up a Christmas hamper for a local family. * * *

Best wishes for a speedy recovery are sent to Earl MacGregor of Bainsville. Mr. MacGregor is currently a patient in Cornwall General Hospital. * * *

Knights of Columbus No. 8715 Lancaster are pleased to announce the winners of their recently held draw. Winner of $1,000 was Roger Claude of North Lancaster. Second prize winner of $300 was Bernie Brunette of Cornwall. Third prize winner of $200 was Jean Poirier of Lancaster. Congratulations to all.

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The St. Andrew's Presbyterian Women held their Christmas meeting on Dec. 11 at the home of Guelda MacRae with 31 members in attendance. The president, Audrey Pasco, welcomed everyone, particularly a guest and past member, Mrs. Ella Smith of Ottawa. Devotions were led by Rev. Ian MacMillan in the form of a Christmas service and involving members in a responsive reading entitled "In the beginning was the word," scripture readings, singing of carols and in prayer. During the business meeting, the president thanked everyone for their generous support, time and efforts contributed in various activities which resulted in a very successful year. She thanked the members who have accepted office for the coming year. Past President — Elizabeth Ferguson; President — Audrey Pasco; First Vice-President — Doris Jonasson; Second Vice-President — Sheila Wilcock; Secretary — Peg Ferguson; Treasurer — Guelda MacRae; Convenors — Aggie Petrie (Project Committee), Peg Ferguson (Bazaar Committee), Elizabeth Ferguson (Mission Study), Edna MacDonald (Telephone calling), Elinor Waters (Kitchen Supplies), Kathleen McBain (Friendship), Millie Mitchell (Glad Tidings), Guelda MacRae (Flowers) and Elizabeth Ferguson (Coffee Fellowship). Arrangements were made for Christmas visits to several members who are confined to their homes or who are in nursing homes. A gift of $200 will be sent to the Presbyterian World Service and Development as a contribution toward the Nicaragua Housing Project. The group will also host a fellowship hour following the Christmas Eve Service. At the conclusion of the business, "secret friends" were revealed and gifts exchanged. Thanks is extended to all who have attended and supported the group's activities during the year and, in particular, the Christmas Luncheon and Bazaar. Everyone's generosity is greatly appreciated. Best wishes to all for a happy holiday season.

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Jolly 50's Club held an open euchre on Dec. 16 and the winners were as follows: Ladies high — Annette Chretien, second — Florida Legroulx and low — Edna Edmunds. Men's high — John Krol, second — Albert MacDonald and low — Lorne Bennett. The door prize was won by Maurice Chretien. Fifty-fifty winners were Janet Johnson, Hector Leblanc, Henrica Wetering, Laura Leroux and Dorothy Roy. Winner of the turkey donated by Mario Kraska was John Krol. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year is extended to all and the group looks forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, Jan. 7 at 1:30 p.m. at Smithsfield Hall in Lancaster.

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The following are results of play in the Legion Darts League for the week of Dec. 11. First place team — H. Linton (54 pts.), second place — L. MacDonald (48 pts.) and third place — a tie between A. Vokins and M. St. Pierre (41 pts.). Ladies high score starred B. St. Pierre with 102. Ladies most finishes was a tie between C. Blackadder and B. Robinson, each with three. Men's high score was a tie between H. Linton and M. St. Pierre, each with four.

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The following is a verbal tribute to Mabel (Dunlop) Mossop, who recently passed away. It was compiled by her long-time friend, Mrs. Mary C. (Macintyre) Harris. "In the recent death of Mrs. Mabel (Dunlop) Mossop, South Lancaster lost its oldest resident and reliable historian. Born in South Lancaster, Mrs. Mossop died within four months of her 99th birthday. Educated in Lancaster and Williamstown schools, Mrs. Mossop obtained her teaching certificate from Normal School in Ottawa and taught for a time in Lancaster. Marriage to Air-Commodore N. F. Mossop took Mrs. Mossop far from Glengarry to Air Force bases in England, Winnipeg, Halifax and Ottawa, before eventual retirement with her husband to South Lancaster. Not only by correspondence, but in the best Scottish oral tradition as a teller of tales, Mabel with her keen memory attracted queries from relatives seeking genealogical information; from former Glengarrians wishing to know more about the childhood of their parents and grandparents; from writers researching authentic Glengarry stories. The opportunity to put all this accumulated knowledge of Glengarry into historical perspective came on the occasion of South Lancaster's Bicentennial in June 1984. Concerned with the seeming lethargy in organizing the 200th birthday celebrations in the area, Mrs. Mossop awakened residents and made them aware of their heritage and their history with a series of articles to *The Glengarry News*. The response resulted in a day-long celebration of the arrival of the United Empire Loyalists on the shores of Lake St. Francis, only yards away from the Dunlop lifetime family home. The passing of Mrs. Mossop is the end of an era in which we could, through her many reminiscences, bridge the gap between the past and the present. Thank you, Mabel!

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December birthday celebrants at Creg Quay are Madelaine Leger (Dec. 8), Dorothy Babich (Dec. 16), Hazel Barlow (Dec. 20), Helen Pratt (Dec. 22) and Jacqueline Bellevue (Dec. 30). Best wishes to all of you.

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Council backtracks on cost-cutting

Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry County Council has partially reversed a decision to downsize its representation on committees and boards.

Council Clerk-Treasurer Raymond Lapointe said members had originally planned to cut 15 positions on the county council's own internal committees and outside boards.

It decided on Monday, Dec. 16, to only cut eight positions, retaining representation on seven other boards which operate organizations that the counties provide funding for.

Only county council's internal committees and representation on one outside board were affected in the cuts.

The advisory roads committee was cut from seven to six members; the social service advisory committee from seven to six; agriculture, reforestation and planning committee from six to five; and the Seaway Valley Tourists Council from six to one.

Representation will be maintained at the board of the Glengarry Memorial Hospital, the Winchester Memorial Hospital, the Hotel Dieu Hospital, the Cornwall General Hospital, the Maxville Manor, the District Health Council and the Family Resource Centre.

The original cut of 15 members was expected to save counties council $15,000 to $20,000 annually. Lapointe was not certain how much money would be saved with only eight members cut.

Lapointe said council members and Alexandria Reeve Bruno Massie spearheaded the motion.

Massie said representation is needed on those boards to ensure that any money the council provides them is spent properly.

The Maxville Manor and the Winchester Memorial Hospital will be receiving $1 million dollars each from the counties, to be spent over a five-year period.

"We can't just give money away and let them do what they want with it," Massie said. "If we're going to be liable for any loss, we should have a say on how operations should be done."

Maurice Montpetit, the deputy reeve of Lochiel, was appointed to the Maxville Manor management committee.

He said it's important to scrutinize how public money is spent.

"I'll do my best to make sure the money is spent properly-- for sure," he said.

Council member and Alexandria Deputy Reeve Jacques Joly said that even though no money was pledged to the other five boards, representation should exist.

"They'll probably need some more money in the future," he said.

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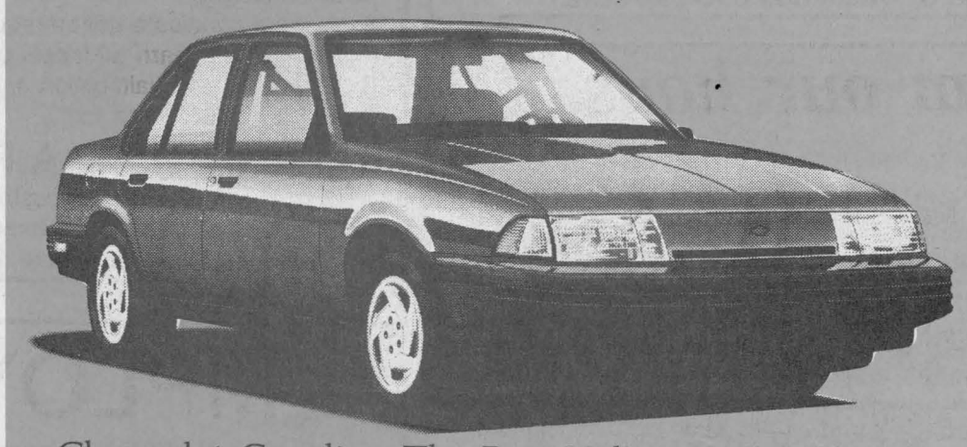

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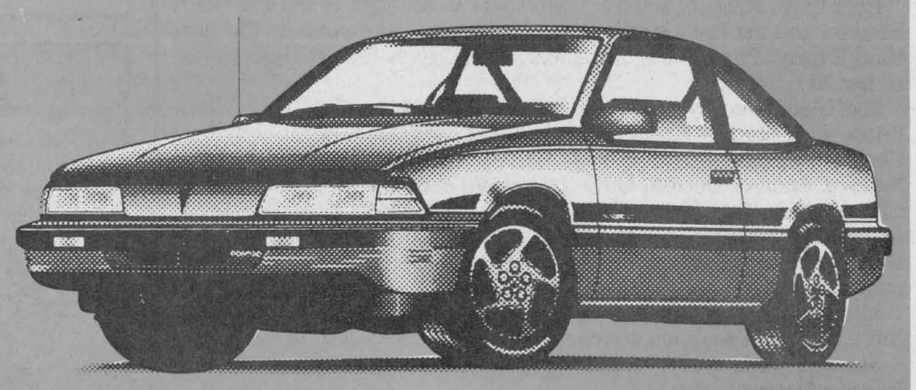

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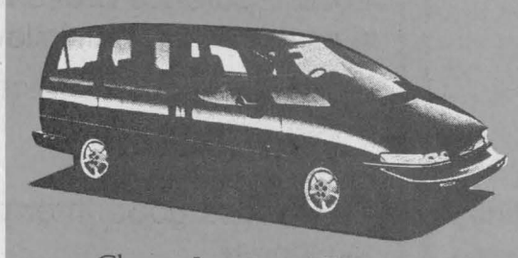

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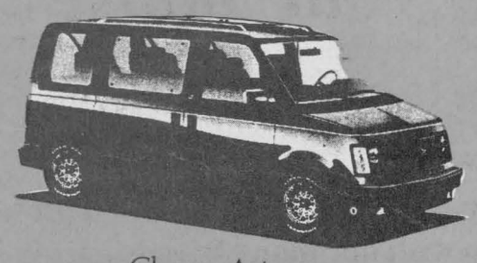

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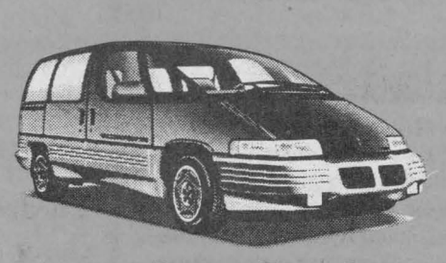

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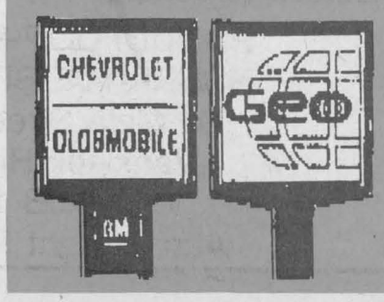

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1991 is done: A look back at county sports

JANUARY

The race for first in the EOJBHL St.Lawrence Division heats up as three teams; Winchester, Kemptville and Alexandria are tied for first place with 39 points.

The Alexandria Knights of Colombus Novice Glens reach the final of a minor hockey tournament in Renfrew before losing 5-1 to East Ottawa in the final.

In ladies sponge puck, M and D picks up its first win of the season, after 14 straight losses, by defeating Maxville 2-1. Julie Girard gets the game-winner with 3:47 left in the third period.

Char-Lan's Mathieu Germain scores twice to lead the St.Lawrence to a 5-3 over the Rideau Division in the Eastern Ontario Junior B Hockey League all- star game.

FEBRUARY

Stuart MacDonald scores seven goals in a 9-4 Glen Nevis victory over Williamstown in Border League hockey action.

Alexandria Glens wrap up St. Lawrence Division regular season championship with a 6-5 win over Winchester and a 20-2 rout of the Char-Lan Rebels. Char-Lan finishes in fifth and out of the playoffs for the first time in team history.

The Char-Lan Atom Rebels win a minor hockey tournament in Canton, N.Y. with a 4-1 win over the host club in the ''A'' final. Stephane Loyer scores twice for the Rebs.

The Char-Lan Crusaders junior girls volleyball team wins its second consecutive SDG ''A'' title with a 15-12, 15-9 and 15-6 win over General Vanier in the counties final.

MARCH

Glengarry loses one of its great sportsmen when Billy Gebbie suffers a fatal heart attack at age 44. As a long-time volunteer with minor and junior hockey in Alexandria, Gebbie is later appropriately honored by having the arena at the Glengarry Sports Palace named after him.

The Brodie Bombers fail to win the Dalkeith Outdoor Broomball League title for the first time in eight years when they lose 7-1 to Maxville Farm Machinery in game three of the finals. On the other hand, Maxville loses the SD&G No-contact Broomball League title to Fontaine Construction.

The Glens survive a major scare in their St.Lawrence Division semi-final encounter with Morrisburg, eventually escaping with a 4-3 series win. Kemptville is next to fall.

Ernie's Cement Works wins Alexandria and District Industrial Hockey League championship with a sweep of best-of-three final vs. Brown House. Ernie's wins final game 10-1.

APRIL

Alexandria Glens' season comes to an end when the team is ousted by the Westport Rideaus in Eastern Ontario Junior B Hockey League conference final. Rideaus took the series in six games.

Glengarry Kinsmen win the Border League hockey final over Lancaster. Leo Seguin scores six goals in the clinching game.

Tapis Richard wins the Ladies Sponge Puck League flag with a series sweep of Art Benton. The final game was quite close however, going into double overtime until Cheryl Rigby decided matters with the title-winning goal.

The Glengarry Stars win their second Char-Lan indoor soccer title by shutting out Cornwall F.I.S.T. 3-0. Stars win the total goals series 5-2.

MAY

Peter DeRooy announces that he's leaving the head coaching job with the Alexandria Glens to take a similar position with the Winchester Hawks.

The Glengarry junior girls soccer team takes the SDG title with a 3-2 victory over the St.Lawrence Saints. Wendi Lawson, Jenny Lowe and Nancy MacLeod tally for the Gaels. Glengarry later adds the EOSSA title to its resumé.

Two local athletes, Suzanne Glaude of Glengarry and Karen Arnott of Char-Lan qualify for the high school track provincial championships in Sudbury. Glaude qualifies in the long jump event while Arnott makes the cut in long jump and triple jump.

Two-time defending league champs Champions Roadhouse fold before the start of the Alexandria Mens Ball Hockey League season. The squad is forced to pack it in after losing a number of players.

JUNE

Alexandria race car driver Laurent Ladouceur is named Glengarry's top athlete at the Alexandria Lions Club Sports Award Dinner. Martintown's Karen Arnott is named top female athlete.

Four local players, Nygel Pelletier, Norm Decoste, Rob Curran and Patrick Campeau are selected in the Central Hockey League Junior A Tier II draft.

Gordon Moat of Chesterville establishes a course record in winning the eight-kilometre Frog Hollow Fun Run.

Laggan's soccer teams win five of the six divisions at the Gerald MacDonald Memorial tourney. Alexandria ''B'' sneaks in a win in the junior girls division.

JULY

Former Glens assistant and Chesterville Flyers head coach Kirk Anderson named as new bench boss of the Junior B Alexandria Glens.

Many local competitors shine as the provincial canoe championships are held on Alexandria's Mill Pond. Gold, silver and bronze flow freely for Glengarry's guys and gals as they distinguish themselves amongst a field of over 100 of the province's top canoeists.

Jean-François Menard finishes in second in the 7-8 age group at the provincial Hit, Run and Throw competition.

Abattoir North Lancaster and Chico and Jo Trophies record surprising first game victories over top teams Honda and Tapis Richard in their men's softball semi-final match-ups. Upsets in the making? Nah, both teams would eventuall rally to win the best-of-three encounters.

AUGUST

Harvey Barkauskas of London wins his sixth title at the Canadian Scottish Games Heavyweight Event Championships at the Maxville Highland Games. He's the first 40-something athlete to ever take the title.

Warren Trask sets a world record in the sheaf toss at the Games with a 33-foot plus heave. In the spirit of the GST, the Canadian record remains intact because the sheaf touched the bar on the way over.

Roy's Express wins the Alexandria Men's Ball Hockey Championship with a sweep in their final vs. Jake at Work.

Andy Meth of Glen Nevis breaks a long-standing Glengarry Soccer League record when he nets his 34th goal of the season. The tally surpasses J. T. Hay's mark for the single-season scoring record.

SEPTEMBER

Glen Nevis repeats as GSL men's senior champions with a series win over Greenfield Marauders. Laggan wins the ladies' crown in a five-game thriller with Alexandria ''B.''

Champions Roadhouse wins the Alexandria men's slo-pitch title by upsetting Alexandria Honda. Caisse Populaire wins again in ladies play, defeating IGA.

J. T. Hay, Bruno Major, Billy Gebbie, Sylvia Kirkey, Adrien Andre and Barbara Cameron are inducted in to the Glengarry Sports Hall of Fame.

Tapis Richard wins the ladies' ball hockey championship with a nail-biting five game series victory over Pedro's. The series featured four shutouts.

OCTOBER

The Glengarry Gaels take both the senior and junior boys regular season SDG soccer championships, but Char-Lan upsets the seniors to win the post-season crown. The Gaels do prevail in the junior playoffs.

High school football, in the form of the Cornwall Optimist Wildcats, returns to Glengarry. The 'Cats, laden with many local players, win easily over Brockville at Glengarry field.

King's Whitewashing wins its first ever game in SD&G No-contact Broomball League play. The two-year old team defeats Glengarry Insulation for its virgin victory.

The Char-Lan senior girls basketball team wins its 30th straight SDG game with a 58-37 win over St. Lawrence Saints. The streak represents almost three full seasons.

NOVEMBER

Peter DeRooy's Winchester Hawks rally for a 7-6 win over Alexandria in an emotional Eastern Ontario Junior B Hockey League game. The contest represents DeRooy's first game in Alexandria since quitting as Glens' coach.

The senior Crusaders and junior Gaels both are

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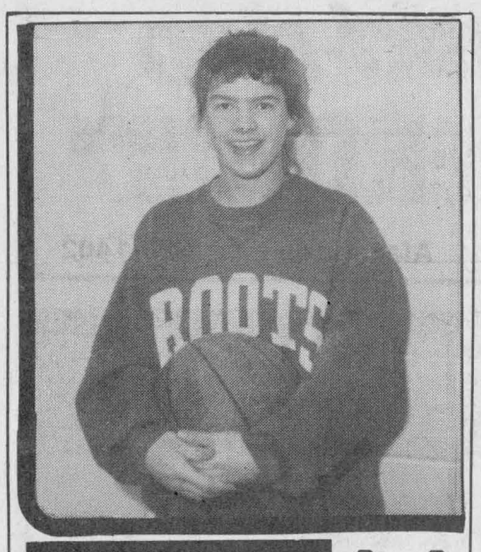

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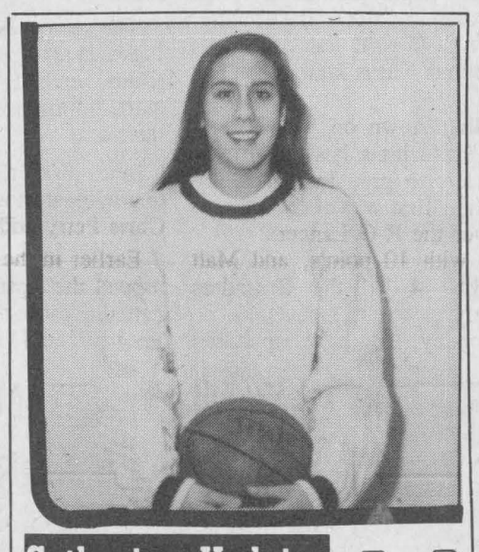

Catherine Hodgins 44
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Karen Arnott 13
CRUSADERS

Editor's Note: Instead of just one Glengarry Sports Personality of the Year, we've chosen five.

We've given the nod to a quintet of girls, the Char-Lan Crusaders senior starters, that brought six counties titles and two EOSSAA championships to a small country school.

While this award dwells on the girls' basketball talent, their all-round athletic abilities have made them valuable players on several Crusader teams.

It is in basketball that they achieved the most however, and the News has asked them a few questions about the last five years of hoop-la

Here, in their own words, are some of their thoughts about themselves, about their coach, about their school and about each other.

J. L. Lefebvre

Cheryl

Favorite basketball memory: ''The moment I cherish and remember clearly happened this year. I stuffed a girl from VCI. It was a neat feeling.''

About media attention: ''I know we receive a lot and it's nice to get credit for our hard-earned accomplishments. I think we're lucky enough to be in a small-sized community to receive the amount of publicity we do. I think we'd feel very good about our years without it. It's a nice extra.''

As seen by a teammate (Karen Arnott): ''I'll give you the tall and the short of it. I think Cheryl is a super player. For starters she is an amazing defenceman (she averages about five steals a game). She has such a quick start, it totally takes the opponents by surprise. Her nickname 'Speedy' says it pretty well. She is a great dribbler; not only can she go around the other team with ease, she can go under them as well. And to top it off, she consistently shoots over six-foot girls like myself and never ever misses. She doesn't even have to look. (Actually she can't because she's not quite tall enough to see the basket — just kidding).''

On basketball at Char-Lan: ''Basketball has a major role because I've been lucky enough to be part of a team that has potential. We're always setting goals and doing our best to reach them. It has taught me to focus and work to succeed.

On the success of the Fab Five: ''Well, the more time you spend with a team, the better team you become. We're five good friends, on the court and off the court. We've had lots of years learning how we each play and how to play together. We're there for each other without saying it. Something pretty unique happens when we are determined to win. Everything falls into place.''

Other interests: ''Actually, I really enjoy soccer. Since my height will restrict me from a big future in basketball (No kidding!) I'd like to try for university soccer and later on coach little league teams. I think that coaching midget girls basketball and volleyball the last few years has been great because I've gotten to know the younger Char-Lan generation and shared some pretty neat moments.''

On the future: ''I'm going to stay very active if at all possible. I love my extracurricular activities. I hope to learn about the business side of the sports world. That's my career thoughts for now. They'll probably change.''

Sharon

Favorite basketball memory: ''Winning EOSSAA on our home court last year, beating VCI twice in one year and winning EOSSAA this year.''

On Coach Francis: ''Mr. Francis has sacrificed so much of his time to our basketball team that he can't be thanked enough. He works hard for us and we try to repay him by doing our best on and off the court. He's been a super coach and a terrific person for the whole team.''

As seen by a teammate (Catherine Hodgins): ''Sharon is not only a teammate but a friend. She's the best defensive player I know. There's nothing that's going to get by her and if by chance someone does she always gets her revenge.''

On basketball at Char-Lan: ''Basketball has motivated me to want to become a good athlete as well as a good student. Basketball has made my five years of high school a lot more pleasurable than I think they would have been if I were not on the team.''

On the success of the Fab Five: ''I think the five of us have all been blessed with natural basketball talent. With the right coaching, some good competition and our own desire to become the best, we have become as good as we are.''

Other interests: ''I must admit I am a real sports fan. Besides playing, I love to watch sports on TV or read about them.''

On the future: ''My biggest ambition after this year's basketball season is to get into university and hopefully become a member of the varsity basketball team. After university I hope to become a constable for the OPP or the RCMP.''

Postscript: ''I just wanted to say to Catherine, Julie, Cheryl and Karen that I've enjoyed very much playing basketball with you. You are all terrific people and excellent players. I will always remember my high school basketball team because of you four. Thanks!''

Julie

Favorite basketball memory: ''I would have to say my favorite moment would be last year's OFSAA. There were about two minutes left in the game and we were behind. Karen was out of the game with a knee injury. There was nothing we wanted more than to win that game. Cheryl went down and scored three baskets in a row to put us within six points. If only we could have had one more minute but the game was over and so was our season.''

About media attention: ''Every night I go to the paper and check out the sports section. It feels so good to get a write-up in the paper about your team, who scored, who played well, some of the exciting moments. Like most people say 'It's easy to get to the top but hard to stay there.' I feel as if there were a lot of people that would have liked to have seen an upset but I'm glad we disappointed them.''

On Coach Francis: ''Mr. Francis was not only our coach or teacher but also our friend. Mr. Francis was always open to new ideas. If Karen had a drill or play that she thought could work Mr. Francis stood back and listened. I feel he has learned a great deal from us also. We will never forget him.''

As seen by a teammate (Cheryl Proctor): ''Julie Mac is a team player. She'd never yell at a teammate, complains little and always has a positive comment when we have group huddles. She is always into the game and takes each chance of defending or heading to the basket. She sees a fight and if there's a chance she can do something to help she'll do it and win.''

On basketball at Char-Lan: ''Basketball has been a great part of high school. It takes a great deal of time, dedication and hard work to be successful on the basketball court. I know now that that's how life also works. I will never forget my basketball years at Char-Lan. I'm certain those years will be five of my best.''

Other interests: ''My other interests are: other sports such as soccer, volleyball, badminton, skiing. School politics — I'm president of student council. (School doesn't seem to fit into my schedule).''

On the future: ''Hopefully the future holds a university degree. I would extremely enjoy working in biology or geography and studying environmental issues and hopefully someday teach. I would also enjoy coaching a high school team whether it be basketball, soccer or volleyball.''

Catherine

Favorite basketball memory: ''My favorite memory was when we finally beat VCI at Rothwell. It was something we all wanted more than anything.''

On media attention: ''I think the attention we received these past years has been great and has done wonders to help our school become known. We were a good team with a lot of desire and determination.''

On Coach Francis: ''Mr. Francis has been great. From midget he has coached me. I don't think there would have been as many tournaments or practices if we would have had a different coach. Mr. Francis did anything for us. I am going to miss him. Someone made a big mistake when they let him leave Char-Lan.''

As seen by a teammate (Julie MacDonald): ''Catherine is not only my best friend but she is also a great teammate. She's an awesome shooter. When we need a little boost, leave it to Catherine to hit a great outside shot. I can always count on Catherine for anything. She always seems to know what goes on in my head. I don't know if that's good or bad. Without Catherine and her positive attitude, we would not have been successful.''

On basketball at Char-Lan: ''Basketball has been my main activity at Char-Lan along with soccer. It's not more important than any other thing in my high school, it just seems that way because of all our press coverage.''

On the success of the Fab Five: ''Experience. We've played together for five years. We all think the same. For example, we hardly ever say switch or help (on defence), it's usually just there. And we're all good friends.''

Other interests: ''Soccer. We promised Mr. MacLachlan that we'd win the SDG title for him before we left. We screwed it up last year. Also, reading and spending time with my friends.''

On the future: ''Well, hopefully university. I'm not quite certain but I think I'm going to major in history and apply for teacher's college afterwards. As for basketball, I really don't think so. I won't want to play with anybody else. I'll sure miss the senior girls basketball team from Char-Lan though.''

Karen

Favorite basketball memory: ''My favorite memories from the last five years are when our team is down with only seconds to go and we pull together as a team and manage to come out on top.''

On media attention: ''The attention our team gets is great because we work hard and it's sort of a reward for a job well done.''

On Coach Francis: ''Mr. Francis puts a lot of time into our team. Not only is he there for us on the court but off the court as well. He really cares about all of us and that makes us work hard to live up to his expectations. He is a super person and we couldn't have asked for a better coach.''

As seen by a teammate (Sharon Huizinga): ''I've gone to school with Karen since Grade 1 and I think she's been one of the biggest reasons why I am where I am in basketball. She has so much natural talent that she has inspired me to try and be as good as I could be in all sports. Karen is a great athlete and a great person to know. I've been very fortunate to have known her for as long as I have.''

On basketball at Char-Lan: ''I have played basketball since day one of high school. The team part of playing let me meet new friends which over the years I have become very close to. Mr. Francis has taught us good things that will last forever. As well, it allows me to achieve personal goals and therefore be a very satisfied person.''

On the success of the Fab Five: ''Everybody contributes so much in their own way. If anyone was missing, there would be a big hole that probably couldn't be filled. We have played together for three years and we don't even have to tell each other what we are thinking or what we're about to do. We just know.''

Other interests: ''I really enjoy anything that presents a challenge or is just plain fun. I love dancing (tap and highland), riding, volleyball, badminton, track, skiing and just about any sport there is.''

On the future: ''What my future holds is unknown. I would like to become a teacher and be the best that I can in whatever I set out to do.''

Filling out Glengarry's wish lists



J.L. Lefebvre
Sports editor

It seems that Old St.Nick has a problem this year; he's too busy to fill out everybody's want list.

I got a call from Kris Kringle the other day and he said: "Johnny, I just can't handle the load, can you help me out? Now I know everything about dolls from Burping Betty to Real Tears Rhonda but I must admit I've always been a little in the dark when it comes to giving presents to sporting types.

"So how about it? Find out who's been naughty or nice in your coverage area and give them an appropriate gift."

Well, needless to say I couldn't turn the old guy down. So here it is; a Yuletide list of who should get what. Management does not take responsibilty for gifts that arrive late or that never arrive at all.

For LC Electric of the Ladies Sponge Puck League; A victory. It doesn't have to be against a good team even. Even a forfeit will suffice.

For Kinsmen Border League teams; the phone number for Rent-a-Goalie.

For Decoste Welding winger Michel Lefebvre; a new, non-Petr Klima type helmet.

For the Alexandria Glens; a win at the Boxing Day tournament, preferably over Brockville in the final. Also, a real logo.

For Glens coach Kirk Anderson; an apartment in Alexandria.

For Alexandria blue-liner Stephan (Gillis) Nadeau; a dartboard.

For the Char-Lan Rebels; a playoff spot in the St.Lawrence Division. For that, they'll also need a second gift, a couple hundred "Get out of the penalty box for free" vouchers.

For Rebs bench boss Randy Larocque; a rookie card of former Bruins Gregg Sheppard, Don Marcotte, Dallas Smith and Dick Redmond. He's one of the few people who'd appreciate them and besides Bobby Orr is a little out of my price range.

For an unnamed member of the Rebels club; a water-bottle launcher with hair-line sights.

For Alexandria's Marc Deschamps and Char-Lan's Derek Duchesne; a goal. An empty-netter, a deflection, any type of goal to erase the 0 under the "G" will do. With the possible exception of an own goal.

For Gianluca Schivo and Luca Tessari; public address announcements at the Charlottenburgh Recreational Centre in their mother tongue as well as English.

For Dalton Amell; Italian lessons.

For the Char-Lan and Glengarry high school gyms; clocks that stop at 2:59 so that students attending sporting events don't realize that the school day is over and that it's time to go home.

For the Gaels, Crusaders and Warriors; continued strong performances against their big city SDG rivals. Especially CCVS.

For Wendi Lawson of Glengarry; an injury and illness-free 1992.

For departing Char-Lan coach Irv Francis; new basketball coaching challenges at Seaway.

For soft-spoken Char-Lan coach Mona Leblanc; a megaphone to call out instructions to her team on the court.

For somewhat more verbose Tagwi coach Larry Poirier; anything but a megaphone. Maybe an SDG basketball rule change that allows coaches to wander on the court.

For all Tagwi athletes; hearing tests.

For Dave MacDonald of Glengarry and Karen Arnott of Char-Lan; an about-face by the CIAU that will allow the granting of athletic scholarships to Canadian schools and let our best athletes stay north of the border.

For Cheryl Proctor; a whole year without any height jokes. Besides if they measured enthusiasm and effervescence instead of stature Speedy would be at least a seven-footer.

For Colette Lavigne and Brian Gilmour; another SDG junior volleyball championship for their respective schools.

For every statistician in Glengarry County; lessons from Dan Menard in how to keep nice, clean, legible scoresheets.

For soccer fans in the area; all-Glengarry finals in the SDG boys and girls, senior and junior championships.

For Glen Nevis' foes in the Glengarry Soccer League; a measure of parity in the men's division.

For the GSL ladies' division, an exciting final encounter equal to last year's match-up between eventual champs Laggan and Alexandria "B" (minus the controversy).

For Glengarry's teams in the Cornwall Indoor Soccer League; league titles in both the men's and ladies' divisions (Bet on Kirk Hill and Priest's Mill).

For Todd Hambleton; a trip to Seattle, Washington in May to cover the Cornwall Royals quest for the Memorial Cup.

For various local athletes; nicknames in the Chris Berman tradition of playing on the athletes last name (e.g. Brian (Snap, Crackle and) Propp or Steve (Sight for Sore) Yzerman). Possibilities include Terry (Broken) Hart, Greg Wiley (Coyote), Karen (Ready) Arnott, Marc Hammond (Eggs), Bobby (Super) Bowles, John (Lolly) Poapst, Renata (Static) Clingen, Randy Larocque (and Roll), David (Knock on) Wood and Tony (Orange-flavored) Tang.

For everyone else; a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Jean Lefebvre and the rest of the *Glengarry News* sports staff.

Splits close '91 portion of hoop sked

The Tagwi Warriors and Glengarry Gaels basketball teams each took a game home from a doubleheader played in Avonmore last Tuesday.

The junior Gaels upped their record to 3-1 with a close 49-46 win over the 0-4 Warriors.

Scott McPherson again led Glengarry in scoring with 15 points, followed closely by Malcolm MacPherson's 14.

For Tagwi, Brian Johns was top scorer with 14 points.

Dean Canham led the senior Warriors to a 34-30 win over the Gaels. Canham netted 22 points while Rod McKillican (eight) and John Wood (six) handled the rest of the scoring.

Dave MacDonald led the Gaels with 11 points. Chris McPherson had eight.

In Williamstown on Wednesday, Richard Irwin hit a basket with 12 seconds left to give the Char-Lan juniors their first win of the season, 39-37 over the R-O Lancers.

Irwin, with 10 points, and Matt Grey with 14 led the Crusaders offensively.

On Monday, Neil Emberg scored 11 but Char-Lan lost 32-27 to Seaway.

The seniors are now 2-2 after losing a heart-breaker to R-O 42-41. Char-Lan had rallied from a poor start, falling behind 13-2 in the first quarter.

Innes Fraser cued the comeback that fell just short, scoring 15 points. Chris Petry added nine.

Earlier in the week the Crusaders topped the Spartans 45-30 as Petry netted a game-high 17 points. Steve Proctor had 14.

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eliminated in the finals of soccer EOSSAA. The junior loss was especially heart-breaking, coming 1-0 on home turf.

The Tagwi Warriors win the SDG "A" boys volleyball crown with a home-court victory over the General Vanier Vikings. Tagwi wins in a five-set marathon.

Char-Lan takes a couple of SDG championships with easy wins in the tri-counties girls basketball finals. The senior Crusaders win their second consecutive EOSSAA championship a week later.

DECEMBER

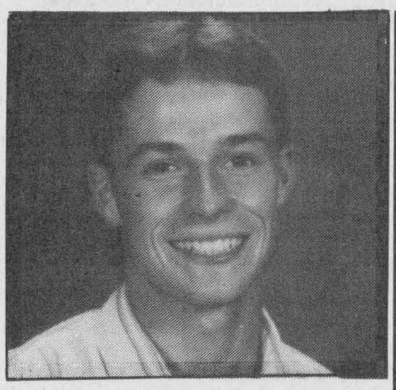
After a so-so start, the Alexandria Glens are in high gear, and have first place in their sights. The Glens are also preparing to host the Junior B Boxing Day tournament.

Suzanne Glaude takes first place overall at a regional qualifying gymnastics meet in Nepean. Glaude has two firsts and two seconds in the meet's four events.

Crusaders senior girls basketball starters named as co-winners of the *Glengarry News* inaugural Sports Personality of the Year award.

SPORTS CALENDAR

SPORTS PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK



Martintown's Robert Curran is proving a lot of people wrong. Considered too small by some scouts to play Junior A hockey, the Char-Lan student has shown he belongs with the Tier II Massena Americans. The rookie centreman, a ninth- round pick by the Americans, has yet to miss a game and is sixth in team scoring with 12 goals and 14 assists.

JUNIOR B HOCKEY
Boxing Day tournament
Thursday, Dec. 26
Starting at 9 a.m.
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Auld Lang Syne

NINETY YEARS AGO
Friday, December 20, 1901

•The unveiling of the 19th Century memorial window lately placed in St. Columba Church, Kirk Hill, will be held Christmas night.

•James McDonald has sold out his baking business to K. Decosse.

•The road between Lancaster and Williamstown was flooded on Sunday and large cakes of ice floated over the road making it impassable as a result of Saturday night's rain. Efforts are being made to have this road removed further north.

•All residents of the Township of Lochiel are called on to undergo vaccination against smallpox as the result of an outbreak of this dread disease in the township.

•Miss Josephine McPhee, who has been attending the Toronto Conservatory of Music, arrived home Thursday for the holidays.

•Thos. N. McLennan, who has been in the Northwest and British Columbia for two years, returned to his home in Lancaster last week.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
Friday, December 22, 1911

•A move has been made for the introduction of rural mail delivery in Lochiel Township and it is more than probable the request will be acceded to.

•Clubs are springing up in town like mushrooms. The latest is the "Swastika," formed by a number of our young men who have fitted up the north shop of the new Crystal block.

•Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Munroe of Maxville, left on Tuesday to spend the winter in sunny California.

•W. D. Robinson, Montreal; Dan D. Robinson, Cobalt; Hugh and Angus McCulloch of Porcupine, Ont., have arrived at Glen Robertson for the holidays.

•J. W. Clark, who recently disposed of his farm, Dominionville, to David St. Louis, has purchased a fine farm in the 4th Lancaster from J. J. Wightman.

•Glengarry's population has dropped by 852 in the past 10 years to 21,279, owing no doubt to the many sons of the county who have gone west.

•Bishop Macdonell on Sunday blessed the new altars and Stations of the Cross installed in Sacred Heart Church.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
Friday, December 23, 1921

•At his home in Edmonton, Alta., on December 9, the death occurred of William Munroe, formerly of St. Elmo. He was 85 years old.

•Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McGregor and family of Dalhousie Station, have taken up residence on their new property, 32-2nd Lochiel.

•Misses Eunice Simpson, Barbara Costello, Gladys and Alda Crewson, Johanna Kerr and E. Bouchard have arrived home from Queen's for the holidays. Arthur Crewson is home from McGill; Alex McDonald and Albert Goulet, from Ironsides College, and Ovila Sabourin from the Ontario Dental College, Toronto.

•John O'Halloran will again have charge of the Alexander rink, and he hopes to have good ice within a week.

•Neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. MacLeod, Mack's Corners, Dalkeith, recently to bid them farewell prior to their departure for Vankleek Hill, where they will reside.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
Friday, December 18, 1931

•The eldest son of the late John McGillis, Laird of Williamstown, Ewen McGillis, died last Thursday at his home in Verdun, at the age of 83.

•A. J. Kennedy of the Siscoe Gold Mines, who was injured a few days ago, is now a patient in the Rouyn hospital.

•G. B. Holliday of Waddington, N.Y., this week purchased five registered Holsteins from the accredited herd of E. L. D. McMillan, Laggan.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
Friday, December 19, 1941

•A Glengarry piper, Willie Munroe of Apple Hill, was among seventy pipers and drummers who played before the King and Queen at Buckingham Palace on the Lord Mayor's Day.

•Sergt. Observer Hugh McCormick, 21, graduated as an Air Observer at the RCAF training school, Dadoe, Sask., on December 5. He is a son of Pte. John McCormick of Eastview and a grandson of Roderick McCormick of Alexandria.

•Reported missing in the spring, Sergt. M. J. Courtland Craig of the RCAF, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Craig of Lancaster, is now presumed dead. Sgt.-Pilot Perrin Magwood of Cornwall, is in a German hospital with shrapnel wounds to back and legs, after parachuting to safety over Germany, October 24.

•Pasteurized milk is now being distributed in Maxville by McKillican's Dairy.

FORTY YEARS AGO
Friday, December 21, 1951

•Rene Lapierre, 18, and Kay Elizabeth Ray, 18, of Milles Roches, died in Hotel Dieu of injuries suffered in a car-truck crash just west of Cornwall. Young Lapierre was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Lapierre of the Martintown area.

•The hockey stick factory of Lloyd Flaro and Gerald Desjardins at Martintown, was destroyed in a $15,000 blaze early Saturday.

•William N. Fraser of Dalkeith, was elected president of the Glengarry Holstein Club at its annual meeting here last week.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, December 21, 1961

•Sows, piglets and a self-propelled combine were lost when a barn owned by R. J. Graham was destroyed by fire. The barn was located north of the CNR station.

•Nicole Poirier, 16, a pupil at the high school, suffered a cut lip and none of the other children were injured in a school bus-car collision on the McCormick Road, Tuesday afternoon. Raymond Rochon, driver of the car, was shaken up in the mishap which occurred in a snowstorm on icy roads.

•Pierre Rouette was elected Richelieu Club president at Monday's meeting.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, December 23, 1971

•Snowmobile enthusiasts were out in force Sunday on the frozen, snow-covered Alexandria Lake after a frustrating two-week, snowless period.

•Ontario Municipal Board has approved plans for improvements to Alexandria's sewage lagoons and it is expected work will get under way in early spring.

•Bishop Adolphe Proulx will concelebrate midnight mass in St. Finnan's Cathedral on the eve of Christmas.

•From a pavilion to church to apartments — Green Valley's former dancehall, then St. Mary's Church, has been renovated by the owner Raymond Ouellette to contain eight apartments.

•SD&G County Board of Education last week adopted a new policy on student transportation during severe weather. Bus owners shall have the final say on provision of transportation facilities "because transportation should be the responsibility of the transportation expert," explained Director of Education, Harvey Shaw.

TEN YEARS AGO
Tuesday, December 22, 1981

•Cattanach McLennan, Bainsville, has been chosen as the recipient of the Glengarry Soil and Crop Improvement Association Award of Merit for the second year in a row.

•Eva Lefebvre was presented with an award for her 25 years of volunteer work at the December meeting of the Daughters of Isabella.

•Robert and Brenda MacDonald and family, 4th Kenyon, lost their home and all possessions when fire levelled their house early Saturday morning.

Demand for agricultural information sought by Glengarry farmers

Our Business Called Farming

Allison Arkinstall

Let's face it, the "Age of Information" has enveloped us all, and with so much information out there to be collected, digested and regurgitated, it's hard to know what to believe. It is to the point that these disseminators of information are competing to earn the attention of their audience and fighting for their lives to keep them interested.

Oh yes, it's big business, building an informed society, and image becomes all-important. After all, everyone wants to know about what is current, exciting and of high profile. Did not a lot of us follow the proceedings of the recent Kennedy-Smith trial in Florida?

Well the farming population of Glengarry has set a challenge for themselves; we are in competition for your attention.

Along with every other newspaper, magazine, or book that you may read, or television program that you may watch, our objective is to make you a bit more aware of agriculture and the issues surrounding our industry.

Upon the initiative of several members of the Glengarry Federation of Agriculture, it was decided that our community should become knowledgeable of the changes that shape our lives in this business of farming. Informed people make educated people, and educated people make better allies.

Farmers of late have been suffering a bad image. We are being called inefficient, complacent and as a result, many people believe, we are looking for handouts in the form of government subsidies.

This is an image that farmers are desperate to shake. As the providers of one of our most basic human needs, food, farmers need consumer confidence in order to ensure that, from a business standpoint, our market is secure. This brings us back to our original goal, to educate consumers about the operation and administration of our industry, so that they may trust in our abilities to be good stewards of the land and at the same time produce safe, nutritious food.

What people have to understand first is the diversity of agriculture. In Glengarry alone, there are 24 commodity groups and farm-related organizations involving a few hundred people, that range from the Soil and Crop Improvement Association to the Farm and Home Safety Committee. All of these groups represent different interests in agriculture, deal with different issues, and yet all of these groups are intrinsically vital to our local agricultural industry.

It is my intent to keep you abreast of the changes taking place amongst these groups in our community, so that you may appreciate the controversies, challenges and successes that these groups endure and the collective powers they possess to help form future agricultural policy in our region. You will come to understand the resounding effect that these changes have on what your farming neighbor down the road will be planting in his "back-forty" next year.

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Agriculture, like any other industry, is looking to survive in this competitive world. You would think that in a rapidly growing world with many people to feed, food production would be a good business to enter. But with increased emphasis on environment protection, animal welfare, labor codes, and restricted capital availability, farmers are being faced with mounting legislation. Legislation that is forcing many out of the business.

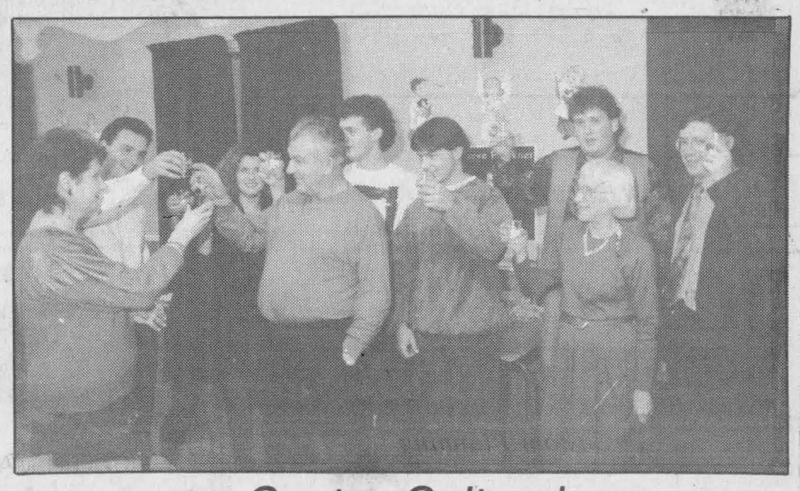
And this is not to say that these changing times are not healthy for our agricultural industry. It helps farmers re-evaluate their businesses, decide if they want to adapt to these changes and carry on our opt out.

The concession roads throughout our county prove that many have opted out of farming, so it is important to realize that as the numbers get smaller, our job becomes no less important.

This feature, "Our business called farming," will appear monthly and I encourage everyone to get involved. If there is an issue that should be discussed openly or an event that should be supported, then let me know or let a member of your representative farm group know. This space of newsprint must be treated as an opportunity to educate our market, and improve our image. We all know that problems exist and misunderstandings arise, but we need communication in order to solve them.

It may be a lofty goal, but if a bit of awareness and education can make you, the consumer, realize that how we as farmers do our jobs is driven by your wants, then we will have succeeded in capturing your attention.

And if a few more farmers themselves, turn up at producer meetings in our community, then I will have succeeded in capturing your attention.



Centre Culturel

Organizers and members of le centre culturel les trois p'tits points... drink a toast to the centre's upcoming entertainment schedule. The wine and cheese party held Dec. 19 at the Knights of Columbus Hall kicks off a festival which will include theatre, music, comedy and magic.



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