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**Briefly**

**Blood Donor Clinic**  
WINCHESTER – A Community Blood Donor Clinic is scheduled for next Thurs., March 15, from 3:30-8:30 p.m. at the Joel Steele Community Centre, 577 Main Street West, Winchester.

**Boyne Road landfill**  
WINCHESTER – The Boyne Road landfill (12620 Boyne Rd, Winchester) will be open on Sat., March 10, from 8-11:30 a.m.

**March Break activities**  
WINCHESTER – A March Break day camp, hosted by Seize the Day Care, will run March 12-16 at the Joel Steele Community Centre. To register and for further details, visit [www.seizethedaycare.com](http://www.seizethedaycare.com).

**WINCHESTER** – Free public skating with family and friends at the Winchester Joel Steele Arena on Sat., March 10, 7-8 p.m.; Sun., March 11, 12:30-1 p.m.; Mon., March 12, 2-5 p.m.; Wed., March 14, 2-5 p.m.; Thurs., March 15, 2-3:30 p.m.; Fri., March 16, 2-5 p.m.; Sat., March 17, 7-8 p.m.; Sun., March 18, 12:30-1:00 p.m.

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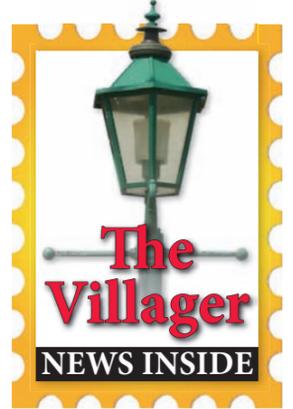
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**Community Improvement Plans moving forward in SDG**

**Candice Vetter**  
Record Staff  
WINCHESTER – Tim J. Simpson, CAO of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, and Terry Besner, Economic Development and Communications Officer for SDG, visited the Township of North Dundas' office on Thurs., March 1, to present information and receive feedback on the Counties' Community Improvement Plan.  
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**Lots of fun for all at Inkerman Winter Classic**

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Correspondent  
INKERMAN – The cold March winds were howling around the Lloyd Laporte Recreation Centre in Inkerman, but there were few complaints heard as this small North Dundas community held their Winter Classic Carnival on Sun., March 4.  
Darby Ace, a member of the Inkerman Winter Classic organizing team, said the aim of the event was to “commemorate our town’s history and to create some good, old fashioned fun” for the whole family.  
There were plenty of activities for people of all ages, including a spaghetti dinner at the Inkerman United Church, a raffle, horse-drawn wagon rides, guessing games and ball hockey on the outdoor rink. Ace explained that except for the raffle the activities at the Rec  
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**Recognition for a lifetime of community service**  
From the left are Township of North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan and Deputy Mayor Gerry Boyce, the 2017 Township of North Dundas Community Builder Award recipient Bill Smirle, and Councillors Tony Fraser, Al Armstrong and John Thompson, immediately following the presentation of the award to Smirle on Thurs., March 1, in Morewood.  
Thompson Goddard photo

**Bill Smirle – 2017 Township of North Dundas Community Builder Award**

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Correspondent  
MOREWOOD – A lifetime of service to his community was recognized on Thurs., March 1, when Morewood resident Bill Smirle was presented with the 2017 Township of North Dundas Community Builder Award. Over 100 people gathered in the recently renovated Morewood Fire Station as Smirle was honoured for his work as an advocate for Winchester & District Memorial Hospital, the Old Town Hall, his church, and the South Nation Conservation, as well as combining teaching for the Ottawa Board of Education with farming – and the list goes on to include service with the local fire department, the Morewood Recreation Association, the Morewood United Cemetery, and his contributions to the Morewood Memorial Committee which holds an annual

Remembrance Day ceremony at the Morewood Cenotaph.  
Master of Ceremonies Township of North Dundas Councillor Al Armstrong explained the significance of this award and mentioned those honoured since its inception in 2008. Doug Thompson, speaking on behalf of SNC, mentioned the contributions of Smirle to that organization and its success, as well as ROMA (Rural Ontario Municipal Association). Thompson was followed by remarks and presentations to Smirle by SDSG MPP Jim McDonnell and Adrian Bugelli, Chief of Staff for MP Guy Lauzon.  
After thanking Morewood Fire Chief Byers for hosting the event and Smirle’s wife Nancy for her dedication and community work, North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan made note of the years of community  
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# Bill Smirle

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service by Smirle – his role in the successful WDMH campaign “Renewing the Vision,” his service with the Fire Department, Morewood Recreation Association and the Morewood Memorial Committee which plans the Remembrance Day ceremonies in this community. As Duncan concluded his remarks, he described Smirle as a friend who has provided “sound advice, thoughtful advice” before thanking him “for all you do and will continue to do for your community.”

Smirle then spoke to the assembled group thanking his wife, family and friends, as well as the people who had worked with him over the years before commenting he was pleased to accept the 2017 Township of North Stormont Community Builder Award and “will treasure it.”



### A quiet moment together

Bill Smirle is pictured with his wife Nancy Wilson following the ceremony wherein Smirle was presented with the 2017 Township of North Dundas Community Builder Award. Thompson Goddard photo

## Congratulations to a true community leader

WINCHESTER – The Boards of Directors of Winchester District Memorial Hospital and Dundas Manor are pleased to congratulate Bill Smirle on being awarded the North Dundas Township’s

Community Builder of the Year Award.

“Bill has been a tireless health care volunteer on many levels in our local region,” stated the release. “Bill was instrumental in

the original fundraising for the new hospital building, and he served as Board Chair during the crucial planning stages, working with all levels of government to help define

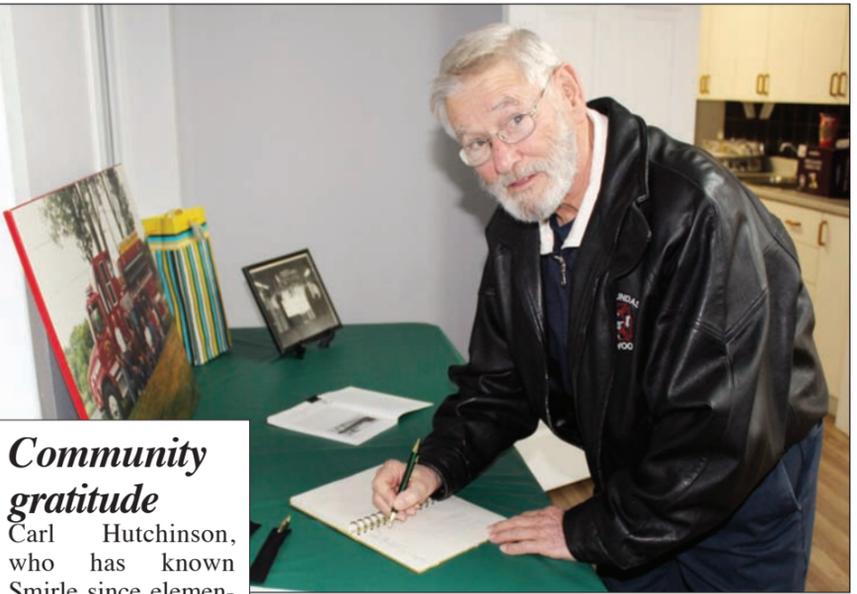
the overall vision for an expanded district hospital. Currently, Bill is Chair of the Dundas Manor Board, leading the planning for a new long-term care home for our residents.”

“It was a pleasure to attend Bill’s ceremony last night and to see the many, many people who have been impacted by his generous work,” noted Cholly Boland, CEO. “We are grateful for Bill’s leadership and support for health care in our region.”



### Morewood Fire Hall renovations completed

Just prior to the Community Builder Award presentation to Bill Smirle on Thurs., March 1 at the Morewood Fire Hall, Morewood Fire Chief Ken Byers and a few of the firefighters of the Morewood Fire Department revealed the recent renovations to the facility. Byers said he is “pretty proud of the people at the fire station who volunteered their time for the renovations.” The volunteers did most of the work themselves which included removing walls, framing, painting and putting down floors in the area where the former Morewood branch of the United County Library System was located. The additional 800 square feet includes new offices for the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief, as well as shower facilities, and a larger training and meeting area. Gathered for a photo on March 1, from left, in the front row, are Fire Chief Ken Byers, Devon Byers, John Chamberlain, Daniel Villeneuve and Shelby Chambers; in the middle row are Matthew MacGregor, Doug MacGregor and Shawn Mattice; in the back row are Troy Helmer, Jason Lesage and Kyle Como. Thompson Goddard photo



### Community gratitude

Carl Hutchinson, who has known Smirle since elementary school, was one of the first to sign a book of congratulations and best wishes at the ceremony where Bill Smirle was presented with the 2017 Township of North Dundas Community Builder Award. Thompson Goddard photo

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# Community Improvement Plans

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Along with Economic Development and Communications Officer of North Dundas Stephen Mann, Simpson discussed the goals and the methods of what has been worked out so far regarding the CIP. He gave the context and background, laid out some ideas for regional strategies, gave funding examples and outlined next steps.

About 15 people, including North Dundas politicians and local businesspersons, attended, and were keen to give their suggestions and feedback to SDG and also to find out how they can access grants and loans under the program.

SDG County is asking the public in all its townships to either attend an upcoming meeting (one is left – tomorrow morning at 7:15 a.m. at the MacIntosh Inn in Morrisburg) or go online and complete the survey ([sdgcounties.ca/CIPnotice](http://sdgcounties.ca/CIPnotice)).

Although the survey lists four areas of regional focus: agricultural value-add, brownfield redevelopment, reuse of commercial buildings, and development of roofed accommodations; the presenters stressed that other ideas which may have been missed are all welcome.

The point of giving either grants or loans to improve the communities in SDG is to draw in more tourism and make the villages of the area more attractive to future investors and business start-ups or relocations. Adding accessibility and improving facades and entrances, increasing parking where appropriate, possible creation of a standard look or style for signage in the area, increasing heritage and cultural aspects, public art, encouragement of roofed accommodations (small hotels, motels, bed and breakfast homes and inns), commercial branding, farm gate attractions, and other ideas could be eligible for CIP funding.

So far the proposed funding streams are: agricultural value-add and facility improvement projects; brownfield redevelopment; re-purposing commercial, institutional, and industrial buildings; development of roofed accommodations within the County's rural areas; agricultural value-add including farmgate sales, agri-tourism initiatives, on-site production/retailing, building and signage enhancements, landscaping and grounds improvement; brownfield redevelopment including sites contaminated by former uses (e.g. gas stations); re-use of commercial, institutional, and industrial buildings (applies to un-used or underutilized buildings); interior renovations; hazardous material remediation; landscaping elements; well/septic systems; and funds to (re)develop B&B's and small motels.

Several business owners in the audience

asked for more details, which Simpson said were still in the process of being worked out, but generally the Counties would try to accommodate improvements as much as possible. For example, when asked if the property owner only could apply, or if tenants could also apply, Simpson said SDG was currently considering what other municipalities had done. Some allowed only owners to apply and others allowed both. He suggested it may be worthwhile when completing the survey to mention if it would be beneficial to apply for multiple grants on one property.

Everyone present, whether municipal staff, councillor, business owner or resident, agreed with the principle of return on investment.

"At North Dundas we've had good success with community improvement interest-free loans," said Mayor Eric Duncan. "The cost is interest we may have earned, but the return on investment, as far as effect on the community, is about 10 to one."

An attendee at the meeting added, "The return on investment may even be higher if you're helping kids prepare for the future."

Regarding tourism, several ideas were mentioned, including increasing attractiveness of towns and villages, and maximizing agri-tourism through the Agri-Food Network which has become quite popular in Eastern Ontario. "There's a lot of interest now in where food comes from," said Besner. "Having recipes, chefs and events on the farm with home grown, home cooked food."

One farm owner asked about help with insurance, stating that her farm can only host two groups per year according to their insurer. "Could the counties get us a group rate?" she asked.

Simpson agreed with her. "That's a good point. Insurance companies prohibit a lot of activities that used to happen."

There is also the issue, for tourists, of overnight accommodations beyond camping, and more. As Duncan said, "We're not going to be picky – anything that can bring tourism in!"

Regarding brownfields, that presents a bigger, and potentially more expensive problem. It is estimated there are about 70 old, closed gas stations in the area, for example. Duncan said that as far as cleaning up contaminated sites went, sometimes a grant in the form of tax relief could be an effective and less expensive way to help with clean-up costs.

All in all the discussion seemed fruitful, and the counties encourage members of the public to get their opinions in, by visiting [sdgcounties.ca/CIPnotice](http://sdgcounties.ca/CIPnotice) or emailing [thesner@sdgcounties.ca](mailto:thesner@sdgcounties.ca), or contacting the economic development officer for your township.

Funding is expected to be available this summer.



## United in community improvement

Tim Simpson, CAO of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, stands with Economic Development and Communications Officer of North Dundas Stephen Mann, at the North Dundas public session regarding implementing community improvement plans, which was held at the Township office in Winchester on Thurs., March 1.

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## Letter

### Spring season for the Canadian Club

**The Editor:**

The Canadian Club of Morrisburg and District will begin its spring season for 2018 on Wed., March 21. The Club, which began in 1925, currently has 115 members, which includes 27 corporate sponsors.

The Club continues to provide a warm, inviting atmosphere enhanced with presentations of current topics. The evening also includes two draws. For each meeting, Pommier Jewellers donates a silver maple leaf pin and the Club provides a 3' x 6' Canadian flag (Canadian-made).

The dinners for the Club have been wonderfully provided and served by the Ladies of the Legion (Branch 48) for almost 20 years, and the Club has certainly appreciated their warm reception and great food.

This season kicks off with Norma Domey, a relative of Viola Desmond who is a civil rights icon. Domey is a Past Governor of Toastmasters International. On Wed., March 21, she will speak about her famous relative who will replace Sir John A McDonald on the front of the \$10 banknote. The meeting will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Morrisburg, where friends and members gather around 6:30 p.m., with dinner served at 7 p.m. sharp.

Visitors tickets are \$30 for each meeting, and are available from Clara Edwardson at 613-447-8167 or Doug Grenke at 613-543-2922.

For the March 21 meeting, tickets must be reserved by March 14 to be guaranteed.

Other meetings in this spring series include: On April 18, Patrick Imbert will address the club with his topic, "Multiculturalism." Imbert is a distinguished scholar, professor and holder of the University of Ottawa Research Chair in Socio-Cultural Changes in Canada. On May 16, "Aging Backwards" is the topic by Miranda Esmonde-White who is a former dancer with the National Ballet and star of PBS' Classical Stretch. She is the author of the New York Times Bestseller, *Aging Backwards* and is also known internationally for her exercise programs which included "Dynamic Stretching" with the Montreal Canadiens Hockey team.

**Clara Edwardson, Communications  
Canadian Club of Morrisburg and District**

## NDDHS Report

By Rosie Backes

**Student Council Communications**

### Have a fun and safe March Break!



Students and staff had a great day Fri., March 2, as they supported the North Dundas hockey teams and the figure skaters at the annual Dundas Cup. The intermediate team lost 8-1, the girls' team tied 1-1, and the boys' team won 7-6. They played again yesterday in Cardinal to bring the cup home.

The New York City travellers held a fundraising bake sale for their trip on Thurs., March 1. They are also holding a spaghetti dinner open to the public this Thurs., March 8 (tomorrow) from 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$5 for kids, \$10 for adults.

Today, March 7, the Intermediate hockey team are holding a hockey invitational all day at the Chesterville Arena.

Only a few more days until March Break. Enjoy the time off before we return on March 19.

## CASTOR Country

By Tom Van Dusen

### Pecking order

"Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday dear Chantecler, cock-a-doodle-doo!"

Yes, members of the Heritage Livestock Club of Eastern Ontario got together in Williamstown last Saturday to, among other things, celebrate the 100th anniversary of the made-in-Canada Chantecler chicken. There was a cake and rousing rendition of *Happy Birthday* which I customized in that opening paragraph.

Flanked by a large photo of the celebrated chicken, veteran rare breeds activist Jane Buckley of Ottawa presented a dissertation on the famous fowl which originated in Quebec and was introduced to the public in 1918.

Seen as a fine example of a dual-purpose egg and meat breed, Brother Wilfred Chatelain first contemplated a new native chicken that could withstand the harsh climate while walking through the poultry flocks at Oka Agricultural Institute. He came up with the Chantecler, a combination of the French words "chanter" and "clair"... to sing and bright.

The final product involved crossing several imported breeds to achieve the desired characteristics, including no wattles and a small cushion comb which reduce the worry of frostbite. Laying tan eggs and with a well-fleshed

breast, the mostly white Chantecler is described as being calm, gentle and personable... much like members of the Livestock Heritage Club.

Surprisingly, at least to me, when Jane asked for a show of hands from some 20 or so club members present for the meeting as to who owned Chanteclers, most responded with an enthusiastic outreached arm. Lianne Acres-Hanna was so impressed she decided to acquire a dozen Chanteclers for her Finch farm.

There's a strong Russell and area contingent in the club, including Mother Hen Lindley McPhail as chair and Pegi Holz busying herself with pretty much everything. Hosting the 2018 meeting at St. Mary's Hall was Ron Eamer who's largely responsible for establishing the club's showcase display at the Williamstown Fair.

The club puts on smaller shows as well, at Russell Fair Education Day and Dunvegan Fall Harvest Fest; in addition, coordinated by Jeannine Langlois, it supplies all the heritage animals to the Cumberland Heritage Village Museum for its summer program and is also providing babies for Cumberland's Hop into Spring event March 31.

While enquiries come in from other fairs and festivals about mounting displays, Lindley said sufficient volunteers aren't normally available and the

club doesn't have an easily set up "road show." In most cases, the requests don't include offers of money and help.

Lindley indicated the relationship with the City of Ottawa's Cumberland managers is getting better every year, with them spending more money on housing the animals, on signage and promotion. She explained how museum staff is being trained on such issues as the hand sanitizer should be applied by children before they handle the animals to protect the animals, not after to protect the children.

Pegi described the continuing popularity of the club's spring 4-H poultry sessions held at her home between Russell and Metcalfe – so popular in fact that there's no room in 2018.

Shepherd Laurie Maus announced two events that, while not organized by the Heritage Livestock Club, were of interest to members. One is a lambing workshop coming up at Embrun High School March 26 at 7 p.m., and the other is A Stitch in Time Quilt and Fibre weekend July 7-8 at Dunvegan featuring hands-on workshops on sheep shearing, spinning and weaving, and rug hooking.

Laurie and Lindley literally danced a jig when discussing the recent decision by the federal government to reopen prison farms in the Kingston area closed by the Harper administration. The



club hopes to persuade the government to make heritage breeds part of the new program, thereby realizing an international commitment to sustain livestock threatened with extinction. Right now, that challenge is being tackled by the private sector through organizations such as the Heritage Club.

Largely dairy-based in the past, Laurie would like the reborn prison farms to go a step further and fill in some of the gaps in the Eastern Ontario agricultural industry such as a wool processing facility.

While I don't have any Chanteclers or chickens of any description – or any other livestock for that matter – I signed up with the club which I feel does great work in promoting and protecting venerable and vulnerable farm animals through its several annual events and other programs.

Membership is only 10 bucks and, wouldn't you know it, I won a gift basket door prize probably worth \$100. Among the contents was a book on practical chicken-keeping which Lianne demanded that I turn over to her.

She'll get it after I take a quick peck through the pages.

## Science and innovation fun this March Break

OTTAWA – With the March Break in Quebec from March 3 to 11 and in Ontario from March 10 to 18, there are lots of fun and interesting things for families to do at Canada's museums.

At the Canada Science and Technology Museum, visitors will get a sneak peek of one of the artwork creations featured in The Art Of The Brick exhibition, coming to the museum this May. Named one of CNN's Top 10 "Global Must-See Exhibitions," The Art Of The Brick exhibit by artist Nathan Sawaya is a critically acclaimed collection of inspiring artworks made exclusively from one of the most recognizable toys in the world: the LEGO® brick.

While admiring this unique piece, visitors are invited to submit ideas for a custom work of art –

made of LEGO bricks – to be created for the museum. Award-winning artist Nathan Sawaya will then select an idea to use in his original Ottawa piece.

Visitors can fill out a ballot at the museum, submit online using the hashtag #SciTechBrik or send an email to: brik@ingeniumcanada.org. All submissions will be entered into a draw for fantastic prizes. See full details on the Museum's website.

The museum will offer families a fun-filled experience also with science in action in the Exploratek maker studio and daily demos that will inspire a passion for discovery.

Join the Canada Agriculture and Food Museum during March Break to celebrate all things spring during the annual Barnyard Break. In addition to various animal and

kitchen demonstrations, take part in seasonal favourites such as maple taffy on the snow. Young visitors can participate in the children's story time and get creative with a craft.

Visit the Canada Aviation and Space Museum over March Break and learn All About Space. Each day, the museum will focus on a different aspect of basic, astronaut training. Learn about flight training, parachute training, and more – with fun, interactive activities. Watch daily demonstrations of Shaping the Future in Space, or take part in self-guided craft activities. Activities will be available for children of all ages.

All March Break activities are included with the price of museum admission.



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## Inkerman Winter Classic

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Centre were free, with Winchelsea Events providing free otter tails and Cup of Jo's providing free hot chocolate.

Team Cave, a curling team of students from North Dundas who will be travelling later this month to Fort Francis to participate in OFSAA, were at the Inkerman Classic selling popcorn and pop to raise funds for their trip. The young curlers commented they will be leaving on March 18 with the matches starting on March 20 and are quite excited to participate in the tournament.

One of the highlights of the Winter Classic was the unveiling of a photo mural,

located in the Recreation Centre, depicting the history of the Inkerman Rockets. This photo mural is the first in a series of projects designed to promote the local history and honour the Inkerman Rockets, a hockey team which played between 1942 and 1952.

Working with PV Signs of South Mountain, committee members Jason Fowler as well as Darby Ace, Kelly Fawcett-Mathers and Martine Thurler-Guy, all of whom have family connections to the Rockets were pleased and proud of the mural which brings to light some of the community's history.

As spring approaches and this final winter carnival in North Dundas concludes, there will be many who will have fond memories of the 2018 Inkerman Winter Classic.



### Warming up on a winter's day

Jim Beckett receives a cup of steaming hot chocolate at the Inkerman Winter Classic from Jo-Anne Houle, courtesy of Cup of Jo's.

Thompson Goddard photo



### Fundraising for Fort Francis trip

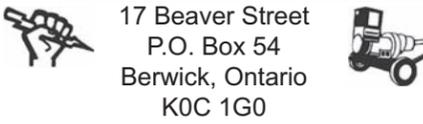
Members of Team Cave from the Winchester Curling Club were at the Inkerman Winter Classic selling pop and popcorn to raise funds for their trip to OFSAA in St. Francis later in the month. From the left are Taryn Cooper, Grace Cave, Chloe Ziegler and Alison Roach.

Thompson Goddard photo

### Otter Tails a classic hit!

Winchelsea Events was back at the Inkerman Winter Classic cooking up a bunch of delicious (and free) otter tails. While Martine Thurler-Guy and Chris Guy look on, Warren Holmes (right) prepares to taste test one of the delicious snacks, which Holmes soon pronounced as "very good"! Thompson Goddard photo

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## FARM SHOW SCHEDULE

### TUESDAY, MARCH 13

#### Daily Partner – Ontario Beef

9:00 a.m. Doors Open  
Indoor Food Concessions Open

11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Official Grand Opening – Main Lobby

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Jersey Ontario hosts: Jerseys and Heat Stress, Eric Baumann – Meeting Room 3

5 p.m. Doors Close

5:15 p.m. Exhibitors Only Reception – Hall A

### Wednesday, March 15

#### Daily Partner – Chicken Farmers of Canada

9:00 a.m. Doors Open  
Indoor Food Concessions Open

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Precision Planting Inc. hosts: 20|20 Insight. vs. 20|20 Hindsight, Chris Creek – Hall A

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Championship Seed, Feed, and Forage Show Awards – Hall A

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Kemptville Alumni hosts: Kemptville College Alumni Reception – Meeting Room 3

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. OFA hosts: Hospitality Suite, "Producing Prosperity"

8 p.m. Doors Close

### Thursday, March 16

#### Daily Partner – Ontario Pork

9:00 a.m. Doors Open  
Indoor Food Concessions Open

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. JLD-Lague Group hosts: Water Management Conference, Bruno Bouchard – Hall A

12:00 p.m. Prestigious Pedigreed Seed Auction Benefitting CHEO

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# Raising funds while having fun

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Correspondent

**SOUTH MOUNTAIN** – The Nation Valley ATV Club held their 6th Ride for Dad, a fundraiser for prostate cancer, along the ATV trails in North Dundas on Sat., March 3, with organizers hoping to match the \$80,000 raised in 2017.

Charity Baker, who organized the registration, said 340 people had registered for the event which began and ended at the South Mountain Agricultural Hall. Club member Robert Watson of Winchester told the *Record* it was a “good turnout this year, probably the best so far.”

Baker described how an army of volunteers worked to ensure the success of the event, which included a silent auction, two warming fires, lunch at the Country Kitchen with entertainment provided by Abrams



## A muddy Ride For Dad

Despite being covered in mud from head to toe and a few hours of cleaning their vehicles ahead of them, there was nothing but smiles from members of this group who commented they had had an awesome day during the 2018 Ride for Dad. From the left in the front row are Quintin Fawcett, Brad Fawcett and Robert Watson; in the back is Mike Berube.

Thompson Goddard photo

Brothers, and a dinner at the SMAH catered to by Leatherworks Catering from Carleton Place.

Baker added that this was a fun event with people coming from many parts of Eastern Ontario, as well as Quebec and New York State.

She explained how in addition to door prizes, there were fun gifts to be presented for such things as number of breakdowns or for coming the furthest to the participate, while giving thanks to local businesses and residents for their great support.

While many of the returning ATVs were covered in mud, with comments overheard as to the time required to clean these machines, there was no shortage of smiles and cheery conversation as the day ended.



## Exciting news from Cornwall Community Hospital Foundation!

Thanks to donations and pledges made across Stormont, Dundas, Glengarry and Akwesasne, Cornwall Community Hospital (CCH) Foundation has reached the \$1.2-million fundraising goal for the Community Addiction and Mental Health Centre – 10 months ahead of schedule. The Foundation is so thankful for the overwhelming community support received on this much-needed project at CCH. Pictured here from left are CCH CEO Jeanette Despatie, CCH VP of Community Programs Christine Penney and CCHF Executive Director Amy Gillespie.

An Eastern Ontario first, CCH's Community Addiction and Mental Health Centre provides services for clients from children to senior citizens to more easily access the help they need. Courtesy photo

## Deadline for North Dundas community grants on the horizon

**NORTH DUNDAS** – Community groups and organizations can request financial assistance from the Township of North Dundas through an application process. There are up to five \$400 grants available each year.

The following documents must be submitted in order for a request to be reviewed by the committee. A letter indicating who your group/organization is, what type of service you provide in the community of North Dundas, who is on your executive team, how long you have

been in operation, what the funds are being used for and how the funds will benefit the organization and impact the community; and a copy of the organization's finances. The review committee may request an interview to further substantiate the request.

The review committee will consist of the Director of Recreation & Culture, the Chief Administrative Officer and two members of Council (not full Council).

The review committee will make the final decision on whether the

request will be granted.

Community Grant Requests Deadline: April 1 and September 1 of each year.

For more information about the Community Grants, contact Meaghan Meerburg, Director of Recreation and Culture at the Township office 613-774-2105 or via email at mmeerburg@northdundas.com or visit www.northdundas.com and click on Services, followed by Recreation & Culture, and then Subsidies & Support.

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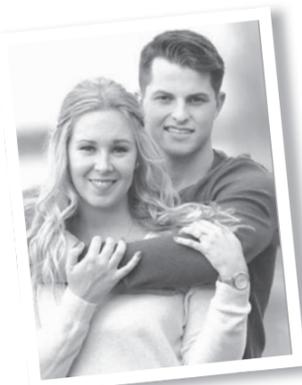


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## Local municipalities provide wedding venues

Throughout the area most municipalities offer halls, kitchens, bars, grounds and even officiants, to suit weddings, ranging from private Township hall ceremonies to dances with 400 guests. Many facilities that are owned by the Townships are managed and cared for by the many volunteer organizations. However, municipal staff are available to answer any questions you may have about a facility rental, pricing, or alcohol policies. In some municipal hall rentals another service is available, a wedding officiant. Municipal clerks are authorized to perform marriages, and that is also where the marriage license is purchased, so the hall and officiant can be booked at once.

North Stormont facilities include: North Stormont Place – Avonmore, Moose Creek Hall – Moose Creek, Crysler Community Centre – Crysler, North Stormont Arena Upstairs Hall – Finch, and Monkland Community Centre – Monkland.

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You only have to check out the Facebook site for North Stormont Place in Avonmore to see photos of past wedding venues for ideas and positive comments relating to past wedding venues.

North Dundas also has its share of possibilities, for wedding receptions, mixed parties, anniversaries, banquets and fundraisers, including the Joel Steele Community Centre Hall, with a capacity for 300, or the Chesterville Community Hall or Morewood Community Centre with a capacity each for 250, to name a few. All these facilities come with kitchens, dance floors and ample parking, as well as pricing that can fit any budget with rental fees from half day to daily or evening venues.

The Nelson LaPrade Centre is located in a beautiful park setting in Chesterville. This hall is suitable for many events and can be divided in two with a capacity of 100 people per side or the full hall with a capacity of 200 people. The Nelson LaPrade Centre is home to various seniors' activities, as well as the Rotary Club and the Chesterville Lions Den. It features air conditioning, kitchen facilities on both halves, paved parking and is fully

handicapped accessible. The Nelson LaPrade Centre is a very attractive setting for hosting smaller events such as anniversaries, birthday parties and family get-togethers.

At the Winchester Lions Club Hall, located at 515 Albert St., about a block off Main St., the hall can hold up to 230 guests. Like most community-operated venues, bar service can be provided. If the Lions Club is providing the bar service only alcohol purchased from the Club can be consumed there. On other occasions with another type of bar service, users are responsible for obtaining a special occasion liquor licence from the LCBO. For inquiries or to book the hall, contact Bob at 613-223-3745 or book online at <http://www.winchesterlions.com/>.

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In South Stormont, the South Stormont Community Hall at 2 Mille Roches Road, in Long Sault offers a fully serviced kitchen, bar area, walk-in cooler, ice machine, coat check room, stage, sound system, and approximately 3,000 sq. ft. of floor space. The venue is ideal for community events, showers, employee training, family gatherings, fitness instruction, and wedding functions. For rental

information or to book, call 613-534-2419.

Other venue considerations include local golf courses with banquet facilities, the McIntosh Inn or Upper Canada Village in Morrisburg, or the Royal Canadian Legion branches.

In Chesterville, the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 434 rents its hall at Queen St. and Highway 43 for wedding receptions and for mixed parties. The hall holds 260 guests and can accommodate the ceremony and reception. Couples can choose their own caterer and decorators, and the Legion will operate the bar. To book an appointment to see the venue call 613-448-1997.

For other Legion branches, the Finch Legion Branch 357, is located along County Rd. 43, in Finch (613-984-2966) and the Winchester Legion Branch 108 on Main Street in Winchester (613-774-3694).

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Embrun and Russell Community Centres, in the Township of Russell, all offer affordable rates, and range from a capacity of 250 to over 500 people. Marionville and Embrun are licensed and all the halls have free on-site parking. The Township says it offers "personalized service and endless possibilities." To book a hall, contact the Russell Township at 613-443-1386.

### Did you know?

In adherence to traditional wedding wardrobes, brides wear white and veils to complete their ensembles. While many people may view veils as a symbol of purity and chastity, various sources indicate veils had a more prominent purpose. *Cosmopolitan* magazine indicates that veils first became popular in ancient Roman times, when brides were covered head-to-toe in a red sheet called a flammeum. The sheet was intended to scare off any evil spirits that might ruin the wedding. Veils eventually replaced the flammeum to disguise the bride from those naughty spirits. Veils also were used to hide brides' faces from grooms in an era of arranged marriages when grooms had never seen their brides before their wedding days. Thankfully, today's veils are more about fashion than function.



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## A romantic history continues on for Pommier Jewellers

**Kalynn Sawyer Helmer**  
Record Staff

CORNWALL – The history of Andre Pommier, his family and Pommier Jewellers is one that is deeply rooted alongside that of SDG’s own history. It began, as only the story of a jewellers could, when Andre’s great-grandfather Eugene Pommier fell in love. This happened after immigrating to Quebec to establish his store, moving from his home in Paris, France, in 1877. “[Eugene], had five sons and one daughter and they all became a watchmaker, a jeweller and an optometrist opening their stores in Timmins, Rouyn-Noranda, Granby, Alexandria and Rockland,” explained the store’s 80-year celebration document. Armand Pommier was the owner of the Rockland jewellery store but due to the Great Depression, he decided to move the store to a more established location in Cornwall in 1937.

In the 1950s, Armand focused on his optometry business while his family took care of the rest. When he started he was the only optometrist in Cornwall and would use the barter system for his services. “He had line ups everyday. Farmers would come with chickens, maple syrup, beef, corn and potatoes to pay for their watch, jewellery or their glasses,” explained Andre. After the Second World War, the government began issuing cheques for people to pay for their glasses and Armand was able to open the store, The House of Gifts.

“In 1965, Pommier Jewellers merged with another firm in town, owned by the well-known and well-recommended Mr. Harold Warren,” explains the document. By that time Armand’s son George Pommier, Andre’s father, was involved in operating the store that became Warren-Pommier Jewellers Ltd. The store was located across the street from the current location. It was the place where Andre and his sisters Rosanne and Maryse grew up.

The children began helping around the store very young. They were encouraged to participate, whether it be cleaning up or helping to unload shipments of fine china from England or crystal from Austria. “As we grew up we started doing some selling,” said Andre. “When I was about 15 or 16, I realized I want to be a designer jeweller.”

With that goal in mind, Andre spent three years in Toronto pursuing a goldsmithing education and then stayed for an extra year and a half to work for two different companies. “My dad told me to learn how to work before coming home, which was the best lesson,” Andre continued. Since his return, the store has moved across the street to its current location and has grown from four or five employees to 11, all of whom have extensive jewellers education.

The store also now features the Pandora and Canadian Maple Leaf Diamond shops. Pommier’s was actually the first in Canada to have the Canadian Maple Leaf Diamond shop in their store. “We are really on the forefront of Canadian Diamonds and quality diamonds. We design a lot of engagement rings and wedding bands and it all comes in to the romance package,” said Andre.

That is what makes Pommier’s stand out. Each and every member of the crew is dedicated to the romance of their positions. From the moment a customer walks into the store, romance is everything – from the vintage display cases and open brick walls to the sparkle of true quality diamonds. “You are buying reputation, quality and romance,” explained Andre. “We won’t just sell a ring.”

Pommier’s helps their customers right from the design to the proposal. “From November to January we have the Alight-at-Night. We have a Pommier carriage, we will give a \$100 gift card for a free carriage ride and sometimes they will throw in

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### Shining bright in the community

Andre Pommier, head of Pommier Jewellers in Cornwall, his sisters Rosanne and Maryse and their father George have been the backbone of a prominent SDG store and continue to be engaged in the community. Along with their fantastic staff, Pommier Jewellers has stood strong in Cornwall since 1937.

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## Pommier Jewellers

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dinner for two. Or if you're going skating on the canal we will set something up for you. If you're going to Tremblant, we've got a cottage that we will set you up in. If you're going for dinner in Cornwall, we will call the restaurant to set it up. Whatever you can imagine to make the fairytale come true, that's where we come in," said Andre.

Every customer is unique and every experience crafting the perfect piece, is special for Andre and his team. "I take [each job] to heart. It's not a sale, it's an experience," he said. "It's about making every customer walking through the door get the experience and I want to make sure every customer that walks out gets that feeling." Social media, marketing and sales associate Elyssa Emond said the experience is just as profound for the staff. "We get the experience of seeing the joy and excitement. That feeling

that you get for them is so amazing."

However in today's industry there are challenges. Some of the challenges they face in the industry is keeping the younger generation interested in jewellery. The nature of a customer's relationship to jewellery has changed. In the past, it was a popular gift for any occasion and it was not uncommon to have multiple pendants, rings or bracelets. Now, however, priorities are different. What Emond says she is seeing is the younger generations only wanting maybe one of each and those gifts have been allocated to big occasions. Thankfully there are trendy and quality brands like Pandora at Pommier's to offer a more financially accessible option to jewellery for the not as momentous occasions.

For when customers are ready to make the commitment for the perfect ring, style can be an important first step. Emond, who manages the store's social media accounts,



Courtesy Pommier Jewellers photo

said she keeps up with the trends through her social media research. She also gave a lot of credit to her coworkers including Kelly Barque who is a sales representative. "They are on the floor and definitely are the ones who know what is in style." Emond and Barque agreed some of the latest trends are rose gold, solitaires, thin bands, and most importantly, vintage. "There's not as many halos," said Barque. "They are going out but vintage is coming in."

Pommier Jewellers is one of SDG's most

profound symbols of history – a success story that has continued for four generations and maintains itself as a pillar in the community. "We donate a lot to the community. We're not just about our customers buying our products, we're also here to support and be a part of Cornwall and the SDG area," said Emond. Pommier's is not just a store that merchandises jewellery but one that includes romance, quality, family and a community spirit.

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## Eleven-step guide to the perfect wedding

Every couple wants their wedding to be absolutely flawless. Achieving perfection, however, requires quite a bit of organizing. Here are a few things to remember when planning your big day.

### 1. Choose the date

Make sure your closest friends and family members will be able to attend. If your sister's pregnant or your best friend is planning a trip, choose

your date strategically to avoid disappointment.

### 2. Draft the guest list

Make a list of all the people you'd like to see at your wedding. But keep your budget in mind, as more people means higher costs.

### 3. Make your reservations

It's a good idea to book the venues for your ceremony and reception as soon as possible, especially if you're getting married during the summer. Popular venues are often reserved up to a year in advance.

### 4. Send out invitations

The earlier you send out your save-the-date cards and invitations, the better. Be sure to ask invitees to RSVP. This is also a good time to designate bridesmaids and groomsmen.

of ceremonies for the event? Someone you know, or a hired pro? Also think about the music: band or DJ?

### 8. Shop for your attire

Don't forget about makeup and hair trials, and start shopping as early as possible so you can find all

the best deals. Also think about how you'll accessorize your outfit for the ceremony.

### 9. Go to the jeweller's

Choose your wedding

bands wisely — after all, you'll be wearing them for the rest of your life!

### 10. Choose the menu

Is your goal to please as many people as possible or to step off the beaten path? Do you need to plan vegetarian options or kid-friendly snacks? Determine what type of meal will be served at your wedding, and don't forget drinks and desserts.

### 11. immortalize the day

Photobooths and disposable cameras are great for capturing candid memories, but you'll probably

want to have a professional wedding photographer on location as well.

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The perfect bouquet is one that highlights the bride's attire without stealing the spotlight from her. Here are a few popular

**Brides should choose their bouquet according to their body type, their personality and their dress.**

## A bouquet for every bride

bridal bouquet styles to consider:

• **Round.** Ideal if you're on the petite side. Keep it simple, delicate and short. As a general rule, avoid dense foliage, cascading bouquets and long stems. That being said, longer

stems can be flattering if you're quite curvy.

• **Cascading.** Perfect for tall, thin brides. Choose a bouquet with long stems and cascading foliage to highlight your waist.

• **White.** Great if your dress is colourful; not so

great if it's white or off-white.

• **Colourful.** For energetic brides who aren't afraid to turn heads. If your dress is also colourful, make sure you show it to your florist to avoid unfortunate clashes.

### Did you know?

Since ancient Roman times, June has been a popular month for couples to tie the knot. The month's namesake, the goddess Juno, was said to be the protector of women in every aspect, but most notably in regard to marriage and childbearing. Therefore, it made sense to get married and take the first step toward creating a family in June. For practical reasons, June also has been a prime month for marriage because the month is neither especially hot nor especially cold in many areas of the world. While dressed in formal wear — whether having an outdoor wedding or an indoor one — no one wants to be overheated or uncomfortably cold.

While June is still a popular month to get married, the wedding resource *The Knot* indicates that autumn, in particular the months of September and October, has overtaken summer as the most popular wedding season. Warmer-than-average temperatures in autumn over the last few years as well as a dazzling display of natural colour help make the fall a popular time for nuptials. Interestingly enough, perhaps due to a slightly cooler climate, a 2015 survey from *Wedding Bells* found August to be the most popular month to get married in Canada, and that 67 per cent of weddings in Canada that year occurred between June and September.

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## Invitations still essential

**Candice Vetter**  
Record Staff

WINCHESTER – In spite of changes from print to digital media, paper invitations are still an essential part of wedding planning, says Kreg Raistrick, owner of Winchester Print & Stationery.

“Brides and couples still come in and pick out invitations from the book,” he said in a telephone interview with *The Record*. “Twenty years ago about 99 per cent of invitations came straight from the book, now at least 60 per cent of the invitations chosen from the book are then customized.”

It seems surprising, but customized invitations are usually a little less expensive than those that are factory ordered, but of course that depends on the happy couple’s choices. Winchester Print also does complete custom printing – come in with an idea and they will fine tune it.

“We’ve got the full gamut – looks from linens and lace to rustic antique or barnboard appearance,” he said. “Then there is foil stamping, custom seals, and sometimes brides want to add raffia or a ribbon, so we drill a hole for that.” Brides

also sometimes add additional ornamentation like jewel beads or sparkles.

When asked if there was a significant decrease in wedding invitations orders due to the availability of online print shops, Raistrick said no. In fact, sometimes customers come in with a stack of invitations ordered online which have an error in them and now it is time to send invitations out but they can’t. In those cases, Winchester Print works hard to produce exactly what is needed on the correct paper quickly.

It is rare that the online print shop makes the error, as often customers misspell or have an incorrect detail, but as there is not the same level of proofing, copyediting and actual discussion with the customer, those opportunities to check are lost. “Sometimes those cheap invitations aren’t so cheap after all,” he said. “It’s a case of, if you’ve made a mistake – too bad!”

Current trends in invitations are now moving away from the rustic country designs, although they are still popular, especially in a country setting. Postcard styles were very big for a time, but that

trend is switching over to the fold-over with a tear-off making a comeback.

An old-fashioned style of invitation, using letterpress technology, which most print shops don’t even own anymore, is also becoming increasing popular. “It’s a different style. Typesetting is a craft, and very few printers have either the skills or equipment, which we do.” Typeset invitations also produce a unique style. “You can do digital fonts, but then each letter is identical, which isn’t the case with a letter press.” With real printed invitations made on a letter press, embossing or semi-embossing can be done.

Besides invitations, Winchester Print makes all the other pieces of paper needed, including save-the-date cards, RSVP cards, wine bottle labels, full-size seating charts, posters for well-wishers to sign, and thank you cards.

In thank you cards, about half of the couples choose cards with the same theme as the invitation and about half go for the post-wedding cards with a photo.

It takes about a week after the final design is approved to produce a set of invitations, unless custom paper is desired. “There are no paper warehouses in Ottawa or Montreal anymore,” Raistrick said. “There is one in Toronto, but the paper is made there then shipped to a United States’ warehouse, then shipped back, so it takes more time now.”

However, there is also less call for custom papers, as with digital technology any background can be run on the paper.

A week didn’t seem like much time, but Raistrick clarified, saying with a laugh, “Ah, it’s getting that final design approval that is the tricky part.”

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## Alternative bachelorette party ideas

**Kalynn Sawyer Helmer**  
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While bachelor parties can be dated back to ancient history, it was not until much later, about 60 years ago that the bachelorette party became a popular ritual for brides-to-be. Bachelor and bachelorette parties come in many different shapes and sizes. Even stag and doe’s have become increasingly popular. So, with so many options out there, why be traditional if that’s not your style?

Media can depict the traditional bachelorette party as a wild night of debauchery. Sometimes however the loom of such an event can cause even more stress. For the brides who are not quite traditional and just want to have some fun, there are a lot of options out there. The grooms might like some of them too.

First, if you like being creative and getting a little messy, why not try a pottery

class or paint night? Creative pastimes, led by professional artists, are becoming increasingly popular. Groups can book an artist at a partnering venue, or some companies have opened their own shops. Take Creation Workshop in Cornwall for example. Private parties can book around an hour and a half to paint a piece of pottery that they can then take home. Groups can enjoy being creative and even get a keepsake to remember the day.

For brides who like a mystery and solving puzzles, a good place to start can be an escape room. This choice has become very popular and companies have been opening up all over Ontario. Groups get locked into a room with one hour to figure out the clues and escape. While the Russell House Pub is closed and therefore no longer offering their escape room,

parties can still travel to Ottawa or Cornwall for this thrilling adventure.

Lastly for the active bride, why not play on her level and look into activities like bubble soccer, archery tag or even paintball? With the new Russell Sports Dome, fields can be rented for private groups and Ottawa companies will travel with their bubble soccer balls or archery equipment. Groups can often choose how long they want to play – up to two hours and most companies offer both activities during the same party. For even more danger, the local paintball fields offer private events for the adventurous brides. Carnage Paintball in Embrun and General Splatters in Lancaster are two local fields and as always Ottawa boasts a number of organizations and is only a short drive away.

Whatever type of bride you are planning a

bachelorette party for, it’s all about having fun together, no matter what activity you choose.



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# Bridal 2018

## Six inspiring wedding dress trends

Whether you dream of an endless train, a bold two-piece or a ballerina-inspired crinoline, there's a wedding dress out there that's just right for you. Here are a few trends to inspire your wedding-day attire.

### 1. Keep it light

This year, light, airy fabrics are everywhere. Stay clear of thick, compact materials, which weigh down the silhouette. Embroidered feathers are a great way to add an ethereal touch to your gown.

### 2. Daring necklines

Transparency and lace are popular this season, as are illusion necklines (covered by a light, sheer fabric) and deep, plunging V-necks. Corsets are as essential as ever.

### 3. 3D details

These days, the biggest names in haute couture have been showcasing a variety of dresses featuring 3D floral embellishments. Lace and rhinestones are also stylish ways to add texture to your gown.

### 4. Bold black

Black has been making an appearance on runways worldwide. While most designers use it in small touches (on hats, sashes or gloves, for instance), some are daring to unveil all-black dresses. Silver, grey-blue and light blue are also fashion show mainstays this season.

### 5. Show-stopping shoulders

Bare shoulders are on trend. Popular dress styles include strapless, halter and off-shoulder.

### 6. Don a bow

Oversized bows are stealing the spotlight, especially as belts. Worn over the shoulders or in the back, they can even replace the traditional train.



What style of wedding dress will you be wearing when you walk down the aisle?

## How to plan a kid-friendly wedding

Are there children on your wedding-day guest list? If so, make sure the event is as fun for them as it is for the adults.

### Hire a babysitter

Employing an experienced babysitter will allow parents to fully enjoy the day themselves. A good rule of thumb is one babysitter per five children, but this will vary depending on the kids' ages.

### During the ceremony

Don't seat all the kids together. Instead, ask that parents keep their children close by to ensure they stay

calm and quiet. You may also choose to ask kids to participate in the ceremony, for example by throwing rose petals or blowing bubbles as you walk down the aisle.

### During the reception

Take care of your young guests as soon as they arrive. If the reception is taking place outside, set up a bouncy castle or an obstacle course. Makeup artists, clowns and magicians are other options to keep the little ones entertained.

### During the meal

Keep children in mind

when planning your menu. They'll prefer well-known dishes like chicken or pasta. Also, request that they be served first — to most kids, a five-course meal is a long, boring affair. Help them stay patient by providing some toys or colouring books.

### During the evening

Make sure the children have access to a quiet, comfortable spot where they can play while the adults finish their meal. You may also want to bring a few movies for the little ones to watch when it starts to get late.



## Estimating wedding attendance

In a perfect world, men and women invited to weddings would respond promptly and, for unmarried guests, indicate whether or not they're taking a date. But not all guests respond quickly, and some may forget to respond at all, even if they intend to make the wedding. According to various wedding advice experts, including the book *Countdown to Your Perfect Wedding*, couples should assume 80 per cent acceptance for a traditional wedding and 60 to 70 per cent for destination weddings. Weddings that fall during weekdays, take place on holidays or during times of the year when the weather can be difficult may affect attendance as well.

Some couples may be tempted to create a "B" invitation list of people who may not make the first cut due to budgetary constraints, but can be invited if family members cannot attend. This is a delicate situation, and some people may be offended if they find out they were not among the initial list of invitees. As a result, it can be better for couples to narrow down guest lists early on and mail all invitations at once. Send the invitations early enough so adjustments can be made with vendors, including the receptive venue and the caterer. When estimating costs based on wedding guests, it's safer to round up than down so couples are not caught unaware. Overbuy and save receipts as items can be returned later.

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### Farmers need foot care too

Esthetician Lynne Lafleche said she comes to the Chrysler Farm Show because farmers need skin care too, particularly foot care. The Chrysler native left the federal government in 1998 during a period of cutbacks, went to the Ottawa Academy for a year, and started her business in Chrysler in 1999. Vetter photo



### Top exhibitor

Tom MacGregor of Glen Haven Farms in Morewood presented Kevin Glaude with one of the several awards given to Glaudale Farms of Berwick at the Stormont Seed and Forage Show at the Chrysler Farm Show in Chrysler on March 2. Vetter photo

## Glaudale Farms premier exhibitor at Chrysler Farm Show

Candice Vetter  
Record Staff

CRYSLER – Glaudale Farms of Berwick was named premier exhibitor, with 144 points, at the Stormont Seed and Forage Show awards, which wrapped up the Chrysler Farm Show on Fri., March 2. The prize of plaque and \$250 was presented by Paul Oosterhof of Dow Seeds Finch Feed & Seed. Kevin Glaude accepted that award and seven other seed or forage awards.

Reserve premier exhibitor was Paynebranch Farms of Finch, with 78 points. Premier first-time exhibitor was Claude Farley of Berwick. Farley also won the champion forage exhibit of hay, haylage, baleage and corn silage. Other winners included Bill van Loon, Threeloo Farms, Roger Lafrance and Domar Farms. Top exhibits will move on to the Ottawa Valley Farm Show at the EY Centre March 13-15.

The Chrysler Farm Show filled the Chrysler Community Centre, and big machines were parked in the covered rink area. Besides the seed and forage exhibits, farm service companies had about 20 booths. Stormont 4-H had a large display including beautiful quilts made by the quilting club last year to celebrate Canada 150. Those quilts are also going to the OVFS.

The school children in Chrysler got to take advantage of the show too,

as students from different grades at Ecole élémentaire catholique Notre-Dame-du-Rosaire, which is across the street, took turns visiting throughout the day.



driver of the silver Chevy van and that they would be leaving it there for a few hours. Other information was not available at press time. Vetter photo

### Arrest in Chesterville

On the morning of Tues., March 6, a van pulled into the MacEwen's Gas Bar in Chesterville, followed by OPP officers, who pulled in behind and arrested the driver. The station owner, Dale Keller, said the police came into the store, informed him they were arresting the

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## Sincerest Thanks

To the Council of North Dundas for honouring me with the Community Builder of the Year Award 2017.

To the eloquent MC and speakers.

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To the Morewood Firemen for hosting the presentation in their Hall.

To my wife, family, politicians, colleagues, friends and neighbours from throughout the area who attended to support me.

I appreciated your presence and will always remember the special evening.

*Bill Smirle*



## RETAIL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

For an agency store in CRYSLER  
LCBO RFP #2018-214 CRYSLER

An excellent business opportunity is now available to established retailers in Chrysler.

The **Liquor Control Board of Ontario (LCBO)** is seeking a responsible, customer-focused retailer to operate an LCBO Agency Store in Chrysler.

To qualify, the applicant must have an existing, currently operating retail business in the community and commit to operating the Agency store within established LCBO guidelines. To facilitate the sale of beverage alcohol products, the operator may be required to enter into separate commercial arrangements with the LCBO and domestic beer suppliers. The successful applicant will also be required to participate in a special LCBO server-training program to ensure the responsible sale of beverage alcohol products.

Since 1962, the LCBO has authorized more than 200 Agency stores to serve communities that have requested service but where the local population is too small to support a regular LCBO or beer store. These Agency stores are operated by local retailers within their existing retail business. Agency store contracts are normally awarded for a five-year term. In communities where there is currently an Agency store, as the contract nears expiry, the LCBO will take into consideration the fact that new businesses in the community may have been established and will allow an opportunity for all businesses in the community to compete for the next five-year term.

Operating an LCBO Agency Store provides a retailer with an excellent opportunity to increase revenue and attract customers while providing local residents with beverage alcohol services. Agency stores also deliver economic benefits to the community in many cases through job creation and increased customer traffic for local merchants.

For this competition, the LCBO must receive requests for the application package from interested businesses **by mail** before end of business day **Friday, March 23, 2018**. The application requests must quote the following information:

**RFP #2018-214 Chrysler  
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Please note: An application fee of \$100 must be included with your request in order to receive an application package. Make the cheque or money order payable to the LCBO only.

In order to be considered for this business opportunity, applicants must submit to LCBO Procurement and Contract Management a completed proposal in the required format before the closing date and time, **Friday, April 13, 2018, 3 p.m.** local time. Late submissions will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

## UNE OCCASION D'EXPLOITER UN MAGASIN

Agence s'offre aux commerçants de CRYSLER  
LCBO DDP N° 2018-214 CRYSLER

Une excellente occasion d'affaires s'offre aux détaillants de Chrysler.

La **Régie des alcools de l'Ontario (LCBO)** recherche un détaillant responsable et soucieux du service à la clientèle pour exploiter un magasin-agence de la LCBO à Chrysler.

Pour être admissible, vous devez exploiter un commerce de vente au détail déjà établi dans la localité et vous engager à respecter les lignes directrices de la LCBO. Pour faciliter la vente de boissons alcooliques, le candidat choisi pourrait avoir à conclure des ententes commerciales différentes avec la LCBO et avec les fournisseurs de bières canadiennes. Le candidat retenu devra également suivre un programme de formation spécial de la LCBO qui a trait à la responsabilité reliée à la vente des boissons alcooliques.

Depuis 1962, la LCBO a autorisé plus de 200 magasins-agences qui desservent les localités qui ont demandé un service de vente d'alcool, mais dont la population est insuffisante pour y établir une succursale régulière de la LCBO ou un magasin de bière. Les magasins-agences sont confiés à des détaillants locaux et s'annexent à un commerce de détail existant. Le contrat d'un magasin-agence est normalement d'une durée de cinq ans. Au cours de la cinquième année d'exploitation d'un magasin-agence, la LCBO tient compte des nouveaux commerces établis dans la localité et donne à tous la chance de présenter leur candidature pour le prochain terme de cinq ans.

Un détaillant qui exploite un magasin-agence a la possibilité d'augmenter ses revenus en attirant une clientèle additionnelle tout en offrant aux citoyens de sa localité les produits et services de la LCBO. Un magasin-agence contribue également à l'économie de la localité souvent par la création de nouveaux emplois et par l'augmentation de l'achalandage chez les autres marchands locaux.

Pour ce concours, la LCBO doit avoir reçu la demande du dossier de soumission des commerçants intéressés **par la poste** avant 17 h, **le vendredi 23 mars 2018**. La demande doit être adressée de la façon suivante :

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# Bread and Roses – the history of International Women’s Day

**Candice Vetter**  
Record Staff

NEW YORK CITY – In the late 1800s and early 1900s, many women and girls in North America worked in garment factories in appalling sweat shop conditions for starvation wages as captives during their 12 hours/day, seven days/week shifts.

By 1908, the oppression of women spurred unrest and active campaigns, including 15,000 women marching through NYC demanding shorter hours, better pay and the right to vote. The Socialist Party of America declared the first National Women’s Day on Feb. 28, 1909. The day became international in 1910 when Clara Zetkin of Germany proposed an annual celebration day for women to press for demands. Over a million people attended rallies in Europe on March 19, 1911.

Six days later a fire at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory in NYC tore through the building, which had barred windows, too-narrow hallways, useless fire escapes, locked doors, a rotted firehose, failing elevators, no sprinklers, and other deficiencies, making it a death trap for 145 mostly recent immigrant women and girls. A storm of protest ignited, including an 80,000-person march.

“The worker must have bread, but she must have roses too,” said labour activist Rose Schneiderman, and the phrase “bread and roses” used in a James Oppenheim poem that year became symbolic of the campaign.

Other mills and garment factories had similar horrifying conditions. The Pacific Mill in Massachusetts had over 1,000 accidents in five years, mostly harming women and children. On Jan. 11, 1912, at the Washington Mill in Lawrence, MA, 200 women walked off the job after receiving a reduced paycheque. A mass uprising began the next morning and by 2 p.m. 11,000 workers rampaged through mills in the city, and a 33-year-old female protestor was shot.

By 1914, women across Europe rallied against the war and for women’s solidarity and suffrage, resulting in arrests and attacks by police. These attacks against women in a world torn apart by an unjust and unnecessary world war led to more outrage, including a general strike by Russian women for bread, peace and votes in 1917. Four days later, the Czar was forced to abdicate (and later executed) and women got the vote.

In some Canadian provinces, female landowners could vote municipally, and some provinces granted a general vote to women during the First World War. Women with husbands or sons fighting overseas could vote in federal elections for their men. Most of the country adopted votes for women at the end of the war, except Quebec where Church and state oppressed the movement until 1940.

Not only world borders changed, but also attitudes. By the 1950s and ‘60s, women were demanding fair treatment at work. In the early ‘60s, women could be fired for getting

married and in the 1970s for being pregnant. In the U.S., U.K. and Canada, legislation outlawing paying women less for the same or similar work was enacted in the late 1960s and 1970s, but where discrimination was illegal it became more subtle.

The United Nations first recognized International Women’s Day in 1975, adding annual themes in 1996. In 2001, internationalwomensday.com was launched.

In 2012, over 100 years after the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, a fire at the Tazreen Fashions factory in Dhaka, Bangladesh, which was known to have dangerous conditions and a terrible safety record, killed 112 workers, mostly women and girls. The factory made clothing for major North American retailers.

The theme for the 2018 International Women’s Day in Canada is #myFeminism.

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## Rockets move on to semifinals, oust Cougars in five

Jeff Moore  
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – The North Dundas Rockets needed just two games over the weekend to oust the Vankleek Hill Cougars from the NCJHL playoffs as they travelled to Vankleek Hill on Friday night and welcomed the Cougars on Saturday night in front of a sold-out raucous crowd.

**Rockets 8 Cougars 2:** The Rockets welcomed the Vankleek Hill Cougars to the Chesterville Arena on Sat., March 3, for game five of the best of seven NCJHL quarterfinals. The Rockets led the series 3-1 after taking game four in overtime in Vankleek Hill the previous night and looked to put the Cougars away with a win.

The Cougars needed to play a tight defensive style to contain the run and gun Rockets to keep their playoff hopes alive.

The two teams battled to a scoreless first period with the Rockets leading in the shot count 10-9.

The Rockets opened the scoring at 4:13 of the second period as Connor Roth snapped one home from Justin Lefebvre and Shawns Simms to take a 1-0 lead. The Rockets made it 2-0 when Tom Fingler pounded one home from Bryden Van Kessel at 10:38 on the power play.

With time winding down in the middle frame, the Cougars took a late penalty and the Rockets capitalized as

Fingler scored his second of the game from Van Kessel and Matt Cowley with just 44 seconds remaining.

The Rockets took a 3-0 lead into the second intermission. The Rockets took a commanding 4-0 lead at 9:40 of the third period when Roth scored his second of the game from Cowley and Lefebvre. The Cougars mounted a comeback as Ryan Allen slid one home from Marc Antoine Doyon at 11:05 and got to within two at 15:17 on the power play as Hugo Blanchard scored from Riley Sauve and Allen on the power play.

The Rockets' defence held the Cougars at bay for the remainder of the third period taking the game 4-2 and the series 4-1. Picking up the win in the Rockets' goal was Jason Buma making 26 saves on 28 shots and suffering the loss in the Cougars' goal was Dominick Turcotte making 45 saves on 49 shots.

**Rockets 4 Cougars 3:** The Rockets travelled to the Vankleek Hill Arena on Fri., March 2, to take on the Cougars for game four of the best of seven NCJHL quarterfinals. The Rockets took game one with a 7-2 victory but the Cougars tied the series in game two with a 4-1 win at home. The Rockets won game three in Chesterville 5-1 and led the series two games to one heading into this game.

The Cougars opened the scoring when Nikolas Castonguay scored a short-handed goal at 7:32 of the first

period taking a 1-0 lead. The Rockets got that one back on the power play as Bryden Van Kessel slid one home from Brodie Barkley and Connor Roth with just 2:02 remaining in the opening frame.

The Cougars caught the Rockets sleeping as they made it 2-0 with just 1:08 remaining as Tyler Druce scored from Charles Doyon. The Cougars took a 2-1 lead into the first intermission. The Cougars made it 3-1 when Byron Lavictoire scored at 5:27 of the second period from Druce.

The Rockets battled hard to get to within one but the buzzer sounded with the Cougars taking a 3-1 lead into the second intermission. The Rockets got to within one as Tom Fingler snapped one to the back of the net from Roth and Matt Cowley at 4:55 of the third period.

The Rockets knotted the affair when Brad Stitt sniped one from Jack Van Kessel and Cowley at 11:49. With the game tied at two, neither team was able to find the game-winning goal in regulation so the game headed to a 10-minute overtime frame.

The Rockets ended the game just 40 seconds into the extra frame as Justin Lefebvre blasted one home from Shawn Simms and Cowley as the Rockets took the game 4-3 and a 3-1 series lead. With the win, the Rockets are just one win away from moving on to the semifinals. Picking up the win in the Rockets' goal was Reilly Tondreau.



### One step closer

The North Dundas Rockets welcomed the Vankleek Hill Cougars to the Chesterville Arena on Sat., March 3, for game five of the best of seven NCJHL quarterfinals. The Rockets led the series 3-1 and had a chance to close it out with a win. The Rockets took a 2-0 lead in the game and celebrated at the bench. The Rockets went on to defeat the Cougars 4-2 and win the series 4-1.

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## Rob's Review

Rob Sadler, GM  
North Dundas Rockets

As General Manager of the club, I would like to congratulate Vankleek Hill on a hard-fought series and a good season. The games this past weekend were both very different. We didn't

show up until the third period in Friday night's win, where as I felt that Saturday we were real good off the start. Everyone on our team right now is contributing which is great to see. We've had timely goal scoring, good defensive efforts and some solid goaltending.

I would also like to thank the fans who have been out supporting us – it creates a great atmosphere for the guys and our community. The "sixth man" down in the far corner, which consists of many former Rockets players; for our home games has been absolutely

awesome fellas - keep it up! Moving forward, we will be playing the winner of the Cumberland vs. Saint Isidore series. Currently we have home ice games scheduled for Fri., March at 7:30 p.m. and Sun., March 11 at 4 p.m. both in Chesterville. See you at the rink!

## Rockets dominate 2017/2018 NCJHL awards

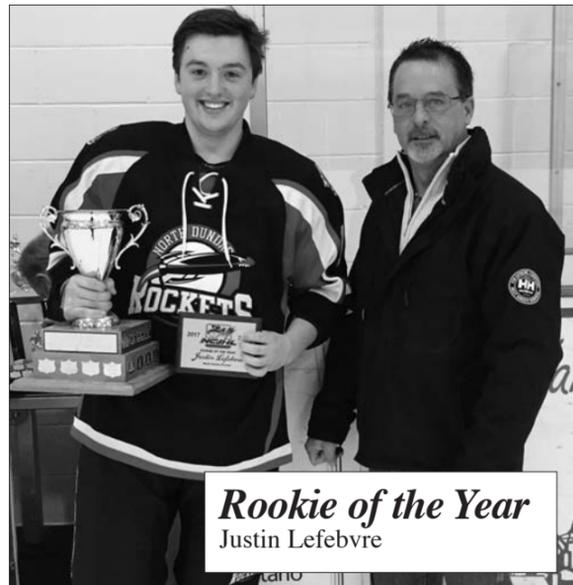
The North Dundas Rockets had a record-setting season in wins and points as they finished in second place in the NCJHL. The Rockets went 22-10-1 for 44 points in 33 games and placed second in goals

scored with 186 goals. The winners of the 2017-18 NCJHL awards were: Bryden Van Kessel who was named the league's MVP and Best Defenseman, Justin Lefebvre was named Rookie of the Year. The Rockets' Coaches Nik Paas and Lenard McLean were named co-Coaches of the Year and General Manager

Rob Sadler was named Executive of the Year. All the awards were presented by the Rockets' team President and Co-owner Kevin Byers. The NCJHL Awards are selected by each team and player/coach/executive are chosen with the most votes. More photos to come in next week's paper.



**MVP and Best Defenseman**  
Bryden Van Kessel  
Courtesy photos



**Rookie of the Year**  
Justin Lefebvre

## Panthers knock out Golden Knights in three games

Jeff Moore  
Record Staff

OTTAWA – The Embrun Panthers finished the season in fifth place three points behind the Ottawa West Golden Knights in fourth and played a best of three wildcard series to take the fourth seed with the winner moving on to face the Casselman Vikings.

**Panthers 3 Golden Knights 1:** The Panthers travelled to the Barbara Ann Scott Arena in Ottawa to take on the Ottawa West Golden Knights on Thurs., March 1, for game three of the best of three CCHL2 Wildcard series. After taking the game in double overtime back in Embrun, the Panthers looked to put away the Golden Knights with a win and go on to face the Casselman Vikings who were waiting for a winner to be decided.

The Panthers opened the scoring at 7:02 of the first period as Griffin Patterson scored on a rebound from Nathan Brown to take a 1-0 lead. The Panthers made it 2-0 as Andrew Burke pounced on a rebound at 7:54 from Martin Carriere and Joey Larcher. The Panthers took a 2-0 lead into the first intermission, despite being outshot 17-15. The Golden Knights got to within one as George Young scored from Kyle Fleming and Matthew Bidin at 9:51 of the second period. The Panthers restored their two-goal lead when Marc Brosseau scored on a partial

breakaway down the left hand side shooting it low blocker side at 12:36 from Sam Tremblay and Michael Armstrong. The Golden Knights' Franco Gagnon absolutely lost it as he tried to fight the Panthers' Jeremy Barrie with just 29 seconds remaining. Gagnon was not done. As Barrie shrugged him off he threw a punch at the linesman who was trying to break up the melee and was assessed a minor penalty for roughing, a match penalty for abusing the official and a 10-minute misconduct for inciting an opponent for a total of seven minutes and was tossed from the game.

The Panthers took a 3-1 lead into the second intermission. The Panthers opened the third period with a little over six minutes on the power play but play cautious not giving up a scoring chance but they were unable to capitalize. After the penalties were served, the Panthers took a two-minute interference penalty allowing the Golden Knight a chance to get to within one but the Panthers' defence and goalie Jean Pascal Sabourin kept the Golden Knights' offence at bay.

With just under two minutes remaining, the Golden Knights pulled their goalie to try pull out all the stops but the Panthers' defence held them off and took the game 3-1, ending the Golden Knights' season.

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# Steele wins OFSAA silver medal

WINDSOR—The 2018 OFSAA Swimming Championships were hosted in Windsor at the International Aquatic Training Complex on Feb. 27-28. The event welcomed over 2,600 student athletes from 359 schools. Nakita Steele, a Winchester native, was the sole qualifier on her high school swim team at l'École secondaire catholique Embrun.

Although this was Steele's second time qualifying for OFSAA Swimming, it is her first time medalling. Throughout the preliminary swims and final swims, she continued to swim impressive personal best times. Steele placed second in the 50m Butterfly event with a time of 32.10 seconds. She also competed in the 50m Freestyle event. This event's

first-place finisher broke the OFSAA record; this competitive time left a difference of .78 seconds between the first-place swimmer and Steele's fourth-place finish of 28.98 seconds. Qualifying OFSAA swimmers are permitted to compete in a maximum of two individual swimming events. Coincidentally, her brother Cordell also won an OFSAA Silver medal in the 50m Butterfly at last year's event.

EOSSAA – Earlier in the month, Steele competed at the Eastern Ontario Secondary School Athletic Association's Swimming (EOSSAA) competition. EOSSAA Swimming was hosted in Perth on Feb. 8. EOSSAA permits students to compete in a maximum of four individual events. She finished in first place in all four

winning Gold in the following events: 50m Freestyle, 50m Butterfly, 100m IM (Individual Medley – Fly, Back, Breast, Free) and 100m Freestyle.

Steele's passion for swimming began many years ago when she joined the Winchester Waves Swim Team. She continues to be involved with the WWST as a volunteer to help swimmers with stroke correction, entry dives and flip turns.

The 15-year-old, Grade 10 student hopes to qualify for OFSAA again next season but there are requirements to do so. Her school would need a coach who has no more than six swimmers and she would have to prequalify all over again which her mother, Cody Steele said, "Her odds would be good to qualify again."



## OFSAA silver medalist

Nakita Steele of l'École secondaire catholique Embrun and a Winchester native won a silver medal in the backstroke at the OFSAA Swimming Championships in Windsor on Feb. 27-28.

Courtesy photo

## Panthers

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With the win, the Panthers move on to face the Casselman Vikings to renew an old rivalry. Picking up the win in the Panthers' goal was Sabourin making 39 saves on 40 shots and suffering the loss in the Golden Knights' goal was Chris Cuglietta making 35 saves on 38 shots.

**Panthers 3 Golden Knights 2 (2OT):** The Panthers welcomed the Ottawa West Golden Knights to the Palais des Sports on Wed., Feb. 28, for game two of the best of three in the CCHL2 Wildcats series. The Golden Knights took game one in a strange ending scoring just a few seconds after the Panthers tied the game with just seconds on the clock.

The Panthers looked to tighten things up defensively in game two. It didn't look good early on as the Golden Knights scored just 1:39 into the opening frame as Adam Goodfellow snapped one to the back of the net from George Young and Kyle Fleming. The Panthers narrowly outshot the Golden Knights 14-13 but trailed 1-0 heading into the first intermission. The Panthers knotted the affair as Andrew

Burke fired one home from Jeremy Barrie and Joey Larcher at 15:07 of the second period.

The Panthers took their first lead of the game when Marc Brosseau slid one to the back of the net from Noah Haymes just 27 seconds later. The Panthers took a 2-1 lead into the second intermission. The Golden Knights tied the game at the 16-minute mark as Luke Mulvihill sniped one from Cameron Scrivens to make it two all. The Panthers outshot the Golden Knights 11-8 but could not find the back of the net so the game headed to a one-minute overtime frame. The Panthers outshot the Golden Knights again in the first overtime 4-2 but the teams headed to the dressing room after the first overtime still knotted at two.

The Panthers started to control more of the play in the second overtime period and it finally paid off as Jacob Lamont buried the game winner at 13:46 of double overtime from Nathan Brown and Philippe Brunet, taking the game 3-2 and tying the series at one. With the win, the Panthers force a game three back in Ottawa. Picking up the win in the Panthers' goal was Jean Pascal Sabourin making 28 saves on 30 shots and suffering the loss in the Golden Knights' goal

was Chris Cuglietta making 60 saves on 63 shots.

**Golden Knights 4 Panthers 3:** The Panthers travelled to the Barbara Ann Scott Arena in Ottawa to take on the Ottawa West Golden Knights on Mon., Feb. 26, for game one of the best of three CCHL2 Wildcard series. The Panthers who for the entire season held either second or third place in the Martin Division but in the last couple of weeks faded down to fifth place with the Golden Knights moving into fourth, meaning the Panthers lost home ice advantage for the series.

The Golden Knights opened the scoring at 11:30 of the first period as Luke Mulvihill scored a power-play goal from Cameron Scrivens and ex-Panther Sam Wilson. The Golden Knights took the 1-0 lead into the first intermission. The Golden Knights made it 2-0 as ex-Winchester Hawks player Franco Gagnon scored from Daniel Stratis and Mulvihill at 3:17 again on the power play. The Panthers cut the deficit in half when Jeremy Barrie fired one home from Andrew Burke and Sam Tremblay at 7:23. The Golden Knights returned the favour as Adam Goodfellow slipped one home from Kyle Fleming at 14:20 and took a

3-1 lead into the second intermission.

The Panthers got to within one as Mark Morrison scored on a delayed penalty from Justin Gagnon at 11:07 to make it 3-2. With time winding down, the Panthers pulled their goalie in favour of an extra attacker and it worked out perfectly as Barrie snapped one to the back of the net off a rebound with just eight seconds remaining in regulation from Justin Brennan and Marc Brosseau on the power play. The Panthers seemed content to just let the time expire off the clock and head to overtime but the Golden Knights had something else in mind. The Golden Knights won the face off forward and their centreman Cameron Scrivens split the two forwards and went in two on one with Mulvihill. Scrivens passed to Mulvihill who roofed it with just three seconds remaining on the clock.

The Golden Knights took the game 4-3, taking game one as the two teams headed to Embrun for game two. Picking up the win in the Golden Knights' goal was Chris Cuglietta making 48 saves on 51 shots and suffering the loss in the Panthers' goal was Jean Pascal Sabourin making 33 saves on 37 shots.



The Embrun Panthers travelled to the Barbara Ann Scott Arena in Ottawa to take on the Ottawa West Golden Knights on Thurs., March 1, for game three of the best of three CCHL2 Wildcard series. The team went into the game tied at one game apiece so the winner of the game would move on to face the first-place Casselman Vikings. The Panthers scored two first-period goals and played a tight defensive game upsetting the fourth place Golden Knights 3-1. The Panthers celebrate after the win.

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## Pin Tales

**Stormont Ladies:** Ladies' High Single, Elaine Duke 227; Ladies' High Triple, Hilda Gillard 557. Team Standings: Kathy 244, Susan 229.5, Pat 225, Hilda 223, Elaine 217.5.

**Monday Men's:** Men's High Single, Noel Lalonde 303; Men's High Triple, Noel Lalonde 788; Men's High Average, Matt Bird 253. Team Standings: East-Ont 110, A-TEam 105.5, Raiders 99.5, Alley Rats 88.5, Aountry Boys 77.5, Alley Cats 72.

**Busy Matrons:** Ladies' High Single, Carol Barkley 206; Ladies' High Triple, Sandra Bloom 536. Team Standings: Love 186.5, Charity 172, Faith 171.5, Hope 160.

**Defenders:** Men's High Single, Ron Parker 259; Men's High Triple, Ron Parker 653; Ladies' High Single, Sharon Ziebarth 261; Ladies' High Triple, Sharon Ziebarth 590. Team Standings: Becky 231, Brian 214, Gwen 210, Divas+D 202, Glendon 178.

**Wednesday Ladies:** Ladies' High Single, Joan Larmour 178; Ladies' High Triple, Joan Larmour 473. Team Standings: Dianna 250, Eurda 246.5, Mary 231, Lorna 192.5.

**Finch Mixed:** Men's High Single, Danny St. Pierre 274; Men's High Triple, Noel Lalonde 670; Men's High Average, Noel Lalonde 215; Ladies' High Single, Stacey Pynenburg 289; Ladies' High Triple, Isabelle Bissonnette

649; Ladies' High Average, Grace Tilley 213. Team Standings: Team #4 96, 3G 81, T.V on 3! 79, C-M-A-T-T 77, TEAM HP 75, THEM 75.

**Matilda:** Ladies' High Single, Shaelly Osborne 219; Ladies' High Triple, Inge Vonkaenel 558; Men's High Single, Kevin Osborne 355; Men's High Triple, Kevin Osborne 924. Team Standings: Danny 85, Gary 84, Jake 84, Kevin 82, Brent 65, Walter 65.

**Thursday Seniors:** Men's High Single, Bas VanWinden 200; Men's High Triple, Ross Bennet 518; Ladies' High Single, Diny Meulenbroek 179; Ladies' High Triple, Diny Meulenbroek 483.

**Les Dynamiques:** Men's High Single, Laurier Leduc 201; Men's High Triple, Laurier Leduc 513; Ladies' High Single, Yolande Leduc 326; Ladies' High Triple, Yolande Leduc 730.

**Williamsburg Mixed:** Men's High Single, Paul Deschamps 289; Men's High Triple, Paul Deschamps 724; Ladies' High Single, Erin Drapeau 223; Ladies' High Triple, Erin Drapeau 507. Team Standings: Carolyn's Pussycats 224.5, Fast&Furious 218.5, Smurfs 209, Nut Jobs 202, Spaveballs 181.

**Winchester Odd Couples:** Men's High Single, Darryl Britton 286; Men's High Triple, Darryl Britton 804; Men's High Average, Matt Hartle 226; Ladies' High Single, Pat

Middleton 248; Ladies' High Triple, Pat Middleton 582; Ladies' High Average, Pat Middleton 154. Team Standings: Last Pin Standing 202.5, Dave's Team 202.5, The Baileys 189, The Randoms 163, The Bandits 163.

## Youth Bowling Canada

**YBC Pee wee:** Girl's High Single, Cheyenne Lanoue 132; Girl's High Double, Isabelle Gaudette 220; Boy's High Single, Teagon Bird 106; Boy's High Double, Teagon Bird 196. Team Standings: Sharks 181, Leafs 178, Thrashers 129.5, Bruins 111.5, Kings 90.

**YBC Bantams:** Girl's High Single, Lindsey Burnett 170; Girl's High Double, Lindsey Burnett 306; Boy's High Single, Alex Robinson 195; Boy's High Double, Alex Robinson 380. Team Standings: Blackhawks 157, Rangers 145.5, Coyotes 142.5, Avalanche 128, Flames 117.

**YBC Juniors:** Girl's High Single, Rachel Puentner 196; Girl's High Triple, Emma Gaudette 499; Boy's High Single, Aaron Vanderzweep 178; Boy's High Triple, Aaron Vanderzweep 436. Team Standings: Islanders 235, Senators 221.5, Lightning 220, Sabres 192.5, Wild 166.

**YBC Seniors:** Girl's High Single, Alayna Gaudette 264; Girl's High Triple, Alayna Gaudette 633; Boy's High Single, Matthew Ridge 192; Boy's High Triple, Matthew Ridge 486. Team Standings: Panthers 118, Canucks 89.

# March 8 International Women's Day

## Four ways to celebrate International Women's Day

Would you like to make a meaningful gesture in honour of International Women's Day? Here are four activity ideas you can do alone, as a family, between friends or at the office this March 8.

### 1. Organize a talk

Ask an accomplished woman to speak to an audience about her personal or professional journey. Your speaker could come from any number of inspiring backgrounds: she might be a business-woman, an athlete, a mother, an artist, an activist, a politician or a scientist, for example.

### 2. Collect funds

Many non-profits do valuable work for women and girls. Choose a local organization and plan a fundraiser to help it finance its operations. Car washes, benefit dinners and bake sales are all tried-and-true options.

### 3. Educate yourself

Do some research by reading a book or watching a film — documentary or fiction — that focuses on women's issues. Online, the National Film Board of Canada has a whole section dedicated to this type of production.



### 4. Say thanks

Take advantage of the day to express your love, admiration and appreciation for the women who play an important role in your life. Send them a message, go visit them or give them a call to remind them how much they mean to you. And why not suggest they do the same?



There are virtually endless possibilities when it comes to ways you can observe International Women's Day. Use your imagination!

**This March 8, express your appreciation for the women who shaped your life.**

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## VAWBN new year, new direction

Candice Vetter  
Villager Staff

BEARBROOK – The Vars and Area Women’s Business Network (VAWBN) is marking its 20th year, so at its evening meeting on Wed., Feb. 28, the presentation by Julie Daoust and Jennifer Picard was New Year, New Direction.

Daoust is one of the founders of the VAWBN, and she described the formation of the group in 1998. “We started 20 years ago, after the Ice Storm,” she told the approximately 20 members who attended. “There were eight of us to start. We met at each other’s homes or businesses. Now there have been 250 business members over the 20 years. There are some who have become so successful they don’t have time to attend!” Usually a few alumni members attend special events and some meetings, and most have remained in touch over the years.

The group went from being a referral network to a much wider organization. There are no boundaries for certain areas and types of businesses which are welcome and they are less restricted than with some formal networking organizations. Meetings are held twice a month, on the second Tuesday morning and the last Wednesday evening of each month. Meetings feature a networking session, round table introductions, product promotion, guest speakers, business announcements, and

more items of interest to local businesswomen.

During the last few years, occasional trade shows have been added to the group’s activities, and the organization has become a recognized community partner in the area, working with schools, other organizations and charitable causes.

The VAWBN has brochures, a new website and other promotional materials. “We didn’t have any of these things in beginning,” said Daoust. “We’ve evolved and developed since we went to each other’s homes.”

Guests are welcome and new members are encouraged to try out a meeting. “We try to be social, to relax, to have fun,” said Daoust. “But it’s still a business membership.”

After many years of moving from one meeting place to another, including restaurants, halls and churches, the group recently secured regular dates at the Bearbrook Community Centre, located just northeast of Vars.

“The larger space is great,” said Picard and gestured around the room during the meeting break. The centre’s area means that the group can have their meeting space set up as well as let members have display tables at each meeting. On this evening, there were health products, clothing, cleaning products, information about services, and honey, among many other



### 20 years and counting

Some members of the VAWBN are shown at their February evening meeting in their regular meeting space at the Bearbrook Community Centre. Julie Daoust is front second from left and Jennifer Picard is back sixth from left.

Vetter photo

things.

In the past, usually only one member could display products at a time. “With visuals it’s easier to refer,” Picard said.

The group is currently seeking more members. Many members come only to morning meetings or only to evening

meetings. “It’s almost like there are two groups,” Daoust said. “We would like to see up to about 50 members for better attendance in each, especially for the guest speakers.”

For more information and meeting times and dates, see vawbn.ca.

## Vikings shut out Panthers in series opener

Jeff Moore  
Record Staff

CASSELMAN – The Casselman Vikings began defence of the CCHL2’s Barkley Cup in game one of the best of seven series against the Embrun Panthers on Sunday night. Game two went on Tuesday night in Embrun.

**Vikings 8 Panthers 0:** The Vikings welcomed the Embrun Panthers to the J. R. Brisson Complex on Sun., March 4, for game one of the CCHL2’s Martin Division semifinal. The Vikings finished the regular season in first place and waited for the fourth- and fifth-place teams to decide who would make it to the semifinal as their opponent.

The Panthers sat in the fifth seed and the Ottawa West Golden Knights in the fourth as they met in a best of three wildcard series. The Golden Knights took the first game but the Panthers battled back and won the next two to earn the right to face the Vikings.

The Vikings opened the scoring when Sebastien Plante slapped one home off a rebound at 7:27 of the first period from Ethan Wensink and Brendan Doherty to take a 1-0 lead. The Vikings made it 2-0 just 23 seconds later when Olivier Brunet slid a juicy rebound home

from Jason Cossette and Kyle Millett.

The Vikings took a 2-0 lead into the first intermission. The Vikings’ Carter Malette made it 3-0 just 11 seconds into the second period as he scored off of the Panthers’ goalie Jean Pascal Sabourin’s pads from below the goal line from Yanick Dicaire.

The Vikings made it 4-0 as Joel Hunt lit the lamp at 8:44 from Doherty and Plante and 5-0 at 10:50 as Malette scored his second of the period from Dicaire and Wensink. The Vikings took the 5-0 lead into the second intermission and a shots lead 29-16.

The Vikings made it 6-0 just 47 seconds into the third period as Brady Cloutier fired one to the back of the net from Plante and Sean David. Plante gave the Vikings a 7-0 lead scoring a short-handed goal at 7:11 from Doherty and Gabrielle Rousselle. Doherty closed out the scoring with an unassisted goal at 8:19 as the Vikings took the game 8-0.

With the win, the Vikings take a 1-0 series lead as they head to Embrun for game two. Picking up the shutout in the Vikings’ goal was Nick Campbell making 24 saves and suffering the loss in the

Panthers’ goal was Sabourin making 13 saves on 17 shots.

Sabourin was chased from the game after the Vikings’ four goals and replaced by Jean Sebastien Gratton who made 24 saves on 28 shots.

**Up next: Game 3:** Thurs., March 8, 7:30 p.m., Vikings vs. Panthers, J. R. Brisson Complex, Casselman; **Game 4:** Fri., March 9, 8 p.m., Vikings vs. Panthers, Palais des Sports, Embrun. If necessary: **Game 5** at Casselman on Sun., March 11; **Game 6** at Embrun, on Tues., March 13, at 8:30 p.m.

## RHS Report

By Meghan Baines  
Student Reporter

### Eventful time at RHS

Some impressive and exciting activities are coming up quickly at RHS – and it’s been an eventful week already!

First of all, some great news from the National Theatre School Drama Festival: our play, *Hedges*, was named Outstanding Production on Saturday night and will be moving on to Regionals in April. Congratulations to Mr. Kennedy, Isobel McIntyre, Mercedes Meier, Everett Rama, Alexandra O’Reilly, Isaac Thomas, Morgan



McKinley, Graeme Kingswood, Jared Levesque, Marieke Kragt, Laura Anex, Hannah St. George and Zachary Tozer!

On Monday, there was a ski trip to Camp Fortune, and the participants had just enough snow for an amazing day on the slopes.

Also this week, many juniors and seniors are heading off to Spain and Portugal! I’m sure everyone is busy preparing for that wonderful experience. On the trip, students will have the opportunity to learn all

about the history of Spain. Learning history while in the place you’re learning about always makes it feel more real. The fact that our students get to experience this is incredible.

Meanwhile, today is the day that the Robotics club meets every week, as they continue to progress through the course. It’s a wonderful opportunity for many tech-centric students. See Ms. Honey if you’re interested in checking that out.

Tomorrow, many students will be happy to bring their secondary progress reports home. Keep an eye out for those... although I’m sure there are a few students who might try to hide them in their backpack!

Enjoy your March Break!

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# Ravens make a splash at EOSSAA

Jeff Moore  
Villager Staff

RENFREW – The St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School Ravens' Junior Boys Basketball team travelled to the Renfrew Collegiate Institute for the 2108 EOSSAA Championship on Wed., Feb. 27. The Ravens beat the Rockland District High School Wildcats for the PRSSAA Championship and qualified for the EOSSAA Championship with a 51-42 victory.

The Ravens went into the Championship ranked eighth out of eight. The Ravens were in tough right off the bat as they took the number one seed, the Almonte District High School Thunderbolts, in their first game and in their second game of the day they were matched up with the number four seed, the St. Mikes Catholic High School Mustangs from Kemptville.

**Mustangs 37 Ravens 28:**



Courtesy photo

The Ravens opened the championship against the St. Mikes Mustangs and got off to a good start outscoring the Mustangs 7-5 in the opening quarter. The Mustangs turned up the heat a little in the second quarter knocking down nine points and holding the Ravens to just six.

The Mustangs took a slim 14-13 lead in the break at halftime. The Mustangs were

too much for the Ravens' defence to handle in the third quarter as they scored another 13 points holding the Ravens to eight. The Mustangs took a 27-21 lead into the final quarter. The Ravens battled hard in the fourth quarter but the Mustangs were one step ahead scoring 10 points and only allowing seven against as they took the game 37-28.

Scoring for the Ravens

were Macen Birch with 17, Aidan Nyentap with six, Jonny Costanzi with three and Dylan Clune with a deuce.

**Ravens 42 Thunderbolts 30:** In their second game of the day, the Ravens took on the Almonte Thunderbolts who were seeded number four so it looked like it was going to be a struggle again for the Ravens. The Ravens

got off to a bit of a slow start in the first quarter but so did the Thunderbolts who outscored the Ravens 7-6.

The Ravens battled back dropping nine points in the second quarter, holding the Thunderbolts to just five. The Ravens took a 15-12 lead into the dressing room at halftime. The Ravens came out on fire in the third quarter scoring 13 points and the Thunderbolts could only muster five. The Ravens took a 10-point lead into the fourth quarter.

The Ravens added another 14 points in the fourth but the Thunderbolts did manage 12 points but it wasn't enough as the Ravens upset the number four team 42-30. The

Ravens' Head Coach Greg Light said he was very proud of the boys this season as after two disastrous seasons they have come a long way.

When asked what the team will look like next year he replied, "Only four guys move on to senior. We had the youngest team at EOSSAA, almost upset the #1 seed, and handily beat the #4 seed. Next year we should make a pretty big splash!"

Scoring for the Ravens were Callum Tait with 12 points, Dylan Clune with nine, Jonny Costanzi with seven, Kai Daniel and Aidan Nyentap each scored four and Aidan McPhail, Thomas Buckle and Macen Birch all scored deuces.

## EOAN presents new board of directors

L'ORIGINAL – On Tues., March 5, the Eastern Ontario Agri-Food Network (EOAN) presented its board of directors for 2018-19. The new elected board of directors is composed of Michel Villeneuve (President), Kathy Chaumont (Vice-President), Christine Bonneau-O'Neill (Secretary / Treasurer), Marie-Chantal Pilon (Administrator), Marcel Laviolette (Administrator), Fabienne Coté (Administrator), Simon Durand (Administrator), Jennifer Cuillerier (Administrator), Lucie Provost (Observer member - Eastern Ontario Health Unit), and Geneviève Bougie (Observer member - United Counties of Prescott and Russell).

In a media release, EOAN said that in 2017, the network installed a local products counter (its fifth) in the new coffee/shop Local Market located in L'Original's Old Jail, with a mission of promoting agri-food products and entrepreneurs in Eastern Ontario. With the success following the launch of the first counter at Metro Casselman, followed by L'Original Packing, St-Albert Cheese Factory and Metro McKeen in Ottawa, this continuity demonstrates the consumer's interest towards local products.



### Serving up treats

Two dedicated volunteers Joan McComb (left) and Laura Young (centre) serve ice cream to residents including Anne Kornherr (right) at the Russell Meadows Retirement Community. The seniors' residence hosts an ice cream social every month. This one coincided with an open house, which attracted between 30-40 people.

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### Breaking up is hard to do

Ice on the creeks and rivers around is mostly broken up now, as shown on a tributary of the Castor River south of Russell.

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## - Obituary -

### Major Wilfred Donald Rankin



With heavy hearts the family of Major Wilfred (Bill) Rankin want to share that he passed away peacefully with his family at his side at the Moncton Hospital, Moncton, NB, on Friday, March 2, 2018.

Born on February 1, 1940 in Peterborough, Ontario, he was the son of the late Wilfred and Francis Rankin.

Bill was a loving, devoted husband to Marilyn (Embree). Devoted father to Tanya, Tara, David and father-in-law to Eric. Grampie to Justin (Nathalie), and Big Grampie to Alex and Chase all of Moncton. He will leave a huge void in their lives.

Bill also leaves his brother Dave (Helen), sisters Mary and Lil, nephews Tim (Nicky), Dillon, niece Tammy and cousins Charney, Sheila and Eddy all of Peterborough.

He was predeceased by his parents and brothers, Jim and Ted.

Proudly, with a note from his parents Bill joined the RCASC as an apprentice in 1956. His military career took him from Peterborough to Borden, Vancouver, Yellowknife, Whitehorse, Germany, Calgary, and Moncton. He did peacekeeping missions to Egypt and Cyprus. It was an exciting and satisfying time for him when he did a tour to Virginia, USA, as a Logistics Instructor. His last posting was to Ottawa where they lived in Russell, Ontario. After retirement in 1995 Bill devoted himself to his town. He was an active member of both the Russell Legion and the Russell Lions Club and headed the fundraising for the expanded building which became the home of the Lions Club and Legion in Russell where he enjoyed playing pool and shuffle board. He was also the go-to-guy in Russell for income tax returns. He was always willing to help his neighbours with anything they needed help with. His carpentry skills weren't the best, but he was willing to give it a try. His hobbies were golf, golf and if he could find time an extra golf game. He also tried his hand at gardening. He loved to play in his flower beds and would wait and see how it worked out later. He had an annual passion to go hunting with his buddies. He would return unshaven, empty handed and announce another successful hunt.

Spring 2012 the time came to move back to Moncton to be close to his children and grandchildren. The move gave him new hobbies; he found great pleasure and enjoyment to sit out on his front deck with his morning coffee and paper and the occasional chat with a walking neighbour. Evenings were the time to go for a walk and check things out around the neighbourhood.

Bill only had one fear, family pets. If met by one he would quietly suggest they "back off" and this is how they shared their love for each other.

His greatest passion was his family and family get-togethers. The more the merrier for him. He loved to host large family dinners; everyone had a seat at the table. His dinner table was his art, forks on the left, knives on the right and cloth, not paper serviettes folded a certain way. He enjoyed family trips south. Always ready to go explore and try anything, he would always be ready and usually the first one in the car.

A special heart felt thank you to all the staff who provided special care during Bill's stay at the Moncton Residence. Special thanks to Dr. Brennan, Dr. Breau and all the nursing staff on the 3400 and 4200 at the Moncton Hospital.

Honouring Bill's wishes there will be no visitation or funeral service.

Fergusons Funeral Home, 1657 Mountain Road, Moncton (506-858-1995) in care of arrangements.

In memory of Bill, contributions to the Canadian Cancer Society or charity of donor's choice would be appreciated. Online condolences for the family can be made at [www.fergusonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fergusonsfuneralhome.com)