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Local firm on verge of making dramatic rebound

By Pete Bock
News Reporter

An Alexandria company is on the rebound and feeling bullish about its future, after being knocked around by fierce competition in the plastics industry.

Formax Plastic is ready to launch a couple of new product lines and hopes to increase its workforce. Seeing opportunity in water and waste water technology, the company has been reinventing itself over the last year.

The 36 year-old business traditionally "supplies people like Farley Windows with parts for their production," according to its senior technical adviser Mike Belaire.

Yet this section of its market suffered blows from international operations in countries like China and Japan, he said.

With seasonal layoffs and changes in the industry over the last year, the company reduced its employees from 29 down to 12.

But with adversity has come invention for the plastics' company, which has been based in Alexandria for 16 years.

Formax observed and reacted as the federal and provincial governments legislated tighter water and waste water standards over the past few years.

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Terms like source water protection and nutrient management have become today's environmental buzz words. While municipalities, businesses, farms and residences are all being asked to comply with tougher standards to protect water, the company saw an opportunity.

One of the products Formax's research and development staff invented rejuvenates failed or failing septic systems.

"We've come up with a filtering technology that filters effluent to a very high value," Mr. Belaire said, adding, "we are reducing the solids and going to an aeration-type technology where we remove the nutrients and things that are required for today's discharge (standards)."

The company's new filter lines run the gamut – from residential septic systems, through to commercial/industrial applications, including municipal applications.

The company is very excited about the development and believes it is the only business in North America currently producing the filters.

This week Formax Plastic showcases its new products for government regulators and various municipal officials.

Some time in March it plans to open its doors to industry and the general public.

In a couple of months, the company hopes to start re-hiring. "We hope to take it back to 29 (employees)," Mr. Belaire said, "and more we'd hope."

Accounts info falls victim to privacy act

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

South Glengarry residents will no longer be able to find out who is being paid for municipal services as a result of a new policy adopted recently by township council.

The municipality has heeded the advice of an Ottawa lawyer/magazine writer and implemented a more restrictive approach relating to new privacy legislation which came into effect on Jan. 1.

As a result of the federal Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act (PIPEDA), the township's agenda packages will no longer contain details of the cheques that South Glengarry issues.

Township Clerk-Treasurer, Michel Samson, told *The News* that the decision to act as though PIPEDA applied to the municipalities was taken at council's annual planning session held in January, after Administrator/Co-ordinator Marcel Lapierre read a magazine article on the issue.

Mr. Samson said that the municipality had not sought legal advice on the matter.

"Lots of stuff on the list of accounts is not a concern," he said. "But if your name is listed as receiving a tax refund from the township, for example, apparently that's not allowed."

He also said that it would be difficult to break up the accounts into those which could be shown to the public and those which could not, because current computer software runs "on an A to Z" listing.

Interpretation of the act is murky. Originally set up three years ago to provide Canadians with some measure of privacy regarding information collected in the private sector in the course of commercial activity, PIPEDA, as of 2004, has been extended to every provincially regulated organization engaged in commercial activity.

Does this apply to municipalities?

"At this time there are no definitive answers," says an article in Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) newsletter (AMCTO Express) of Dec.23, 2003.

But lawyer Christian S. Tacit, of the Ottawa firm of Nelligan O'Brien Payne, writing in the national journal of the Municipal Information Systems Association, (MISA), says it's better to be safe than sorry.

"As a matter of good information management practice and being wisely cautious, municipalities may wish to adopt the view that PIPEDA applies to those operations that can be characterized as commercial in nature," he writes in the January issue.

He also says, "it may be a good idea for any municipality to treat all personal information that it collects, uses, stores, or discloses as if PIPEDA applies to it, as a matter of operational efficiency."

South Glengarry appears to be taking this advice to heart. When recent appointments were made to township advisory committees, forms were sent to appointees, whereby the township said it would not release appointees

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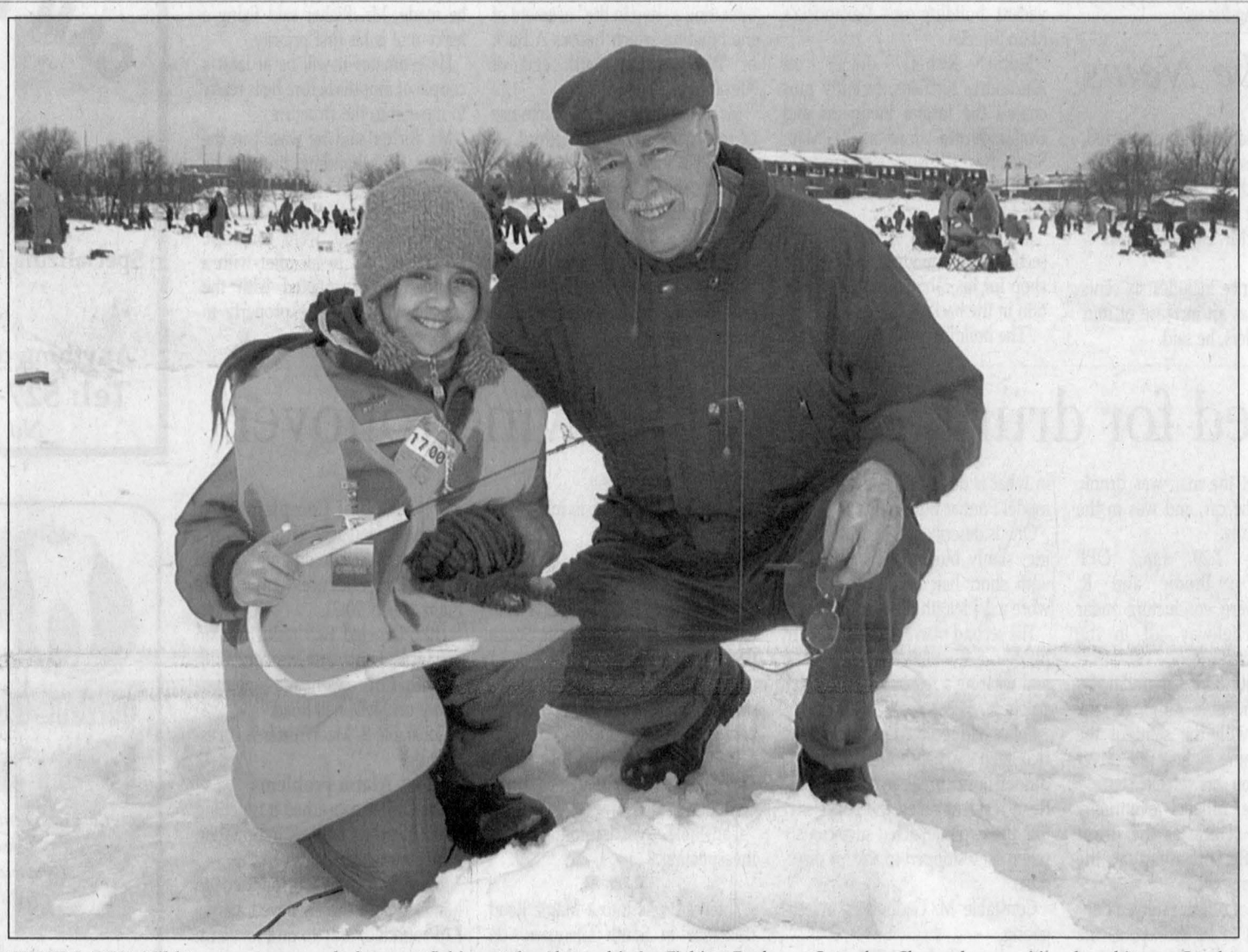

WHAT A DAY: Mild temperatures made for great fishing at the Alexandria Ice Fishing Derby on Saturday. Shown here waiting for a bite are Sarah-Ann Dewar Massie and her grandfather Bruno Massie, both of Alexandria. For more photos and a story see A14. PETE BOCK PHOTO

It's crunch time for North Glengarry on lifting 18-year-old building freeze

By Pete Bock
News Reporter

There is a growing sense of urgency and excitement, as North Glengarry takes another step towards lifting the building freeze which has stifled Alexandria's growth for 18 years.

The township will hold a public information meeting March 4 to showcase its innovative natural wetlands sewage treatment proposal.

Although neither federal or provincial funding is in place, and the land needed for the project hasn't been purchased, there is no turning back according to Mayor Bill Franklin.

"We have to go ahead with it," Mayor Franklin said, "we don't have a choice... If we don't go ahead the (building freeze doesn't get lifted). It is urgent that that happens.

"The high school is waiting. There are subdivisions waiting. The whole growth of the town has been waiting 18 years."

North Glengarry hopes to start building its $2.5 –3 million cattail-filled wetlands treatment system in late summer or early fall. But for the work to commence, the township must complete a series of steps mandated by the Ministry of the Environment. The ministry recently gave its initial approval to the project, enabling the township to proceed with its open house.

Aerial photographs, drawings and conceptual designs will give the public a better understanding of the ambitious three-part project.

At the centre of the project is a 64-acre wetland. It will be constructed on the east side of the existing lagoon system on McCormick Road. The "slow treatment" system uses cattails to help filter nutrients out of waste water, according to water works manager André Bachand.

"The wetlands are also really good at taking phosphorous out," Mr. Bachand said, "which is a thing aquatic life doesn't like."

Two additional arms to the treatment system will provide further outlets, or ways, for the township to reduce the amount of nutrients it puts into the nearby Delisle River.

One arm is an 80-acre poplar plantation. To be planted next year at the west side of the existing lagoon system, the water works manager envisions pumping treated and disinfected water to the plantation so it can be spray irrigated.

A second arm involves the Glengarry Golf and Country Club. Running an outlet to the golf course, the waterworks manager described as a win-win situation.

"It is a win for us because it means less water going to the Delisle River," Mr. Bachand said. "It is a win for them, because they get more irrigation which they need."

SG rail-crossing issue heating up again
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The new source of water is really a double benefit to the golf course. The waterworks manager figures the course will get three times the supply it gets from the Garry River, and at the same time be able to reduce its fertilizer costs.

"There are nutrients in waste water," Mr. Bachand explained. "They can spray it on the grass and the fairways – the grass likes it. There won't be a smell or health hazard as it will be disinfected before it gets there."

A similar set-up at a golf course outside of Toronto is drawing rave reviews. He said, "it is environmentally friendly and shows innovative uses for waste water and reducing fertilizer use."

The township hopes to run the outlet to the golf course this fall, so it can be operational next year. The poplar plantation is a project for next year as well.

Funding for the ambitious project is still not nailed down. The township is applying for several grants including one through the Ontario Small Towns and Rural Development Infrastructure Program (OSTAR).

Even though the construction process isn't yet under way and all the details for the project are not in place, Mayor Franklin is proud of the work Mr. Bachand has done to put the pieces of the puzzle in place.

"I think it is a really exciting project," Mayor Franklin said, "(and) there is a lot to be learned about it yet."

Local school grad rates top province

By Steven Warburton
News Editor

Although a government report indicates that 25 per cent of the province's secondary students are unlikely to graduate after four years of high school, Glengarry's high schools say thosefigures are not representative of the situation at home.

Last month, Ontario's Ministry of Education released a report – prepared by Dr. Alan King of Queen's University – stating that a quarter of secondary students in the first cohort of the reorganized Secondary School Reform program are unlikely to graduate. In a recent telephone interview with *The News*, Ontario's Minister of Education, Gerard Kennedy, said that figure could be as high as 30 per cent.

In 1997, Ontario's PC government decided to eliminate the OAC year from its curriculum, effectively merging 13 years of education into 12 and a five-year high school career into four.

Frank Hummell, Principal of Char- Lan District High School, says that although the new curriculum is geared to four years, students are not denied the opportunity to come back for a fifth year if they so desire.

"Eight-five per cent of our students graduate in four years," he said. "Fifteen per cent come back for a fifth year. We are quite below the provincial average."

Mr. Hummell attributes that, partially, to the school's small size.

"We're a unique school in that we're a relatively small school," he says. "That increases our ability to offer extra guidance and support because we get to know our students reasonable well."

Mr. Hummell's counterpart, Tony Kiar, Principal of Glengarry District High School in Alexandria, says he's experiencing a similar situation in North Glengarry. He says that over half his staff has volunteered its time to offer further assistance to struggling Grade 9 and 10 students.

"We don't believe in sitting still here," he says. "We have a math extra help room, a science extra help room, and a homework help room too."

Although Mr. Kiar says he is still compiling data on how many students will return for a fifth year. That data should be available by March break.

Julie Chartrand, Principal of Le Relais school in Alexandria, says that about 20 per cent of her students will come back for an extra year.

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Stork Market

■ Stephanie (DeRochie) and Alexander (Sasha) Grant, a girl, Fiona Margaret Anne, Feb. 11, 2004

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Alexandria firm gets extension from creditors

By Pete Bock
News Reporter

An Alexandria company battling for its survival, won another reprieve recently.

Premier Wire, which laid off the majority of its 60 employees Jan. 2, and went into bankruptcy protection Jan. 9, is shipping out product and recently received an extension – until March 19 – for its restructuring proposal.

"We are still working, still producing," company minority owner Kevin Larkin said in an interview on Friday. "Two weeks ago we got an extension for our proposal."

In order for the company to stay afloat, it must come up with a recovery plan that satisfies its creditors.

As this plan is being put together, management and a few union employees are doing assembly work and shipping.

Some of the material is coming from the company's plant in Alberta.

"The building (in Alberta) is up for sale," Mr. Larkin said. "We are finishing up whatever product we have out there and shipping back product, from the west to Alexandria."

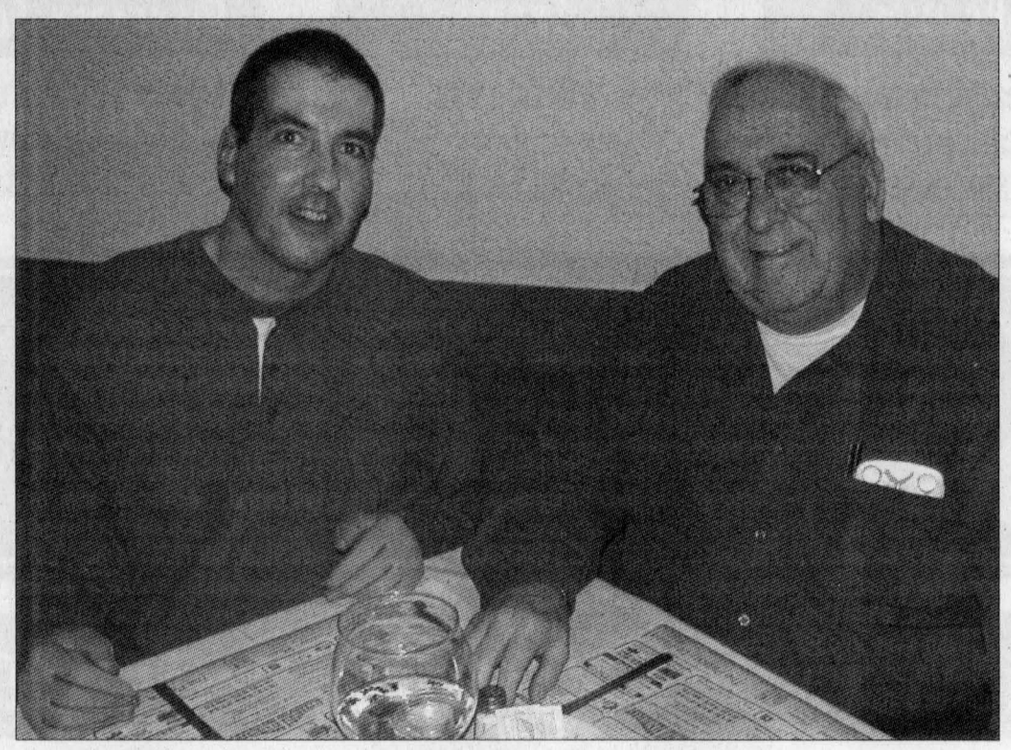
> *"I think we are a worthwhile company to save,"*
> Kevin Larkin

In an earlier interview, the owner tied the company's fall to the mercurial rise in the value of the Canadian dollar.

Two- thirds of its product, mostly wire shelving, is exported.

While Mr. Larkin remains optimistic, he says it is becoming abundantly clear who the company's friends are.

"We have been trying to work with various groups, some people will work with us, some obviously won't...I think we are a worthwhile company to save, (but) there may be people, in the end, who have not done anything for us."



BENEFIT HELD: Fassifern resident Richard Lefebvre is making a remarkable recovery from severe burns suffered in an explosion at his welding shop Dec.1. Members of the community and participants in the Ice Fishing Derby rallied to raise over $1900 for the man and his family, at two meals held at the Alexandria Pizzeria on Saturday. Richard is shown here at left, with benefit organizer Jean Lajoie.
PETE BOCK PHOTO

New life for former retail outlet

By Pete Bock
News Reporter

A local small business owner is ready to breathe some life into a vacant building on Alexandria's Main Street.

Mario Richer, owner of Alexandria Kitchens, recently purchased the former Stedmans and Dollar World store at 24 Main Street, near Christine's Restaurant.

He takes possession of the building March 8.

Mr. Richer plans to rent the front section of the building and create a shop for his cabinet-making operation in the back.

"The building is much too big for my needs," Mr. Richer said. "I could operate on the outskirts."

In business for 14 years, Alexandria Kitchens is currently operating a shop in the basement of the building which houses A Buck or Two, at the south end of Alexandria.

Mr. Richer figures he'll make use of the back half, or back third, of the 9,200 square foot downtown building. He added that there are lots of options to consider for the front.

"The building is zoned for just about everything," Mr. Richer said, "for residential, commercial, just about everything."

One of his ideas is to convert the front into office space.

But before anyone moves into the downtown building, repairs must be made. Mr. Richer said fixing a leaky roof is his first priority.

He estimates it will be at least a couple of months before he is ready to move into the structure.

Mr. Richer said he wasn't in the market for a building, but that he "stumbled onto it" in the fall.

The person who last owned the building, he said, went bankrupt. Mr. Richer put in an offer with a realtor, and negotiated with the trustee who held the property in receivership.

Price increase for *The News*

The price of single copies of *The Glengarry News* will increase to 95 cents (including GST) with next week's edition (March 3).

The increase is the first in over eight years since *The News* increased its price to 80 cents from 70 cents on Jan. 4, 1996, Publisher JT Grossmith said.

"During that eight-year period, *The News* has incurred substantial increases in the cost of doing business without passing them on to our readers," Mr. Grossmith said.

The new price includes six cents GST as well as an increase of four cents for dealers, he said.

NG man arrested for drunk driving following rollover

Police Briefs

Impaired driver

Police arrested a drunk driver after the man's vehicle left the road, entered a ditch, and rolled over early Saturday morning.

Ryan Filion, 26 of Marcoux Road, North Glengarry, was westbound on County Road 43, outside of Alexandria at about 1 a.m., when he lost control of his 1990 Chevy.

As a result, the driver was arrested and faces charges of Impaired Driving and Failing to Comply with Conditions (unrelated incident).

Constable S. Turcotte is investigating.

Speeder facing charges

In pursuit of a speeder on the 401 early Thursday morning, police first had to use their cruiser to block in the driver, and then had to break a door window to get the man to exit the vehicle.

It turns out the man was drunk, had stolen the car, and was in the country illegally.

At about 1:20 a.m., OPP Constables J. Brodie and R. Lamarche were conducting radar duties on Highway 401 in the Lancaster area.

The westbound 1989 Hyundai was clocked at 160km/h. Although the car slowed with the sight of the police's flashing lights, the driver refused to stop his vehicle.

The police officers eventually blocked the vehicle as the driver negotiated the off ramp at the Summerstown exit.

For reason of officer safety, a door window had to be broken, as the driver refused to exit the locked vehicle.

The driver Jeffrey Chalfant, 38, of Loxahatchee, Florida was subsequently arrested.

Investigation revealed the vehicle had been reported stolen from the Montreal area the previous evening.

Information also revealed the accused was in this country illegally. Immigration officials were contacted and are looking into the matter.

Mr. Chalfant appeared in Cornwall court on Thursday, facing criminal charges of Flight from Police Officer, Impaired Driving, Possession of Property Obtained by Crime and a Highway Traffic Act violation of Speeding.

Attempted Break-in

Two criminals fled the scene when a South Glengarry homeowner confronted them in the process of breaking a door at his home on County Road 17, Wednesday evening.

The two men motored westbound in what is described as a green late model Pontiac Sunfire.

One is described as a scruffy looking, slimly built male, in his 20's, with short hair and a goatee. He wore a 3/4 length blue jacket.

The second man appeared to be in his 30's, 5'10", with short black hair and wearing a red jacket with black patches.

Police had received a tip about the two men a half-hour before this dinner-hour break-in. A Loyalist Road resident called the police saying the two men acted suspiciously when they stopped to ask for directions.

Constable M. Gadbois is investigating.

Stolen ATV

Thieves stole an ATV from the driveway of a South Glengarry residence on Friday. Police figure the theft on Cuthbert Road took place between 12:30 and 8 p.m.

The vehicle is described as a red 2003 Honda 450 four-wheeler with Ontario plate #80DA4.

Constable J. McRae is investigating.

Break-ins

Criminals stole cash, a video machine and a saw, from a residence on Chapel Road in South Glengarry on Friday.

The crooks forced open a garage door to gain entry to the home, between 7:45 a.m. and 1:45 p.m..

They stole a quantity of cash, a Play Station 2 with 16 games, and a compound mitre saw.

Constable N. Lamontagne is investigating.

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Thieves broke into a Maple Road residence in South Glengarry on Saturday or Sunday and made off with a variety of electronic equipment.

They took a Sharp flat screen TV, two Sony CD players, a RCA DVD player, and a Taylor six-string guitar, model 810.

Constable S. Duguay is investigating.

Mischief Complaints

Vandals damaged civic signs and mailboxes at five different North Glengarry residences during the night of Feb. 20-21.

They targeted two residences on the Little Third, two residences on the 4th Concession and one residence on McDonell Road.

Constable S. MacWhirter is investigating.

Alarm problems

The OPP is concerned it is getting some incorrect address information from alarm companies.

Recently officers responded to homes where they believed alarms had sounded, only to find no alarm had gone off.

Worried that wrong information can result in delayed emergency response, the OPP is asking residence owners to verify, with their alarm companies, that their information, ie. civic numbers, is accurate.

Calls for service Feb. 16-22

Traffic incidents	47
General calls	37
Criminal investigations	19
Traffic charges	185
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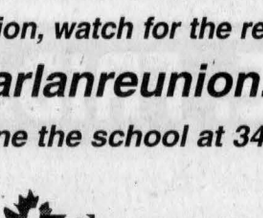

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MP Boudria answers critics on scandal

By Steven Warburton
News Editor

After weeks of holding his silence on the sponsorship scandal, Don Boudria is starting to speak out on the issue.

The local MP says it's ridiculous to say that the entire federal Liberal regime is corrupt because of one or two bad apples.

In a telephone interview with *The News* on Monday morning, the member from Glengarry-Prescott-Russell defended his government in the wake of a massive sponsorship scandal that dates back to 1995.

Earlier this month, Auditor General Sheila Fraser told the House of Commons that a Federal Public Works Department $150 million advertising plan was essentially designed to create income for Liberal friendly private companies in Quebec.

At one point a former Public Works Minister, Mr. Boudria says the government is already doing all it can to bring the guilty parties to justice.

"The government has initiated three measures," he says. "It's launched an official inquiry, it's launched a criminal investigation, and it's appointed a lawyer to file civil charges against anyone who has received money illegally."

He further stated that the Public Works Department is not exactly small.

"There are 14,000 people in that department and it deals with everything from repairing the Alaska Highway to tendering out boots for our soldiers," he says. "If one or two people did something illegal, it doesn't mean that everyone is guilty by association. It's like saying that if a police officer in Vancouver is guilty of a crime, then the chief of police in Montreal must be guilty too."

Mr. Boudria, who was acclaimed as his riding's candidate for the impending federal election, said that the scandal is not the most-asked-about issue in his neck of the woods.

"I haven't heard that many questions about it," he said. "I still get a lot of questions from farmers about the American border closure to beef."

Mr. Boudria says he will testify on the sponsorship matter if he is called. Ultimately, he says that his party has served the country well.

"Certainly we have given good government to Canadians," he said. "It's up to them to decide (what will happen next.)"

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SG railway crossing not solved: resident

By Steven Warburton
News Editor

Despite reports to the contrary at South Glengarry council recently, at least one area resident says that the situation at the Lancaster railway crossing is not improving.

For months, motorists have been frustrated after arriving at the crossing only to see the barriers descended with no trains in sight. Many of them have taken to navigating around the barriers.

This news so alarmed local resident William Allan that he informed South Glengarry council about the situation. Council looked into it, CN Rail officials increased surveillance of the site, and, at a recent meeting, Mr. Allan said that things at the crossing were "great."

However, Janice Montreuil, a long time Lancaster resident, says that the situation remains the same.

Last Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Montreuil says she waited at the railway intersection for over 20 minutes with the barriers down and not much happening on the tracks.

Although she concedes that two freight trains went by in that time period, for the most part she just "sat and waited."

"In the meantime, skidoos, pedestrians, cars and small trucks were going over these tracks," she said.

Mrs. Montreuil says she's scared that one of those people who navigate around the descended barriers will eventually get hit by a train.

"Can you imagine if a little boy saw that happen?" she asked. "He'd have nightmares for life."

Mrs. Montreuil has written a letter of her own to South Glengarry's mayor, Jim McDonell.

In the letter, she not only asks for the problem to be corrected immediately but for CN Rail to foot 100 per cent of the bill.

"We pay enough bloody taxes," she says.

"CN should pay 100 per cent. Council should be up in arms over this. They should ask CN to pay the whole amount."

Mr. McDonell says that CN is "taking steps" to correct the situation.

"They are considering a newer system that would eliminate the problem," he says. "This system would be based on radar instead of hardwiring in the tracks."

Regarding the cost-sharing, Mr. McDonell says that's something that would have to be negotiated.

"I think that CN should pay for it too but the law of the land says that they're only responsible for a certain percentage," he says.

Although he doesn't know how much the new system would cost, he said it cost close to $100,000 to install gates in Glen Roy three years ago.

He also advised anyone who is faced with long waits at the train crossing to contact the OPP as soon as possible.

"They can address the problem immediately for safety reasons," he says.

Pierre Leclerc, Director of Communications with CN, says that the gates are triggered when the train engages a signal.

He added that the recent problem was caused by a train that had stopped for an extended period of time.

"The train stopped to pick up some additional cars," he said. "The problem is that the driver didn't know that he had engaged the signal."

Although better communication could help solve the problem, Mrs. Montreuil says she has another idea to bypass the railway crossing altogether.

"Why doesn't CN build an overpass or underpass in that busy area?" she asked.

For his part, Mr. McDonell says an overpass is not a viable idea.

"The idea has never really been discussed," he says.

"An overpass would tend to bypass a lot of Lancaster's businesses.

"It just wouldn't be feasible."



OUTDOOR FUN: Girl guide leaders for the First Martintown Pathfinders had lots of laughs snow-shoeing the trails at the Apple Hill Forestry Centre for their troop on Sunday. Shown here from left are Kathryn Brunton from Cornwall and Karen McDonell from Martintown. PETE BOCK PHOTO

MacDonell runs for CPC

By Steven Warburton
News Editor

A former North Glengarry Township councillor is running for the Conservative Party of Canada's riding in Glengarry-Prescott-Russell.

Ron MacDonell, who was Reeve of Lochiel Township from 1993-1999, announced his candidacy on Feb. 23. Mr. MacDonell joins former Plantagenet Mayor Alain Lalonde in seeking the nomination. If successful, he will challenge veteran MP Don Boudria for the seat in Parliament.

Over the years, Mr. MacDonell has been involved with many organizations including the S.D.&G. Police Services Board, the Raisin Region River Conservation Authority, and the Glengarry Cattlemen's Association.

Maxville residents discuss skate park

By Todd Anderson
News Staff

Although there was somewhat of a lacklustre turnout for a meeting to discuss a future skateboard park in Maxville earlier this month, the Maxville Recreation Committee (MRC) president expects more people will get interested.

The Feb. 10 meeting, which took place in the boardroom at the Maxville and District Sports Complex, was the first such meeting on the skateboard park. President Gary Martin said there should be a better turnout for the Feb. 24 meeting at the same venue.

"We're hoping for a few more. Everyone at the first meeting took diagrams of our plan to show friends and family. We're starting to get the word out to the community. I hope the boardroom will be too small for our next meeting."

Some of the volunteers attending the first meeting were sent off to find costs of certain items and others in search of what services may be acquired as a donation.

The financial aspects of the project were also discussed.

Last year the Township of North Glengarry suggested that a basic skateboard park (including two ramps, two grind rails and a jump) would cost about $25,000.

The community is asked to raise at least $12,500 of that cost in dollar value or donations in kind.

The Municipal Recreation Association, through the Maxville Recreation Committee, would donate the other $12,500.

First fundraiser

The first fundraiser for the skateboard park was held recently as four bands took to the stage at the Complex.

Self Digestive Souls, All Drunk and Disorderly, Sorry is just a Word and The Sewer Rats donated their musical talents to help raise close to $500 towards the skateboard park.

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New foundation raises funds for hospital

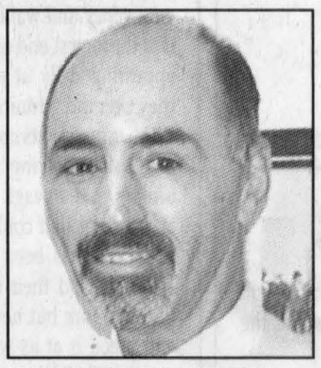
By Steven Warburton
News Editor

A separate foundation has been organized by Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital to help raise funds for new equipment and future expansions.

La Fondation de L'Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital Foundation (FLGMHF) held its inaugural meeting on Jan. 16.

Since that time, the board has already held three meetings and is in the process of drafting several committees, including ones for fundraising and investments.

Hospital CEO Kurt Pristanski says that the board meets about twice a month but once the committees get ironed out, they should meet more infrequently.



KURT PRISTANSKI

Mr. Pristanski says that the committees will invariably draft subcommittees to organize specific fundraising events, such as a golf tournament planned for this fall.

Additionally, FLGMHF is looking to the community to help it design a corporate logo for its letterhead.

The board has invited the five high schools in the area to contribute designs but it's still interested in seeing what anyone else in the community can dream up.

According to a news release from the foundation, the top of the letterhead must have the full bilingual name of the foundation on one line or multiple lines.

Additionally "the logo may be in either the top corner or both corners or spread over or under the name of the foundation.

The logo could be a design of something unique to the community or something general in regards to either philanthropy or healthcare or any combination."

Entries can be in black and white or colour.

They must be submitted on a sheet of 8.5-x-11-inch paper. Entries can be mailed to: La Fondation de L'Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital Foundation. County Road 43, #20260. Alexandria, On., K0C 1A0.

Entries may also be submitted electronically at webmaster@hgmh.on.ca.

The deadline for submissions is March 31.

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Direct route is not always life's most effective path

OBSERVATIONS



JT GROSSMITH

One of life's more trusted maxims is that a straight line is the shortest route, but increasingly there is evidence that, despite the inherent paradox, some objectives are more likely to be accomplished if pursued in an indirect manner. This new orthodoxy is called obliquity and numerous examples of how it works are being unveiled. Among the simplest of ideas that best reflect obliquity is the notion that the happiest people in the world are individuals who don't make that goal the principle objective of their lives. Similarly, the most profitable companies are those who are not merely profit-driven.

Despite its late recognition, history abounds with examples of obliquity, particularly involving military strategy. One of the more striking instances had a far-reaching impact on Canada and its future development as a nation. It involved the battle of the Plains of Abraham in which British general, James Wolfe, chose to have his forces scale the Heights of Abraham, catching by surprise the French forces guarding Quebec City, rather than attacking his adversaries in a more direct manner. That one battle changed the history of not only Canada, but North America as a whole and, arguably, even the world. It ensured that the United States remained an English-based country for who knows what might have happened if Montcalm had triumphed, rather than Wolfe?

Another striking example of obliquity at work, with potential benefits to one and all, is health. As much as Canadians today are critically concerned about maintaining a strong healthcare system, medical interventions, the principal function of our current system, are not the key element to maintaining a long and healthy life. The most important influences in that regard are environment and general health. There is no question that we can extend our lives most effectively, not through treating illnesses, but by caring for our bodies and ourselves in a more comprehensive manner.

The same is true for personal contentment. Happy people, it is said, tend to be those who fix their minds on objectives other than those related to achieving personal contentment. Invariably, happiness finds them rather than the reverse. Such is the nature of obliquity.

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While most people today are concerned about how the federal government spends tax money – and rightly so as demonstrated by the current sponsorship scandal – an equally critical crisis continues to deepen, but without the same degree of public awareness. It has to do with how the role of the Canadian judiciary has evolved, unchecked, since the introduction of the Charter of Rights in 1983.

Ironically, prior to the charter being introduced, Canada's foremost constitutional authority at that time, Eugene Forsey, warned that the charter would prove to be a "field day for crackpots...a headache for judges...and a gold mine for lawyers."

He was right on two of three accounts but totally wrong on the third, which turned out to be the element that would provide the gravest of the three concerns.

In a new book, The Most Dangerous Branch: How the Supreme Court of Canada has Undermined Our Law and Our Democracy, law professor Robert Martin argues that Canada's top court has become too highly politicized and, as a result, has abandoned legal principles in making its decisions.

He points to the 1995 decision to unilaterally add homosexuals to the list of protected classes contained in the Charter – a change that should have been made by legislative not judicial means – as being reflective of the judges' personal preferences and values.

It not only usurps the tradition of parliamentary supremacy, he argues, but also flies in the face of the fundamental principles of democracy.

The result, according to Mr. Martin, is that "Canada may be the first country in the world to have experienced a judicial coup d'etat."

Mr. Martin's book is not the first to raise the issue of the high court as a "Fifth Column" of sorts. In 2000, Calgary professors Ted Morton and Rainer Knopff, argued in a book, The Charter Revolution and the Court Party, that the judiciary had become the instrument of change for what amounts to an non-elected political group.

This "Court Party," the book claims, has aligned itself with radical feminists, civil libertarians, activists and academics to effect changes in social policy that might otherwise not be achieved through democratic means. Interestingly, Mr. Martin notes that Canadians may be victims of their own decency, standing by quietly and meekly "while the judges hijacked their country."

Although at first glance, that may seem a little over the top to some, we should not underestimate the ability of today's court to substantially change the nature of this country without a single one of us having any input of any means. And that is not what democracy should be about, regardless of the intentions of the court.

Thorns & Thistles



THORN – Snow messes up local budgets.

This is a good-news, bad-news situation. The good news, and admittedly it's a bit of a stretch, is that unlike some big cities, Glengarry hasn't had to call in the military to deal with the continuous snowfall. The bad news, of course, is that residents will have to pay the piper eventually for all of the extra effort that's been put out by local snow-clearing teams to keep area roadways in reasonable shape.

You know the situation is bad when it's learned that for the first time in 15 years, South Glengarry had to bring in snowblowers to help clear out some of its worst areas.

With March still to come, who knows how much snow we'll still have by mid-April when thoughts should be turning to more spring-like pursuits.



THORN – Trail rage hits Glengarry.

It was an incident waiting to happen given the tensions that have been increasing of late regarding ATV use, and the fact that ATV and snowmobile uses do not necessarily mesh.

Still, one would have hoped it wouldn't come to this. Fortunately, no one was injured but the repercussions from the action of one individual may be felt in the community for some time to come.



THORN – EOHU asking for advances.

By now, most people probably are thoroughly confused with the Eastern Ontario Health Unit's budgeting process. Certainly, our elected representatives appear to be having a difficult time making heads or tails of the situation, particularly when it comes to giving advances to the EOHU.

On the one hand, the province still provides the largest single contribution to the health unit's budget at $3.6 million. But local governments (SDG, Prescott & Russell and Cornwall combined) provide the lion's share of the budget at $4.9 million – and the gap between what the province provides and that of the municipalities is increasing.

Still, it makes no sense that local governments, with far less resources at hand, are being asked to provide advances to the health unit, albeit small at $45,000 per year, for money that will in time be forthcoming from the province. Particularly, since the health unit has not repaid SDG for the advance it asked for last year.

Provincial practices and regulations only further complicate the matter. Traditionally, the province has funded health units across Ontario to the tune of 75 per cent even though the governing act suggests that municipalities are 100 per cent responsible for funding public health.

Then there's the practice of the province starting programs, for which it funds most of the costs initially, only to reduce its support in subsequent years but still requires that the program be maintained at its initial level.

Clearly, this is one element of the current system that's badly in need of an overhaul.



THORN – New system, same result.

For the first time, the Counties have elected a deputy-warden who, in effect, will become next year's warden. Supposedly, this new system is intended to replace the old one where it was rotated on a pre-arranged schedule. Under the old system, next year's warden would hail from North Dundas. Under the new system, next year's warden is from North Dundas.

Plus ça change, plus c'est pareil.

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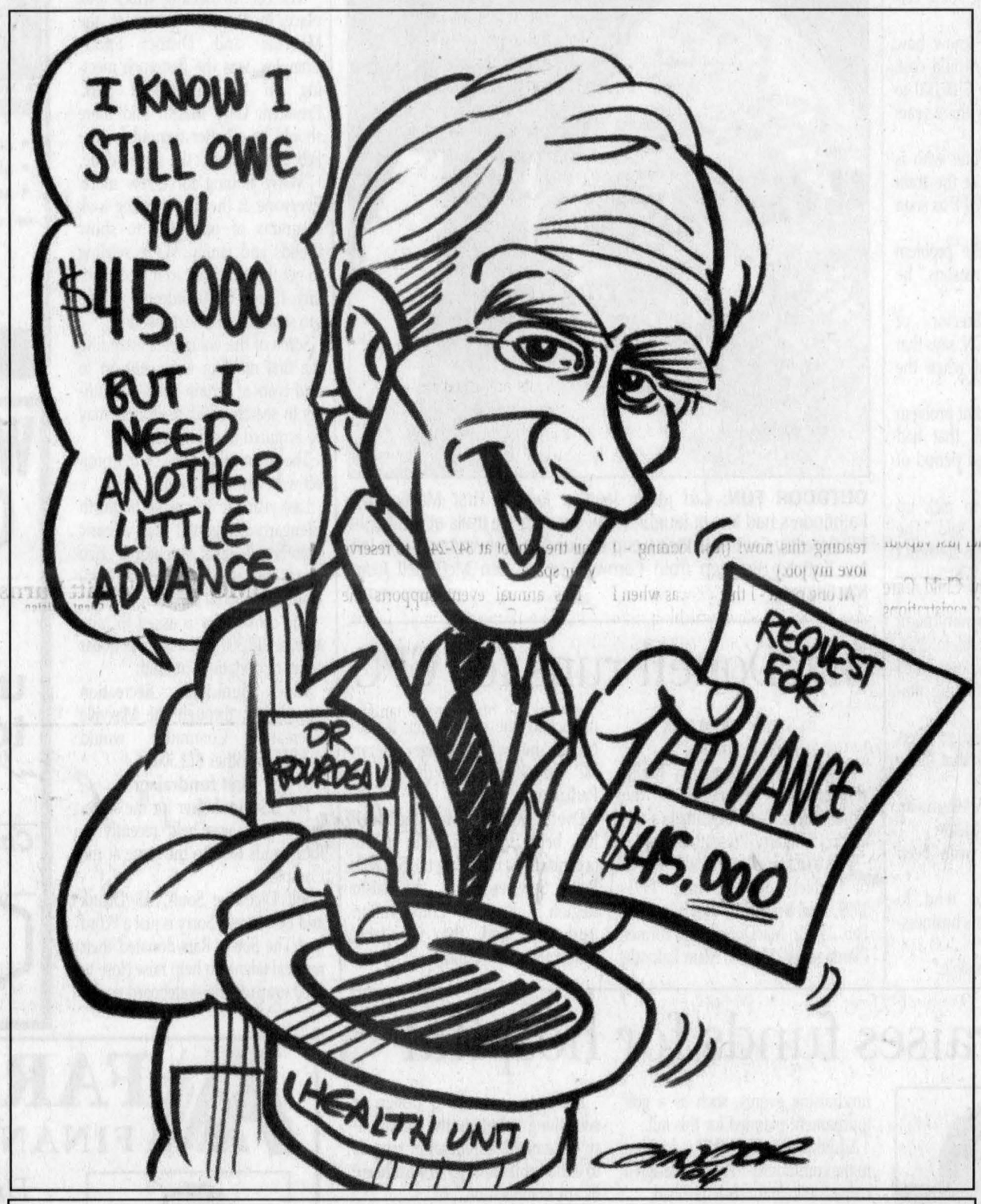

Sore knees and soaring spirits

AROUND THE GLENS



STEVEN WARBURTON

Yes, it's true. Junior B hockey can be just as exciting as the NHL.

If you don't believe that then you obviously weren't at game one of the Alexandria Glens-Akwesasne Wolves playoff series on Friday evening at the Glengarry Sports Palace. Man, what a game!

The Glens won 4-3 but it certainly wasn't an easy victory. They got off to a 2-0 start and then they gave up two unanswered goals by the midpoint of the second period.

Ah, but the Hollywood ending came during the last minute of the game. The score was 3-3 and sudden-death overtime was staring everyone in the face. Then, with one second left, the Glens' Simon Langevin put the puck past Wolf goaltender, Ilia Ejov, to give the Glens the victory.

As exciting as it was, it seemed to some people in the arena that the puck went in a split second after the buzzer sounded. Granted, most of those were the Wolves and their fans. Likewise, the Glens and their fans would swear that the puck went in well before that end-of-period wail.

It's too bad that the local hockey league doesn't enjoy the high-tech cameras that the NHL has. All they can do is rely on the judgment of the referees.

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If you enjoy watching less-than- stellar hockey, then you should have seen those of us in *The Glengarry News's* editorial department last Thursday during lunch hour. We took advantage of the warm weather by playing a good old-fashioned Canadian game of pond hockey on the frozen surface of Mill Pond. It quickly became apparent to me that I am the worst player of the bunch. My performance on that ice was probably the clumsiest since Bambi skittered across the ice in the Walt Disney classic of the same name.

Granted, I did score four goals in a losing cause, but I was slipping and sliding everywhere just to nab those markers. My favourite goal came when Pete Bock, my teammate (and *The News's* ace reporter) managed to hand me a rinkwide pass and I made a diving lunge and knocked the tennis ball into the opposition net.

My spirits were soaring, but my knees are still sore.

At this point, I must give kudos to our opponents, sports editor Todd Anderson and publisher JT Grossmith. (They were team Ontario, as they cheer for NHL teams based in Ontario. Pete and I represented the rest of Canada as our favourites are the Montreal Canadiens and the Calgary Flames respectively.)

Barry MacDonald of Berkshire Securities Inc., also joined in on the action, switching from team to team after each goal.

It was a fun game and I enjoyed the feeling of aching muscles that I don't use very often. It's something I'd definitely do again.

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One thing I'll never worry about in Glengarry is a lack of policing. Over the past month, I have been stopped three times by Glengarry's OPP officers while driving home after covering an assignment. All of them noticed my car swerving and so they stopped me to see if I'd had anything to drink.

Now to be fair, it was the wintery and slippery conditions that caused my car to swerve. I rarely ever drink alcohol and, when I do, I never climb behind the wheel.

Still, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the OPP for caring. If they'll pull over a sober man like me, it's likely they'll pull over the bonafide impaired drivers too.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Congratulations

We would like to express our congratulations to Ian MacLeod and Lori MacMaster who took some of their fiddle and dance students to the 12th Annual Greater Philadelphia Mid-Winter Scottish and Irish Music Festival. They entertained twice on Saturday, February 14 and twice on Sunday, February 15.

As two of the contingent that travelled by bus to attend, we were proud of how well our Glengarry fiddle and step-dancers performed. They put on professional 40-minute shows and ranged in age from 9-16. They thrilled the huge audiences with their expertise. We would like to publicly thank Ian and Karen for being terrific hosts throughout the four days. It was a huge undertaking but one that Ian and Lori can be proud of. We were indeed proud to be Glengarrians and we were well represented. Bravo!

Rene and Sherrill Trottier / Dunvegan

Unbelievable

Canada, the greatest country in the world and the terrible shame to the Canadian taxpayer of this corrupt use of millions of dollars. First, that Prime Minister Martin, former Finance Minister, who is the main shareholder of Canada Steamship Lines, receives $160 million in grants and contracts and then Don Boudria says C.S.L. got approximately $140,000, not very good arithmetic! Then, 300 gold watches at $95,000 and nobody knows where they have disappeared to supposedly! The famous $5.3 million world trip by the Governor General which we were told was to cost $1.3 million. Here we go again, unbelievable, how much more can we take? Now you throw in Bombardier with (2) $100 million VIP jets which were not tendered and if they were needed at all. Then you have VIA Rail Canada, Canada Post and even our famous world-known RCMP who are all being blamed in the handling of our tax dollars. Our health care system is slipping away with shortages of doctors, long lines at emergency and waiting lists, etc., Canadian agriculture is at the lowest end of income scale and farmers are disappearing daily at a very alarming rate, faster than they ever did. Municipalities are all suffering from high taxes, assessments are rising, money for our infrastructure is disappearing, for our rebuilding of water, roads, bridges and sewage problems, we are all living with and money that could benefit our taxpayers in towns and cities has been thrown away by our MPs and Ministers and their staff. People know this has happened before but never to this extent. The corruption and greed is at its worst level ever. How much more can we take? We are running out of money and taxpayers keep on paying 24 hrs. a day. Yes, the former Prime Minister Chretien is in China and cannot be reached, returns home to Canada and cannot be interviewed by reporters at his front door or by telephone. What an insult to Canadians. What has happened to our Canadian dream and this great country of ours. So much BS, when will it stop?

Ron MacDonell, Glengarry County

On behalf of the Auxiliaire Hopital Glengarry Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, sponsor of the blood donor clinic held on Tuesday, February 10 at the Glengarry Sports Palace, I would like to thank all the generous Glengarrians who rolled up their sleeves to donate. The goal was to collect 144 units but, thanks to good media coverage, clement weather and the co-operation of the Canadian Blood Services and local volunteers, 168 donors showed and even though 20 had to be deferred, 148 units were collected.

Precious gift

At a time when the need for blood continues to rise at a much greater rate than the increase in donations, we were able to reverse the trend thanks to people from various walks of life, who take time to give again and again, without looking for glory, the most precious gift that one can give, the gift of life.

Jacqueline Fraser / On behalf of the AHGMHA

Local student receives national scholarship

If you should see Kathy Eveleigh smiling a little more than usual, it's likely because she has received some good news about her son, Paul McGrath.

Paul, who is currently doing post-graduate studies in journalism at Concordia University, has been named one of eight recipients across Canada to receive a Joan Donaldson Scholarship.

The scholarships are awarded to "aspiring journalists," and candidates have to pass a rigorous interview process, have excellent academic performance in their journalistic training, and show interest in the world around them through activities such as community involvement and travel. They must also have a desire to work as public interest broadcast journalists after graduation.

Each winner receives a cash award of $2,000, a special training session and an intensive four-month paid internship at one or more locations within the CBC news system.

Paul is a graduate of Glengarry District High School and of Queen's University. He has certainly fulfilled the travel requirement of the selection process, having lived in Moscow for some time where he wrote for an English language newspaper.

He also spent some time as a freelance journalist in Toronto.

Paul is the brother of Susan MacDougall (Rob), and the uncle of Jacob, Elizabeth, and Isaac MacDougall, who are justifiably proud of his accomplishments.

Joan Donaldson

And who is Joan Donaldson? Some of you may remember her as the founding head of CBC Newsworld, until, at the age of 44, an accident in 1990 cut short her career. Joan was hit by a bicycle in Montreal. She fell and hit her head on the curb and received severe brain injuries.

A few years back she moved from Toronto to Vancouver to be near her sister. Upon leaving Toronto, her many friends set up the Joan Donaldson Scholarship in her honour. The scholarship recognizes Joan's endeavours to help talented young Canadian journalists reach their potentials.

Movie time

Another son of Williamstowners is doing something interesting. Michael Blair, son of Hugh and Audrey, is apparently helping producers who are making his book into a movie.

Michael is the author of *If Looks could Kill*, a murder mystery set in Vancouver. The book, published by McClelland and Stewart in both hardcover and paperback editions, was a finalist for the Chapters/Robertson Davies new writers' prize .

Michael lives in Montreal where he is a freelance writer, working on his next book.

For those of you who haven't read it, *If Looks could Kill*, is available at the Williamstown Library.

Parade update

A few weeks back I mentioned a strange sort of parade witnessed by our daughter, Johanna who is studying for the year in Tuebingen, Germany.

Lydia Glover tells me such parades are common in Germany, as well as in her native Austria, where they are known as Fasching.

Apparently Fasching or Fastnacht, (also known by several other names), is an annual event of merrymaking or Karneval, which combines elements of pagan rituals with Christian celebrations.

These elements include old customs like the driving out of winter, in combination with the last big party before the start of the Lenten season.

Fasching traditions vary from town to town, even, but two things are always present, noise and disguise. Masks (or face-painting) top fabulous costumes.

Lydia remembers hiding in her house as a young child when the parade went by, because it was too scary!

Business winners

Congratulations to Eric Lang and his wife Tamara on receiving the Entrepreneurs of the Year award at the Cornwall Chamber of Commerce Awards ceremony Saturday.

The Langs started Knorplas - a plastics recycling firm - earlier this year and the company is growing by leaps and bounds.

Bridge club celebration

The Europeans are not the only ones celebrating the waning of winter.

On Wednesday night in Williamstown, the Bridge Club members celebrated the mid winter with a scrumptious potluck supper and a few shenanigans. After the feast, in a throwback to the fifties and sixties, they played partner swap. Each player threw his or her key – er, name – into a basket and drew to determine who each would pair off with for the rest of the evening!



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The results of this pairing were: N/S -- 1. Joan Owen and Hans Schulz; 2. Lydia Johnson and Pete Belleware; 3. Francoise Govan and Gerrie Tibbals.

E/W – 1. Audrey Blair and Audrey Pasco; 2. Homer Grant and Jean Campbell; 3. Jim Campbell and Kay Colbran.

Spring is coming

You know spring is coming when....you see your first robin?

Wrong!

You know spring is coming when....you get your T-4s?

Wrong!

You know spring is coming when....The Green Thumbs start dealing seeds?

Wrong. Wrong. Wrong!

You know it's spring when the Home and Garden Division of the fairbook is distributed to points around the Big Three: Williamstown, Martintown and Lancaster.

Lorraine Lea, who has taken over from Margo Patrick in producing the insert, says the booklet is now available. It contains a list of all the classes you may enter at the fair in August - from handicrafts, to baking, to horticulture.

Pick up yours at your favourite corner store and start making.

Student wars

Another sign of spring is the student wars – currently ongoing at institutions near you. With all the various choices open to parents these days, it becomes a buyers' market. As a champion of the village, though, I have to put in a plug for Williamstown Public and Char-Lan High School. With so many small communities losing their educational facilities, we are lucky to have not one, but one, two, three within the village limits and another just vapour fumes away.

The South Glengarry Child Care Centre is now accepting registrations for 2004. The centre offers a nursery school program; full and part-time day care, as well as before and after school, care. For more information on any of these programs, please call Jane Grant at 347-3354.

Kindergarten registration – both junior and senior -- is also underway at Williamstown Public. Please call the school at 347-3461 to receive a specific time to visit and meet the teacher.

Volunteers

Recognized "good guys" at Williamstown Public this week include Paula Coates, Chantal Chaddock, Brigitte Tremblay, Donna MacLachlan, Heather Gallinger, Catherine Tessier, Arlene Nadeau, John Vipond, Bryan Ward, Sheryl Rodriguez, David MacLachlan, Bruce McRae, and Jacques Payette.

Volunteers all!

Free Throw kids

Four students from Williamstown Public will be participating in the regional championships of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition being held at La Citadelle in Cornwall on Feb. 28.

Keriann MacNaughton-Seguin, Matt Lavallee, Jesse Tieman and Amanda Lavallee, all advanced to the regionals after winning at the district level competitions on Feb. 14.

Others from Williamstown who made it to the district level were Parker Payette, Joanna Hagen, Kaitlin Phillips, and Allan Koyczan.

Congratulations to you all.

Time to knit

Those readers interested in the Knitting Circle, which was introduced in this column a few weeks back, take note: the first get-together will be on Thursday (Yikes! That's tomorrow), at 1:30 p.m. at 19760 John St. (beside the big hole).

Bring your needles and yarn and a current project to work on while we chat. Tea will be served and all knitters are welcome. No need to book in advance. If you feel like it, come along. This is a stress free group – no commitments, no fees, no speeches, no having to take office – just a bunch of gals, (although guy knitters are welcome too), getting together on an informal basis to do something we like to do.

The Hole

Well that big hole has certainly generated a lot of interest. If I had a dollar for every Tom, Dick and Paulette who has peered over the edge in recent days, you wouldn't be reading this now! (Just kidding - I love my job.)

At one point - I think it was when I spotted Editor Steve watching from my driveway – the entrepreneurial beast in me thought it might be worth dragging out some lawn chairs and brewing up some hot chocolate and making my fortune. Unfortunately, of the two beasts which war within me, lazy beast is the stronger...

Unconfirmed reports say that the house is to be built back up again in the same model as its predecessor, relieving at least one neighbour who worried about being dwarfed by a chateau-sur-le St. Lawrence look-alike.

Winter memories

Donalda Lafave also remembers going from the public school to the famous well at the above house. There would be two of them who would make the trek, spilling most of the water on the way back, of course.

It seems that the property was also pretty important in the winter. Donalda said that children living on the other side of the river used to cross over the ice and climb up the river bank on the west of the house to get to school each day. There was also a great hill in the backyard which was used for sledding.

"We used to put our sleighs right up against the house (on the east side) and slide down onto the river."

Apparently the big lads would clear off a rink each year, and Donalda said all the kids would play "quite the game of Snap the Whip," at night.

And when March came and the water started to rise on the surface of the ice, Donalda's mother would tell them not to take the short cut anymore, but to go round by the bridge.

"That was always a kind of sad day," said Donalda.

Garage sale

Neat freaks, closet cleaners and scourgers among you, will sleep better knowing that an opportunity to divest your holdings is nigh.

Char-Lan High School's Concert Band is holding a Giant Garage Sale Fundraiser on Saturday (Feb. 28). The sale starts early - at 8 a.m. and runs until noon. There will also be homemade baking available, as well as coffee and donuts.

Residents are asked to bring their donations for the garage sale to the school, today, tomorrow, or Friday of this week, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Alternatively, you may rent a 10' x 3' table and sell your own, for a rental fee of $20. Please call the school at 347-2441 to reserve your space.

This annual event supports the Char-Lan Concert Band's festival trip.

Feature fun

I enjoyed writing the story this week on the MacGillivray family. I first heard the name "George Hopper MacGillivray" when I was seven years old. My brother, Bain MacMillan, was one of the first recipients of the scholarship set up by Carrie Holmes MacGillivray in memory of her father.

The name fascinated me because of the "Hopper." In my mind I pictured the man as always hopping when he walked. Half rabbit, I thought.

First child

Congratulations to Sasha and Stephanie Grant (nee De Rochie) on the birth of their first child, a daughter whom they are calling Fiona Margaret Anne. The baby was born Feb. 11 at the Cornwall Community Hospital McConnell site, weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz.

Fiona is a granddaughter for Lorna and Homer Grant, and a great-granddaughter for James and Lily Warden, all of the Glen Road.

Stained glass

Stained glass lessons are going to be held on Monday evenings from 6-9 p.m. at the South Glengarry Recreation Centre. The course will be for both beginners and intermediate levels and the cost is $130 per person.

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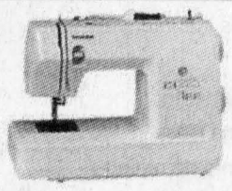

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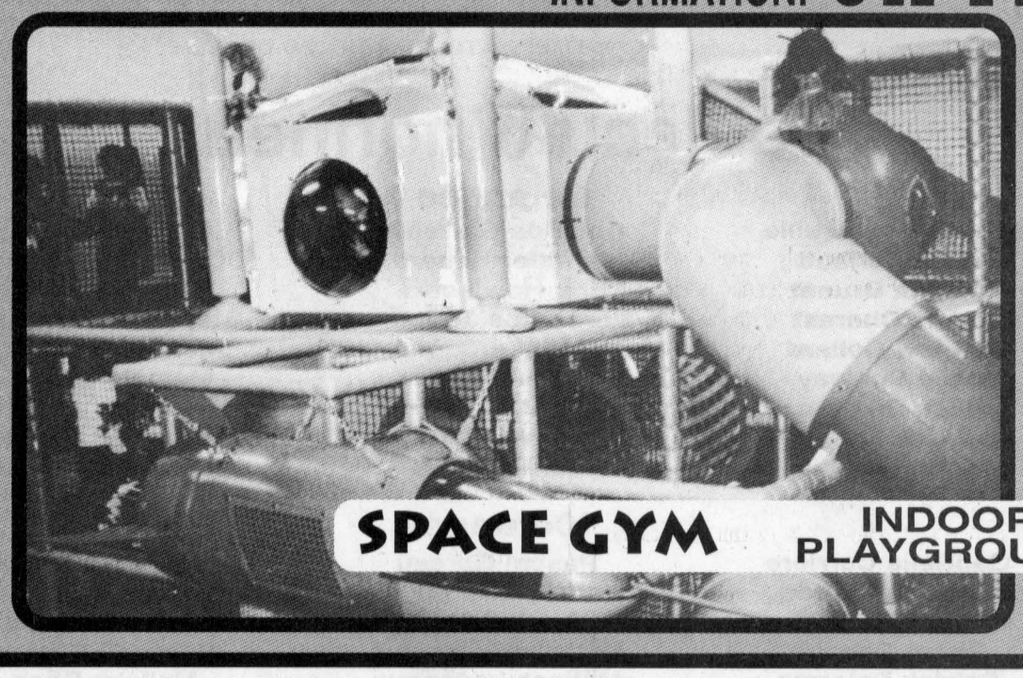

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St. John's hosts World Day of Prayer



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World Day of Prayer 2004 will be held at St. John's Anglican Church in South Lancaster. This special service will take place on Friday, March 5 at 2 p.m.

On World Day of Prayer people all over the world hold services at this time, regardless of where they are. This year prayers will be said for the country of Panama. Light refreshments will be served after the service in the Osborne hall.

On Saturday, Feb. 21, St. John's confirmation class met at the home of Nancy Wilson to hear a talk about the Dead Sea Scrolls. Guest speaker, Father Jim Collins, really impressed the children as he talked and showed slides on this subject. Everyone enjoyed a supper together afterwards. Many thanks to Nancy Wilson for hosting this event.

Don't forget the Free Family Curling Day at the Lancaster Curling Rink, on Saturday, March 6. Invitations have been sent to all churches in South Glengarry for this fun family event. If you haven't registered, call Wendy Wert at 347-3098.

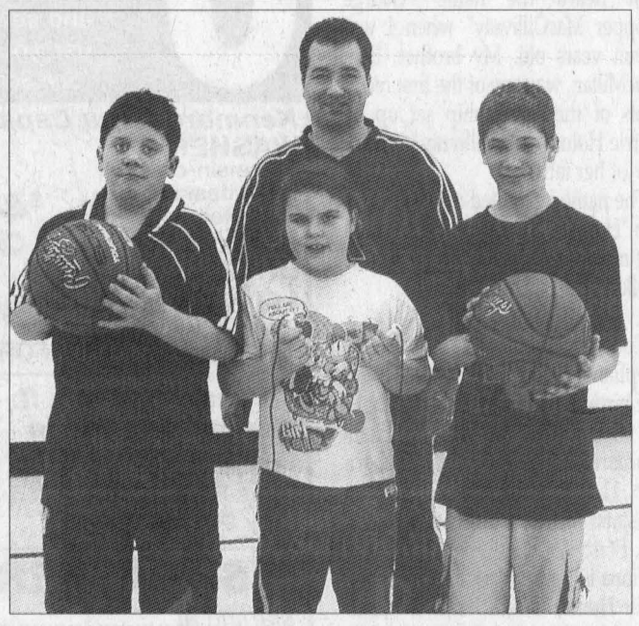
New Loans Officer

The last time I talked with Lila Romenko of Bainsville was just before the turn of a new century, 2000 to be specific. Lila was so proud of the accomplishments of her sister, Linda, and she wanted me to know about what Linda was doing. Lila's sister, Linda was the government computer expert who would protect us from any real glitches that we might have encountered in the world of cyberspace as the year 2000 approached. Y2K was the 'catch word' of the time,

Lila has accomplished a great deal in her own life as well. A mother of two, she also had a great career in banking. Lila spent some time with Job Zone d'Emploi as a job developer and has now landed a new career that suits her fine and will incorporate all of her work experience.

As the new Loans Officer for the SDG Community Futures Development Corporation, Lila is looking forward to helping people from our community develop plans for businesses.

So, this is another example of members of our community who are making a difference. Lila's husband, George, works for the township of South Glengarry, and, according to Lila, loves his job too. Good luck Lila!



HEART HEALTHY: Students at École élémentaire catholique Sainte-Thérèse in North Lancaster raised $3,911 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario on Thursday. The younger students participated in a jump rope-a-thon while the older students shot basketballs. Shown with gym teacher, Michel Gauthier, are the top fundraisers: Christopher Ferguson (left), Victoria Boucher, and Jean-Francois Dupuis.

SUE HARRINGTON PHOTO

SG Council committee

It seems that our new South Glengarry council is putting an extra effort into listening to us and then making the best decisions possible on our behalf. Recently an article in *The News* explained the composition of the "Committee as a Whole" and how it works. The bottom line is that a greater effort is being made to understand the needs of our community before any final decisions are made by council.

So, on the third Monday of each month, this 'Committee as a Whole' will listen to the five committees within the group to be informed about ongoing projects, and other important issues involved in the workings of our municipal government. Delegations for information purposes only are welcome. No decisions, no resolutions, no bylaws will be passed.

With the same good intentions, the council of the Township of South Glengarry will be in attendance at the Lancaster Library from 11-noon on Saturday, Feb. 28.

The County Library Board has suggested that additional space in our library would be beneficial and would also allow for improved services and programs for library users.

Our council would like to receive your comments. Please feel free to drop in and speak to your council on this issue next Saturday.

Amateur Acting

If you choose to come to St. Mary's Center in Williamstown on Saturday, March 6, you're in for a good laugh and a good time. Irish stew is on the menu and there will be good Irish humor in the skit "Forgive Me Father."

Now the amateur actors would also like you to know that they are just that, amateurs, and the whole point of this is to have a rollicking good time. They call themselves St Brigid's Amateur Theatre. St. Brigid helped St. Patrick rid the snakes from Ireland but she didn't really get any credit for this. She is the patron saint of cattle so I'll leave any thoughts on that to you.

Sue Robertson of Bainsville will hold her "Cooking Class" as well. Cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7. Tickets are $15 and there are still some available at Alex MacDonald Grocers or just call 347-3605.

All proceeds go to the Char-Lan branch of the Canadian Food Grains Bank.

Noon Lenten Services

Today is Ash Wednesday and the first of the popular Lenten Services takes place at noon at Knox United Church in Lancaster. Father Rudy is the worship leader today and Gerard Hebert the music leader. The Ladies of St. Joseph's Church are serving lunch.

For the second noon hour Lenten Service on Wednesday, March 3, Rev. Ian MacMillan will lead worship and Esther Bryan will lead the music. Lunch will be served by the ladies of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in South Lancaster.

All profits from the Avenue of Loonies will support the Canadian Foodgrains bank.

Club de Plein Air

Downhill skiing, X-Country skiing, winter camping in Lancaster, a moonlight hike and bonfire in the Lancaster area. All of these activities are coming up with the Outdoors Club de Plein Air. Interested? Call Rose-Marie at 347-3677.

It's stealing either way

Recently, Barry and I went to Walmart to purchase a few small items. At the checkout counter, the cashier showed us a ripped strip Pak of my favorite gum and enquired if we still wanted it. Not a problem we replied after checking the most immediate pack in the strip. Nothing had been opened.

It was only after we arrived home that we realized that, although the packages had not been tampered with, one pack was missing. So, in reality, we subsidized a package of gum for the benefit of a petty thief.

On a small scale this was humorous but it is close enough to the reality of the recent exposure of the misuse of our tax money, by our federal government. Of course I wouldn't go back to Walmart but I can change my vote.

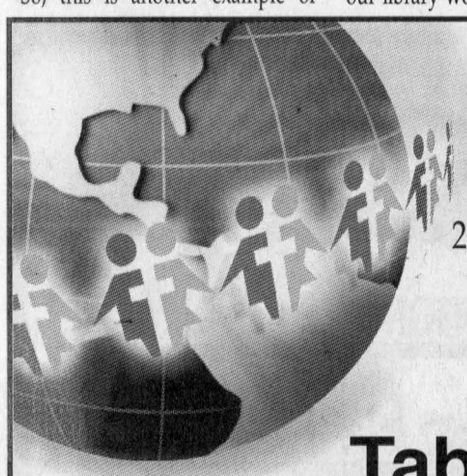
Hopefully that will help!!

World Day of Prayer service



GLEN SANDFIELD
LORNA CHAPMAN
874-2408

A World Day of Prayer Service will be held in Glen Sandfield on Mar. 5. All are welcome. The Glen Sandfield United Church service is held each week at 10 a.m. and in East Hawkesbury United Church at 11:15 a.m. Visitors are welcome.



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Natacha Brunet	Eric Howieson	Adam Major
Valérie Charest	Véronique Jodoin	Stéphanie Ménard
Matthew Collard	Laurie Larocque	Martine Ménard
Josée Conway	Krystal Lavigne	Mélanie Morin
Julien Demers	Gabriel Lefebvre	Samantha Ouellette
Josianne Dupuis	Lizanne Lefebvre	Emmanuel Richer
Justin Gareau	Joël Lefebvre	Michelle St-Pierre

10e année

Gabrielle Carrière	Pascal Gareau	Véronique Mayer
Pascale Claude	Josée Gareau	Amanda McDonell
Emily Collard	Justin Lajoie	Jean-François Ménard
Pierre Decaire	Natasha Larocque	Allison O'Connor
Patrick Delorme	Mélissa Levesque	Mélissa Rose
Nicole Derepentigny	Mélissa Major	Valérie Samson
France Deschamps	Kevin Malette	Natasha St-Pierre
Cristal Desjardins	Marie-Pier Marleau	Nathalie VanDenOetelaar

11e année

Jenna Boulanger	Rachelle Décoeur	Pascale Lajoie
Jennifer Brunet	Natacha Duval	Geneviève Levac
Chloé Crack	Anna Kitchen	Andréanne Marleau
	Tina-Lyne Lajoie	Stephanie McGuire

12e année

Kayla Cholette	Julie Legros	André Sauvé
Stéphanie Décoste	Thérèse Levac	Jean Savoie
Sophie Desjardins	Lucie Major	Danielle St-Pierre
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HÔPITAL GLENGARRY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Hospital Emergency Report 2003

Results of the fourth provincial Hospital Emergency Report have recently been received. The report systematically measures performance in four broad areas. The results are published publicly (using a below average, average and above average rating) to improve accountability to the taxpayers of Ontario. Also, individual hospitals received detailed ratings (the provincial publication is a condensed report) so that action can be initiated to improve performance where necessary.

The results in the four areas of performance at Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital are:

Clinical Utilization and Outcome

- Return Visit Rate for Asthma ..... Average
- Proportion of Pneumonia Patients Admitted ..... Average
- Proportion of Patients receiving x-rays for Ankle Injuries .... Above Average
- Length of Stay for Chest pain before Discharge Home ..... Above Average

Financial Performance and Condition

- Total Worked Hours ..... Above Average
- Management and Support Hours (low) ..... Above Average
- Patient Care Worked Hours ..... Above Average
- Registered Nursing Staff hours ..... Average

System Integration and Change

- Use of Standard Protocols ..... Average
- Co-ordination of Patient Flow ..... Average
- Working with Other Health Care Providers ..... Average
- Health Human Resources ..... Average
- Clinical Data Collection and Dissemination ..... Average
- Clinical Information Technology ..... Average
- Preparation for Discharge ..... Average

Patient Satisfaction

- Satisfaction with Physician and Medical Treatment ..... Average
- Willingness to Return to the Emergency Department ..... Average
- Satisfaction with Waiting Times ..... Above Average
- Satisfaction with Bedside Care ..... Above Average
- Satisfaction with Staff ..... Above Average
- Satisfaction with the Facility ..... Above Average

The Board of Directors of Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital would like to thank all patients for completing and returning their survey. Also, CONGRATULATIONS to the hospital staff, medical staff and volunteers for a job well done!

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HÔPITAL GLENGARRY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
Rapport de 2003 sur les soins actifs en milieu hospitalier

Les résultats du quatrième rapport provincial sur les soins actifs en milieu hospitalier ont récemment été reçus. Le rapport mesure systématiquement le rendement dans quatre grands domaines comme suit : inférieur à la moyenne, moyen et supérieur à la moyenne. La publication de ces résultats a pour but de rehausser la reddition de comptes envers les contribuables ontariens. Chaque hôpital a aussi reçu une évaluation détaillée, la publication provinciale étant un bilan sommaire, afin de lui permettre de mettre en place les mesures nécessaires pour améliorer son rendement dans les secteurs nécessaires.

Voici les quatre domaines étudiés du rendement de l'Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital :

Utilisation clinique et résultats

- Taux de visites répétées liées à l'asthme ..... Moyen
- Proportion d'admissions de patients atteints de pneumonie ..... Moyen
- Proportion de patients ayant subi une radiographie à la suite d'une blessure à la cheville ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Durée du séjour avant la mise en congé à la suite d'une douleur thoracique ..... Supérieur à la moyenne

Rendement financier et situation financière

- Total d'heures travaillées ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Heures consacrées à la gestion et au soutien (faible) ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Heures de soins infirmiers aux patients ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Heures du personnel de soins infirmiers autorisé ..... Moyen

Intégration et changement du système

- Utilisation de protocoles normalisés ..... Moyen
- Coordination des déplacements de patients ..... Moyen
- Collaboration avec d'autres fournisseurs de soins de santé ..... Moyen
- Ressources humaines du milieu de la santé ..... Moyen
- Cueillette et diffusion des données cliniques ..... Moyen
- Technologie de l'information clinique ..... Moyen
- Préparation de la mise en congé ..... Moyen

Satisfaction des patients

- Satisfaction à l'égard du médecin et du traitement médical ..... Moyen
- Disposition à retourner au Service d'urgence ..... Moyen
- Satisfaction à l'égard du temps d'attente ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Satisfaction à l'égard des soins donnés au chevet ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Satisfaction à l'égard du personnel ..... Supérieur à la moyenne
- Satisfaction à l'égard de l'établissement ..... Supérieur à la moyenne

Le Conseil d'administration de l'Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital souhaite remercier les patients qui ont bien voulu remplir et retourner le questionnaire. FÉLICITATIONS également au personnel hospitalier, au personnel médical et aux bénévoles pour un travail bien fait!

Soccer season just around the corner



NORTH LANCASTER
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347-7666

Don't be fooled by the snowbanks and the nippy weather. Soccer aficionados know that the season is just around the corner and they must be ready.

Registration for the Glengarry Soccer League will be held locally this weekend. Come to the North Lancaster Optimist Club Hall on Saturday, Feb. 28 between 10:30-1:30 p.m. to complete your paper work.

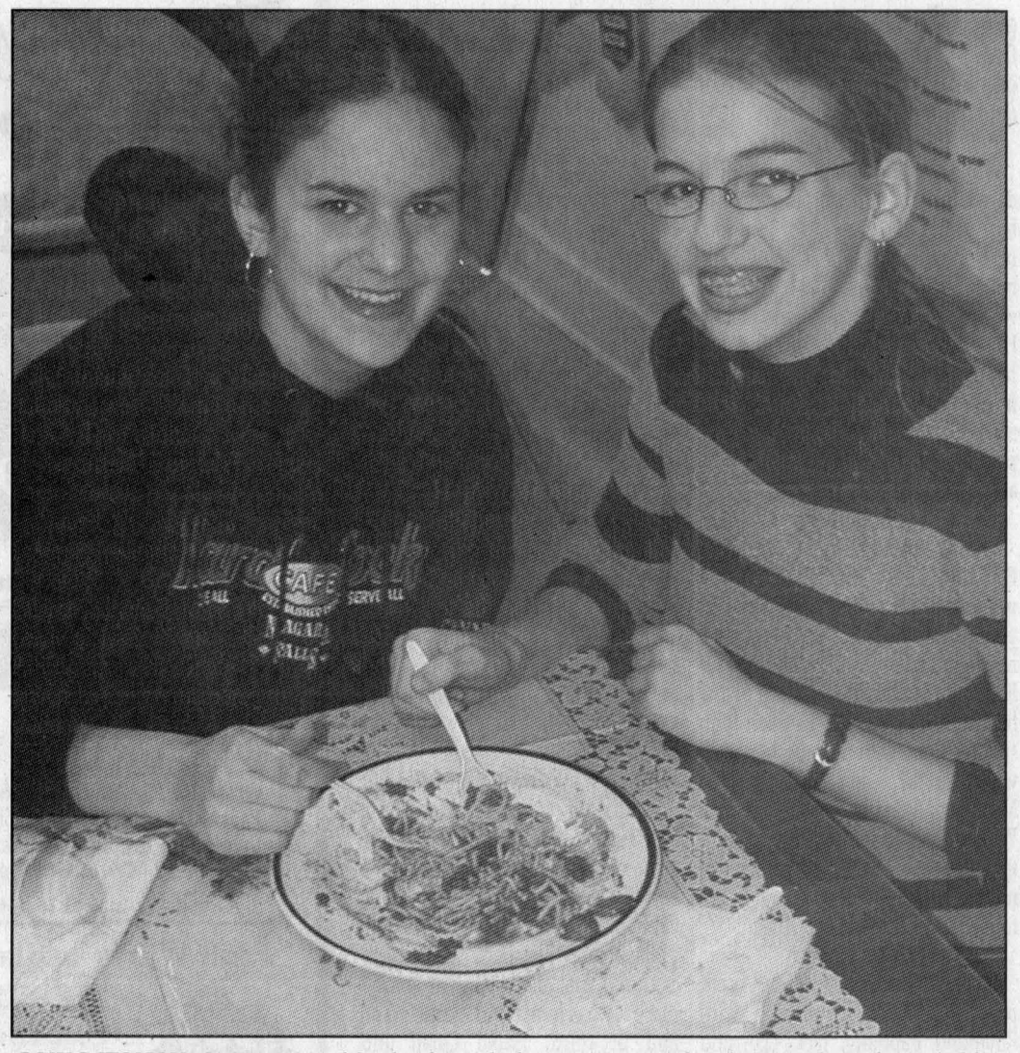
Players aged four to six years can sign up for the North Lancaster co-ed Soccer League at the same time and location.

Dining Out

Last Friday night's spaghetti supper, hosted by St. Margaret of Scotland parishioners, was a great success. Fully twice the expected number of diners braved the wind and snow to enjoy an evening with the neighbours.

This was no problem for the kitchen staff as fully twice the expected quantity of spaghetti sauce was donated by the parish cooks.

The folk at St. Margaret's have always realized the importance of sharing a meal from time to time. Over the past 10 years it has become traditional to gather in the coldest months at least once. It is a way to break up the long stretch of winter, but more importantly, it keeps the people connected and reinforces the spirit of community.



GOING ITALIAN: St. Margaret of Scotland Parish drew a nice crowd to their spaghetti dinner held at the North Lancaster Optimist Club Hall on Friday evening. Shown here sharing a plate are North Lancaster residents Sylvie Samson and Émilie Beriault.

PETE BOCK PHOTO

So it was last Friday. People blew in from outdoors to a deafening level of conversation, a room full of friends and a nice hot meal.

Many thanks to all who donated their time and foodstuffs and especially to those who came out for the meal!

Congratulations to the 50/50 winner, "Red" Drummond.

École Ste Thérèse

Budding scientists will have a chance to show their expertise at the Ste. Thérèse Science Fair on Thursday.

Plenty of work goes into these projects and the results are worthwhile.

The display will be open in the gym.

Students will have a chance to sleep in this Friday as there is a P.A. Day.

C.P.R.

The North Lancaster Volunteer Firefighters will be hard at work next weekend with their CPR recertification. Good luck!

Happy Birthday!

Happy recent birthday to Margie (Mrs. Mayor) McDonell, Deirdre Cuggy and to Lorna MacLeod whose Feb. 29 birthday is an every-fourth-year-phenomenon.

Enjoy!

Daughters of Isabelle supper a great success



GREEN VALLEY
MARGO PEPIN
525-3581

The Daughters of Isabella Valentine's supper and silent auction held Feb. 14 at the Bonnie Glen was a great success. Everyone enjoyed a delicious supper prepared by Maurice Menard and his staff. The music was great for listening and dancing.

The silent auction had everyone bidding against each other.

The choices were many, from sweaters, cordless drills, gift certificates, bird feeders and much much more. The auction finished at 10:30pm so between 10pm and 10:30pm it was very hectic, but what fun! Many walked away with very good bargains.

Attending the evening was regente d'etat Monique Parent and ex-regente Aline Larabie from Orleans.

Everyone had a great time and regente Monique Keeler would like to say thank you to everyone for coming, to all who helped out and especially those who gave articles for the auctions.

Happy anniversary

Congratulations to the couples celebrating anniversaries in this parish. Here are the names given by Pere Marcel at Eglise Ste. Marie last Sunday morning: Bruno and Aline Lalonde, 60 years; Hubert and Nathalie Gauthier, 10 years; Gilles and Nicole Lortie, 10 years.

School Trip

Students from Grades 3 to 8 enjoyed a day at Mont St. Sauveur tube sliding this past week, along with students from Laurier Carrière. While there, they were joined by students from Elda Rouleau.

The students had a great time. The Optimist Club donated $100 to help pay the cost of the bus.

Optimist News

Every month the Optimist Club gives a certificate to a student from each class that can be used to buy a book at the store Carousel in Alexandria.

The theme for the month of January was "Participation in class." The winners were pre-kindergarten, Samuel Lacombe, Kate Moffat; Grade 1- Shaun McDonell; Grade 2, Jocelyne Laberge; Grade 3, Derrick Cormier; Grade 4, Gilbert Laberge; Grade 5, Josee Theriault; Grade 6, Jessica Peiters; Grade 7, Patrick Quenel; Grade 8, Josie Menard. Congratulations to all students.

Several members of the Optimist Club attended a convention in Kingston recently. They were: Ron and Ginette Aubin; Henri and Gisele Jeaurond; Gilles and Julie Theriault; Don and Lise S. Prieur; Stephane and Lynda Bouchard; Nancy Lefebvre; Richard and Michelle Robinson; Luc and Ginette PrudHomme. Their children accompanied their parents on this trip.

Bad gremlins

Guess what, the gremlins got into this column again last week. That's why this column didn't appear. I wish they would bug someone else.

Knights of Columbus

The Green Valley Knights of Columbus and Optimist Club have organized a breakfast brunch at the Green Valley Community Centre on Sunday, March 7 from 9:30- 12:30 p.m. to help a group of Le Relais high school students, who are going to the Dominican Republic during the spring break to visit and help those in poverty. The contact teacher is Hubert Gauthier.

Everyone is welcome.

Happy birthday

Congratulations to Gilles Belanger who turned a young 40 years old on Feb. 7.

His wife Nathalie held a surprise birthday party for him with family and friends. Way to go Gilles.

Looking for Alma

Got a call over the weekend by someone who is looking for Alma Robinson, last known address was a box number in Lancaster and this was in 1976.

If you should know anything about this person or you are a relative, please give me a call at 525-3581.

Planning a trip?

Rejeanne is off again on April 13 to the cabane a sucre in Casselman of Denis Drouin.

For more information call Rejeanne at 525-3700 and she would also like to know if people would rather take the bus or go by car.

She would really like to know.

On June 6 a bus trip to the Casino in Hull is planned, then off on a boat cruise up to Montebello, then back home by bus. And don't forget la Petite Rouge in August. More info later.

If you are interested in any of these trips, give Rejeanne call at 525-3700.

For those who have reserved on the bus trip this Sunday to see Elvis Story, Rejeanne reminds everyone that the bus leaves the Fraternité at 9 a.m. sharp!

Back from vacation

Denis and Carole Lefebvre have just returned from a two week vacation in the Dominican Republic as well as Lucien and Lorraine Beriault after a three week vacation in Spain.

God bless and have a safe week.

St. John's trip for Greenfield residents



GREENFIELD
MARY COUTURE
527-2421

Linda Diament and Gerry O'Neill (who is a fiddler with McMartin Fiddlers,) went to St. John's Newfoundland for the East Coast Music Awards. While there they got married on Friday, Feb. 13 in the Council Chambers in Mount Pearl by the 25-year-old Mayor Steve Kent who is also Gerry's first grandson. Witnesses were Steve and Edwina Mills from St. John's. They formerly lived in Maxville 14 years ago where Edwina taught school. Edwina now teaches high school in Mount Pearl and Steve, an archeologist, teaches at Memorial University in St. John's. Music for the wedding was supplied by Steve and Edwina's two sons, Danny and Peter on whistle and Bodhran. Congratulations from everyone.

Remember to register for the 2004 Outdoor Soccer in old Township Hall in Greenfield on Saturday, Feb. 28 from 10:30-1:30 p.m. Final registration for all ages will be on March 6. After that date a late fee will apply.

Feb. 25 is Ash Wednesday. As we enter this special season of Lent, services will be at St. Finnan's at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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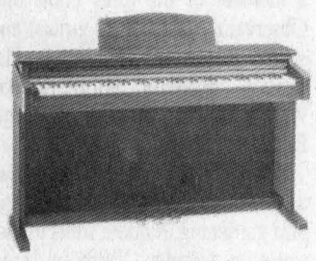
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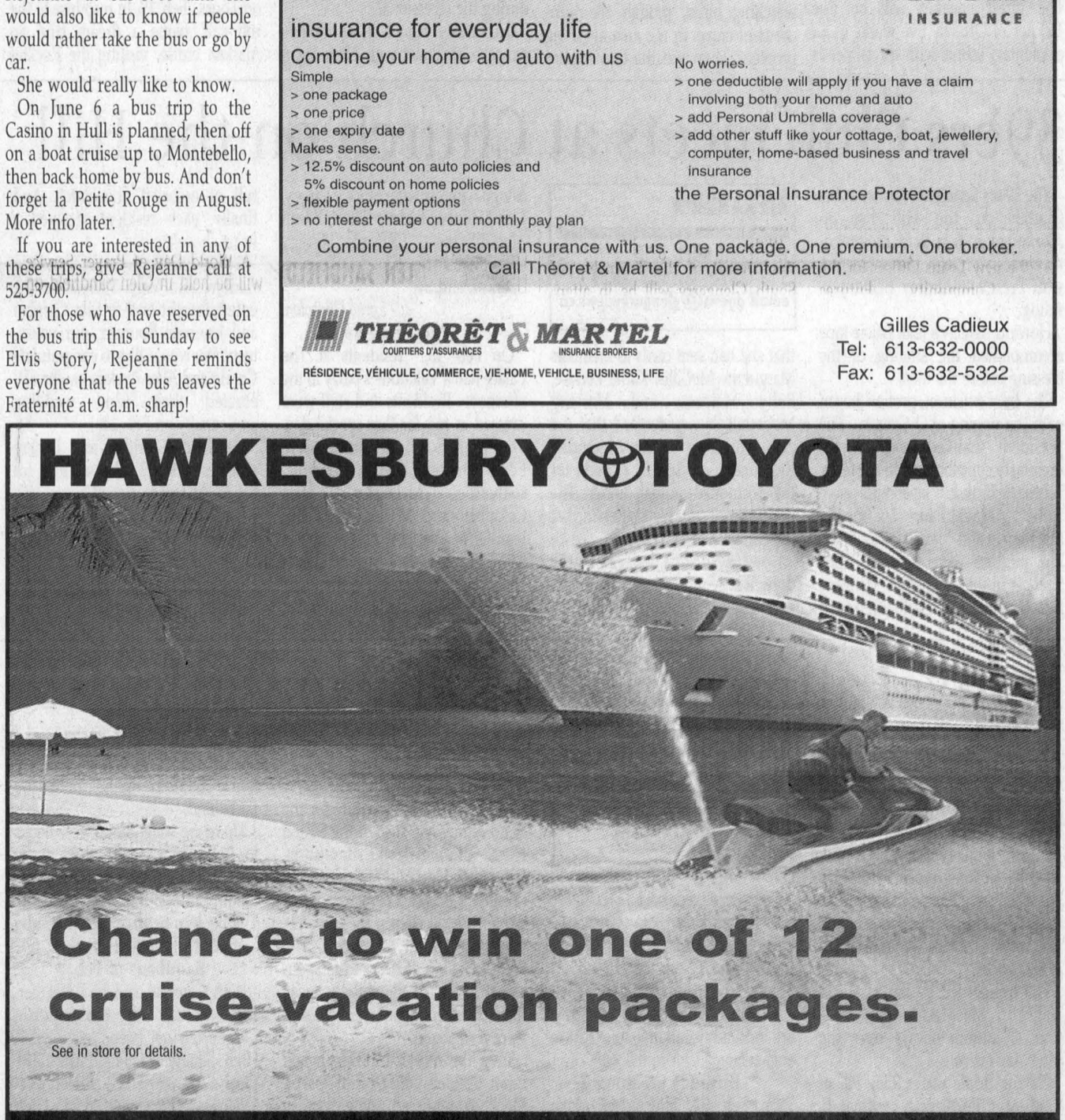
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There's a baby boom going on in Martintown

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I am always delighted when there is news of babies arriving, bringing joy to many generations of extended families. Helen and Leslie Robertson of the North Branch Road are now great-grandparents, and not once, but twice over since the beginning of the year.

On Jan. 7 a daughter, Emily, was born to Shannon and Blair Bieman of Belgrave on the Bruce Peninsula, and on Feb. 4, a son, Brandon, was born to Erika and Jason Turnbull of Napanee. Shannon's and Erika's parents are Lynn and Don Ward of Wellington near Picton.

The great-great-grandmother is Helen's mother, Florence Racine of Long Sault Villa. Plans for a five generation photo are in the works. Congratulations to Helen and Leslie and best wishes to both infants and all the families.

Grandson

Diane and Hans vonBornhoft of Beaverbrook Road are celebrating the birth of a first grandson, Jacob Enrique, who was born Feb. 19 in Toronto weighing 8 lb 8 oz. According to Diane, baby Jacob and his mom, Jenny are both doing fine, as is proud dad, Jason.

Martintown Baby Arrives

Not to be outdone, Heather and Steve Leduc, next door neighbours of the vonBornhofts, welcomed a son, Joshua Steven, also born on Thursday, Feb. 19. Joshua was born in Cornwall and weighed 6 lb. 8 oz at birth and measured 18 inches long. Big sister Emma was happy to welcome her new brother. All best wishes to this new Martintown arrival and to his family.

Horticultural Society Meeting

The next meeting of the Martintown and District Horticultural Society will take place at the Martintown Community Centre on Wed., March 3, at 7 p.m. The guest speaker will be Eve Ticknor of Ottawa. Eve works in an elementary school with special needs students but when she is not in school she is usually doing something involving birds. She is a member of the Ottawa Field Naturalists Club and she sits on their Birds Committee. She takes part in the annual Fall Bird Count and the Audubon Christmas Bird Count in Ottawa. She participates in the annual Baille Birdathon, and is one of hundreds of birders canvassing parts of Ontario for the second Atlas of Breeding Birds of Ontario. She is also a member of the Innis Point Bird Observatory (a banding group) and sits on their board of directors. Her passion, however, is the Falcon Watch, and the resident Peregrine Falcon population.

Her talk next week may range over a wide area, including bluebirds and bird gardening. A quote sums up her sense of wonder, "Without birds, would we humans ever have had the imagination to fly or sing?"

All are welcome to attend the meeting and as an extra bonus, there will be some bluebird houses given away as door prizes that evening.

For more information, please call Marilyn at 528-4620.

Birds

Speaking of birds, the flicker that was in residence at the Thompsons on Chapel Road for two weeks during the very cold weather, then disappeared, has arrived back. From the way the bird knew his way around the fat feeders and found the best tree for grubs, the Thompsons are pretty sure it is their hardy friend and hope he stays around for the summer.

It has been a great month for watching birds, though the hundreds of crows in the area are a big problem. They raid the bird feeders and make a terrible mess. Huge flocks of red polls, gold finches and house finches are constantly at the feeders devouring the niger seed, and woodpeckers, nut hatches and chickadees have consumed big amounts of the peanut butter and fat combination in the cold weather.

Looks like the really cold weather is behind us, though with a lovely sunny week in store.

One reader expressed misgivings about the use of bacon fat and commercial peanut butter in bird feeder preparations. The additives, salt and sugar may be harmful to the birds, and she recommended using suet and natural products instead. The Horticultural Society newsletter from the fall gave a recipe using one cup each of suet and peanut butter (the non-hydrogenated kind) melted, and then a total of five cups of nuts, seeds, bread or cracker crumbs, cereal, and dried fruit or cranberries or apple. This is the Heart and Stroke Association approved version!

St. Andrew's United Church

There was a good turnout from St. Andrew's United Church in Martintown for the sleigh ride on Sun., Feb. 22, and a good time was had by all. This coming Sunday, Feb. 29, Lois Gaudet will be taking the service at St. Andrew's United Church as she does the last Sunday of every month. Following the service, a pile of brush, which has accumulated in the church yard, will be burned, providing a bonfire complete with hot dogs to be toasted. Sounds like a fun way to mark a fifth Sunday in February. On Sun., March 7, the Old Time Fiddlers will be playing at St. Andrew's United, another in the events marking the 200th Anniversary of the church.

The fiddlers will begin playing at 10:45 a.m. before the service and will play during the service as well as during the recessional.

On Sunday, Apr. 4, there will be a pancake breakfast with New Syrup (caps for emphasis!) at the Church from 9-11 a.m. and is open to everyone in the community. Mark that date down on your calendar!

Leap Year Birthdays

While on the topic of Feb. 29, that date which only rolls around once in four years, it is time again to recognize three ladies who I know celebrate birthdays on that date. Best wishes go to Bev Runions, Emily Higginson and Jessica Lang for very happy birthdays and all good things in the years to come. Are there any more Martintown leap-year birthday people out there who should be acknowledged?

Birthday

Belated happy birthday wishes of Feb. 23 to Elinor McPhadden, now a resident of Maxville Manor, from all your Martintown friends. Many area residents have fond memories of Elinor in McPhadden's Store at the bridge in Martintown. Her son John spends time with his mother each week, and her Martintown MacDougall family is in close touch. Which reminds me that grandaughter, Meaghan, turned 13 earlier this month, and best wishes go out to her for some great teen years ahead.

Gone Fishin'

Donald Thomson recently spent part of a week ice fishing with Raymond Lapointe, Jack Tyo, and Paul Lascelle on Reid Lake south of Barry's Bay. The quartet enjoyed good weather and Donald made good use of the power ice auger he received from Santa. It easily cut through the 24- to 30-inch ice on the lake. Donald did win at cards, making up for the fact that his share of the 98 rainbow trout caught was at the low end of the scale.

Women's Institute

Twelve members attended the meeting of the Martintown Women's Institute at the Community Centre on Thurs., Feb. 19. In response to the roll call, name a dream trip, an Alaskan cruise, visiting the Rockies and Western Canada, the Orient, South Pacific, Australia, the south of France, Ireland, a family get-together in Austria and a family reunion in Europe were all named. Director Onagh Ross read an essay written by Ethyl Ostrum about her memories of how things were in the early 1900's. She was a school teacher, born in the 1880's, who resided in Alexandria and spent her last years at Maxville Manor, passing away in 1975.

Elvis, in the person of Elizabeth Peters (minus the sideburns) paid a visit to the W.I., singing a version of *Are You Lonesome Tonight*, which proved to be very entertaining. A silent auction with bids from all the members followed. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Hazel Driscoll, Lillian Munroe and Pat Yellenik. The next meeting will be held on Thurs., Mar. 18 at 1:30 p.m. at the Martintown Community Centre when the roll call will be "My Best Buy".

Audrey's Friday Night Bridge

It has been two weeks since I have had Friday night Bridge results to write up, so we now back up to the Feb. 13 sitting of Audrey's Bridge Club. On that occasion Jacquie Thibert and Elizabeth Marjerrison captured first place, and in second place it was Homer and Lorna Grant, and in third, Isabel Quail and Audrey Blair. On Feb. 20 the results were: 1. Francoise and Bob Govan, 2. Findlay McDonell and Marjorie Mertl, 3. Lorna and Homer Grant.

Duplicate Bridge

The results of the Martintown Goodtimers Duplicate Bridge held on Tues., Feb. 17, were as follows: 1. Bill Tadgell and Vince Semenovicus, 2. Jane Troop and Kathy Eveleigh, 3. Jean and Jim Campbell.

Party Bridge

The winners of the Party Bridge held on Mon., Feb. 23 at the Martintown Community Centre were Evelyn Arseneau, Bill Tadgell and Beulah Patterson.

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39'ers Club meets at Church on the Hill

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The 39'ers Seniors Club met at the Church on the Hill hall in Alexandria on Feb. 18 for their regular monthly potluck dinner meeting with President Audrey Elliott presiding.

Howard Barclay's Jean Lajoie tape accompanied the singing of the blessing before the meal.

The brief business portion began with the singing of O Canada. The president thanked everyone for their tasty contributions to the table. February birthday celebrants were Sadie MacMillan, Christina MacKenzie and Margery McCaskill. The minutes were read by Doris Spencer in the absence of secretary Dot Burnett. Dot Lashta reported that she had sent cards to members Marguerite McGillis, Kathe Persike, Betty Malpass, and Margery McCaskill. It was decided that the club would go to the Alexandria Restaurant on Apr. 21 at noon for the postponed annual dinner. The meeting will take place afterward at the church hall at 2 p.m.

Howard Barclay's door prize 50/50 draw was won by Lorna Chapman. and he won the bingo 50/50 jackpot. Bongo winners were Shirley Cuggy, Jock McCabe, Audrey Elliott, Eileen MacGillivray, Clifford Cuggy Christina MacKenzie, Doris Spencer, and me.

- Lorna Chapman.

Palace news

On Feb. 13, residents at The Palace had a Valentine's party in the afternoon. Residents and staff were dressed in red for that special day. The winners of the draws were Edna Dubois, Melina Lavigne, Catherine McLeister, John Campbell and Marjorie McGillis. Jean-Guy Carriere and Gilberte Girard each won a box of chocolates. Gilberte Girard was the lucky winner of the special draw, a basket full of assorted chocolates. And finally, each resident received a heart chocolate box.

A big thank you to Jean-Guy Carriere and Vern Therria for the entertainment and to Rita Carriere and Jeannine Bourcier, our volunteers. We would like to congratulate Gerald and Alice Anderson who celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary on Feb. 14.

We held a Bridge and Euchre party on Feb. 17. The winners for the Euchre were: Irene Quenneville with 10 games; Ilma Legault, Beatrice Lalonde, Elise Rozon, Lucille Bellefeuille, Diana Giroux, Huguette Titley, Melvina Leduc.

Bridge winners were Nicole Tourangeau with Edna Dubois and Bernadette Courville with Imelda McDonald.

The door prize winner was Imelda McDonald. The 50/50 winners were Juliette Aubry, Leonide Rozon, Elise Rozon, Marie-Jeanne Beauchamps and Dorina Massie.

The next card party will be March 2.

Birthday wishes to Gerald Anderson on Feb. 27.

On Thursday evening, residents and friends came to celebrate the birthday of Rosaire Bureau, Francoise Nadon and Gerald Anderson.

Everyone enjoyed the entertainment of Rosaire Ouimet, Rick Keeler and Roy Keeler.

A delicious lunch and punch was served with a cake, ice cream and coffee.

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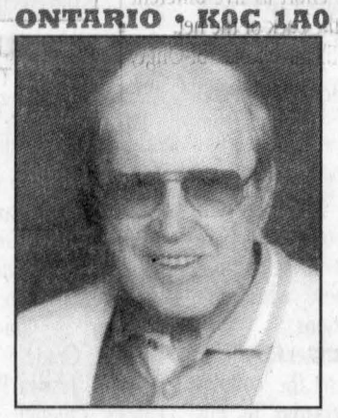

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1- July 1st Lions Day for many years
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3- Fishing Derby with Doug at the wheel of his boat
4- Joint Club Ventures with Cornwall Lions Club and Maxville Lions Club
5- Attending Lions functions near and far
6- Input in many decisons as a Lions Member
7- A member in his own quiet way, doing any job requested by any Lions Club
8- Ask Doug if he was acquainted any Lions Dignitary and the answer would be YES I know that member.

As an Alexandria resident, businessman, and friend, Doug was all for being involved in Alexandria as a growing community and assisting or doing anything to help Alexandria and surrounding area.

Things Doug enjoyed:
A- Driving a car
B- Driving a truck
C- Driving a boat
D- Piloting an airplane
E- Driving a 4-wheeler
F- Curling Member of Alexandria Curling Club
G- Local Masonic Lodge #439
H- Shriners Member of Karnak Temple Montreal-Cornwall
I- Golfer
J- Highland Games involvement
K- Advancement Key Member for Lions International 1967

Festival attracts close to fifty music lovers



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The weekend of Feb. 13-16 saw some 45 people from Glengarry County take in the 12th Annual Mid-Winter Scottish and Irish Festival in Philadelphia. The large group of families and friends travelled by Delaney coach to support the "Glengarry Lads and Lassies" as they fiddled and stepdanced their way into the hearts of a large crowd of spectators.

The troupe, led by Ian MacLeod and Lori MacMaster, performed four 45-minute shows over the three day event.

Playing fiddle were: Riley Filion, Lindsay Boisvenue, Amanda Ranger, Alisha Giroux, Braelyn MacMaster, Cassie McDonell, Garrett Bradley and Kelsey McDonell. Stepdancers included Michelle Farley, Kelsey McLeod, Katie McLeod, Braelyn MacMaster and Cassie and Kelsey McDonell. Glengarry was well represented at the festival.

Performing along with the "Glengarry Lads and Lassies" were the Brigadoons, The Glengarry Bhoys and Hadrian's Wall. "East of the Hebrides," an entertainment agency, was so impressed by the talent of this young group that they are already talking of future engagements later in the year.

Birthday greetings

On Feb. 27, Janice MacIntosh turns 90. So on Saturday, Feb. 28 her family has arranged an Open House at Laggan School in her honour. So hope to see you there between 1-4.

CNIB dinner

On Feb. 21 the annual Glengarry Canadian National Institute for the Blind dinner was held at the Sacred Heart Church Hall, Alexandria. Emerson MacGillivray, Kirkhill, president of the Glengarry CNIB welcomed the clients, their escorts, volunteers and friends. The Richelieu Club of Alexandria sponsored the meal. Following the meal, the volunteers who were present were recognized.

Then the music – Elizabeth and Brian Caddell and Donald Joseph MacPhee rendered some Scottish music and Brian sang a few songs. John MacDonald led in community singing. It was a real good day.

Good news from Bernadette McIntosh, way north in Glengarry. She saw a nice fat robin near the house on Friday. Spring can't be too far behind.

There are some brand new books for both children and adults at the library. The Book Club meets tomorrow evening, Feb. 26, at 8. The book to be discussed is "Garbo Laughs" by Elizabeth Hay.

Sandbags of Feb. 6

With Carnival and bad weather, the schedule for the Sandbag League has not been too regular. High Square: Pauline Piche-1,370, Denise Gareau-1,180; Rheal Cyr-1,260, Jean-Guy Chenier-1,240. High Single: Pauline Piche-4,580; Juliette Quesnel-3,950; Rheal Cyr-4,770; Raymond Campbell-4,700. High Double: Pauline Piche-8,670; Juliette Quesnel-7,200; Rheal Cyr-8,970; Fernand St.Louis-7,810. Team with High Single: Albert Quesnel-15,388. Team with High Double- Raymond Campbell-25,860.

Laggan news

The student council held a Valentine's dance Friday, Feb. 13 for the Grades 6, 7 and 8 classes.

The Grades 1, 2 and 3 classes went on a field trip Feb. 19 to Jacques Cartier Park for a day of sliding and winter activities. They traveled home by train to Alexandria.

The Kindergarten class went on a sleigh ride on Feb. 20 at the Howes' family farm. Our Grade 6 class has returned from its three day École de Neige participation.

Laggan had another successful book fair with a profit of $1618.40. A big thank you goes out to Frances Murphy and volunteers for a job well done!

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Sports Briefs

Glens move on

The Alexandria # 2 bantam house Glens have moved on to round two in the playoffs.

Alexandria got past Hawkesbury in the first-to-four points opening round winning both games.

On Feb. 21 Pat Menard scored five goals for Alexandria in a 6-3 win over Hawkesbury.

Catherine Leroux had the other Glens' goal while Mathieu Oetelaar handed out three assists.

Christian Ouimet and Nicolas Chenier had two assists each.

A day later the Glens closed out the series with a 3-1 victory.

Thomas Shackleton had two goals and an assist in the win.

Glens defeat Glens

The Alexandria # 1 eliminated town rival Alexandria # 3 in another bantam house semifinal by winning two straight games.

The second win came on Feb. 22 by a 7-4 score.

Olivier Roy led the way in the win with four goals.

Clay Chadsey, Vincent Boulet and Simone Daoust rounded out the scoring for the winners while Joey Lauzon had three assists.

Ryan Becker scored twice in the loss while Matthew Beauclaire and Andrew Collard scored singles.

In the opener the # 1 Glens squeaked out a 2-1 decision.

Roy scored the game-winner with 11:56 remaining. He also had the other # 1 Glens' goal.

Matt Pidgeon scored the lone # 3 Glens' goal.

Glens defeat Stars

The Alexandria peewee # 2 Glens got past Casselman in their first round playoff winning both games.

The series was closed out with a 5-2 Glens' victory on Feb. 22.

It was a team effort as five different shooters found the back of the net.

Nathan MacMillan, Nicolas St-Onge, Brandon Massia, Vincent Blondin and Patrick Leroux scored in the win.

In the series opener the Glens scored a goal in each period to win 3-1.

Nicolas Obermoser, Massia and Corey Lauzon scored in the win.

The Glens closed out the regular season with a 5-0 loss to host Rockland on Feb. 15.

Braves led by Benton

Jake Benton's three goals, including the game-winner, led the NGS midget B Braves to a 5-2 win over South Stormont Feb. 19 in Maxville.

Chris Paquette scored the first two goals for the Braves.

Jeremy MacLaine stopped 32 shots to backstop the win.

With the victory the Braves wrapped up the regular season with a four-game winning streak.

Tikis, Islanders lead

In the Rideau division of the Eastern Ontario Junior B Hockey League the Brockville Tikis and Gananoque Islanders have opened up leads in their playoff semifinals series'.

Brockville defeated the South Grenville Rangers in three straight games by scores of 9-3, 3-2 2nd OT and 4-3.

Gananoque has defeated the Westport Rideaus in two of three games by scores of 7-6 2nd OT, 3-8 and 4-3 2nd OT.

Glens lead series 3-1

Saturday in Alexandria the # 1 peewee B Glens opened their first-to-four point series against Rockland with a 5-2 win.

Patrick Seguin led the scoring with two goals and an assist.

Jeremie Poirier, Mikael Giroux and Calvin Crack each had a goal and an assist.

Jacob Nadeau had two assists.

On Sunday in Rockland the Glens tied the game 2-2 to take a 3-1 lead in the series.

Poirier had a goal and an assist while Dylan Wellman had the other goal for Alexandria. The Glens now need at least a tie this weekend in hopes of eliminating Rockland.

GSL renewing refs

The Glengarry Soccer League is asking referees to submit their completed forms to Kelly Lavigueur at the GSL office.

The GSL will take care of renewing their referee certificates.

The deadline to hand in forms is April 1, 2004. Late registration fee is an additional $15.

Atlantic wins indoor soccer championship

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

Atlantic Hotel captured the 2003-04 Alexandria Women's Indoor Soccer League championship with a third straight win over Char-Lan in the best-of-five final Monday night.

Regular season leading scorer Kelly Lavigueur scored midway through the first half to handle all of the scoring in the final.

Char-Lan controlled much of the second half play in the Atlantic zone spending much of the time in the corners before making crosses in front of Kristy Kennedy's goal.

The Atlantic defence, namely Chris Peeters and Diane MacDougall, stood tall throughout the half holding off the Char-Lan attackers.

All seemed to be going well for Atlantic until a Char-Lan shot was stopped with a handball from an Atlantic defender standing in Kennedy's crease.

With about 30 seconds remaining in the game Char-Lan's Meghan Brown stepped to the line for a penalty shot to try and send the game into extra time. She was foiled by Kennedy. Shortly after the final whistle blew and Atlantic was champion.

In game two of the series Atlantic won by a 2-1 score. Leanne Duval had both Atlantic goals in the victory while Vanessa VanSleeuwen replied for Char-Lan.

Dave's ready for playoffs after regular season crown

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

It's starting to become a formality in the North Glengarry Men;s Broomball League.

Dave's Drywall closed out another regular season championship last weekend after a 2-1 win over second place Farley Windows in the final round of play at the Maxville and District Sports Complex on Sunday.

Dave's actually claimed the regular season award a long time ago and the game was just a formality to finish off the year.

After the final whistle blew Dave's Jamie Norman and Lance Ouderkirk remained tied atop the list of scorers for this season. Norman will be given the nod officially as the leading scorer however as his 17 goals outnumber Ouderkirk's 9.

Both players assisted Clinton Leroux's game in the first period tying the score at 1-1.

Robert Seguin had opened the scoring for Farley.

Gary St. Pierre scored the game-winner early in the second period.

In the other match Lacombe's exploded with three goals in overtime to pick up just their second win of the season over the Matco Masters.

Chris Paquette scored his first two goals of the year in the extra session while Pierre Lacombe added another.

Mario Dumont (who also had two assists) and Matco's James MacCulloch had scored in regulation to force overtime.

Feb. 15 results

Dave's tested out the offence on Feb. 15 and all indicators is that it's set for the playoffs.

Dave's defeated Matco by an 8-0 score.

Jamie and Steve Norman led the way with two goals each while singles came from Leroux, St. Pierre, Dave Coir and Lee Casselman.

Lance Ouderkirk, Steve Norman, Leroux, Casselman and Chris Bilmer all had two assists in the win.

Greg Saunders picked up the shutout in goal.

The other match was very much more defensive-minded as Lacombe's and Farley played to a scoreless draw.

Randy Cousineau and Eric Hurtubise picked up shutouts for Farley and Lacombe's respectively.

Playoff schedule

The playoff semifinals will be held at the Maxville and District Sports Complex on March 5 at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Dave's (33 points) will play Lacombe's (six points) in one semifinal while Farley (25 points) will play Matco (nine points) in the other.

On March 6 the finals will be held at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. (or 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. if the Maxville Mustangs junior C team has been eliminated from the playoffs).



NEW GLENS GOALIE?: No, Ilia Ejov is still a member of the Akwesasne Wolves. The Wolves were forced to wear the Glens dark jerseys for the first half of the opening game of their playoff series with Alexandria Friday because they left their road jerseys at home. TODD ANDERSON PHOTO



CREASE CRASH: Rebels' goaltenders Bryan O'Shaughnessy tried to escape the crease as teammate Stephane St. Denis roughs up Kemptville's Andrew Banville. Kemptville's Tyler Rasa (10) looks on. TODD ANDERSON PHOTO

Glens coach feels lucky

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

The Alexandria Glens lead their playoff semifinal against Akwesasne 2-1 but their head coach isn't comfortable.

Raymond Lavergne said he feels it could very much be Akwesasne leading the series 2-1.

He blames poor efforts at the Glengarry Sports Palace on his discomfort.

"Both of our games in Alexandria so far, we're usually better. We're lucky to be up 2-1. It could be the other way. I give credit to (Akwesasne) they never quit. We'll sit down and analyze the three games."

The Glens managed to take a 2-0 lead in the series after a controversial finish to game one in Alexandria and up-and-down performance in game two on Cornwall Island.

In game three the Glens let go a chance to move up 3-0 in the series after Wolves' keeper Ilia Ejov stood on his head to preserve a win.

Game three: Wolves 4 Glens 3

Ejov was stellar in the third period turning away several Glens' chances after his teammates opened up a 2-2 score heading into the third period with two goals.

"They played better and they deserves to win," said Lavergne.

Late in the game Glens' defenceman Christian Piquette became tangled up with Wolves' Brent Lariviere and Simon Langevin was grabbed by Wolves' Daryl Drake (who was on the Wolves' bench). Drake and Langevin became entangled in a mixup and Piquette and Lariviere roughed up each other. When the dust settled the Glens had a two-man powerplay to close out the game.

Tim Owens scored with nine seconds to cut the Akwesasne lead to 4-3 but that's as close as the Glens would get.

See Glens on page A12

Rebels-73s series heats up

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

The series between the Char-Lan Rebels and Kemptville 73s is heating up once again, on and off of the ice.

In what seems to be an annual event in the playoffs, the Rebels and 73s are battling in the post-season once again this year. This time in the first round.

The intensity reached off of the ice Saturday night as a brief fight took place at the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre between opposing fans in the stands.

Sunday night in Kemptville a late game shoving match on the ice resulted in four players missing game five last night in Williamstown (the game was played after *The Glengarry News'* deadline).

There should be plenty of more intensity on display as the two teams will play at least two more games (including last night) after splitting the first four.

Rebels' head coach Eric Fontaine said it's just what he expected.

"The rivalry is there. It's not so much in the regular season but every playoff is a battle. Both teams are very physical."

They return to Kemptville tonight for game five starting at 8 p.m.

The 73s had the momentum heading into last night's game after a convincing win in game four.

Game four: 73s 5 Rebels 1

Char-Lan had the opportunity of going up 3-1 in the series on Sunday but the St. Lawrence division's rookie of the year revived the 73s hopes of moving past the Rebels. Alex Vidoni scored a hat trick for Kemptville as they won by a 5-1 score.

Vidoni had two of three unanswered goals for Kemptville to start the game.

Char-Lan's Adam Beehler got his team on the board with 8:17 remaining in the middle frame but the 73s responded with two more goals to close out the period.

See Rebels on page A11

Dupuis cut from Team Canada

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

As the Canadian National Women's Hockey team prepares for the World Championships, they will do so without the services of veteran Lori Dupuis.

The Williamstown native was not included as one of the 22 names announced by Hockey Canada on Tuesday to represent the team.

With 2004 being a non-Olympic year, team officials will do as they always do and blend in a rookie or two to gain experience before the next Winter Games.

Dupuis is a veteran national team player and was a member of the 2002 Canadian gold medal-winning team.

The 30-year-old left-winger is currently 10th in league scoring playing with the Brampton Thunder of the National Women's Hockey League.

She has 16 goals and 39 points in 32 games played.

The world championships will be held in Halifax this year from March 30 to April 6.

It's the first world tournament since 2001.

Canada has won all seven previous world tournaments.

Junior B Playoffs

Eastern Ontario Junior B Hockey League
Semifinals

Alexandria Glens vs Akwesasne Wolves
Glens lead series 2-1
Game one: Wolves 3 at Glens 4
Game two: Glens 6 at Wolves 4
Game three- Wolves 4 at Glens 3

Date	Time	Host
4. Wed. Feb. 25	8:30 p.m.	Akwesasne
5. Fri. Feb. 27	8:30 p.m.	Alexandria
If necessary		
6. Sat. Feb. 28	7:30 p.m.	Akwesasne
7. Sun. Mar. 1	1:30 p.m.	Alexandria

Char-Lan Rebels vs Kemptville 73s
Series tied 2-2
Game one: 73s 5 at Rebels 2
Game two: Rebels 3 at 73s 2 2nd OT
Game three: 73s 2 at Rebels 5
Game four: Rebels 2 at 73s 5

Date	Time	Host
5. Tue. Feb. 24	8:15 p.m.	Williamstown
6. Wed. Feb. 25	8 p.m.	Kemptville
If necessary		
7. Sat. Feb. 28	7:45 p.m.	Williamstown

Eastern Ontario Junior C Hockey League
Best of five first round series

Maxville Mustangs vs Embrun Panthers

Date	Time	Host
1. Sat. Feb. 28	7:30 p.m.	Maxville
2. Sun. Feb. 29	3 p.m.	Embrun
3. Fri. Mar. 5	8 p.m.	Embrun
If necessary		
4. Sat. Feb. 6	7:30 p.m.	Maxville
5. Sun. Feb. 7	2 p.m.	Embrun

Mustangs should embrace chance of redemption

On The Sidelines



Todd Anderson

As the Maxville Mustangs junior C team put to bed their fifth regular season on Sunday, they officially set a record for the lowest points total in team history.

Despite a two-game winning streak in the final two weeks of the regular season, this year's Mustangs squad will have the unfortunate memory of being the group that accumulated just 16 points.

The previous low was 18 points, which the junior C's newest squad had in their second year during the 2000-01 season. In their inaugural season they had 24 points and in the 2002-03 season they had 20 points. Their best season was in 2001-02 when they had 37 points.

The Mustangs still believe they have a shot of claiming victory over their first round playoff opponent (Embrun) despite the difference in the standings during the regular season.

Mustangs' head coach Kevin Lalonde said it best this week when asked what type of mentality the players on his squad should have going into the post-season.

"All the records, the goals against and goals for, the difference in points between us and Embrun, that doesn't matter now. Whoever wants it more is going to win."

The Embrun Panthers finished the season tied for first place with Rockland (51 points each) but it's the Nats who will have the first round bye because they had more wins this year.

In the Eastern Ontario Junior C Hockey League all seven teams qualify for the playoffs with the first place club earning a bye past the first round.

You see, the regular season may be considered a lengthy exhibition season. Even home ice advantage will be in the underdogs' favour when the last-place Mustangs begin their playoffs this year.

The Panthers were not able to lock up ice time for the first game of the series (the Eastern Ontario Broomball regional championships are being held there this weekend) so they approached Maxville about the idea of starting the tournament in Maxville Saturday night.

Of course the Mustangs obliged.

Games two and three of the series will be played in Embrun to make up for the scheduling conflict.

It's an excellent opportunity for the Stangs to pick up a one-game lead in the best-of-five series. After that, you never know what'll happen in a five-game series.

Unlike most other hockey leagues, the EOJCHL uses a best-of-five format in their first round of the playoffs. If you don't agree with that format, just imagine the best-of-three option they practiced just two years ago for their opening rounds.

During their breakthrough season in 2001-02, the Mustangs got past Rockland in the first round before losing four straight to regular season champion Vankleek Hill in the best-of-seven second round.

Many of their regular season wins came thanks to efforts from outside players like Mathieu Seguin, Pat Berlinguette, Pascal Gratton, Martin Lecompte, Mario Nadeau and Pierre Antoine Pinard.

Because of problems on and off of the ice, the Mustangs got rid of all those players. Since then the team has had more of a local flavour and the team has been one of, if not the youngest squad in the league.

The Mustangs head into the playoffs this year without a single overaged player (teams are allowed four 21-year-olds) compared to Embrun's four.

In the past three seasons the team has seen the emergence of players like Jonathan Bray, Derek Crawford, Brent VanLoon, Nick Adam, Scott Coleman, Alf Buvik, Dan Desnoyers, Pierre Lacombe, Steven Stewart, Ryan Crawford, Ryan Villeneuve, Andrew Michaud, Matt Lalonde, Phil Menard and Shane O'Brien.

Some have moved on (Derek Crawford, junior B Char-Lan; Adam, junior B Alexandria; Buvik, moved back to Norway and Coleman, graduated from junior hockey) while others like O'Brien, VanLoon, Villeneuve, Ryan Crawford and Lalonde have just started to get their feet wet in what may be lengthy stays in Maxville.

With their youth movement the future bodes well for the Mustangs but don't expect them to look any further than these playoffs.

It is after all, a brand new season in itself.

Crusaders take 1-0 lead in Hill Cup

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

The Char-Lan Crusaders took a lead in the annual Hill Cup series with a victory over the Glengarry Gaels on Feb. 20 at the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre.

The two-game series between the two Glengarry high schools will resume this Friday (1:30p.m.) at the Glengarry Sports Palace.

The Glengarry girls' team will play Vankleek Hill Collegiate Institute before starting at 12:30 p.m.

The host Crusaders took a 4-2 lead into the third period and despite a comeback attempt by the Gaels, prevailed in the end 6-5.

With the game tied 5-5 Char-Lan's Alain Lalonde scored the game-winner with 4:51 remaining.

The game started off on an even keel as the two teams left the ice after 20 minutes tied 1-1.

Shane O'Brien scored for Glengarry while Mike Robertson replied for Char-Lan.

The Crusaders took control of the game in the second period as they outscored Glengarry 3-1.

Adam Barton, Willy DeWitt and Shawn Fontaine scored for the Crusaders.

O'Brien notched his second of the game for Glengarry.

In the third period Matt Lalonde scored his first of the game early to cut the Gaels' deficit to 4-3.

Nathan Poitras quickly replied with another goal for Char-Lan to restore the two-goal lead.

Lalonde wasn't finished however as he scored the next two goals to complete his hat trick and tie the game at 5-5.



JOCKEYING FOR POSITION: Gaels' forward Adam Lancaster looks to establish some space at the side of Char-Lan keeper Taylor Daigle's goal last Friday afternoon in Williamstown during the first game of the Jim Hill Cup series. Char-Lan's Nathan Poitras tried to clear Lancaster out of the way.
TODD ANDERSON PHOTO

That set up Lalonde's late game heroics.

Fred Wolf played the first half of the game for Glengarry before making way for Chad Besner.

Taylor Daigle picked up the win in goal for Char-Lan.

Previous action

In other action Glengarry defeated L'Escale from Rockland 5-2 and L'Heritage 8-1.

The Gaels' were in action at a tournament in Rockland on Monday and are preparing to represent SDG at the EOSSAA tournament scheduled for March 1 in Perth.

At the Rockland tournament the Gaels captured the championship with a 5-0 win over St. FX of Hammond in the final.

The game was the third straight match for Glengarry after they defeated General Vanier in the semifinals 5-0 and Rockland 5-1 earlier.

To start the day off the Gaels tied General Vanier 2-2 and then tied St. FX 0-0 in back to back games to finish second in their pool.

Gaels girls' hockey team in finals

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

Girls' hockey has really come along in Alexandria.

The Glengarry Gaels girls' varsity hockey team will be part of the mix when they host the EOSSAA championship on March 9.

Because no school from LGSSAA (Leeds and Grenville) will make the trip to the Glengarry Sports Palace event, two schools from SDG will be able to compete at EOSSAA.

Since Glengarry and Cornwall's La Citadelle have qualified for this year's SDG final, they both automatically earn a spot at EOSSAA.

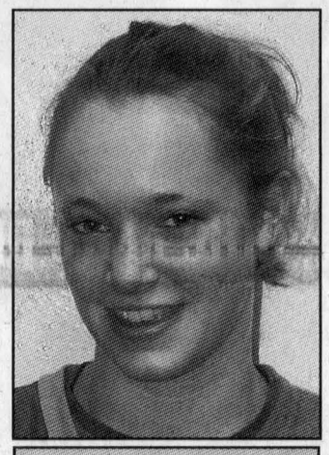
Glengarry earned a berth to the SDG championship after beating Rothwell Osnabruck 6-2 and then Char-Lan 4-3 at the semifinal tournament at the Bob Turner Arena in Cornwall on Feb. 18.

Now the Gaels will set their focus on Feb. 4 when they meet La Citadelle for the SDG championship at the Charlottenburgh Recreation Centre in Williamstown, starting at 3 p.m.

The regular season was played with four tournament days including A, AA and AAA schools. Because AAA schools have their own EOSSAA, the A and AA schools broke off for their own tournament in the playoffs.

Coach Dwayne Lowe said it took a full team effort for his third rated Gaels to knock off the second rated Char-Lan team.

"The whole team pulled through and that's how we won. Mary Jane O'Shea helped lead a true team effort with her hard work. She drew a couple of penalties because she kept her feet moving when she was hooked up. Our scoring was spread out. Our top players scored but we had two or three scorers who don't usually score."



Mary Jane O'Shea

European vacation

The Gaels are currently organizing a team trip to Europe next year as part of March break activities.

The six-country tour will include a handful of exhibition hockey games against European competition as well as visits to such places as Vimy Ridge.

The team is currently looking for sponsorship from the community.

Contact Lowe if interested.

Season-ending tournament

The team is also getting prepared to host their "Gale Force" Tournament at the Glengarry Sports Palace on Apr. 6.

The recreational tournament will close out the hockey season. Six teams have registered.

Basketball and volleyball playoffs settled this week

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

The playoffs for this year's boys' basketball season began yesterday as Char-Lan hosted a pair of games against Tagwi.

The visiting Warriors headed into the game fresh off losses to the Crusaders last week on Feb. 16.

In the senior contest Darren Redguard scored 20 and his brother Justin had 17 in a 66-46 win over the Warriors.

Taylor Daigle chipped in with 12 for Char-Lan.

Scott Degray led Tagwi with 19 points.

In the junior match the Crusaders won by almost the same score, 64-42.

Justin McDonell and Danny Ravary scored 16 and 14 points respectively in the win.

Jake Benton had 15 for Tagwi while Kyle Jackson scored 10.

The Glengarry seniors will travel to Rothwell Osnabruck today for a 2 p.m. start to their semifinal while the junior Gaels meet host L'Heritage at 4 p.m.

The finals will be played on Thursday at the home of the team with the best record from the regular season beginning at 2 p.m.

Senior b-ball results

The senior Tagwi Warriors had a hard time on the courts on Feb. 17 in Cornwall.

The Warriors fell to La Citadelle by an 84-29 score.

The Glengarry Gaels senior boys' basketball team picked up a victory over La Citadelle on Feb. 10 at Glengarry District High School.

Shane O'Brien led the Gaels with 14 points in a 44-39 win.

John Magoon chipped in with 10, Matt Lalonde scored seven and Jesse Duhard had six.

E. Viau led La Citadelle with 20 points.

On Feb. 5 the Gaels fell to the Seaway Spartans by a 56-47 score at home.

K. Groniger led the way for Seaway with 26 points.

Shane O'Brien had a strong game for the Gaels with 19 points including four three-pointers.

John Magoon and Matt Lalonde each chipped in with five points.

On Feb. 18 the Gaels fell to St. Joseph's by a 53-28 score.

Magoon scored 12 and O'Brien had 10 in the loss.

Two days earlier the Gaels travelled to CCVS and fell by a 53-19 score against the AAA school.

O'Brien scored three, three-pointers for nine points in the one-sided affair.

Junior b-ball results

The Char-Lan junior boys' basketball team put together a solid effort against the General Vanier Vikings on Feb. 18 but in the end lost by a 66-45 score.

The Vikings broke open a 30-24 lead at the break with after a strong second half.

Chris Bennett led the Vikes with 10 points.

Adam Tessier had 13 for Char-Lan with Justin McDonell adding 12 and Chad Petepiece scoring 11.

On Feb. 17 the Tagwi Warriors travelled to La Citadelle and fell by a 59-33 score.

Jackson had a strong game despite the loss scoring 19 points. Benton had eight points.

La Citadelle was led by S. Bossé, F. Charlebois and M. McCue with 10 points each.

A day earlier the Warriors fell to Char-Lan by a 64-42 score.

Char-Lan had a balanced attack in the victory.

McDonell led the way with 16 points.

Adam Barton scored 14 points including three three-pointers.

Petepiece scored 10 points.

Justin Sabourin had eight points including two three-pointers.

Benton had 15 points and Jackson had 10 points in the loss.

On Feb. 11 the Warriors hosted St. Lawrence.

St. Lawrence had a dominating effort winning by a 62-26 score.

Ryan Alguire led Tagwi with seven points in defeat while Benton scored six.

St. Lawrence had a balanced attack led by Bruce Swinden's 14 points.

Also on Feb. 11 the junior Gaels defeated La Citadelle 40-34.

Matt Lalonde led the way with 17 points in the victory.

On Feb. 4 the Char-Lan junior Crusaders boys' basketball team travelled to Cornwall to face the L'Heritage Dragons.

After playing to a close score in the first three quarters the Crusaders took control in the fourth winning by a convincing 71-47 final.

Barton led the way offensively scoring 14 of his 20 points in the final quarter.

The score entering the fourth quarter was 45-42 in favour of Char-Lan. The top scorer for L'Heritage was Adam Elgazzar with 15 points.

Midget b-ball results

The Tagwi midget boys' basketball team won all three games in opening round play Thursday at Glengarry District High School.

Tagwi opened the day with a 30-26 win over North Dundas. Brendan Sanders led the way with nine points while Wyatt Irven added seven.

In their second game Tagwi won another close one over Seaway with a 31-25 final.

Sanders led the way again with nine points with Zac Herfkens scoring seven.

In their final game Tagwi trailed La Citadelle 19-11 at one point but a 20-0 spurt turned things back in their favour. The final was 42-30.

Sanders and Herfkens scored 12 and 10 points respectively with Cory Shaver and Justin Leblanc adding six.

Volleyball results

Char-Lan, Glengarry and Tagwi girls' volleyball teams will all be in action today in Cornwall as the A school SDG championships will be held at L'Heritage.

The Char-Lan juniors will face Rothwell Osnabruck at 12 noon while L'Heritage faces Rothwell Osnabruck on the senior court.

At 2 p.m. both Glengarry juniors and seniors will face Tagwi's two teams.

The finals will be held on Friday at the home of the team with the best record from the regular season who makes it out of the semifinals.

The senior regular season's top teams included Heritage (18), Glengarry (15), Tagwi (14) and R-O (10).

The junior loops top teams were (Char-Lan 15), Tagwi (12), Glengarry (eight) and R-O (four).

Midget v-ball results

Two tournaments have already been held for the midget loop and eight teams will move on to the playoffs.

Glengarry, St. Joseph's, General Vanier, North Dundas, St. Lawrence, La Citadelle, L'Heritage and Rothwell Osnabruck will all compete at North Dundas on March 9 to decide the SDG champion.

The teams will be divided into two pools for round-robin play to decide who reaches the semifinals and finals.

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HOCKEY

Eastern Ontario Junior C Hockey League

As of Feb. 22

	G	W	L	T	F	A	P
Rockland	36	25	10	1	170	111	51
Embrun	36	24	9	3	164	99	51
East Ottawa	36	23	12	1	173	153	47
St. Isidore	36	21	13	2	141	133	44
Vank. Hill	36	13	21	2	126	162	28
Casselman	36	12	20	4	128	165	28
Maxville	36	7	27	2	120	199	16

Results

Rockland 6 at Vankleek Hill 5
St. Isidore 2 at Casselman 0
Rockland 8 at East Ottawa 3
Vankleek Hill 4 at Embrun 3
Rockland 2 at Maxville 4
Embrun 6 at Vankleek Hill 3
Embrun 4 at Maxville 1
East Ottawa 4 at Casselman 1
St. Isidore 5 at Rockland 11

Top scorers

Name	G	A	P
Matt Blois, Ott.	38	47	85
Mike Cumming, V-H	36	48	84
Dan Renaud, Ott.	15	60	75
Daniel Gagnon, Ott.	27	27	54
John MacLean, Emb.	23	29	52

Goaltending leaders

	GA	Min	Avg	SO
Embrun	99	2198	2.70	1
Rockland	111	2166	3.07	4
St. Isidore	133	2175	3.67	2

Char-Lan Minor Hockey House League

As of Jan. Feb. 14

Atom

Curry Hill Lumber 4 (Thomas MacDonald 2, Ashley Kyer, Jeremy Lamarche) Laplante Welding 4 (Justin Lapierre, Shane Lafave, Michael Baker, Alexandra Lapointe); Curry Hill Lumber 3 (Jeremy Lamarche 2, Evan Smits) Lancaster Optmist 1 (Matt Lavallee); Laplante Welding 4 (Steve Bell 2, Jordan Dingwall, Michael Baker) Curry Hill Lumber 3 (Evan Smits 2, Ryan O'Connor); Lancaster Optimist 5 (Tyler Cameron, Chloe Dubeau, Bradley Robertson, Michael Sweeney, Matt Lavallee) Laplante Welding 2 (Shane Lafave 2)

Peewee

Danaher and Assoc. 6 (Jonathon Pidgeon 4, Maggie Lang, Kevin MacCulloch) CKDML 3 (Steve Glaude 2, Mackenzie Roy) RSI Industrial 0; Danaher and Assoc. 5 (Mitchell Boyd 2, Jonathon Pidgeon 2, Patrick Leblanc) Roy's Pontiac Buick 2 (Alexander Labonte, Brendon Tuck); Roy's Pontiac Buick 7 (Mandon Smith 4, Alexander Labonte 2, Nicolas Glaude) RSI Industrial 3 (Tyler MacDonald, Cody MacLeod, Brandon Scheffer); Danaher and Assoc. 6 (Mitchell Boyd 3, Jonathon Pidgeon 2, Connor Danaher) RSI Industrial 4 (Eric Leger 2, Brandon Scheffer, Justin Labelle); Danaher and Assoc. 6 (Raven Pierce 2, Justin Charron 2, Jonathon Pidgeon 2) CKDML 2 (Mackenzie Roy, Steve Glaude); Roy's Pontiac Buick 6 (Alexander Labonte 3, Mandon Smith 2, Chris Foran) RSI Industrial 1 (Justin Labelle); Roy's Pontiac Buick 3 (Alexander Labonte, Chris Foran, Brendon Tuck) CKDML 3 (Matt Despatie 3)

Bantam

Munro Agromart 4 (Danick Poirier 2, Rory McLeod, Kevin Lepa) Cornwall Aviation 3 (Steven Rose 3); Munro Agromart 1 (Danick Poirier) John Gordon Const. 1 (Andrew Cattanach); John Gordon Const. 5 (Nigel McCoy 2, Matt Levac 2, Andrew Cattanach) Cornwall Aviation 4 (Dane Fitzpatrick 3, Steven Rose); Cornwall Aviation 5 (Christian Labrecque 3, Bailey McDonald, Juetin Brunet) John Gordon Const. 4 (Andrew Cattanach 2, Shane Fairchild, Andrew Gingras); Cornwall Aviation 8 (Bailey McDonald 2, Steven Rose 2, Dane Fitzpatrick, Matt Poirier, Nick Menard, Christian Labrecque) Munro Agromart 1 (Kelby Sloan); Munro Agromart 4 (Shawn Kyer, Scott McDonell, Grant VanderBurg, Danick Poirier) John Gordon Const. 3 (Andrew Cattanach 2, Nigel McCoy)

Midget

Ray-Jans Const. 5 (Luc St. Pierre, Jose Gibeau, Michael Rattray, Kevin Jans, Adam Tessier) Rozon Insurance 4 (Joey Gareau 3, Brad MacCulloch); Longevity Acrylics 5 (Tim McKay 2, J.F. Glaude, Jason Trottier, John Ross) Raisin River Marina 2 (Colin Bourdon, Dave Lapierre); Raisin River Marina 4 (Ian McIntosh 2, Steve Ross, Willy DeWitt) Ray-Jans Const. 3 (Drew Hart, Luc St. Pierre, Steve Febrille); Rozon Insurance 8 (Stephan Hirschmann 2, Doug Winn 2, Matt Pidgeon, Joey Gareau, Robin Malyon, Brad MacCulloch) Raisin River Marina 2 (Dave Lapierre, Michael Boileau); Longevity Acrylics 6 (John Ross 2, Chris Richard, Lachlan MacDonald, Tim McKay, Dave Knox) Ray-Jans Const. 4 (Jeremy MacDonald 2, Drew Hart, Steve Febrille); Ray-Jans Const. 7 (Drew Hart 3, Steve Febrille 2, Jeremy MacDonald, Luc St. Pierre) Riasin River Marina 3 (Dave Lapierre 2, Steve Ross); Rozon Insurance 5 (Robin Malyon 4, Brad MacCulloch) Longevity Acrylics 3 (Tyson Girling, Lachlan MacDonald, Tim McKay)

BOWLING

Alexandria Lanes

From Feb. 14 to Feb. 20

Results are listed as high game score first then high round score.

Apple Hill Thursday mixed

Jennifer Sloan (212) and Robert Charlebois (231); Jennifer Sloan (383) and Jack McCourt (398)

Thursday adult mixed

Ann MacDonald (155) and Gerard Goulet (211); Ann MacDonald (277) and Gerard Goulet (409)

Golden Age Monday

Cecile Lavigne (187) and Peter Bellware (206); Cecile Lavigne (498) and Peter Bellware (522)

Golden Age Thursday

Helene Paquette (278) and Emile Trepanier (281); Marcelle Dorie (644) and Emile Trepanier (667)

Golden Age Tuesday

Marcelle Dorie (211) and Eric Pilon (244); Marcella Dorie (574) and John VanBlankers (574)

Golden Age Wednesday

Estelle Charlebois (259) and Raymond Charlebois (273); Estelle Charlebois (581) and Raymond Charlebois (583)

Ladies Commerical

Claudette Poulter (304); Claudette Poulter (717)

Monday Men's 5-pin

Gerard Cholette (336); Michel Boisvenue (844)

Monday Men's 10-pin

Michel Menard (225); Michel Menard (622)

Monkland Tuesday 10-pin

Serge Vaillancourt (205); Serge Vaillancourt (548)

Sunday mixed 10-pin

Linda Robinson (148) and Peter Robella (247); Linda Robinson (395) and Peter Robella (531)

Sunday mixed 5-pin

Joan Nieman (202) and Dave Nieman (244); Judy Wood (526) and Dave Nieman (631)

Thursday mixed 10-pin

Sophie Ranger (154) and Eric McCarthy (200); Brenda Decoste (409) and Eric McCarthy (543)

Tuesday mixed 5-pin

Amanda Sauve (261) and Daniel Seguin (274); Judy Wood (626) and George Lavigne (721)

Friday mixed 5-pin

Joanne Nadeau (288) and Daniel Menard (338); Joanne Nadeau (724) and Rejean Menard (783)

Wednesday Mixed 10-pin

Doris Clarke (146) and Bruno Theoret (179); Michelle Valade (375) and Bruno Theoret (444)

YBC Saturday 10:00

Catherine Lemieux (83) and Brodie Taillefer (150); Catherine Lemieux (147) and Brodie Taillefer (272)

YBC Saturday 12:00

Amy Lavigne (176) and Jerome Thevenot (161); Amy Lavigne (490) and Jacob St-Amour (415)

YBC Thursday

Melanie Ranger (235) and Phillip Major (220); Melanie Ranger (663) and Phillip Major (615)

YBC Tuesday

Sophie Carriere (259) and Julien Nadeau (226); Sophie Carriere (568) and Julien Nadeau (556)

SPORTS BRIEFS

Glens take lead

The peewee B Alexandria Glens took a one-game lead in their series against the South Stormont Selects Saturday at home.

The Glens won by a 3-1 score. Joshua Collard, Alex MacMillan and Simon-Pierre Lajoie each scored singles in the victory.

The Glens are back in action in Long Sault on Thursday for the second game of the series.

To close out the season the Glens fell to South Dundas by a 5-3 score. Collard, Chad Borris and MacMillan scored in the loss.

A day earlier the Glens fell to North Dundas 5-4.

Lajoie and Borris each scored twice in the loss while MacMillan handed out three assists.

The Glens finished the season with a record of 11-8-5.

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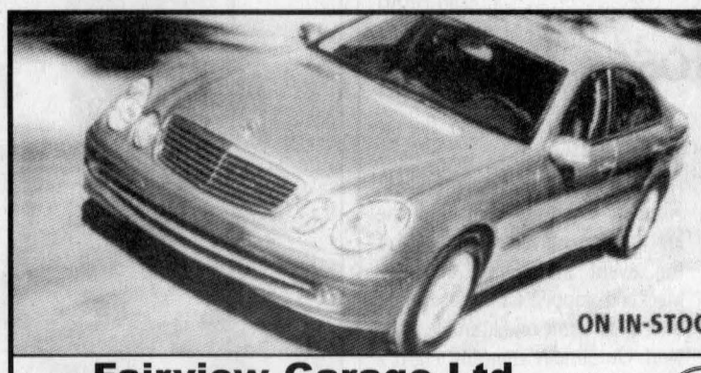
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Rebels

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That ended the scoring of the game as Char-Lan could manage only six shots on goal in the third.

Brett Perkins and Tommy Black scored the other Kemptville goals.

"We shot ourselves in the foot," said Fontaine of the loss.

"Every time we had a chance to come back we'd get a penalty."

After suffering a cut to his face, which required 11 stitches on Sunday, league leading scorer Scott Leppard returned to the Kemptville lineup on Sunday and had three assists.

After being pulled in favour of backup Rob Lappa on Saturday in Williamstown, league MVP Jason Rafuse was back in fine form for Kemptville on Sunday.

The game four effort from Char-Lan was not up to par compared to Saturday when they turned in one of their best performances of the year.

Game three: Rebels 5 73s 2

The Rebels led 3-1 after 20 minutes and 4-1 after two periods on Saturday en route to a 5-2 victory to take a 2-1 lead in the series.

The Rebels got to Rafuse who was pulled after Derek Duval's goal 1:52 into the third period which capped off the Rebels' scoring for the night.

Vidoni scored midway through the third period but the 73s would get no closer.

Throughout the match Kemptville agitators Andrew Banville and Bob Cormier spent a lot of their time trying to get under the skin of Rebels' players. It worked.

"We knew from day one they were going to do that," said Fontaine.

"Those guys don't even touch the puck. I told our guys to stay away from them. Banville drew about three or four penalties. He's been diving around too though."

The Rebels 3-1 first period lead came after goals from Mike King, Shane Perry and Danny Lafave, the latter two coming on the powerplay.

"We came out flying and had 17 shots in the first period," said Fontaine.

"So far whoever has scored first in the series has won each game. It'll come down to who hits the most, who wants it the most and who wins the little battles in the corners."

Matt Methot replied for Kemptville shortly after King had given the Rebels a 1-0 lead.

Derek Duval handed out two assists in the game to go along with his goal while Steve Jarvo had three assists.

Jarvo was the hero in game two for Char-Lan.

Game two: Rebels 3 73s 2 2nd OT

Jarvo scored two minutes into the second overtime to prevent the Kemptville 73s from going two up in the series on Feb. 18 in Kemptville.

The goal erased some ill feelings for the Rebels who allowed the 73s to tie the game with 2:41 left in regulation. The 73s had a two-man advantage when they got the equalizer from D'Arcy Smith.

Tommy Black had the other Kemptville goal.

Lafave and Perry scored regulation goals for Char-Lan. Adam Beehler assisted both goals.

"I didn't think we should've been in overtime to start with," said Fontaine.

"It was one of our best road games of the year and they scored late on a two-man powerplay. Still it was a good team effort for us."

Game one: 73s 5 Rebels 2

Special teams was the name of the game as the series started on Feb. 17 in Williamstown.

The 73s scored three goals on the powerplay and one into an empty net, short-handed in their 5-2 win. One of Char-Lan's two goals came while they were short-handed.

The 73s led 1-0 after the first period as Methot scored midway through the period.

In the second period the Rebels scored the equalizer when Perry hit the back of the net with 5:49 remaining in the period.

Vidoni scored just four minutes later to close out the period with the 73s up 2-1.

In the third period Leppard scored twice and Methot potted his second of the night to take care of Addison Pelkey's short-handed marker and spoil the home playoff game for the Rebels.

Rebels notes:

According to Fontaine nobody dropped their gloves but Char-Lan's Derek Crawford and Nathan Poitras and Kemptville's Darren Stephenson and Pat Smith (the former Rebels' defenceman) were all given fighting majors at the end of game four. They all missed game five with a one-game suspension.

King will move into Crawford's slot on a line with Perry and Beehler.

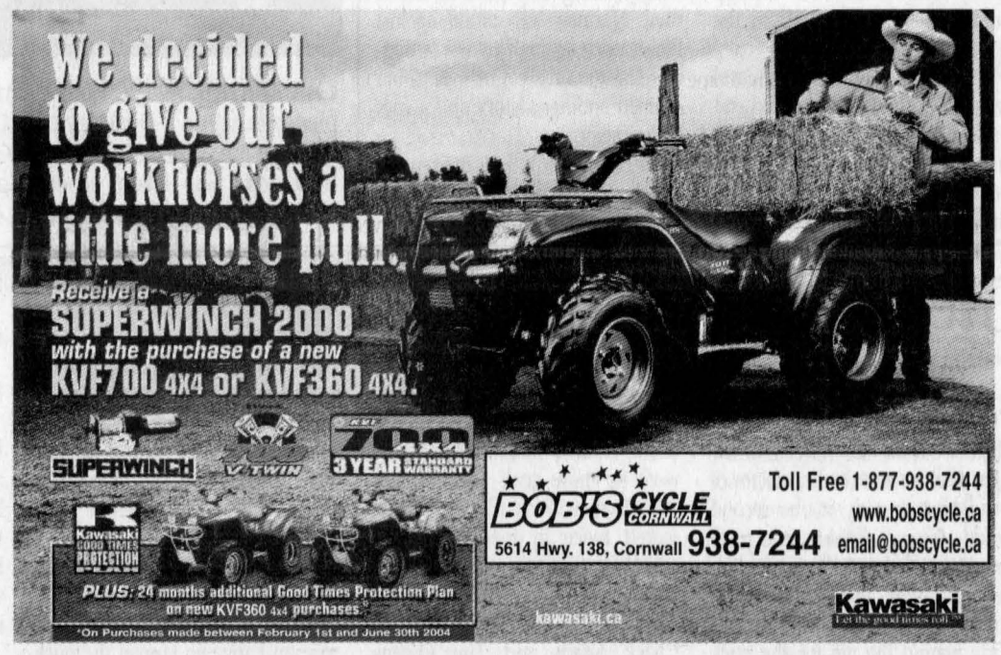
73s' defenceman Blair Lafave will miss the rest of the series after breaking his leg on Sunday.

Josh Legue was doubtful for Tuesday's game after suffering a knee injury on Saturday.

He sat on the Rebels' bench Sunday however.

Forward Julian Moffat and defenceman Tony Murray were expected to play yesterday.

Bryan O'Shaughnessy has played every minute of the playoffs so far for Char-Lan.

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Lancaster Township	North Lancaster Optimist Hall
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U-12	1992 or later	$45	11	Boys and Girls: Wednesdays, 7 pm
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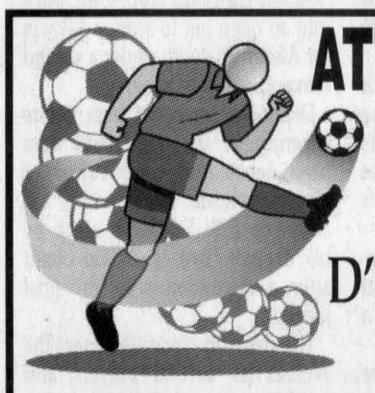
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Mustangs to face Panthers in playoffs

By Todd Anderson
Sports Editor

The Maxville Mustangs closed out the regular season on Sunday with a 4-1 loss to the Embrun Panthers.

The game was a preview of the first round playoff series pitting the two teams against each other in a best-of-five series.

Embrun has the momentum going into the series as they finished tied for the regular season's highest points total with Rockland but were relegated to second place by a tie-breaker determined by wins.

The series begins Saturday in Maxville Saturday night (7:30 p.m.).

Mustangs' head coach Kevin Lalonde is looking forward to the post-season.

"All the things that happened during the course of the year . . . the records, goals against, goals for, difference in points between us and Embrun. It doesn't matter now. Everyone is pretty excited about the chances of our new season. It'll be a challenge. I hope the guys rise to that challenge."

In Sunday's playoff preview Embrun broke open a close game with two second period goals.

Panthers 4 Mustangs 1

Tied at 1-1 Embrun scored two second period goals to go up 3-1 then added a fourth goal in the third period for a 4-1 final.

Gregg Quinn had two goals in the win while Phil Bruyere and Nick Krumins potted singles.

Krumins also handed out two assists. Pierre Lacombe had given Maxville an early lead (3:09 into the game) only to see Quinn tie things up just 31 seconds later.

"They play pretty good defensively," said Lalonde.

"In fact they had the league's lowest goals against this year. Then again we had some good chances that we didn't score on. A little more effort and a little more hitting would have made it tighter."

Rookie Joshua Ingram lost in goal to Tommy Rogerson on Sunday.

A day earlier at home the Mustangs put together a pretty impressive game against the league's top team.

With a win over the last place Mustangs the visiting Rockland Nats would guarantee themselves first place.

Although Rockland eventually did claim first place, it didn't happen Saturday night.

Mustangs 4 Nats 2

With the game tied at 2-2, rookie of the year hopeful Shane O'Brien made an end-to-end rush and scored unassisted to give the Mustangs a 3-2 lead with 2:51 remaining.

Steven Stewart added his second goal of the game with just 12 seconds remaining into an empty net to seal the victory.

Chris Leduc rounded out the scoring for Maxville. Derrick Penning had both Rockland goals.

"It was a good game and everyone played hard," said Lalonde.

"Except for one game we were reasonably close to them all year. It was a big game for them because it would've guaranteed them first place."

With his assist on Leduc's goal, Jonathan Bray ended the season with 36 points, tying O'Brien for the team lead.

Lalonde feels there was friendly competition between the two.

"Shane asked me to see the scoresheet after the game Saturday. They were still tied. I don't think it mattered too much to either guy though who finished first."

Dan Desnoyers was a winner over J.F. Gignac in goal Saturday night.

Mustangs notes:

Richard Henderson was not available for either weekend game as he was snowed in at Halifax airport.

The Eastern Ontario Junior C Hockey League teams voted last night on the trophy winners for this year's individual awards.

An announcement of this year's winners is expected on Thursday.

Playoff matchup

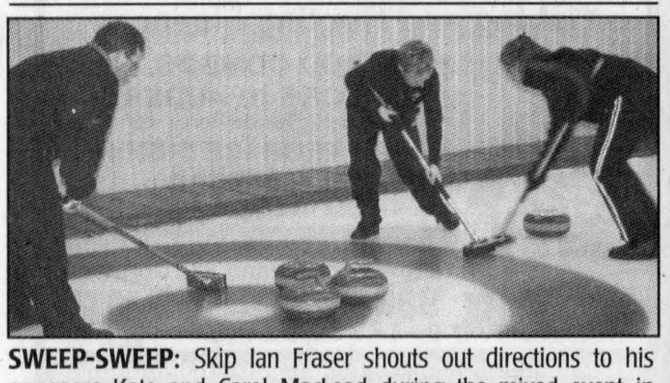
With the 4-1 loss to Embrun on Sunday the Mustangs finish the season series with an 0-6 record against the Panthers this year.

Embrun outscored Maxville 40-9 (4-1, 7-0, 11-4, 10-1, 4-2 and 4-1) in the process.

Tommy Rogerson picked up four of the Panthers' wins in goal while Dan Desnoyers was in between the pipes for four Maxville losses.

Jonathon MacLean had the biggest impact offensively in the series as the Panthers veteran scored six goals and nine assists in the six games.

Jordan Johnston had the best results for Maxville in the season series with two goals and three assists.



SWEEP-SWEEP: Skip Ian Fraser shouts out directions to his sweepers Kate and Carol MacLeod during the mixed event in Alexandria last weekend. STAFF PHOTO

Fraser rink loses B final

Ian Fraser's rink needed just one more win to advance from the JVC Mixed Bonspiel zone 1 playdowns at the Alexandria Curling Club on Sunday.

Despite playing on home ice however, Fraser and his teammates couldn't get past a strong Jeff Norman-skipped team from the Ottawa Curling Club in the B final.

The loss allowed Norman's team to join A division winner Terry Scharf, also from the Ottawa Curling Club, to head off to the regionals.

Fraser (along with third Carol MacLeod, second Rodney MacLeod and lead Kate MacLeod) started off their road to the B final with a win over fellow Alexandria curlers skip Mike Mayes, third Sue Derby, second Dan Sloan and lead Bonnie MacLeod-Mayes.

Next was their first matchup with Norman which they lost. With the loss the team moved to the B-side of the event and faced a Kirsty MacLeod-skipped Lancaster rink in their third game on Saturday. They won. On Sunday morning Fraser's rink earned a berth in the B final after defeating Gilles Allaire of the Ottawa Curling Club.

After losing to Scharf in the A final, Norman was pitted against Fraser once again. This was a double-elimination event. Norman claimed another victory and a spot at the regionals.

The Derby rink lost their other match to Layne Noble of the Ottawa Curling Club.



CHAMPIONS: Atlantic Hotel claimed the 2003-04 Alexandria Women's Indoor Soccer League championship with a 1-0 victory over Char-Lan Monday at Glengarry District High School. Pictured front from left are: Diane MacDougall, Kelly Lavigueur, Kristy Kennedy, Leanne Duval and Laura McCorkell. Back row: Sue Filion, Josee Legault, Jennifer Corput, Sherry Thomas, Chris Peeters and Lisa MacDonald. Absent from photo is coach Mike Duval. TODD ANDERSON PHOTO

Glens

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It was Owens' second goal of the night after he was the benefactor of a bad bounce early in the second period. After a shoot-in, the puck bounced awkwardly off the Zamboni door and ricocheted in front of the Wolves' goal. Ejov was ready behind the net for the puck but out of position after the bounce.

Mathieu Desnoyers had the other Glens' goal after a nice cross-crease pass from Dominic Lamarche.

Ryan Kuhn Lalonde scored for the third game in a row for Akwesasne and Tyler Maxwell also found the back of the net in the third period.

Lariviere and Geoff Winchester had second period tallies for the Wolves.

Both players have been involved in shadowing Lamarche in the series although Winchester has had the bulk of those duties.

"It's been like that all weekend and it will be like that the rest of the series," said Lavergne.

"Both Lamarche and I expected that to happen. I expect the others to pick it up."

Game two: Glens 6 Wolves 4

The Glens built up a 4-0 lead after 20 minutes but once again the Wolves showed their resilience and made things interesting by the end of the game.

Still the Glens managed to hold on to a 6-4 win.

Down 6-2 the Wolves scored two goals in the first four minutes of the third period to make it 6-4 but there were no more goals allowed after that. Former Wolf Patrice Brunet scored twice in the first period while Tim Owens and Desnoyers also found the back of the net for Alexandria.

Nick Adam and Tim Owens scored in the second period to increase the Glens' lead.

Adam has been among the fourth line mix for the Glens as Lavergne has been forced to sit two players each game. Lavergne likes what he's seen from those players but it's been hard to play them a lot.

"There hasn't been a lot of five-on-five hockey. Adam had a good weekend and he deserves maybe a bit more ice time."

Jeremi Synott, Lalonde, Lariviere and Andy Gardner scored in the Wolves' loss.

Game one: Glens 4 Wolves 3

Observers of the opening game of the series new one thing for sure as the puck dropped to start the game. The guys in the Glens' shirts would certainly win.

One thing fans didn't expect is the type of finish to the game.

The Wolves arrived in Alexandria without their road jerseys so they were forced to don the Glens' dark green away jerseys before their shirts were retrieved.

With the two teams tied at 3-3 and overtime looming, a late game play caused a stir on and off the ice.

Simon Langevin tapped the puck into an open net to score a 4-3 win for Alexandria with under a second remaining on the clock.

Depending on what team you're cheering for the goal could have been debated to come before or after the whistle.

Referee Erik Falardeau stuck by his decision that it should count after a discussion with the goal judge.

The decision obviously upset the Wolves as several players and coaches swarmed Falardeau after the call.

Beverage containers and other items were thrown onto the ice towards the referees and Glens' players and coaches by angry fans.

Lavergne spoke about the controversy.

"To me it was definitely a goal," he said with a chuckle.

"The referee explained to me after the game that he saw the puck go in and blew the whistle. The linesman blew his whistle after he saw there was no time left. The referee blew his whistle first when the puck went in and that's why he counted it."

Maybe even a bigger story from game one was the return to the lineup of Glens' veteran Jeff Lobb though.

Lobb's determination was clearly on display in the second period when he dropped down to block a shot, got back up to his feet just in time to feed Jeremy Ryan on a breakaway and after that was missed speeded back into his own end to lift the stick of a Wolves' player just in time to prevent a breakaway attempt. Those efforts in a span of a few seconds results in his teammates chanting "Lobb, Lobb, Lobb" during the stoppage which ensued.

"He hasn't dressed for three weeks and he showed he was ready," said Lavergne.

"It's his last year and he'll do anything to win."

The Glens led 2-1 after two minutes after Lamarche's pair of goals overshadowed a tally from Akwesasne's Sam Raymond.

In the second period Lalonde scored midway through to knot the score at 2-2.

Louis Brisson restored the Glens' one goal lead however with 52 seconds remaining in the middle frame.

Maxwell scored the third goal for the Wolves midway through the third period setting up the late-game controversy.

Glens notes:

The Wolves boast three former Glens' players in Raymond, Mike Lauzon and Lalonde.

Alexandria's Rock Briere and Ejov have played every minute of each game so far in goal.

Jean Phillippe Bourgeois is expected to return to the lineup on Friday.

Play-by-play of the series has been covered by the Akwesasne radio station 97.3 CKON throughout the series.



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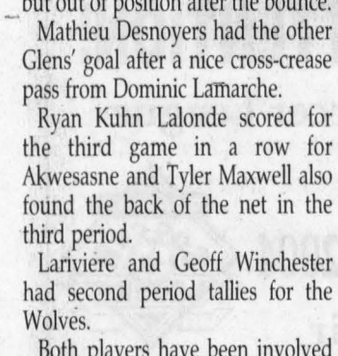

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AGRICULTURE

Counties fight MPAC over farm assessment

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

Members of SDG Counties Council, many of them farmers or former farmers, took on representatives from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) over skyrocketing farm assessment rates.

At a recent Counties Council meeting in Cornwall, South Glengarry Mayor Jim McDonell asked why Class I farmland in his municipality is assessed for so much more than similar land in the other five townships. Class 1 farmland rates for 2003, (based on sales), are $1,525 to $3,025 per acre, whereas they range from $1,150 to $1,575 or $1,150 to $2,200 per acre in the other municipalities.

"It's what it's selling for that's driving it up," said Randy MacDonald, municipal service representative for MPAC.

Mayor McDonell said that these assessed values were artificial because of high sale prices per acre during bidding wars among farmers over neighbouring farms.

"I can't believe our assessment is up because three or four farmers (some from Europe) are bidding up prices. It's crazy – that farm's no different than one 20 km. away."

Mr. McDonell said some allowance should be made when farms are bought by farmers living next door. Councillor Johnny Whitteker agreed.

"I think sales to neighbours should be pulled out of the equation," he said.

North Glengarry Mayor Bill Franklin asked if sales of farms to non-farmers were considered in the assessment values.

"In our area we're getting a big influx of people from Montreal," he said.

Mr. MacDonald said that the corporation only used farmer-to-farmer sales in its calculations.

Mr. Franklin also asked whether the house on farm property had any impact on the value of the land.

"People are calling MPAC and are being told that the reason their assessment has gone up is because their house is on a farm."

Mr. MacDonald refuted this and told Mr. Franklin that if farmers weren't satisfied they could submit a request for reconsideration to review their property assessment.

"Be prepared for a lot of appeals, then," said Mayor Franklin, who also asked how MPAC received its information."It would be nice to know what tools you use to arrive at the assessments."

Mike Contant, also from MPAC, said that historically, the data that is used – such as how many acres are prime agricultural land, how many bush, etc. – is provided by the farmers themselves.

"I take exception to that," said Mayor Franklin. "I've been farming a hell of a long time and I've never given you information."

Several other members of council quizzed the way government legislation now allows MPAC to treat certain farm procedures as industrial rather than agricultural. For instance, maple syrup production -- the sugar shack plus one acre of land – will now be considered industrial.

Warden Dennis Fife said it was like corn-drying last year.

"Can they really be considered industrial?" he asked.

Despite the complaints from council on behalf of their ratepayers, Mr. MacDonald said that fewer than two per cent of owners in SDG have filed requests for reconsideration to date.

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4-H elects new board at annual meeting

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The Glengarry 4-H Association held its Annual meeting on Feb. 19. In 2003 there were 63 members completing a total of 13 clubs. Our Association boasted 17 volunteer leaders who brought much enthusiasm and great ideas into their meetings and club. We had one new leader who shared much of his industry and lifelong experience with those youth who took part. Congratulations to all!

Barb Keith-Badour, our Region 2 Association Support Representative, gave an overview of the provincial happenings in the world of 4-H and presided over our elections. Subsequent elections were held and the new Board is as follows:

President: Robert MacDonald, Vice President Heidi Krol, Secretary Linda Vogel and Treasurer Connie Ferguson. Other positions filled included Judging Day – Nancy Beerwort, Membership and camps – Tracy Myers, Volunteer screening – Linda Lothian, Fundraising – Linda Vogel, Livestock secretary – Annemarie MacMillan, Livestock promoter – Connie Ferguson, and Lifeskills promoter/Regional Representative – Tracy Myers.

The new board looks forward to working with the members, leaders and parents in 2004. We appreciate comments, suggestions and a helping hand from any parents and members.

Just a reminder about upcoming clubs. The first meeting of the Field crops club will be held tonight at the farm of Paul and Linda Vogel at 7. Bring your interest and enthusiasm along with your willingness to learn about the makings of a successful crop.

For more information you may contact either Paul or Linda at 528-4045. If beef or rabbits are of interest to you, please call Linda regarding these clubs as well. They are currently in the organizational stage with the first meeting to be held within the next few weeks.

If you can't decide which project to take, how about taking one that gives you a little bit of everything? Learn about plants, animals, cooking, sewing, communicating and the environment. Explore 4-H will not only excite you, it will also help you to choose future projects. This club is ideal for those who are entering 4-H for the first time. For more information please call Tracy.

On a final note please make sure to mark March 3 on your calendars. This is the date that the blueberries, raspberries and cranberries will be arriving. Location is at the Alexandria Arena. Time is around 5 p.m. We look forward to meeting everyone who purchased berries for our annual fundraiser. Once again, a big "thank you".

That's it for this week in the world of 4-H. Until next time Tracy Myers.

AGRICULTURE BRIEFS

Eco Farm Day

Canadian Organic Growers announces Eco Farm Day, the annual all-day organic farming conference.

The conference is tailored to all farmers who have already adopted organic practices or who are interested in the organic option.

Eco Farm Day is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 28, from 8-4:30 p.m., at the Ramada Inn on Brookdale Ave in Cornwall.

The registration fee for the day is $50 at the door; a $10 discount is available by joining Canadian Organic Growers.

OFA conference

A conference on agricultural globalization is slated for Niagara-on-the-Lake from Feb. 26-28.

Titled "Managing Agricultural Globalization: Challenges and Opportunities," it is the fourth annual Agricultural Excellence Conference hosted by the Canadian Farm Business Management Council.

This year marks the first time the Agricultural Excellence Conference is being held in Ontario.

For more information, contact the Canadian Farm Business Management Council at 1-888-232-3262 or via e-mail at Johanne@cfbmc.com.

Man wants 'charge' from pigs

A Ste. Anne-de-Prescott man hopes to build a 3,000-hog operation south of Glen Sandfield that will include a plant that turns manure into electricity.

Jean Luc Cardinal says he is waiting on a provincial government subsidy to assist him in building the plant.

Although Mr. Cardinal says his operation would be very similar to the 3,000-hog operation that Dalkeith farmer Donald Crooks has on his land, he says he has not submitted a formal building application yet.

"I'm waiting to hear if I'll get a subsidy from the (Ontario) government to help me build the plant," he says.

If the plant is approved, the new operation would be on Ste. Anne road.

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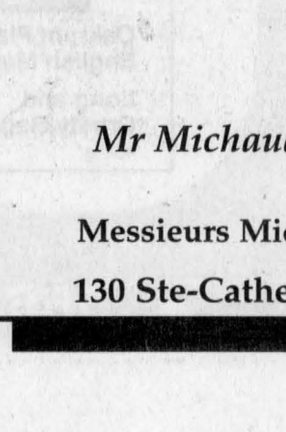
APPOINTMENT / AVIS DE NOMINATIONS

The Coordinating Committee of the Agricultural Business Centre of the Caisses populaires of Eastern Ontario is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Edmond Michaud and Mr Paul Sabourin as Agricultural Account Managers.

Le Comité de coordination du Centre financier agricole des Caisses populaires de l'Est de l'Ontario est heureux d'annoncer la nomination de M. Edmond Michaud et de M. Paul Sabourin à titre de directeurs de comptes agricoles.


Edmond Michaud

Mr Edmond Michaud is a graduate of McGill University in Agri-Business and brings with him 7 years of experience in the agricultural lending sector for the Caisses populaires including two years in Eastern Ontario.

Diplômé de l'Université McGill en agro-économie, M. Michaud oeuvre depuis 7 ans au sein du réseau des Caisses populaires dans le secteur du financement agricole dont 2 années pour les Caisses populaires de l'est de l'Ontario.

Paul Sabourin

Mr Paul Sabourin is a graduate of University of Guelph in Animal Sciences and brings with him 26 years of experience in the agricultural sector having worked in a well-known banking institution for the last 6 years. Mr Sabourin also worked as a farm management consultant and agricultural representative for the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food for twenty years.

Diplômé de l'Université de Guelph en Sciences Animales, M. Sabourin cumule 26 années d'expérience dans le secteur agricole. Il a oeuvré au sein d'une institution bancaire reconnue durant les 6 dernières années et a également agi comme conseiller en gestion d'entreprise agricole et agronome au sein du Ministère de l'Agriculture et de l'Alimentation de l'Ontario pendant vingt ans.

The Committee invites you to meet Mr Michaud and Mr Sabourin and profit from their expertise.

Le Comité vous invite à rencontrer Messieurs Michaud et Sabourin et à profiter de leurs judicieux conseils.

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Weather and fish help make derby a huge success

By Pete Bock
News Reporter

Wonderful, warm temperatures and hungry fish made for a successful second Alexandria Ice Fishing Derby.

Town residents were shocked when 798 people flooded Mill Pond to take part in the inaugural event last year. Organizers must be doing something right, because this year the number climbed to 927.

People came from town, from down the 401 and from Quebec. For Stéphane Emond of Alexandria, it was a chance to get away and relax – a present from his girlfriend. For Chip Barcier, who came from outside of Hamilton, the day was an opportunity to get together with a cousin from Bonville and a brother from Petawawa.

The weather pushed the numbers up, and made for a relaxed atmosphere, according to Stéphane Lavigne, who runs the derby with co-organizer Jacques Massie. "Compared to minus forty (last year's wind chill)," Mr. Lavigne said, "plus one is pretty good."

Consoltex employee Larry MacDonald of Monkland agreed. The 2003 derby champion bantered back and forth with friends, something he couldn't do the previous year when, "you couldn't recognize anybody, they were all bundled up."

This year one man let out a hoot when he landed a fish. Then he did a backflip.

Green Valley's Denis Martin mischievously made for his son's fishing hole, when he left to have his second fish weighed. The local businessman joked he was tired of seeing his son catch all the fish.

One man caught 10 fish. The organizers estimate over 400 fish were caught and released during the three-hour derby. The number taken to the weighing scales soared almost five-fold to 312, from 69 last year.

Former North Lancaster resident Philip Oliveira, now living in Hawkesbury, landed the biggest fish – a 4.46 pound pike. It was almost two pounds larger than last year's winning catch.

A prize package totalling $30,000 helped draw people to Alexandria. Mr. Oliveira won a 450cc four-by-four Honda ATV for his catch.

The top 20 fisherman were recognized with gifts provided by local businesses, who the organizers thank and credit for making the event possible.

Not only does the event pump money into the local economy, it provided a boost for two local organizations.

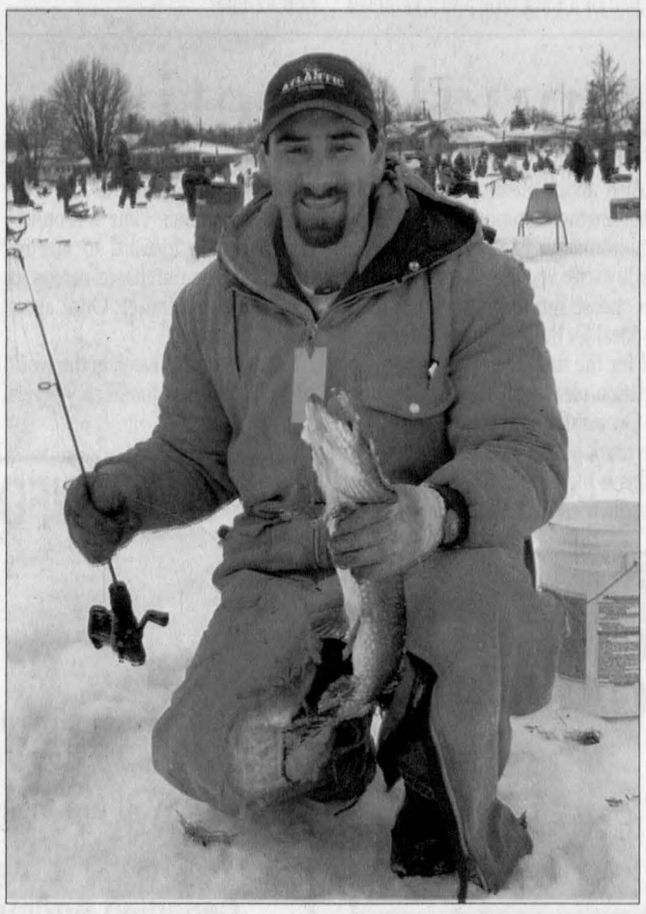
As well, the derby donated $1400, its 50/50 receipts, to the Glengarry Memorial Hospital.

Gaetan's Chip Stand, the Atlantic Hotel and M&M Meats, who all were on site selling their products, combined with Hawkesbury merchant Yvon Lacelle, who sold minnows, to donate $400 to the Friends of the Glengarry Trails.

The organizers also wanted to recognize North Glengarry Roads Department Supervisor Jean-Guy Levert and Recreation Director Bob Bowles for their efforts in making this year's event a success.

Here are the prize winners in the biggest-fish-caught category, with the prizes they won. First, Philip Oliveira, Hawkesbury, fish weighing 4.46 pounds, a Honda ATV; second, Rick Barkley, Williamsburg, 4.34 pounds, a Honda ATV; third, Laurent Decooeur, Lancaster, 3.62 pounds, an outboard motor; fourth, Claude Cholette, Lancaster, 3.47 pounds, a generator; fifth, John Gillard, Newington, 3.43 pounds, a generator; sixth, Emile St-Denis, Alexandria, 3.42 pounds, an ice auger; the seventh through 11th prize winners all landed T.V.s; seventh, André Giroux, Quebec, 3.40 pounds; eigth, Martin Touchette, Winchester, 3.28 pounds; ninth, Marc Binette, Ste Anne de Prescott, 3.24 pounds; 10th, Mike Leger, Cornwall, 3.22 pounds; 11th, Daniel Charbonneau, Alexandria, 3.20 pounds; the 12th through 16th winners all landed barbeques; 12th, Jack Leroux, Maxville, 3.16 pounds; 13th, Michel Lefebvre, Lunenberg, 3.12 pounds; 14th Dana Frauzer, Vankleek Hill, f three pounds; 15th, Bob Amell, Cornwall, 2.95 pounds; the 16th to 20th place winners won pressure washers; 16th, Yves Lamoureux, Quebec, 2.94 pounds; 17th, Laurier Leroux, Alexandria, 2.88 pounds; 18th, Raymond Poirier, Quebec, 2.87 pounds, 19th, Richard Boyer, St. Andrews, 2.87 pounds; and in 20th Kevin Thibault, St. Andrews, 2.83 pounds.





ICE FISHING DERBY
An exceptional prize package and warm weather helped draw 927 participants to Mill Pond in Alexandria on Saturday. Shown in the picture at top, from left, are first and second prize winners Philip Oliveira, Hawkesbury, and Rick Barkley, Williamsburg, with their new ATVs. In the back is event co-organizer Stéphane Lavigne, and third place winner Laurent Decoeur, Lancaster, with his new outboard motor. In the photo at the left is Sylvain Martin of Green Valley displaying a nice pike. At bottom, spaces filled up quickly due to the increased attendance at the event.

PETE BOCK PHOTOS



New doctor at hospital

By Pete Bock
News Reporter

It wasn't long before the word got out that there was a new doctor in residence at Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital (HGMH).

Setting up a family practice in town has kept Chris Georgantopoulos on his toes.

"Lots and lots of patients have been calling," said Dr. Georgantopoulos, who opened his office at the hospital last month. It is so hectic he added, "we are having to delay their arrival, we took on 100 patients in two days."

The 39 year-old physician is no stranger to Glengarry. Not only did he work in the emergency room at HGMH for a year-long stretch in the '90s, but he spent some of his childhood days on a rural property outside of Alexandria.

"My parents owned a farm here (starting in) 1962 that we would use as a cottage from Montreal, where I was born and raised."

Dr. Georgantopoulos did his undergraduate studies at Queen's before graduating with his M.D. from McMaster University.

With a stint at the National Defence Centre in Ottawa, a tour in Belgium, time with an intensive care unit in Hamilton and a stretch in Nova Scotia, the doctor has worked in a wide variety of settings since he started practicing in 1989.

One of his first priorities is to get a good understanding of his patients. But this can be time consuming has contributed to his backlogged status.

"I do a very thorough examination," Dr. Georgantopoulos said. "I believe in examining my patients and doing very good histories and physical examinations."

Presently, Dr. Georgantopoulos has office hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, except when he is performing emergency room services. He is trilingual, speaking English, French and, Greek.

Grads

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"Many of our students are playing catch-up," she says. "When the Ministry put 13 years into 12, many of the kids (struggled) because they didn't get all the training they could have gotten in primary school."

Donaleen Hawes, Superintendent of Education for the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario (of which Le Relais is a member) says that the board's failure rate – 12 per cent – is less than half the provincial level.

"A total 57 per cent of our students graduated in four years under the new program," she says.

Dr. King's study shows that one of the reasons for the projected failure rate is that many Grade 9 and 10 students are having difficulty in certain courses, such as mathematics.

Mr. Kennedy says that 25,000 students have already left the system since the double cohort began.

He says this is an alarming announcement because the country is not experiencing much growth in low-education-requirement jobs.

"Last year, 74,000 jobs were lost across the country," he said. "They were jobs with lower academic requirements and there's a boom in jobs that require a university education."

But even with the 25,000 students leaving the system, Mr. Kennedy is still pleased that some 32,000 students have decided to stay put in high school and trying to get their diplomas.

He says that the province has invested $50 million in student-at-risk programs to encourage students to stay in school. (These programs are available through every school board.)

"We want to emphasize that students who are considering leaving school not drop out," he said. "They should stick with it."

Privacy

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names unless they signed a release form.

While the Ministry of Municipal Affairs is advising municipalities that their commercial activities, i.e. provision of water, sewer or hydro, or even recreational programs could be affected under PIPEDA, the new act does not cover, "the collection, use or disclosure of personal information solely for journalistic, artistic or literary purposes."

No one from South Glengarry Council could be reached for comment this week.

All five members were in Toronto attending the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)/ Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) conventions.

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Assessment meeting

Residents concerned about the way their properties are being assessed may want to attend an upcoming meeting in Alexandria to discuss the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC.) Jean-Marc Lalonde, Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MPP, is holding the Feb. 27 meeting in order to deal with the many assessment issues brought forth by his constituents.

Mr. Lalonde says he has been receiving complaints from residential, commercial, industrial, and agricultural property owners, including sugar-bush owners. Participants are asked to bring their 2003 Property Assessment Notices to the meetings.

The Alexandria meeting will be held at the muncipal building at Island Park from 1-2:30 p.m.

Mr. Lalonde will be accompanied at the meeting by Mike Colle, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance, Greg Sorbara.

Duck race

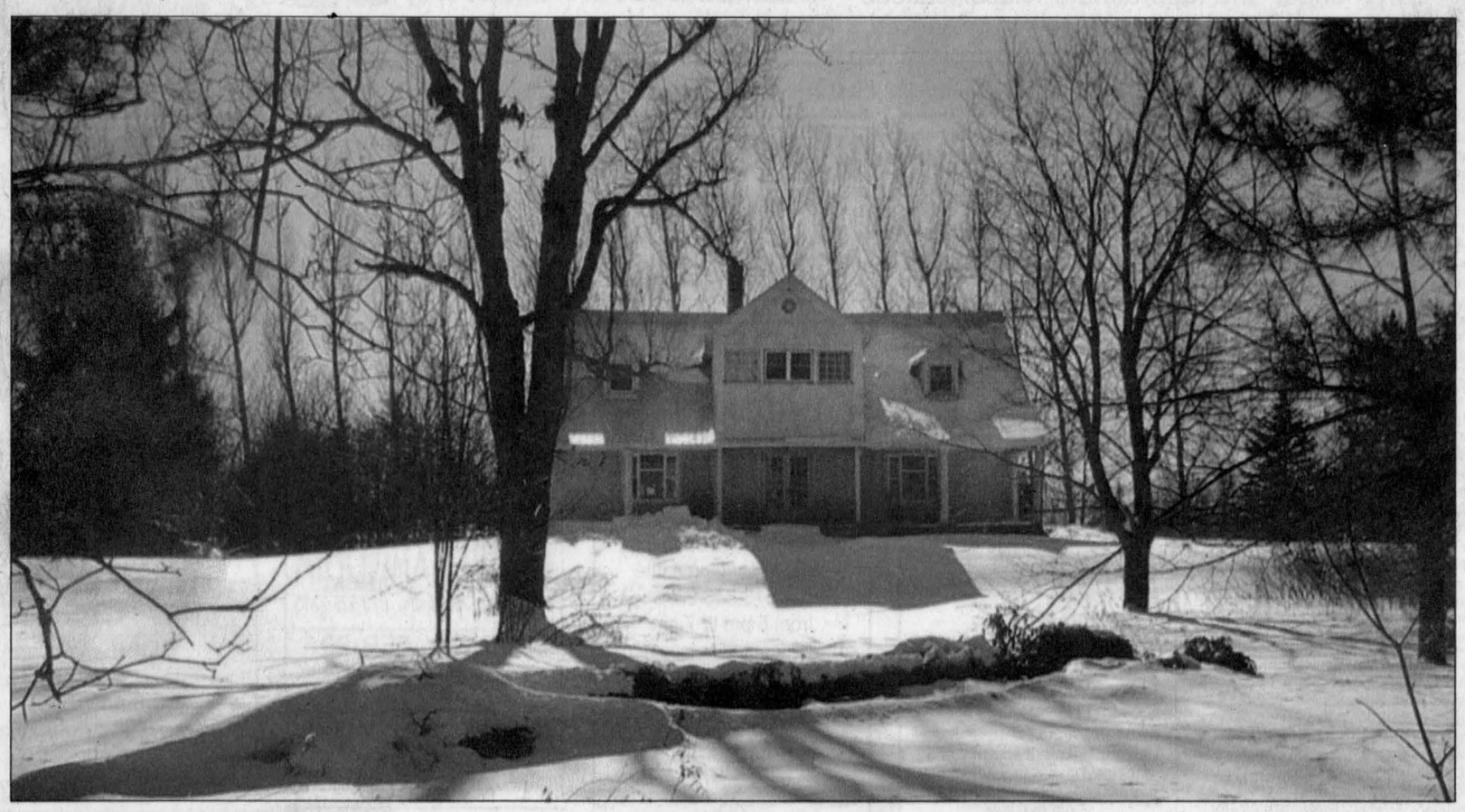
The Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) is looking for volunteers to sell duck race tickets in Glengarry.

The revenue generated from the duck race helps purchase much-needed medical equipment for the hospital. If you're interested in selling tickets for the June 5 event, please call 613-737-2779.

Air Cadets

The 379 Glengarry Mustang Air Cadet Squadron is accepting new recruits on Tuesday, March 2 at the Glengarry District High School in Alexandria.

Orientation starts at 6:30 p.m. for youths aged 12-18, accompanied by a parent. For more information, call 632-6006.



PRESENT AND PAST: Dalcrombie (Avondbloem) as it looks today. Below, Carrie Holmes MacGillivray as a young woman. SUE HARRINGTON PHOTO

House and family: A story of discovery

By Sue Harrington
News Correspondent

It was a lucky day for Glengarry when the late Evelyn Theakston van Beek and her husband, George, decided to take a Sunday afternoon drive in the country on July 11, 1965. Heading east along the Raisin River toward Williamstown, they made their acquaintance with a large house, well placed on a terrace with lawns and trees to set it off.

"Now there's MY idea of a house," Evelyn said to George, who knew of her life-long dream to live in a big house.

As luck would have it, the house was for sale. This was the beginning of Mrs. van Beek's love affair with Dalcrombie, home of the historic MacGillivray family. After buying the house, which the van Beeks re-named Avondbloem, Evelyn began the hunt for information that culminated in her writing a book about the MacGillivrays of Dalcrombie.

Carefully sifting through archival materials, writing letters to newspaper editors, contacting friends of friends of friends, Mrs. van Beek discovered missing links, unraveled genealogical mysteries, and brought a colourful and talented family to the attention of local history lovers.

A copy of her work was placed in the Williamstown Library's Local History Collection and two large scrapbooks containing photos, memorabilia, and letters, which she had amassed in her studies of the MacGillivrays, are located in the Glengarry Archives in the Sir John Johnson Manor House.

The late Mrs. van Beek left Glengarry more than just the legacy of her work, however. It was recently announced that she had bequeathed $125,000 to the county's Historical Society. Her interest in Dalcrombie and the resulting information she gathered about the fascinating MacGillivray family, had ignited in her a love of Glengarry history.



This is what she discovered:

The story of the MacGillivrays of Dalcrombie, begins, like so many other families in Glengarry, in Scotland. Familiar terms – Culloden, British landowners, the new world, fur-traders, adventure – all combined in John McGillivray, as in countless other young men of the time, the desire to sail across the Atlantic.

McGillivray came in the late 1790s and promptly joined the North West Fur Trading Company. Several of his "distant cousins," were already prominent in the company, and one of them, the Hon. William MacGillivray, later became its head.

John became a wintering partner with the North West Company in 1801 and five years later was in charge of the company in the Athabasca District.

In 1818, having accumulated some wealth, and having had a unwarranted brush with the law, John decided to retire, like so many other Nor'Westers, to the Williamstown area. He chose a site on the Raisin River, midway between Williamstown and Martintown, which is now known in his honour as MacGillivray's Bridge. And there he built Dalcrombie, named after his ancestral home in Scotland.

The North West Company partners liked to do a lot of the same things, and marrying aboriginal women was one of them. These women helped the fur-traders to survive in the wild winters of the west, looking after, and "comforting" their husbands.

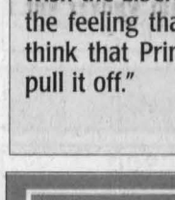
From this union, McGillivray had four children, although just who they all were is not known. His son, William, followed in his footsteps in the North West Company, but was drowned in Stuart Lake, BC in 1832. His daughter, Elizabeth married Colin Campbell, also an employee of the North

SEE **DISCOVERY** ON PAGE B6

Editor's Note: The variance in Mc Mac spellings in the story is deliberate. John apparently used Mc, the rest of the family, Mac.

Straight TALK

What do you think the Liberal government's chances are of getting re-elected?



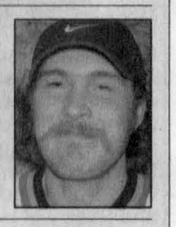
Paul Garreau, Green Valley: "I think that the Liberals will be re-elected but I think Paul Martin will get a slap right out of politics. We need some honest, young, fresh blood in Ottawa. The system, right now, is contaminated."



Randy Larocque, Williamstown: "I'd have to say yes, the Liberals will get re-elected because there's nobody else out there. I certainly don't want the Liberals but Canadians typically let everything slide. We have the power but we don't use it. It's our fault."



Onagh Ross, Martintown: "If the election was today, I'm almost certain that the Liberals would lose. I think the Liberals will hold off on the election this spring until the whole affair cools off or until they figure out if they're telling the truth."



Pete Jack, Maxville: "After years of Liberal reign there seems to be no end to the use of taxpayers' money for shady backroom dealings. I doubt I'll be voting Liberal next election because of five words . . . gross mismanagement of taxpayers' money."



Audrey MacDonald, Alexandria: "I think that the Liberals will get re-elected because they're just too popular. I don't think the scandal will stop them. I think they will lose some of their voters but they will still form a majority government."



Pascale Lajoie, Alexandria: "As much as I wish the Liberals would get back in, I have the feeling that they will lose. I just don't think that Prime Minister Paul Martin can pull it off."

If there's a question you'd like asked in Straight Talk, Call us at 525-2020 or send us an email to gnews@glengarrynews.ca

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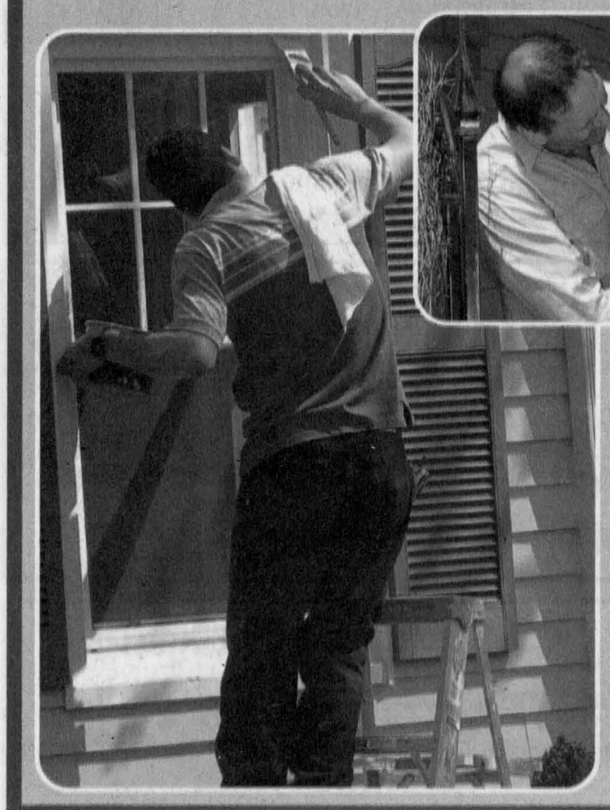





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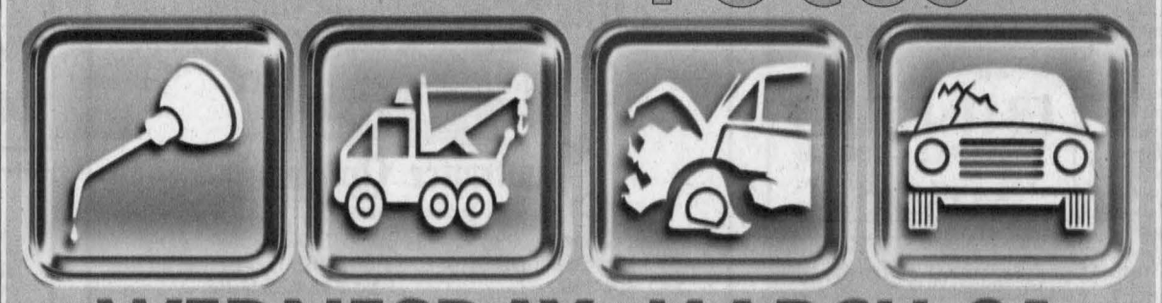

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In Memoriam

MacMASTER–In loving memory of adear husband, father and grandfather, Donald John, who passed away on February 28, 2001.
Gone from us, but leaving memories
Death can never take away,
Memories that will always linger
While upon this earth we stay.
–Loved and remembered always, Anna and family.
8-1p

Births

GRANT–Alexander (Sasha) and Stephanie (nee De Rochie) Grant are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Fiona Margaret Anne. Fiona was born at the Cornwall Community Hospital, McConnell Site on Wednesday, February 11, 2004 weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. Proud grandparents are Homer and Lorna Grant of Williamstown, Brad and Karen De Rochie and Heather De Rochie of Cornwall. Great-grandparents are James and Lily Warden of Williamstown. 8nc

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Deaths

MASTERSON, James L "Jamie"
After a lengthy illness, at his home in Deep River on February 14, 2004 in his 76th year. James L. Masterson leaves his loving wife Catherine (nee Chisholm), son Larry (Wendy Lalonde) of Orleans, daughter Angela (Dennis) McGregor of Hamilton, grandchildren Dawn, Christine, Scott of Western Canada and Tracey and Sherry of Hamilton and 4 great-grandchildren. He also leaves 3 brothers Neil, Brian and Jerome (Adair) and 4 sisters Aileen McLean, Theresa McRae, Angela (Finlay) McDonell and Kathleen (Francis) McDonell and many nieces and nephews. Jamie was predeceased by his parents Bernard and Beatrice Masterson and his sister Anna (Garfield) McDonald. A largely attended Mass of Christian Burial was held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, Deep River on Tuesday, Feb. 17 with Father Kenny, Fr. Harrington, Father Neville, Father Green and Father Scalla in the Sanctuary. His Fellow Knights from Council 5649 were pallbearers. Fourth Degree Knights of the Bishop Smith Assembly formed the Honour Guard. Interment was the Community Cemetery, Deep River. 8-1p

SALONS FUNÉRAIRES
Munro & Morris
FUNERAL HOMES LTD.
Lancaster Branch

SOMMERS, Michael
Suddenly at the Glengarry Memorial Hospital, Alexandria on Monday, Feb. 16, 2004. Michael Sommers of RR#1 Lancaster at the age of 41 years. Beloved husband of Charlene Sommers (nee Demontigny). Dear father of Roxanne, Jason and Curtis all at home. Dear son of Regina Sommers and the late Cornelius Sommers. Dear brother of Betty Sommers of Bowmanville, Peter (Louise) of RR#1 Lancaster, John (Cathy) of Navan, Martin (Emmy) of North Bay, Anne-Marie VanSleeuwen (Cory) of Williamstown, Jerry (Wendy) of Ingleside, Bernie (Cindy) of Cornwall, Eugene (Amy) of Jacksonville, Florida, Francis (Claudette) and Joey (Wendy) both of Ottawa. Predeceased by one brother, Henry. Relatives and friends called at the **Munro & Morris Funeral Homes Ltd., 46 Oak Street, Lancaster (347-3629)** on Thursday, Feb. 19 and on Friday, Feb. 20. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Lancaster on Friday, Feb. 20. Spring Interment in St. Joseph's Parish Cemetery, Lancaster. As expressions of sympathy, Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario would be appreciated by the family. *As a memorial to Michael, a tree will be planted in Memory Woods. A tree grows - memories live.*
Messages of condolence may be made online at www.munromorris.com

In Memoriam

LEFEBVRE-BRUNET–Diane, February 21, 2003.
Always in our hearts,
It's a comfort knowing we have a "Guardian Angel" to watch over us. We love you and miss you.
–Love always, your sister Claudette Hubert and boys. 8-1p

MASSIA–In loving memory of a dear husband Donat who passed away two years ago February 26, 2002.
You never deserved
What you went through.
We watched you suffer
And we suffered too.
God saw you getting tired
Put his arms around you
And whispered "Come with me."
And then you were sleeping
Peaceful, free from pain.
When you left, you took our hearts with you
Silent tears still flow.
Life goes on, and years pass by
But memories of you will never die.
–Always loved and remembered by wife Stella. 8-1p



JEAN-PAUL SAUVÉ
FEBRUARY 24, 1994
10TH ANNIVERSARY
In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather.
On the stone where you rest
Are your seven angels
Kayla, Kristian,
Stephanie, Eric, Janelle,
Damien, Kathlene
You will never be alone
When we ask for comfort
You are always there
Now, rest in peace 8-1p
Forever in our hearts
Annette, Luc, Josée, Yvon, Sonia, Monique and Eric

Deaths

LAGROIX
Joseph Frederick Alexander
(Retired Inspector Bank of Commerce)
Peacefully in hospital at Ottawa with his nieces Susan and Gail Gamble at his side on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2004. Fred Lagroix of Stittsville, formerly of Lac Sucré and Montreal, Quebec, age 88 years. Beloved son of the late Napoleon Lagroix and his wife the late Julia Parker. Dear brother of Mrs. Nellie Barton (late Bill) of Alexandria and Donald (Aurora) of New York state. Predeceased by 3 sisters; Mrs. Idella Merkley, Mrs. Pearl Boisvenue and Mrs. Violet Gamble. Also survived by nieces Leah Villeneuve, Carol Dubeau and Susan Gamble and nephews Reg Gamble, Pat and Danny Barton and Ronald Merkley, Gilles Bray and Charles Lagroix. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to the care of his nephew, Reg Gamble. C.R. Gamble Funeral Home and Chapel, 127 Church Street, Almonte. Respecting Fred's wishes for immediate cremation, a memorial service will be held at a later date. 8-1c
Condolences at:
crgamblefuneralhome@bellnet.ca

Card of Thanks

SECOURS–Celebrating a 60th wedding anniversary is very special. Thanks to our children and families for such a memorable day. Thanks to Father Marcel Larouche, Father Gerald Poirier, to Deanna Poirier, the choir, the Knights of Columbus, La Vie Montante, our neighbours, relatives and friends. Thanks to the Georgian House for serving such a delicious meal. Thanks also to those who sent flowers, gifts, cards, telephone calls, visits, etc. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you. Merci.
–Isidore and Evelyne Secours, RR2, Alexandria. 8-1p

In Memoriam

MASSIA–In loving memory of a dear father Donat who passed away February 26, 2002.
Gone, dear father, gone forever.
How we miss your smiling face.
But you left us to remember
None on earth can take your place.
A happy home we once enjoyed-
How sweet the memory still-
But death has left a loneliness
The world can never fill.
–Always loved and remembered by your children. 8-1p

MacMASTER, Mary–In loving memory of a great friend who passed away on February 29, 1992.
She left so suddenly, without saying goodbye,
But she left great memories we can hold so high.
Treasure her, God, in your garden of rest,
For in our hearts, she was one of the best.
To a beautiful life, came a sudden end,
She died as she lived-everyone's best friend.
–Peggy. 8-1p

MacMASTER, Mary Rae–In loving memory of our dear Mary Rae who passed away February 29, 1992.
Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed, and very dear.
–Dearly missed and forever loved, Mom and Dad, Phyllis, Ewen and Carol, Stephen and Brenda, Sandra and Kenny, Hugh, Glenn and Holly and family. 8-1p

DUMOUCHEL–In loving memory of a dear husband and father Laurier who passed away February 28, 1992.
We often sit and think of you
When we are alone
For memory is the only friend
That grief can call its own.
No one knows the sorrow we share
When the family meets and you're not there.
You are gone but not forgotten,
Deep in our hearts you will always stay.
Loved and remembered every day.
–Sadly missed by wife Annette, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. 8-1p

Announcements



Derrek and Joan Johnson of Glen Robertson wish to announce the engagement of their daughter
POLLY
to
RYAN DUNNE
son of John and Mary Dunne of P.E.I. 8-1p

Coming Events

JOIN US FOR SUPPER
and JAMBOREE
Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Alexandria
FRIDAY, FEB 27
5:30 p.m. *Reservations only!*
LASAGNE and HAM
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Admission:
Supper and Dance $10 ea.
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BINGO
TUESDAYS - 7:30 PM
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Card of Thanks

Community Living Glengarry would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors.....

Canadian Tire Corporation Store; Priest's Mill; Marcel TV Furniture; Shepherd Motors Sports Shop; Seaway DJ; Dessureault Your Independent Grocer; Labatt Brewer's Retail Store and many more...
for their contribution toward the Super Bowl Party held February 1, 2004 at the Priest's Mill in Alexandria.
We wish to express our sincere appreciation to those who bought tickets in support of this fundraising event.
Board of Directors, Community Living Glengarry Inc. 8-1c

Coming Events

PROFESSIONAL magician for hire. Magic for any occasion, birthdays, parties, etc. Call Steve at 525-5408. 34-tf

WORLD Day of Prayer service, Glen Sandfield United Church, Friday, March 5, 2pm. Everyone welcome. 8-2p

FRESH-AIR Ceilidhs, Maxville Complex, 7pm, March 19 and April 16, Patti Lamoureux, seven time Manitoba Fiddle Champion and three time Pembroke and Nepean champion. 8-1p

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Enter Your Team Now!

Coming... March 5
SIDETRACK
Country and Rock

Planning an event at home or office? Are you afraid of alcohol liability? Give us a call!
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Coming Events

MARTINTOWN
Community Centre
* * *
Banquet hall available for rental
Tel: 528-4235 or 347-2411 1-tf

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Cattle Team Penning in Avonmore this summer
Riders interested in learning or improving their skills at penning cattle
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from 5 pm to 7 pm 5-6p
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Main St. - 347-3286
Monday to Sunday 1-10 pm
FEB/MARCH EVENTS
Wed. 25- Dart league, 7:30 pm.
Thurs. 26- Community Fun Pool, 8 pm. Everyone welcome.
Fri. 27- Community Darts, 8 pm.
Sat. 28- Community Meat Draw, 3-5 pm. Draw every hour - must be present to win. Everyone welcome.
Sat. 28- Community Sadie Hawkins Dinner, Dance: Salisbury steak, onions, mashed potatoes, gravy, Black Forest cake. $8/person. Music: Cowboy Way. Prize for best costume, spot dances. Door prizes. Tickets available at Legion.
Mon. Mar. 1- Community Darts, 8 pm.
Tues. Mar. 2- Community Fun, Pool, 8 pm. 8-1c

BRANCH 423 LEGION
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48 Elgin St., Alexandria 613-525-2213
BAR HOURS
Mon-Fri - 2 pm to close
Sat-Sun - 11 am to close
* * *
Meat Draws Every Sat. 3-5
Draws 3 pm, 4 pm and 5 pm
* * *
Sunday, Feb. 29
General Meeting, 2-4 pm
Membership Birthday Party, 4 pm
* * *
KARAOKE
EVERY FRIDAY
8 pm to Midnight
Everyone Welcome
* * *
Wednesday Afternoons
SENIORS' DARTS, 2 pm
* * *
Tuesday Night
POOL NIGHT
* * *
Sunday, March 14
DART TOURNAMENT
More details to follow 8-1c

Coming Events

Friends and Relatives are invited to an
AFTERNOON TEA
from 1 to 4 pm
at Laggan Public School
SATURDAY, FEB. 28
in celebration of
JANICE MacINTOSH's
90th BIRTHDAY
Best Wishes Only 8-1p

BRANCH 423 LEGION
ALEXANDRIA
48 Elgin St., Alexandria 613-525-2213
SUNDAY, FEB. 29
General Meeting
2 pm
MEMBERSHIP
Birthday Party
4 pm - Light Lunch 7-2c

Eastern Thunder Broomball
EUCHRE TOURNAMENT
Glengarry Curling Club (Maxville)
FRIDAY, FEB. 27, 7 pm
Entry, Lunch, Prizes: $10
Help send our girls to the National Broomball Championships in Saskatchewan
Sandy Blaney 527-2746
Marlene MacCuaig 527-3405 8-1p

FORGIVE ME FATHER
Dinner Theatre
* * * * * * * *
St. Mary's Parish Centre
Williamstown
SATURDAY, MARCH 6
IRISH STEW
('tis Canadian Beef)
Cocktails: 6 pm
Dinner: 7 pm
with Irish Entertainment
Followed by
"Forgive Me Father"
Tickets: $15 each
available at MacDonald Grocery or by calling
347-3605
All proceeds to Char-Lan Food Grains Bank 8-1c

BRANCH 423 LEGION
ALEXANDRIA
Attention All Veterans
John Morrison
will be here
TUESDAY, FEB. 24
8:00 am
Anyone needing assistance please call Cde Frank Periard at 525-5415 or the Branch 7-2c

Coming Events

STORMONT HOLSTEIN CLUB
Bus Trip: Renfrew County
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3
Cost: $25
Tickets:
Monica Kagi 984-0539
Car Tour:
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 10-3 pm
Farm Stops: Jason Brown
Murrayholm Farms
Grants
Gutknecht 8-1p

EUCHRE PARTY
ST. RAPHAEL'S PARISH CENTRE
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29
8 pm
Light Lunch and Door Prize
Admission $3.00
Everyone welcome 8-1c

COUNTRY FLEA MARKET
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Come and celebrate your birthday – Free cake with reservations
Sunday, March 7
Border Bow Hunters
March 8 to March 31
CLOSED FOR RENOVATIONS 7-3c

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Every SATURDAY - 5:30 pm-7 pm - Public Skating
ADMISSION: $2/Adult, $1.25/children under 12
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SATURDAY, FEB. 28, 7:30 pm
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ANNUAL AND SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
ASSEMBLÉE ANNUELLE ET SPÉCIALE

The "Annual and Special General Meeting" of the members of The Glengarry Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held on **Thursday, March 4, 2004 at 2:00 pm** at their office in Alexandria, Ontario, for the purpose of:

1. to receive, consider and approve annual statements
2. to elect directors
3. to appoint auditors
4. to transact such further business as may come before the meeting

8-2c

RICHARD ALLINOTTE .....President
BRIAN K. FISHER .....Secretary

GLENGARRY COUNTY MILK PRODUCERS ANNUAL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 10 am
Alexandria Curling Club
Chris Antonik - DFO
Tariff Walls - Milk Prices
Guy Seguin - DFO, Demonstrating Time Temp Recorders
PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND 8-2c

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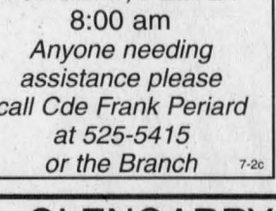

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POKER RUN - Glen Robertson Optimist Club
SATURDAY, FEB. 28 - Dinner/Dance at Sports Palace
* * *
ICE PROGRAM
Wednesdays, 3-5 pm, Free Skating
Sundays, 7-8 pm, Free Skating
* * *
SKATE MONITOR NEEDED!
Contact Arena 8-1c

Coming Events

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BBQ NIGHT - All Day
starting at $4.99
* * *
FRIDAY
BAKED SHRIMPS with
Caesar Salad, baguette,
dessert - coffee or tea
$10.95
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SATURDAY NIGHT
SIZZLING Steak
Maggie's Style
Thick cut of rib eye steak
in a mild pepper sauce, potato
and vegetables,
dessert - coffee or tea
$19.95
* * *
SUNDAY BRUNCH
from 9 am to 1:30 pm
$5.95
* * *
BRUNCH
SATURDAY, FEB. 28
POKER RUN BRUNCH
Glen Robertson Optimists
7 am - 11:30 am
$5.95 8-1c
All Welcome - Good Luck

Articles for Sale

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1–NH 8870
1–NH TM150 cab, 4x4, loader
4–NH TS100 cab, 4x4
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2–NH 8260, cab, 4x4 (1 w/ldr)
1–Ford 7710, 2x4
1–Ford 8830 4x4, cab
1–NH 8160 4x4,cab
1–NH TS100 2x4, cab
1–JD 1145 commercial mower
1–Allis Chalmer 7000 2WD
1–Ford 8240 cab, 4x4
1–Ford 8730, 4x4, cab

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1–John Deere 337 w/kicker
1–NH 492 haybine
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1–J Deere 435 round bale
1–Claas 180 round baler, Fast net, rotorcut
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1–NH 595 baler
1–Deutz 490 H-D baler
1–NH 575 baler
1–NH 1411 discbine
1–NH 718 harvester w/2 head
3–IH 830 harvester
1–Heston 7145 harvester
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1–MF rake
1–Hesston 3900 rake
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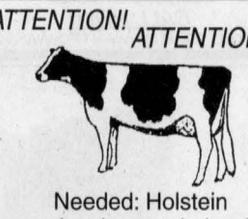
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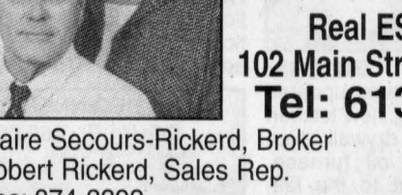
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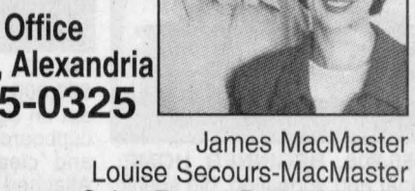
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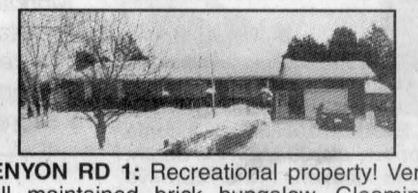
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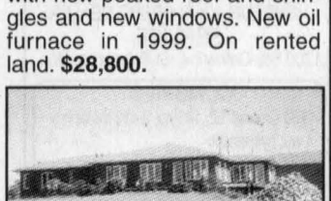

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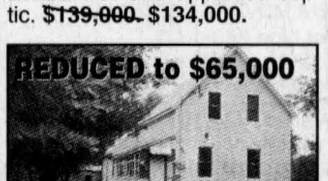

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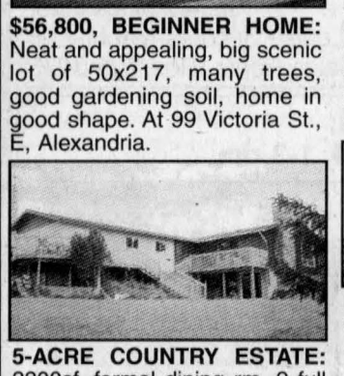

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GORGEOUS COUNTRY HOME: Just east of Alexandria on Delisle River, all brick, 1200sf, nicely renovated, recent windows, new roof, all finished bsmt, lot 100x375 to river. Attached insulated garage 14x21. Also insulated shop 24x18. Beautiful landscaping. **$149,000.**



FIRST TIME BUYERS: $59,000. Big 2-storey updated apt on right, 3 brs, new kitchen cupboards, new drywall, nice and clean, new oil furnace. Attached 2-br apt to the left, also has new oil furnace, rented at $500. Town water, approved septic. Great buy at **$59,000.**



MAGNIFICENT, DELUXE, 2600 SF: Built 1990, just east of Green Valley, bright spacious large kitchen and dining area, formal dining rm with fireplace, hdwd flrs, huge master br with a double jacuzzi and an ensuite bthrm and walk-in closet, 3 bthrms all with whirlpool baths. Dougle garage. Also a separate insulated shop of 16x32. **$175,000.**

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Magnificent lakefront property - one acre of superb landscaping, variety of trees, 270' on scenic lake. Enjoy being close to Alexandria which has golf, curling, bowling, hockey and many stores. Spacious 3-br bungalow with views to lake, new metal roof, attached shop which can be a rec room, attached garage. All for only **$156,800.**

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Owner Announces Fantastic Deal
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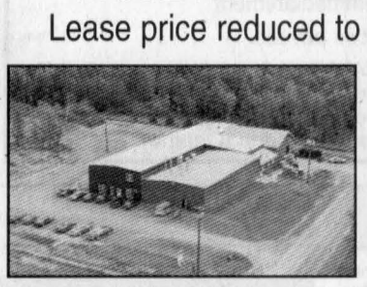
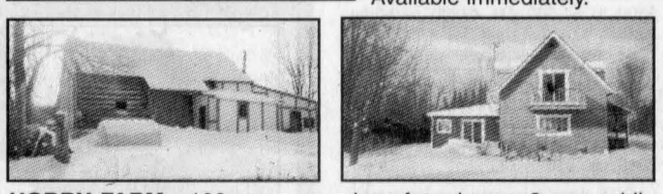


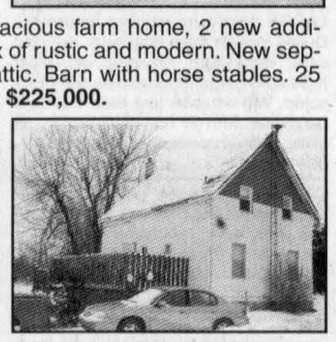
INDUSTRIAL 16,500 SQ. FT. - Great opportunity for a new industry in Alexandria, located just south of town on 9th Conc. Road (Road 25). Large 16,500 sq. ft building on 3 acres land. Large septic for 50 employees installed in 1990. 600 amp 3 phase. Available immediately.



HOBBY FARM - 100 acres, spacious farm home, 2 new additions from original log home, mix of rustic and modern. New septic. New 2-dr garage with high attic. Barn with horse stables. 25 acres fields and 75 acres treed. **$225,000.**



ON HWY 34 across from Roy's Car Sales. Neat renovated home with new back extension, new roof and vinyl exterior. Propane fireplace, 3 brs, living rm, dining rm and kitchen. Insulated garage. Lot 75x100 and has town sewers. **$62,000.**



GLEN NORMAN: Corner lot, one acre 199x203, nicely renovated, open concept, 4 brs, new roof at front, includes material for back, lots of trees. **$89,900.**



LOW, LOW PRICE OF $159,000: PRIME, PRIME BUSINESS LOCATION: 2,550sf of totally renovated building. Much visibility on Hwy. 34 at Alexandria's south end. 2 front display windows, illuminated sign post. Recent roof, insulation, siding, flooring. Will include laundromat equipment (8 washers, 4 dryers) but not dry cleaning. 550 amp, 3 phase. Lot 66x102. Start 2004 here.

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BUILDING LOTS AND LAND
- 25 acres, east of Dunvegan, treed, pasture. **$28,000.**
- 40 acres, east of Greenfield. **$34,000**
- 13 acres, Main St., Greenfield. **$19,800.**
- Street Road, near Cornwall, 25 acres. **$43,000.**
- Amell Road, near St. Andrew's, 20 acres. **$29,800.**
- Amell Road, 120x300. **$13,800.**
- Main St., Glen Robertson, 125x250. **$15,000.**
- Marcoux Road, 24 acres. **$35,500.**
- Florence St., Glen Robertson, 2 lots of 180x240, **$13,800 ea.**
- Gorgeous treed lot 190x286 on First Kenyon. **$23,800.**
- 9 acres, marvelous, all wooded. $23,000.
- 3 lots, 170x301, at corner Hwy 43 and Lakeshore Rd. Treed evergreens. **$17,800 each**
- 380x315, on Marcoux Rd. **$22,800.**
- 200x722, 2 super lots, on Road 45, 1 km west of Alexandria. **$27,800.** Walk to town.
- Loch Garry Road, 32 acres, field and treed. **$32,800.**
- Williamstown, MacGregor Rd, 2.3 acs, **$22,000.**
- Glen Nevis, on river 150x410. **$19,800.**
- Curry Hill, on 5th Line, 203x378. **$21,500.**
- Dorney, 4 acres, south of tracks. **$16,800.**

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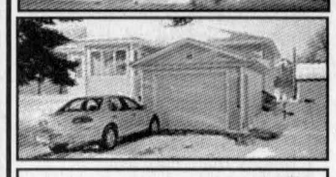
BAINSVILLE: Looking for privacy? 1.3 acres, spotless 4-br home close to Que border. Perfect location to commute to Montreal.



ALEXANDRIA, $87,900: Cosy 3-br bungalow w/attached garage all on a 50x221' lot.



ALEXANDRIA: Shows well! 2-br bungalow, first floor built-in oven, stove top, dishwasher, luxurious gas fireplace, f.a. gas heating, well finished basement consists of 2 brs, family rm and extra kitchen.

ALEXANDRIA, $44,900: 1-1/2 storey home, 3 brs, lot 31x132', Payment less than $275/PM - PI.

NORTH LANCASTER, $87,900: Neat as a pin! 4 bdrm home, w/garage, large lot.

ALEXANDRIA, $69,900: Duplex - two 1-br homes fully rented month-to-month basis. Good income. For add. info call today.

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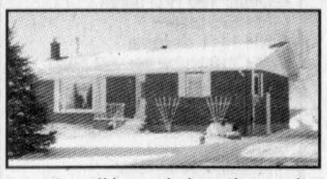
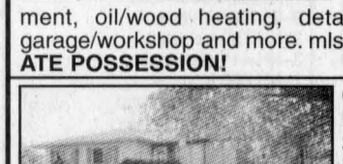


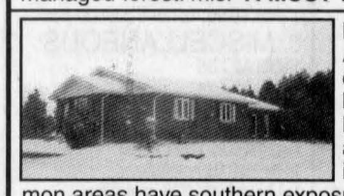
TO SETTLE ESTATE - Fassifern area, Highway #34 frontage, we offer you this 3 brm, brick bungalow with country size kitchen, living room, all with new hardwood floor, partly finished basement, oil/wood heating, detached insulated double car garage/workshop and more. mls. **PRICED TO SELL. IMMEDIATE POSSESSION!**



CURRY HILL AREA, IMMEDIATE POSSESSION for this 3 brm renovated home offering new kitchen, sun porch/room (3 season) beautiful bathroom, full basement. Extra spacious lot, mature trees and right of way to Lake St. Francis. **PRICED FOR IMMEDIATE SALE.**



MAXVILLE/BALTIC CORNERS AREA. Quaint 2+1 brm. Cape Cod style bungalow, like new condition. Well appointed kitchen, formal dining room, sunken living room with cathedral ceiling and Vermont Casting woodstove. Fully finished bsmt, rear deck, gazebo, detached newly built relocated 1 1/2 storey log outbuilding (guest house) and peaceful 16 acres of mature maple managed forest. mls. **A MUST TO SEE. CALL NOW!**



MARTINTOWN/APPLE HILL AREA. Beautiful 1492 spacious sq. ft 3+1 brm. brick bungalow, well appointed kitchen with built-in appliances, formal dining room, living room with stove (all common areas have southern exposure that overlook an incredible backyard nestled in cedars). Master bed/ensuite, full finished bsmt, 2 1/2 car garage/workshop/carport, above ground pool (exterior bath). All on a picturesque park like 2.448 acre cedar treed lot. mls. **PRICED TO SELL. OWNER RELOCATING.**

ALEXANDRIA TOWN, north end location, like new, energy efficient 3+1 brm. brick front bungalow offering a country size kitchen, living room/hardwood floors, 2 baths, fully finished bsmt with spacious rec room/gas stove. Large backyard. **IDEAL FOR THE YOUNG FAMILY.**

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Auctions/Notices

NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY
LANCASTER LIBRARY

The Council of the Township of South Glengarry will be in attendance at the Lancaster Library on Saturday, February 28, 2004 from 11:00 am until 12:00 noon.

The County LIbrary Board has suggested that additional space at the Library would be beneficial and allow for improved services and programs for the Library users.

Council would like to receive your comments. Please visit the Library during the time specified above and speak to your Council Members. 8-1c

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BYLAW AMENDMENT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry will hold a public meeting on the 23rd day of March, 2004, at 7:00 pm at the Township Office, to consider a proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act.

THE PURPOSE of this Zoning Bylaw amendment is to rezone the lands described as being Part of Lot 25, Concession 8, Township of North Glengarry (Kenyon Ward), Hamlet of Dunvegan, 19050 County Road 24 from Residential Hamlet (RH) to Institutional (In). The change in zoning will allow the property to be used for the recreation hall parking hall parking and to also be developed into an asphalted activity area.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed amendment.

IF a person or public body who files an appeal of a decision of the Township of North Glengarry in respect of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment does not make oral submission at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of North Glengarry before the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed amendment is available at the Township office during regular office hours.

Dated at the Township of North Glengarry this 23rd day of Feb., 2004.

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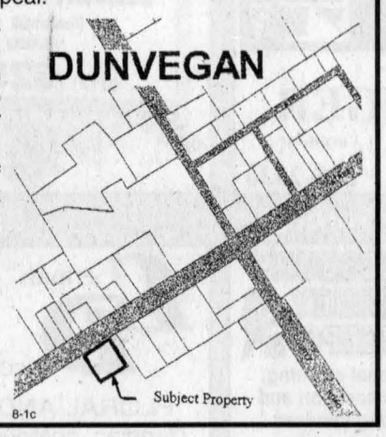

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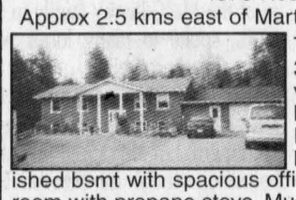

Tastefully decorated 1200sf, 3+1-br home on a very private 1 acre lot. Gleaming hdwd flooring throughout. Propane fireplace in formal living/dining area. Fully finished bsmt with spacious office, br, laundry/bthrm and rec room with propane stove. Must be seen to be appreciated. Can't wait to see you there.

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NEW LISTING



HOBBY FARM! 135 acres, appr. 60 clear, balance bush, older 4 br. house, forced air wood and oil combination furnace, older log barn, machine shed, **$149,900.** MLS



GREEN VALLEY! 2+2-br split level home on a large lot, hdwd flrs, air conditioner, large deck, gazebo, attached and detached garages, paved driveways and landscaping redone in 2003. **$199,900.** MLS



ALEXANDRIA! Duplex located centre of Alexandria, one 2-br and one 1-br, recent renovations, oil furnace replaced, good tenants. **$79,900.** MLS.



FOR LEASE! Approximately 9,000sf zoned Institutional, was a former school, call Agent for details, MLS.

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23 FRONT IN LANCASTER VILLAGE! One of the few Victorian century homes in Lancaster available for sale. 3+1 br 2-storey home. Formal living and dining room, eat-in kitchen with oak cabinets, large bonus room. Two staircases to upper level and bsmt. Walk-in attic on 3rd level. Large serviced fenced-in lot, above ground pool, perennial garden, etc. Act now, call Diane. Asking price **$159,900.** MLS

SOUTH LANCASTER PROPERTIES



Cute and comfortable 2-br home, ideal for single person or retiree on a fully serviced lot in a pleasant village setting. All windows recently replaced, appliances and most furniture included. **$58,500.** Call Andy or Jackie for details.



Spacious 3-br bungalow on double serviced lot in village, 2 blocks from lake. Kitchen with built-in appliances and adjoining family rm., ground floor laundry, "spa" room, triple attached garage, basement ready to finish. **$179,000.** Call Jackie or Andy to arrange a showing.

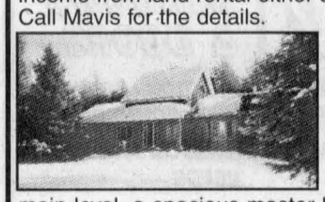
BAINSVILLE VILLAGE

Looking to build in the spring? Consider this attractive re-sale building lot in Bainsville – 1/2 acre measures 100 ft x 220 ft with some mature trees and shrubs. Super location for Montreal commuters only 3 kms from first exit off Hwy 401. **$20,000.** Call Andy or Jackie.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS!

START YOUR OWN BUSINESS with this almost-new chip stand - approved by Health Unit and Fire Marshal and suitable for year-round use. To be moved to your location. Call Mavis for more information.

INCOME PROPERTY – A parcel of land with a mobile home included (rent it out or live there yourself) brings in monthly income from land rental either side.
Call Mavis for the details.



HIDDEN AWAY IN A FOREST! This unique, energy efficient home, built in 1994, with board and batten exterior, cathedral ceilings with skylights, and wood floors, offers 2 brs and full bathroom on the main level, a spacious master bedroom with ensuite upstairs, full basement, and the pleasure of owning 32 treed acres with stream, pond and trails. Asking **$229,000.** By appointment only. Call Mavis.

Lent is a time for generosity



GLEN ROBERTSON
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Lent starts today with Ash Wednesday. Small banks are at the back of the church to put in the spare change that you will never miss.

It is especially important to teach children to share with the poorest people in the world.

This year, Development and Peace embarks on a three year campaign which focuses on water, one of our world's most precious resources.

Water is a sacred gift that must be protected for the common good and access to clean water is a basic human right.

To this, we could add shelter and food as there is enough food to feed all the world.

Inadequate access to safe drinking water affects the well-being of over one billion people, most of whom live in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Millions of poor people find the tap turned off because they cannot pay their water bill. In desperation, risking death or illness, they have no choice but to use unsafe water sources.

Privatized water services earn profits for their shareholders at the expense of the poor who can least afford the resulting high water fee.

Privatization is a real threat to the common good and to universal access to safe drinking water.

By giving generously, we can help the third world people directly in their fight for justice and contribute in building a more united, just and better world.

Development and Peace is part of a global movement working to maintain water as a human right for the common good, rather than a commodity from which to earn escalating profits.

Every 14 seconds someone dies from a disease caused by contaminated water and 70 per cent of water-related diseases could be avoided if everyone had access to clean water.

Development and Peace, launched in 1967 by the Catholic Bishops of Canada, has funded thousands of successful projects in underdeveloped countries, responds quickly to provide basic needs in times of crisis and long term efforts help people rebuild their communities.

D. & P. helps people take control of their lives and build a future for themselves and their children.

Fundraiser

This is the last week to enter in the Optimist Club poker run which will be this coming Saturday, Feb. 28.

All profits go towards juvenile diabetes and youth cancer.

To register, phone Richard Theoret at 525-0463, Monique Rosa at 931-2962 or Richard Picard at 525-2484.

Laurier-Carrière News

Children at Laurier-Carrière are raising funds for their school while helping to save the planet by bringing their soft drink cans which will be sold at 2.5 cents per can.

A great way to raise money and recycle!

Don't forget to mention the name of your children's school when buying at M&M.

This also will give you a money percentage.

On Feb. 5 and 6, students participated in a pinball tournament. Some played in North Lancaster while others welcomed some students here.

On Feb. 19, Grades 7 and 8 students participated in a basketball tournament in Alexandria.

For Grade 8 students, a very important few months is on its last stretch and another one will begin in September.

Le Relais welcomed these students on Feb. 5 for a tour and on Feb. 11 they made a presentation to the students accompanied by their parents.

Beginning this Friday night, the Way of the Cross will be prayed starting at 7, followed by the Mass at 7:30 and then a video will be shown in the little hall.

We will resume with the rosary after Easter on Friday nights.

Optimist news

At last Sunday's Optimist meeting, two new members received their Optimist kits.

They are Madeleine and Frances Aubin. Welcome to the Optimist Club!

At the last Eastern Ontario convention in Kingston, last year's president, Johanne McCarthy received a certificate for meeting all the criteria for being an honour club.

Secretary Rose-Anne Theoret and treasurer Linda Hamelin also received certificates for their hard work.

A community album on security with many pictures of Optimist activities and other info made by Sue Poirier received 2nd place.

Katimavik

Johanne and Butch McCarthy have the pleasure of a guest in their home for nine days – Maxime Arsenault who is from Sherbrooke. He was present at the Optimist meeting and he was impressive in the way he expressed himself. Madeleine and Frances Aubin also have a young girl, Santana from Calgary, staying at their home for nine days.

As Madeleine said "It's a very enriching experience for all those involved."

Families interested in Katimavik can contact co-ordinator Linda Hamelin at 525-4194 or Marc Antoine Brodeur, Project leader at 525-3269.

Road to recovery

The fundraiser for burn victim, Richard Lefebvre last Saturday at the Alexandria Pizzeria netted over $1,900.

Jean Lajoie was the one who gave Richard the money.

Many thanks to all the fishing derby participants and all the friends and family who came to the pizzeria.

Let's not forget Jean Lajoie who played heavenly music and who gives a lot of his time fundraising. It was nice to see Richard and we wish him all the best and good luck on his recovery path.

Have an enjoyable week!

Auctions/Notices

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY REPORT ADDENDUM ALEXANDRIA SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT NOTICE OF PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

The Environmental Study Report (ESR) for the Alexandria Sewage Treatment Plant was completed in 1998. The preferred solution identified at that time included the construction of a new mechanical treatment plant at the site of the existing lagoon facility.

Since the publication of the ESR, there has been a growing body of technical knowledge and data demonstrating that treatment wetland systems designed to polish pre-treated wastewater effluent can be operated effectively year round in Ontario. Also, installation of water meters and sewer line repairs within the service area has resulted in a reduction of the average wastewater flow to the existing Alexandria sewage treatment lagoons. Given this new information, a re-evaluation of the treatment options was completed. The results of the assessment identified upgrades to the current lagoon system and the construction of a treatment wetland, including a poplar tree plantation for effluent reuse and seasonal golf course irrigation to be the preferred option when considering technical, natural, social and economic environments.
A Public Open House is planned to present the results of the assessment and the new solution for providing wastewater treatment for the Alexandria community over the next 20 years.

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE
THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2004
THE ISLAND PARK BUILDING
102 DERBY STREET WEST
6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

A display of information will be available for public viewing. Members of the project and consulting teams will be on hand to discuss the project in an informal setting.

If you are unable to attend the Open House, you are welcome to submit your comments, suggestions and questions to:

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Attention: Mr. Andre Bachand, Manager, Waterworks Department
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MUNICIPALITÉ DU CANTON DE GLENGARRY NORD ADDENDA DU RAPPORT DE L'ÉTUDE ENVIRONNEMENTALE: PROJET DE PLAN DE TRAITEMENT DES EAUX USÉES D'ALEXANDRIA AVIS PUBLIC : PORTES OUVERTES

Le rapport de l'étude environnementale (ESR) au sujet d'un plan de traitement des eaux usées pour Alexandria a été complété en 1998. La meilleure solution identifiée à ce moment-là, incluait la construction d'une nouvelle usine mécanique sur les lieux des bassins de rétention existants.

Depuis la publication du rapport (ESR), de nouvelles connaissances et données techniques ont démontré que les systèmes de traitements par terres humides pour clarifier l'effluent d'eaux usées prétraitées, peuvent être opérés à l'année longue en Ontario.

De même, l'installation de compteurs d'eau et la réparation de la tuyauterie des égoûts dans la région desservie ont eu comme résultat une réduction du niveau d'eaux usées dirigées aux bassins de rétention d'Alexandria. Avec cette nouvelle information, une ré-évaluation des options de traitement a été complétée. Les résultats de l'évaluation ont reconnu l'amélioration du système actuel des bassins et la construction d'un traitement par terres humides, incluant une plantation de peupliers pour réutiliser l'effluent et l'irrigation d'un terrain de golf saisonnier étant la solution préférable considérant l'environnement technique, naturel, social et économique.

Une assemblée publique portes ouvertes est à l'horaire pour présenter les résultats de l'évaluation ainsi que la nouvelle solution pour un plan de traitement des eaux usées qui servirait la communauté d'Alexandria pour les 20 prochaines années.

ASSEMBLÉE PORTES OUVERTES
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L'information sera affichée pour inspection par le public. Les membres du comité du projet et l'équipe de consultants seront sur place pour discuter du projet.

Si vous ne pouvez pas assister à l'assemblée portes ouvertes, vous êtes bienvenus à soumettre vos commentaires, suggestions et questions. SVP les adresser à:

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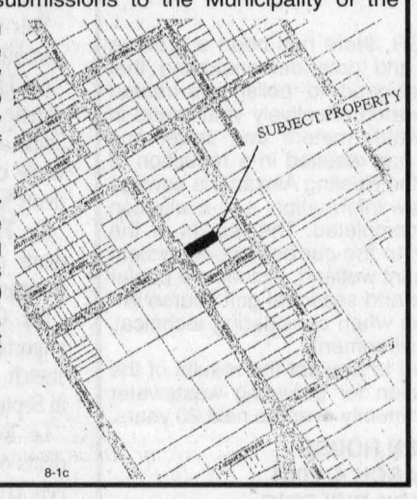
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING BYLAW #39-2000
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry will hold a public meeting on the 23rd day of March 2004 in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building in Alexandria to consider a proposed amendment to the Township's Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw under Section 34 of the Planning Act as amended.

The purpose of the amendment is to permit the property at 373 Main Street South, Alexandria (Ward), Township of North Glengarry, Part of Lot 5, Plan 2 (Park) and more accurately described as Part 1 on reference plan 14R-2748 to permit the property to be used for all general commercial (CG) uses and to include a car cleaning establishment, General Commercial Special Exception.

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment. If a person or public body who files an appeal of a decision of the Council of the Township of North Glengarry in respect of the proposed zoning bylaw does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of the Township of North Glengarry before the proposed zoning bylaw is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment is available between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday at the Township offices.

Dated at the Township of North Glengarry this 19th day of February, 2004.

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Discovery

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West Company. Elizabeth and Colin had five sons and nine daughters, and some of you reading this may be descended from their offspring.

The other two children from John's marriage to the "perfect" Indian woman (as she was described by Governor Simpson) are not known. Local legend has it that after John settled down at Dalcrombie and was married to Isabella, the daughter of the Hon. Neil McLean, the following event took place.

"One winter in a wild storm, there was a knock at the door. Isabella opened it and there stood an Indian woman with two small boys. She had come from the far north-west, all the way to Glengarry to claim their rights for the two boys," wrote Rhodes Grant of Martintown, who said he had been told the tale by his grandmother, Janet Munro, who was raised on the farm adjacent to the MacGillivrays.

The visitors were taken in and when spring came, the woman set out again for the west. John and Isabella kept the two boys. While one died in childhood, the other appears to have survived.

According to Mrs. van Beek, "Some people have cast doubt on this story, but when Mr. Ian Henderson of Williamstown was reading it in the trial draft of this history, there immediately flashed into his mind something his aunt had told him when he was a very little boy, namely that she had SEEN the Indian son of John McGillivray as a clerk in Vankleek Hill, Ont."

Certainly there must be some truth to the story of an Indian woman following her husband back to the east. Tales of such happenings have swirled around the countryside for years, and have even been fictionalized in Grace Campbell's novel, *The Thorn Apple Tree.*

It seems as though John McGillivray produced his children in lots of four. He and Isabella had four daughters in a row between 1819 and 1826, but oddly, they all died. They then had four sons in the next decade, and they all lived.

John McGillivray held many important titles during his time in Williamstown – among them Commissioner of Crown Lands, member of the Legislative Council of Upper Canada, (giving him the right to use Hon. in front of his name), and Justice of the Peace – but there was one title he had to return to Scotland to try to retrieve.

In 1852, at the age of more than 75 years, he sailed across the sea whence he had come, to claim the title of Chief of the MacGillivray clan. But legal ramblings took their time, and John, feeling in ill health, returned to Williamstown without settling the matter. He died in 1855.

The eldest of his four sons with Isabella, Neil John, then took up the quest to be leader of the clan. Unfortunately, he encountered some difficulties in proving he was who he said he was. In the records of St. Andrew's United Church in Williamstown, there is mention of the baptism of some of John and Isabella's children, but there is no Neil John.

As Mrs. van Beek wrote, "This seemed puzzling until in an affidavit written by the Rev. Hugh Urquhart of St. John's Presbyterian Church in Cornwall in 1857, the information came to light that Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Williamstown had been somewhat remiss in the keeping of the ministerial registry of baptisms..."

Armed with this affidavit and another one from his uncle, Alexander McLean, Neil John became the MacGillivray Clan Chief and was able to claim his rights to the Scottish Estates.

Despite becoming Chief in 1858, Neil John ruled the Clan for many years from his home just west of Dalcrombie. He and his wife, the former Catherine Macdonell, (a niece of the Bishop Macdonell, the first Roman Catholic Bishop of Kingston) had four children, all of whom were baptized in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church (now United) in Martintown.

In 1870, the family left Glengarry and relocated to Montreal. After "commuting" many times to Scotland to look after his clan duties, Neil John and Catherine and family finally made the move back to the old country in 1880.

Just six years later, Neil John died suddenly, but his character legacy was a good one. He was regarded as a "kind and benevolent chief" by his clansmen who filled the church to overflowing at his funeral.

He was succeeded as Chief by his son, John William MacGillivray, but by then the family's finances were in decline. In 1890, all the Scottish estates were sold off, ending a four century MacGillivray connection. The new Chief, having a title, but no lands, set off roaming about the world, living for periods in British North Borneo, Hong Kong and India. He died, without issue, in a London workhouse in 1914. His brother, Angus, who had predeceased him, also is said to have died in indigent circumstances.

The Chief 's title then passed to John Farquhar MacGillivray, a cousin of John William. John Farquhar was the son of Neil John's brother, Farquhar, who became a barrister and later worked as Clerk of Routine and Records at the House of Commons. The younger Farquhar, who was born in Ottawa, lived in Kenora, and later Toronto. He was also a lawyer, a KC, in fact, and became Taxation Master at Osgoode Hall.

Although married, Farquhar, the 14th Chief of the MacGillivray Clan, had no family. His three brothers had died before him and with his death in 1942, the long line of MacGillivray Chiefs ended.

Isabella and John McGillivray's third son, William, had gone to the United States as a young man. Not much was known about his family until Mrs. van Beek, through her diligence, managed to track it down in California. The last of William's family had also died out.

So who was left at Dalcrombie near Williamstown?

The fourth and youngest son of John McGillivray and Isabella McLean was George Hopper MacGillivray. Except for a brief period, George Hopper stayed home on the farm. He married Caroline Metcalf Holmes of Montreal in 1870, but the union was short lived. Mrs. MacGillivray died the following year in childbirth.

The motherless baby was named Carrie Holmes MacGillivray, and although she was the last MacGillivray resident of Dalcrombie, she was a memorable one. Carrie, who was nicknamed "Birdie" by her father, lived with him at Dalcrombie until his death in 1912.

George Hopper MacGillivray was a big man in the Williamstown/Martintown area -- big in physical stature as well as in the esteem of his friends and neighbours. He served as the Reeve of Charlottenburgh Township in 1879, and was also its clerk for many years. George provided a universal ear for the problems of the residents, shelling out advice when asked.

"George was regarded as one of the most knowledgeable men of the area on its history," said Mrs. van Beek, who, when writing her history of the MacGillivray family in the 1970s, spoke to many locals who had remembered him.

Carrie Holmes attended the MacGillivray's Bridge School as a young girl, but also spent time at a boarding school in Ottawa. She returned to Dalcrombie and graduated from Williamstown High School in 1890, winning the gold medal. She was an artistic lady, painting in water colours, and also received some musical training. She attended a finishing school upon graduation and travelled abroad with her father, taking in Scotland, where the MacGillivray estates had just been surrendered. In fact, she was, by all accounts, an accomplished, attractive young lady.

But things were not easy for Carrie. Sometime during the '90s, she fell in love with the principal of Williamstown High School, Wynn Williams. Wynn was an Englishman – a graduate of Cambridge University. The two were well suited; they courted and became engaged. Unfortunately, before they had the opportunity to be married, Mr. Williams died suddenly of apoplexy while on a hunting trip, according to an obituary found in

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NOTICE
Westley's Point & Area Sewage and Water Study

Great Lakes Sustainability Fund

Township of South Glengarry, through the Great Lakes Sustainability Fund (GLSF), has retained the Thompson Rosemount Group Inc. to evaluate alternative solutions for sewage collection and treatment as well as to evaluate a viable water source for Westley's Point and Area in accordance with the requirements for Schedule C Projects of the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process for Municipal Projects. A sewage disposal problem exists at Westley's Point, Nadeau's Point and Amandale Bay relating to restrictive lot sizes, high water table, as well as old and failing sewage systems. Water supplies have also been compromised.

This Notice is to inform the public that there will be an information session with an opportunity to review the project in detail, ask questions and voice opinions. The meeting is being held on:

Wednesday, March 3, 2004
3:30-5:00 pm and 7:00-8:30 pm
Formal Presentations at
4:00 pm and 7:30 pm
Location: Council Chamber
6 Oak Street, Lancaster, Ontario

All those with an interest in the study are urged to attend. If you have any questions or require further information please contact:

Township of South Glengarry
6 Oak Street, P.O. Box 220
Lancaster, Ontario, K0C 1N0
(613) 347-1166
Attn: Marcel Lapierre
Administrator & Co-ordinator

OR

The Thompson Rosemount Group Inc.
1345 Rosemount Ave.
Cornwall, Ontario, K6J 3E5
(613) 933-5602 ext. 270
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Project Director

This notice issued Wednesday, February 25, 2004

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NINETY FIVE YEARS AGO
Friday, Feb. 19, 1909

·Dan D. McLennan and J.W. McLeod, Dalkeith, purpose going to California shortly.

·The masquerade on Saturday at Apple Hill was quite a success. The prize winners were Miss M.A. McDermid, Lorraine Coleman, Albert Dancause, Willie Munro and H. Lavigne.

·A.A. McEwen, Dominionville, has completed his contract of hauling in the neighbourhood of 1,000 logs to Maxville.

·Groceries advertised were at the following prices: Seeded raisins, lb. packages, 5 for 25 cents; blueberries, 3 tins for 25 cents; brown sugar, 23 lbs. for $1; Barbados molasses, per gallon, 40 cents.

NINETY YEARS AGO
Friday, Feb. 20, 1914

·D.A. McLeod of Glen Norman, on Tuesday of last week unloaded several head of purebred Holstein cattle consigned by a prominent breeder at Inkerman, and which are to be the foundation of a fine herd.

·D.H. Dewar of Glen Sandfield returned home on Saturday, after spending several weeks visiting his son, Dr. R. Dewar of Melbourne, Ont., and friends at Guelph, Glencoe and Toronto.

·The cadets movement is spreading. A strong company is to be formed at Williamstown High School, and it is probable the lads will don the kilts.

·D.D. McCuaig has taken possession of his modern, new residence, "Glenelg," at Bainsville.

·W.J. McGregor of North Lancaster, this week purchased from D. Mulhern, an organ for the chapel at North Lancaster.

·A farmers' club was organized at McCrimmon, Monday night. The president is W.D. MacLeod; vice-president, J.N. McCrimmon; secretary-treasurer, S. Campbell; directors, W.A. McLeod, D.P. McSweyn, D.D. Campbell.

EIGHTY YEARS AGO
Friday, Feb. 22, 1924

·John D. McRae of the Bank of Montreal, who has been transferred from London, Ont., to Perth, was a Sunday guest at his home, Stewart's Glen.

·Charles R. Sinclair of Maxville, left Friday night for the West in response to a telegram announcing that his son, Dan H., had been killed by a bull.

·Miss Isabel Macdonald, who is attending school in Kingston, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. J.A. Macdonald.

·When his horse became frightened, Saturday evening, Leonard McNaughton, Maxville, was thrown from his cutter and received injuries about the head.

·K.D. McLeod of Montreal, weekended with relatives at Laggan, before leaving shortly for Detroit, Mich.

SEVENTY YEARS AGO
Friday, Feb. 23, 1934

·Some 250 Winnipeggers who hail from Glengarry, with their friends, gathered in Norman Hall, Friday, February 9, at the annual dance sponsored by the Glengarry Association. The committee in charge included: Lieutenant Angus A. McDonald, president; Inspector R.R. McDonald, Miss Agnes McDonald, D.N. McLeod, A. Dickson, John McLennan and Miss Bertha McDougall. Glengarry maple syrup was served with the refreshment.

·Earl Bradley, who had been employed with the E. Irvine Construction Co., at Stone Cliff, Ont., arrived home this week.

·After an extended visit at her parental home, Miss Thyra McKinnon, Glen Norman, left last week for New York City.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
Friday, Feb. 18, 1944

·Local Bell Telephone girls are now becoming permanent employees of the company. Clarence Ostrom remains local agent in charge of the commercial end of the business, and Miss Bertha McDonald becomes chief operator. Miss Theresa Beauchamp left last week for Ottawa, where she has been transferred.

·Emmanuel Larocque of Glen Norman, is spending some time in Montreal.

·Farmers in the Dalkeith area are interested in reported plans of Dr. Anthime Lanthier, veterinarian, to locate in that village.

·Miss Jean McMillan, Lochiel, left on Friday to enter the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, as nurse-in-training.

·His mother, Mrs. George D. Sabourin, and sisters were in Montreal last week to meet Ordinary Seaman Solomon Sabourin, RCNVR, who has been transferred to the West Coast.

·At graduation ceremonies in Calgary, February 5, Second Lieutenant Theodore MacDonald received his certificate of First Lieutenant.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A.K. MacDonald, Greenfield.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, Feb. 18, 1954

·Glengarry is digging out of the most paralyzing storms of the winter. Four feet of heavy snow fell during a two-day blizzard which started Tuesday and some main highways are still barely passable.

·Cyrille Boisvenue, proprietor of the Economy Grocery Store, plans to open a supermarket in the former Simpsons block. He has secured a five-year lease on the premises now occupied by Stedman's, but which will move to its new Mill Square site.

·Maurice Lalonde, manager of Stedman's, has purchased the north section of the Simpsons block and will continue to live upstairs while leasing the premises.

FORTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, Feb. 20, 1964

John G. Proulx was elected president of the Board of Trade. The Board has chosen as its centennial project a public library.

·The main production plant of Alexandria Sash & Door was destroyed by fire Saturday with loss at $110,000.

·A Lancaster rink skipped by Harold Moran won top honours in the men's bonspiel of Alexandria Curling Club last week.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
Thursday, Feb. 21, 1974

·Pickets are parading peacefully at the Lanthier Bakery and operations are at a standstill. The 45 employees went out on strike Friday.

·Bishop Adolphe Proulx has been transferred to the diocese of Hull where he will serve as bishop.

·Clerk of the Village of Maxville for the past 10 years, Mrs. Verna MacGregor has resigned.

·Debbie Oetelaar will reign as Queen of the Carnival at Glen Robertson next year.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
Wednesday, Feb. 22, 1984

·The Lacelle family of Kenyon Township was left homeless last Thursday morning after fire destroyed their two-storey house.

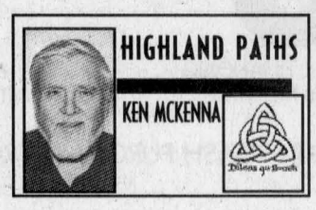
·The president and general manager of Glengarry Transport Limited, Gilles Lefebvre of Alexandria, has been appointed to the Bank of Montreal's Eastern Division Business Advisory Panel.

TEN YEARS AGO
Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1994

·A Williamstown-based energy co-operative got yet another boost in its plans to kickstart an ethanol industry in Eastern Ontario. The plant will use corn from Eastern Ontario farmers to produce 50 million litres of the environmentally-friendly octane enhancer annually.

·Three Alexandria residents have been arrested by area police for passing funny money to local merchants.

Hard times in old Glengarry



We continue on this week with excerpts from the most interesting book Place Names of Glengarry and Glenquoich [in Scotland] by Edward C. Ellice, first published in 1898, and a revised edition republished in 1931. A facsimile edition of the 1931 book, from which I quote, was reprinted by Alan Grey in 1999 and is available through Joane Whitmore, the Glengarry Visitor Centre, Invergarry, Inverness-shire, Scotland.

Glengarry is easy to pronounce, but the adjoining Glenquoich appears more difficult than it really is. The quoich part is the English spelling of the Gaelic word cuaich , which is pronounced koo-ahk , the first syllable emphasised, the second said softly. The word means a drinking cup and the glen was so named because of its shape.

The Introduction of the book, begun in the previous column, goes on: For many years Glengarry was the headquarters of the Roman Catholics of the North. In 1650 we find Irish priests coming from Spain to minister to the people, schools established in 1670 - the very first Roman Catholic school in the Highlands - and, from that time on to the '45 [the 1745 Jacobite Rising], the glen was never without a pastor.

These priests, however, can hardly be said to have had a peaceful time. While the castle [of Invergarry] was in the hands of the Macdonells, no doubt, all went well with them; but when the Government troops were quartered there they were liable to capture and imprisonment, and more than one is recorded to have died in the dungeons of the old ruin.

Since the '45, owing to natural causes, the Protestants have increased more rapidly than the Catholics, and the former are now [1898] probably in a majority; but the two sects, it is needless to say, live together in perfect harmony, as indeed they appear always to have done, except when the disturbing influence of a company of soldiers at the castle made itself felt.

The last great chief... was Alastair Macdonell of Glengarry. A man of splendid physique and great accomplishments, he was also the last chief who attempted to keep the ancient style of living. When, in 1822, George IV came to Edinburgh, he waited on his king 'with his whole band of retainers - his tail.'... He was undoubtedly a man of great courage, but his hot temper more than once placed him in awkward situations; though wild and extravagant in his nature, he was adored by all those of his clan with whom he came in personal contact, nor had his friends or those dependent on him ever [have] cause to complain of his want of generosity or kindness. [Other opinions as to his worth may be read in the 2001 book by Brian Osborne, The Last of the Chiefs; Alasdair Ranaldson Macdonell of Glengarry, published by Argyll Publishing of Glendaruel, Scotland and available in outlets here in Glengarry County, Ontario].

After his death in 1828, the trustees of his son found that the estate was hopelessly insolvent, and in 1838 were forced to sell the Glenquoich portion. A ready purchaser was found in the Right Hon. Edward Ellice, and shortly afterwards the Invergarry portion was sold to the Marquis of Huntly, who in his turn, parted with it in 1842 to Lord Ward.

The people of Glengarry were at this time (1841), from all accounts, in a most wretched condition; so much so, that in a report on the Invergarry district by Lord Huntly's factor, he states that out of a population of only 315, thirty-five families, or 122 individuals, were quite destitute. In 1860 Mr. Edward Ellice bought the Glengarry portion, and since this time the population and prosperity of the district have steadily increased...

Conditions in the Highlands in the middle of the 19th century were reflected in what was written at that time about Glengarry. From the area between Lochaber to the east, to the Atlantic Ocean on the west and from Argyll on the south and to Kintail on the north, Glengarry had a population of several thousand by the end of the 18th century.

But then, after the troublesome times following the Battle of Culloden and the introduction of huge sheep herds from the south, places like Glengarry were stripped of a large part of their population. By the beginning of the 19th century, most of the people of Glengarry were in Canada and, eventually, Australia.

Those who settled in the colonies, no matter how difficult the early days, built strong communities where their descendants prospered as they never would have been able to do in the Highlands. Having lost their ancestral lands forever, they carved new Glengarries out of the forests, plains and bushlands of their adopted countries. They were luckier than most of the pitifully few left behind in the near-deserted glens.

To be continued.

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scrapbooks at the Manor House.

Carrie Holmes MacGillivray never married. Following the death of her father, she sold Dalcrombie and its contents, and moved to Toronto, where she worked in the Ontario Archives.

"This employment gave her an excellent opportunity to study historical records of the west which she later used in the writing of a novel," observed Mrs. van Beek

Carrie wrote two books. One is the well-known local novel, *The Shadow of Tradition*; the other is *The Prairie Star*, a Saga of the Western Plains. The latter book was never published, but two editions of *The Shadow of Tradition* have found their way to the library shelves of countless Glengarrians. Plans are also afoot to publish a new edition of the book.

When Carrie Holmes MacGillivray died in 1949, she requested that no stone be erected on her grave. She believed that the brass plaque she had placed in St. Andrew's Church in memory of her late father some years before, was sufficient recognition of the family. Instead she left money to Queen's University to provide the George Hopper MacGillivray Scholarship, open to high school graduates in SDG.

So ended the line of the MacGillivrays of Dalcrombie, and their names might have been forgotten, if not for the efforts of Evelyn van Beek. Visiting the St. Andrew's Church cemetery one day to find the MacGillivray plot, she was astounded to discover that there were no markers of any description on their graves: John, the fur-trader; George the civic leader; Carrie the writer, all were likely to fade into oblivion.

In 1972, a recognition ceremony was held and a granite slab showing the burial place of the MacGillivrays was placed on the plot. Evelyn Theakston van Beek was responsible.

GLENGARRY GATHERINGS

Conservative meeting

The Stormont Dundas Charlottenburgh Progressive Conservative Riding Association will hold its General Annual Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 26, 2004.

The event will be held at the South Mountain Agricultural Hall. Jim Flaherty, MPP for Whitby Ajax and opposition Education Critic, will be the guest speaker.

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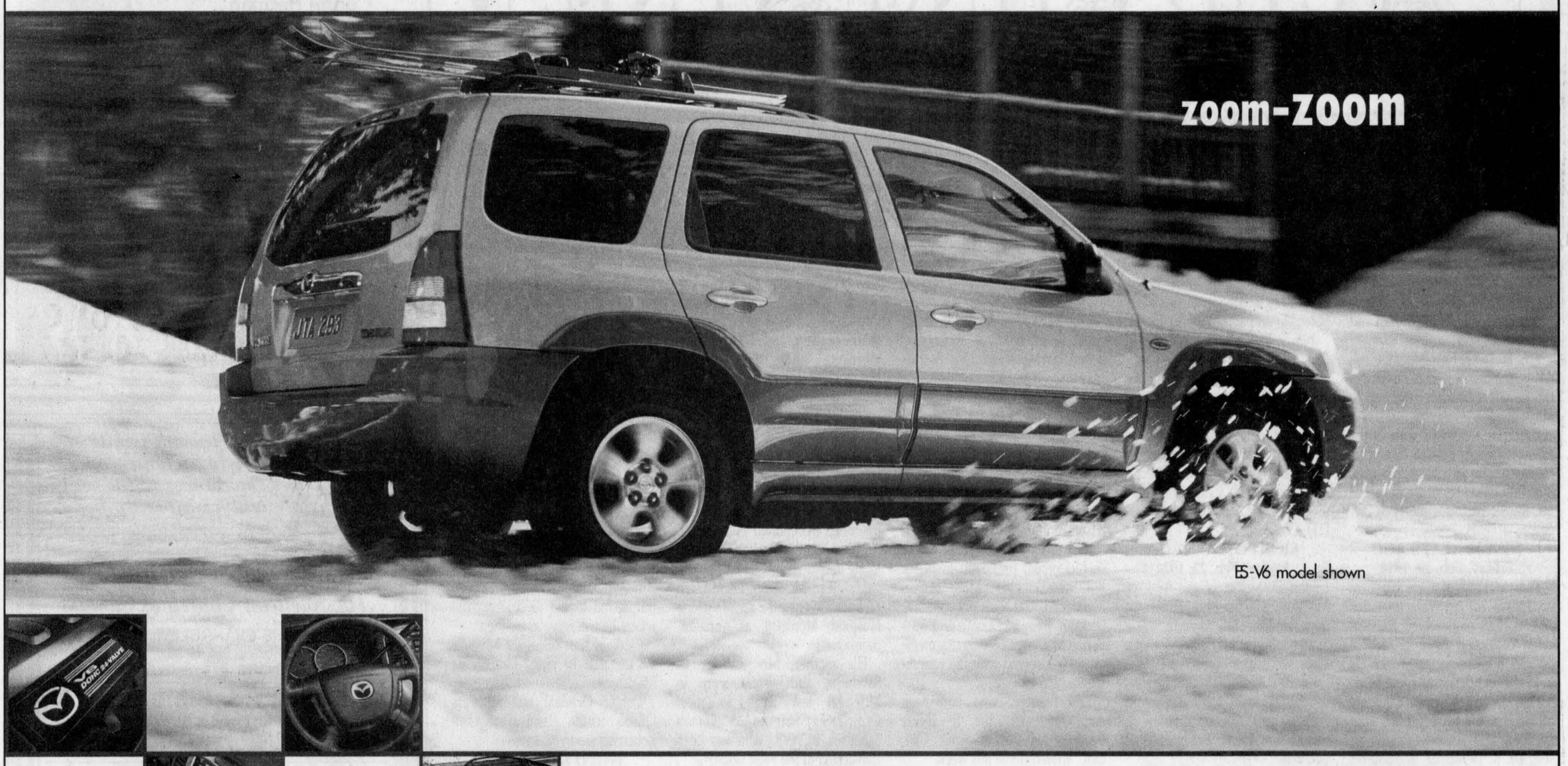

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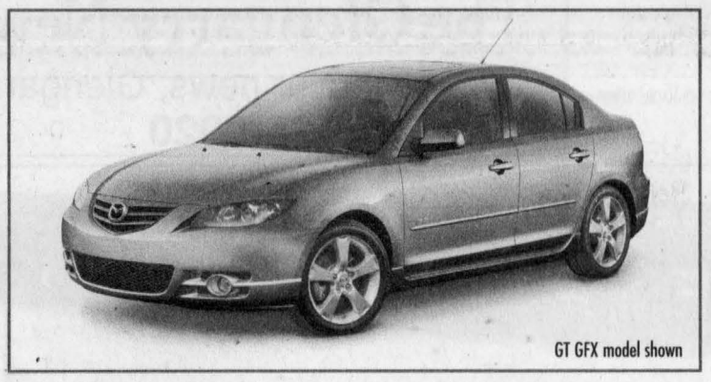

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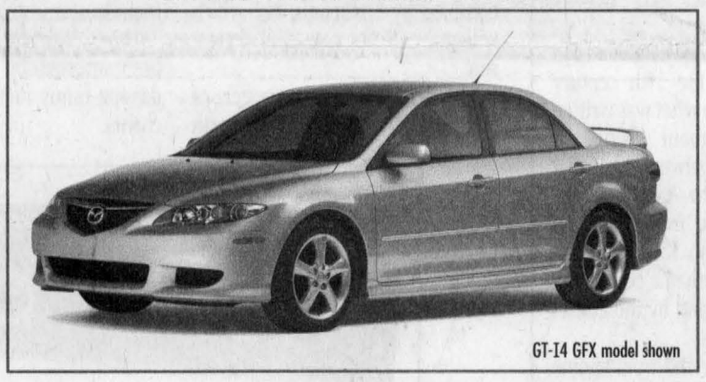

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