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Briefly

Researching area history

CHESTERVILLE - A of dedicated group volunteers from the Chesterville & District Historical Society are seeking information on various aspects of the history of Chesterville between 1989-2020.

Committee members are asking the public to updated submit information on businesses and organizations since 1989 by June 30.

For further information, please contact the CDHS at chestervillehistoricalsociet y@gmail.com or Gail Parker tommyandgail@hotmail.c

Burn ban

EASTERN ONTARIO The dry weather in Eastern Ontario has prompted municipalities to impose burn bans.

Burn bans are in effect in the municipalities of South Dundas, North Stormont, and South Stormont. For more information please contact your municipality.

Harmony concerts resume

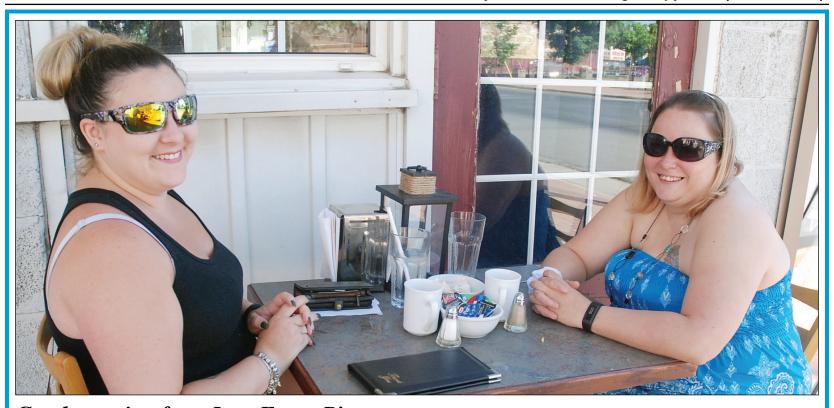
SOUTH DUNDAS -Stone Crop Acres will be resuming its outdoor summer concert series beginning with performance by Suzie Vinnick on Sat., July 4 at

For information on season passes tickets, please go to www.harmonyconcerts.ca.



Serving Stormont and Dundas Counties

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Good morning from Iron Forge Pizza

Breakfast was served at the outdoor patio of the Iron Forge Pizza restaurant in Winchester on Sat., June 20. The patio had opened the week before on June 13 in the midst of a cold snap. The past weekend was perfect with Saturday morning temperatures reaching 24 degrees. Here, enjoying breakfast in downtown Winchester are, left to right: Kaitlin Robichaud and Aly Pringle. While walk-ins are fine, the restaurant encourages people to give them a call first at 613-774-1234.

Serving their community

Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Record Staff

BERWICK - The June 9 North Stormont council meeting got off to a shaky start when councillor Roxane Villeneuve requested the postponement of the meeting to Thurs., June 11 due to incorrect information to join the teleconference being provided on the municipal Facebook page. Her concern was people would be unable to attend the public meeting due to the wrong dial-in number provided. The correct phone number and access code had been provided for posting on the municipality's website on Tues., June 4 according to CAO Calder, who advised council the correct login information had been posted on the Facebook page when the error was discovered. Calder continued that he was advised by the IT department of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry that 23 people were on the call-in number and approximately 30 were listening on a livestream from another news service. A motion was put forth and after a discussion on the matter, council voted to continue the meeting.

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Township starts the clock on penalties and interest charges $^{\rm do\ not\ want\ to\ put\ anyone\ into\ a\ bind\ by}_{\rm suggesting\ that\ this\ will\ continue\ on}$

Joseph Morin

Record Staff

NORTH DUNDAS - As the province gradually begins to revert to a new normal, so too must municipalities.

On July 1. North Dundas will be ending their waiver on the interest and penalties, if any, on unpaid taxes. On that day, the clock will once again begin ticking for residents who have been spared paying the interest owed on their unpaid taxes.

The council made the decision at their June 16 meeting.

Mayor Fraser said, "I did not want residents to believe that this would go on forever. At some point all of the taxes, even if we do not collect interest, will become due and will become quite burdensome. I

forever."

Deputy mayor Al Armstrong said, "I am torn on this one."

His concern was that homeowners, businesses, landlords and agri-businesses were being hit with a loss of income, but the township was collecting their share of interest and penalties from taxpayers.

He also questioned the idea of including unpaid interest and penalty amounts in the township's annual budget, as money expected to turn up at some point and signalled the council that he would like to have a discussion about that particular aspect of the township's accounting process before the next budget rolled

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Support the Local Businesses Who Help Support

Small businesses/organizations are vital to local communities. There are ways to support them and help them stay afloat as they confront the challenges posed by the COVID-19 outbreak.

If you are not comfortable getting out to local businesses, purchase a gift card. Gift cards can help small businesses generate revenue at a time when their doors are slowly opening up to the public; this can be vital to these businesses' survival, and it gives consumers something to look forward to when life returns to normal.

More information continued on page 7.

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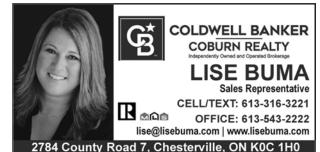


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Landfill site prepares for Phase 2 of getting back to normal

Joseph Morin Record Staff

NORTH DUNDAS - The Covid-19 restrictions have impacted on every aspect of life for North Dundas residents and on municipal operations including the landfill site.

Doug Froats, the director of Waste Management for North Dundas gave councillors an update on what stage the landfill site was at regarding the various stages of re-opening.

He announced that the planned Sat., June 20 Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) day had been cancelled.

We just cannot function with having a hundred and some vehicles coming through." said Froats. He added, "Our means of getting around that is to open the landfill site on Thurs., July 2., starting at eight in the morning until four in the afternoon."

The HHW facility would be open by appointment only. "Then we would be able to maintain that distance between individuals utilizing it and we could also ask those people what they are actually bringing so that we can gauge how we can package the materials," Froats said.

He added that some changes were necessary at the HHW facility before they could open it.

"If everything is ready, we would be able to hold our first Saturday HHW day as previously advertised, on July 18 from 8 a.m. to noon, but by appointment only."

Mayor Fraser said, "It is good to see that we are moving forward through Phase 2 of COVID-19 and that we are getting back to some level of normal, at least at our landfill."

In his report to council on June 16 Froats wrote: "Since the introduction of the COVID-19 pandemic there have been a number of changes to the operating procedures at the Boyne



The Boyne landfill site in Winchester is gearing up for household hazardous waste days.

Road Landfill site and waste management."

He said a large number of residents were working from home and selfisolating which resulted in increased household waste. Council responded by temporarily increasing the curb side bag limit from two bags a week to three bags a week to relieve some of the stress for residents. The landfill site was closed for all entry (residents, contractors, etc.) to protect municipal staff.

Froats said, "Within days of closing the landfill, restrictions were lessened to allow our farming and business community the ability to remove their

His report stated: "Restrictions were also lessened for residents who contacted the landfill with an essential need to access the landfill because of a need to remove waste, due to basement flooding or residents moving into or out of our community."

On April 27 the landfill site was reopened for North Dundas residents, businesses and contractors working in the township, however it was by appointment only, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Froats said, "To protect our staff

and maintain physical distancing, only three vehicles were allowed to enter every half hour."

Since May 25 the landfill site has been operating at regular hours of 8 a.m. till 4 p.m. with no appointment necessary. Staff widened the waste face to make room for another vehicle to enter. Now the site at Boyne Road can accommodate four vehicles, while still maintaining physical distancing.

'We opened for our first Saturday on June 6 'with two employees present," said Froats.

He added, "We are hoping to open two Saturdays per month with the second Saturday being the scheduled HHW day for that month. If everything goes well, we will progress to being open every Saturday as we did before.'

Deputy mayor Al Armstrong mentioned how important it was to alert as many residents as possible to the changes regarding the HHW day. Mayor Fraser suggested councillors make sure residents were aware of the recycle coach app that was available. The app would alert residents of any changes they needed to be aware of. Residents can download the app for free from the Google play store or the Apple app store.

Fees waived for local businesses

Joseph Morin

Record Staff

NORTH DUNDAS - Business in North Dundas is gearing up for a gradual reopening despite having to deal with the restrictions they face as a result of

A little help has come from the municipality in a decision to waive application fees a business would have to pay, if they wanted to put up a tent or create a street-side patio.

Many area businesses have been closed since mid-March because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Eastern Ontario Health Unit announced on June 8 that June 12 would mark the beginning of Phase 2 of the COVID-19 recovery process.

The North Dundas council received a request from its director of Planning Building and Enforcement, Calvin Pol. He asked the council at their June 16 meeting to waive certain fees.

"I would like to help our local businesses by waiving the costs for applications fees for our street-side patios as well as for our tent permits," said Pol.

He added that a business would still be required to obtain a tent permit. Pol asked that the fees be waived for those tents that are greater than 650 sq. ft. or 60 sq. meters. Any tent over that size does require a permit. The fees would be waived until the fall.

Tent permit fees are \$220 while a street-side patio permit is \$50.

Building permits are required for tents meeting the following criteria:

- Any large tent greater than 2,430 square feet (225m2).
- Any tent greater than 650 square feet (60m2) and includes: sidewalls made of fabric or other material, or sanitary facilities or bleachers.

Business owners will still be required to obtain a permit to ensure that the tents meet Ontario Building Code requirements or their street-side patio conforms to the street-side patios by-law.

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During the time allotted for members of council to provide a message to the public, councillor Steve Densham commented he was happy to see the community move into Phase 2 of the Covid-19 pandemic recovery. He mentioned the importance of shopping local as North Stormont businesses are counting on support from the community. Deputy mayor Frank Landry agreed with Densham saying how local businesses must be supported so they can continue to serve the people of this municipality. Mayor Jim Wert mentioned he is reassured by the stories of goodwill throughout the community, commenting it is a "testament to the people."

During the meeting, reports from the considered by council.

various municipal departments were given to and accepted by council; they provided significant information on the services offered by the administrative staff in North Stormont. Council learned that the turbine construction on the Nation Rise project will likely commence in mid to late June. They voted to provide a \$500 bursary to Tagwi Secondary School and approved the winter maintenance agreement with the United Counties of Stormont Dundas and

During the new business portion of the meeting, Villeneuve put forth a motion asking for council to authorize an investigation into issues surrounding the Nation Rise Wind Farm project and seek a resolution to these matters in an expedient fashion. The motion was unable to receive a seconder, and so therefore was not

NATION RISE WIND FARM COMMUNITY **LIAISON COMMITTEE**

By Nation Rise Wind Farm Limited Partnership

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

To be held virtually and over the phone:

For audio, please dial 1-800-437-2398. Confirmation code is 1588293.

To view the live presentation, please visit the Project website (https://nationrisewindfarm.com/) prior to the meeting. A link and instructions to view the live presentation will be shared under the Community Section of the webpage.

Open to the General Public for Viewing

The Nation Rise Wind Farm (the "Project") is a proposed wind farm of approximately 100 MW that is located in the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry in the Township of North Stormont, Ontario. The Project received a Renewable Energy Approval (REA) from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (formerly the Ontario Ministry of Environment and Climate Change) on May 4, 2018. As part of the REA, the Project has established a Community Liaison Committee (CLC) primarily for residents within one kilometre of the Project, but also open to anyone with an interest in the construction, installation, use, operation, maintenance and retirement of the Project.

The CLC is intended to be a forum to discuss Project updates, milestones, concerns, and issue resolution. CLC members will be asked to act as a liaison facilitating two-way communications between the Project and members of the public to provide updates and seek feedback regarding the Project.

DNV GL will coordinate each CLC meeting. All meeting materials (minutes, presentations, etc.) will be made available for public review on the Project website at http://nationrisewindfarm.com/. The agenda for the meeting will be posted on the Project website in advance of the meeting.

This fifth CLC meeting is open to the general public for observation. For public health and safety considerations, it will be held virtually over the phone (dial-in number: 1-800-437-2398; Confirmation code: 1588293) with live presentation accessible via the Community Section of the Project website. Brief Public Inquiries may be presented by members of the public. Please note that should a significant number of Public Inquiries be received in advance of the meeting, the CLC members and Nation Rise Wind Farm LP will review the inquiries and make a final representative selection for discussion at the CLC meeting. To be considered as a Public Inquiry, a written request must be sent using the Public Inquiry Form located on the Project website. Public Inquiry Forms must be submitted no later than Friday, July 3, 2020, to the Project email address (nationrise@edpr.com). Alternatively, they can be mailed to the following address:

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To learn more about the Project, visit the Project website at http://nationrisewindfarm.com



Volunteer Appreciation Message - COVID-19 Emergency

The Board of Directors of Community Food Share extends its heart-felt thanks to the many volunteers that have continued to fulfill their essential role in the continuation of service to our clients during the current COVID-19 emergency. Our organization could not survive without the dedication of its volunteers - true now more than ever.

Thanks Julianne Staebler, Colleen Brock, Diane Lacasse, Joanne Havekes, Wendy Weagant, Jim Millard, Dan Gasser, FOOD SHARE Ernie Coumont, Jim Wilson







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Technology allows family visits at WDMH

Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Record Staff

WINCHESTER – During the Covid-19 pandemic there have been changes to many sectors of society including health care facilities and the Winchester & District Memorial Hospital, the local hospital.

In a press release dated June 15, WDMH communications lead Jane Adams described how social worker Kimberly Paterson has "taken on the additional role of "event planner," arranging virtual visits for patients and their families.

Adams explained that patients from "hospitals in Ottawa and surrounding areas" were welcome to WDMH as part of the regional plan for the Covid-19 pandemic. Several computer tablets were purchased to enable patients who were far from home and their families to connect with their loved ones "during this unusual time."

Paterson commented how it was "nice to be able to support our patients, especially when they are unable to have visitors due to the pandemic" and "it's nice for families to be able to see how everyone is doing. Knowing they are 'ok' is a big relief." Families were to connect using window visits arranged by Paterson so the families could gather outside, speak to patients using cell phones while "keeping patients safe inside," with Paterson mentioning that "there's something about seeing someone in person, that really made the family's day." For more information or to speak to Paterson, she can be reached at 613-774-2422, extension 6125.



WDMH social worker Kimberly Paterson is shown holding one of the tablets which were purchased to enable patients and their families to connect during the Covid 19 pandemic. Courtesy photo

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North Dundas weathers challenging times

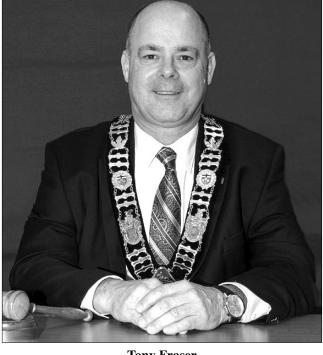
North Dundas. This is my first of many short articles highlighting a variety of projects and happenings in our township - generally, positive good news' items.

This year has been an unusual year so far; a year that none of us could have imagined. When I consider all the difficulties and struggles we have faced during this pandemic, the confidence demonstrated by our entrepreneurs, our business people and our residents has been exceptional. My sincere thanks to everyone.

I'm also going to use this forum as an opportunity to bring context and clarity to some of the things we discuss and decide upon at North Dundas council meetings.

At our most recent council meeting we approved the funding disbursement of \$51,233.38 for the Regional Incentives Program to support six applications from North Dundas businesses. These funds are being used in a variety of ways including the support of such things as Agri-tourism, trail expansions, development of commercial buildings and roofed accommodations. The successful businesses are Against the Grain Farms, Applestock Orchard, Cannamore Orchard, Doyle's Pub & Eatery and Sweetshop, Land & Sea, Lofty Congratulations to all!

Another good news item that I am proud that council



Tony Fraser North Dundas mayor

supported is the hiring of our summer students, which may seem unusual for me to comment on, however we are one of the few municipalities in SDG that believed it was important that we support students in North Dundas. You will see our students out and about whipper-snipping weeds, trimming grass, and generally ensuring that our communities, that we all take pride in, look as good as possible. We all strongly felt that in these uncertain economic times it was important that we support local students as they pursue higher levels of education.

Now onto a topic that is important to residents, or at least it seems so by comments I receive, is the resurfacing

maintenance of our local roads. This budget year, council has committed to the allocation of an unprecedented amount of money to be spent over Budget Years 2020 and 2021. This year the roads that will receive asphalt resurfacing are Ormond Rd., Kerrs Ridge Rd., Shay Rd. and Forward Rd. West from the village limits heading west 2.3 km. The roads that will receive a double surface treatment, commonly referred to as tar and chip, are Coulthart Rd., McMillan Rd., Ronson Rd., and Finch Boundary Rd., which is a shared project with the Township of North Stormont. And finally, Baker Rd. will be resurfaced with gravel. I'm looking forward to providing a more detailed

philosophies and our experiences that are used to determine how we maintain our roads in North Dundas in my next update.

While some question the importance of the sidewalk repairs and replacement that is currently taking place throughout North Dundas, we feel that the upkeep and improvement is vital for the longevity of the sidewalks and the safety of residents.

Our landfill hours of operation is getting closer to normal. My apologies for any confusion or inconvenience that has been experienced during this pandemic by our residents. The Sat., July Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held from 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m., appointment, at the Boyne Road Landfill. In addition, for the month of July, household hazardous waste can also be dropped off by appointment, at the landfill Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. To book an appointment, please call 613-774-5157.

I'm happy to be able to provide this update. If there are any questions or concerns, I can be reached at tfraser@northdundas.com and if you notice anything that requires repair or attention in our community please email with full details at info@northdundas.com or call the township office directly at 613-774-2105.

Until next time, take

The Road Home

Pandemic ponderings

by Carolyn Thompson Goddard

It is hard to believe the changes which have taken place in this neck of the woods since March 13. From the safety of my home, I have heard the daily Covid-19 briefings from my provincial and federal leaders as well as information from the Medical Officers of Health in Canada on television.

There were many very scary days when the Covid-19 cases across the region, across the province, across the country and around the world were continually rising. Like many people I wondered if I would get sick with "the virus" but more importantly worried about my older brothers and their families as well as my children and grandchildren.

I watched as businesses were ordered shut, people unable to work and even those who were able to work from home were not immune from the changes which affected their daily

lives. With the schools closed, online this is where I plan to spend as much recreational activities slowed to a standstill and municipal council meetings were held utilizing technology.

Once in a while I would think about other medical emergencies in the past and inevitably my mind would wander back to the 1918 flu pandemic (which interestingly I thought began in 1919), which killed so many people. There were pictures of people wearing white masks while out in the community during this pandemic, this reminded me of the home-made masks many of us now wear when out and about in the community; where the social distancing of 6feet (or is it meters?) is not possible, or when, as in my case, I am out of my "safe" place otherwise known as my home.

Looking around my front garden, back garden and Covid-19 victory garden, the realization comes to me -

learning became the norm, of my summer as possible. I know the case numbers are decreasing, businesses and some outdoor recreational activities are opening up with regulations to ensure they are safely accessed but for me, I'm going to play it safe; this means limiting my contact with other humans, wearing my mask when out in the community and being very thankful for the leaders and medical officers who worked around the clock doing their best to keep us safe. I am very thankful for those who worked and continue to work in the essential services needed to keep us healthy and safe during this medical emergency.

And just in case you are wondering, I'm stocking up (but definitely not hoarding mind you) in case there is a resurgence of Covid-19 cases in the coming months. This time I will have lots of hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes and of course toilet paper!





Thursday, June 25, 2020

Giving back to the community

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

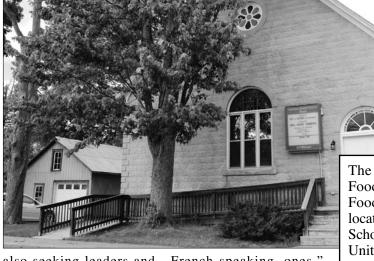
FINCH - In these troubling times, it is heart warming to see people giving back to their communities. On June 11, the Community Food Share Finch Food Cupboard received a donation of over 125 pounds of food collected under guidance of guider Chris Chevalier from the 1st Long Sault Sparks, Brownies, Girl Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers Unit.

In a telephone interview with The Chesterville Record, Chevalier explained the group had recently held a virtual camp weekend as part of their program. She described how the group met on Zoom to plan the virtual event which included a service project. There were several options of service provided to the camp participants with Chevalier's project being a food drive in Ingleside, which resulted in the donation to the CFS Finch Food Cupboard.

CFS director Ernie Coumont, who with Gary Nugent volunteer as coordinators at the CFS Finch Food Cupboard, expressed his appreciation for the donation in an email to The Chesterville Record stating, "I feel the 1st Long Sault Girl Guides and their leaders deserve some recognition for the initiative and work that went into collecting the food at the times, such as we are going through with the COVID-19 crisis."

Chevalier commented as the interview finished that the 1st Long Sault Sparks, Brownies, Girl Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers are

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also seeking leaders and girls to participate in their program. She explained there is a need for "Guiders in Cornwall, especially

Over 100 pounds of food was collected on June 7 by members of the 1st Long

Sault Sparks, Brownies, Girl Guides, Pathfinders and Rangers and donated to

the Community Food Share Finch Food Cupboard on June 11. Courtesy Photo

French-speaking ones." More information on Guiding in Canada can be found at www.girlguides.ca.

Food Share Finch Food Cupboard is located in the Sunday School at Chalmers United church located on Church Street in Finch. It is open from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursdays. More information on the CFS can be found on their website located at www.communityfoodshare.ca. Thompson Goddard photo

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"It's banking on income from poor behaviour," he said adding, "It is with a heavy heart that I will support reinstating the payment of interest and penalties on unpaid taxes."

Councillor Annable said, "At some point we are going to have to move back to some kind of normal –a new normal." Annabel said as a former businessman he would be

tearing his hair out right about now. "I would hope that the township would still be able to work with people on an individual basis for those who are truly having problems, but I think you have to start moving back to charging the interest come July," he said.

Mayor Fraser agreed with Armstrong about the concern regarding the current practice of including items like unpaid but expected interest and penalties on the township's revenue side of their accounts when they go through their budget process.

"I think we should have that discussion," he said.

The North Dundas council approved the waiving of interest charges on unpaid taxes for April, May and June of 2020, in an effort to lesson the already large burden placed on out-of-work residents who had become unemployed or had to close their business because of COVID-19.

When councillors prepared their budget for 2020 they expected, based on the history of township revenue from unchecked for too long could penalties and interest from unpaid taxes, \$330,000 of increase the debt load of the money they could use. The waiving of interest on township.

outstanding tax balances has cost the township approximately \$92,265 to the end of June.

"This problem is further exacerbated by the steep decline in the interest rates we are getting on our funds on deposit with various financial institutions. We had budgeted amounts of \$75,000 and \$35,000 for interest income from various bank deposits. The recent reduction in the Bank of Canada interest rates has led to a dramatic decrease in our rates from 2.3 percent to 0.8 percent at one bank and from 1.70 percent to 0.2 percent at another. The combination of these two items alone (interest on deposits plus loss of interest on tax accounts), will create an estimated revenue shortfall in the 2020 budget of approximately \$145,000," said John Gareau, North Dundas treasurer.

The treasurer is projecting a COVID-related deficit for the year 2020 in the amount of \$235,087.98, "This amount may be reduced if we are fortunate enough to receive provincial funding in the amount of \$55,000 or the restrictions directed by the province and local health unit are removed earlier than anticipated. Conversely, the amount will increase if we continue to waive interest charges on delinquent tax accounts," said Gareau.

The treasurer said that while the shortfall did not represent

a financial crisis of any kind for the municipality, if left

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North Dundas businesses scoop up county grants

Joseph Morin Record Staff

NORTH DUNDAS -Back in January the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry announced the 2020 launch of the Regional Incentives Program and the Regional Tourism Grant Program.

Both programs are aimed supporting local businesses so they can "Stay, Discover, and Grow" in SDG Counties.

At the June 16 North Dundas council meeting, staff announced that six of the 10 North Dundas applications were successful in the 2020 intake of the Regional Incentives Program.

The local successful applicants are: Against the Grain Farms, Applestock Orchard, Cannamore Orchard, Doyle's Pub &

Doyle's Eatery and Sweetshop, Land & Sea and Lofty Nest.

The program's goal is to improve agri-tourism, trail expansions and the development of commercial buildings and roofed accommodations.

The amounts allocated to the accepted applications are a combined \$51,233.38, broken down into smaller amounts that vary from business to business.

Deputy mayor Al Armstrong congratulated all of the applicants and recipients in North Dundas.

He said, "Maybe next year we will maybe eight or successful nine applications. Good work by all, and congratulations to all of the businesses who received this grant."

Councillor Gary Annabel said, "It is nice to see that gloom there is still some

Mayor Fraser sat on the

with all of the doom and committee taking in applications for the program.

He said it was great to sit

on the committee and see the enthusiasm and the effort in the application process. "I think there were 30 applications at this intake throughout SD&G and unfortunately not all

were successful - it was quite a satisfying process. I was glad to be part of it," he said.

township responsible for disbursing the funds.

Community Food Share holds AGM

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE - Community Food Share, which provides assistance to those in need, in North Dundas, North Stormont, South Dundas and South Stormont, held their annual general meeting via Zoom on Mon., May 25.

In his report, chair Jim Wilson thanked Terry Triskle as he is retiring from many years serving the CFS board. Wilson noted the contributions of outgoing treasurer Wendy Weagant for her work and thanked Ian McKelvie who retired in 2019 after guiding the organization for many years. He welcomed new team leader, Jane Schoones who continues to

demonstrate that "she is the kind of committed and creative leader that Community Food Share needs to broaden and deepen our service to our clients and others in the community that may need our help."

Wilson commented in his written report how funds donated by participants in the 100 Men Who Care-North Dundas were used "to purchase an uninterruptable power backup system for our Winchester site" and mentioned the many fundraising activities such as Empty Bowls, CP Holiday Train, Stuff-the-Cruiser and Fill-A-Bag events in the community.

During the treasurer's report, Weagant mentioned their financial situation is currently good, having

received government funding, donations from the community and organizations. It was noted there will be challenges in 2020 due to the Covid-19 emergency and resulting economic situation, coupled with the inability to have fundraisers.

Schoones provided information on the 2019 fundraisers and programs such as Healthy Choice/Client Choice and St. Paul's Community Garden.

The 2020 Board of Directors were elected during the AGM and include: Jim Wilson, Joanne Havekes, Diane Lacasse, Dan Gasser, Jim Millard, Ernie Coumont, Colleen Brock, Julianne Staebler and Wendy Weagant. During the board meeting which followed the AGM, Jim Wilson was elected chair, Joanne Havekes vice chair, Diane Lacasse secretary and Dan Gasser treasurer.

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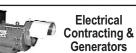
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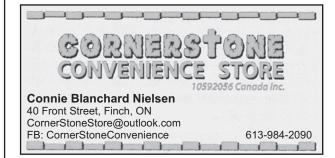


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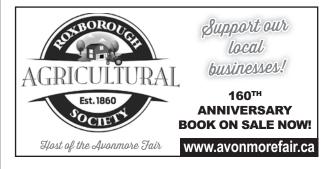


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Pride flag flying at South Dundas justice building

Record Staff

MORRISBURG Across Canada, June is designated Pride Month which celebrates the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Two-Spirit (LBGTQ2) community with many of the celebratory events held during Pride Month being

cancelled in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Acting on a request from Staff Sgt. Scott Hardy of the Stormont Dundas and Glengarry Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police to fly the Pride Flag at the South Dundas Justice Building in Morrisburg, South Dundas council agreed to the request after a discussion on municipalities flag policy.

In his correspondence to council, Hardy provided an excerpt from a directive of the OPP commissioner that "Due to the COVID-19



For the month of June the Pride Flag will fly at the South Dundas Justice Building in Morrisburg.

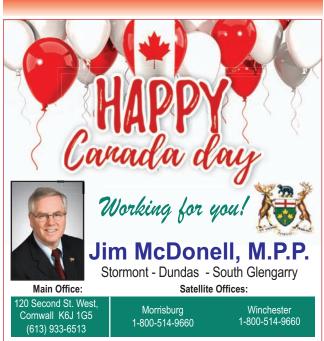
pandemic, many pride events across the province are postponed, or cancelled. To celebrate Pride Month during these unprecedented times and to demonstrate the Ontario Provincial Police's (OPP) support to the community, all headquarters and detachments shall fly

the Pride Flag from June 1 to June 30."

A lengthy discussion concerning aspects of the municipality's flag policy on issues such as when to fly a flag at half mast, concluded with the recommendation for staff to facilitate the flying of the

Thompson Goddard photo Pride Flag at the justice building in Morrisburg

during the month of June.



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Thursday, June 25, 2020

Giving back to the community – one smile at a time!

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

FINCH - The sun was shining, the cameras flashing and smiles abounding as just over 20 students were able to have prom pictures taken during the Finch Pop Up Prom event, held on June 13 at the North Stormont Arena in Finch. Kelly Coleman of Sweet Clover Flowers organized the successful event, mentioned students from NDDHS. "Tagwi, Casselman High School, St. Joe's, La Citadelle & CCVS" attended the event.

Organizers, conscious

of safety concerns due to the Covid-19 pandemic, worked with and received the approval of the Eastern Ontario Health Unit. Safety measures included time slots being booked "to ensure there weren't too many people there at one time;" asked people to wait in their cars until their appointment time; "made sure there were zero common touch points" and "asked that anyone in the picture be part of their family or a part of their social bubble," as well as ensuring "no more than three people be in the booth or out of the car at a time."

Coleman mentioned that the idea for the event came from reading "some articles about similar events taking place" and knowing "many kids get their outfits before March Break and would no longer have a place to wear them to" so decided to organize one locally. There was no cost for participants word" and continued how as "All the professionals agreed that we wanted to individuals to go that extra do this as a way to give mile above and beyond to back to the communities make some wonderful



From the left: There were smiles all around as photographers Cassandra Karlsen and Meghan Sparks recorded Prom 2020 during the Pop-Up Prom event held on June 13 outside the North Stormont Arena in Finch.

we are a part of, and give the kids something to smile about!"

Coleman explained she created the garden themed booth, "the second booth with a glam design" was created by Avonmore resident and owner of Sage Designs Sophie Branchaud. Photographers included Chesterville resident Annie Carrier-Gagnon who owns Dyad Imagery-Emotional Storytelling, Carrier Couturier from Avonmore and owner of CC Square Photography, Avonmore resident and owner of Tender Moments Photography Cassandra Karlsen and Cornwall resident Meghan Sparks who owns Meghan Sparks Photography.

When asked in an email interview about the response of the participants in the Finch Pop Up Prom event, Coleman replied "As the kids and parents were booking their time slots, a lot expressed thanks for organizing this. They all seemed to have a of fun. photographers took the time to make them feel special and the smiles said a lot."

She related how there have been many positive responses via their Facebook page; responses about the event including one from Kenda Teplate wrote "As I have said so many times before, thank you just isn't a big enough "a community of loving lasting memories to some pretty special grads, who have been robbed of so many memorable moments this year."

Coleman completed the

interview by remarking how "All the vendors really enjoyed our day and said we would do it again in a heartbeat, but really hope we don't have to!"



The photo booths at the Finch Pop Up Prom at North Stormont arena in Finch were busy during the afternoon and early evening on Sat., June 13. From the left: Kelly Coleman of Sweet Clover Flowers in Finch created the garden themed booth, with "the second booth with a glam design" created by Avonmore resident and owner of Sage Designs Sophie Branchaud.
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On Sun., June 21, as part of Father's Day celebrations, members of car clubs and individual antique car owners gathered in Metcalfe to hold a 10.5 km village drive.

Cheryl Cooper, a director with the Metcalfe Agricultural Society organized the event said, "It is a village drive. We have asked participants to bring some donations for the food bank."

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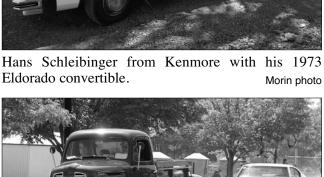
Al and Judy Graham took part in the drive with their 1940 Chevy.



Hans Schleibinger from Kenmore with his 1973 Eldorado convertible.







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Thank you to the staff at the Garden Villa and to Dr. Bart Steele for your care and kindness. A Memorial Mass will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations in Memory of Vicky may be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Canada. Arrangements entrusted to the Byers Funeral home, South Mountain (613-989-3836). Online condolences may be made to www.byersfuneralhomeinc.com.

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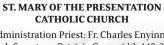
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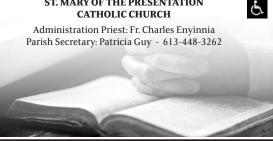
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A story 160 years in the making

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

AVONMORE - Well known local historian Murray Barkley has put the finishing touches on a history of the Avonmore Fair to celebrate its 160th anniversary in 2020.

In an email interview with The Chesterville Record, Barkley mentioned "In early 2019, [he] was asked by Jim MacIntyre, the president of the Roxborough Agricultural Society, if [he] could write a history of the love." Avonmore Fair for its 160th anniversary in 2020." Having already presented a history of the Avonmore Fair in 1991 for the RAS annual meeting, Barkley commented how this project would be "just a matter of expanding that history, finding relevant illustrations and photographs, and of course adding the last 29 years! "I just can't get enough of the subject, so this was really a 'labour of

When asked about the process he followed when researching and writing the book, Barkley noted there was a significant amount of information available. The first 25 years of the fair from 1860-1885 presented a bit of a challenge though, he noted, because "there are no copies of the Cornwall Standard or the Freeholder now in existence before the mid-1880's. unfortunately the Record couldn't come to the rescue, not having seen the light of day until 1894".

The RAS minute books from 1884 onward are available Barkley noted, providing "detailed and comprehensive" information on not only the fair, but other events hosted more recently by the RAS; such as, the Oktoberfest and Avonmore Christmas Craft Sale. He expressed his gratitude for fair board secretaries who kept such detailed minutes, mentioning the superb work of recent secretaries Jean Canham, Bryce Robinson and Wendy Trenholm who

'were so diligent and thorough in keeping comprehensive records of the society." Barkley was appreciative for the information from local newspapers such as Rural Route and The Chesterville Record as well as the reports from The Cornwall Standard, The Freeholder and the Cornwall Standard

Freeholder. Photographs used in the book were provided to Barkley from collections of local residents including Neil Robinson, Bryce Robinson, Erin Blair and Jim MacIntyre, with Barkley able to incorporate stories of the fair which had been shared by Avonmore raconteurs Fred Barkley, Sesel Wert, Bert Steele and Hector MacGregor.

For the recent history of the fair from the 1960s onward, Barkley chronicled some of the changes which have occurred including "the expansion and upgrading of facilities", "the growth of activities to a year round schedule", "the greater cooperation and sharing of the Fairgrounds with other community groups, including North Stormont Place", "the changing nature

of the Fair in the direction of a rural community festival", "the use of the Fairgrounds for special events of local and national significance" and the increase of governmental regulations.

RAS member and director Bryce Robinson, who has had the opportunity to view the book recently, commented how he is 'quite pleased" with the book and thanked Barkley and Lily Worrall for their work on the project. He continued the RAS had planned to launch the book in early April, but due to the Covid-19 state emergency, the plans for the event have had to be postponed until a later date. Robinson mentioned some of the highlights of the book include pictures of the fairs, such as the photographs of presidents and their spouses taken at the 140th and 150th anniversary celebrations of the Avonmore Fair.

Shayla Fraser, 2020 RAS president, told Chesterville Record, "We originally had intended to have a fundraising dinner to launch the book with Murray. We are selling them for \$20 each and we have roughly 150 copies available at this time. Interested parties can contact us by sending an email info@avonmorefair.ca" Shayla concluded that "160 years is an amazing achievement, and I can only hope that the fair continues on for another 160!"

According to Robinson, the Avonmore Fair was originally called the Roxborough Exhibition and was held at various locations in the Township of Roxborough before settling in Avonmore in 1888 and receiving its name at that time. It has been a source of wonderful memories for generations of people, with author Murray Barkley recalling how in his youth "next to Santa Claus and our birthdays, Avonmore Fair was probably the most exciting event on the yearly calendar." He reminisced about watching "Stanley the Great,' an impressive high wire artist," horse races, Highland dancers, the rides, the midway games, and concluded how it was "not all that different or more exciting than the county fair in nearby Newington but this was our excitement!"

North Stormont celebrates community resilience

On behalf of North Stormont Township and your many followers, I would like to welcome back The Chesterville Record. As we work our way through the challenges of COVID-19, every resumption of normal habits provides a sense of relief, your publication will be a welcomed part of the new normal. We look forward to the Record reporting and promoting the events that add quality to our everyday lives and perhaps a greater appreciation of some of the things we take for granted.

Graduations have of course been reorganized; a lot of work by staff and parents has gone into recognizing this accomplishment in unique ways. It is important that the pandemic not diminish the accomplishment that culminates in graduation. We have great schools which very quietly go about molding our citizens of tomorrow. Strong communities, committed staff and engaged parents provide the support that is so necessary for rural Ontario to continue to provide quality opportunities to our students.

Every year Canada Day is the celebration that gives us cause to slow down and celebrate the quality of life that is envied by so much of the world. COVID-19 is another reminder, of Canada's national fibre. Our ability to co-ordinate a country wide approach to minimize this pandemic was invaluable. The countless examples of what it means to be Canadian exemplified by our frontline workers and every day citizens. July 1st 2020 may not be the same as Canada Days of the past, but in many ways it needs to be celebrated even more.

Welcome back Chesterville Record, congratulations graduates and Happy Canada Day everyone.

Jim Wert, North Stormont mayor



– Obituary –

GLEN CUNNINGHAM

November 22, 1924 – June 6, 2020

Glen was the son of the late Mary and Roy Cunningham and was born in Archer, Ontario. He passed away peacefully at the Hartford Retirement Residence in Morrisburg. Glen was a long-time resident of Mariatown and was in his 96th year. He was the loving husband of Iris Cunningham (nee Thompson), and the late Noreen Cunningham (nee Carkner). Glen was the loving father of: Gary

Cunningham (Mary) of Camrose, Alberta; Gail Parker (late Tommy) of Chesterville; Lyle Cunningham (deceased); Bert Cunningham (Simla) of Iroquois; Brenda Blazewicz (Stan) of Knoxville; Tennessee, Beverly Nelson (Steven) of Knoxville, Tennessee and Glenna Schaillee (Gerben) of Morrisburg. Glen will be fondly remembered by 15 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and 1 great, great-grandson. Glen was predeceased by his son Lyle Cunningham and his brothers Ralph and Bert Cunningham. Also survived by nieces and nephews.

Due to Covid restrictions, a private family funeral service was held at Knox Presbyterian Church in Morrisburg on June 9, 2020 at 1pm. Interment followed at Colquhoun Cemetery. The family would like to extend a special thanks to: the staff at the Hartford Residence for providing Glen with such excellent care during these past few difficult months, Dr. Wayne Domanko (Glen's life-long friend) who delivered such a wonderful eulogy, Rev. Feris Chamas and David La Pier for all of your help and support.

Glen spent his entire life making Williamsburg Township (South Dundas) a better place. He was responsible for restoration and maintenance at Upper Canada Village during its highly successful early years. He served terms as Municipal Councillor and Deputy Reeve in Williamsburg Township. He was a life-long member of the Morrisburg and District Lion's Club. He took on numerous community projects, including: the Loyalist Canoe Races to establish Duncan Park in Mariatown; Dundas murals; 'Save the Aultsville Station/Moccasin Train'. He constantly visited shutin seniors, handing-out endless bottles of home-made wine and Belgian chocolates. For years, Glen was actively involved in Dundas County Hospice. He passed on a wealth of knowledge regarding local history and heritage of Williamsburg Township. His endless energy, enthusiasm, wit and humour will be sadly missed

In memory of Glen's legacy, donations may be made to the Dundas County Hospice. Those donations having a note, "please notify the family", will be gratefully acknowledged. Alternatively, on-line condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com

A video recording of Glen's funeral may be viewed at: https://youtu.be/7Wqh_c7ZFn8

South Dundas rises to the challenge

The past few months have been incredibly challenging for our businesses, families, and community. I am glad to see that as restrictions ease, our local businesses can re-open and begin to recover, and our community can reconnect. While we take these first steps it is clear that life looks a little different. Safety measures are being implemented and new routines have been made. It is important for all of us to remember that the new way of doing things is an important step in continuing the health and safety of our

Continuing to social distance from those outside of our social circle (or bubble of 10 people), wearing a mask or face covering, staying home when feeling ill and washing our hands frequently are simple steps we can take to protect others.

The COVID-19 virus continues to be a reminder about how important it is that we care for each other and look beyond our own lives to the greater community, country and even world around us. The response to this virus in Eastern Ontario has proven what we can achieve when we all work together. Let us continue to keep our friends, family, and neighbours safe. While we enjoy the summer days ahead, a few small changes to our actions can ensure we take the next steps to return to normal. Even if we experience setbacks, I am confident we can get there.

Stay safe.

Steven Byvelds, South Dundas mayor

OWED TO A CUNNING MAN

Here's to the youth from Gallingertown. A junior farmer of great renown. Born in the twenties when times were tough, Food was great but the clothes were rough.

I seem to recall his name was Glen, Loved by the ladies respected by men He plowed the land and took in the hay, Toiled in the fields from day to day.

He slept all night, and rose each morn. To milk the cows and pick the corn. In wintertime there were cattle to tend Trees to cut, and fences to mend.

And here's to the boy from Nudel Bush, Iris tells us he's lots of push. Some call it drive but I've been told, It's all the same, no matter how old.

Nudel Bush is near Pigeon Island, Not your favourite place to buy land, Some extra work, and toil and pain, Achieved for Glen a capital gain,

They sold the farm, as time rolled round, And bought a lot in Mariatown. They built a home on Julia Street, Where family and friend now often meet.

He left the farm for Seaway gold, Easy money Glen was told. The Village beckoned and Glen said yea, "What do I do and what's my pay?"

Historical parks were all the rage, Besides says Glen "It's my heritage". He rose through the ranks to a senior spot. He left the Parks and they missed a lot.

Lions Club, Church, public service and all, Keep Glen busy from spring to fall. From time to time he gets out of line, But Iris's whip can tune him fine.

In ninety years he's done a lot, But there's more to do, and he's still hot. Roses and diners and gardens and trains, Ideas for murals are in Glen's brains.

If he has an idea you'd better buy it, For sure as shootin' he won't be quiet. Persistence is his middle name, Perseverance is his claim for fame

So now we toast this man for all seasons, For all the above and other reasons. He's made Dundas a better place, And when he's gone he'll leave a trace.

Of all he's done and touched and made. Of friends he's helped, and tricks he's played, The auction where he showed his form, But most of all his friendship warm.

> Author: Mike McInnis On behalf of "The Sorry Lot Society"



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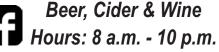
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History right in your neighbour's laneway

Joseph Morin

Record Staff

WINCHESTER - Every year at the Winchester's Dairyfest, John and Linda Cinnamon organize a tractor parade.

The idea behind the Winchester tradition is to remind residents of their past and share a memory or two of how the land farmed grandparents, brothers and sisters.

The couple anticipates that this year's Dairyfest may not take place, so in a

tribute to farming and the farmers who grew food for of us often in challenging times, they lined up some of the antique tractors they have acquired over the years along the length of their laneway.

"My grandfather, Ben Cinnamon bought this farm in 1920," said John referring to his farm along Highway 31 just a few kilometres north of Winchester.

Cinnamon added, "I have organized

Winchester Dairyfest tractor parade for 15 years. The parade usually has 14 to 16 tractors."

John affectionately called "Farmer John" throughout the farming community, has been farming in North Dundas all of his life.

"Linda and I bought the farm from my mother in 1977. We received the Century Farm sign in 2020," he said.

The couple received the Farmer of the Year Award in 2019.



John and Linda Cinnamon have been organizing the tractor parade at the Dairyfest for 15 years. Just in case this year's parade is postponed because of the COVID-19 virus, the couple decided to take some of their tractors out for some air along their farm driveway. Morin photo

A welcome sight fresh bread!

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

BERWICK – There is nothing quite as comforting during a stressful time as a slice or two of delicious bread. Tom Manley of North Stormont has combined a love of bread baking with providing customers the opportunity to enjoy a variety of sourdough breads. Bread - the Stuff of Life

"Tom's Pantry, in operation since 2019," began after the closure of Homestead Organics in April 2018 when Manley, "looking [for] a new venture," took two baking courses in the summer and fall of 2018. After providing friends the opportunity to enjoy his home-baked sourdough bread, he joined the Chesterville Farmers' Market last spring, the Metcalfe Farmers' Market last fall, and then "the year-round market in Vankleek Hill" in 2019.

Manley described himself as a 30-year fan of organic food while explaining how his organic sourdough bread sets his products apart from other bakers at farmers' markets. He uses several different types of flour including wheat, spelt, kamut and rye and commented that all his breads are made using the sourdough method except for "a Keto bread that needs yeast."

Manley mentioned in an email to The Chesterville Record how he has "always liked sourdough bread, more than any of the commercial bread that [he] could find in the local grocery stores." While living in Montreal many years ago he discovered sourdough bread and after returning to Berwick in 1997, "would still buy 10 loaves at that bakery in Montreal and freeze them."

After the trips to Montreal for bread stopped, he would "sometimes pick up a loaf at an organic bakery in Ottawa," but he "suffered for the lack of sourdough in the region."

With the Covid-19 pandemic closing or changing many farmers' markets to a virtual platform, Manley moved "Tom's Pantry" online with a website and online store. He commented that "sales [have been] strong during the pandemic, thanks to farmers' markets going online with direct vendor-customer contact." Manley explained there is a lot of work associated with an online store including processing e-transfer payments, designing and maintaining the website and the e-store, preparing weekly newsletters,

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Tom Manley boasts two loaves of home-baked sourdough bread. Thompson Goddard photo

and planning the market presence, in addition to baking the 30-50 loaves per week.

Manley welcomes the public's return to browse at farmers' markets in addition to the online activity. He will be attending the Vankleek Hill Farmers' Market and the Parkdale Farmers' market in Ottawa. For more information or to place an order please visit www.tomspantry.ca or the online store at www.localline.ca/toms-pantry.



Linda and John Cinnamon posed beside Linda's grandfather's tractor. It is 80 years old and is a 1940 Case V. John has a tractor, a 1947 V-A tractor that is the same as the one he learned to drive on when he was a child.

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North Stormont puts the wind farm behind them

Joseph Morin Record Staff

FINCH – The emotion created by the Nation Rise Wind Farm debate still runs high in North Stormont.

The construction of the 29 wind turbines spread Crysler, throughout Berwick and Finch, had been halted by the provincial government. A recent court decision determined that the wind farm could go ahead after North Stormont councillors are still arguing about how they feel about the project. The go ahead for the project was given in March 2016 and has been challenged by residents ever

At the May 26 council meeting a resolution to repeat council's support for halting the wind turbine farm was defeated. The council had in the past stated that the municipality was an unwilling host for

the project.

This time around, despite arguments from councillor Roxane Villeneuve, council members voted against the idea of branding themselves as unwilling hosts. Dissenting councillors suggested after the province had lost its bid in court to stop the wind farm, the time came to move forward and support it as much as they could.

At the June 9 council meeting, councillor Villeneuve brought the subject back up with a motion to commit the council to recognition of all the community opposition to the project. She wanted the council to work on resolving the many issues brought forward by residents who felt the wind farm project was creating problems in their community, despite the decision by the court to allow the project to continue.

The motion was put forward by councillor Villeneuve, but without any one willing to second her motion it died on the council table.

Villeneuve made a statement regarding her effort to do something for residents who opposed the wind farm.

She said, "I am disappointed that all my council colleagues, including Mayor Wert, deputy mayor Landry, councillor Densham and councillor Douglas all voted against my motion put forward to reaffirm our township's position as a non-willing host to industrial wind turbines, including but not limited to Nation Rise Wind Project/EDPR, and to support the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Hon. Jeff Yurek, to Protect Species at Risk in

the Township of North Stormont.

Villeneuve continued, "In two past votes, last one being in 2015, council voted to be a 'non-willing host', yet when voting to reaffirm this position during last night's public council meeting, all other council members voted against it. During debate on this subject matter last night, I stated that during the municipal election campaign in 2018, I ran on a platform to remain an unwilling host and to oppose industrial wind turbine projects in the Township of North Stormont – I won the election with the majority of the vote – and I remain true to my word today and always.

North Stormont Mayor Jim Wert described the mood of the council and the reason for their decision.

He said, "You could

Thompson Goddard photo

write a book on what has gotten us to this stage of the Nation Rise Wind Farm project."

Wert noted, "The bottom line is the government of the day drafted the Green Energy Act for what they hoped was the greater good. It will be that government's legacy and time will be the judge of that intent. Government at any level is tasked with making decisions, and last night our council decided again that it is time to move on. We have a great municipality and I am confident that the

challenges of this project will not overshadow the strengths of our citizens to work together for that same greater good mentioned earlier."

He mentioned the effort of Margaret and Tom Benke. "They have worked tirelessly for a cause that was heartfelt and they have conducted themselves with integrity and the utmost professionalism. They deserve the respect and admiration of all our residents regardless of your position on the issue," he said.



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Carefor/Nor-Dun Centre remains closed for now, although our Meals on Wheels program remains operational. The Meals on Wheels Program has offered a hot meal, a checkup and a social distancing visit to our clients in the community of North Dundas delivered by our Meals on Wheels Volunteers. We have our Foot Care Program up and running again with two days a week at the present time, as to catch up on clients cancelled appointments. Only the back-entrance door with the ramp is to be accessed by all Foot Care clients. When you are scheduled for a foot care appointment, you can count on a reminder call from the staff the day before. You will be asked to stay in your car until Maureen greets you at the back door for your appointment. Maureen will complete the COVID-19 Screener to assess your health status and take your temperature prior to entering the Centre. Assuming you are well, you will be escorted to the Foot Care room for your appointment. All clients will be invoiced for the service. No cash accepted. If you would like a foot care appointment, please give the Centre staff a call to book the next available appointment.

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Graduates celebrates despite COVID-19



Valedictorian Mitchell Sturgeon and family.
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Russell township kicks off rededicating process

Joseph Morin Record Staff

RUSSELL - Russell Township councillor Mike Tarnowski tabled suggestion at the township's June 15 meeting that complements Mayor Pierre Leroux's drive to replace the person behind the Russell name.

Tarnowski would like to see the township look for terms of reference for the creation of a community based committee that would review what the township does, and look for ways to improve diversity, equity and inclusion.

"It may not be a regular committee or maybe something short-term depending on what's discovered through this to what is being brought process. I think that given everything that is going on that we certainly take a look in our own back yard and see if there is anything we can do better."

Mayor Leroux said, "We have an accessibility committee and we look through things with an accessibility lens, and we have created a youth and a senior's committee to do the same thing. I think this is just another step in that direction, that we look at it from a different lens so that we make sure we represent everybody in the township."

The mayor was comfortable with giving the township's administration instructions to look into the idea.

"There [are] examples of these kinds of committees I am sure all across the country," he said.

He would like a draft of what the terms of reference would look like and then ask for public feedback before they finalized the terms of reference.

Some councillors expressed their concern about adding more work to an already busy staff. The mayor suggested the

work would not need to be done immediately but through the summer.

Councillor Tarnowski admitted that the staff did have a great deal on their plate.

"I certainly appreciate [the] workload and everything the township does. I think this is really an important issue given the discussion we will be having on July 6, pertaining forward," he said.

Tarnowski suggested the committee he is proposing could also work on the issue of replacing the person behind the Russell name.

Tarnowski said, " I think it is something that is important, and I think certainly from everything that has come about in the last few weeks it is something we should be looking at; it is important."

Councillor Saucier liked the idea. She said, "I support what councillor Tarnowski is suggesting but I do not think it has to be right away. I just think it a really good move for the township to take that direction. So whether it is in the fall or even later than that, if we have it on our agenda it shows we are concerned and we care."

Mayor Leroux said

RUSSELL - Russell High School was out and about this week connecting with its graduate students. These photos are from the sign and delivery moment earlier in the week. The school's "Virtual Grad" will be live on Instagram (@russelltwolves) and Facebook Thursday at 7:00 p.m. The high school will honour its graduates and award winners— as well as hear from UCDSB trustee Corina Parisien and valedictorian Mitchell Sturgeon.



Seth Gillingham and dad who will be watching grad Courtesy photo



Tiffany Yeung an international student from Hong Kong. Courtesy photo

councillors could help mayor tabled his motion to lighten the load on staff by replace the person carrying doing what research they could on their own about township. the terms of reference and what communities have done.

In the spirit of equality, and acknowledging a dark part of the county's past regarding slavery, the the Russell name for the

He asked begin the search for a different person with the Russell name. The final person selected would have Russell as a first, middle or last name.



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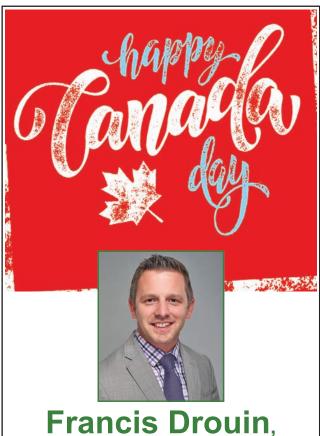
A happy DeAndre Morrissey.

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