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## GLENGARRY IN BRIEF

### Holiday schedule

*The Glengarry News* would like to take this opportunity to wish all our readers and advertisers the very best for the holiday season.

We also take this opportunity to remind everyone that our offices will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 23 at noon. The office will reopen on Monday, Jan. 5 at the usual 9 a.m.

While the office will be closed, be sure to keep an eye out for your copy of the paper, which will be distributed on Dec. 29.

Once again, all the best to everyone for the holiday season.

### Sewage flow down

Alexandria councillors received some good news Dec. 15 when they learned that sewage repairs and upgrades are already paying off.

Bill Knight, of M.S. Thompson Associates told council that flows have been reduced by about 20 per cent over the past 12 months and he expected even greater improvement in another year after all the repairs have been on line for a full year.

He added that most of the money earmarked for sewage projects - $4.6 million out of $4.7 million had been spent.

Completion of the sewage work means more benefits to the town as operating costs at the treatment plant will be reduced and future modifications will be less expensive.

### OPP honoured

The Ontario Provincial Police has been recognized for its fund-raising efforts for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Police raised more than $600,000 for the society and were presented with a plaque in appreciation.

"When an organization with the prestige of the OPP takes a stand and participates in events like this, it speaks well for both the OPP and communities they serve," said Nancy James, Canadian Cancer Society east region president.

In Eastern Ontario, 224 OPP officers contributed $117,000. Efforts included the Cops for Cancer campaign that saw Lancaster detachment officers shave their heads.

"It also helps kids relate better to the police. Kids think it's cool to have their heads shaved and that changes their perception of a child who may be going through chemotherapy," said James.

### Council eager

North Glengarry's council-elect is so eager to officially to take on their duties that they have picked the earliest possible date to be sworn in.

During an informal meeting Dec. 18, council agreed to hold the swearing in ceremony on Jan. 2 at 7 p.m.

Councillors weren't sure where the Friday-evening ceremony would be held but the Glengarry Sports Palace and Maxville Recreation complex will both be examined for availability.

### Final meeting

North Glengarry council-elect will meet informally one last time before officially taking over their duties in the new year.

Council will get together Dec. 29 at 7 p.m. in Alexandria Town Hall. Insurance coverage is expected to be the main agenda item.

## Fairness questioned in North hiring practices

By John Nelson
*News* Editor

Several North Glengarry residents appeared at an informal meeting of township council Dec. 18 demanding fairness in the process of hiring employees - specifically the clerk for the new township.

But reeve-elect Grant Crack shot back that council was in fact ensuring fairness by reviewing the hiring process.

"I will ensure things are done fairly," vowed Crack.

The reeve-elect went on record at an earlier meeting as saying he did not think the hiring process was fair.

He pointed to irregularities in the interview process, where a consultant did not ask the same questions of the four clerk candidates.

As well, Crack complained of scheduling difficulties.

Some employees did not get a "fair shake," said Crack and "proper procedure" was not followed.

Crack said criteria for any new round of interviews would be established by the new councils and the interview process would be "more than just a chat."

Resident Richard Kerr, however, expressed concerns about the new council overturning the only decision made by the amalgamation transition board.

"What do you gain?" he asked. "You stand to lose."

Kerr said council could quite likely find itself facing a lawsuit if they terminated the employment of the candidate selected by the transition board. As well, council would lose respect and credibility among the public.

Crack countered that the transition board did not have the authority to hire employees for North Glengarry but conceded members may have been under that impression.

A document setting out guidelines for hiring employees states that the transition board would "establish mechanisms...to identify, select and appoint" employees.

"The transition board did not have the authority to appoint staff," concluded the reeve.

He said, however, that the board was within it rights to hire interim-not permanent - employees.

Resident Michael Cowley-Owen, however, urged council not to go over past battles and look to the future before questioning why the candidate selected by the transition board was told to do no work for the new Township of North Glengarry.

Crack said the new council could not direct the clerk to do anything. He said North Glengarry Council had no authority to spend or direct employees until they officially took office in the new year.

"If we can't work til Jan. 1, then he shouldn't either," said Maxville Ward Coun. Johanne Wensink.

Meanwhile, failed deputy reeve candidate Bill Hagen - also a member of the transition board - said the clerk was hired fairly.

"The decision was made democratically," he said, explaining that the majority of the 24 members voted to hired the candidate.

Crack disagreed, again arguing that the process was not fair to the three candidates who were not selected for the clerk's job.

He received support from Alexandria Ward Coun. Gary Shepherd.

"Other candidates we're extremely upset about it," he said. "There'll probably be legal action either way. It was a mess from day one in my opinion."

Crack said if a new hiring/interview process was initiated, a consulant would be hired to guide council but not make decisions.

"We will be making the decision," said Crack, who added council would grade the candidates on their own.

Council said that no decision had been made and the matter was still under review - in closed-door sessions.

All sides agreed the in-camera deliberations were a concern but councillors pointed out that, by law, they were not permitted to discuss personnel issues in public.

Kenyon Ward Coun. Bill Franklin indicated that those questioning the move to re-open the hiring issue had valid concerns which would be revisited behind closed doors.

Crack, meanwhile, reminded those gathered that no candidate - including the one selected by the transition board - was being disqualified. He said all clerk candidates would have the opportunity to seek the North Glengarry Township clerk's job.

In South Glengarry, Charlottenburgh administrator-clerk Marcel Lapierre has been hired as administrator-co-ordinator for the new township, Lancaster Township clerk Mike Samson will be clerk and Lancaster Village clerk Marilyn LeBrun becomes administrative assistant.

That municipality comes into being Jan. 1, 1998 as well.



Students at Char-Lan District High School pose with their haul - more than 40 boxes (or about 1,000 food items) donated to Cornwall's Centre Agape on Dec. 17. OAC students and peer helpers, brought in food from home, received donations from other students and fanned out across the communities of South Glengarry seeking donations. The students report a generous response from most residents. OAC students say it was both the Christmas and competitive spirit that led to such a successful collection.

## Char-Lan students show plenty of spirit

### But was it of the Christmas season or competitive variety?

By John Nelson
*News* Editor

Was it the festive or competitive spirit that led Char-Lan District High School OAC students to collect more than 1,000 food items for Cornwall's Centre Agape?

In fact, it was probably a good bit of both as students completed their food drive Dec. 17 by loading the more than 40 boxes into a truck for delivery to the centre.

The food will be distributed to needy area families.

"I wasn't surprised," said teacher Frank Hunter of the results of the food drive. "I think it's the (Christmas) season."

Students went door-to-door throughout South Glengarry hamlets in search of donations over a two-week period and weren't disappointed.

"Everyone was nice," said OAC student Jason Flaro who added he, along with a group of classmates, went out at least 10 evenings seeking donations.

Flaro said it was important to help the less-fortunate at Christmas time but added "competition helped."

Hunter said that food drives have been held at the school for at least the past eight years and were led by students in the peer helpers program.

This year OAC students got involved with home rooms battling it out to bring in more than the peer helpers.

"We've been, like, really competitive," said Laura Rawnsley an OAC student and student council member.

She explained that students from all grades brought in items from home while older students also canvassed "anywhere and everywhere" in the South Glengarry area.

Rawnsley agreed that residents were generous with their donations, often giving boxes full of items to the students.

The students did not simply follow instructions and pass on donations to the centre.

Hunter pointed out that the food drive was organized and conducted by the students who spent "lots of hours on their own time."

In addition, the students donated about $165 in cash to the centre.

Rawnsley explained that parties had been arranged for the two home rooms that brought in the greatest number of items.

The top class was to have a pizza party while the runner up was to be treated to a donut fest.

Instead both classes donated

## Cash registers jingling for many local merchants

By Greg Peerenboom
*News* Reporter

Santa Claus will have his work cut out for him delivering all the gifts this season, at least according to Glengarry merchants.

Retailers, for the most part, say the purse strings have loosened this Christmas shopping season.

One Alexandria Main Street entrepreneur gave credit to the local chamber of commerce and BIA for their efforts to spruce up the business section.

It's paid off.

"Business has been very good," said Wally Hope, owner of Desrosiers & Hope Jewellers & Gifts.

"Up till now, it's been as good as all of (Christmas) last year."

Smaller gifts are the most popular, such as jewellery boxes, watches and chains, Hope said.

Big ticket items are getting their fair share of attention.

"It's been going very well, better than last year," said Stephane Ranger, owner of Marcel TV Furniture Ltd., located a few blocks south.

Upholstery, kitchen and bedroom sets and electronic items have been high on buyers' lists, Ranger said.

"Business has definitely been picking up the last two weeks," said Don Wood, manager of Glengarry Bookstore in Alexandria.

He said Christmas books and hardbound new releases are the most popular choices.

Across the street, Nicole Dubois, co-owner of the Fashion Corner, said Christmas business is on par with last year, except with a twist.

"Some days are really hectic, others are really dead," Dubois said.

Not surprisingly considering the season, easy-fitting warm sweaters and sweatshirts are the top sellers.

Although not directly related to gift-giving, the merry season has given a big boost to make-your-own wine outlet Cappuccino Express.

"We've exceeded our numbers by 50 per cent," said co-owner Tran Cappuccino.

The north-end Alexandria business, only in operation since the end of the last year, saw orders take off during September and October, as customers stocked up ahead of time.

News has been good in other parts of Glengarry.

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## Martintown's Larry Lafave gives one final Christmas present

By Bill McIntyre
*News* Publisher

Larry Lafave lost a long battle to kidney disease Dec. 11 but, in an ironic sequence of events, he left one last reminder of the love he had for his sister Bernadette.

Larry was a lifelong resident of Martintown, well-liked and respected by the small community which turned out in large numbers for his funeral last week.

Prior to his death, he travelled three times a week to Ottawa for dialysis. He was awaiting tests for a kidney transplant that was to be made possible by his younger sister, Mary, in Calgary.

A noted sports enthusiast, Larry at one time both coached and played baseball. An avid musician, he also played guitar in a few local bands. He had been involved, at various times, in several business ventures over the years ranging from construction to a gift shop and, more recently, a leasing company.

Bernadette, speaking from the family home in Martintown, fondly recalled how, after their father died, Larry became the father figure in her life. Tearfully, she related how "he had always been there for me.

"Larry was extremely well-liked in the community," Bernadette said. "There were all kind of Larry stories going around at his funeral."

His illness, she said, curtailed his lifestyle dramatically.

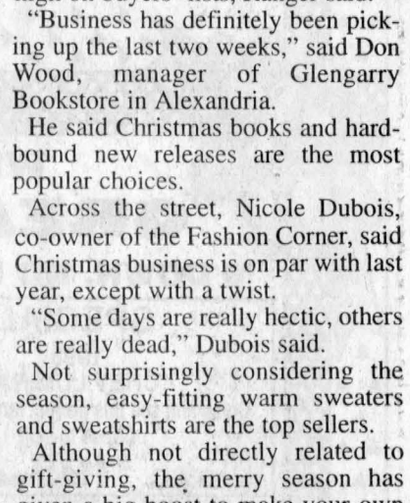
"He was not one who wanted to be sick," she said. "I would like him remembered for his spirit, his love of music and for his sense of humour. He was a great teaser."

Just prior to his death, Larry called *The Glengarry News* to renew a subscription to the paper for Bernadette. He had been doing that for as long as she could remember.

At the time he ordered the subscription in her name, the *News* and Marcel TV Furniture Ltd. of Alexandria, were running a contest for a 27-inch television set. It was to be drawn from the names of those who had subscribed to the paper up to Dec. 16.

Ironically, the slip of paper drawn at random, was from Larry and stating the subscription and any prize was for Bernadette.

The draw is generally held each year by the *News* and Marcel TV and Furniture as part of its circulation drive.



Larry Lafave

# Local merchants report strong Christmas sales



Bob Safruk, owner of Serenity Shoppe at 107 Main St. S in Alexandria lights a uniquely carved candle at his new business.
Staff Photo -- Greg Peerenboom

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A craze over the Beanie Babies has provided a windfall for Debbie Gaulin, owner of Debbie's Country Corner in Maxville.

"December has been good; we're doing better than the first Christmas," said Gaulin, who also started her business last year.

The most popular Beanie Baby is the Canadian bear Maple. Gaulin said she received calls on the internet from the U.S. for the bean-stuffed plush toy.

One type of business that doesn't benefit as strongly from Christmas is the local hardware store.

Maxville Home Hardware co-manager Giles St. Louis said business the past few weeks is about the same as the rest of the year.

"It's been down a wee bit from last (Christmas); it's not bad," St. Louis said.

He said a perennial hardware store favourite is the bread maker. Indoor fountains have also received considerable attention.

What did concern St. Louis was the apparent decline of donations to the Riceville and Area Food Bank, which has a drop-off at Maxville Home Hardware.

When you were chosen Canadian Retailer of the Year for 1996, it's easy to figure out your marketing plan for 1997.

Auld Kirktown manager Carol Hlusko said the South Lancaster business has made the most of this advantage, and the end result has been an "excellent" Christmas shopping season.

"We've done better than last year," she said, adding a spot on Regional Contact certainly helped.

While everything has been selling well, she said items such as Victorian Santas, frames and lamps have sold the best.

Busy shoppers with less time on their hands could be the reason why Denise's Country Kitchen & Deli has experienced an increase in orders for baked goods.

"People don't seem to have the time, so they come here," said owner Gail Fowler.

Meanwhile, deli orders has remained at previous Christmas levels, she said.

# RARE purchases approved

By John Nelson
*News* Editor

Alexandria Council met for the last time Dec. 15 but managed to spend a few dollars before, for all intents and purposes, disbanding themselves.

Council approved cheque-signing authority until the end of the month to Mayor Grant Crack and clerk Leo Poirier.

Some of those cheques may go toward new equipment for the RARE - the local recycling operation.

Council approved two purchases for RARE - a GMC pick-up truck and a second-hand press.

The pick-up truck will be purchased from Roy's in Green Valley at a cost of $28,700 with taxes extra.

Roy's was the only business to reply to a tender offer made by Alexandria Council in November.

Coun. Fern Seguin said the time was right to purchase the truck, explaining that RARE had money in a reserve account for such purchases.

"We have actual cash," he said and added the recyclers current pick-up is getting pretty high in the kilometre department.

Outgoing councils - Kenyon, Lochiel, Maxville and Alexandria merge into North Glengarry on Jan. 1 - are permitted to spend reserve funds but may not enter into any agreements that would create debt.

RARE has well over $100,000 in reserve.

Seguin said the new truck would be "a great asset at this time of year," explaining the new vehicle will be able to deal with snowy conditions more easily.

Council had also hoped to purchase a new press but did not.

"At this time, we cannot afford it," said Seguin, simply.

Seguin reported, however, that a second-hand press had been located and could be had for $45,000.

RARE manager Rene Jeaurond said a new press was essential. He explained that the existing model did not have a baling capability.

"Ivaco has cut us off," said Jeaurond, explaining that the Hawkesbury-based firm would no longer accept cans that were not baled.

Jeaurond said he tested the baler and found it worked well.

"It will certainly do the job for us at RARE," agreed Seguin.

He added that to repair the existing baler would cost twice as much and still would not provide a baling capability.

The model to be purchased is two years old but used for only one of those years. It will be expected to last at least five more years.

Councillors indicated that since RARE could pay for the purchases with cash on hand, they would support both purchases.

Mayor Grant Crack reminded everyone that both pieces of equipment would become assets of the new municipality.

The current three-quarter-ton truck will be sold off.


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# GLENGARRY SCENE

## Council generous at final meeting

By John Nelson
*News* Editor

Alexandria Council members were in a festive mood Dec. 15 as they approved compensation to Wayne Maloney.

Maloney and his company had earlier won a tender for excavation work on McCormick Road but ran into additional costs because of inaccuracies in the tender package.

The problem centred around indications that rock in the area was three-feet deep. That estimate was in error and the rock was actually eight-feet deep. That meant an extra three-weeks work for Maloney and his crew.

As a result, he sought compensation of more than $18,000.

"The rock was there but the rock was not identified in the original tender," Maloney told council and added that had the amount of rock been indicated in the original tender offer, his bid - and he speculated those of other contractors - would have been higher.

Bill Knight, of M.S. Thompson Associates agreed an error had been made in the original tender documents and compensation was in order. He suggested compensation in the range of $13,000.

The difference in compensation amounts comes from costs to remove rock.

Maloney was seeking $60 per cubic metre while Knight indicated $45 was in order.

"We felt that $45 was fair compensation," he said.

The difficulty for council was that costs to remove rock vary greatly. For example, in the Maloney bid, rock removal cost was pegged at $1 per cubic metre.

A subsequent bid put rock-removal costs at 10 cents a cubic metre.

Council was left to wonder why the original bid was $1 per cubic metre but new figures were between $45 and $60.

Knight said that the contractor was entitled to an amount higher that $1 per cubic metre because the extra rock was extra deep and extra thick and harder for the contractor to remove.

"We believe that some additional compensation is fair," he said.

But Knight added it was difficult to determine fair compensation as neither he nor council could say for sure how much higher original bids would have been if correct specifications were used.

But Maloney was fairly clear in his estimates. He said the extra rock cost him more than $31,000 to remove but he was only asking for additional wage and fuel costs - or approximately $18,000.

Deputy Reeve John Hope pointed out that the error in the bore hole log - used in the original tender - was made by an M.S. Thompson subcontractor and that compensation to the town should be sought.

Mayor Grant Crack said council had three choices - compensate at $1 per cubic metre, go with the M.S. Thompson figure or with the figure requested by Maloney.

Another option, put forward by Knight, was that the matter be sent to an arbitrator to decide fair compensation.

But Coun. Gary Shepherd told his colleagues that he would rather pay Maloney than an arbitrator and added the work - completed as part of the ongoing sewer renewal projects - was of the highest quality.

Councillor Archie MacDougall said he supported Maloney's position. He pointed out that the total job was over $1 million and the compensation being sought was a relatively small amount in comparison.

Crack, meanwhile, said the figure provided by Knight was fair then asked "Does council wish to be more fair?"

They did and, in the end, agreed to pay $18,112 to Maloney.

"Council appears to be quite generous this evening," said Crack after the vote was taken.

## Report says landfill lifespan can be extended

By Greg Peerenboom
*News* Reporter

The life span of the Lancaster Township waste disposal site has at least eight years, concluded a study's interim report.

If improvements to maximize the site's capacity and minimize the environmental impact are made, it's likely the life span of the landfill at Concession 6, lot 25 could be extended for many years, said Lancaster Township reeve Charles Sangster.

Ministry of Environment's concern for a lack of information from the township were answered by Thompson Rosemount environmental engineer John St. Marseilles, who presented the interim report to council on Dec. 17.

The ministry requested Lancaster Township to begin a study two years ago after staff inspected the landfill during the fall of 1995.

The inspection revealed the landfill wasn't meeting current standards, said Ministry senior environmental officer Marc Robert, who inquired in a letter last month about the study's status, which began in spring 1996.

"Depending on the site, the study and corrections can be costly," Robert said. "But its location is in (the township's) favour."

The study includes a site survey of its boundaries, topography, land filling capacity and a well-monitoring program, St. Marseille said.

Seven wells, with depths between 15-40 feet, have been sunk. Biannual monitoring will determine the flow and toxicity of the ground water.

The survey will evaluate the site's elevation and current usage.

Ultimately, St. Marseille said recommendations stemming from the study will ensure the site operates as cleanly and efficiently as possible.

For example, the study might show that better compacting methods could be undertaken. This would increase the site's life expectancy.

Nonetheless, the study's recommendations will also contain a plan for ceasing operations.

"Having a closure plan is a ministry policy," St. Marseille said.

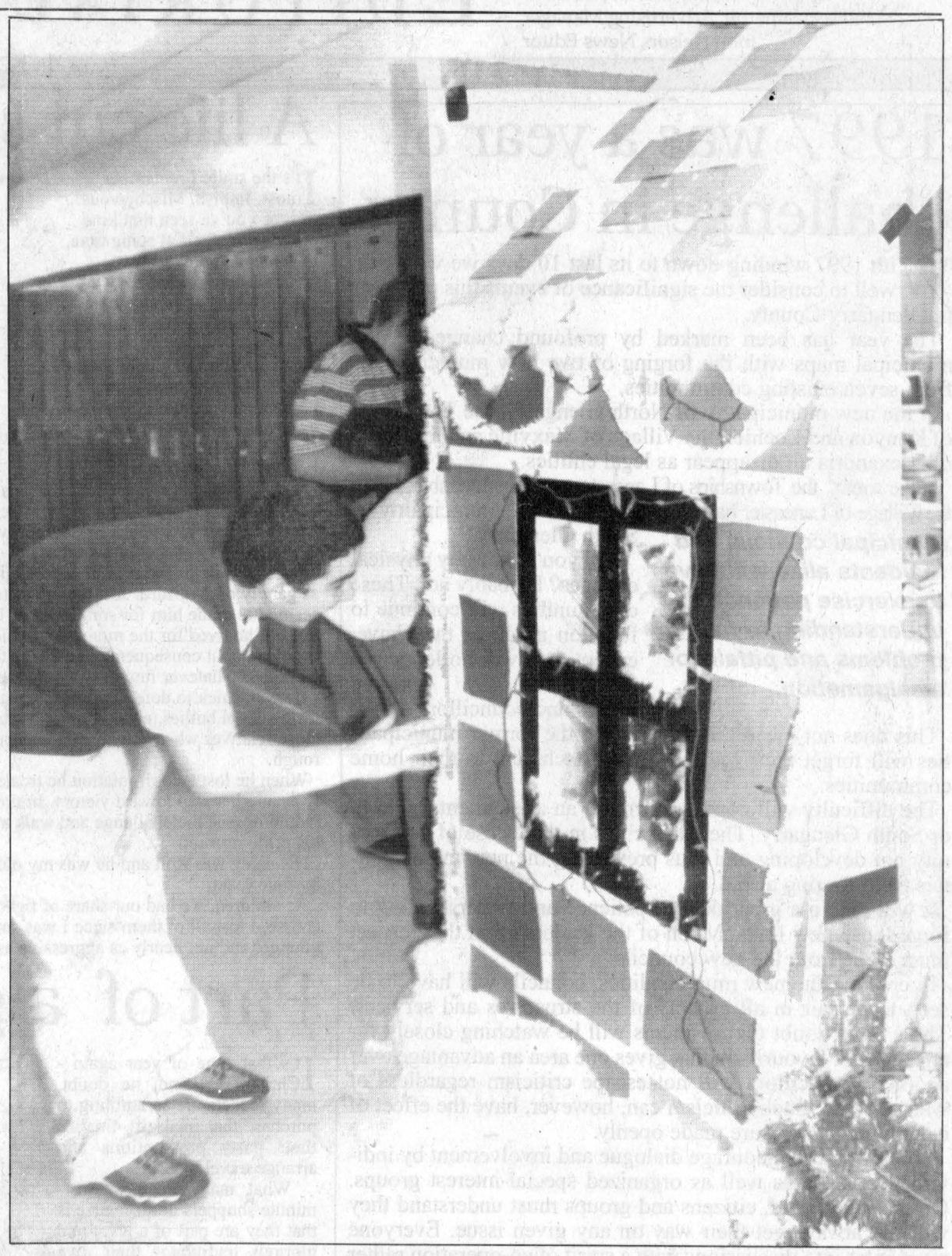
Often the biggest concern is contamination of ground water outside the site's boundaries, Robert said.

However, this concern is not as important at the site because the nearest residence is about one-half a kilometre away.

In most cases of ground water contamination, the affected property is bought by the municipality and the site of the landfill is expanded, Robert said.

It's not unusual for a landfill, in operation for more than 15 years, to be scrutinized to ensure it meets current compliance criteria.

Landfills developed before the 1980s needed few conditions for getting a certificate of approval, Robert said.



### A grand entrance

Students at Char-Lan District High School took some time to create festive entranceways for their classrooms last week. One of the more elaborate creations was this one in front of an OAC classroom which featured working lights and a tree in the window. Here student Jason St. Louis gives a festive wave to classmates already inside.

## Maxville students hone computer skills

### Grade 1-3 pupils participate in pilot project

By John Nelson
*News* Editor

Grade 1 to 3 students at Maxville Public School are getting a leg up on others their age - and in many cases surpassing their parents - with their computer skills.

Through the Kidtech initiative, Maxville PS was one of 36 schools across the province selected at random to take part in the project which sees the young students learning about computers as they read, write and do math.

"This is a totally new experience," said Grade 2 teacher Julie Papineau. "It's amazing how much they have picked up in such a short time. They're learning a lot."

Students gave the program high praise as well as they busily worked on creating their own Christmas cards Dec. 12.

Charlotte Bradley, 7 1/2, said she had practiced on the computer for a few months, creating a variety of printed items such as Christmas cards and lists, a profile complete with photo and other items.

"I really like school a lot," she said. "We can explore the computer."

"I like making cards," agreed classmate Brittany MacLennan, 7.

She was pleased with the way she was able to make Christmas cards on the computer and that it didn't take very long.

As if to prove her skills, she went through the function options at the top of the screen, explaining the functions of about half of them to a less-knowledgeable reporter.

Charlotte and Brittany agreed that using the computer makes learning a little easier.

Charlotte, for example, said she had already learned to type through her experiences on the computer.

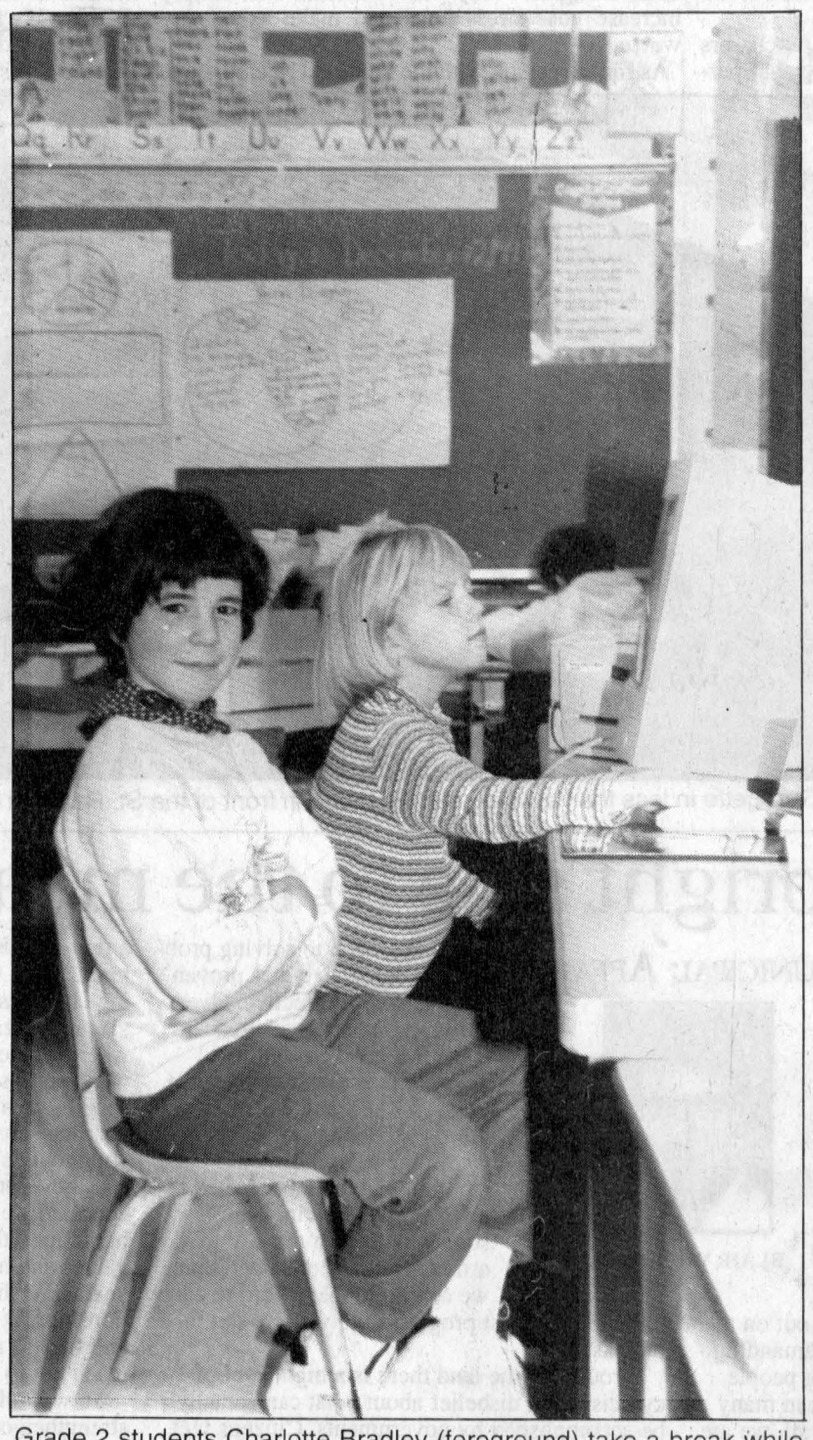
"I know more than my mom," she beamed, referring to her computer skills.

She added that the skills she and her classmates were acquiring would be important when they grow up.

Charlotte said she would like to buy a computer one day and it would be important to know how to use it.

Teacher Papineau, with 11 years in the classroom agreed that computer skills would be important to her charges in the future.

"I think using computers now is kind of a lifeskill," she said.



Grade 2 students Charlotte Bradley (foreground) take a break while Brittany MacLellan continues to work on her Christmas cards.

Her classroom hosts three multimedia computers along with a digital camera and computer scanner and said the students were learning all aspects of multimedia.

The students have used the digital camera to take photos of classmates and then transfer them into written works. The youngsters will be introduced to the scanner in January.

All the students receive 20 minutes a day on the computers but its not just fun and games. As with instruction in other subjects, the students are given a task to complete.

"Right now, it's Christmas cards," said Papineau.

Students also have access to the internet. Brittany said that she enjoyed surfing the net in that there were many games to be played and information to be gathered.

The development of student skills is not just monitored by the teachers but by a representative from the Ministry of Education, who drops by to check on progress.

"I think it's running well," said Papineau. "The children do benefit."

## Many people know little about the internet

By John Lister

It's hard not to hear something about the internet these days. Whether it's a television commercial with a visit us on the web at the end, or some news item about internet crime, it's certainly a subject that has swept quickly into our lives. Yet many people know little or nothing about the internet - what it's good for, who is using it, that sort of thing.

Unfortunately, it's the unscrupulous few who abuse the internet that make sensational news stories. This gives a rather unbalanced picture of the internet as a whole, and the people who use it.

Recently, a Cornwall business owner told me that he wouldn't be caught dead with his reputable business on the internet! But why are other reputable businesses such as most TV and radio stations, and nearly all major corporations, using the internet? Obviously it can't be all that bad!

Because the internet is not owned by anyone and not situated in any one country, it has become a powerful communication tool for mankind. And mankind consists of all types of people with all kinds of interests. Good and bad.

Here's a very practical example. Drop in to your corner variety store. Chances are pretty good that they sell adult-oriented magazines. But you still shop there. Similarly, you may go to a movie theatre to watch a Walt Disney movie with your kids, even though the movie in the next theater is R rated.

My point is simply that the Internet is full of choices. And 99 per cent of those choices are wholesome, informative, entertaining and educational. As well, they are current.

The internet is like the biggest encyclopedia in the world, with information from every country covering every topic but with one big difference. It s alive. You can gather information as soon as it becomes available. I recently found an informative article on the internet which is still in progress. Basically, I'm reading something that is so up-to-date, it isn't even finished yet! Try that with a book.

And the internet is a two-way street. You can add to it and change it because it belongs to each one of us. IBM or Microsoft don't have any more control over the Internet than you or I do.

A recent Readers Digest magazine featured a story about a girl with a rare disease. The local medical experts from her country were unable to diagnose her illness, so a plea went out on the internet for help from the medical profession. The story goes on to explain how help came from a medical source halfway around the world and concluded with the present condition of the patient.

What makes this story unique is that the website address listed in the article provides an on-going live update to the girl s condition.

Here are a few facts about internet users. You might imagine that within a two-hour drive from Cornwall, there might be 1,000 or so internet users. Try 250,000 as of 1996! That's a lot of people using the internet!

Another North American report states that a quarter of all internet users make over $80,000 per year! The same study revealed that 64 per cent have college degrees and that a large portion of internet users have made on-line purchases. So if you re in business, you need to be on the internet to reach these potential customers.

Many smaller businesses have made appearances on the net, and it's not uncommon to find everything from the local barber shop, to the family doctor, and even school teachers with on-line test results. This is not some hi-tech, high-priced hobby. This is simply a new form of mass communication and we are experiencing a major change to society, similar to what happened when the printing press was developed.

The big difference is that now we can also talk back.

In the coming weeks, this article will focus on the positive side of the internet and I will recommend a few sites that you can visit each week. For this week, happy surfing!

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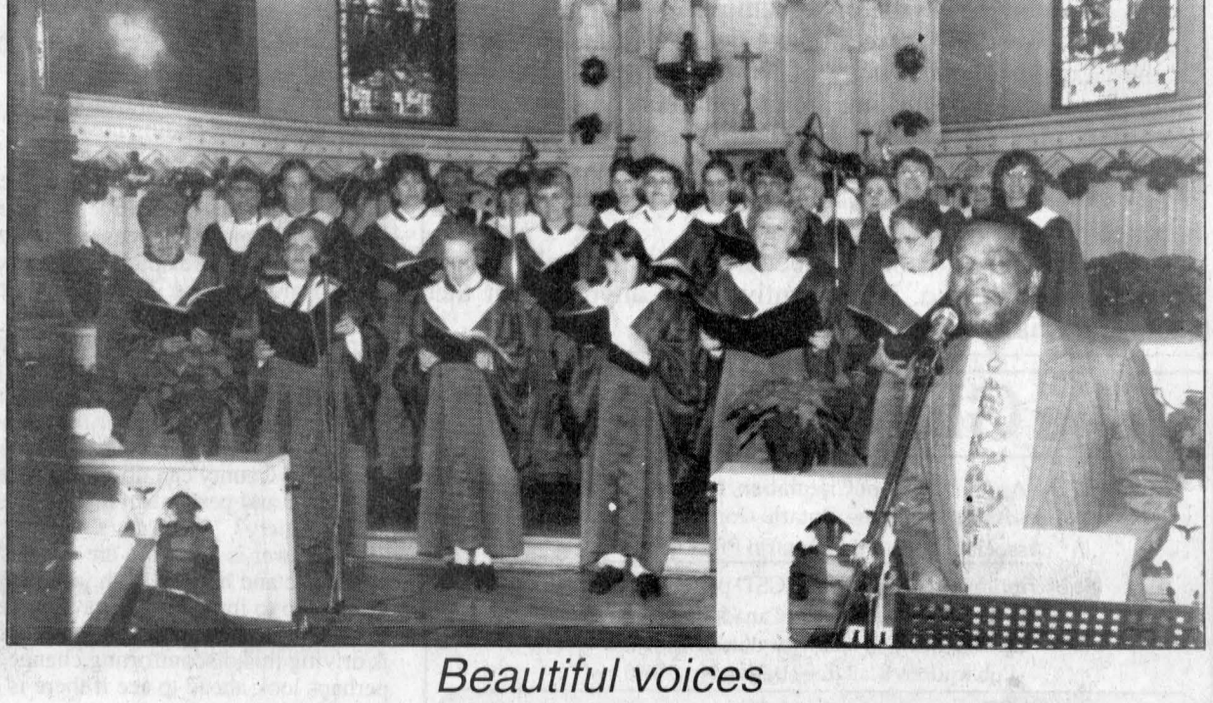

### Beautiful voices

Ken Roach leads the Voices of Glengarry through a rehearsal before a Dec. 14 concert at St. Finnan's Cathedral.
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## 1997 was a year of challenge in County

With 1997 winding down to its last 10 days we would do well to consider the significance of events this past year in Glengarry County.

The year has been marked by profound changes to the municipal maps with the forging of two new municipalities from seven existing communities.

In the new municipality of North Glengarry, the Townships of Kenyon and Lochiel, the Village of Maxville and the Town of Alexandria all disappear as legal entities.

In the south, the Townships of Lancaster and Charlottenburgh and the Village of Lancaster have joined to form the municipality of South Glengarry.

***Municipal councils and residents alike will have to exercise patience and understanding to face the problems and pitfalls of amalgamation.***

Will you notice any physical changes? Probably not. These communities will continue to function much as they have, except they will no longer be represented by separate reeves and councillors.

This does not mean the residents of the former municipalities will forget their roots or their attachment to their home communities.

The difficulty will come in forming an attachment to North or South Glengarry. The danger lies in that sense of community not developing and thus preventing the new municipalities from forging ahead.

It will take a a great deal of patience and understanding to forge those new links. Much of the leadership in that respect must come from the new councils.

In creating the new municipalities, councils will have to be seen to be fair in all aspects of the structures and services. There is no doubt that residents will be watching closely for any signs of favouritism that gives one area an advantage over another. Councillors will not escape criticism regardless of what they do. Such criticism can, however, have the effect of ensuring decisions are made openly.

Councils must encourage dialogue and involvement by individual citizens as well as organized special-interest groups. On the other hand, citizens and groups must understand they will not always get their way on any given issue. Everyone must enter into discussions with a spirit of co-operation rather than confrontation.

Anyone thinking this will be a smooth process or without problems is not being realistic. Each and every resident has a role to play in making the best of the situation. Last week, we mentioned how Kenyon Township is showing the kind of leadership needed to make amalgamation work for everyone.

Next week, our last editorial of the year, will examine 1998 and what issues will likely arise as a result of amalgamation.

## Overblown stories are wearing just a bit thin

Here's some recent events that have received far more coverage than they deserved and were taken far more seriously than they should have been:

**Greenhouse gas emissions and the warming of the planet:** Our federal politicians managed to get off on a real tangent when they recently tackled the warming of the planet.

Between all of them, from the prime minister down, they probably spewed more hot air into the environment than several coal-burning generating stations. If that was not bad enough they didn't even produce any electricity for their efforts.

***Do we need to hear more about pink flamingoes, senators and greenhouse gases? A little much isn't it?***

Maybe that's not quite true. We are certain their media moguls were delighted at all the ink and air time this little air farce had produced.

**Elisha the pink flamingo:** Enough already. As cute as Elisha was (she was cute, wasn't she?) this was not something the public seemed to get all warm and fuzzy over. The Ottawa press pack, however, got their feathers all riled up about it and milked it for all it was worth. They even followed the bird back to the U.S. Now that's a story that made a difference in our lives. We'd better be thankful it wasn't a wayward pink elephant that was seen wandering around. Think of the possibilities.

**Reeve or Mayor?:** This is a little local issue that belongs in the category of what will the neighbors think? Upon his election to office, Alexandria Mayor Grant Crack who was elected Reeve of North Glengarry mused that maybe he should retain the title of mayor. Why?

In short, the term mayor carries with it more respect. More clout. At least that's what we're told.

It seems the title of reeve might be associated with, well , a Green Acres or Hicksville or something.

Actually, we don't care if the title is changed to Grand Exalted Leader of the Duchy of North Glengarry. There are more pressing issues lurking around out there.

**Senator playing hooky:** Why are people so upset that Andrew Thompson never shows up for work at the senate? Aren't they all simply political appointees who have nothing better to do with their lives anyway?

Canada would probably be better off if they all joined Thompson in Mexico. Permanently. Does anybody but the national media care about this?

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## A life cut short is a tragedy that lives on

THAT'S LIFE



BILL McINTYRE

It's the smile I remember most. Impish. Mischievous. Maybe you've seen that kind of smile yourself at some time, in someone you know.

The smile was capped by a shock of tousled blonde hair, below which danced sparkling blue eyes.

He wasn't a bad kid, at least not all the time. Impetuous, perhaps, with a mind of his own that allowed him to do spur-of-the-moment things that invariably got him into trouble.

Crying never seemed to be part of his being, even after a severe punishment. He accepted what came his way and if he couldn't wrestle it to the ground he would laugh it off.

Tall and thin in stature, I never thought of him as gangly or awkward. Just the opposite. Fear seemed to elude him for some reason. Unlike myself, he lived for the moment and didn't seem to think about consequences or things that awaited him in whatever future he would face.

He was quick to defend his brothers and sister from school bullies, neighbourhood toughs or close relatives who occasionally wanted to get rough.

When he lost a confrontation he treated it merely as another step toward victory. In time he would reissue the challenge and walk away with his pride restored.

His name was Ron and he was my older brother by four years.

As children, we had our share of fights and, of course, I lost all of them since I was smaller, younger and not nearly as aggressive as he.

Still, I would never tell my parents what happened when they came home to find me bleeding from a fat lip. I would usually tell them a door did it or find some other bizarre explanation.

Intelligent, he once took a week to secretly construct a robot from cardboard boxes. Attached to its back was a long wire and a microphone. On its head were a number of vacuum tubes used in radios at the time.

He built the robot for only one reason. To scare me. I came home one evening to see the thing standing in our kitchen. I didn't know my cousin was inside.

Ron gave the robot a few simple commands such as taking a small step toward me. I backed up. He then coaxed me closer by having the robot offer to shake hands with me.

The trap was sprung and the robot, on my brother's command, lunged at me and grabbed my arm. I squirmed free and ran screaming from the house.

Another time he built a working bowling alley in our basement out of cardboard, string and bits of wood. The contraption would actually return the bowling balls to you. Ingenious.

As he moved into his teens, Elvis had just come on the scene. Ron became a bit of a local celebrity for his prowess on the dance floor. I wasn't all that impressed but he always seemed to have cute girls hanging around him.

He left school in Grade 10, bored stiff with being held back from getting on with his life. I have no idea what he could have accomplished had he gone on. It seems to me he was driven to do great things. I don't know.

We never found out what he could accomplish because his life was snuffed out in an instant of time on a dark stretch of the Queen Elizabeth Way near Niagara Falls, Ontario in August of 1957.

Walking along the shoulder of the road with his younger cousin, a car came out of the night and hit him head on. His young body was hurled 100 feet into a concrete lamp post smashing the life from him.

He died a few moments later. He lay there in the gravel, twisted and broken like some discarded, worthless thing. He was 17 and the driver had been drinking. He had his family with him.

Charges were never laid. Drinking and driving was acceptable behaviour then.

More than 40 years have passed since that night and I still resent being robbed of the chance to see him grow up.

I often wonder what he would have done with his life. Would he have married and had his own family? Would he have made a contribution to the world? I'll never know.

Perhaps it seems odd to be writing about this after so many years and I suppose it is. It was long ago. Still, the years don't seem to make much of a difference. The sharp pain of grief long ago gave way to the dull ache of loss.

I am sharing this with you this week because so many people are still suffering and dying for no other reason than someone wanted to have a good time.

It is too late for my brother and the thousands of other casualties buried safely out of sight and mind in countless cemeteries across the country. But it's not too late for you.

## Part of a great and glorious tradition

OFF THE RECORD



JOHN NELSON

It's that time of year again - Christmas - and, no doubt, many readers are scrambling to purchase that final gift, finalize their party preparations and arrange travel plans.

What many of those last-minute shoppers don't realize is that they are part of a great and glorious tradition - their own traditions.

Last-minute shoppers tend to be last-minute shoppers year in and year out.

I know, every year you vow to start your shopping earlier - like say August - but, somehow, you're fortunate if even the smallest of trinkets is purchased before the end of November.

Take heart, you're part of a great tradition. And, by the way, I speak from experience. I can't say for sure right now but there's a good chance I'll be shopping on Dec. 24.

If you're one of those people I'm likely to encounter, please heed one word of advice - relax. (I said it would be one word.)

So, you're a little late making those purchasers and you're not having any luck finding that perfect gift. You've also just been elbowed out of the way, someone cut in front of you in line, the person at the cash now is having a hard time getting the ATM card to work and the person right in front of you is not even trying to quiet that screaming, crying child.

A Christmas nightmare, right?

Well, not really. It's all part of the season and your demeanour can make a big difference.

Will the screaming child quiet if you snarl, growl and stare angrily? Actually, that might work but more likely the child will simply increase the volume of the screams.

That person who elbowed you out of the way? Well, there's no accounting for this type. Most likely, he or she has a lot on his or her mind and didn't even see you. Didn't feel a thing when he or she bumped into you.

Since you have time to think about this, think calm thoughts. Any other reaction will simply increase your stress level and make a bad day worse.

As for the person with the faulty ATM card, have some sympathy. The individual in question here has simply fallen into an elaborate trap laid by the banks.

Promoters of ATM cards claim they are more efficient and make daily life easier. I say the opposite. It never fails that if you are in a hurry, that card will go batty.

I was recently in an Ottawa department store where the woman ahead of me in line could not get her ATM card to work.

In frustration, she turned to me and said words to the effect that she hoped I wasn't paying with plastic because none of the electronic lines out of the store were working.

As she stormed off (leaving her purchases a the counter) I happily stepped forward and pulled out good old fashion cash money.

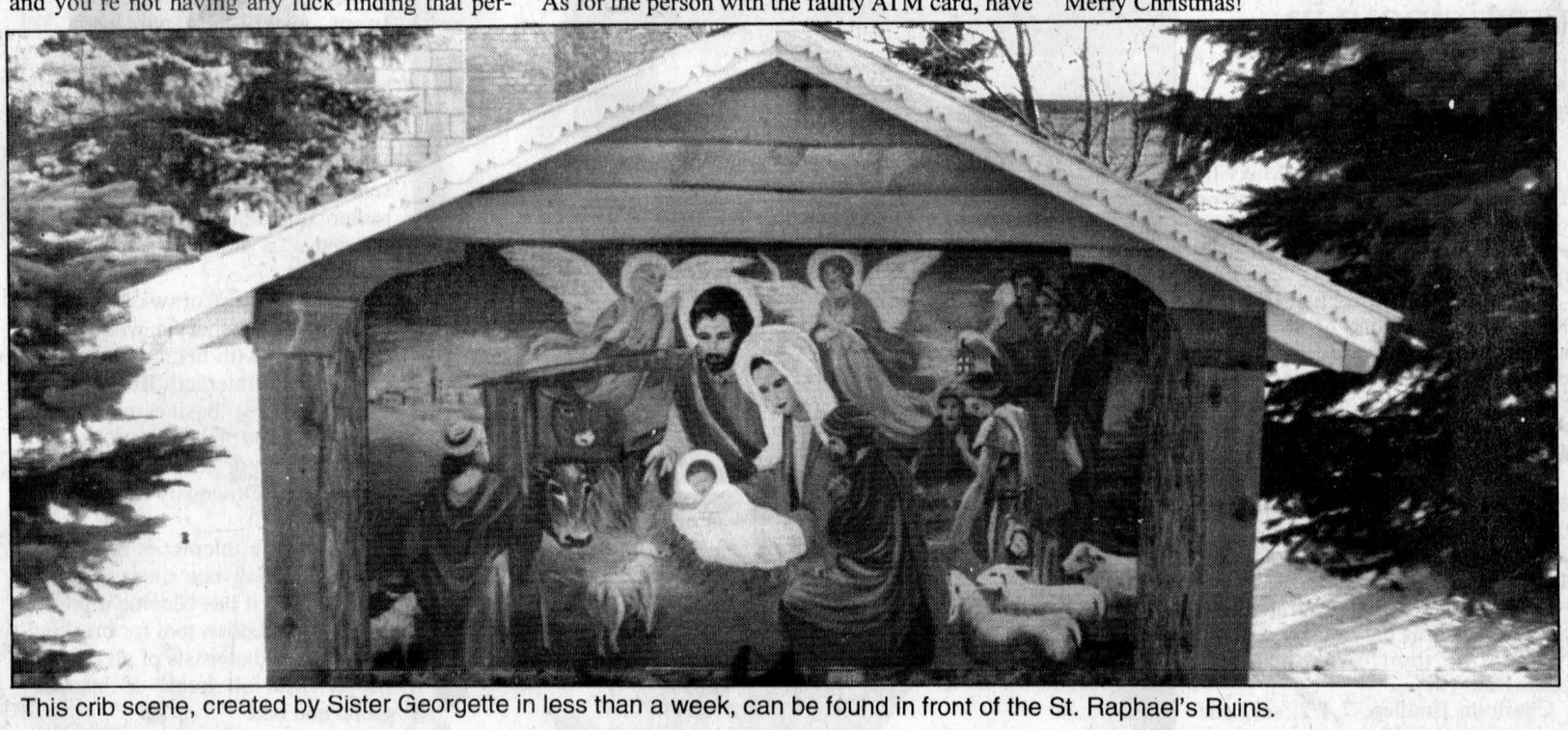
And I felt good. The banks weren't going to get a cut.

I know the preceding ramblings seem pointless to many but there is in fact a point.

You don't really need a perfect gift for anyone. It really is the thought that counts and that applies whether in the mall or under the tree.

Perhaps if a few more of us kept that in mind, you really would have a perfect holiday - and gift.

Merry Christmas!



This crib scene, created by Sister Georgette in less than a week, can be found in front of the St. Raphael's Ruins.

## Is there a bright side to the mean times?

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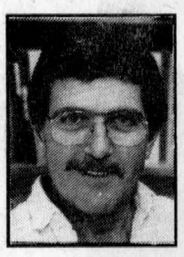


BLAIR WILLIAMS

It's that time of year when most of us are captured by the spirit of the season: peace and joy, the love of family, the fellowship of friends and a sense of charity and goodwill toward those who are alone or less fortunate than ourselves.

But a lot of people think it's a lean and mean time we live in. Schools, hospitals and municipalities are being shut down. Governments are cutting costs, eliminating grants, cancelling or reducing programs, putting people out on the street. Businesses are restructuring, demanding more from their employees and laying people off. Technology is displacing workers in many traditional industries. And, through it all, we are told the rate of poverty is on the rise and there is a growing gap between the wealthy and the poor.

How does one reconcile this bleak picture with the spirit of Christmas? Is there any real reason for joy and optimism in our incessantly changing world? And is there anything that we here in Glengarry County can do to counteract the forces of despair and pessimism that seem so prevalent in our society?

The answer is yes there are reasons for being optimistic and hopeful and, yes, there are things we can do to improve our lot and enrich our lives. But first we have to try to understand what is driving this discomforting change and then perhaps look ahead to see if there is light at the end of the tunnel.

In the 1990s it has become clear that the traditional approach to solving problems in our society has proven to be largely ineffective. Over the years, enormous bureaucracies have been created to administer endlessly expensive programs and, more than anything else, the legacy of these government initiatives has been spiraling public debts fueled by huge annual deficits. Now, somewhat late in the day, governments have concluded that we can no longer afford to carry on with high-cost programs the way we did in the past.

Throughout the land there is a high level of cynicism and disbelief about what can actually be accomplished by governments. Citizens feel overtaxed by too many levels of government, undeserved by big bureaucracy and badly represented by remote politicians. So what is to be done? If government grants, professional public servants and fully funded programs cannot provide the solutions to our social problems, what can?

The hope surely lies in our own communities and some of the traditional values we have left behind over the years. There are growing numbers of Canadians who believe we need to rediscover shared community values. We need to look at ourselves more as a community, to seek out community solutions and think about our individual behaviour in terms of what is good for the community.

Here in Glengarry county, we are blessed with a rich tradition of personal participation in community life. One thinks of local activities involving churches, schools, extended families and service organizations. There are many occasions when people come together as a community – work parties, Neighbourhood Watch, benefit socials, community dinners – all of which have a strong sense of civic duty and furtherance of commonly shared values and concerns.

As governments withdraw and programs are curtailed we should recognize an opportunity to build upon this tradition and reclaim some of the values and habits that have been lost over the years. We should look again at our family relationships, at ways we can serve our neighbours and friends and how we, as a community, can reach out to the lonely and dispossessed.

We will all be better off if we can find ways to strengthen our community institutions so they can help fill the void left by the decline of big government. Community groups, churches, schools, service clubs and local governments can, and should, play a larger role in meeting the social needs of ordinary people.

In the end, the quality of life provided in our society depends upon the attitudes and beliefs of its citizens. In our rush toward secular values and reliance on the state we have too often failed to promote and nurture the values that serve the community.

It's time, then, to look with some appreciation at those areas where community values remain strong and it's time to think again about the ways in which we can come together as a community to develop new ways of meeting human needs.

What better time to do this than at Christmas?

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Bishop's message is to emphasize family in new year

**To the editor,**

*Editor's note:* The following is the annual Christmas message from Alexandria-Cornwall Bishop Eugene LaRocque.

**Dear friends,**

Some 1,997 years ago, the Son or "Word" of God was made man by the power of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary; both Jesus and Mary were entrusted to the just man, Joseph, of David's royal line. Thus was constituted the Holy Family of Nazareth, model for families of all times.

Pope John Paul II in his Apostolic Letter on the Coming Third Millenium states that the family is "closely linked with the mystery of the Incarnation and the very history of man."

What is the message of the Holy Family for families of 1997? It is a message of hope. "Hope springs eternal in the human heart," it is the motor of human dynamism which sees a value or a series of values which are highly desirable and attainable with God's help. This is where "the virtue of hope responds to the aspiration to happiness which God has placed in the heart of every person... it keeps people from discouragement; it sustains them during times of abandonment; it opens up their hearts in expectation of eternal beatitude. Buoyed up by hope, a person is preserved from selfishness and led to the happiness that flows from charity." (The Cathechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1818)

But what about the many signs of the destruction of the family occasioned often enough through "the conspiracy" of governments? True, yet a real concern for the future of the family persists; the majority of our youth want to have a stable family. This will become reality when we give priority to the child, as the path for redeeming the family institution and its reinforcement, precisely because children reveal the outlines and ways of being and living in the family.

The child Jesus is also our redeemer! His Holy Spirit is at work in our world; the Holy Breath of life in a culture of death; the Holy Sigh of love to promote a civilization of love; the Power of God to ground our hope in the promise of "a new heaven and a new earth" beginning with families, for "the future of humanity passes by way of the family." (F.C. 86)

May the Holy Family of Nazareth watch over, protect and inspire our families at this Christmas time and throughout a New Year of salvation – looking forward to the millenium!

†Eugene P. LaRocque
Bishop of Alexandria-Cornwall

# Caisse Populaire reinvests in community

By Greg Peerenboom
*News* Reporter

The new Caisse Populaire in Alexandria is not only an improvement over the old building in appearance, but also in customer service.

The $1.2 million structure includes a very roomy foyer with a new automated teller and waiting-line area that can accommodate up to 30 people.

Beyond the teller counter and other personal service compartments are 13 individual offices, located on the main and second floor.

"We have everything here we need," said Caisse Populaire employee Elaine Oetelaar. "We're pretty happy about it."

The Caisse Populaire had so outgrown the old building that some employees had to work in mobile office units, said general manager Jean Marc Viau. Documents had to be stored off-site.

Now everything -- employees and documents -- are under one roof.

Dec. 13 was a proud day at the new building. More than 50 Caisse Populaire employees, shareholders, and dignitaries joined management to officially open the building designed with a Greek influence.

The general public participated in an open house on Dec. 14, shortly after the completion of the Richelieu Club Santa Claus Parade.

The project completed by Asco Construction also included tearing down the old building to make way for more parking, and new computers for faster and more efficient service.

Construction began in late May and was completed ahead of schedule in early November. Staff and equipment transferred to the new building on Nov. 12.

Alexandria Mayor Grant Crack praised the building's aesthetics and design.

"It's well situated on their property. It will certainly ease traffic flow for customers," Crack said.

He said the exterior blends in well with the rest of the Main Street.

The building fronts Main Street, but its main entrance faces south and the parking area.

Architect Pierre-Yves Seguin said the large glass entrance takes full advantage of the sun's position during the shorter daylight period between late fall and early spring.

The open concept inside not only allows plenty of light but makes the service areas "breathe," Seguin said.

Oetelaar agreed the airy atmosphere is beneficial to both employees and customers.

"We're very happy about it," she said. "Customers have had some really good comments about it."

The interior exudes a secure feeling.

Designer Lili Anne Bertrand utilized thick classical columns and Italian-made panels.

"It produces a feeling of permanence."

Bertrand consulted with the Caisse Populaire board of directors, especially chair Jean Pierre Claude.

"Claude wanted the look to say 'we're here to stay -- that this is a solid institution'," Bertrand said.

The Caisse Populaire can back up its presence with formidable numbers.

Viau said the Alexandria branch started in 1971 with less than $1 million in assets. By 1985, assets had increased 30-fold, and has since tripled to about $90 million.

Viau attributes the Caisse's success to a number of factors: no service charges, the first financial outlet in town to offer an automated teller, ample parking space and a membership profit-sharing that has turned-over $300,000 annually the last seven years.

Much of the furniture, blinds and decorations were constructed or supplied by local tradespeople and retailers.

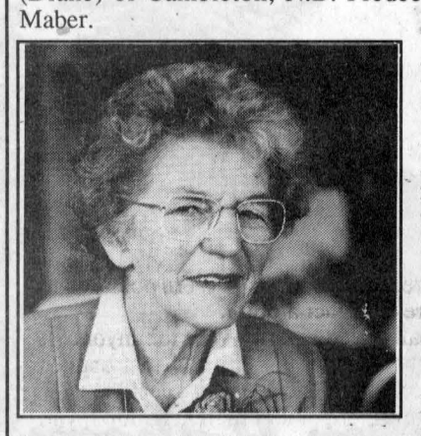
# OBITUARIES

## Laurette St-Laurent

Died suddenly, Friday, November 14, 1997, at the age of 88 years.

Laurette Guitard beloved wife of the late Philippe St. Laurent.

Loving mother of Henry (Lea) of Brossard, P.Q.; Rita Hurtubise (Emile) of Lancaster, Gerard (Ethel) of P.E.I., Irene Babin of Pickering, Arthur (Lena), Suzanne Carson (Richard) of Milwaukee WI., Georges of Gatineau, P.Q.; Annette Burden (Walter) of Mississauga, Helene Cyr (Serge) of Quebec, P. Q.; Jean-Louis (Julie) of Gatineau, P.Q.; Hubert (Diane) of Cambleton, N.B. Predeceased by one daughter Fernande Maber.



Grandmother of Paul, Michel, Lynne, Anita, Johannes, Nathalie, Barbara, David, Nanette, Michel, Sharron, David, Bruce and Jacqueline, Rene, France, Daniel, Philippe, Sheila, Kara, Peggy, Philippe, Isabelle and Genevieve, Maude and Jean Philippe. She also leaves many great grandchildren, Vanessa, Miranka, Nathaniel, Veronique, Helen, Ginette, Pascal, Chloe, Jean, Louis, Matthieu, Valerie, Greg, Travis, Brent, Andrew, Tanya, Karl, Khalie, Emily, Aimee, Christine, Victoria, Robin, Alexandre, Brigitte and Casandra, Sean, Ian, Nicholas and Yanik.

Was waked at the Munro & Morris Funeral Homes Inc. in Lancaster and was buried in Atholville, New Brunswick on Friday, Nov. 21, 1997 at the Notre Dame de Lourdes Cemetery.

Mass was celebrated by Father Rudy Villeneuve, Arnold Toner (St. John, N.B.) and Marcel Larouche (Green Valley.)

Readers were Ginette Hurtubise and Peggy O'Connor.

Pallbearers were her six sons, Henri, Gérard, Arthur, George, Jean Louis and Hubert.

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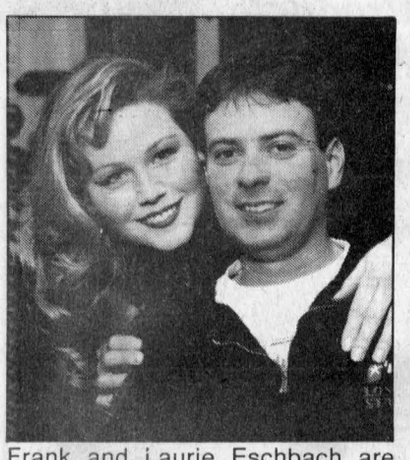
## Use caution when celebrating

'Tis the season for family reunions, gift-giving and parties. Unfortunately, for some it's also the season for excuses and excesses.

"It's easy for some people to fall into a trap at this time of year. Holiday partying becomes a convenient excuse for excessive drinking. But there is no excuse for binging," says Louise Simmons of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit.

Binging, or consuming five or more drinks on a single occasion, presents a string of potential problems - not only for the drinker but also for other family members, friends and anyone the drinker may come in contact with.

"The family and friends of the binge drinker must deal with the drinker's behaviour and all the social implications that go with it. The safety issues are obvious: binge drinkers behind the wheel spell trouble for themselves and anyone in their path," says Simmons.



Frank and Laurie Eschbach are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy, to David, son of A.K. and Ruthanna MacPherson. Wedding will take place on August 8, 1998 at St. Michael's and All Angels Church, Maxville, Ont. Reception to be held at the Caledonia Community Centre, St. Bernardin, Ont.

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# Huge drug bust leads to 18 arrests

## POLICE BRIEFS

BY GREG PEERENBOOM
*News* Reporter

More than $5.6 million worth of drugs, contraband and counterfeit money was seized Dec. 16-17 following two raids by the Cornwall Regional Task Force special investigation unit.

The task force, comprised of RCMP, OPP, Cornwall police and Canada Customs officials, arrested 18 people, including 15 Cornwall and Cornwall Island residents.

More arrests are anticipated as a result of the 21-month undercover investigation. Akwesasne police and the provincial weapons enforcement unit assisted in the round-up.

Among the seizures were almost two kilograms of heroin, with a street value of $5 million, one kilogram of cocaine (street value $500,000), explosives, a machine gun and hand guns, contraband alcohol and cigarettes, and $100,000 in counterfeit Canadian currency.

### Stranded thief steals again

When one car doesn't do, get another.

That seemed to be the philosophy of one automobile thief after a 1994 Plymouth Voyager was stolen Dec. 15 from Creg Quay. Shortly afterwards, a Chrysler van stolen previously in the Toronto area, was recovered on Hwy 401.

"It seems the person responsible for stealing the (Chrysler) ran out of gas, hopped the fence and stole another (vehicle) at Creg Quay," said Lancaster OPP Const. Hugh McClements.

"I guess he felt it was a better risk than going to a gas station (and getting identified)."

The Plymouth Voyager, valued at $15,000, is white and bears a licence plate ABKN901.

### New car stolen from lot

The Alexandria Honda dealership was targetted last week by car thieves.

A green 1998 Honda Civic four-door, valued at $20,000, with licence plate AACH829 was stolen from the property sometime prior to Dec. 15.

OPP are investigating.

### Break and enters

About $2,100 worth of property was stolen from a Charlottenburgh residence following a Dec. 17 break and enter.

Sometime between 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., thieves forced open the garage door and then kicked in the kitchen entrance causing $300 worth of damage.

They made off with the following items: a silver cutlery set, an ivory and silver knife set, an RCA VCR, a JVC 21-inch TV and assorted meats.

A Fitzpatrick Road residence in Lochiel Township was broken into last week.

The culprits forced open a side door and removed an antique four-foot high, oak-stained buffet and an antique dining room table.

The incident was reported to OPP on Dec. 18, although the break-in probably occurred a couple of days earlier.

### Mailbox check costly

A two-vehicle accident on Cedar Grove Road Dec. 18 near Lancaster village resulted in a Highway Traffic Act charge and moderate damage.

Just after checking a mail box on the south-side, Carol Lang, of Osnabruck Township, proceeded to go westbound when she struck an eastbound vehicle driven by Heather Smith of Charlottenburgh Township.

Smith's 1997 Pontiac sustained moderate damage while Lang's 1981 Pontiac took light damage.

Lang was charged with driving left of centre on a roadway.

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# Counties could take over policing matters

BY GREG PEERENBOOM
*News* Reporter

Police services in Glengarry could be administered by the United Counties of SDG.

The upper tier (counties) can now transfer police responsibilities from the lower tier (municipalities), said counties co-ordinator Raymond Lapointe.

If a county proposal is accepted, could mean the death knell for small, municipally run police such as the Alexandria Police Services?

Not true, said North Glengarry reeve-elect Grant Crack, claiming North Glengarry has the right to choose.

"I believe policing should be a local issue," Crack said. "I want to see North Glengarry tax dollars spent in North Glengarry."

Crack said all public input should be considered and that it was fine for the counties to study policing issues.

The provincial government changed regulations to the Police Act earlier this month.

South Glengarry reeve-elect Charles Sangster took a view opposite to his North counterpart. He welcomed the news.

"We've been going along with that idea. That would make a lot of sense," Sangster said.

South Glengarry transition board chair Steve Preston said the board favours a police service run by the United Counties and contracted out to the Ontario Provincial Police.

The counties would collect the taxes and oversee police services.

Sangster said overhead costs to run a small police service is one immediate drawback, whereas the OPP has a huge province-wide umbrella.

"The OPP are going to be awfully hard to beat," Sangster said. "It's a lot harder for local police to beat (the OPP) cost."

Sangster cited provincial figures that indicated the OPP was more cost-effective.

He said the OPP in 1995 cost $96 per person in South Glengarry, while independents such as the Alexandria Police Service cost $163 per person. Cornwall was $175 per person.

Sangster conceded urban policing -- as in Alexandria and Cornwall -- costs more per person, but the savings between OPP and other police were still too great even with the urban element factored in.

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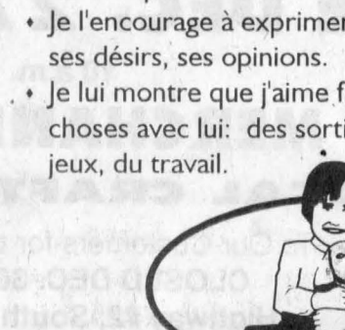


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# Show dispels popular myths about artists

## Recent display in Martintown placed emphasis on old-fashioned fun

By Sue Harrington
*News* Correspondent

A trip to the Slanted Floor Art Gallery in Martintown Dec. 12 dispelled the myth of art dealers and artists being aloof and snooty.

The trio of Esther Bryan, Janet Keefe and gallery proprietor, Norm Laflamme, teamed up to produce a show which was light and airy and full of good fun.

That is not to say, however, that the works of Bryan and Keefe are not to be taken seriously. These local artists have established reputations in juried shows throughout the province, and their works are sought after at home and abroad.

Perhaps it is because they have achieved such success that they are able to relax and have fun with an exhibit such as the one held recently.

Bryan, of Williamstown, is known for her watercolors. Usually choosing a simple "vignette" from nature, Bryan lets her colors flow like rainbows.

In "Fragile Dawn," for example, muted pink poppies bend into a breezy swirl of fresh air and sunlight, reminding us how beautiful, yet how transitory, is that first moment of light.

While still very much a watercolorist, Bryan is branching out in a new direction - painting (if it can be called that), with paper.

"I spent a year paper-making when I was at Concordia," said Bryan, who returned to university to earn a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree once her family was grown.

Now she is making paper "like crazy." And using it.

"Out of the earth, return to the earth," is a mammoth picture of sculpted textures and folds of rock and cliffs on which is perched a crumbling castle.

Bryan says she uses paper - which she makes out of "corn, flax, cotton, dirt, you-name-it" - when it suits the topic that she is addressing.

"Paper has such a tactile dimension. The source is also part of the piece," she said.

Perhaps her new fascination with dimension has something to do with her friendship with Keefe, a potter, whom she says is her best critic.

"We tell each other what we think," says Keefe, whose pots are full and rounded or rectangular and chunky.

Keefe admitted she was "awful" at drawing, and became an occupational therapist because, after studying art in her native England, she thought she couldn't draw.

"It never occurred to me then that with a little work I could LEARN to draw," she laughed.

Keefe's Raku pots, or "pods" as she titles many of them, are wonderful. They look as though they are part of some treasure trove unearthed from a ruined city.

This fascination with the mark of time is apparent from the names she has given her pieces. There is "Old pod," "Very old pod," and "Old stone pod."

There is also "The silly little rectangular dish." The silly little rectangular dish?

Bryan and Keefe laugh with merriment when they describe setting up the exhibit and trying to come up with names for the 77 pieces.

Some are easy: they have names even before they are started, according to Bryan.

But others seem to defy any title other than a very basic description of the work. Hence "The silly little rectangular dish."

The artists' humour is infectious says Laflamme who organized the show in his gallery.

"I love working with these two; they're such fun," he said.

While his gallery normally has works by both, this is the first time the pair has had exclusive use of the gallery which is twinned with "Nell's General Store," in Martintown.

"It's an adventure. You make what you want of it in here," said Laflamme, a teacher and writer.

All pronounced the show, especially the vernissage on Friday night, a great success.



Esther Bryan and Janet Keefe share a smile during their recent display at the Slanted Floor Art Gallery.

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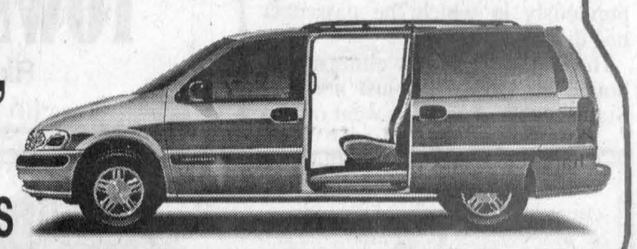

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# Crash expert part of TV series



Former Glengarry County resident Colleen McCormick will be featured on the Discovery Channel Dec. 23.

*Editor's note: The following story features former Alexandria resident Colleen McCormick, daughter of Cameron and Yvette McCormick. It is reprinted with the permission of the Orangeville Banner.*

BY ANN CALLAGHAN
Special to the *News*

As an accident investigator for Transport Canada, Colleen McCormick had studied many motor vehicle fatalities.

But when she was asked to take a look at a van that had been involved in a fatal "accident", little did she know she would be instrumental in solving a homicide.

It's a case that has resulted in changes to the Coroner's Act, and a case that will be featured in an upcoming Discovery Channel series on forensic detection.

For McCormick, an Orangeville resident for the past four years, it all began back in 1992 while she was working for Transport Canada, collecting accident data which would then be used by Transport Canada to evaluate and modify safety standards.

While at the Ontario Provincial Police Detachment in Downsview one day, an OPP officer asked her to take a look at a van that had been involved in an accident four days previously in which the passenger had died.

The van had been travelling southbound on Hwy. 410, just north of Steeles Avenue, when it went off the road to avoid a collision with another car, according to the driver.

The driver's estranged wife had died and cause of death had initially been attributed to injuries from the accident.

"Once I started analyzing the blood spatter, I just got this feeling... I knew it had to be a homicide," recalled McCormick.

She had been trained as an accident investigator by Transport Canada and had completed an accident reconstruction course at the University of North Florida.

Three weeks before becoming involved in this case, McCormick had completed a blood stain pattern analysis course in Minneapolis, sponsored by the Mid-Western Association of Forensic Scientists.

"It's always been one of my interests," said McCormick, who has a Bachelor of Science degree in genetics and molecular biology, as well as a BSC in nursing.

It was the blood stain pattern on the van that eventually led to a charge of second degree murder against the accused.

"Once we started matching up the physical evidence with what he said, it didn't make sense," said McCormick, who has since left Transport Canada and is now an OPP officer working out of the New Tecumseh detachment, where she also does accident reconstruction.

The van came to rest at a 17-degree angle, but none of the blood stains matched that angle.

There was a tremendous amount of blood in the van, but it was the two miniscule drops of blood found between the sliding van doors that led to a charge of second degree murder. (The accused later entered a guilty plea to a lesser charge of manslaughter and is serving nineyears.)

The blood stain pattern of those two drops of blood showed that the accused had started to beat the victim while she was outside the van, leading investigators to believe that the "accident" was staged.

After a second autopsy, it was determined that the victim had died from strangulation after a severe beating.

In March of this year McCormick got a call from a producer at the Discovery Channel, asking if she would take part in a segment for their new series called Exhibit A: Forensic Detection.

The 13-part series will profile a case each week where forensic evidence was crucial to an investigation.

McCormick was interviewed in early August at the Discovery Channel Studio.

The segment will air Dec. 23 at 9 p.m.

The whole thing has been a learning experience for all involved.

Changes to the Coroner's Act as a result of this case mean that coroners must now attend fatal accident scenes and policies and procedures regarding sharing of information between police, the medical profession, and other investigative agencies has been revised.

As for McCormick, she said it was rewarding to have her forensic training validated, and to be involved with putting a violent criminal behind bars.

"But the whole thing makes me wonder how many other cases have been missed," said McCormick. "That bothers me."


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Dorothy Burton, Fassifern, called me on Dec. 13 to tell me of the beautiful red cardinal that was at the feeder that day. In the Burton's 10 years at Fassifern this was a first for the cardinal. Hector has chickadees eating from his hand but this was a real treat to see.

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Winners in the Christmas contest at the Dalkeith Library were: First prize, to school-age children, Yolanda Clatworthy with runner up, Tyler Sutton. In the "Read to Me" group the Bock family – Georgia, Luisa and Tony, won the prize.

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The telephone number at our general store is still not in the phone book, so I'll pass it on – 613-874-2033.

**Sandbag league**

Following are the results of the sandbag league as of Dec. 5:

Highest double, men, Alain Piche, 9460; women, Lina Arcand, 7590. Highest single, men, Rheal Cyr, 5470; women, Fleurette Paquette, 4180. Highest square, men, Alain Piche, 1540; women, Gabrielle Meloche, 1310.

The team positions are as follows:
1. Les Lunettes, 43; 2. Les 4 Jours, 39; 3. Les Toupets, 37; 4. Les Road-Runner, 32; 5. Les 4 Sous, 27; 6. Les Eclairs, 22; 7.1 Les Bouches-Trous, 22; 8. Les Chicos, 18.

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Best Christmas wishes to staff at *The Glengarry News* and to all the faithful readers who follow the Dalkeith news each week.

Some other correspondents have commented on the lovely Christmas party we all enjoyed with *Glengarry News* staff and friends on Saturday, Dec. 13.

# Party with a purpose at Johnson House

BY SUE HARRINGTON
*News* Correspondent

It was a party with a purpose. The open house on Dec. 14 at the Sir John Johnson House in Williamstown was held not only to show the public the work which has been done on the building, but also to encourage support for the future of the place.

Thought to be one of the oldest houses in Ontario, the Manor House (as it is popularly known), is owned by Parks Canada which hosted the event in partnership with a group of local residents known as the Friends of the Sir John Johnson Manor House.

Parks officials are trying to strengthen the ties with the community to ensure that the house survives.

"There are many challenges facing us, not the least of which is shrinking financial resources and numerous demands on our time," said Pam Buell of Fort Wellington in Prescott who is responsible for the Williamstown site.

Buell said Parks Canada was looking for help from the public "to chart the Sir John Johnson House future."

Officials are working on a management plan which will be used to operate and manage the house, which is one of Canada's national historic sites.

"Because the management plan will affect visitors, neighbors, the community and resources, your views and concerns are important to us. By getting involved you can make a difference," Buell said in a brochure handed out at the open house.

She invites the public to make known their ideas, suggestions and concerns to her or to Angus McLeod, at Parks Canada in Cornwall.

The Sir John Johnson House is currently being used in part as the Williamstown branch of the SDG County Library system, specializing in local history books. The remainder of the downstairs is being prepared as a local archives and a meeting place for the community.


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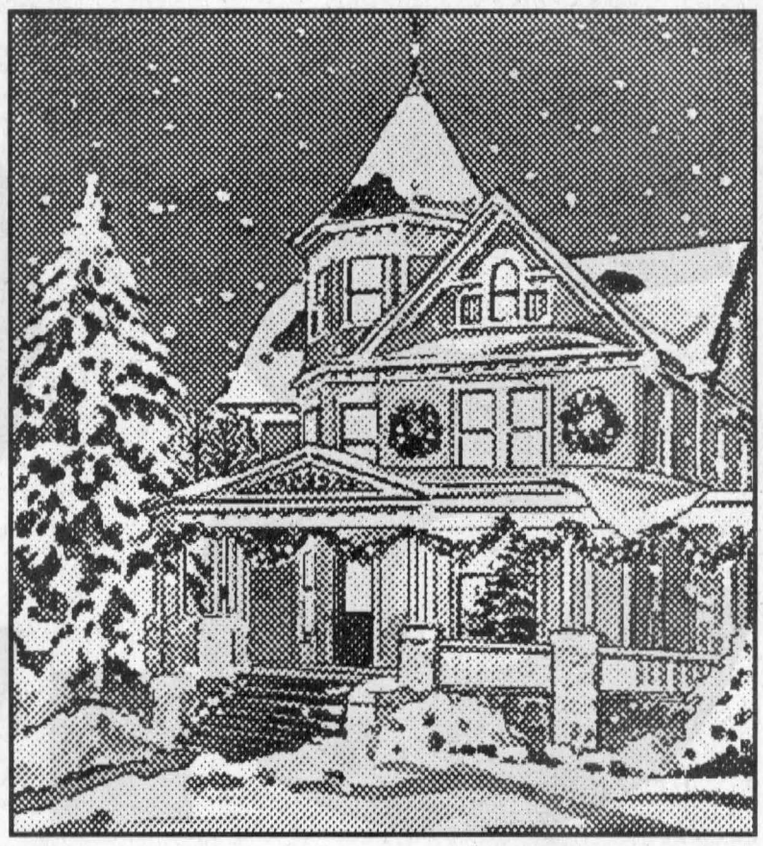

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## Council's choice

Thirteen-year-old Elizabeth Fraser was recognized by Alexandria Town Council as Youth of the Year during council's final meeting Dec. 15. Fraser is a Grade 8 student at Ecole Elda Rouleau where she is co-president of the school and member of school council. Her interests include music, in which she has completed her Grade 6 Royal Conservatory of Music examination and is studying for her Grade 8 piano. In July 1997, she won the North American Highland Dancing Championship (12 and under category) in Sydney, Nova Scotia before returning home to take the Glengarry Highland Games title in the 13 and under category. Presenting the award is Deputy Reeve John Hope.

# Carollers brighten the season

GLEN SANDFIELD



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You are cordially invited to share Christmas Eve with the congregation at Glen Sandfield United Church at 8 p.m. for their service of readings and carols. There will be a mini-concert of original music by Fiona Fraser at 7:55 p.m. before the service.

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A joint Sunday morning worship service for the East Hawkesbury and the Glen Sandfield United Churches will be held in Ste. Anne de Prescott on Dec. 28 at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Frank Bailey. There will be no service in Glen Sandfield that Sunday.

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Bessie MacLennan has recently enjoyed a week visiting her daughter, Marilyn Lawlor and family in Harrowsmith.

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Lois Bickerstaff has returned to her home in Orillia after spending a week with her mother Eleanor Bickerstaff and her sister Janet Bickerstaff.

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The Glengarry Gaelic Choir joined the carolers in the Glengarry Memorial Hospital lounge for the long-term-care patient's Christmas party on Dec. 15. Colonial-type handcrafted wall-unit shelves were presented to the hospital for each of the patients' rooms by the hospital auxiliary. Led by the choir, songs and carols rang through the halls and everyone joined in, the patients, the staff and the visitors. The program had been planned to last for 30 minutes but, with everyone having such a good time, the singers sang for the better part of an hour. Gaelic, English and French selections made up the program, with the carollers singing requests from their enthusiastic audience. Piano accompaniment was ably provided by choir director Anne McKenna.

Afterward, juice-based punch, coffee and cake were served.

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We wish all of our readers a Christmas full of love, joy and peace, Our Christmas prayer is that there will indeed be peace on earth in all nations, that everyone on earth will know the happiness of a blissful holiday season, with food a'plenty, lack of fear and want. Share your joy with some lonely person, Christmas is a time of giving not only of gifts but of ourselves. In the words of Dickens' Tiny Tim, "God bless us everyone."



BE SMART SHOP CANADIAN

# Student wins poster contest

A Laggan Public School student has won the Eastern Ontario Health Unit's Healthy Lunch Challenge poster contest.

Matthew Yakibchuk's entry was recently selected by the health unit from among creations by Grade 4 students throughout the five eastern counties.

"During the project, I learned how to eat healthy and balanced," said Matthew.

When informed of his win, Matthew's parents promised to teach him even more about good nutrition.

The goal of the contest was to improve students' and their families' knowledge regarding healthy food in a fun and interesting manner.

The winning posters from the five counties all had imagination, healthy choices and the inclusion of at least one food choice from the four groups of Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating.

"The posters that were received were all good," said Aileen Cross of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit. "We congratulate all the participants. They all won because they got to learn something practical that can be referred to for the rest of their lives."

Experience would seem to be a key for Matthew.

"I sometimes make my own lunch," he said. "And I sometimes eat a lunch like the one I drew but not always. I like bananas, spaghetti and tomatoes and I have an apple as a snack.

But Matthew didn't have to worry about making lunch for a least one day last week.

Prize for winning the contest is that he, and his classmates in Shelley Willock's Grade 4 class, were treated to a pizza lunch during Christmas celebrations.

Health unit officials say it's a nutritious way to end 1997 and begin 1998.

## Compensation rules change

The Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Legal Clinic is concerned that recent changes to the worker' compensation system in Ontario may result in injured workers losing out on benefits. Injured workers may not be aware of new short time limits contained in the law.

Bill 99, the new Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, replaces the old Workers Compensation Act and is set to take effect Jan. 1, 1998. One of the key changes had to do with time limits. Under the new law, a worker will only have six months from the date of the injury to file a claim, or six months from the date of a decision to file an appeal. Some cases may have an even shorter time limit.

The law sets July 1, 1997 as the cut-off date. Any injuries before that date are still covered by the old law (with no time limits.) Injuries after that date are subject to the six-month time limit, commencing Jan. 1, 1998.

Representing injured workers without charge is among the legal clinic's specialized areas of law.

"The old law had very few real time limits and injured workers who are not aware that they now only have six months to file a claim or to appeal a decision may, unfortunately, not receive the proper compensation which should be available for them," says Etienne Saint-Aubin, executive-director of the clinic.

The clinic urges all workers to take note of this major change and to consult with a lawyer should they have any questions about this complex area of law.

For additional information, contact: Etienne Saint-Aubin, SDG Legal Clinic, 613-932-2703.

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# Christmas concerts abound in Williamstown

WILLIAMSTOWN



SUE HARRINGTON
347-2279

One out of three is pretty bad — a failure, actually. Blame it on sloth, or misiantosis, but making it to only one of three school Christmas concerts is grounds for being recycled into Christmas decorations (an angel for the top of the tree?)

The silly thing is, I used the Christmas concert excuse to decline invitations for things I would far rather have attended.

"Sorry, can't make it. I'm going to a Christmas kahhncert," I would say, emphasizing the word concert as though the event were in the same league as the Canadian premiere of "Rent."

The truth is, once your little ones no longer fit entrances without doing the ape-walk, school concerts lose their appeal. Suddenly all the children look the same and all the parents different.

I'm told the magic comes back — down the line — when the hair is white and the walk is wobbled. You'll know when it does.

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But I can write about Char-Lan's concert held on Tuesday night, that is, if Betty and Cookie Kalsi don't tell a little secret.

The concert was performed by the Grade 9 and 10 bands under the direction of Rob Goodbun, and by Ken John's Char-Lan Choir.

While the choir, which includes Toni Achilles, Anna De Sellas, Allison Fontaine, Jennifer Green, Dorothea Kubli, Dan Lapierre, Robert Priddle, Angele Bourdeau, Jamie Esdale, Josee Giroux, Corey Kalsi, Michelle Lalonde and Melissa Nysten, is made up of both junior and senior students, the bands are first and second years.

Young, fresh and enthusiastic, the students (some of whom have been having music instruction for a mere three months) display talent which will no doubt mean some good music at the school for several years to come.

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In the Grade 9 band, flutists included Terri Lynn Tessier, Calla Humphries and Michelle Guay. Playing saxophones were Justin King and Alexandra Rose. Trumpeters were Sean Clancy, Janice Poirier and Jordan Reasbeck.

Clarinets were plentiful. Behind them were Chasity Evrall, Allison Fontaine, Erin Lever, Katherine Whitford, Heather Seath, Laurie MacNaughton, Christie Thompson, Carolyn Wagar and Kim Warden.

Making the big sounds were Felix Kubli (bass clarinet), Nathan Poirier (tuba) and Brian Brownlee, Tony Prevost and Christine Marion (percussion).

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Grade 10 percussionists were Kevin Robson, Nik Kovinich and Mark Richard.

Stephanie Goom played the trombone, Robert Priddle the bass clarinet and Mary MacGregor, Margaret Cumming, Vera Cumming and Anna De Sellas, clarinets.

Saxing on the phones were Joshua Avery, Dennis Guay and Mark Pilon, while Melissa Doyle, Christie Rankin and Lisa Menard were blowing the trumpets.

The Grade 10 flute section was made up of Meghan Button, Kathy Robideau, Margaret Winn, Philip Van Bruchem and Andrea MacCrimmon.

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This is your second and final "last chance" week. Your last chance in Williamstown to put out garbage and blue box stuff comes on Wednesday, rather than on the regular Thursday. But be careful! In your zest to rid your house of boxes and other shopping regalia before "the big day," watch what you throw out. Wouldn't be much fun doing frenzied dump-searching on Christmas Day!

You may also get cash for the hard-to-find-for people on your gift list until 2 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Please note that the Bank of Montreal here will be open an hour earlier than normal, at 12 noon on the 24th.

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Christmas is always a great time to win things. Frances Stidwill and son Patrick won the Williamstown-K of C $1,000 draw at the group's monthly breakfast held recently.

And on Thursday, Gilberte Marsh captured the turkey at the Friendly Neighbors' Christmas dinner. Gilberte also won one of the 50-50 prizes, along with Roger Pilon, Joan Abrams, Laura Leroux, Beatrice Labelle, Isobel Quail, Alda Major, Florida Legroulx, Emily MacDonald and Annette Chretien.

Thanks to Viola and Roger Pilon for organizing the dinner; Clare Gougeon for making it and all the lovely ladies, for serving it.

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A word of warning about the ice on the river. While our thoughts immediately turn to children when the river first freezes and is of questionable strength, we seldom think of our dogs.

There have been two instances of dogs falling through the ice in Williamstown in recent weeks. In one case, the owners heard the dog yelping and were able to rescue him. In the other, unfortunately, the dog drowned.

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Last week in this column, tribute was paid to Carmen and Jack Hunting for receiving recognition from the Green Thumb Horticultural Society.

The Huntings, while they appreciate being thanked for their efforts, are embarrassed by being singled out for attention, especially when there are so many others who work tirelessly behind the scenes.

They feel such recognition is divisive and say the friendly camaraderie of groups like the Green Thumbs is important and is what attracted them to it in the first place.

"We are just happy to be a part of this community," says Carmen.

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The beautiful little poinsettias which are being delivered along with meals-on-wheels this week, are courtesy of the Green Thumbs and should serve to make things Christmasy for our shut-ins.

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Further reports from the Manor House open house on Sunday, show a total of $296 was raised during the day. While most of this came from the sale of tickets on the basket, $100 was realized from the sale of wreaths made by one of the Manor House committee members. Thanks Pat! (Soni says she'll take the blame for having your name in here!)

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A warm welcome has been extended to you all on behalf of the members of St. Andrew's United Church here in Williamstown to attend the Christmas eve candle-light service at 8 p.m. on the 24th. * * *

Members of the 1st Williamstown Sparks are having a skating party on Dec. 23 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the arena. The Sparks have invited their big sister group, the Brownies, to join in their Christmas cheer.

Organizers would like to say a big thank-you to the folks at the arena for donating the ice time.

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Well, the phone hasn't exactly rung off the hook — but then it's cordless — with names of your holiday homecomers. But I think I know the reason why.

The more I ask, the more it seems that people are spending Christmas with THEIR children, who live here, there and everywhere. Christmas for many of them is not being celebrated on the 25th, either. Some seem to be lucky enough to be scheduled for several dinners; stopping off at each consecutive child's for feasting.

Coming home will be Will and Cindy Lalonde and children, Tyler, Amanda and Tracey, from Cambridge, for Christmas with Bill and Dora Lalonde.

Holiday guests at the Huntings will be Dr. Michael and Sharon Moffatt from Winnipeg; Susan and Bob White from Hay River, NWT, and John Hunting and family from Montreal.

And at the Harringtons, we will have Joshua from London, England; Johanna from London, Ont.; Zachary from Hamilton and Sarah from Kingston, who join Simon, David and me in wishing you all the best for Christmas and the New Year.

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## Honoured for efforts

Claire and Bruno Besner of Maxville were honoured at the Dec. 12 board meeting of the Glengarry Chapter of the Heart and Stroke Foundation. The Maxville couple, who were recognized for their efforts during the meeting in Alexandria, have volunteered for 11 years as zone chair of fund raising in the Kenyon area.

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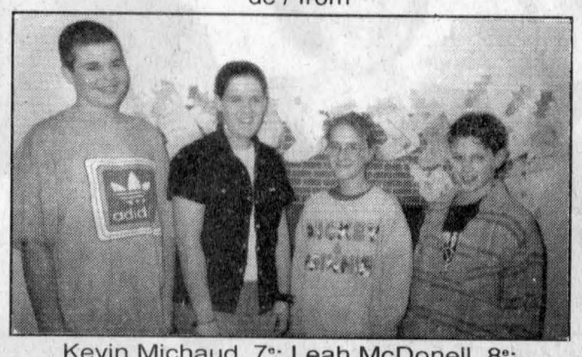

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## V-ball Crusaders roll in openers

The Char-Lan Crusaders had a successful day as the 1997-98 girls' "A" high school volleyball season opened last week.

The senior Crusaders won all six games against two opponents – 15-9, 15-3 and 15-6 against the Tagwi Warriors and 15-4, 15-6 and 15-1 against the L'Heritage Dragons.

The junior Crusaders settled for five games out of six.

Char-Lan swept L'Heritage 15-3, 15-2 and 15-3 and took two of three games – 15-6, 13-15 and 15-11 – from Tagwi.

# Glens, Rebels record interconference wins

Both local Eastern Ontario Junior B Hockey League teams recorded road victories over Ottawa-based Metro Division opponents on Thursday.

The St. Lawrence Division leading Alexandria Glens fattened their record to 19-5-4 with a 4-2 victory in Canterbury against the South Ottawa Canadians while the Char-Lan Rebels travelled into the Nation's Capital and came up with a 4-3 comeback victory over the Ottawa West Golden Knights.

In Canterbury, the Glens took a 3-0 lead through two periods and coasted to another victory.

Nicolas Besner got the Glens on the board when he scored 18th goal of the season at the 8:16 mark of the first period and he assisted on Kurt MacSweyn's tally 5:40 into the second frame.

Yves Ruest scored what proved to be the game-winning goal exactly a minute after MacSweyn's marker. Ruest leads the team with 29 goals on the year.

Stephane Loyer iced the game for Alexandria with 16 seconds left in regulation.

Meanwhile, the Rebels rallied from a 3-1 second intermission deficit to down the Golden Knights 4-3 in overtime.

Defenceman Lee Klazinga – who has added an offensive spark to the Rebels since rejoining the club two weeks ago after a stint in junior A – scored the overtime winner.

The Rebels forced OT with third-period goals by Jeff Legue and Eric Fontaine.

Dave Campbell – back with the team after spending the fall working in Alberta – scored Char-Lan's other goal.

**Junior notes:** Both teams were in action at home on the weekend (because of the advanced publishing date, we do not have those results). The Glens hosted the Buckingham Voisins on Friday night in a game that featured two of the best junior B hockey teams in Eastern Ontario. The Rebels hosted the Metcalfe Jets on Saturday... This coming Saturday night, the Rebels play host to the Gananoque Islanders while the Glens will welcome the Westport Rideaus to the Billy Gebbie Arena on Sunday afternoon.



Yves Ruest and the Alexandria Glens have a date with the Metcalfe Jets at the Boxing Day tournament in Winchester on – naturally – Dec. 26.

File photo

## Wereley runs wild for Rudi's

Derek Wereley had a big offensive night as Rudi Payer Sport defeated the Hellfish 4-1 in Char-Lan Indoor Soccer League play last Monday night In Williamstown.

Wereley accounted for three of the Rudi goals as he upped his season scoring total to nine.

Garry Benson rounded out the scoring as Rudi's improved to 6-2 on the season.

The game represented the first of two losses on the night for the Hellfish as the club was victimized 3-1 by league leaders The Zone in the second half of the doubleheader.

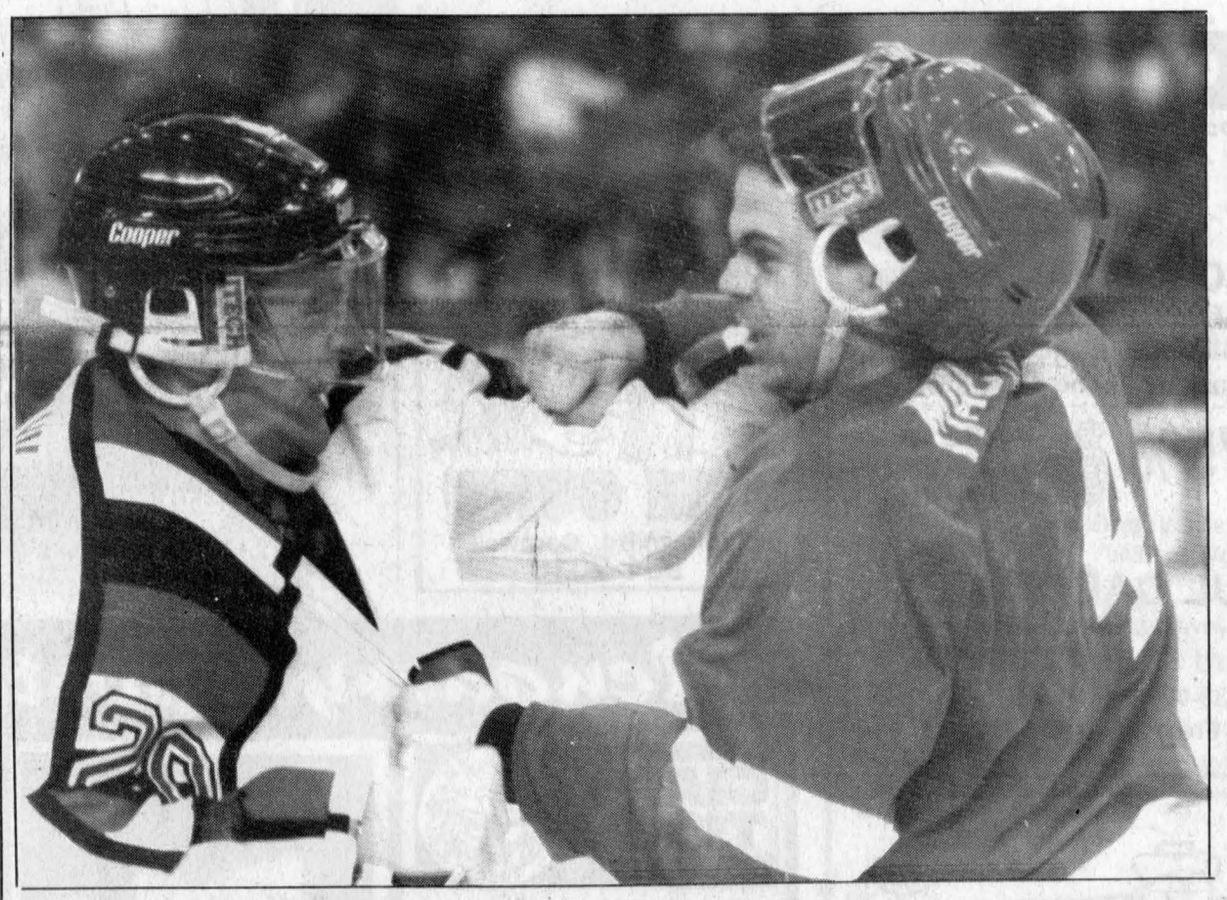
Allan Campbell scored three times to lift the Glengarry Stars to an 8-2 victory over the SDG Nomads in last Monday's other contest.

Jonathan Hamelin booted a pair of goals while single markers were added by Ed McCorkell, Toni Boos and Steven Cameron.

Jason Varrin - with his team-leading eighth goal of the season - and Martin Stadelmann were the Nomad goalscorers.

The league is now in the midst of the Christmas break and play will resume on Jan. 5 with the Stars playing the doubleheader. The defending league champions will square off against the Hellfish at 7 p.m. and archrival Rudi's at 8 p.m.

The first day of play in the New Year also features a Zone vs. Nomads tussle at 9 p.m.



Ryan MacDonald (right) shown here in action for the Detroit Junior Red Wings during his rookie junior season, also made OHL stops in North Bay and Ottawa.

# Ryan's Hope realized

## MacDonald finds hockey happiness in – of all places – Waco, Texas

On the list of places where a hockey player could expect to revive a career, Waco, Texas would rank somewhere between Poughkeepsie and Timbuktu.

Alexandria's Ryan MacDonald probably never dreamed he'd be playing professional hockey in the Lone Star State, but here he is playing a regular shift on defence for the Waco Wizards of the Western Professional Hockey League.

Not only is he getting paid to play the game he loves – the average player makes about $500 to $600 U.S. per week with lodgings and other perks provided free of charge – but he gets to spend the cold months in warmer climes than one would find in places like North Bay, Ottawa or Alexandria, where he has spent his previous winters.

"It's golfing weather outside," MacDonald said mischievously when contacted last week at his apartment in Waco, located south of Dallas in the east central portion of the state. "We practice early in the morning and then you can put your shorts on and go work out or play golf."

So who does a lad from Alexandria – the son of Gordon and Hazel MacDonald – wind up chasing pucks deep in the heart of Texas?

"I don't even know," MacDonald said. "I was supposed to go to Columbus to play for the Chill in the East Coast Hockey League, but (Glengarry resident) Bill Terry, who scouts for the St. Louis Blues, found this opportunity for me here."

Opportunity is the operative word in this case. MacDonald has seen plenty of ice time - usually paired with team captain and roommate Tim Green - and has seen duty on the power play and the penalty killing units.

"I've already got 15 points," he commented. "That's more points than I've had for the full season the last three years."

MacDonald plus-minus is at a scary minus-18, but that's not bad on a Wizards team that has a 3-22-3 record. Consider MacDonald's poor teammate Jamie Hearn, who has to look at a minus-42 next to his name on the stats chart.

"We're starting to turn things around," said MacDonald. "We've got a new coach in Tom Coolen and we're playing better."

Coolen is a two-time Canadian university coach of the year from his days at Acadia and has also coached at St. John for the Calgary Flames' top farm team.

Coolen has a lot of work on his hands in Waco - the seventh (and last) place Wizards are 13 points behind the sixth-place team in the WPHL East Division standings. Even worse, the sixth-place club has five games in hand on the Wizards.

Despite the chronic losing, MacDonald - who completed a frustrating junior career in the Ontario Hockey League last season - is enjoying himself.

"My dad was down here recently and that's what I told him: 'Hockey is fun again.'

"I look forward to get to the rink when I get up in the morning now."

MacDonald soured on the sport after bouncing around the OHL for three seasons. He started his junior career as a seldom-used tough guy on a talent-laden and Memorial Cup-bound Detroit Junior Red Wings team before moving on to North Bay where he had a difficult relationship with the Centennials coach and suffered on a lousy team.

He concluded his career on the bench (and in the stands) last season when he was traded to the Ottawa 67's, another deep and talent-rich club.

"I was ready to hang up the skates and enter the real world," said MacDonald of his mood at the end of the 1996-97 season. A few moments later, he corrected himself. "Well, I guess I really didn't seriously consider quitting. I've been playing hockey all my life. But (the OHL days) were very frustrating."

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## Senior Gaels take on the Pats

By Candace Hebert
*News* correspondent

The Glengarry midget girls' volleyball team lost to the La Citadelle Patriotes in SDG high school play on Thursday.

The Gaels kept ahead of the Patriotes in the first game and won 15-6.

The second and third game, however, didn't go so well.

The Gaels couldn't keep up with the powerful Patriotes (losing 15-2) in the second game and couldn't keep the ball in the air long enough to score any points in the third game, which the Gaels lost 15-5.

The senior Gaels did better, winning two games in a row.

The Patriotes couldn't close the gap between the Gaels 12-6 lead and lost the game 15-8.

In the second game the Gaels took the lead from the start, 9-1, and won 15-5.

The junior Gaels also did well winning the first game 15-6.

The second game was a little closer but the Gaels won, nonetheless, 16-14.

# Glens' holidays include Jet flight in Winchester

The Alexandria Glens will face off against the Metcalfe Jets at the 1997 edition of the junior B hockey Boxing Day Tournament in Winchester on Friday.

The Glens are in first place in the St. Lawrence Division while the Jets hold down second spot in the Metro Division.

It's Alexandria's first appearance at the Boxing Day Tournament since 1994, when the Glens were bounced from the first round by the very same Jets.

If Alexandria wins its opening game at this year's event – scheduled for 9 a.m. at the Winchester Community Centre – the Glens will play the winner of the Westport Rideaus vs. Arnprior Packers contest in a semifinal match-up at 4 p.m.

The other first round games have the Buckingham Voisins taking on the South Grenville Rangers and the Renfrew Timberwolves facing the Winchester Hawks.

Tournament passes are available and organizers will be serving a breakfast.

**Rebels fall short**

The Char-Lan Rebels had a good shot at qualifying for the Boxing Day Tournament, but those hopes were dashed on Tuesday when the tournament host Hawks snared the second St. Lawrence Division berth by defeating the Kemptville 73's 8-5.

The Hawks finish one point ahead of the Rebels in tournament qualifying games.

# Notherners make move on Shepherd's

Shepherd Sports almost made it through the 1997 portion of the Glengarry Indoor Soccer League schedule with an undefeated record.

The top team in the GISL women's division was unbeaten in eight games heading into the final week before the Christmas break, but Shepherd's finally met its match in the defending league champion Northerners.

Christine Villeneuve scored all three goals as the Northerners trimmed Shepherd's 3-2 on Wednesday at the Glengarry high school gymnasium.

Jennilee Hamelin and Melissa MacDonald - with her 18th goal of the season - scored in a losing cause.

The win allows the Northerners to creep to within two points of Shepherd's for the division lead.

The Atlantic Hotel and Glen Sandfield were shutout winners in the other women's division games last week.

Kelly Lavigueur booted three goals to pace the Atlantic to a 10-0 romp over M and D Sports. Meghan MacPherson and Bridget Cameron each scored twice and single goals were added by Shirley Hay, Diane McDougall and Josie MacLennan.

Lisa MacDonald was between the pipes for the shutout. The win leaves the Atlantic in a third-place tie with the Springers, who had a bye last week. Both clubs have 11 points, four less than first-place Shepherd's.

Valerie Bertrand was the shutout winner as the Glen Sandfield goalkeeper backstopped her team to a 4-0 victory over Char-Lan. It's Glen Sandfield's third win of the season.

Natasha Brodie joined the Northerners' Villeneuve and the Atlantic's Lavigueur as the author of a hat trick last week.

Hannah Papp rounded out Glen Sandfield's scoring.

**Men's division**

Dean MacGillivray had the week's best offensive performance as he scored four times in the Atlantic Hotel Storm's 11-3 pounding of M and D Sports in men's division action on Wednesday. The Storm improves to 7-1-1 with the victory.

Brian Cameron and Randy Lavigueur scored hat tricks for the winners while Glen MacLeod chipped in with a single goal.

M and D replied with a pair of tallies by Marc Gauthier and a single by Jay Major.

Winless Glen Nevis gave division leaders the Atlantic Hotel Express a major scare, but still came up on the wrong end of a 1-0 score last Monday.

Andrew McCormick scored the game's only goal while Mark Novosad picked up the shutout. The Express stays two points ahead of the second-place Storm.

The Bonnie Glen remains red hot as the first-year club posted a 6-4 victory over the Fassifern Flames in last week's other game. The Bonnie Glen has now won five games in a row.

Cameron Lajoie and Kurt MacSweyn each netted a couple of goals for the winners. Murray MacLeod and Eric Nielsen also connected for the winners.

Duncan MacPherson scored twice for the Flames with single markers going to Nelson MacPherson and Hans Bauer.

# Hockey in Texas a unique experience

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Additional ice time is just part of the reason why MacDonald has turned his career around.

"Well, I guess you can say I'm more mature about the game now and I approach it more seriously. There's older guys here - one of our players is 36 - and you have to take a more mature approach. I think I partied a little too much (while in the OHL).

"Now don't get me wrong, I don't mean to say we don't party here. I'm just a lot smarter about it now."

Things have turned around to the point that MacDonald says there might be a door open for him to move up to the International Hockey League next season.

**The wild and wacky WPHL**

So what's life like in the WPHL? For starters, MacDonald says the calibre of play is fairly decent.

"I'd say it's comparable to the East Coast League. Guys get pulled up to the IHL from our league on a pretty fairly regular basis."

Familiar names in the league include former Toronto Maple Leaf and Hartford Whaler Paul Lawless, former Ottawa 67's sniper Brett Seguin and infamous ex-Hab goalie Andre "Red Light" Racicot. NHLers such as Kevin Lowe and Andy Moog have stakes in the league and/or individual teams.

Not so familiar to hockey fans are the Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico locales which host the WPHL and the wacky names the teams bear.

Let's see, there's the Amarillo Rattlers, the Austin Ice Bats, the El Paso Buzzards, the Central Texas Stampede, the New Mexico Scorpions, the Fort Worth Brahmas, the Odessa Jackalopes, the Lake Charles Ice Pirates, the San Angelo Outlaws, the Monroe Moccasins and, the best and goofiest of all, the Shreveport Mudbugs.

MacDonald says it's still a learning experience for the folks in Waco when it comes to hockey.

"It's catching on. I think it's a case of once they come to a game, they're hooked."

Still, hockey in Texas has some unusual moments.

"You know how they take out the ice (in Canada) for car shows and that sort of thing?" MacDonald asks. "Well here they do that for rodeos. They truck in the dirt and everything."

So what draws bigger crowds, hockey or rodeo?

"Rodeo," MacDonald quickly answers.

Yes, Waco is a very strange place to resurrect a hockey career. But MacDonald gives the impression of a young man who is very happy right where he is.

# Home, sweet home

## Crusaders win again in Williamstown

The Char-Lan District High School senior boys' basketball team upped its Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry league record to 2-1 with a 64-61 victory over the Rothwell-Osnabruck Lancers last Tuesday in Williamstown.

Shawn Brabant poured in 24 points to lead the Crusaders to their second consecutive home court victory.

The see-saw game was a close one all the way as the Crusaders trailed by three points after one quarter, led by one at halftime and trailed by two at the three-quarter mark.

Brabant nailed a three-pointer and sunk a pair of free throws in the decisive fourth quarter, but Jason Contant and Sean Shoniker also contributed by scoring four of their six points in the final period.

Matt Groleau and Rory Blackadder also scored six points apiece for the Crusaders while Adam McCosham was the team's second-leading scorer with nine.

**Lancers win senior and junior tilts**

The win in senior play was the only victory on the day for the Crusaders in the hoops tripleheader.

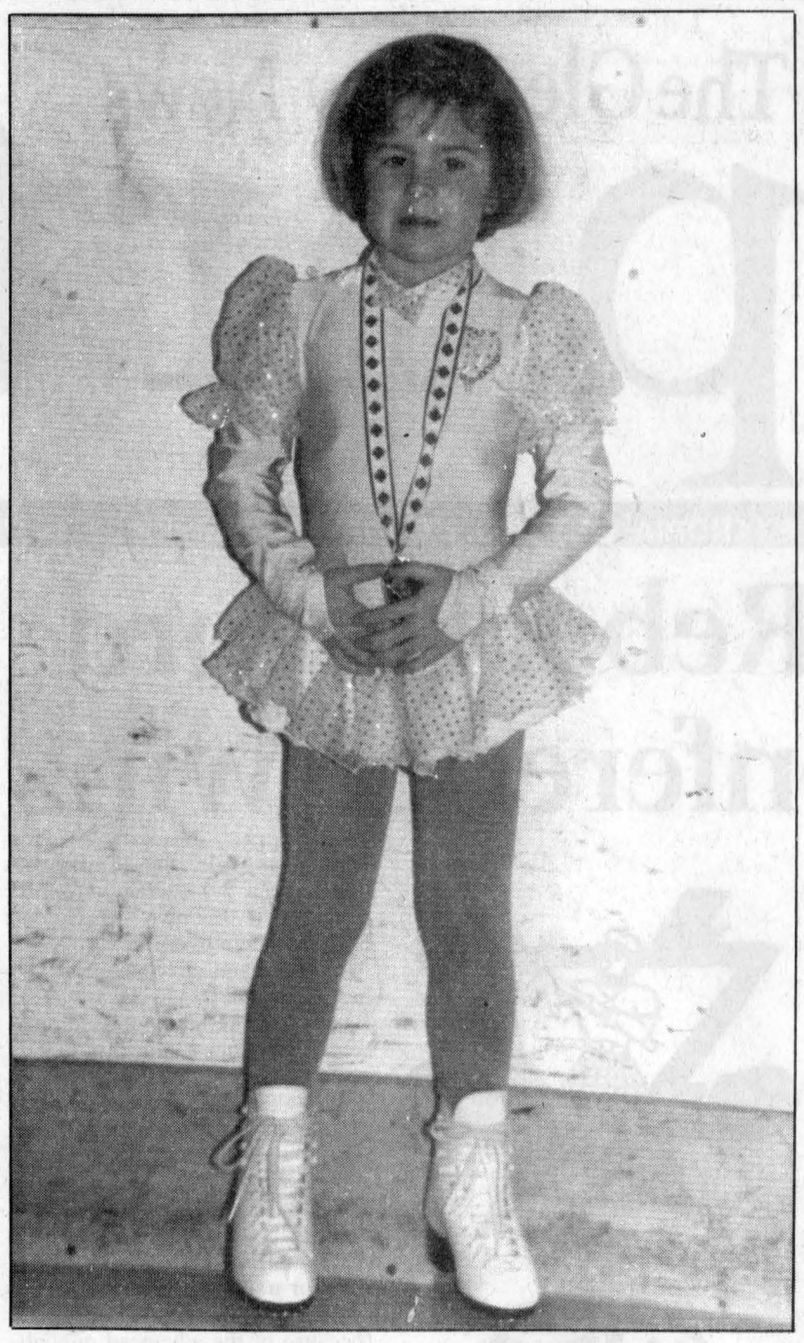
The junior Crusaders fell to 1-2 on the season with a 68-39 defeat at the hands of the Lancers.

Char-Lan fell behind 24-10 after one quarter of play and never recovered.

Joey Van Loon netted eight points in a losing cause for the Crusaders while Matt Evans and Jordan Flaro each had six.

The Char-Lan midgets dropped their third straight game when they lost 37-24 to Rothwell-Osnabruck.

Ed Hadzocos led Char-Lan with eight points while Ryan Major had four.





*Great skates*

A couple of Alexandria Figure Skating Club members recently won medals at a competition in Morrisburg. Emilie Sauvé (left) won a bronze medal while Tara Forstner (right) claimed gold. In testing, Cathgerine Van den Oetelaar passed a high test in dance tango while Andrée Anne Major did the same in dance Viennese. Tiffany Lalonde completed her low test in canasta while Dominique Lefebvre passed in swing. Forstner achieved her low test in swing, fiesta, willow and preliminary free skate.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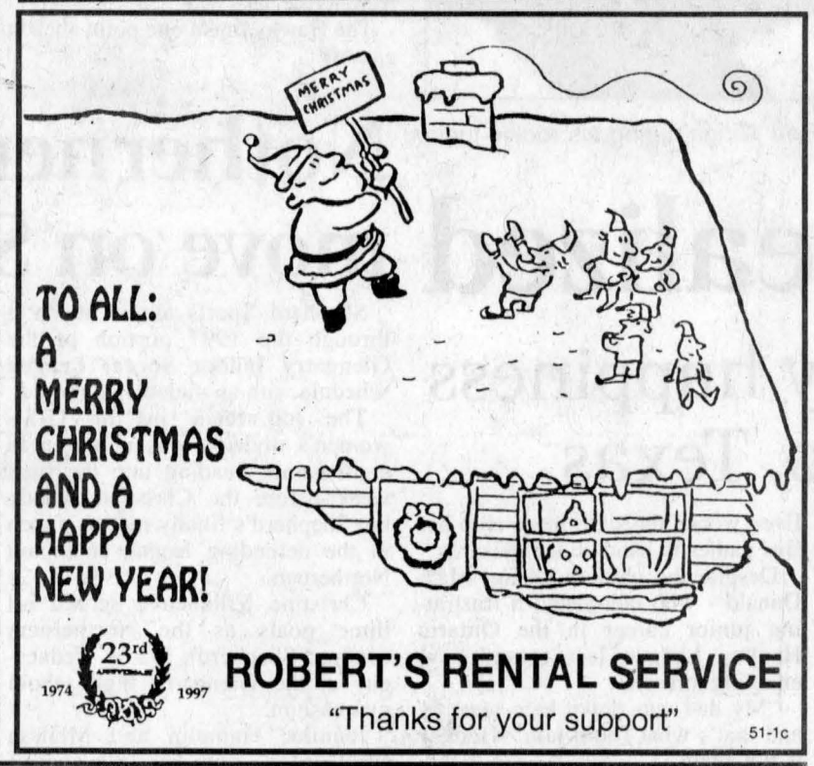



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BRIAN CAMERON
Atlantic Hotel Storm forward Brian Cameron is on his way to another Glengarry Indoor Soccer League men's division scoring title. Cameron scored three times last week to help lead the second-place Storm to another victory as the team continues to battle with the Atlantic Express for top spot in the division. Cameron – who was the scoring champion last year – leads the league again this year with a total of 20 goals.

SPORTS TRIVIA
Who holds the NHL record for the fastest hat trick?

Last week's answer:
The Canadian men's Olympic hockey coach is Marc Crawford while Shannon Miller leads the women's team. Canadian-born Ron Wilson is the coach of the U.S. men's team.

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## Junior B Hockey

**Standings**
**St. Lawrence Division**

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Alexandria Glens** | **28** | **19** | **5** | **4** | **158** | **103** | **48** |
| **Char-Lan Rebels** | **27** | **15** | **9** | **3** | **122** | **92** | **36** |
| Winchester Hawks | 26 | 17 | 9 | 0 | 157 | 123 | 34 |
| Kemptville 73's | 26 | 13 | 12 | 1 | 137 | 125 | 28 |
| Morrisburg Lions | 27 | 6 | 19 | 2 | 98 | 173 | 18 |

**Rideau Division**

| | GP | W | L | T | GF | GA | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Westport Rideaus | 24 | 13 | 9 | 2 | 125 | 104 | 30 |
| Gananoque Islanders | 25 | 12 | 8 | 5 | 107 | 98 | 30 |
| Brockville Tikis | 26 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 158 | 149 | 27 |
| South Grenville Rangers | 24 | 8 | 12 | 4 | 108 | 113 | 25 |
| Athens Aeros | 26 | 2 | 21 | 3 | 101 | 179 | 10 |

**Teams winning a shootout or losing in OT receive a bonus point.**

**Results**
**Tuesday, Dec. 16**
Winchester 8 Kemptville 5
**Thursday, Dec. 18**
**Char-Lan** 4 Ottawa West 3
**Alexandria** 4 South Ottawa 2

**Top scorers (thru Dec. 10)**
**St. Lawrence Division**

| | G | A | P |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ryan Nichol, Win | 26 | 30 | 56 |
| **Nicholas Besner, Alex.** | **17** | **25** | **42** |
| Jeff Leonard, Win | 20 | 21 | 41 |
| **Yves Ruest, Alex** | **26** | **14** | **40** |
| Dave Weagle, Kempt | 14 | 26 | 40 |
| Eric Savard, Win | 14 | 26 | 40 |
| **K. MacSweyn, Alex** | **14** | **22** | **36** |
| Josh Dixon, Kempt | 16 | 18 | 34 |
| Andrew Williams, Ke | 12 | 21 | 33 |
| **Eric Fontaine, C-L** | **16** | **16** | **32** |

**Rideau Division**

| | G | A | P |
|---|---|---|---|
| Justin Ellis, Bro | 19 | 22 | 41 |
| Robert Coon, West | 14 | 27 | 41 |
| Dereck Layng, Bro | 16 | 24 | 40 |
| Steve Sled, West | 15 | 25 | 40 |
| Chris Ferguson, Bro | 16 | 23 | 39 |
| John Dipaolo, Gan | 13 | 25 | 38 |
| A.J. Howe, Bro | 20 | 17 | 37 |
| Bill Palmer, Athens | 16 | 16 | 32 |

**Team scoring**
**(not including Dec. 18 games)**
**Glens**

| | G | A | P |
|---|---|---|---|
| Nicholas Besner | 17 | 29 | 46 |
| Yves Ruest | 28 | 17 | 45 |
| Kurt MacSweyn | 17 | 24 | 41 |
| Stephane Loyer | 20 | 16 | 36 |
| Ghislain Valade | 13 | 22 | 35 |
| Marc Menard | 11 | 20 | 31 |
| Daniel Tremblay | 8 | 22 | 30 |
| Jason Poirier | 7 | 22 | 29 |
| Marc Angrignon | 7 | 12 | 19 |
| Simon Menard | 3 | 8 | 11 |
| Pat Burroughs | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Steven St. Denis | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| S. Van den Oetelaar | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| Scott Nielsen | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Michel Quesnel | 1 | 7 | 8 |
| Sylvain Campeau | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Travis Young | 0 | 1 | 1 |

**Rebels**

| | G | A | P |
|---|---|---|---|
| Eric Fontaine | 17 | 15 | 32 |
| Jonah Leroux | 12 | 16 | 28 |
| Doug Ferguson | 10 | 16 | 26 |
| Kevin O'Farrell | 6 | 17 | 23 |
| Tim O'Shea | 11 | 11 | 22 |
| Jeff Legue | 8 | 14 | 22 |
| Mike Rankin | 6 | 12 | 18 |
| Jamie Wheeler | 3 | 13 | 16 |
| Mike Duffy | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Jean Greggain | 8 | 5 | 13 |
| D.J. Zaluski | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| Rodney Besner | 4 | 5 | 9 |
| Chris Corput | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| Lee Klazinga | 1 | 7 | 8 |
| Ian McConnell | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| John Rochefort | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Chad MacDonell | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Alain Lapierre | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Ian Main | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Tim Corput | 1 | 0 | 1 |

## Indoor Soccer

**Glengarry league**
**Standings**
**Men's division**

| | W | L | T | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atl. Express | 7 | 0 | 1 | 39 | 12 | 15 |
| Atl. Storm | 6 | 1 | 1 | 44 | 15 | 13 |
| Bonnie Glen | 6 | 2 | 0 | 40 | 19 | 12 |
| Fassifern | 4 | 3 | 0 | 34 | 34 | 8 |
| Drillers | 2 | 6 | 0 | 32 | 55 | 4 |
| M&D Sports | 1 | 7 | 0 | 14 | 44 | 2 |
| Glen Nevis | 0 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 32 | 0 |

**Women's division**

| | W | L | T | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Shepherd's | 7 | 0 | 1 | 40 | 9 | 15 |
| Northerners | 5 | 2 | 1 | 29 | 10 | 11 |
| Springers | 5 | 2 | 1 | 25 | 14 | 11 |
| Atlantic | 4 | 2 | 1 | 21 | 12 | 9 |
| Glen Sandfield | 2 | 5 | 0 | 14 | 12 | 4 |
| Char-Lan | 1 | 6 | 0 | 10 | 40 | 2 |
| M&D Sports | 0 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 44 | 0 |

**Top goalscorers**
**Men's division**

| | |
|---|---|
| Brian Cameron, Storm | 20 |
| Randy Lavigueur, Storm | 13 |
| Duncan MacPherson, Flames | 11 |
| Murray MacLeod, B. Glen | 9 |
| D.A. MacMillan, Flames | 8 |
| Jeff St. Denis, Express | 8 |
| Lloyd Thomas, Express | 8 |
| Robbie Starkauskas, Flames | 8 |
| Scott McIntosh, Storm | 8 |
| Lloyd Thomas, Express | 8 |
| Pasquale Mongillo, Drillers | 8 |

**Women's division**

| | |
|---|---|
| Melissa MacDonald, Shepherd's | 18 |
| Tammy MacSweyn, Springers | 13 |
| Meghan MacPherson, Atlantic | 11 |
| Natasha Brodie, Glen Sandfield | 10 |
| Tracy McNicol, Northerners | 8 |
| Lori MacMaster, Northerners | 7 |
| Vanessa Van Sleeuwen, Shep | 7 |
| Christine Villeneuve, Northeners | 7 |
| Melissa McIntosh, Shepherd's | 5 |
| Jennilee Hamelin, Shepherd's | 5 |

**Char-Lan league**
**Standings**

| | W | L | T | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| The Zone | 8 | 1 | 0 | 55 | 9 | 24 |
| R. Payer Sport | 6 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 12 | 18 |
| Stars | 5 | 3 | 0 | 28 | 25 | 15 |
| Nomads | 1 | 7 | 0 | 14 | 49 | 3 |
| Hellfish | 1 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 33 | 3 |

**Top goalscorers**

| | |
|---|---|
| Ben Pregent, Steelworks | 16 |
| Gab Gratton, Steelworks | 14 |
| Chad Beauregard, Steelworks | 10 |
| Derek Wereley, Rudi's | 9 |
| Toni Boos, Stars | 8 |
| Jason Varrin, Nomads | 8 |

# Dignard nets three

Leo Dignard scored a hat trick as the Char-Lan Peewee Rebels downed Kemptville 10-2 in an Upper Canada Minor Hockey League game at the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre in Williamstown.

Three players - Justin Lalonde, Michael Fraser and Patrice Brunet - had two goals apiece. Robert Grant also scored.

Justin Lalonde was the only scorer in the peewee Rebels' 4-1 loss to Gananoque.

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The bantam Rebels dropped a 5-1 decision to Potsdam.

Brad Snider scored for Char-Lan.

## Minor Hockey

**House league results**
**Char-Lan association**
**Novice division**

•Rozon Insurance 4 (Tyler McDougall 3, Jordan Sanchez) Laplante Welding 1 (Luc St. Pierre)

•Martintown Fire Department 1 (Steve Boileau) Rozon Insurance 0

•Rozon Insurance 4 (Kelsey Thomson, Duncan MacDougall, Tyler MacDougall, John Ross) Mac's Marina (Jesse Piteau 2)

**Atom division**

•Glengarry Kinsmen 7 (Tim McKay 4, Chris Smith 2, Mark Montroy) Ray Jans Construction (Shawn Sommers 2, Jonathan Buckle 2, Michael Grigoriev 2)

•Cornwall Aviation 1 (Shawn Borris) McCuaig Plumbing 1 (Oakley McCoy)

•Cornwall Aviation 4 (Jordan Schaeffer 2, Mathieu Lefebvre, Shawn Borris) Glengarry Kinsmen 4 (Stefano Zoppas, Ryan Zurkowsky, Mark Montroy, Adam Jarvo)

•Cornwall Aviation 3 (Chad Carter, Shawn Borris, Lyndsay Parent) Ray Jans Construction 0

**Peewee division**

•Munro Agromart 4 (Mathieu Piette, Brad Flipsen, Geoffrey Geneau, Neil Thomson) Glengarry Golf and Country Club 2 (David Jans, Jason Cooper)

•Long Sault Vipers 3 Glengarry Golf and Country Club 1 (Jason Cooper)

•Long Sault 3 Munro Agromart 1 (Denis Allaire)

•Glengarry Golf and Country Club 3 (Jason Cooper 2, Pascal Delaquis) Longevity Acrylics 0

•Glengarry Golf and Country Club 4 (Jason Cooper, Bernard St. Pierre, Thomas St. Pierre, Cory Bicknell) Munro Agromart (Lachlan McDonald, Steven Lucas, Garrett Hurrell, Denis Allaire)

•Longevity Acrylics 3 (Patrick Leblanc, Kris Lunan, Chris Gauthier) Long Sault Golden Devils 3

**Bantam-midget division**

•North Glengarry-Stormont Braves 9 Poirier Bus Lines 3 (Patrick Alguire 2, Joel Duval)

•Malyon Excavation 3 (Renel Cadieux, Joel Lemay, Ryan Snider) Long Sault Blue Devils 3

•Raisin River Marina 1 (Julien Sarda) Long Sault 0

•Raisin River Marina 12 (David Vande Ligt 3, Shawn Pilon 3, Julien Sarda 2, Darryl Major 2, Mathieu Sarda, Mitch Bourdeau) Poirier Bus Lines 4 (Patrick Alguire 2, Mark Richard, Andrew Knox)

•Poirier Bus Lines 4 (Patrick Alguire 3, Andrew Knox) Long Sault 3

•St. Pierre Garage 6 (Matthew Gordon 2, Brian Brownlee 2, Phillipe Menard, Tyson Currier) Malyon Excavation 5 (Renel Cadieux 2, Simon Harrington, Peter Casgrain, Mike Gagne)

•Raisin River Marina 6 (Roch Brunet 2, David Vande Ligt, Sylvain Pilon, Darryl Major, Julien Sarda) Malyon Excavation 4 (Renel Cadieux 2, Mike Gagne, Andrew Knight)

•Raisin River Marina 4 (Darryl Major 2, Julien Sarda, Mathieu Sarda) St. Pierre Garage 4 (Jason Varrin 3, Michael Poirier)

•Poirier Bus Lines (Joel Duval 3, Patrick Alguire 2) Raisin River Marina 4 (Phillipe Menard 2, Stephen Rogers, Tyson Currier)

•Raisin River Marina 4 (David Vande Ligt 3, Mathieu Sarda) North Glengarry-Stormont 4

# Gaels busy last week

The Glengarry junior and senior boys' basketball teams each managed a win in two tries last week in SDG high school action.

The junior Gaels won an eight-point decision at St. Lawrence on Thursday while the midgets defeated General Vanier 26-12 last Tuesday on home court.

Douglas Shattler scored seven points in the midget Gaels' win over the Vikings.

The win put the Gaels' record to 2-0, although Glengarry fell to 2-1 after losing 39-9 at St. Lawrence on Thursday.

The Glengarry juniors almost won twice last week, but the Gaels fell short 40-36 against the Vikings last Tuesday.

David Larkovic netted 12 points in a losing cause while François Elie had 10.

The seniors fell to 0-3 on the year by losing 83-27 to the Vikings and then dropping an eight-point decision at St. Lawrence.

Rob Montpetit was the leading Glengarry scorer against General Vanier with seven points.


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# Columnist doubles as entertainment critic

## North Lancaster

Bev Poirier
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For this week's column, I've decided to promote myself as entertainment critic. Having had the opportunity of attending two Christmas concerts in two days, I now feel fully qualified to take on this role. On Tuesday, Dec. 16, my family and I attended the GDHS / ESLR band's Christmas concert. Of course, the music had its usual effect on me, sending shivers racing up and down my spine, but I was also thrilled to see so many of our young people performing that night. I'm beginning to believe that we are truly a musical hamlet. Perhaps we should rename the village "La-La Land" (just kidding!) If anyone remembers "Romper Room," you'll know what I mean when I say that I saw Laura and Mireille and Cassie and Beth and Philippe and Melanie and Martine and Elysia and Katerie and Shawn... (and many more,) who were, in my humble opinion, terrific!

The very next night, I attended S. J. McLeod's Christmas concert. My first impression was that these students appeared to be old hands at live stage performance. I later discovered the reason – they (the students) had performed for approximately 400 people throughout the course of the day! This, I believe, now rates them as professionals. I suspect we'll be negotiating with their agents next year.

The concert began with the entire band playing three Christmas tunes to a packed house. Junior Kindergarten followed with two songs, complete with jingling bells. One young performer did an outstanding imitation of a Jack-in-the-box throughout the entire performance (I wish I had half of this little guy's energy!)

Dancers Sara Thaw and Christina Gunn performed to Erin Howes' lovely rendition of Christmas in Killarney. Senior Kindergarten entertained us with a couple of songs and a "wave to mom and dad contest."

As parents, isn't it great to know you're appreciated. Amanda Portinari and Sarah McLeod impressed us with their trombone duet, with background music provided by Brian Danaher and Zeeshan Jangua. Next were the Grade 1 students with their toothless grins, challenging the audience to guess what kind of toy they were singing about that bopped and whirred. (I give up, someone will have to let me know.) Ariela Thaw, Melanie Astle and Deborah Guettinger had the audience tapping their toes to the clarinet version of Hava Nagila. Grade 2 presented the First Christmas through the eyes of animals. I can assure you that they were the most articulate group of camels, sheep, donkeys, doves... that I have ever heard! Katie Munro gave a lively performance on her saxophone in Yakety Sax.

The Grade 3 class acted out the Mummer's Song, and what an excellent bunch of fools they made! My favourite verse was: "Don't swing Granny too hard 'cause we know she is old." Nazish Jangua sang White Christmas (and did a wonderful job of it) to music provided by a sax, clarinet and trumpet player.

The Grade 4's performed an echo pantomine of the good neighbour, with narration provided by Victoria Couchman. The next act featured drummers Zeeshan Janjua, Mark Castonguay and Matthew Cooney, in what was to be the only x-rated act of the evening, complete with a grass-skirted dancer, swaying across the stage to the music. The multi-talented young Mark Wilson Miller sang and played trombone (not together of course.)

Then the Grade 7 class recited that old classic The Night Before Christmas. I never realized that the Grade 7 teachers all appeared in that famous poem – who would have guessed they were that old! The Grade 8 class put on a skit about talent show auditions and all I can say is that they were the sorriest bunch of performers on earth! The singers gave me a migraine, the jugglers missed more often than not, the musicians tortured their poor instruments and the clown was a klutz! How they could have rated a "10" is beyond me! To close off a perfect evening, the Grade 5 and 6 classes sang "Santa's got a new bag" under the direction of their very own boogie-down, dude Santa.

Lise Prieur, principal of Ecole Ste. Therese, along with all teaching and non-teaching staff, would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy, safe and prosperous New Year.

# Wetlands slated for development

By Greg Peerenboom
*News* Reporter

Lancaster Township Council is almost ready to designate a large portion of wetland for industrial and residential use on the frontage of Lake St. Francis.

The township, in consultation with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, is amending its official plan for the six-kilometre Bainsville Bay-Pointe Mouillee waterfront.

In 1996, parts of Pointe Mouillee's wetland were deemed adequate for development in 1996 by then Minister of Natural Resources Chris Hodgson.

"It was their directive," said Lancaster Township Reeve Charles Sangster, one of the property owners who stands to benefit by the new designations. Sangster owns part of lot 17.

The reeve said property owners have been frustrated for years trying to get suitable designations. The area, under the old township official plan, is zoned rural marginal and restricted agriculture.

Nonetheless, Sangster said actual building on the properties could be a long way off.

"It could be a 100 years before anything happens," he said.On behalf of the municipality, Sangster arranged to have Hodgson, who was in the area on other business, to visit Pointe Mouillee in May 1996.

Pointe Mouille-Bainsville Bay encompasses lots 10-18.

"It would be one of the largest (developments) we have ever done," said township clerk-treasurer Mike Samson. "Except for Creg Quay, there hasn't been very much."

Samson said the industrial designation for the northern half of lots 13-18 might eventually allow companies to establish outlets.

Otherwise, he said the area (southern half of lots 16-18) designated shoreline residential area wouldn't be as attractive.

Although the designations open the door to suitable rezoning, in its draft, municipal affairs has placed strict guidelines for development.

Lands within 160 metres of the wetland designation must undergo an environmental impact study before a property can be rezoned for development.

Sangster said the 160-metre buffer distance is not set in stone and might be open for altering.

Work can proceed if the study finds development does not negatively impact the natural features or ecology of the wetland. Also, the study would identify development controls and construction techniques that protect the wetland.

Special consideration was also given to lot 16, owned by the Laframboise family.

The wetland boundary follows an irregular westerly course before it comes to the lot line dividing lots 15 and 16. The wetland boundary then makes an abrupt 90 degree turn to the south and follows the lot 15-16 line before turning west again along the shoreline of Lake St. Francis.

Sangster said the wetland boundary was extended to lot 16 to ensure protection of the Ducks Unlimited pond located on most of lot 15 and part of lot 14.

In order to ensure lot 16 received adequate protection, an environmental impact study would consider the natural resources value of the wetland and identify appropriate locations for site alterations, buildings, septic systems, roads and related infrastructure.

The study would also provide a shoreline residential development blueprint that would preserve tree growth, especially a stand of white pine considered uncommon in the area, conserve uninterrupted ground water access to Lake St. Francis and identify development controls and construction techniques to protect adjacent wetlands.

Sangster is unimpressed with the guidelines involving the white pine.

"It's just irrelevant. Those white pine will never regenerate," he said.

According to Sangster McGill University personnel have examined the trees and concluded they were in poor condition.



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*– Matthew 5:8,9*

## Maxville and Area Churches

*Christmas Services*

**St. Michael & All Angels Anglican Church, Maxville**
Christmas Eve - Holy Eucharist at 7:30 p.m.
Christmas Day - Carol Service at Maxville Manor at 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, December 28 - Family Service at 10 a.m.

**St. James Catholic Church, Maxville**
Christmas Eve - Mass at 8 p.m.
Christmas Day - Mass at 10 a.m.
New Year's Eve - Mass at 5 p.m.
New Year's Day - Mass at 10 a.m.

**Knox Presbyterian Church, Moose Creek**
Christmas Eve - Service at 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 28 - 1st Sunday After Christmas at 9:30 a.m.

**St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Maxville**
Sunday, Dec. 28 - 1st Sunday After Christmas at 11 a.m.

**Kenyon Presbyterian Church, Dunvegan**
Christmas Eve Service - Carols and Psalms at 7:30 p.m.

**Kirkhill Presbyterian Church, Kirkhill**
Christmas Eve - Service at 7:30 p.m.

**Maxville United Church, Maxville**
Christmas Eve - Intergenerational Christmas Eve Service at 6:30 p.m.
Christmas Eve - Carols and Lessons Service at 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 28 - 1st Sunday After Christmas at 11 a.m.






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# AGRICULTURE



## Awards winner

Area resident Wanda McDonell came away with several honors during Kemptville College's annual awards ceremony Nov. 20. McDonell is seen here accepting the Alexandria Masonic Lodge Scholarship, presented by Kathy Cavanagh, admissions officer at the college. McDonell also received the F.C. Eligh Memorial Scholarship, presented to the agriculture student with the highest general proficiency and student activities in semesters one and two, and the KC Alumni Association Gift Award, presented to a student in agriculture who, in the opinion of classmates, made the greatest contribution to the education, social and athletic acitivities of the class and college during their junior year.

# Award winner always looks to improve

By Greg Peerenboom
*News* Reporter

John (Sonny) Petrie's innovative farming techniques earned him the annual award of merit from the Glengarry Soil and Crop Improvement Association on Dec. 12.

Although dedicated to his life-long career, Petrie always strived to ensure his other pursuits didn't take a back seat to his farm work.

For the past 50 years, Petrie and his father before him, Johnny Bob, made sure his 3rd Concession Lancaster Township farm operated as efficiently as possible.

'We always looked for things that would make it easier," Petrie told *The Glengarry News* a few days after learning he had won the award of merit.

Petrie's love of life's many pursuits was the well from which he drew the water and sprinkled his fields.

Shortly after reading about it, Petrie and his father subsequently installed one of the first milking parlours in the area.

About 20 years ago, Petrie switched entirely to less labour intensive cash crop farming. Petrie said it's important for farmers to have time away from the daily grind.

Petrie also was eager to listen to advice. He quickly moved to incorporate subsurface drainage tiles - the first on his concession - after he was told of its benefits.

One of the first - and very successful - corn grain growers, he entered a yield competition and won a trip sending himself and wife Aggie (nee MacDonald) to New York City.

The couple still maintain friendly contact with the other competition winners from other parts of Ontario.

Socializing remains an integral part of the Petries, who have a wide circle of friends, whom they visit and entertain at the farm and their Lake St. Francis cottage.

Petrie's popularity, partly gained during his 10-year term as a provincial soil and crop improvement association representative, was clearly illustrated when 300 people attended a pig roast in his honour in 1982.

"I started to go to the soil and crop association to improve my knowledge," he said.

"Within time I was asked to be a director and I met an awful lot of nice people.

"It's definitely one of my highlights. I still have a lot of good friends from those years."

During the last 20 years, Petrie developed a crop management philosophy that partly reflects his and the public's growing concern for the environment.

"I would like to leave the land in better shape than when I got it," he said.

Youngest son Allan, resides on the farmstead with wife Heather, and is the fifth generation to farm the property.

"It's always been one of my aims, to see one of them take it over," Petrie said.

Nonetheless, Petrie understands his responsibility in global terms.

"The whole population is starting to question what farmers do more than ever before," said Petrie, who uses fertilizer and herbicide sparingly.

"In some cases, it not only affects the farm but it could affect the population of the country."

Petrie doesn't aim for the highest possible yield, which requires large amounts of fertilizer and herbicide.

He said the extra time and money spent on excessive spraying isn't worth the yield.

The Petrie trait for biology and technology seems to have passed on to his other two children as well.

Dale lives in Chatham and owns Direct Seed, which specializes in corn, soybean and forage.

Daughter Dawn is a dental assistant and now resides in Victoria, B.C.

# Lake St. Francis wetlands slated for development

(Continued from page 16)

"In five or six years they'll be dead. They're full of holes from woodpeckers," Sangster said.

The provisions for lot 16 also extends to industrial development in a small location north of the shoreline residential designation.

Lancaster Township council prefer that an environmental assessment study take place after rezoning, not before.

"(A study) should take place after because if someone developing the property had different plans for it a few years down the road, the study would be of no value," Sangster said.

Prospective developers would be hesitant to buy the land for development if a study recommended costly protective measures.

"No one would want to touch the land unless it can be rezoned," said Deputy Reeve Steve Preston.

Sangster believes the wording in the municipal affairs' draft is an error and will be rectified.

Previously, development wasn't allowed on Pointe Mouillee because the area was considered ecologically important wetlands.

Sangster has said previously that development in the area would protect an eroding shoreline. The current of Lake St. Francis has eaten away about one to 10 metres each year.

Silt from the erosion is settling in Bainsville Bay, endangering an important spawning ground for perch.

Sangster tried in 1995 to sever the lot so he can create three new building sites. The severance was opposed by the Raisin Region Conservation Authority and the Ministry of Natural Resources under the Bob Rae government.

Raisin Region land co-ordinator Andy Code refused to comment on the official plan amendment, claiming Hodgson had taken over Pointe Mouillee's responsibility.

A public meeting was held in April 1997 before work on amending the official plan can begin.

Nearby Bainsville residents warned the township to proceed cautiously with developing the industrial areas.

The push to amend the official plan was provided by Hawkesbury developer Marcel Roy.

Preston said Roy approached the property owners early in 1996 with an intention to develop the area.

In November 1996, Hodgson said portions of Pointe Mouillee could be designated other than wetland.

During this time, the Mike Harris government relaxed development rules on designated wetlands. Certain forms of wetlands could be developed providing it received a favourable environmental impact study .

Roy recruited engineering firm Thompson Rosemount Group to draft the amendments to the official plan map.

Thompson Rosemount Group engineer Ian MacLeod and consultant Mark Boileau recently presented one of the latest versions of the official plan version to township council.

Wetland designation will still account for about 50 per cent of the official plan.

Although MacLeod was elected to the new council of South Glengarry Township, he has retained his relationship with the project.

MacLeod said there is no conflict of interest.

"Right now it's in its final stage. We already have the draft official plan and we're just cleaning up the last of the wording," he explained.

However, once MacLeod takes office Jan. 1, Preston said MacLeod should hand over the reins to another Thompson Rosemount consultant.

The existing official plan was drawn up long before the provincial government of Bob Rae enacted a new wetlands policy that forbids development on provincially significant wetlands.


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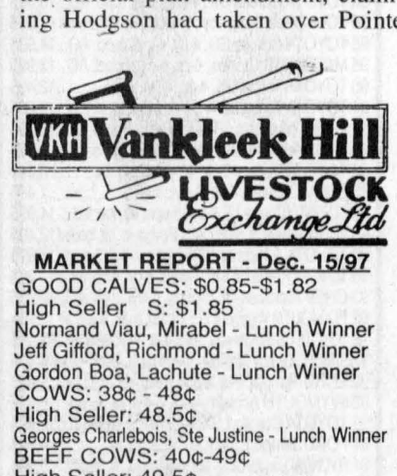
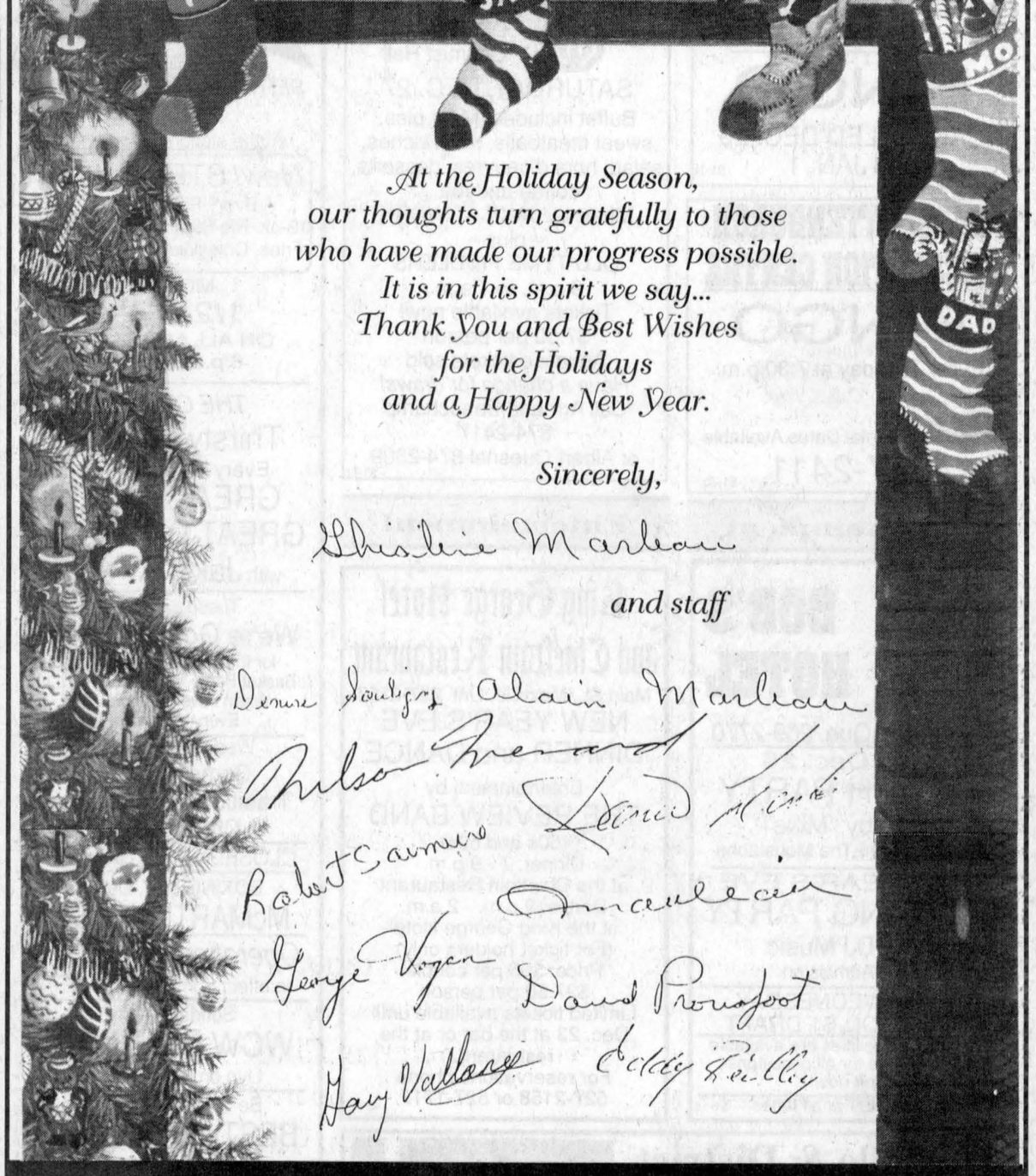
Calves were really hot this week, with some of the highest prices we have seen yet. Cows were steady with Taylor (US) No Lot averaging 44.5¢/lb. We are open this week and closed the 29th of December and are reopening on January 5,1998. 51-1c



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## Births

McDONELL – Leighton and Roxane (nee Séguin) are pleased to anounce the arrival of Leah Marie on Nov. 5, 1997, a sister for Abby and Tom. Proud grandparents are Ray and Katherine McDonell of Bridge End and Fern and Monique Séguin of Alexandria.

LAWSON – To Kathryn (Douglas) and Brian in Smithers, B.C. on November 9, 1997, a daughter, Lauren Alexa. She joins four sisters, Jessica, Kirsten, Megan and Kaitlyn and is the 13th grandchild for Lorn and Sandra Lawson.

## Card of Thanks

ST. DENIS, Osie – The family of wishes to sincerely thank the many friends, neighbours, and relatives who offered sympathy, sent cards, flowers, mass offerings and donations, and all who sent food to our homes. Thank you also to those who helped in many other ways. Your kindness and support is appreciated. 51-1p

GOLDEN, Spurgeon – The family of the late Spurgeon Golden would like to say thank you to the many friends and relatives who came to pay their respects and sympathy; to the ones who sent cards, flowers and donations to charities. To neighbours and friends who dropped off food which was greatly appreciated. To Ron Munro and staff at Munro and Morris Funeral Home for their kind words and thoughtfulness at a time when it was most needed. To Rev. Jim McVeigh of Kenyon Presbyterian Church, Dunvegan, and to the Ladies Auxiliary for the lunch prepared and served after. To Dr. Govan and nursing staff at Glengarry Memorial, V.O.N. nurses and Homemakers who helped care for him. Our deep and heartfelt thank you to all.
– The Golden family. 51-1p

LACOMBE – André, Julie and Patrick would like to thank everyone who organized a barn fire benefit dance in our honour on Nov. 28, 1997. We would like to thank our family, friends and neighbours for all their support. Special thanks to Boucane D.J. We also received generous donations from local stores: Giant Tiger, B&B, Loeb, Betty Bread, ABS, Fassifern Store, Lucky Dollar and Green Valley Glass and Hush Puppies Canada. Your kindness will always be remembered. 51-nc

ST. LAURENT – Special thank you to Brenda Demers, Ken Roach and choir, prayer group Wednesday night, St. Joseph choir, Munro and Morris, for flowers, cards and masses, to St. Joseph's Ladies Auxiliary, to Marie Jeanne and Jean Poirier and family, relatives and friends for acts of kindness. To Fathers Rudy Villeneuve, Arnold Toner, Marcel Larouche and Dean Purdy. "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."
– Rita (St. Laurent) Hurtubise and family. 51-1p

## Coming Events

**MARTINTOWN Community Centre**

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Banquet hall available for rental

Tel: 528-4235 or 347-2411

**GLENGARRY SPORTS PALACE**

Tel: 525-3600

BINGO

CANCELLED DEC. 25 and JAN. 1 51-1c

**CHARLOTTENBURGH RECREATION CENTRE**

BINGO

Every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

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Good Hall Rental Dates Available

347-2411 51-2c

## Entertainment

**BOB'S HOTEL**

Dalhousie, Que. 269-2770

Fri., Dec. 26

CRASH PARTY

D.J. by "Mike"

formerly from The Moustache

NEW YEAR'S EVE

DANCING PARTY

With DJ Music

Free Admission

EVERY WEDNESDAY

FREE POOL, $1 DRAFT

Our hall and facilities are available free of charge for all occasions. Book now!

*I.D. a MUST at all times* 51-1c

## Courses

MUSIC lessons for violin, viola, cello, piano or recorder. Call Audrey Sarrazin (Mus. Bac.) at 874-2969 or 874-2247. Also available, music for special occasions such as weddings, etc. 11-tf

## In Memoriam

TAILLEFER, Michel – Born December 25, 1959, died tragically December 21, 1982.
"Love your neighbour, the animals and plants,
Love my Father and Jesus for we are love
Love the children of the world
More than you love, I Jesus."
These lovely words were written by Michel himself, published in the 1982 Glengarry News. He signed "A citizen of Alexandria, born Christmas Day, 1959, Michel Taillefer.
– In remembrance of a gentle schizophrenic cousin, Suzanne Blackburn. 51-1p

McNEIL – Gordon and Anna Mae, Dad on Sept. 19, 1994 and Mom on Dec. 21, 1988.
We hold you close within our hearts
And there you will remain
To walk with us throughout our lives
Until we meet again.
May you rest in God's care
We love and miss you, Mom and Dad.
– The McNeil family. 51-1p

WILLARD – In loving memory of my dear husband, Wilton, who passed away December 25, 1995.
December comes with great regret,
A month that I will never forget.
I hold my tears when I speak your name
But the ache in my heart remains the same.
No one knows the sorrow I share
When the family meets and you're not there.
You left a place no one can fill
But in my heart you liveth still.
I think of you, Wilton, with love today,
But that is nothing new
I thought about you yesterday
And the day before that too.
– Sadly missed by your loving wife Nicole. 51-1p

## Coming Events

**NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE**

at Sacred Heart Parish Hall

with

UNCLE GEORGE and FRIENDS

Roger Hamelin, Bob Vallee and Gerald Trottier

Holiday Buffet

Admission: $20 each

Limited Tickets, Reserve Early

Jean Lajoie - 525-3022 51-1p

**New Year's Party**

Dalkeith Optimist Hall

SATURDAY, DEC. 27

Buffet includes: Meat pies, sweet meatballs, sandwiches, salad, hors d'oeuvres, desserts, coffee and tea.

Music by JAKE AT WORK

– plus –

OLD TYME FIDDLERS

9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Tickets available now!

$7.50 per person

Advance tickets sold

*Have a chance for draws!*

Call Armand Beauchamp 874-2417

or Albert Quesnel 874-2309 51-1c

## Entertainment

**King George Hotel and Chieftain Restaurant**

Main St., Maxville, Ont. **527-2158**

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER and DANCE

Entertainment by

THE REVIEW BAND

(50s and 60s)

Dinner: 7 - 9 p.m.

at the Chieftain Restaurant

Dance: 9 p.m. - 2 a.m.

at the King George Hotel

(For ticket holders only)

Price: $55 per couple

$27.50 per person

Limited tickets available until Dec. 23 at the bar or at the restuarant.

For reservations phone 527-2158 or 527-1717 48-4c

**Maxville & District Sports Complex**



Osie F. Villeneuve Arena

Maxville **527-2705 or 527-5659**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Let our courteous, experienced staff help plan your special event with suggestions for caterers, flowers, decorations, table set-ups, etc.
Choice of Round and/or Rectangular Tables
Licensed by L.L.B.O. REFUNDABLE HALL DEPOSIT
PHOTO I.D. REQUIRED
***AIR CONDITIONED BANQUET HALL*** 51-1c

## Coming Events

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

St. Martin of Tours Parish Hall, Glen Robertson, Ont.

*Fundraising to have our church painted*

HOT TRADITIONAL HOLIDAY BUFFET INCLUDES: Turkey, meat balls with gravy, salads, hors d'oeuvres, buns, desserts, coffee and tea

NON STOP MUSIC

from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

NIGHT VISION BAND

LIMITED TICKETS

$15 each

Call Maurice Menard 874-2255 or Annette Lyman 874-2391 51-1c

**Wedding Reception**

in honour of

CATHERINE

daughter of Bill and Carol Kirkey

and

MICHAEL

son of Chris and Yvonne McDonell

SATURDAY, DEC. 27

at 9 p.m.

Char-Lan Recreation Centre

Music by McMartin Fiddle 50-2p

Light Lunch, Everyone Welcome

Knights of Columbus St. Anthony's Church Apple Hill

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Sunday, Dec. 28, 1997

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

DONATION AT THE DOOR!

Eggs, bacon, sausages, homefries, toast, coffee etc.

Proceeds to K of C 9780 work 51-1c

## Entertainment

Bonnie Glen

Hwy #43 West of Alexandria

*For hall rental information, call*

**525-3078 or 525-4706**

Friday, December 26

BOXING DAY BASH

with HADRIAN'S WALL

9 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Everyone Welcome

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Saturday, Dec. 27

WEDDING RECEPTION

in honour of

MELANIE MUNRO

and DAVID MacPHEE

9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Music by ANTRIM

Everyone Welcome

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NEW YEAR'S EVE

KAYLINDA LINE DANCING

For tickets and more info call Karen at 347-1747 51-1c

The ATLANTIC EST. 1882

*SERVING GLENGARRIANS SINCE 1882*

At the station in Alexandria

*New!* STEAK NIGHT

Every Friday from 5-9

12 oz. Rib Steak, Fries, Coleslaw Only 7.95

MONDAYS

1/2 PRICE

ON ALL MENU ITEMS

6 p.m. to 11 p.m.

*THE ORIGINAL*

Thirsty Thursday

Every Thursday Night

GREAT PRICES

GREAT D.J. MUSIC

with Jake At Work

Tuesday, Dec. 23

We're Going Carolling

for the Lions Club Christmas Basket Fund. Meet here at 7 p.m.

Warm beverages provided.

Everyone welcome

Wednesday, Dec. 24

Come on in for a Traditional Atlantic Hotel Christmas Eve

CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

BOXING DAY, Dec. 26

McMARTIN FIDDLE

*Operation RED NOSE*

in effect from Thurs., Dec. 18

Sunday, Dec. 28

WCW STARCADE

Live on the Big Screen

Be Sure To Attend The

BEST NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY IN GLENGARRY

With McMARTIN FIDDLE

Get your tickets now!

We sold out last year.

WEDNESDAY IS WING NIGHT 20¢ ea.

*Open until 2 a.m.*

*OPEN SUNDAYS* 51-1c

## Coming Events

**ALEXANDRIA LANES**

296 Main St. S., Alexandria

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

$20 per person

includes Free Rock n' Bowl

Hot and Cold Buffet

Party Favours

Champagne at midnight

Music by:

Boucane's CD Sounds

For info:

525-2801 51-1c

**Wedding Reception**

in honour of

MELANIE MUNRO

daughter of Lillian Munro and the late Gordon Munro

and

DAVID MacPHEE

son of John James and Alison MacPhee

SATURDAY, DEC. 27th

9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Bonnie Glen

Music by Antrim

and GSRS Fiddlers 51-1p

Light Lunch, Everyone Welcome

## Entertainment

**Berrigan's Pub**

Main Street, Lancaster - 347-3434

*NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY*

with

SUE RIVETTE

$15 Per Person - Lunch and Party Favours 50-2c

Come and Celebrate

NEW YEAR'S EVE

at

SAND ROAD SUGAR CAMP

PANCAKE HOUSE and BANQUET FACILITY

Music provided by:

THE GREENLAND WAILERS

Hot Midnight Buffet included

$16 per person

For tickets call

(613) 538-2991

*5 km north of Monkland on the Sand Road (1/2 km west of 138)*

*(613) 538-2991* 50-3c

What's Happening at

**Frenchie's Place**

Main St., Alexandria 525-3510

*WHERE ALL YOUR FRIENDS ARE!!!*

Season's Greetings and a Big Thank You from all the staff at Frenchie's

Sing along with

SHANNICS

Every Friday and Saturday evening

PITOUNE

Every Saturday, 1:00 p.m.

$10 Entry Fee

CHRISTMAS EVE

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION NIGHT

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Closing at 8 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Closed

NEW YEAR'S EVE

at Frenchie's

Non-Stop Entertainment

9 p.m. - 3 a.m.

Lunch, party favours

Free ride home within town limits

Only $8 per person

Reserve early

Call Diane at 525-3510

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Open 2 to 6 p.m.

Sunday Matinee

THE SINGING MACHINE

5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

With Diane 51-1c

## Entertainment

*Heritage Room*

*Heritage Golf and Country Club*

*Hwy 2 west of Lancaster - 347-3738*

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

with midnight

Hot and Cold Buffet

$35 per couple

Party Favours and champagne

Tickets going fast! Reserve yours now! 49-3c

347-3738 or 347-1485

THE ORIGINAL Champions ROADHOUSE

Christmas Eve Matinee

BETWEEN NOTES

Closing 7 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 26

Saturday, Dec. 27

Great DJ Music

NEW YEAR'S EVE BIG BASH

*The Place To Be!!!*

Tickets only $5

Party Favours - Champagne at midnight, Shuttle service available

THE FINEST DJ IN GLENGARRY

SUNDAYS

MONSTER WINGS 25¢ ea.

*I.D. Required*

103 Main St. North, Alexandria

525-2128 51-1c

## Articles for Sale

ARMY SURPLUS

OPEN IN ALEXANDRIA

From boxing shorts to parkas. If we don't have it, we can get it

*We also carry quality used clothing and brand name jeans at very low prices*

J.C.'s Army Surplus

16 Main St. S. (Beside the Hub)

525-9967 51-1c

## Vehicles for Sale

1985 OLDS CALAIS, V-6, 2-door, sunroof. Reduced to $700. Call Roger at (514) 269-2798. 27-tf

SKIDOO 1983 Citation, 368 cc, 5,900 kms; good condition, new hood and seat, $1,200. Tel. 527-5579 after 6 p.m. 50-3p

1992 HONDA TRX350 4x4, excellent shape. Only $4,200. Call Shepherd Motors, 525-1402. 50-2c

1977 FORD F-100, new flat deck, hood, fenders, paint job, tranny, safetied, $2,500. 1984 Toyota van, new paint, tires, very good condition, safetied, $2,500. Tel. 931-3226. 50-2p

VEHICLE for sale. No established credit. On a pension. Limited income. Bankrupt or starting a new business. We can hepl with finance or leasing. you choose the vehicle. rivate or dealer sale, and we buy it. Call for details 613-448-2488. 51-1c

'92 HONDA TRX350

4x4, excellent condition, new exhaust. Only $4395

SHEPHERD MOTORS

525-1402 50-2c

## Personals

THANKS to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for favors received. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, honored and glorified throughout the entire world forever and ever. Amen. M.C.R. 50-2p

## Articles for Sale

POOL tables and accessories for sale. Delivery and installation available. Roy's Pools, 410 Seventh St. W., Cornwall. 933-0411. 11-tf

CAR shelter for sale, $349. Robert's Rental. Tel. 525-2807. 42-tf

HOTPOINT stove, almond, 8 years old, very good condition; treadmill, no motor; change table. Tel. 525-1894. 42-tfnc

PIANO - Amherst upright, mahogany with matching bench, excellent cond., moving, must sell. Call 528-4788 49-3p

BUTTERFLY and bench press exercise machine, $125. Tel. 525-4200. 50-2p

NI-JO'S 22215 Laggan Road, Dalkeith, Ont., 874-2599. Army surplus parkas, combat pants and shirts, army boots, etc., also men's workwear. 50-4p

KITCHEN table, 2 chairs and 4 chairs, $50 and $75; king size waterbed, $300; Nordic Track Walkfit, $500; Weider home gym, $100; dresser and night table, $75; lawn tractor, $700; lawn sweeper, $200; dethatcher, $100; snowblower, $100; humidifier, $20; TV tray tables, $20; 2 recliners, $100 ea. Tel. 525-5478 after 6. 51-2p

POOL table, custom made, 1-pce. slate, all accessories, plus pool table overhead lamp, excellent condition, $2,500. Tel. 613-674-3160. 51-1p

MAPLE dining room set, includes hutch, table and six chairs, asking $1,500. Tel. 525-2522. 51-2p

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GREATEST sale of the year, 3 days only, 23rd, 24th and 27th of December! Come and see our unbelievable prices! We pay the GST on all purchaes of $100 and also the GST and PST on all purchases of $500. Bargain Building Materials Lachute, 514-562-8501. 51-1c

ROTTWEILER pups for sale; also GE heavy duty 4-year-old dryer. Tel. 987-5688. 51-2p

CENTRE Liquidation Commercial and Industrial Sale, Hwy. 401, Exit 9, St. Zotique (formerly GTL Transport) metal shelving, cabinet, filing cabinet, desk, stacking chairs, locker, safe, conveyor, counters and sinks (stainless); also round tables for bar or restaurant and cake fridges. Tel. 1-514-265-3270, 1-514-267-7537. Open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 51-1c

STAND for TV/VCR with shelf glass doors plus 2 bottom doors, $45; round solid walnut coffee table with glass insert, ideal for holiday entertainment, $35; fridge, 2-door frost clear, $125. Tel. 525-4234. 51-1p

PRE-AMP blue tube II; Rocktron Maxe; Effect Rocktron Intellifex; Crate 4x12 (celestion); 2 Elite MX-1000 speakers; EQ-415 graphis equalizer; mic's shure. Call Stephane, 347-3952. 51-1p

## Vehicles for Sale

HIGHLAND'S USED CAR SPECIALS

97 TOYOTA TerceL, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....13,995
96 NISSAN pickup King Cab, 6-cyl, 5-spd, air..14,995
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96 TOYOTA Corolla DX, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto, AC...15,495
96 VOLKS Golf, 4-dr, 4-cyl, 5-spd, AC, 10-yr.warr.14,995
96 TOYOTA Corolla SD, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto, AC...14,995
95 MAZDA 626 Cronos, 4-dr, 4-cyl, 5spd, AC..13,995
95 TOYOTA Tercel DX, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....12,495
94 TOYOTA Tercel LS 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto,air.....9,995
94 FORD Mustang GT, 2-dr, 8-cyl, 5-spd, air...16,995
93 OLDS Achieva, 2-dr, 6-cyl, auto, air, loaded..7,995
93 TOYOTA Paseo, 2-dr, 4-cyl,auto.....8,995
93 CHEV Cavalier, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....7,495
93 TOYOTA Camry LE 6-cyl, 5-spd, air, loaded....14,995
93 VOLKS Passat GLSVR6, 4-dr, 6-cyl, auto, air, loaded12,495
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93 TOYOTA Previa LE van, 7-pass, 4-cyl, auto, air...17,995
93 CHEV Astrovan CL,7-pass, 6-cyl,auto, AC..12,995
92 PLYMOUTH Voyageur LE, 7 pass, auto, 6-cyl, air 13,995
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92 PLYMOUTH Acclaim, 4-dr, 6-cyl, auto, air.....6,495
92 TOYOTA Corolla LSX, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....5,995
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91 HYUNDAI Sonata GLS, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto, air, loaded....5,995
91 TOYOTA Corolla LE, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....6,995
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91 TOYOTA Corolla, 4-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....5,495
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91 BUICK Regal Ltd., 4-dr, 6-cyl, auto, AC.....8,495
91 MAZDA 323, 2-dr, 4-cyl, auto.....5,995
90 OLDS 98 Regency Brougham, 4-dr, 6-cyl, auto, air, loaded, low kms..8,995
90 TOYOTA Pickup, Extra cab, 4-cyl, auto, cap..8,995
90 MAZDA 626 DX, 4-dr, 4-cyl, 5-spd, AC.....7,995
89 TOYOTA Corolla LE, 4-dr, 4-cyl, a SOLD,995
89 TOYOTA Camry LE, 4-dr, V-6, auto, air.....8,995
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88 PONTIAC Tempest, 4-dr, 6-cyl, au SOLD,995
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83 TOYOTA Cressida, 4-dr, 6-cyl, air, loaded, safetied.2,495

HIGHLAND TOYOTA

Main Street, Maxville, Ont.

527-2735

1-800-664-7353 51-1c

DISPOSAL TENDER

FOR SALE – 1991 Chevrolet Pick-up

3/4 ton, automatic with overdrive, 100,000 km, sold as is (with no warranties).

Sealed tenders will be received at Town of Alexandria - R.A.R.E., 265 Industrial Blvd., Alexandria until noon Dec. 30, 1997.

Lowest or highest tender not necessarily accepted.

For further information call 525-5112, René Jeaurond, Manager. 51-2c

## Pets for Sale

POMERANIANS; Pom-Poo puppies; very healthy; lovingly home raised; vaccinated, dewormed, beautiful colors. Tel. 527-2584. 51-2p

## Produce

WOODSPLITTER for rent. Call Robert's Rental. Tel. 525-2807. 37-tf

OATS for sale, $10 hundred, 150 bales of straw, $2; 500 bales of hay, $2. Nights 525-2937, days 769-3017. 50-2p

FIREWOOD for sale, dry mixed, $45 delivered; also round cedar, 16 in. length, $40 (2 cords). Tel. 347-3080. 50-tf

HAY for sale, 5x6 round bales $60 ea. Price negotiable by volume only. Tel. 525-2039. 51-1p

HONEY/MIEL, $1.50 per pound, clover, white flower and buckwheat. In your container. Open all year. 1091 Pleasant Corner Rd. West, Vankleek Hill. Monique and Lothar Pettkus. Tel. 613-678-2496. 51-1c

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BIG savings on bulk loads
Corn and Wheat for feed.
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1–Case IH 885
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2–Allied snowblowers
2–NH 185 manure spreaders
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1–NH 1465 haybine
1–NH 1495 haybine
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## Poultry/Livestock

BRED beef cows, 50¢ per lb. Robert Rickerd, 874-2392. 50-2c

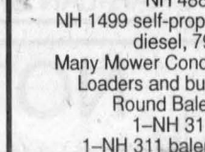
TEAM of Morgan horses with chrome harness (double); 2 ponies with double and single harness; sleigh – buggy and wagons. Tel. 525-4267. 50-2p

10 to 15 beef cows bred Red Angus, freshen spring; 3-year-old mare, trained western, a mare coming two. Tel. 613-931-1256. 50-2p

EMU's for sale, yearlings, breeders, juveniles and eggs. Tel. 613-930-9903. 51-2c

I buy all kinds of horses also
"Meat Horses"
(613) 678-3120
Call Collect 42-12p

ATTENTION! Needed



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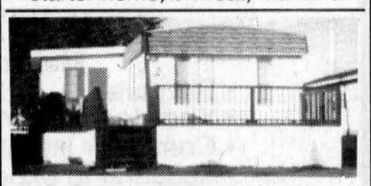

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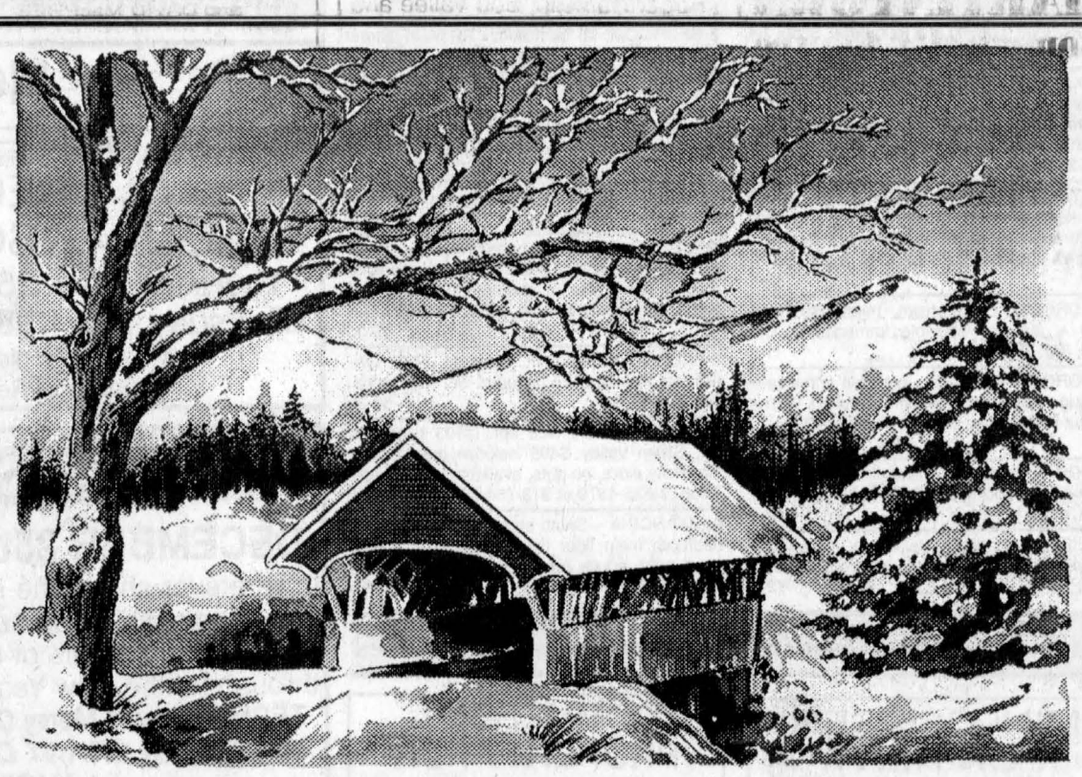

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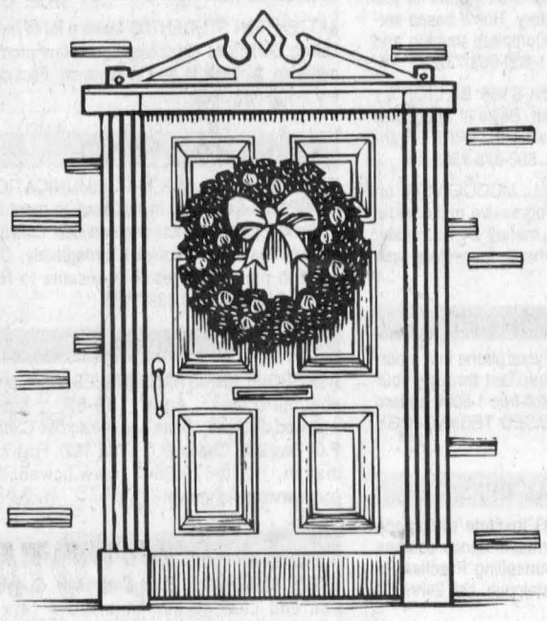

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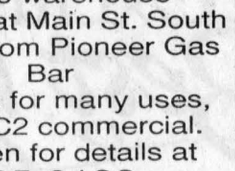

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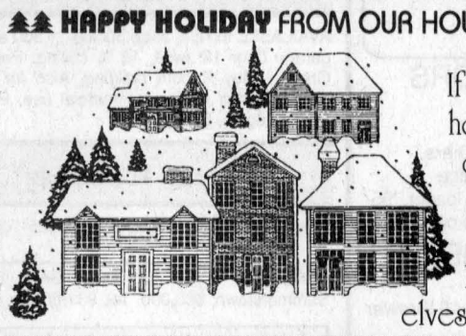

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Thursday, Dec. 25 pick-up to Friday Dec. 26
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NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY
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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT
(To consider request of relief from zoning regulations)
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{To adjudicate on appeals on Orders To Comply with Township bylaw(s)}
Residents wishing to submit their names for any committee may do so in writing (clearly stating the Committee of their choice, qualifications, complete mailing address and telephone number) before DECEMBER 23, 1997
Marcel J. Lapierre, Administrator and Co-ordinator
Township of South Glengarry
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## Auctions/Notices

**Township of Kenyon NOTICE**

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DECEMBER 25, 1997 CLOSED
DECEMBER 26,1997 CLOSED
JANUARY 1, 1998 CLOSED
JANUARY 2, 1998 CLOSED
Seasons Greetings to all and best wishes for the New Year!
Johanna Levac (Annie), Clerk-Treasurer 51-1c

**NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF SOUTH GLENGARRY**
**CHRISTMAS TREES**
As in past years, the disposal of Christmas trees by bringing them to the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre in Williamstown is being made available. The service is being expanded to include all residents of South Glengarry. Please notify the attendant in the office before leaving your tree at the back of the arena.
Marcel J. Lapierre
Administrator and Co-ordinator
The Corporation of the Township of South Glengarry
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**VILLAGE OF MAXVILLE**
***GARBAGE COLLECTION CHANGES FOR HOLIDAY SEASON***
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By order of Council 50-3c

**NOTICE**
***HOLIDAY GARBAGE SCHEDULE***
All residents of Lancaster Township who are private customers of Char-Lan Sanitation Inc., and who have regular garbage collection on Thursdays, please take note that your garbage collection day for the week of Christmas and New Years will be changed to Wednesday for both weeks. Your pick-up days will be:
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24 and
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1997
*Thank you - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*
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**NOTICE**
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# Christmas activities top local agenda

## GREEN VALLEY



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525-3581

A big thank you to The Glengarry News for the Christmas party this past Saturday where staff and correspondents enjoyed a delicious supper, then music with fun and games.

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The Knights of Columbus, 9435 held their Christmas party Friday evening in the school gymnasium which is now the new community centre, everyone enjoyed themselves dancing and a lunch was served later in the evening.

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On Monday, Dec. 15, children at Ecole Ste. Marie enjoyed an outing at the Char-Lan arena to skate for several hours.

Friday, the last day of school, will be pyjama day, where all students and school personnel come to school clad in pyjamas. In the afternoon, games of bingo will be played.

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The members of the Green Valley Optimist Club were happy to serve a Christmas dinner to the children of Ecole Ste. Marie on Friday, Dec. 12. More than 150 students enjoyed a meatball lunch, with dessert and juice. Santa also went from class to class to pick up last minute wish lists form the tiny tots. Santa says thank you to all the elves who helped him get ready for this event. Everyone had a great time and a great lunch.

On Dec. 14 the Green Valley Optimist Club was proud to participate in the yearly Christmas parade. A beautifully decorated float with Green Valley children on it, waved at the crowd as it paraded down the streets of Alexandria. Regardless of the cold, windy weather, the smiles and the candies were all worth it. Many members also participated in handing out candies to the children in the street. After the parade ended, club members and their families were invited to come to the Green Valley BBQ Restaurant for Santa's presentation of gifts to the children. Hot cocoa drinks were served to all. Participation prizes were also drawn. Club president Gisèle Jeaurond thanked everyone who took time to attend and wished everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

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As this will be my last column for 1997 I would like to take this opportunity to wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all who read this column, to everyone who either called, sent or left me items for this column, I'll see you all in 1998, if you have anything you wish to put in this column give me a call, I'll do my best.

God bless and have a safe week.



*A welcome donation*

Green Valley Optimist Club President Gisele Jeaurond proudly presents a $500 cheque to Alexandria Lions Club President Richard Quesnel to go towards the Christmas voucher program. The Optimists hope the donation will allow some local families to enjoy the Christmas season a little bit more.

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# New Catholic school board appoints executive

During its inaugural board meeting of Wednesday, Dec. 17, held in Cornwall, the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario (School Board #52) unanimously selected Nancy Kirby as chair of the board, and Charles Adams as vice-chair.

Kirby, the trustee representing Lanark County Separate School Supporters, has been a trustee on the Lanark, Leeds and Grenville County Separate School Board for three years.

Adams is the trustee representing the Separate School Supporters of Cornwall. He has been a trustee for nine years on the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry County Separate School Board.

During the meeting, the board approved the appointment of Frank Musca as director of education and secretary-treasurer. Musca has been the director of education of the Lanark, Leeds and Grenville County Separate School Board since 1985.

Other decisions made by the board include:

The appointment of the executive council members for the transitional period, Jan. to June 1998. these are:

Kevin Lyndon, deputy director and superintendent of education; Greg McNally, superintendent of education; Jim Leonard, superintendent of education; Deirdre Thomas, superintendent of education; Judie Martin, superintendent of education; Gordon Greffe, superintendent of business (Finance); Thomas Ariss, superintendent of business (Operations); Carolina Wilsher, senior administrator of human resources.

Board meetings will be held on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Location of the meetings will be rotated among the various communities of our jurisdiction. The first regular meeting of the board will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1998, at Notre Dame Catholic High School in Carleton Place.

For the transitional period, Jan. to June 1998, the existing board offices will continue to operate as they have in the past.

Until a central office is opened, the board administration can be reached by calling 1-800-267-7945.

Banking services, insurance, worker's compensation coverage and budget preparation for Jan. 1, 1998, were also approved.

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Christmas Eve mass on Dec. 24 at St. Catherine of Sienna Parish will be celebrated at 9:30 p.m.

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Annette and Jack Smith have returned from a week's vacation in Aruba.

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## GIFT PUZZLE

Unsramble the letters in the boxes to find five presents




ANSWERS: 1. SLED 2. BIKE 3. WATCH 4. DOLL 5. TRAIN

## WHOSE GIFT?

Unscramble the letters to see who gets which gift.




ANSWERS: 1. JACK 2. MARY 3. BILL 4. JILL 5. JUDY 6. KATE 7. PAUL 8. JOHN

## Christmas Word Find

Listed below are words and phrases associated with Christmas. How many can you find and circle in the scrambled letter puzzle? The words go horizontally and vertically, backwards and forwards.

MISTLETOE
PRESENTS
ANGELS
CANDYCANE
TREE
FEAST
CAROLING
STOCKING
CHURCH
SANTA
COOKIES
REINDEER
FAMILY
LIGHTS

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# Lancaster K of C Christmas basket drive a success

## LANCASTER



MARG MILLETT
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Alain Cholette, chairman of the 1997 Guignole for the Knights of Columbus, Council 8715, Lancaster, would like to thank all of you who donated food and money for the Christmas baskets given to the less fortunate during this holiday season. A special thank you is also extended to the following people who helped make this event a successful one: Michel Bourdeau, Jean-Denis Campeau, Serge Campeau, Claude Cholette, Daniel Cholette, Michel and Caroline Cholette, Laurent Décoeur, Jacques Élie, Robert Glaude, Lucien Ménard, Richard and Sylvain Pilon, Alain Poirier, Jean Poirier, Jean-Pierre Ricard, John and Steve Rummens and Brian Thibert.

The Knights of Columbus, Council 8715, Lancaster held their annual wine and cheese on Friday, Nov. 28 and their Club 400 draw.

The winners were: $1,000, Rémi Prud'Homme, Alexandria; $500, Pierre Dubreuil, Les Coteaux; $100, Shaun Martel, Maxville; $100, Noël Beauvais, Cornwall; $100, Mike Bookhout, Cornwall; $100, Yves Clément, Alfred; $100, Raymond Lefebvre, Cornwall.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Knights again this year.

During the evening, the Grand Knight Robert Bédard, presented the following awards:

Brother Richard Pilon received his 25-year pin of the K of C.

The Knight of the month awards were presented to the following:

July, Roméo Jodouin; August, Michel Beauvais; Sept., Raymond Beaupré; Oct. André Poirier; Nov., Michel Cholette.

The following families were honored:

July, Kenneth and Joyce Lalonde; August, Richard and Suzanne Pilon; Sept., Michel and Lucette Bourdeau; Oct., John and Huguette Rummens; Nov., Alain and Nicole Cholette.

A special thank you to Alain Cholette, Roméo Jodouin, Michel Cholette, Eugene Picard and Michel Bourdeau for their help in this evening and also to Jean-Pierre Ricard for his entertainment.



## National honors

Former Glengarry County resident Ronald Brunet has been recognized nationally for his work in the hotel industry. Brunet, from the St. Raphael's area, was named General Manager of the Year by the Days Inns - Canada chain. Brunet manages the downtown Montreal Days Inn and was recognized for his leadership during renovations, establishment of a sales and marketing department and food and beverage service. Brunet is also chairman of the Days Inn Quebec Alliance. Brunet,37, is a graduate of Glengarry District High School and now resides in Boucherville, Quebec. Days Inn has more than 60 hotels across Canada.

# Local teen in Australia

## DUNVEGAN



PEGGI CALDER
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Kenyon Presbyterian Church will be holding a carol service on Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m.
This is a beautiful service and, judging from last year, there will be lots of your favourite carols sung.

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Barbara Graham faxed me a note about daughter Alyson and her adventures. To bring you up to date:

Alyson Graham sends greetings from Australia. After a few very enjoyable days in California and Hawaii and a stopover in Indonesia, Alyson and two school chums landed in Sydney.

Alyson's first impressions weren't great – another big city under a lot of construction in preparation for the 2000 Olympics.

After a few days on the beach, in the parks and at the zoo, she realized that she was in a beautiful part of the world.

She has managed to secure a job as a nanny for a single mom with two teenage daughters and a six-year-old autistic boy, whom Alyson says is adorable and a challenge.

When you are on a student working visa, you can't work for any one employer longer than three months – Australia doesn't want you to get too comfortable. She hopes to save enough money to buy a bus pass to see more of this interesting country.

They have been bothered with terrible heat – in the mid-30s – as a result of the forest fires, and, as Alyson says, summer hasn't arrived yet!

Barbara says that they are looking forward to sharing her journal with her when she comes home.

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Best wishes for the holiday season go out to you all. Have a safe and happy Christmas and don't forget the milk and cookies!

# CROSSWORD PUZZLER

**ACROSS**

1 Sudden bursts of wind
6 Mischievous act
11 — -me-not
12 Foreign —
14 Redact
15 Diminish
17 Artificial language
18 Wrong (prefix)
19 Seven (Sp.)
20 TV network
21 Roman 1,005
22 Asphyxia
23 Sticky solution
24 Before the set time
26 "— Incredible"
27 "— — Three Lives"
28 Wash and —
29 Floating objects
31 Violent windstorm
34 Pismires
35 Ms. Shriver
36 Negative prefix
37 Kin to bro
38 Flared trousers (slang)
39 "— Got a Secret"
40 Spielberg alien
41 Felt concern
42 Solar disc
43 Particular
45 Los Angeles team
47 Actress Irene —
48 Periods of time

**DOWN**

1 Lady —
2 "Trinity" author
3 Rank above a Cpl.
4 "— Deum"
5 — glass window
6 Silver (Sp.)
7 Network
8 Mature
9 Nickel symbol
10 Gymnast
11 "La — Nikita"
13 Smelling organs
16 Norm's favorite drink on "Cheers"
19 Secret agents
20 Santa —, CA
22 TV's McBeal and actress Sheedy
23 African country
25 Disturbances
26 Hatcher and Garr
28 Mundane
29 Founded
30 — States
31 Story
32 Swim-meet participants
33 Auguries
35 Olivier's co-star in "Wuthering Heights"
38 Barbara or Conrad
39 Roman road
41 Container
42 "— Pablo"
44 "Et —, Brute"
46 Ekberg ID

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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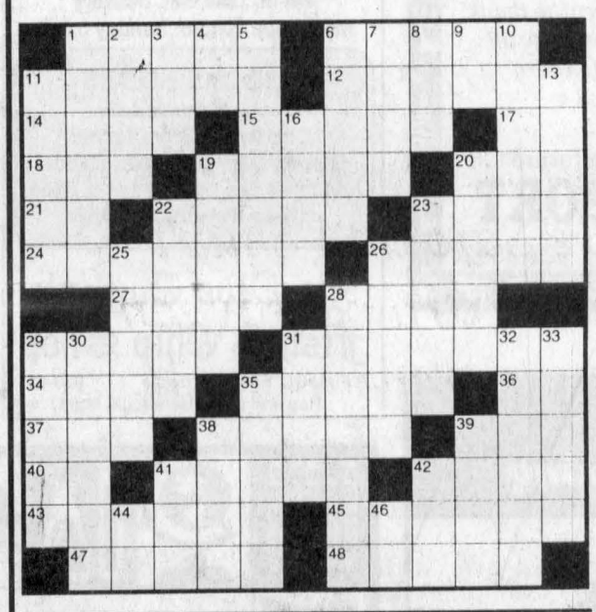

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# WONDERWORD

HOW TO PLAY: First read the list of words, then look at the puzzle. The words are in all directions — vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backward. Circle each letter of a word found and strike it off the list. The letters are often used more than once, so do not cross them out. It is best to find the big words first. When you find all the words listed in the clues, you'll have a number of letters left over that spell the Wonderword.

**CLUES**

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| Application | Grade | Network | Relational | System |
| Bill | Group | Number | Replace | Tables |
| Blank | Grow | Numerical | Respond | Teaching |
| Break | Insert | Open | Restore | Telephone |
| Calculate | Keys | Operations | Reveal | Title |
| Catalog | Label | Organize | Roll | Trace |
| Choose | Language | Pack | Root | Unite |
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| Collect | Last | Photo | Scenarios | Value |
| Deep | Library | Pick | Screen | Verify |
| Depth | List | Position | Search | |

by DAVID OUELLET

**DATABASE MANAGEMENT** — **Solution: 8 letters**

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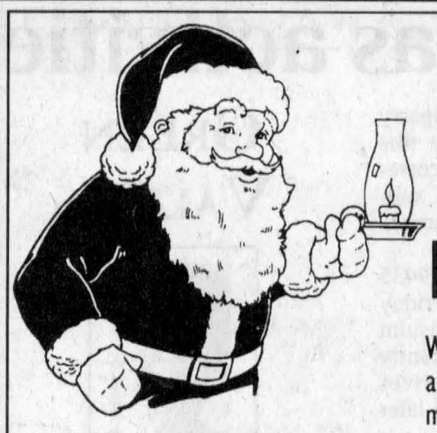
ANSWER NEXT WEEK | Last Week's Answer: Giddyup

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•At Wednesday's council meeting, a communication was read from Munro & McIntosh Co., stating that they were considering the increasing of their present buildings, and requesting that there be no increase in assessment for a period of ten years and no increase in water rate. A resolution was read and passed.

**NINETY YEARS AGO**
**Friday, Dec. 20, 1907**

•On Monday morning, a stranger registered at the Commercial Hotel here, under the name of "J. Moore, Ottawa," and shortly after seven that evening he was found lying dead on Kenyon Street West. A wound in the head and presence of a .32 calibre revolver in the snow at his side indicated suicide.

•A meeting of the citizens of Alexandria, which packed the Town Hall, unanimously passed a resolution offering a free site in the town for County Buildings, if Glengarry separated from the union. Several meetings were held throughout the county this week and it appears that a big vote will be registered on the question the first Monday in January.

•Messrs. Drysdale and Kemp have purchased the business Alexandria Marble and Granite Works, from W. N. Dauley.

•Mr. Villeneuve has taken over the management of the Ottawa Hotel at Maxville, Mr. Rushman having left for Lancaster, where he has purchased the McRae Hotel.

**EIGHTY YEARS AGO**
**Friday, Dec. 21, 1917**

•Rev. Alphonse Lauzon of the Company of Mary, sang his first high mass at the Church of the Sacred Heart on Sunday. A son of the late Oscar Lauzon and Mary Lascelle, Father Lauzon was ordained at the Cathedral in Montreal, on Sunday morning, Dec. 9, by His Grace Archbishop Bruchesie.

•Angus McDonald, Elgin Street, received word this week that his son, Pte. George D. McDonald, was wounded and is suffering from bullet wounds in the arm.

•Lt.-Col. A. G. F. Macdonald left on MOnday for Ottawa to take up his duties in connection with the Appeal Board under the Military Service Act.

**SEVENTY YEARS AGO**
**Friday, Dec. 16, 1927**

•The campaign to eradicate tuberculosis from the cattle of the county and have it declared a "Restricted Area," is progressing favorably.

•In a recent Civil Service examination held in Ottawa, Miss Helen Costello, daughter of F. T. Costello, barrister of this place, passed exceptionally well securing First in Grade One and 10th place in Grade Two.

•Geo. P. McLaughlin has this week installed a storage tank for fuel oil, and is at present unloading a car of same.

•"Her Honor the Mayor," a three-act comedy, was cleverly staged in McDonald's Theatre here, on Friday and Saturday, under auspices of the Ladies' Aid. Included in the cast, who were trained by Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Smith, were: B. F. Chilton, J. T. Smith, Earl Bradley, and the Misses G. McIntosh, Inez MacGillivray, Mrs. E. H. Stimson, Mrs. H. L. Cheney and Mrs. J. T. Smith.

**SIXTY YEARS AGO**
**Friday, Dec. 17, 1937**

•Thousands of dollars damage was caused by fire which broke out in the roof of the former Banque Canadienne Nationale building, Mill Square, shortly after noon yesterday, and spread to Dr. Markson's buildings in rear. Two business places and three apartments were damaged.

•On their removal to 26-2nd Lochiel, Mr. and Mrs. Lauchie McDonald of Unity, were honored in their new home, Saturday evening. An address was read by Duncan McRae and a purse presented by Douglas McMillan.

•Effective January 1st, the following transfers of diocesan clergy have been announced: Rev. A. L. Cameron, PP, Moose Creek, goes to Glen Walter; Rev. R. Rouleau, Lancaster to Moose Creek; Rev. D. Secours, Church of the Sacred Heart, to Lancaster. The Dominican Fathers will serve Sacred Heart parish.

•Mr. and Mrs. Sarto Leger and family and Morley Tobin leave early next week by motor to spend a few months in sunny California.

**FIFTY YEARS AGO**
**Friday, De.c 19, 1947**

•V. G. Chisholm, veteran clerk of Lochiel, is completing his 50th year in that post, and the event was marked at Tuesday's final meeting of the 1947 Township Council. Reeve J. W. MacLeod read an appreciative address and Deputy-Reeve Earl Capron presented a purse, the contribution of individual ratepayers.

• 'Wets' in Maxville were short of a favorable vote by 38 in heavy balloting Wednesday.

•Mr. and Mrs. Donald McLennan and family have moved from the Sauve block to the home of the late Alfred St. Denis, Dominion Street South.

**FORTY YEARS AGO**
**Thursday, Dec. 19, 1957**

•James MacLeod, 61, of Skye, died in his smoke-filled home after suffering a diabetic attack Monday.

•Horace Marjerison, 68, widely known Apple Hill farmer, was seriously injured Wednesday in a head-on collision with a car driven by Ranald McDonald, 17, of the 3rd Kenyon.

•The Boffin property, some 28 acres of waterfront land two miles east of Lancaster, has been purchased by the Ontario-St. Lawrence Development Commission for use as a public park.

•Denis Lefebvre, Glen Sandfield, won the $300 first prize in the Lions Club Christmas draw. Mrs. Darl Laporte won $150 and Mrs. William Ouellette, $50.

**THIRTY YEARS AGO**
**Thursday, Dec. 21, 1967**

•His Excellency Most Rev. Adolphe Proulx, DD, will pontificate at the midnight mass ushering in Christmas in St. Finnan's Cathedral.

•An impressive last tribute was paid Msgr. Contant at funeral services in Sacred Heart Church here last weekend.

•Barn and crops were lost in a Tuesday afternoon blaze on the farm of Jean Poirier, 2nd Conc. Lancaster.

•Some 300 skaters turned out last Friday night to welcome the return of ice to Glengarry Gardens. The ice surface was good and the arena was jumping after a year of inactivity.

•Five elderly residents were carried to safety when fire hit the Glengarry Nursing Home. The home, owned by Gilles Lalonde, is located in the Third Kenyon, one mile west of the town.

**TWENTY YEARS AGO**
**Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1977**

•Martintown author Rhodes Grant died last Thursday at 77. He wrote "The story of Martintown, a pioneer village" and "Horse and Buggy Days in Martintown."

•The new Glengarry Cross-country Ski Club kicked off the season Sunday with a ski tour from the local park to Green Valley Pavilion. All trails will be groomed this year says President Archie Roussin.

•Christine Grant, Linda McEwen and Barry Wereley, special constables with the RCMP, have returned from their course in Regina and have been posted to Ottawa.

**TEN YEARS AGO**
**Tuesday, December 22, 1987**

•About 500 people braved the elements to witness the arrival of the Olympic Torch in Monkland, Wednesday night. Area residents cheered Greg Popoff as he carried the torch through the crowd and they saluted the runner by holding up lighted torch replicas. And Roxborough Township Reeve John McIntyre welcomed the runner during a short ceremony.

•The Glengarry Crop Improvement Association held its annual meeting last Wednesday (Dec. 16) at the Bonnie Glen. The Award of Merit was earned by Martintowner John Peters, the Corn Management Club High Yield Award was picked up by Wayne Mitchell of Bainsville and Soil Conservation Signs were awarded to Bill MacGillivray, Jean-Marc Leduc, Bill Johnston and Ted VanderBurg.

•Maxville Village Reeve George Cuerrier was acclaimed warden of SD&G at the inaugural session last week in Cornwall. Mr. Currier says he's looking forward to the year he'll spend in counties council.

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## Gaelic names

### HIGHLAND PATHS



KEN MCKENNA

Nicknames, bynames, pet names — call them what you will. They are common in many cultures in many different parts of the world, but are particularly prevalent in the Celtic areas of Scotland, Ireland, and Wales, and wherever there are large settlements of people from those areas. Such was certainly the case in Glengarry and Cape Breton and, I suppose, among the Welsh communities in Patagonia, at the southern tip of South America. In Europe, permanent family names, unconnected after the first generation with a father's first name, personal appearance, trade, or origin date from about the 11th century. Before that, a person had only a first name or two, accompanied by some sort of identification to avoid confusion in the community. Big John was obviously not the same man as Little John, or John the Smith, or John the Baker. It was only with the advent of the feudal system that land ownership and the inheritance of property made permanent last names important, at least for those who had land titles. Everybody else made do with the same system that had prevailed since time immemorial and only gradually did permanent family names evolve and become legally necessary for everyone.

In the Celtic tradition, as in many other societies, blood lines were all-important. The word "clan" simply means "children", and the concept of the clan system was that the members of a clan belonged to the same family, and the patronymic was generally reserved to the chief. The use of the clan name for the rest of the clan was taken for granted. In the case of small clans, such a relationship was easily proved by recorded or remembered genealogy, but in the case of large clans, the connection could be more imagined than real. Those not "of the blood" often allied themselves for protection with more powerful clans and became part of them. Since the clan name could encompass thousands of individuals, the continued use of descriptive first names was essential.

This is how Edward Dwelly described the situation a century ago in his Gaelic Dictionary: "It must be borne in mind that Gaelic surnames, in the English sense, are not generally in use, at least in colloquial Gaelic, except when speaking of strangers. Everyone living in a Gaelic-speaking district has a local name describing his trade or some physical peculiarity... Sometimes they are named after the place they lived in last, or were born in... If the person named is of a family long settled in the district he will probably be named after his father or grandfather..... Thus a Gaelic student whose friend is plain John MacDonald in the city, must not be surprised when he meets him at home, to hear his companions speak of him as Iain Mhurchaidh Dhomnuill Alasdair! The sole object of Gaelic surnames is to make the identity of the person spoken of as clear as possible... reminding his hearers by means of his name every time it is mentioned, to whom or where he 'belongs'. Considerable care must be exercised in translating English surnames into Gaelic; for example, Donald Black is Domhnall Mac a' Ghille Dhuibh. The literal translation, Domhnall Dubh (pro. Donel Doo) may, if used, prove very misleading, for that is much more likely to be the local appelation of Donald Cameron or Donald Smith, both of whom have dark hair, than of Donald Black, who may even be fair and locally known as Domhnall Bàn, but more probably as Domhnall Alasdair or Domhnall Iain. Domhnall Dubh is also a familiar Gaelic name for the devil!"

In Glengarry, where so many carried the same last name (and often the same first name as well), banks, post offices and government departments carried lists of nicknames for identification purposes. Many of these names are still carried by Glengarry families, such as the Angus Bàn McDonalds. In 1785 the original Angus Bàn ("Fair-haired") came from Muineil ("the neck of land") in Knoydart, that remote area known as the Rough Bounds of the Western Highlands. His family were known as the Big People, and one of his sons earned the name Big Finnan the Buffalo for his epic wrestling match with a maddened bull buffalo on the Western Prairies in 1824. Another son, known in French as le Borgne because he was blind in one eye, became a partner in the North West Company and was a friend and supporter of the explorer Sir John Franklin. (More on this later).

Many thanks to all those who support the Highland Society and the Highland heritage of Glengarry through annual dues, donations, and the purchase of the Gaelic Choir tape. Nollaig Chridheil – Merry Christmas.


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# Grand lady celebrates 103rd birthday at Manor

## MAXVILLE



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On Dec. 29, Maxville's grand lady will be 103 years old. Annie MacKillican, nee McDonald, has been a Manor resident for a few years and still enjoys a level of activity much higher than one might expect. She still takes in most activities and reluctantly rides in a wheelchair when she goes to them.

Mrs. MacKillican's mind is not as keen as it once was but she is still the real lady and appears much younger than what her birth certificate states.

Mrs. MacKillican farmed with her husband, the late Lyman W., for many years at St. Elmo and then retirement brought them to the village. She played an active role in the United Church and her last big project was the writing of the 100 years history of the WMS / UCW of the church.

Prior to her marriage, Mrs. McKillican was a school teacher and 91-year-old Grant McGillivray, Glen Garden Village, gives her credit for part of his education in a one-roomed school house in Lochiel Township.

Another lady at the Manor will be 96 on Christmas Eve. Lillian Weedmark, nee McEwen, considers that age so old that she prefers to consider herself younger. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sandy John McEwen and was an active member of the McEwen community on the 5th Concession, Roxborough for many years before she moved to Ottawa and later married.

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Catherine and Bill Kippen entertained at an early Christmas celebration in early December. Besides their immediate family, they also had home Isabel and Bruce MacRae, Waterdown, and Natalie and Roy Smith, Ottawa. Bill's brother, Clifford and his wife, did not make it this year.

A very special guest at this event was Verna Reveler, a 97-year-old resident at the Manor and the Kippens' aunt who was a sister-in-law of their mother, Eva.

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Aida Anderson and her son, Bruce, Mississauga, visited last week with her aunt, Catherine McEwen and with her brother, Gordon and Lorna Winter.

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We extend a fond farewell to Audrey and Barry Warwick as they take up residency in Cornwall. Mrs. Warwick had taught in the public school here for considerable time while Mr. Warwick was a forestry expert with a provincial government ministry. For many years, they lived at the corner of Main and Peter Streets with their daughters Kim and Tracey and then moved to the farm on Hwy. 43 near the Highland Road corner.

While we wish the couple well in their new home, we extend the same best wishes to Sharon Michaud and her family as they take over the Warwick farm.

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Ronald and Lynn Villeneuve have been here to visit with his mother, Alma, at the Manor, prior to going on to Toronto and then to Colorado for the winter months.

Norma and Mervyn Daniels, North Bay, have been here to visit with his mother, Josephine at the Manor.

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Last week I had a phone call from former Apple Hill resident, Elwyn Sterling, now of London, Ont. Mr. Sterling was wondering about Kenyon Township's calendar and I was pleased to state that I would send him two. He also wished to be remembered to all his friends.

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On Dec. 11, the Christmas dinner of the Seniors Outreach Services program at the Manor attracted 50 seniors who all enjoyed an excellent meal and fellowship. Thanks go to Stephanie Hill-Nicholls, dietary department, and her staff for the excellent meal.

Due to the illness of Julie Larin, co-ordinator of the program, Phyllis Burtenshaw, Dina Murray and Barbara Graham served the meal, while diner, Harris Annett, served as wine steward.

Afterwards, Santa Claus appeared and with a high pitched voice which sounded much like Barbara Graham's, fun gifts were distributed to some. It was Friendly Feud we played then but it was much like Family Feud, the game we used to see on TV, but unlike it then, there was no kissing.

The monthly euchre at the Manor that might have been held on Dec. 31 has been cancelled for this month.

At the weekly Saturday bridge game at the Manor, Jacqueline Emburg, Moose Creek, had high score on Dec. 13.

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At the service in the United Church on Dec. 14, the second young daughter of Beatrice and Peter Zueger, Crysler, was baptized. Her names are Rachel Denise and two generations of grandparents were present. Anna and Walter Zollinger, from St. Isidore, are the maternal grandparents and Mrs. Zollinger's parents from Switzerland were also here for the baptism and for a visit with the Zollingers.

On Christmas Eve, the birth of Jesus Christ will be celebrated twice in the United Church. At 6:30 p.m. there will be a service for children and their families and, at 8 p.m.; there will be a service of carols and Bible readings. An invitation is extended to all who may wish to attend one of these services or both of them.

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Years ago, municipal election were held here for terms of one year. Seventy years ago, Dr. J. Howard Munro was the reeve for 1928. He died in 1960. At this time, Jim Grant owned the feed store which soon became the property of three generations of MacEwens. Fred Campbell had retired from farming and lived in the present Gary MacQueen home. Fred Filion had a garage on the property which is now the home of Kyle and Carole MacMillan. That garage has long gone. T. W. Munro (this family spells it Munroe now) was a one-time correspondent of *The Glengarry News*.

Fifty years ago, Osie Villeneuve was becoming initiated to politics and was soon to start a career in the provincial legislature and became recognized for his long tenure there. Clarence MacGregor was the husband of Verna who later served as clerk and a councillor. Mr. MacGregor probably had the hardware store at this time. William A. MacEwen was the first generation owner of the feed store and later became reeve. Dan Ferguson had his well drilling equipment and machine shop in operation. Leonard Hurd had his garage and was tragically murdered in 1952.


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# High school students host trade show

## ALEXANDRIA NEWS

The Grade 11 Entrepreneurship class at Glengarry District High School will be hosting their trade show on Jan. 14 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. All are welcome to attend and view the businesses these students have started from scratch. For information, please call Mrs. J. Richard at 525-1066.

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The Alexandria Duplicate Bridge Club results as of Tuesday, Dec. 16 are as follows:

N/S: 1. Jim Campbell and Joseph Freidberg; 2. Don Crawford and David Graham; 3. Germaine Lalonde and Yvonne Roussin.

E/W: 1. Homer and Lorna Grant; 2. Les Kimball and Francois Govin; 3. Grace Leroux and Norah Ruth.

# Maxville ready for celebration

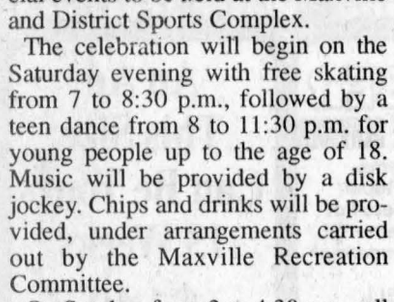
A tribute to Maxville's history will be presented by the village on the weekend of Dec. 27 to 28, with special events to be held at the Maxville and District Sports Complex.

The celebration will begin on the Saturday evening with free skating from 7 to 8:30 p.m., followed by a teen dance from 8 to 11:30 p.m. for young people up to the age of 18. Music will be provided by a disk jockey. Chips and drinks will be provided, under arrangements carried out by the Maxville Recreation Committee.

On Sunday, from 2 to 4:30 p.m., all village residents (past and present) are invited to attend a reception in the complex hall. There will be entertainment and a lunch will be served. Past and present village councillors and senior village staff will be honoured. Presentations will be made to those who have served the community.

The occasion will mark the culmination of 106 years of Maxville's history as an incorporated village. After Jan. 1, of course, Maxville will be part of the new Township of North Glengarry.

Arrangements for the Sunday celebration are being jointly carried out by Maxville's Village Council and the Maxville and District Chamber of Commerce.

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