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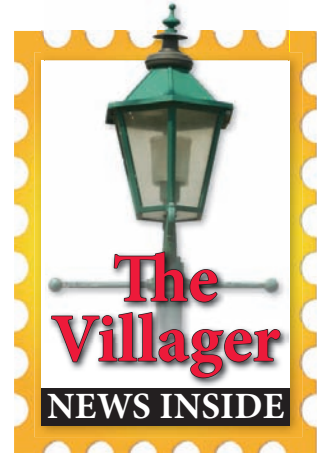
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Briefly

Picnics anyone?

Annual church picnic for Chesterville St. Mary's and South Mountain's St. Daniel's - on the rectory lawn of St. Mary's, June 25 at 11 a.m. Face painting, dunk tank and more. Bring your own dessert or salad, and lawn chairs. Free will offering. Confirm attendance with Debbie at 613-448-3894.

South Nation Conservation (SNC), McIntosh Park Committee, and Chalmers United Church invite you on June 25, beginning at 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a fun-filled day for the family! There will be a free lunch with music and children's games at the McIntosh Park Conservation Area located at 6 Cockburn Street, Berwick.

Strawberry Socials

Christ Church United, Chesterville, June 25, 4-6:30 p.m., Adults: \$9; ages 6-12: \$5; 5 and under: free. Wheelchair accessible. Everyone welcome!

Hope Springs United Church (formerly Winchester Springs United Church Hall) on Thurs., June 29, starts at 4:30 p.m. All you can eat: Adults \$12; ages 6-10: \$5; 5 and under: free.

Farmers' Market

Chesterville Farmers' Market new hours are Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Winchester Market, Sweet Corner Park, Sundays, 4-8 p.m.

Morrisburg & District Lions Club holds Centennial celebration

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Contributor

MORRISBURG - Morrisburg & District Lions Club were joined by other District A4 Lions Clubs at their Picnic in the Park at the Morrisburg waterfront to celebrate the Centennial of Lions International on Sat., June 17.

District A4 Governor Lion Susan Wilkes was present and commented she was "just thrilled Morrisburg & District Lions Club had decided to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Lions International, the largest service organization in the world."

After a parade wound its way through parts of Morrisburg, plans for an afternoon of food, fun and fellowship were set to be enjoyed at the waterfront park in that community. Lion Jim Martin, President of the Morrisburg & District Lions, explained there were games for children of all ages in the park as well as the opportunity to enjoy a picnic lunch while visiting with friends.

Over \$82K raised at WDMH Gala

WINCHESTER - Wave the flag! We're celebrating Canada Day early at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation. The final tally is in and The Red & White Gala raised \$82,485.70 to support patient care at WDMH.

"We can't thank our local communities enough for supporting this year's gala," noted Managing Director Kristen Casselman in the news release.

"Everyone made a difference - our sponsors, our volunteers, all those who donated auction items and everyone who attended the event on June 3. I hope everyone had a great time as we really consider the guest experience when planning each gala."

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Celebrating 100 years of Lions

Lion Carl Robinson (left) and Lion Mark McMillian carry the banner for the Chesterville & District Lions Club during the parade at the centennial celebrations held in Morrisburg on June 17. Thompson Goddard photo

We Own It - Privatization a hot topic

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

CORNWALL - On Mon., June 12, people gathered at the Benson Centre in Cornwall to hear speakers and express concerns about privatization of Ontario's public services. The We Own It campaign raises awareness about the dangers of privatization in similar Town Hall meetings across Ontario.

Speakers included Cornwall city Councillor Elaine MacDonald, Ontario Public Service Employees Union Regional Vice President Gareth Jones and Canadian Labour Council Executive Vice President Donald Lafleur.

MacDonald began with a simple message, "We are at war." MacDonald focused her speech on four issues: the privatization idealists, simple corporate greed, well meaning but cash-strapped governments, and tax averse neighbours. She explained that companies will try again and again so the "war" against privatization is never over,

and noted, "Taxes generate community capital and that builds community itself." When there are more jobs in the public sector, people put earnings back into the community and small businesses. The panel agreed that while politicians often mean well, they are faced with tough decisions that don't always have the best outcome for constituents, so the evening revolved around encouraging the community to reach out to their MPs and MPPs.

Gareth Jones implored, "A vote is a powerful tool. The goal is for the representative in the next government to not support privatization."

Jones said economic station or postal code should not "determine how successful you are at life." This belief is supported by his lengthy career in Corrections and observations that inmates in the system have drastically changed over the years, in part caused by declining public services.

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WDMH Gala

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Funds raised will be directed to the WDMH Foundation Family Care Fund. "WDMH has been caring for families in our communities for decades and our new Family Care Fund recognizes that commitment. Donations to the Family Care Fund will be used where your gift is needed most - to buy new medical equipment, upgrade existing equipment and meet other urgent needs at WDMH," explained Casselman.

The Family Care Fund is designed to simplify the

giving process for donors, providing one main fund for donations. However, donors are still welcome to choose from any of our funds such as the General Equipment Fund or Cancer Care Fund.

"The Family Care Fund is just that - a fund to support families just like yours," Casselman concluded. "We want to work with our donors to ensure compassionate, excellent health care. Thank you again to everyone who was part of The Red & White Gala."

Planning for next year's gala will begin in October. Anyone with ideas, or an interest in being on the planning committee, is



WDMH Foundation Managing Director Kristen Casselman tries out Crokinole, a quintessential Canadian game, at The Red & White Gala, June 3. Courtesy photo

encouraged to contact 2422, ext. 6169 or email Casselman at 613-774-kcasselman@wdmh.on.ca.

Privatization

Continued from the front

"The good news is these are campaigns that we can win. When citizens get mobilized and talk to politicians, politicians listen," said Jones, who fears privatized care is not based on need but on profit.

Last, Lafleur roused the meeting with a demand that public services continue to be about fairness, equity and solidarity. "Real change never comes from the top. It always comes from the bottom. The collective voice is a powerful tool and we need to elect governments that have innovative alternatives," said Lafleur. "Once you give a service to the private sector, it's no longer a democracy."

MPP Jim McDonnell listened and seemed sympathetic to fears of privatization but added, "There are no absolutes [in either private or public], there is always room for a combination of players in the community."

Main fears were about alcohol in grocery stores and the potential of normalization for children who will see the bottles on low shelves next to their favourite snacks. As well there were fears that younger cashiers would not have the knowhow or gumption to deny alcohol to potentially underage buyers.

McDonnell told *The Record* that audits done of stores such as grocers showed employees had highly successful track records suggesting cashiers were effective at denying tobacco to underage customers.

A study done in 2014 by the Federal Tobacco Control Strategy found, "Among the four classes of trade, compliance [to the FTCS regulations] was highest among chain convenience stores (89.0%), followed closely by grocery stores (88.0%) and gas convenience stores (86.7%). As in 2009 [a previous study of similar content], independent convenience stores (81.0%) were least compliant." Alcohol has not been studied yet.

McDonnell believes potential repercussions for private stores selling alcohol are enough



From left, Heather McGill, Gareth Jones, Chrisy Tremblay, Sashya Zahaty, Shannon Russell, Donald Lafleur, Cindy Ladouceur, Dave Doran and Louise Lanctot mingle after the We Own It Town Hall on Mon., June 12. Sawyer Helmer photo

incentive to train staff to ensure compliance with sale restrictions.

Valid concerns about job loss in the same sector were discussed. McDonnell followed up, "People appreciate services just around the corner." Currently, agency LCBO stores must be at least 10km from a LCBO or Beer Store and not in all communities. With so many businesses closing in smaller communities, grocery stores offering alcohol selections may bring in a much-needed market.

MPP Grant Crack told *The Record* he has no concerns about privatization at this time. "People want products and they should have reasonable access but in a socially responsible manner. Every case is different and there has to be a balance." He said technology plays a big factor, especially in services

like Service Ontario where people can get a lot of their information or products online. He said his government encourages the efficiency of the internet but also supports enhancing services locally to those who cannot access services online.

Opposing privatized health-care concerns, Crack explained that while Medicare is not perfect, it is public and has so far "served well," and improving services is a process and takes time.

The meeting brought up the importance of taxes, the fear of corporate tax breaks and the potential for a Robin Hood tax. McDonnell fears raising taxes will move businesses out of the community, taking away the community's economy and wealth, citing local sports teams that get equipment and game time through private sponsors. "There are

important points to hear...and there is a lot of room for improvement. But the private sector has an important role to play in a community's standard of living. We have to get the politics out of these services and get back to economics," concluded McDonnell.

The meeting wrapped up by encouraging people to learn about political parties' views to be well informed, and the meeting's message was simple. Vote.

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Go to dcplayers.ca for full details.

Winchester District Memorial Hospital

Notice is hereby given that the **ANNUAL MEETING of WINCHESTER DISTRICT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL** will be held on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Winchester District Memorial Hospital Main Level Meeting Room - C1-401 566 Louise Street, Winchester

The Corporation of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital will be holding its Annual General Meeting for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report of the Board of Directors and officials of the Hospital, the election of Directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The By-Laws of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital provide that the Board of Directors shall include the election of Directors by members of the Hospital Corporation.

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A golden evening for South Stormont Friendly Circle Seniors

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Contributor

LONG SAULT – Stormont, Dundas and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon perhaps summed it up best when he commented there was “a wonderful feeling in the room” during his remarks at the Friendly Circle Seniors’ 50th anniversary Gala, June 9, at the South Stormont Community Hall in Long Sault.

Friendly Circle Seniors President Carson Elliott explained the group was formed in 1967 and met in the old Long Sault fire station. Fifty years later, the group has evolved into a club which provides information to seniors, addresses medical concerns, and as part of the United Seniors of Ontario

organization works to ensure the concerns of senior citizens reach government officials.

Bernard Jordaan, President of United Seniors of Ontario, was present at the Gala accompanied by his wife Lois. He said, “It is always an honour when one of your clubs reaches a milestone like a 50th anniversary,” and continued that it took a lot of dedicated workers to keep the group going over the past half century providing information as well as activities for seniors in this part of the province.

South Stormont Mayor Jim Bancroft, who welcomed guests to the dinner, commented later in an email to *The Chesterville Record*, “The 50th anniversary of the Friendly

Seniors club was a celebration by many seniors who continue to be very active locally. On behalf of South Stormont Council and staff we offer our best wishes to every member of the Friendly Circle organization.”

SDSG MPP Jim McDonnell presented a certificate from the Province of Ontario and residents of SDSG in recognition of the Club’s 50th anniversary.

The Friendly Circle Seniors Gala Committee, chaired by Dwaine Urquhart, are to be congratulated on their work organizing the event which included a large display of club memorabilia for dinner guests to peruse and learn about the 50-year history of the club.



Recognizing the organizers

The organizing committee who worked to make the Gala successful were acknowledged and thanked by Chair Dwaine Urquhart, pictured at the podium, who asked them to come forward. From left are Gloria Waldroff, Dee Geiger, Pat Jamieson, Ray Beauregard, Robert Dorsey and Sue O’Connell. Thompson Goddard photo

Getting a good deal in Ingleside

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Contributor

INGLESIDE – The sun shined in Ingleside in South Stormont during the annual community yard sale on Sat., June 10. The streets in this usually quiet village were busy as people were searching for the best deal possible. After working up an appetite, many people stopped by the Wales Drive residence of Richard and Gloria Waldroff, where their popular community

yard sale barbecue was held, which this year raised funds for the South Stormont Foundation and will be donated to the Ingleside Splash Pad Project. Richard Waldroff later commented that \$1,000 has been raised by the SSF this year through a variety of means, including donations, running the canteen at the 2017 Small Business Trade Show held in Long Sault and the Ingleside community yard sale barbecue.



Barbecuing for a good cause

Richard Waldroff was busy barbecuing hamburgers and sausages at his Wales Drive residence during the Ingleside community yard sale, June 10. Thompson Goddard photo



Weagant Farm Supplies drives thru with new TrioTrac

On Wed., June 14, Ault Van Bokhorst, Weagant Farm Supplies Sales Manager, watched as Trioliet service rep

Christiaan Brama drove Weagant’s new self-propelled mixer through the Winchester Tim Hortons drive thru. The TrioTrac will be the sixth of its kind in the area. Van Bokhorst toured the machine last week to nearby farms to show off the efficiency and precision of the machine which can reduce feeding time to one-third of traditional tractor/wagon combinations. Sawyer Helmer photo

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Editorial

Facebook and the etiquette of grief

Because Facebook is a relatively recent form of publishing, and it is a loose and mostly unsupervised medium, the etiquette of certain situations has yet to be determined.

One of those situations is death. I was recently out west for a family member's funeral. The evening before the funeral another relative died. Some of her close family found out via Facebook. Not in a private message, but because a friend of the deceased had posted an "RIP—you will be missed" message, and included the name of the deceased, which tagged the post. Tagging the post meant that it went to every one of the deceased's Facebook friends.

As a result, the day of the funeral a group of us conspired to keep one already grieving person away from Facebook, so that she could be compassionately informed later. One sibling was shocked when she saw the post, and was fortunate enough to get through to another sibling and inform her just in time.

This prompted a little discussion on Facebook. One article was posted which was written by a woman whose husband had died at a young age. She suggested that there is a hierarchy of grief, and that casual friends should not be the persons announcing a death to the world. She also noted that if someone is in a state of shock over a death and dealing with the aftermath that person should not be deluged by texts, messages or calls asking what happened, especially when, as in her case, she hadn't even informed all immediate family yet.

In the discussion, I suggested that an announcement on the deceased person's Facebook page or on friends' walls, should only be made when it is the official obituary. Thinking back I realize it is fine to inform people, that's normal and natural, but it should be done via private message, for at least the first 24 hours, and maybe even a couple of days.

Having dealt with a number of deaths of friends and relatives recently, I can say that too many posts about a person whom you will be missing causes a sudden bit of unexpected pain every time it's seen.

The lesson learned here is to think first of the family and close friends before hitting that post button. Who knows? Who might not? Be discreet in communicating sad news.

Candice Vetter

CASTOR Country

By Tom Van Dusen

The art of fathering

I enjoyed an understated Father's Day Sunday and that's the way it should be.

Dad's Day is really just an afterthought to that powerhouse celebration called Mother's Day as in: "Oh, I guess we should have a little recognition for the guys too."

It's Mother's Day that gets the huge advance build up, all of the hype, the big ticket gifts and dinners. A lot of people forget about Father's Day, especially fathers.

I have no problem with that. Right from birthing, moms carry the lioness' share of the child-rearing load and dads just hang around filling in here and there, advising where needed.

So when my daughter Victoria came to Prescott where I spent the weekend and bought me Father's Day breakfast at the local Golf Club, I was pleased as punch. I've always told my kids that my favourite meal is bacon and eggs over easy, home fries, tea and toast with jam, any time of the day or night, and they remember.

It was a supreme morning overlooking the sun-dappled fairways with great company and good

food. Thanks Victoria. I'm not sure what I did for you except to be there.

My son Oliver wasn't with us but he had an acceptable excuse. He's in South Korea teaching English to primary school kids. But he did remember; I found out later that he wanted to do a Facebook video with me on the designated day but, at the time, I couldn't get into my site or my page or whatever it's called. What's a Facebook video?

Later Sunday, I went back to Russell and practised music for a couple of hours in Steve Mihok's cool – as in air-conditioned – basement, with other members of our training band known as Castor River Crew. After practice, there were a few beers on the back deck and all was well with the world.

Monday morning, I headed out on my regular walk along Church Street through Ernie Burton Conservation Area, thinking about my own father, the late Tom Van Dusen Sr.

I recalled how, with all of his quirks and eccentricities, he was always there, even when

he wasn't, the backup to my mom Shirley, now 91. Dad passed away six years ago at age 90 after spending several years confined with dementia to the St. Patrick's Home in Ottawa.

He would have much rather been sitting by the banks of the Castor River rereading for the third time a book from his vast library – much of which I now own – and contemplating life, I mused as I sauntered along the trail through the man-made forest.

When I got to the dam, a heron rose suddenly from its fishing hole and flew downriver. I reflected on how that event would have unleashed a long description from my dad about the magnificence and habits of the heron species and how lucky we are to have some representatives on our doorstep.

I did the trail loop and exited at the west end of the conservation area into the Catholic cemetery next door to Russell Meadows. After a detour through Notre Dame Cemetery in Ottawa, that's where Dad ended up, close to the Castor as he would have wanted, in one of the top drawers of the columbarium, that compact wall containing recesses for urns.

My mother's name is on the door too, in preparation for the time she'll



reluctantly join him. Currently preparing an art show for this September, she's much too busy to claim her spot any time soon.

Later, when I told Mom I had visited Dad, she wondered if I had a little talk with him, asked him how he's doing, what's new, that sort of thing: "Ah, no mom, we didn't chat but I did think about him."

I did and I do, all the time. Sometimes I catch myself in mid-sentence or mid-action, spooked because I'm behaving a little too much like my father for comfort. I'm sure my three brothers have those dad moments as well.

People point it out and I tend to deny it, but it's true... I'm becoming more like him and I often feel his presence in me.

A pal put up on Facebook a Father's Day reference to his own deceased dad in that he thought about him every day. I responded that, yes, I'm haunted by my dad too.

That sounds exactly like something my dad would have said!

WDMH dietitian outstanding health-care professional

WINCHESTER – Deirdre Cooke's colleagues describe her as a 'fireball' because of her passion, energy and red hair. Every day, she brings that passion to Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) where she has worked for more than 20 years. Cooke is a Registered Dietitian and Certified Diabetes Educator, and she played a key role in bringing the Diabetes Education Program to Winchester.

Now Cooke is being honoured as the Outstanding Health-care Professional in Eastern Ontario by Diabetes Canada. The award is presented to a health-care professional who has made a difference in improving the

lives of individuals living with diabetes in a specific region.

"Deirdre has worked with Diabetes Canada in many capacities over the years to support health promotion, is a Diabetes Canada professional member and is an active member of several committees with the Champlain LIHN where she represents diabetes educators who work for individuals living with diabetes," noted Linda Rodgers, Manager of Community Health Promotion (Eastern & Southern Ontario) for Diabetes Canada.

Cooke was quick to thank her colleagues at WDMH when accepting the award: "I am very grateful for the award and very fortunate to work with a team - Rachele, Nancy and Rachel – that support me and challenge me both professionally and personally. We all operate with the guiding principle 'what does this person living with diabetes or pre-diabetes need from us and how can we best provide it?' When everyone is on the same page it makes all the difference!"

"We are pleased for Deirdre and definitely not surprised," summed up Lynn Hall, Senior Vice-President, Clinical Services. "Deirdre has been a driving force in the development and expansion of our diabetes program. Her commitment to our patients and their well-being is evident in everything she does. Congratulations, Deirdre."

WDMH's Diabetes Education Program provides support and education for individuals living with diabetes and pre-diabetes. More than a dozen programs are offered. All of the programs are provided free of charge and a physician referral is not required. For more details, visit www.wdmh.on.ca/diabetes.

NDDHS Report

By Alexis Henderson
Minister of Records



Countdown to exams and final week

The exam schedule has been posted in various locations throughout the school, as well as on the school website and Facebook page. The schedule has also been sent via email. Students must report to their exam locations at 8:00 a.m. on their scheduled exam day, as the exams begin at 8:30 a.m. Exams will take place starting on Thurs., June 22 (tomorrow) until Tues., June 27.

The Grade 8 graduation is set to take place on Tues., June 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the gym. Congratulations to

Delaney Johnson who was elected to be this year's Valedictorian.

The Grade 12 graduation is set to take place on Wed., June 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.

Congratulations to Mallory Hutchinson who was elected to be this year's Valedictorian.

Intermediate students, get your grass skirts and floral shirts ready for your year end dance! The Hawaiian Dance was cancelled last Friday night due to the lack of participation, but is rescheduled for Fri., June 23, at 1 p.m.

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Winchester Parmalat introduces ultrafiltration system

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

WINCHESTER – On Tues., June 13, Parmalat Canada unveiled a new ultrafiltration system at the Winchester plant. The press release explains, “The installation of a new milk ultrafiltration system will be instrumental in increasing production capacity, among other benefits. Noted for its energy efficiency and frugal use of municipal water resources, the equipment boasts an energy recovery rate of 98 per cent. Furthermore, this investment marks the creation of five new jobs, bringing the plant’s total to 260 employees, and makes the facility the region’s largest private employer.”

The addition of the ultrafiltration system will “increase the plant’s milk-processing capacity and to produce more cheese, of uniform quality, per production vat. The new milk ultrafiltration system gives dairy producers vast potential for growth and value for their milk, notably by allowing them to sell more milk,” wrote Parmalat. The system will allow for milk to be processed as soon as it is



Winchester Parmalat employees gave tours to the guests at the ultrafiltration system inauguration on Tues., June 13. From left, Brian Penney, Bertrand Chaypakting, Linda McMahon, Aruna Dilawri, Manoj Kumar, and Joe Bernard. Sawyer Helmer photo

delivered, meaning an improved quality to Parmalat’s products. “Quality cheese is made with quality milk, and quality milk is fresh milk,” said Jean Paul Quiblier, Senior Vice-president, Operations for Parmalat Canada.

Quiblier added that it is through the “support from the Dairy Farmers of Ontario (DFO) that the industry can look ahead with optimism.”

MPP Jim McDonnell said, “When we have quality milk products from locals,

produced into quality products, that looks to a bright future.”

Mayor Eric Duncan was proud to see the expansion in Winchester and said, “This shows the strength of our supply management and I’m proud to see the plant doing so well and growing.” Duncan added that agriculture is the backbone of the region and the new expansion was a win for everyone.

The happy day was tinged with melancholy as Linda McMahon announced her retirement from the

plant after 41 years. “Linda has been a staple at the plant for years. She is an excellent representative for agriculture in the community and a wonderful asset,” said Duncan.

McMahon has no plans to abandon her community involvement anytime soon. If anything she will become even busier.

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2017 SDG Reads book revealed

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Contributor

WINCHESTER – The 2017 SDG Reads book selection is the multiple-award-winning fiction book, *The Illegal*, by Lawrence Hill. The announcement was made just prior to the Library Board meeting on June 8 at the Winchester Branch when Library Board Chair South Dundas Mayor Yvonne Deleгарde and Vice-Chair Nolan Quinn unwrapped two oversized copies of the book.

Jenna Lamarche, District 1 Supervisor, explained SDG Reads has as its goal to have as many people in the United Counties reading the same book between



Announcing the 2017 SDG Reads book choice

The Illegal by Lawrence Hill is the book choice for SDG Reads 2017. From left with the oversized books are Library Board Vice-Chair Nolan Quinn, Communications & Marketing Librarian Susan Wallwork, Colin Munro; Library Board Chair and South Dundas Mayor Yvonne Deleгарde, Frank Prevost, North Stormont Deputy Mayor Bill McGimpsey, and Director of Library Services Karen Franklin. Thompson Goddard photo

June 8 and Oct. 12.

Director of Library Services for the United Counties Karen Franklin mentioned print copies of the book will be available in each library as well as audiobooks and digital downloads. Throughout the program there will be a series of events and activities based on different

themes throughout the book. She also commented the final event to be held in the fall will feature an author reading and discussion period with Hill.

More information on SDG Reads and other services offered by the SDG County Library system can be found at www.sdglibrary.ca.

“Ontario Trails of Distinction”

BARRIE – During the 50th anniversary year of the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) and in celebration of Ontario Trails Week, May 29 to June 4, the Province of Ontario announced the OFSC’s Trans Ontario Provincial (TOP) Trails were being honoured as “Ontario Trails of Distinction” under a new program.

According to Eleanor McMahon, Minister of Tourism, Culture & Recreation, the OTD Program is a legacy initiative of the 150th anniversary of Ontario and is designed to showcase and celebrate distinctive trails in the province. The OTD Program will also help promote Ontario trails as a premiere tourist destination.

“This worthy recognition is a credit to the collective efforts of our clubs and volunteers who can be justly proud of delivering this amazing trail product over the past 50 years,” said OFSC Executive Director Paul Shaughnessy in the release. “The Ontario Trails of Distinction designation will be beneficial to the future promotion and health of organized recreational snowmobiling across Ontario.”

Through its member snowmobile clubs, the volunteer-led, not-for-profit OFSC provides more than 30,000 kilometres of snowmobile trails each winter that account for more than 50 per cent of the total number of recreational trails in this province. Altogether, the OFSC trail network generates \$1.7-billion of economic impact annually for Ontario. Launched in 1993, OFSC provides the voice for organized snowmobiling in Ontario.

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“All aboard” the Ottawa River Festival!

LEFAIVRE – The regional committee announced recently the official program of the sixth Ottawa River Festival, from June 29 to July 3, 2017.

On Fri., June 30, in Rockland, classic rock fans will have the chance to watch Sass Jordan perform on the Desjardins Stage at Du Moulin Park.

This year is a special one, being Canada’s 150th anniversary. On July 1, every town and village along the river will be celebrating the

Festival. Lefavre will host a jazz Festival featuring France D’Amour as headliner, funded by Ontario 150. Hawkesbury will exclusively host DJ Dan Desnoyers (Dan D-Noy) in the afternoon, followed by the bands 50 Proof and Hommage aux Colocs.

Riverside municipalities have endeavoured to offer a dynamic program for all tastes. For the first time, festivalgoers will have the opportunity to appreciate the beauty of the river throughout the festival, with

pontoon boat tours being offered on all five sites at various times.

On July 2 in Rockland, festivalgoers will be able to observe and even take part in various water sports. Those that enjoy evenings under the stars will appreciate performances by comedians Dominic et Martin, with Sylvain Larocque as the opening act.

Further downstream, the Town of Hawkesbury is offering free kayak, canoe and pedal boat runs, as well as a beginner fishing activity.

Further east of the river, Chute-à-Blondeau will be hosting its community breakfast again this year. Immediately west of Hawkesbury in the Village of L’Original, the Township of Champlain will present its annual Canada Day celebration featuring the aforementioned pontoon boat tours. The following day, family celebrations will be held at the L’Original beach, much to the delight of the young and the young at heart.

For more information on the various activities of the Ottawa River Festival, please visit www.festivalprescott-russell.ca.

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Vetter photo

With Heartfelt Thanks

The family of the late Norma MacIntyre would like to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and food which was sent to the house. Thanks for the beautiful flower arrangements and donations which were given in memory of Norma.

Thanks to Reverend Bruce Kemp for the beautiful service, Jennifer Buhr and Tammy McRae for their beautiful music and the delicious lunch put on by the ladies of St. Luke's-Knox Church.

Special thanks to all the friends and family who continued to visit mom over the past years as it became more difficult for her to be out and mobile. Moms last four years were spent at Maxville Manor and we could not have been more pleased with the dedicated care and compassion in which the staff had shown her. We are forever grateful.

Thank you to Dave MacDougall and his staff at Brownlee Funeral Home for their excellent care and service. We are truly blessed to have these excellent facilities and businesses within our communities.

Thanks from the bottom of our hearts.
The MacIntyre and Moran families.

Obituary

WYLIE, Doris (Nee Flegg)

Peacefully at the Dundas Manor on Thursday June 15, 2017. Doris Wylie in her 90th year of Hallville. Beloved wife of the late Walter Wylie. Loving Mom of Larry, Cheryl Wylie (George), Reg (Bev), Karen Richardson and predeceased by Danny and Wayne. Cherished Grandma of Patti, Teri, Kristine, Barret, Stacey, Tara, Craig, late Jennifer, Tanya, Greg, Dana, Nicholas, Kimberley, Shawn, David, many great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Dear sister of Rae Flegg, Merla Geneau, Fern Thompson and predeceased by 6 sisters and 5 brothers. By Doris' request Cremation has taken place. A Graveside Committal Service will be held on Friday June 23, 2017 at 2 p.m. at South Gower Cemetery, 501 South Gower Drive, Kemptville. By Family request donations may be made to the Dundas Manor Activity Fund. Arrangements entrusted to the Byers Funeral Home, South Mountain (613-989-3836). Online condolences may be made at www.byersfuneralhomeinc.com.

Obituary



MacINTYRE, Norma Jean (nee Naidow) Reg. N.

Peacefully, at the Maxville Manor, with her family by her side on Sunday June 4, 2017 in her 88th year. Beloved wife of the late Gordon MacIntyre for 57 years. Loving mother of Ian and his wife Janet of Burlington and Cheryl Moran and her husband Ian of Finch. Cherished grandma of Chelsea Sanders (Michael), Andrew MacIntyre (Mattie), Jessica Blaney (Colin), Hilary Moran and Stuart MacIntyre (Courtney). Loved GG to her 'Little Men', Dylan, Ryan, Cody and Declan. Will be remembered by her sisters-in-laws, brothers-in-laws, nieces and nephews. Daughter of the late Ernest and Harriet Naidow (nee Thompson) and sister of the late Gwendolyn Greenwood. Norma was a graduate of the Cornwall General Hospital, School of Nursing Class of 1950, long-time member of St. Luke's-Knox Presbyterian Church and a Life Member of Winchester Chapter #310, Order of the Eastern Star. The family received friends at the Brownlee Funeral Home, 18 Front Street, Finch, on Monday, June 12, 2017 from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. A Celebration of Norma's Life was held at St. Luke's-Knox Presbyterian Church, 28 Front Street, Finch, on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 11 a.m. The Reverend Bruce Kemp officiated. Interment, Finch Community Cemetery. In memory of Norma, donations to the Maxville Manor Foundation or St. Luke's-Knox Presbyterian Church would be appreciated. A Star Funeral Service was held on Monday at 2 p.m. Special thanks to the staff at The Maxville Manor for their love and compassionate care of our mother. Please sign the Book of Condolence at www.brownleefuneralhomes.com

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OBITUARY



ELLIOTT, Hilda

Peacefully at Broadview Nursing Centre on Sunday, June 18, 2017, at the age of 95. Beloved wife of the late Eldon Elliott and long-time partner of the late Emery Seguin. Lovingly remembered by children Bryan Elliott, Heather (Dwayne) Pemberton, Eva Desjardins, Allan Elliott, and Karen Bradford. Nanny to Craig (Pamela), Tamara (Chance), Dennis, Emily (Spencer), Teneisha (Brent), Gillian, Caden, Brandy and Chloe. Great-grandmother to Ashable, Dameon, Dennis Jr, Dakota and McIntyre. Dear sister of Jean (Bruce) Kincaid; predeceased by her siblings Mervin Eastman, Beryl Osmond and Margaret Johnston. She will be missed by Emery's children, nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Hilda will also be lovingly missed by all the excellent PSWs, nurses and staff at Broadview Nursing Centre as they became very much a part of her family as well. Friends were invited to visit with the family from 11am-2pm, the funeral was directly followed at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg, Ontario on Tuesday, June 20th, 2017. Interment at Maple Ridge Cemetery followed by a luncheon at the Chesterville Legion. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Alzheimer's Society would be appreciated by the family in lieu of flowers. Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

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OBITUARY



MERKLEY, B. "Peter"

A resident of the Fairview Manor Nursing Home in Almonte for the past 3 months, Peter Merkley passed away there peacefully with his family by his side on Thursday, June 8, 2017. He was 69.

Peter was born in Chesterville on October 21, 1947 to his parents Carl and Madeline Merkley (nee Marcellus).

Peter joined the Ontario Provincial Police in 1969, and served most of his career in northern Ontario (Kenora, Minaki, Englehart), before retiring from Kanata in 1998 as a senior constable.

Peter is survived by his beloved wife and best friend for 48 years Karen (nee Johnson), his children Edward "Ed" of Carleton Place and Angie Kennedy-Merkley of Stittsville, his mother Madeline Morrison (formerly Merkley, nee Marcellus) of Stittsville and his sister Brenda Edwards-Merkley of Nepean. He was a proud Poppy to his 5 grandchildren Alison, Jake, Hannah, Emma and Abigail. He was predeceased by his father Carl. He is also survived by nieces and nephews.

A Memorial service to celebrate Peter's life was held at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Chesterville on Thursday June 15th at 11:30 a.m., with Rev. Debbie Poirier officiating. Interment of cremated remains was at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville.

Donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

SDG County Library update to Council

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Contributor

BERWICK – Karen Franklin, Director of Library Services for SDG County Library, provided North Stormont councillors with an update during their June 13 meeting in Berwick.

Franklin explained there has been a re-allocation of library hours with the Crysler and Finch branches being affected in North Stormont. She spoke on the partnership with the municipality that began in April which allows residents to purchase items like dog tags or recycling bins and the ability for residents to register for sports at libraries.

She stressed the importance of a local library as a hub in the community, providing a location for access to information and services in combination with the more traditional roles played by a community library. Franklin



Mobile hubs new service coming for SDG library patrons

Karen Franklin, Director of Library Services for the SDG County Library, displays one of the mobile hubs which should be available for check out by library patrons in mid-July following a presentation to the North Stormont Council on June 13 at Berwick.

Franklin also mentioned the authorization by the Library Board to provide all front-line staff with the training to become Commissioners of Oath in this province.

Franklin then provided council members with information on a new service she described as a

portable computer hub which can be borrowed by patrons in a similar manner as a book. The SDG County Library System has purchased 15 hubs to which up to 10 devices can be attached and expects them to be ready for loan by mid-July.

Thompson Goddard photo

2017 NDDHS Potpourri Art Show

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – Nine students from North Dundas District High School gathered on Friday evening, June 9, in a culminating art show to display their work for friends, family and the community. Art teacher Troy Smith had the artists choose their own theme at the beginning of the semester and were encouraged to explore that theme artistically and in as many mediums and supports as they could.

The artists displayed a minimum of three works and Smith explained that viewers touring the art should be able to grasp the gist of the theme with relative ease. Some of the themes included, History of Dundas, Under the Sea, and Black Magic.

While the art show was a proud moment for everyone involved, it was mingled with melancholy as Smith announced his departure from NDDHS. After having been with the school for 19 years, Smith is heading to Carleton Place to take a

full-time art position for the remainder of his career. The students agreed that Smith will be missed by all but showed their understanding and support in his decision, which as he said was far from easy.

Smith began the Grade 12 art shows 18 years ago and then incorporated the addition of a charity fundraiser around nine years in. This year's charity chosen by the artists was The War Amp CHAMP. The evening raised a total of \$375 for the charity at the silent auction.



Celebrating the artists

From left, Laura Williams, Amaneet Gill, Chelsea Van-Wylick, Naomi Buist, Amber Barnett, Ashley Harper, Jamie Quinton, Jade Barnett, Jaclyn Crump and teacher Troy Smith celebrate the artists' hard work throughout the semester at the NDDHS Potpourri Art Show on Fri., June 9.

Sawyer Helmer photo

S.G. Wells celebrates 80th anniversary

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

INGLESIDE – On Fri., June 16, new SG Wells owner David Cassell and his wife Cindy Cassell unveiled the newly renovated building for the 80th anniversary of the business.

Cassell took over the shop two years ago after Mark Wells sold the franchise

out of the family. What was started by Wells' grandfather Sandford Wells and followed by Merle Wells and later Mark Wells, finally came to a new chapter with Cassell.

Wells' wife Elise said they were happy to see the business still going but were bittersweet about walking away from the

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Community Food Share volunteers appreciated

The non-profit organization, Community Food Share hoped to exceed last year's total donation of 13,633 lbs of food. Thanks to dozens of volunteers and area residents who made generous donations of non-perishable food items, 13,638 lbs of food was collected. A final total over 13,700 lbs was expected as donations were still pouring in after the collection date earlier this month. "Our volunteers did a terrific job once again and the community responded. Last year's Fill-a-Bag Food Drive kept our shelves well-stocked during the summer and I expect it will be the same this year," said Community Food Share Administrator Ian McKelvie. One of the Fill-a-Bag teams who volunteered in Chesterville this year, as well as last year, were Meredith Burwood holding Morgan Roy, Bonita Ojaick and Matthew Roy (front). They, and all the teams volunteering in Chesterville, had help from the North Dundas Leos Club who assisted in unloading the donations collected by the various teams. The Leos were Rosie Backes, Alix Giles, Jackson McMillan and Ben Weber (far right).



Courtesy photo

S.G. Wells

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family business. Cassell was a good fit for the takeover because of his "values and passion," said Denis Schofield, Marketing Representation Manager at

Ford Motor Company Canada. Jim Hartford, Vice-President Marketing at Ford Motor Company Canada added that he was excited about the future of SG Wells and Cassell's, "commitment to the community, staff and brand."

MP Guy Lauzon said it best when he wished Cassell another 80 years of success. The 80th anniversary was followed up the next day by a Mustang Club Show and Shine car show and charity barbecue.



Ford franchise renovates and celebrates

SG Wells Ford in Ingleside opened its doors after extensive renovations to the building just in time for the 80th anniversary. From left, Bill Hallett, Tammy Hart, Cindy Cassell, David Cassell, Mark Wells, Elise Wells, Allan Strader, Jim McDonell, Denis Schofield, Jim Hartford and Guy Lauzon.

Sawyer Helmer photo

Finger-licking good time at Winchester Ribfest

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Contributor

WINCHESTER – For seven years, the Winchester Ribfest, held this year in the Joel Steele Community Centre on June 16, has been raising funds while serving up delicious barbecue ribs with all the trimmings. Funds raised are in support of the Winchester Downtown Revitalization Committee.

Township of North Dundas Mayor Eric

Duncan explained how approximately 500 ribs had been pre-cooked at the Country Kitchen Restaurant with John Proulx of Tic Tac Ribs barbecuing them at the Winchester Arena.

Duncan commented on the support for this event received by other community partners such as Scotiabank of South Mountain and Osgoode, Dundas Milk Producers, with Marleen Fawcett and Soul Sounds providing background music.



Barbecue teamwork

While John Proulx starts cooking under the watchful eyes of Diane Langton and Bea Wigney, Sam Warwick, Sherrie Orendi, Jessie Proulx, and Dave Perrin keep an eye on things from behind.

Thompson Goddard photo

Upper Canada Village annual Medieval Festival sees massive crowds

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

MORRISBURG – With great weather comes great crowds. This was definitely the case at Upper Canada Village's annual Medieval Festival the weekend of June 9 to 11. Thousands flooded the grounds to see the performers, artisans, knights and of course, the King and Queen.

King Richard filled his boisterous roll as the Lion Heart well while roaming the kingdom and inspecting his subjects. Meanwhile his Queen mother Eleanor brooded in the shade, a state much befitting her muse's character. The village was alive with merriment and wonder throughout the weekend.

Visitors got into the medieval spirit by dressing up in their traditional garb, and many kilts were in attendance as is a usual site at the festival. There was never a dull moment either as the village had planned shows and demonstrations to keep the visitors entertained at every second.



The jumping jester

Kobbler Jay a cheeky and entertaining jester performed a number of impressive feats garnering applause from his audience. His act included a three bench high balancing stunt, juggling apples while eating them and an assortment of tricks and stunts with knives, glass and balance.

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Blue gets back on track, Yellow owns second

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE — The Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League kicked off their evening with first-place Blue taking on Red in their first game of the night this

past Thursday. In the second game of the night, Yellow welcomed Black in a battle for third place.

Blue 5 Red 1

In the first game of the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thurs.,

June 15, Red welcomed Blue at the Chesterville Arena. Blue went into the game in first place six points ahead of Red and Yellow and looked to rebound after losing their first game of the season the previous week.

Blue opened the scoring at 4:15 into the first period when Sam Benoit scored an unassisted goal to make it 1-0. Blue made it 2-0 at 10:30 as Rebecca Kennedy snapped one home from Jaelyn Crump and Lindsay Cummins.

Just 18 seconds later Blue struck again. This time it was Carly Crump pounding one home from Cummins. Blue closed out the scoring in the opening frame with just 15 seconds remaining as Jaelyn Crump slid one home from Kennedy and took a 4-0 lead into the second period.

Red got one back in the second period as Catia Dias slipped one to the back of the net unassisted at 9:15. Blue took a 4-1 lead into the third period. Red tried hard to get closer but Blue's goalie Roxanne Crump held their

attack at bay. Blue made it 5-1 when Cummins fired one to the back of the net from Jaelyn Crump and Benoit at 14:10.

Blue hung on for their seventh win of the season and their stranglehold on first place. Blue's goalie Roxanne Crump picked up the win in goal.

Yellow 2 Black 1

In the second game of the night Yellow played host to Black. Black was coming off a big victory over first-place Blue the previous week and looked to carry the momentum with a victory over Yellow. Yellow sat in a two-way tie with Red in second place just two points ahead of Black.

Black opened the game at 6:11 of the first period when Jessica Winters powered one to the back of the cage from Sam Naish and Heather Cook Erwin to take a 1-0 lead. Neither team was able to put up a marker for the remainder of the first period.

Yellow tied the game at 9:48 of the second period as



The Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League kicked off their night on Thurs., June 14, with Red welcoming Blue at the Chesterville Arena. Blue's Becca Alves tries to bank one in off of Red's defender Hailey Imrie but goalie Cashelle Baldwin shut the play down. Blue's forward Carly Crump was hoping for the ball to come her way. Blue got back in the winning column with a 5-1 victory.

Moore photo

Shannon McRae sniped one from Amber Saddlemire and Alecia Jones. The two teams took a 1-1 stalemate into the third period.

Yellow took their first lead of the game when Jodi Hall scored an unassisted goal at 9:01 of the third period taking

a 2-1 lead. Black tried for the equalizer but Yellow's goalie Cashelle Baldwin held the fort as Yellow took the game 2-1 and moved into sole possession of second place.

Picking up the win in Yellow's goal was Baldwin, her fourth of the season.



In the second game of the evening in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thurs., June 14, Yellow welcomed Black. Black's Kaila Beckstead (9) tries to flip one up over Yellow's goalie Cashelle Baldwin as defenseman Stephanie Shane tries to tuck the ball under her goalie. Yellow's forward Lindsay Waddell comes back to help out. Yellow went on to take the game 2-1.

Moore photo

Major White Pioneers take two of three

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

WILLIAMSBURG — The Williamsburg Major White Pioneers had three games this past week as they made up two rained out games with a double header against the Winchester Red Sox and the Winchester Black Sox on Sunday night and then played host to the Green Pioneers on Tuesday night.

White Pioneers 15 Green Pioneers 7

The Williamsburg Major White Pioneers played host to the Williamsburg Green Pioneers at the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Tues., June 13, in the Upper Canada Little League. The White Pioneers were coming off a

big win over the Winchester Black Sox and looked to rough up their brothers in green.

The Green Pioneers only got four batters to the plate in the top of the first inning and two were struck out. The White Pioneers took advantage scoring five runs in the bottom of the first taking a 5-0 lead into the second inning.

The Green Pioneers only got four batters to the dish again at the top of the second inning and none of them made the round trip. The White Pioneers didn't fare any better in the bottom of the inning only getting four batters to the plate as well.

The Green Pioneers finally got on the board after

some nice base stealing, scoring two runs in the top of the third inning but the White Pioneers stole back the momentum scoring five more runs in the bottom of the third taking a 10-2 lead.

The Green Pioneers fired right back with five runs in the top of the fourth inning but the White Pioneers kept pace with five runs in the bottom of the inning. The Green Pioneers went three up and three down on the top of the fifth inning as the White Pioneers took the game 15-7.

Scoring for the White Pioneers were Brayden Barrie with three, Mason Hummel, Austin Roy, Dryden Buter, Olivia Mudde and Cam Shaver each with deuces, and Terrence Mudde and Ben Joldersma each scored a single.

Scoring for the Green Pioneers were Devon Elliott, Wyatt Rivet, Chloe Young, Quade Mullin, Alek Larocque, Travis Faulkner and Caleb Machan.

Pioneers 13 Black Sox 7

The Williamsburg Major White Pioneers welcomed the Winchester Black Sox to the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Sun., June 11, in their second game of a double header in the Upper Canada Little League. The Pioneers were coming off a 13-8 loss to the Winchester Red Sox in their first leg of their double header and looked to get back in the winning column.

The Black Sox opened the scoring with two runs in the top of the first inning but the

Pioneers responded with five runs in the bottom half of the inning taking a 5-2 lead into the second inning.

The Black Sox added another deuce in the top of the second but again, the Pioneers exploded for seven runs in the bottom of the inning. The Black Sox only got five batters to the plate in the top of the third inning after the Pioneers' pitcher Cam Shaver sat three of them down via strikeout.

The Pioneers' bats fell silent in the bottom of the third inning only getting five players to the plate but took a 12-4 lead into the fourth inning. The Black Sox scored three more runs in the top of the fourth but the Pioneers scored a single in their half of the inning making it 13-7.

Neither team were able to score in their final at bat as the Pioneers took the game 13-7. Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Shaver with three, Brayden Barrie and Dryden Buter with two and Terrence Mudde, Olivia Mudde, Devon Honders, Hudson Fetterly, Ben Joldersma and Austin Roy with singles.

Pitching for the Pioneers were Barrie for the first inning, Buter in the second, Shaver in the third and fourth and Olivia Mudde finished the game off.

Red Sox 13 Pioneers 8

The Williamsburg White Pioneers welcomed the Winchester Red Sox to the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Sun., June 11, in the leg of a



The Major Williamsburg White Pioneers played a double header on Sun., June 11, as they welcomed the Winchester Red Sox in game one and then hosted the Winchester Black Sox in game two at the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park. The Pioneers' Cam Shaver beats the throw at first base in the third inning. The powerhouse Red Sox went on to take the game 13-8 but the Pioneers beat the Black Sox 13-7 splitting their doubleheader.

Moore photo

double header in the Upper Canada Little League. The Red Sox opened the scoring with a huge inning on the top of the first, scoring five runs, and held the Pioneers off the score sheet in the bottom of the inning taking a 5-0 lead into the second.

The Pioneers' pitcher Cam Shaver mowed down three of the four Red Sox' batters sent to the plate in the top of the second. The Pioneers got five batters to the dish in the bottom of the second but only scored one and trailed 5-1 heading into the third inning.

The Red Sox kept the pressure on scoring three more runs in the top of the third inning but the Pioneers offence scored a couple in the bottom of the third making it an 8-3 ball game. The Red Sox had another monstrous fourth inning scoring five

more runs and their defence came up big in the bottom of the inning not allowing a run to cross the plate.

The Pioneers' pitcher Brayden Barrie struck out three of the four he faced in the top of the fifth inning and the Pioneers scored five runs in their last at bat in the top of the fifth but it wasn't enough as the Red Sox took the game 13-8.

Scoring for the Pioneers were Mason Hummel and Cam Shaver with two each and Terrence Mudde, Brayden Barrie, Dryden Buter and Austin Roy each scored singles. Pitching for the Pioneers were Buter in the first inning, Shaver in the second and third, Hudson Fetterly in the fourth and Brayden Barrie closed out the game pitching in the fifth.



The White Pioneers' runner Dryden Buter steals home plate while batter Ben Joldersma looks on. The Green Pioneers' pitcher Wyatt Rivet tries to make it to the plate to help his catcher Alek Larocque. Buter was called safe on the play and helped the White Pioneers to a 15-7 victory.



Junior-Senior Pioneers down Braves, squeak past Cornwall

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CORNWALL — The Williamsburg Junior-Senior Pioneers had two games this past week as they welcomed the Brockville #1 Braves on Wednesday night and travelled to Cornwall on Thursday night to take on Cornwall #1.

Pioneers 17 Braves 3

The Williamsburg Junior-Senior Pioneers welcomed the Brockville #1 Braves to

the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Wed., June 14, in the Upper Canada Little League. The Braves got off to a slow start going three up and three down in the top of the first inning and the Pioneers took advantage scoring four runs in the bottom of the first taking a 4-0 lead.

The Braves got just four batters to the plate in the top of the second inning but the Pioneers' pitcher Dean Lapier struck three of them

out. The Pioneers scored three more runs in the bottom of the second taking a 7-0 lead.

The Braves finally got on the board scoring three runs in the top of the third inning but the burning hot bats of the Pioneers swatted home another five spots, taking a 12-3 lead. The Braves only got four batters to the plate in the top of the fourth inning and only one got on base.

The Pioneers scored a

single in the bottom of the fourth making it 13-3. The Braves just couldn't figure the Pioneers' pitching out in this game as they were unable to score again in the top of the fifth. The Pioneers closed the game with four runs in the bottom of the fifth taking the game 17-3.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Isaiah Summers with three, Dean Lapier, Tory Barnett, Devon Swindells, Kendrew Byers and Maclean Machan each scored two and Nolan Henry, Isaac Thomas, Brendan Shaver and Thomas Rae each scored singles.

Pitching for the Pioneers were Henry in the first inning, Lapier in the second, Summers in the third, Rae in the fourth and Barnett in the fifth.

Pioneers 13 Cornwall #3 11

The Williamsburg Junior-Senior Pioneers travelled to Cornwall on Thurs., June 15, to take on Cornwall #3 in the

Upper Canada Little League. The Pioneers went into the game with just one loss on the season and were looking to carry that momentum.

The Pioneers got off to a good start scoring three runs in the top of the first inning but Cornwall answered right back with four runs in the bottom of the inning taking a 4-3 lead into the second. The Pioneers only got four batters to the plate in the top of the second inning and three of them were struck out.

The Pioneers' defence held Cornwall to just five batters in the bottom of the second and neither of them made the round trip. The Pioneers got five batters to the plate in the top of the third inning but failed to score leaving two runners in scoring position.

Cornwall scored two runners in the bottom of the third taking a 6-3 lead into the fourth inning. The Pioneers' bats came alive in the top of the fourth inning scoring the maximum five

runs taking over the lead but that didn't last long as Cornwall answered with five runs of their own and took an 11-8 lead into the fifth inning.

The resilient Pioneers came back with another five runs in the top of the fifth inning and their defence held Cornwall off the score sheet in the bottom of the fifth as the Pioneers' pitcher Tory Barnett closed out the game with three strikeouts on five batters. The Pioneers snuck out a 13-11 come from behind victory.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Nolan Henry, Isaac Cummins, Dean Lapier and Tory Barnett each with two and Isaiah Summers, Thomas Rae, Kendrew Byers, Mclean Machan and Noah Keeler each scored singles.

The Pioneers' pitchers were Henry for the first inning, Lapier in the second, Summers in the third, Rae in the fourth and Barnett closed the game out in the fifth.

Red Sox extend unbeaten streak

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

WINCHESTER — The Winchester Peewee Girls' Red Sox had two games this past week as they welcomed Kenmore #1 on Monday night and travelled to Kenmore #2 on Friday night.

Red Sox 17

Kenmore #1 10

The Winchester Peewee

Girls' Red Sox welcomed Kenmore #1 to Park 100 on Mon., June 12, in the Rural Ottawa Softball Association. The Red Sox went into the game with a perfect 6-0 record and looked to make it seven in a row.

Kenmore opened the scoring with a single in the top of the first inning but the Red Sox answered with four runs in the bottom of

the first taking a 4-1 lead into the second.

Kenmore replied with a three-run second inning but again the Red Sox' bats were working, scoring another four runs in the bottom half of the inning to take an 8-4 lead. Kenmore added a single in the top of the third but again the Red Sox answered four runs in the bottom of the third making it 12-5.

Kenmore went three up and three down in the bottom of the fourth inning and the Red Sox offence scored another maximum four runs to make it 16-5. Kenmore scored four runs in the top of the fifth inning to make it interesting but the Red Sox added a single to make it 17-9 heading into the sixth inning.

Kenmore scored a single run in the top of the sixth inning but it wasn't enough as the Red Sox extended their undefeated streak to seven taking the game 17-10.

Scoring the runs for the Red Sox were Allison Roach and Megan Thompson with three each, Delaney Johnston, Ashley Wasylo and Sara Sloane each scored deuces and Mia Ziegler, Adrianna Van Breugel, Amanda Shay, Alexis Sharpley and Reise Marriner scored singles.



The Winchester Peewee Girls' Red Sox welcomed Kenmore #1 to the 100 Club Park on Mon., June 12, in the Rural Ottawa Softball Association. The Red Sox pitcher Megan Thompson throws a perfect strike on this play in the second inning. Thompson and the Red Sox went on to take the game 17-10.

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Major Green Pioneers hung to dry

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

WILLIAMSBURG — The Williamsburg Major Green Pioneers had two games this past week as they played against the White Pioneers on Tuesday night and then welcomed the Winchester Red Sox on Thursday night.

Red Sox 13 Pioneers 6

The Williamsburg Major Green Pioneers welcomed the Winchester Red Sox to the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Thurs., June 15, in the Upper Canada Little League. The Pioneers were coming off a tough loss to the White Pioneers in their previous game and they were in for a tough go against the Red Sox.

The Red Sox only had one loss on the season to date and took control early. The Red Sox scored five runs in the top of the first inning scoring the maximum amount of runs allowed per inning.

The Pioneers only got four batters to the

plate and none of them made the round trip in the bottom of the first inning. The Red Sox fury carried over into the top of the second scoring another five runs to make it 10-0.

The Pioneers rallied in the bottom of the second scoring five runs to cut the Red Sox advantage to five. The Pioneers' defence shut the Red Sox down in the top of the third inning allowing only three to the plate. The Pioneers' offence scored a single to move to within four in the bottom of the third.

The Red Sox scored three runs in the top of the fourth to take a 13-6 lead. The Pioneers' offence let them down again in the bottom of the fourth inning on getting four batters to the plate and getting two on base but the Red Sox shut the door taking the game 13-6.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Chloe Young, Quade Mullin, Alek Larocque, Travis Faulkner, Caleb Machan and Tyson Wilhelm.

North Dundas Devils recognized



Athletes of the Year Awards

The North Dundas District High School held their annual athletic awards day on Mon., June 12. Named Athletes of the Year are: (front from left) Olivia Salmon (Gr. 9), Grace Cave (Gr. 10), Shaina Vandemheen (Gr. 11), Jessi Vandbelt (Gr. 12); (back from left) Cyrill Jaquemet (Gr. 12), Jarrett Williams (Gr. 11), Ian Koch (Gr. 10), and Curtis Bell (Gr. 9).

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2016-17 NDDHS MVPs

The North Dundas District High School 2016-17 MVPs were (not in order): Cole McCooeye and Fabienne Puentner – Cross Country; Patrick Norris – Golf; Mallory Hutchison and Lynette Klein Boonschate – 7's Rugby; Ian Koch – Junior boys volleyball; Cyrill Jaquemet and Jarrett Williams – Senior boys' volleyball; Hailey Dubue – Midget girls' basketball; Grace Cave – Junior girls' basketball; Brooke Stewart – Senior girls' basketball; Jessi Zandbelt and Shania Vandemheen – Girls' hockey; Aaron Turcotte – Boys' hockey; Ian Koch – Junior boys' basketball; Grace Cave – Junior girls' volleyball; Maddie Henderson and Brooke Stewart – Senior girls' volleyball; Matthew Roach – Curling; Alexis Engwerda – Skating; Katherine Steele and Jarrett Williams – Badminton; Logan Billings and Payton Halpenny – Archery; Jesse Zandbelt – 15's Rugby; Peter Xidias – Junior boys' soccer; Aaron Turcotte – Senior boys' soccer; Jamie Quintan – Track and field; and Liam Antille, Curtis Bell, Zac Hamilton and Jack Ciavaglia – Track and field relay. Fabienne Puentner took home the Karen Moffat Award and Brooke Stewart was awarded the Student Contributing Most to School Athletics.



129th MAXVILLE Fair JUNE 23-25

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Exhibits to Hall (Complex)

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Exhibits to Exhibit Hall (Complex)

1:00 p.m. Judging of Hall Exhibits

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

Midway (Cope Amusements) 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Cope Amusements with presale tickets of \$20, day of Fair sale \$25.

Tickets available at Scotiabank.

Petting Zoo with Pony Rides - Monalea Petting Zoo

11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Ag Awareness & Education Tent open

- Friday is Education Day

3 shows Magician Michael Bourada

All Weekend: Bowman's Tag (Archery) in the Education Tent - Learn About a New Sport and try it out!

Agriboard, Dunvegan's Pioneer Museum, Nation River Conservation,

Robot Demonstration and more!

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Exhibit hall open

Purolator's Tackle Hunger Program

4:00 p.m. Exhibition Barrel Jackpot Show

6:00 p.m. Football & Food Bank Drive

6:00 p.m. Talent Show Info /registration

Gary Martin 613-527-1206

9:00 p.m. - Kilts, Riffs and Spurs - Metcalfe Centre

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

Midway 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Petting Zoo with Pony Rides - Monalea Petting Zoo

Antique Machinery & Artisans Displays

8:00 a.m. - 4-H Showmanship

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall open

9:00 a.m. - Volleyball

9:30 a.m. - Holstein / 4-H Show (Arena)

10:00 a.m. - Extreme Cowboy Race

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Ag Awareness & Education Tent open - Little Rays Display and Interactive Shows (1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.)

11:00 a.m. Tug of War



1 p.m. - Truck Pull (featuring Executioner Pulling Sled) - registration begins at 11 a.m.

1:00 p.m. - Bubble Soccer

2:00 p.m. - Entertainment by Roger, Uncle George & Friends

On the Metcalfe Centre Patio

3:00 p.m. - Western Games
Beer Tent - Dean's DJ
Mechanical Bull in the Beer Tent - \$5.00
Photo Booth - \$2.00

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2017

Midway 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Petting Zoo with Pony Rides - Monalea Petting Zoo

9:00 a.m. - Western Performance

9:00 a.m. - Maxville Fair

Fun Horse Show

9:00 a.m. - S.D.&G. Highland Dancing Competition

10:00 a.m. - Exhibit Hall open

10:00 - Interdenominational Church service

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Ag Awareness & Education Tent open - Ms Twisty's Balloon Creations (12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.)

Noon - Lawn Tractor Pull

12:30 p.m. - Pre-registration for Baby Show

1:00 p.m. - Baby Show in the Show Hall

1:00 p.m. - Firefighter Skills Contest

3:15 p.m. - Award Presentations in Exhibit Hall

3:30 p.m. - Pick up exhibits from Hall

4:00 p.m. - Entertainment on the Metcalfe Centre Patio: Country Lads

4:00 p.m. - Volunteer Appreciation on Metcalfe Centre Patio

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Library building renamed

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

RUSSELL — The Russell Library Branch building has been officially renamed after late Mayor of Russell Township, Jean Paul (J.P.) St. Pierre.

On Sat., June 3, a ceremony was held at the branch, attended by about 50 onlookers, including current Russell Council members, Mayor Pierre Leroux, Jocelyn St. Pierre, St. Pierre's children, Township staff, firefighters, and members of the community.

St. Pierre served as Councillor for four years before winning election as Mayor in 2010. He passed away nine days before he would have been elected again in 2014. He played a major role in the construction of the Russell Library branch building. He was also a Police Village of Russell Trustee for

six years, and was a member of or a contributor to numerous local organizations in Russell including the Russell Curling Club, the Lions Club, the Kin Club, the Optimist Club, and the Russell and District Horticultural Society. He inspired loyalty in both the Embrun and Russell firefighters, who lined up together to form an honour guard at his funeral in October 2014. Besides serving as mayor, before his death he was also sitting as Warden of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell and Chair of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus.

A plaque near the library's entrance praises St. Pierre's role in building the library. He was also closely involved with the creation of the new Embrun Fire Hall, the Municipal Dog Park and was a supporter of the Sports Dome which is now under construction.



DTDN still a force

The Citizens' Environmental Stewardship Association—East of Ottawa held its AGM on Wed., June 14, at the Russell House Pub. The recent approval of the mega-landfill on Boundary Rd. has galvanized the group, resulting in four new board members stepping up. Front row: Anne Schibli, Ray St. Pierre, Harry Baker, Charles Armstrong; middle row: Doug Estabrooks, Paul Schibli, Noel Murray and Marie-Claire Buchanan; and back row: Gilles Bérubé, Owen Clarkin, and Steve Mihok.

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New signage for new name

The building which houses the Township of Russell Library was officially renamed on June 3 to the Jean Paul St. Pierre Building.

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Letter

Open letter to Minister of Environment and Climate Change Glen Murray

On Monday, June 5, you announced your approval of the Boundary Road landfill site. In the memo accompanying your decision, the MOECC declared, "In making a decision, the Minister carefully considered issues raised by the public, stakeholder groups, municipalities, and government reviewers, along with a detailed technical review by ministry staff." Carefully Considered? You did? Has that phrase been redefined?

You gave eight reasons to support your decision. Five of them, reasons 3-5, 7 and 8, are repeated verbatim to set the stage and are succeeded by arguments contesting their significance.

"(3) On the basis of the proponent's Environmental Assessment and the Ministry Review, the proponent's conclusion that, on balance, the advantages of this undertaking outweigh its disadvantages appears to be valid.

(4) No other beneficial alternative method of implementing the undertaking was identified.

(5) The proponent has demonstrated that the environmental effects of the undertaking can be appropriately prevented, changed, mitigated, or remedied.

(7) All comments from government agencies, the public and Indigenous

communities have been appropriately addressed.

(8) I am not aware of any outstanding issues with respect to this undertaking which suggest that a hearing should be required."

Additional landfills are not needed, therefore reasons (3) and (4) are meaningless. Fundamental to the safety of any landfill is the stability of the land on which it is to be built. If the land is, or can easily become, unstable, containment of the waste will most likely be breached.

All reasonable attempts to prevent, or avoid, instability must be implemented, but they were not, thereby making reason (5) largely untrue. You and your Ministry ignored geological information, pertinent to the occurrence of a possible nearby, damaging earthquake, yet you claimed in reason (7) that all comments were addressed appropriately. If ignoring information germane to a possible nearby earthquake is appropriate, then expectations of environmental protection in Ontario are unrealistic. Despite your claim in reason (8) there is still at least that one major outstanding issue that must be addressed. Keep reading!

The region encompassing the Ottawa Valley is within the third most seismically active area in Canada, an area in which

Calypso free for children under one metre

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

LIMOGES — In celebration of Canada's 150th birthday Calypso Water Park near Limoges announced on opening day, Wed., June 7, that it would be offering free admittance this season for children under one meter in height. Children must be accompanied by a parent.

This anniversary initiative, which also celebrates the 375th anniversary of Montreal, will make the park more affordable for local families, and owners are expecting the park's location between the two celebratory cities to bring a

big benefit. They are planning for 500,000 visitors this summer, which is the park's eighth season.

The park has 35 heated waterslides, 100 water games, Canada's largest wave pool and tallest water slide, two themed rivers, restaurants, and numerous other attractions. "The decision to provide free admission to children measuring under one meter this summer demonstrates our commitment to making the park enjoyable for young families," said Jérôme Drouin, Vice-President, New Product Development. "We are currently working on other

incentives focused on youngsters and young families which we will be introducing in 2018."

Calypso's release also said it is in the process of finalizing a major new development for the park and will be making an announcement later this season.

Officially opened in 2010 and representing a total investment of nearly \$65-million, Calypso Theme Waterpark was awarded the top 2015 Travellers' Choice Award by TripAdvisor® Canada, and received the Ottawa Tourism's Innovation of the Year Award in 2012 and 2014.

damaging earthquakes are known to have occurred. You, or at least those who advised you, should know that earthquakes occur because of rock movement along faults in response to stress. If there is evidence, or reasoned suspicion, of geologically recent movement along faults at, or near, a proposed landfill site, those faults must be investigated. Denial, such as that advanced by Golder Associates, is not an option.

I conducted a study in which I interpreted that geologically young faulting had occurred within 6km of the Boundary Road site. The fault interpretation was published in the peer-reviewed Canadian Journal of Earth Sciences. Golder was aware of it because they included the published paper in the reference list of their assessment report, but did not discuss the findings. Listing a paper, but not discussing it is unusual. It is, however, understandable when one realizes that doing so would not be beneficial to their client. I caught that deliberate omission, which Golder acknowledged. After professing that I had many mistakes they doggedly claimed those nearby faults do not even exist. That is favourable to their client because if there are no faults they cannot constitute an earthquake risk there.

The fault interpretation should be taken

seriously enough to be verified. Each fault was inferred from the presence of scarps separating relatively level ground at a higher elevation from its adjacent counterpart at a lower elevation.

During the review process, I wrote to you and MOECC staff that the fault verification there is feasible. Data from Golder's own report, photographs, explanatory figures and text were all sent in support of my exhortation that MOECC require that the consultant's assertion of no faulting be proved. Why did you not do so?

Proving that the scarp is or is not the result of faulting would entail drilling into bedrock at each of two or three locations on each side of the escarpment (illustrated by the white arrows in the figure, along the escarpment). The objective would be to drill across the gradual change from red rock to grey rock with depth and determine the elevation of that transition zone at each location. If the transition zone on the higher side of the escarpment were higher than the transition zone on the lower side, the fault's existence would be confirmed!

MOECC did not require the investigation of those faults therefore, besides being irresponsible, it is absolutely an outstanding issue.

Joe Wallach, Ph.D.
Russell, Ont.

Band performs

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

RUSSELL – The Russell Community Concert Band performed at the J.P. St. Pierre Building (library) in Russell on Thurs., June 15, under the direction of conductor David Wattie.

He led them in a variety of musical pieces ranging from the *Game of Thrones* theme to *Birdland* and *Amazing Grace*. The concert was originally scheduled for outdoors on the library grounds, but was moved inside due to the threat of inclement weather. About 25 audience members attended, and with the band members and library staff the building was filled with patrons and music.

The band was founded only eight years ago in 2009 as a charitable organization with the aim of increasing

musicianship and musical enjoyment in and near Russell. The website says, “Our band is made up of many different skill levels. We are constantly seeking new concert band members and their instruments, never turning anyone away who wishes to continue improving his or her skills.”

The band can also give volunteer hours to high school students who wish to play. It offers free concerts to seniors’ residences, offers a free old-fashioned concert in the park each June; and helps other Russell organizations with their charitable aims by offering free concerts to help with fundraising.

The next concert is this Thurs., June 22, at Le Pavillon, 1122 Notre Dame St., Embrun, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m., and a concert will be part of the Russell Heritage Festival on Sept. 23.

For more information, email inquiries@russellband.ca.



Band aid

The Russell Community Concert Band performed at the J.P. St. Pierre Building (library) in Russell on Thurs., June 15 to a crowd of about 25 people.

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Service decoration ceremony for UCPR paramedics

HAWKESBURY – The annual service decoration ceremony of the United Counties of Prescott and Russell (UCPR) was in early June, to recognize the years of service and exemplary conduct of its paramedics.

This is the second service decoration ceremony for the Emergency Services Department, which has now become an annual event. This year, the UCPR recognized 22 of its paramedics for 32, 22 and 12 years of service.

“The service of these 22 recognized paramedics is equivalent to several

hundred years of service in the heart of our community, coming to the assistance of our residents – often in their most vulnerable moments,” stated UCPR Emergency Services Director Michel Chrétien Jr.

The decoration is initially provided for 12 consecutive years of paramedic service, and then again after every 10 subsequent years. The original concept to receive the decoration comes from the Canadian Armed Forces. Although the reason for the 12 years is unknown, the rules mirror those that were established in 1949 by the Forces.

“I wish to congratulate all these paramedics for their remarkable work, day after day, as well as for their dedication and constant presence in Prescott and Russell. These men and women often face difficult situations, but they manage them with courage, bravery, humility and courtesy,” added Gary J. Barton, Warden of the UCPR.

The paramedics recognized for 32 years of service and more are Yvon Leclair (33 years of service) and Daniel Lacelles (32). The paramedics recognized for 22 years of service and more are Mario Henrie (24), Éric Larocque (23), Daniel



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Carrier (23), and Brian Wright (23). The paramedics recognized for 12 years of service and more are Robert Lafrenière (21), Marc Lanthier (21),

Tim Stewart (20), (16), Jean Côté (16), Carl Véronique Sicotte (19), Caron (16), Éric Corriveau (16), Yan Bellefeuille (16), Claude Duport (17), Sophie Nadine Massie (16), Martel (17), Patrick Denis Andréanne Martel (16) and (16), Christian Boudreau Melissa Sopiro (16).



Kids and cardboard

Bruce and Matthew Saint of Casselman are intent on finishing their art work at the Early Years Centre’s children’s activities at Embrun Summerfest on Sat., June 17.

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Girls of summer

Sarah Richer of the Dicaire family team swings at the ball during the 3-pitch tournament held as part of Embrun Summerfest on Sat., June 17.

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United in protection

Embrun firefighters and UCPR paramedics helped support the Embrun Family Centre with their fundraising activity in front of the Embrun Co-op Independent store on Sat., June 17.

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