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**Briefly**

**2021 Budget consultation**

RUSSELL – Township services impact your life every day. That's why the township's budget is so important; it sets our collective goals, determines the level of service provided to residents, and guides decisions on which infrastructure will be purchased, built and repaired.

Council will approve the final 2021 Budget in November.

For more 2021 budget information, locations, and dates, visit [Russell.ca/Budget](http://Russell.ca/Budget).

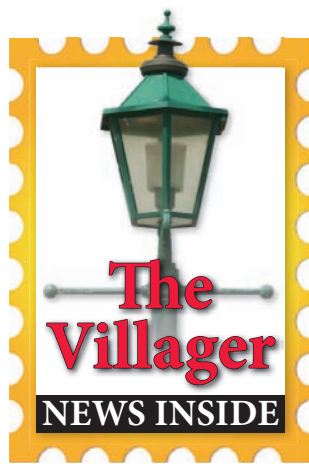
**Upcoming blood donation event**

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**Community yard sale**

SOUTH MOUNTAIN – Please join us on Sat., Sept. 26 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at South Mountain Park (10543 Main St., South Mountain). The sale is a fundraiser for the new pavilion at the park. Should you be interested in entering a \$25 table, contact Kathleen at 613-850-8918. Covid protocols will be in place.

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**Burning through the hazy skies**

With the frosty temperatures in North Stormont on Monday evening, the sun struggles to welcome the new day through the smoke coming from the wildfires in the United States.

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**Preparing for tomorrow by taking action today**

**Joseph Morin**  
Record Staff

WINCHESTER – Ontario is home to 444 municipalities, all have a landfill site and all have to deal with the challenge of making their particular landfill site last as long as it can.

North Dundas utilizes the Boyne Road landfill site and municipal staff have been busy looking ahead to when the site will have to be expanded.

If it cannot be expanded, when it reaches its capacity which will likely be sooner than later, North Dundas would have to rely on transferring all of their waste to another municipality that has a landfill site with the capacity to handle other municipalities' garbage. The cost to taxpayers in that case would be significant.

Anticipating having to make that choice, the North Dundas Waste Management department has been working on having the Boyne Road landfill site expanded. To do that, they have to have their waste management plan accepted by the provincial government.

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**Canada Sews Eastern Ontario receives award**

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Staff

MOREWOOD – Canada Sews Ontario East (CSOE) has received the 2020 Health is a Community Award from the Pinecrest-Queensway Community Health Centre.

The award was accepted on behalf of CSOE by Cheryl Guy, a members of the group's administrative team, on Sept. 8 during their online annual general meeting. The certificate accompanying the 2020 Health is a Community Affairs Award, states the award is given to Canada Sews Ontario East "in recognition of the donation of cloth masks to front-line workers and vulnerable populations during the Covid-19 pandemic."

On March 20 of this year, Joan Davis and Anita Comfort created the "Sewing for Lives Ontario" group on Facebook which began organizing local volunteers wishing

to produce face coverings, using approved designs for essential service and front-line workers. Sewing for Lives Ontario reorganized to Canada Sews Ontario East soon after, with Davis and Comfort joined by Monique Clément and Cheryl Guy to complete the administrative team for CDOE; joining the national group Canada Sews, founded by Lee-Anne Moore-Thibert which has representation in nine provinces across the country.

The Chesterville Record interviewed Davis, Comfort, Clément and Guy soon after the award was received at the home of Davis just outside of Morewood. Though the weather outside was rainy, there was plenty of sunshine around the Davis' kitchen table as the four women shared some of their experiences over the past few months.

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# Boyne Road landfill site

Continued from the front

“We have been getting ready for an environmental assessment for quite some time now,” said Mayor Tony Fraser.

The first step to expanding the landfill site is creating terms of reference, which will be used to undertake the environmental assessment.

“Our terms of reference application was submitted 18 months ago to the ministry [Ministry of the Environment (MOE)].

It has finally been agreed upon and we can continue the process,” said Fraser.

The Director of Waste Management, Doug Froats said, “To expand the landfill we have to get the ministry’s approval, and to get the approval we have to do an environmental assessment.”

He said there are two parts to getting their waste management plan accepted. The first is to get a set of terms of reference approved by MOE, once they have been approved.

“We submitted the terms of reference to the ministry on the third of July of this year,” said Froats.

Froats pointed out that getting the first step done, the approval of the terms of reference, took a long time.

“To get to that point has been a long struggle because it would get submitted, then there was a change in government and then a change in staffing. Our MPP Jim McDonnell made some inquiries for us, and they got everything together and got our terms of reference approved and this is the next step.”

“This is not a new project,” said Fraser.

“This one is for 25 years out so this is what we are



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going to do for the next 25 years, how we are going to manage ourselves,” he said.

The assessment will look at how North Dundas plans to deal with its waste over the next 25 years.

If the waste management plan is approved, then the Boyne Landfill site will be able to be expanded when necessary.

“We are going to need to expand it,” said Fraser.

“We have lots of land in the area.”

The study can get complicated.

“There will be studies on traffic, studies on birds, there are Aboriginal studies as well,” said Froats.

The process now is to do the studies, collect all relevant information and then submit it to the ministry.

“Then we wait for a ‘yes’ or ‘no,’” he said.

If the municipality gets a ‘no’ from MOE the landfill site will switch their operations to a transfer type process where they will have to collect the waste and transport it to another landfill site.

If the response is a ‘yes,’ then the landfill site will

begin the process of expanding at the back and transition from filling at the front.

Part of the study includes any opposition to the expansion.

Froats has spoken to people in the community about the landfill issue.

“Most people in the community are saying they want the expansion, they do not want to ship our waste elsewhere.” Golder Associates will be conducting the study with help, when necessary, from municipal staff.

The official notice about the beginning of the projects asks for public input.

The time frame for the completed study is up to the municipality.

“The faster we get it in there the better it will be for us,” said Froats.

The notice states: “Members of the public, agencies, Indigenous communities, and other interested persons are encouraged to actively participate in the planning process by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with information, comments, or questions.

Consultation opportunities are planned throughout the planning process and will be advertised in *The Chesterville Record* and through the township’s website at <http://northdundas.com/town-hall/landfill-recycling/environmental-assessments/landfill/>.”



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**JOB REQUIREMENTS**

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**JOB REQUIREMENTS**

- Excellent command of English with strong written and verbal communications skills
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### First day of school

Public schools across Ontario kicked off their school year on Fri., Sept. 11, with new health regulations and restrictions in place. Despite the Covid-19 precautions, the schools managed to provide students with a relatively normal first day at school. At the Winchester Public School it was business as usual as young students arrived for their first day. In this photo, teacher Mrs. Mask puts bus tags on children, so that staff will know what bus to board them on, at the end of the school day. Morin photo

## Grey market products

Donald R. Good, P.Ag  
Record Staff

This is a subject that affects everyone since product prices used by your family can be influenced by prices in discount stores. The concept of grey market products is simple. Manufacturers sell their products at different prices in different parts of the world. In low income countries, the price to retailers is much lower than high income countries. Manufacturers control the world supply through exclusive contracts that limit distributors to sell only in specific markets.

For any number of reasons, i.e., excess inventory, (possibly greed) wholesalers may want to dispose of inventory outside their own market; by contract they are not legally allowed to do so. A recent Quebec case has opened a window on this market. Cote makes cosmetics and sells them in 130 countries. Costco is a retailer in Canada with a worldwide network of stores and online sales. Costco, through its network is able to acquire

Cote cosmetics outside Cote's distribution channels for Canada. Costco offered these grey market cosmetics for 50 per cent of the normal Canadian price.

Normally Cote would sue Costco for breach of some civil wrongdoing. The wrongdoing, however, was done by foreign distributors selling grey market cosmetics to Costco. Cote could not locate the international distributor that was providing Costco with the grey market cosmetics. Since Costco was not the culprit, Cote did not have a defendant to sue.

Cote relied on the legal remedy known as a "Norwich Order." The term comes from a case in the House of Lords in England involving pharmaceuticals. A Norwich Order is an extraordinary remedy which amounts to pre writ discovery. Even before Cote filed its Writ, it applied to the court for an order that Costco reveal its sources for grey market cosmetics. Cote wanted to know who to sue as their own investigation did not reveal the culprit.

There are 5 criteria that Cote must meet to be successful. They have been described by the Supreme Court of Canada as follows:

(a) a bona fide claim against the unknown alleged wrongdoer;

(b) the person must be in some way involved in the matter under dispute;

(c) the person must be the only practical source of information;

(d) the person must be reasonably compensated for its expenses;

(e) the public interests in favour of disclosure must outweigh any legitimate privacy concerns.\*  
\*abstracted from Quebec case.

Cote lost by being unable to meet the criteria in (b) and (c) above. In June of this year, the Court determined that the wrongdoing in dispute was the illegal sales by Cote distributors elsewhere in the world. Essentially it was not illegal for Costco to buy Cote's grey market cosmetics, only illegal to sell them by virtue of contract limitations. Costco was not a party to those distribution contracts.

Costco was not the only practical source of the distributors of the grey

market cosmetics. The Court was not satisfied that Cote's global distribution system was airtight. If Cote had simply placed product codes on each cosmetic container, it could have tracked the source.

From a consumer point of view, grey market products are a source of cheaper products from major manufacturers. In addition, the presence of lower priced genuine products in the market place will likely be lower than prices other retailers can offer for the same products, even if they are buying directly from the manufacturer.

#### Final Note:

It is my intention to review law cases of general interest from the courts in Canada. It is not my intention to provide legal advice and you should always check with your own lawyer before acting on any information provided. I would welcome your feedback on these case reports. Please also send me the name of any court case

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## NDDHS Report

By Jamie Wilson  
Student Council Communications



### Welcome back

NORTH DUNDAS – School has finally started back up again after a six-and-a-half-month spring break. Students started school on either Friday the 11, Monday the 14, or Tuesday the 15. The start dates were staggered by grade for high school students and by last name for intermediate students. There are many new rules we must adjust to, so that all students can learn safely. Each grade eats lunch in different rooms, have designated washrooms, and enter the school through different doors to limit contact among groups of students.

The daily schedule is also a huge change from last year. Secondary students now have two classes a day instead of four to minimize movement in the school. Additionally, groups of students have lunch at different times to control contact between grades and traffic in the halls.

My name is Jamie Wilson and I am the minister of communications for this year's student council. I am excited to inform everyone in the community about the happenings at our school. Our student council is working hard to create a positive and fun environment despite the strange new reality of this school year, so stay tuned!

The pandemic has definitely changed life at school, but with the excellent support network of caring teachers and students there is no doubt that we can navigate these changes; we are all in this together.

## Drought conditions terminated throughout parts of SNC jurisdiction

FINCH – The South Nation Conservation (SNC) Water Response Team has terminated Level I (minor) low water conditions for the Lower South Nation River, Bear Brook, and Castor River Sub-watersheds in SNC's watershed jurisdiction.

Throughout the past several weeks, Eastern Ontario has received average or above average precipitation for this time of year. This has helped to replenish local watercourse-sand which has returned most stream flows within the three sub-watershed regions to normal.

The Upper South Nation River Sub-watershed continues to experience low water conditions, which have been downgraded from Level II (moderate) to Level I (minor). Domestic, commercial, and agricultural water consumers within the Upper South Nation River Sub-watershed can all help mitigate the impacts of Level I low water conditions by voluntarily reducing their water consumption by 10 per cent and limiting non-essential uses.

Residents should also be aware of their municipality's water conservation and fire bylaws. Residents are encouraged to contact SNC through an online portal on SNC's website if they are experiencing any problems with their wells or if they have any drought concerns and information to share with staff.

SNC's water response team, created under the Ontario Low Water Response Program, consists of representatives from provincial and municipal governments, agriculture, and special interest groups. SNC and the Water Response Team will continue to monitor conditions and will provide updates as required.

For more information contact Omar Kana'n, water resources specialist – Engineering at 613-984-2948 or email okanan@nation.on.ca.

## Protecting the agri-food value chain from farm-to-table

Drew Spoelstra  
Executive member, Ontario Federation of Agriculture

Ontario farms are places of business, where animals are raised, safe and sustainable food is produced, and where a living is made. But they are also homes, where families are raised, and children play. Ontario's agricultural industry is experiencing increased incidents of trespass, with activists illegally entering property, barns and buildings, breaching biosecurity protocols, and causing significant disruptions to the entire agri-food sector. Lawful protests have escalated to barn break-ins, theft of animals, harassment and threats, and large-scale demonstrations which go beyond peaceful protest. These actions put the entire food system at risk. Without a healthy and sustainable value chain from farm to table, Ontario's livestock and poultry sector cannot survive, thrive, prosper or profit.

Individuals are entitled to their beliefs and have the right to protest. However, protests should never break the law, interfere with legal businesses, or endanger the safety of people or animals. In recent months, animal activism has escalated beyond peaceful protest. The rise in less-than-peaceful protests are cause for concern, as they not only threaten the personal

safety and mental well-being of farmers, their families, employees, and the animals, it threatens the integrity of Ontario's entire agri-food system.

Animal rights activism in the agriculture industry poses significant challenges down the entire value chain, including processing facilities, their workers, and livestock transporters. There is a real concern around processing plants, where animal rights activists stop livestock trucks, and create safety issues for all parties involved. Transport trailers are unable to quickly stop if someone suddenly blocks the roadway, and creates major safety concerns to the drivers, the animals, and the protestors. Activists enter the vehicle's blind spots when they come up to the trailer and interfere with the animals, creating another safety issue as the driver cannot always see when they start driving again. Drivers face on-going abuse, including harassment, threats, and items being thrown at the vehicle and trailer. Not only do they affect the mental health of the transport driver, these actions can cause significant stress and harm to the animals on the trailer.

Lack of convictions and current fines within the judicial system aren't acting as a deterrent. The new *Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2020* aims to do just

that. The new legislation offers farmers, livestock transporters and processing plants new protections, and gives the judicial system new tools to address the extreme actions by activists aiming to end animal agriculture. The act creates "animal protection zones", which includes barns, livestock vehicles and processing facilities, and makes it illegal to enter barns or interfere with livestock transport without consent. The inclusion of designated animal protection zones will help to eliminate and reduce the risk of distress for farm animals and exposing livestock to disease and stress, as well as introducing contaminants to the food supply. Trespass protection is enhanced, with significant penalties for violations up to \$15,000 for a first offence, and up to \$25,000 for subsequent offences. Trespassers are also financially liable for damages as a result of their actions.

Comments and statements from those opposing the new act claim that it stifles free speech, impedes one's right to protest and prevents exposing the abuse of farm animals. Concerns around the issue of animal abuse, and the ability and obligation to report such actions are entrenched within the *Provincial Animal Welfare Services (PAWS)*

*Act, 2019*, which came into effect Jan. 1. Ontario farmers firmly believe in and advocate for the humane treatment of all animals, including livestock and poultry, and do not stand for animal abuse or neglect. *The Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2020* acts as a complement to the *PAWS Act*, and together, these pieces of legislation ensure the highest standards of animal care, protect people, animals, and the province's food supply, while respecting lawful and peaceful protests. The new legislation does a commendable job at accomplishing the needs of the agri-food sector to keep the farm and food supply safe across the province, and provides the necessary protection of Ontario farms, families, employees, their animals and the safety of the entire food system.

Farmers are an integral part of the food value chain. We stand firmly with our partners in the transportation and processing industries to maintain a safe and sustainable food system for all Ontarians.

Drew Spoelstra is an executive member on the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) board of directors. He is the Zone-5 director representing the interests and priorities of OFA members in the region of Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth and Niagara.

## The Road Home

### Walking the streets of your memories

Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Life is certainly a journey and there are many roads you travel down over the years. For me, my journey began in the maternity ward of the Winchester & District Memorial Hospital where I was born on May 13, 1956, on Louisa Street in Winchester.

I remember my Mom saying, because my recollection of those early hours and days is limited, how I was born with black hair, then it turned a reddish brown and then a light brown before settling on blond hair. She told me the nurses used to marvel at my longish curly hair which interestingly

she described as almost having ringlets.

Mom used to laugh when she told of how having to return six pink receiving blankets to the store for blue ones after I was born. Mrs. Dwyer had to open up the Beamish store (closed as I was born on a Sunday) for Dad to buy a pink one and hurry it up to the hospital for me to be wrapped up in. There is also the story of how the doctor's wife, Mrs. Justus, received a few phone calls that Mother's Day for confirmation that June Thompson had indeed had a girl after all those boys!

After moving to Chesterville from the farm in Gordonville, King Street and the streets in the town would be a large part of my life. For 17 years, I roamed the friendly streets of Chesterville getting into all sorts of childish mischief, shedding a few tears along the way, receiving and telling secrets with my friends, running errands and experiencing enough joy that my home town and its memories are my safe place to go when life gets crazy.

I can only hope that everyone has a place they can go to when the going gets tough. Where you can be safe and walk the streets of your memories without fear.

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Joseph Morin  
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The orchard was purchased by the Hobson and Lyall families in 1973.

Their vision was to live off the land and make the existing apple orchard a source of income and the foundation for their rural lifestyle.

Long on enthusiasm and short on actual knowledge on how to operate an orchard, the two families set off to create what visitors find these days to be a great way to enjoy a tasty afternoon in an outdoor setting with family and friends.

“We like to say people come here happy and leave here happier,” said co-owner Shelly Lyall.

The pandemic has created a great deal of uncertainty for small businesses in Ontario.

Operating the orchard and facing different challenges is nothing new for orchard staff.

“We have never had two years the same,” said Lyall as she describes how regular planning sessions regarding the different situations affecting the orchard, from bad weather to a pandemic, are all part of keeping her business in good shape and ready for every season’s wave of visitors.

Mountain Orchards grows eleven great tasting varieties of apples.

Lyall said they have planted 1,100 new apple trees this year with a four-year wait before they will be able to produce their fruit.

“The Honey Crisp and Ambrosia are our premium apples they are the most popular.

They are just beautiful apples,” said Lyall.

“The Honey Crisp come out in mid-September, the Ambrosia about a week after.

The apple itself and the way it has been crossed with other apples has made it really juicy. The honey crisp is especially juicy. They are not genetically modified.

The Ambrosia was just a found apple on the side of an orchard,” she said.

With so many different kinds of apples available people come back several times during the picking season to get specific apples for their different purposes. However, the orchard has already run out of their



Shelly Lyall, seated on the left with first time visitors, left to right Oakleigh, Phoenix and Cheryl Hyndman. Morin photo

Silken apple variety.

When visitors are not enjoying tractor pulled wagon rides out to the orchards and actually selecting their own apples, they can also enjoy home made donuts and coffee along with delicious butter tarts from the orchard’s own bakery.

“The butter tarts are heavenly. You can make those every day,” said Lyall.

On weekends the orchard has a barbecue with sausages from Greg’s Quality Meats in Winchester.

The longevity and popularity of the apple orchard is not an accident.

“We have been doing this for a really long time and that harkens back to the fact that no year is the same as the last one. I do not anticipate that next year will be the same as this one,” said Lyall.

“If you want to stay current and want to stay on top of things, you have to be able to change. We do not want to reinvent

ourselves but we want to be more efficient.

It is all about efficiency and making everybody happy.”

The orchard’s website has an interesting description of the orchard’s beginnings.

The site describes how, “The land on which Mountain Orchards is situated was first opened up to European settlement with the arrival of the United Empire Loyalists in the 1780s after the American Revolution. Originally occupied by Mohawk and later the Mississauga First Nations, it was ceded to the Crown through the Crawford Purchases of October 1783. This territory covered a large portion of what is now Eastern Ontario including the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry in which Mountain is located. Mountain itself was named in 1798 after Jacob Mountain, the Anglican Bishop of Quebec. John Middaugh built the original

two-room post and beam in the late 1700s or early 1800s – bedroom upstairs, kitchen and living area downstairs. Middaugh farmed the land, did custom work for neighbours and sold general supplies.

Over a hundred years later, John Allen bought the property from the Middaugh family, expanded the farmhouse around 1925 and in 1932 planted the first apple trees on the property. The trees were grafted from the original McIntosh trees from Dundela, about 30 km from here.

The Gibsons were Irish immigrants who owned the next farm west of the orchard. When their two sons, Bill and Norman, came home from serving in the Second World War, the boys purchased the Allen farm. The Gibsons expanded the orchard to 50 acres and built the first cold storage facilities – which we still use today. They initiated the first Pick Your Own apple operation in Eastern Ontario in 1970.



## Garden Market Party

The Planted Arrow in Winchester held their second annual Garden Party Market on Sat., Sept. 12. The artisan market featured vendors from across the region. It was the perfect kind of late summer weather for families to get out and enjoy a wide array of interesting products. The next market will be held on Oct. 10.

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# Fieldless Farms

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Staff

CORNWALL – The Covid-19 pandemic has made consumers even more aware of the need for a Canadian produced year-round supply of perishable and safe foods.

Fieldless Farms (FF), a hydroponic form of food production located in Cornwall Ontario, is working toward this goal. Chief executive officer Jon Lomow spoke with *The Chesterville Record* recently and explained the importance of a Controlled Environment Agriculture (CEA) which is working to ensure Canadians have access to safe, local vegetables.

Hydroponic, or soil-less agriculture, explained Lomow, means there are no contaminants as well as no weather or labour issues in producing the food. Located in a warehouse on the outskirts of

Cornwall, Fieldless Farms utilizes 53-foot shipping containers to create a controlled environment for food production. He explained a recipe which includes determining the amount of light, different nutrients, etc. for the product throughout its growth cycle, which needs to be developed prior to beginning production. Information on the Fieldless Farms website explains that “renewable energy and automated systems” are used “to make the perfect growing and harvesting environments for our crops.”

Lomow continued that Fieldless Farms currently produces four varieties of lettuce for the consumer market but that the development of a recipe for growing kale and selected herbs is currently underway. When asked about vegetables such as green peppers being produced, he mentioned this is being investigated, as well as growing strawberries year-round at this location.

Commercial hydroponic food growing is a relative newcomer to food production, however Lomow stressed the importance of this form of year-round agriculture in the Canadian economy. He mentioned how a significant amount of food is imported into this country with 90 per cent of it coming from the United States of America, explaining that Canadians need to become more self-sufficient in food production in the future.

For more information on Fieldless Farms, please visit their website located at [www.fieldless.com](http://www.fieldless.com).



## From Fieldless Farms to Farm Boy to your table

Farm Boy recently began stocking locally grown lettuce, produced by Fieldless Farms of Cornwall, in many of their stores.

Courtesy photo

# Canada Sews

Continued from the front

Described by all four women as an army of volunteers, they thanked all those who have contributed to the cause of ensuring the safety of others during this medical emergency. They described how in addition to the sewers who worked to sew the face coverings, surgical scrub caps and surgical gowns, there were countless people who would prepare donated fabric for use, those who created pre-cut kits and those who sewed buttons onto ear protectors and surgical scrub caps. Davis mentioned there were almost daily donations of supplies such as fabric, elastics, buttons as well as monetary funds provided to purchase supplies as necessary. Sewing machine repair persons have also donated their skills, with several quilters donating material and some fabric and stores offering discounts on materials for the organization.

The list of jobs for people in this volunteer grass-roots organization seems to be never-ending as the women mentioned the businesses and individuals who made face shields, created 3D ear protectors, jigs for bias tape makers and intubation boxes. It was explained that the Winchester & District Memorial Hospital and the Kemptville District Hospital each received two of the intubation boxes, which provide safety for those who need to be intubated.

Mention was made of the businesses and individuals who provided centralized pick-up points across the area and the drivers who spent countless hours picking up completed masks, delivering them, and of the hours spent by Guy and Clément in coordinating the scheduling and supporting the volunteers.

When asked about their favourite memories of their



Canada Sews Ontario East recently received the 2020 Health is a Community Award from the Pinecrest-Queensway Community Health Centre “in recognition of the donation of cloth masks to front-line workers and vulnerable populations during the Covid-19 pandemic.” The award was accepted by Cheryl Guy on Sept. 8 on behalf of all those who have volunteered their time and effort to the organization. From the left: Monique Clément, Anita Comfort, Cheryl Guy and Joan Davis.

Thompson Goddard photo

work over the past few months, Guy mentioned how she enjoyed organizing requests, providing moral support and information to the volunteers. Comfort commented that she is happy with seeing the diverse communities coming together to help people. She continued that all those involved in CSOE went the extra mile to make things happen.

Davis echoed Comfort's comments saying as the group began, she was overwhelmed by the response from the “people who wanted to help.” Clément explained how one of the women in the group reached out to her with support and appreciation on a difficult day, which gave her incentive to carry on with the work.

The CDOE Facebook page has been a source of information, inspiration and support for those who visit it. Davis mentioned how initially the volunteers began making face coverings from approved patterns for the front-line workers, but as the needs quickly changed, the organization began providing patterns for scrub caps, surgical gowns and other items needed. All seemed to agree that making the items for the front-line workers helped many of the volunteers cope with the restrictions instituted to reduce the spread of Covid-19.

Statistics obtained from CSEO shows how as of Sept. 11 volunteers have produced and delivered a staggering 64,899 face coverings or

masks, 9,388 headbands, 6,553 scrub caps, 951 wet bags (used to wash PPE after worn), 582 surgical gowns, 1,151 face shields and 1,581 ear savers. These items have been provided to organizations throughout the local area such as health partners, community organizations such as Community Food Share. Comfort explained how when all local requests are filled, donations have been sent to locations in other Canadian regions. For example, face coverings have been provided to members of the Canadian Armed Forces deployed to Latvia. Comfort coordinated CSOE contribution of face coverings to the Saskatchewan Canadian Rangers.

Davis commented the focus now is being centred on providing the opportunity for elementary, secondary and post secondary educational institutions to receive face coverings. She

continued many of the volunteers are now focusing on making face coverings for school children and mentioned a request for these can be made at [www.canadasews.ca](http://www.canadasews.ca).

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# Ferguson Tree Nursery outlet store opens

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KEMPTVILLE – If you are in the market for some trees, plants or shrubs which are indigenous to the local area, then Ferguson Tree Nursery Outlet Store (FTNOS) can help you on your search. The outlet store is open Tuesday to Saturday between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. until early October and is located at the Ferguson Tree Nursery on the outskirts of Kemptville Ontario.

FTNOS sales and marketing coordinator Maureen Jacques explained the plants, shrubs and trees provided for sale are grown onsite from seed. She continued oak, maple and spruce trees are available as well as bush cranberry, elderberry, chokecherry, dogwood and mountain ash shrubs.

For those who are interested in purchasing perennial plants for your garden, Jacques mentioned many varieties can be purchased at the outlet store including cardinal flowers, lance leaf coreopsis, some varieties of sunflowers, purple coneflowers and butterfly weed and swamp milkweed as well as New England asters.

This is not the first outlet store at the location, as Jacques mentioned one was located at the Ferguson Tree Nursery but closed a few years ago. She described how some customers have shared their experiences at the previous store with stories of the low cost of trees; one of the favourite stories heard. The present

store opened on Sept. 8 in response to an increased interest in native or indigenous plants.

Online shopping available for customers with a minimum purchase requirement, but a visit to the outlet store enables the buyer to purchase any amount of flora. There is also the opportunity to visit with the friendly staff, choose your own plant, pick up a few biodegradable pots, cocoa mats or perhaps one of the several planting guides or leaflets available.

For more information on the Ferguson Tree Nursery please visit their website located at [www.fergusontreenursery.ca](http://www.fergusontreenursery.ca).



## Flowers in bloom

Maureen Jacques, sales and marketing coordinator at the Ferguson Tree Nursery is seen taking a closer look at some of the perennial Indigenous flowers on display at the outlet store. To her left is the false sunflower in bloom, while to the right are the butterfly milkweed plants.

Thompson Goddard photo



## Fall flowers at FTNOS in Kemptville

Fall was in all its glory at the Ferguson Tree Nursery outlet store on Sept. 12, when *The Chesterville Record* visited the store. In addition to the plants, trees and shrubs available there was a good selection of information available for customers.

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## Indigenous perennial plants

There is a great selection of Indigenous perennial plants available for sale at the outlet store. There is no minimum number to purchase at the location.

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# Crysler continues to grow

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Staff

**BERWICK** – During the Sept. 8 meeting, North Stormont council heard from community planner Paul Hicks regarding the second phase of Chrysler's Riverview Subdivision, for which 27 lots for single family dwellings are currently planned for development.

Hicks explained how the initial approval for Phase II was "originally issued by the United Counties of SDG" in 2011 for a period of three years.

Hicks explained how under the *Planning Act* in Ontario, once an approval is given, extensions can be granted, unless "the approval has lapsed." He continued extensions were

granted to the applicant until early 2020 when the approval lapsed before an extension could be granted.

A resubmission of the application for the Phase Two of Riverview Subdivision resulted in a public meeting on the development being held on Sept. 8. Hicks explained how "all landowners within 120 meters of the subject lands were mailed notices of the public meeting, and a sign was erected at the subject lands," all in accordance with the *Planning Act*.

Concerns raised included "traffic speeds in the subdivision area and the proposed routes to be taken by truck traffic for construction." Hicks also mentioned there were

concerns about "an unstable slope along the south bank of the South Nation River," which was addressed by application, by having "a geotechnical investigation and slope stability analysis carried out by a qualified engineer, which recommended safe setbacks for future development."

He continued the "lotting fabric has been revised from the original approval to extend the boundaries of lots to the river's edge" and continued "no other substantial changes have been proposed."

The Key Information Report "was accepted for information by North Stormont council," with an Action Report planned to "be presented at regular council on Sept. 22," during the regular council meeting.

# BMO delivers

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Staff

**WINCHESTER** – In a recent press release Jane Adams, WDMH Foundation communications lead, announced the "BMO Bank of Montreal team in Winchester" recently delivered "another gift of \$2,500" as part of their pledge of "\$7,500 to support health care close to home."

This donation, which "is being directed to the WDMH foundation's General Equipment Fund" will be put toward "the purchase of equipment such as a new X-ray machine." Previously BMO had provided two gifts of \$2,500 which "helped to support the purchase of three new electrosurgical generators for the operation room and a new echocardiogram machine for WDMH's cardiac care program."

Omar Abouzaher, BMO regional vice president, Ottawa East and Western Quebec Market, Cindy Peters, WDMH foundation's manager of direct mail & events, and Melissa Crawford, Winchester branch manager.

medical equipment and we extend our very best wishes for the campaign's every success." Cindy Peters, manager of direct mail and events, commented in the release how in the past "three years, over 10,000 patients have had at least one X-ray at WDMH" and expressed her gratitude for donors "like BMO for helping the foundation purchase equipment that is not funded by the government."



Omar Abouzaher, regional vice president, Ottawa East and Western Quebec Market, Cindy Peters, WDMH foundation's manager of direct mail & events, and Melissa Crawford, Winchester branch manager.

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## Serving their community with a smile

CHESTERVILLE – For almost thirty years, the Snack Shack owned by Bill and Jennifer LeClair and their daughter Jennifer Drew have been serving up a selection of good food and tasty treats for residents and visitors to Chesterville.

Bill recently sat down with *The Chesterville Record* giving an insight to the successful business located in a parking lot at the corner of King and Ralph Streets in Chesterville where once the Baldry Block had stood.

When asked how the Snack Shack came into existence, he mentioned how after having a successful career in the heating trade, he felt it was time to try something different. Once the decision was made to run a chip wagon, he purchased a camping trailer and then renovated it, added to its size and in the spring of 1993 the Snack Shack opened for business. The chip wagon business quickly became a community gathering point to enjoy some French fries or perhaps a burger cooked to perfection while enjoying a visit with friends, neighbours or Bill himself.

In June 2014, the original Snack Shack was destroyed by fire, but within two months the chip wagon once again opened for business. Bill mentioned how after the fire a great many people contacted him, commenting on how important the Snack Shack was to them and the community.

The present Snack Shack was

# SMALL BUSINESS Spotlight



Bill and Jennifer LeClair and their daughter Jennifer Drew are shown in front of Snack Shack, located at 29 King Street. Customers are able to pre-order and pick up by calling 613-448-2703.

Thompson Goddard photo

purchased in Timmons Ontario and had already served as a chip wagon. Following its arrival to Chesterville, some modifications were made which included a grill and modifications for ice cream. In 2017, Bill purchased a mobile chip stand which has enabled him to cater to small gatherings such as Meet Me on Main

Street, weddings and last year, the mobile chip stand provided poutine, a Canadian favourite, to a group of scouts from England when they visited nearby Marionville.

As his customers can attest to, Bill attributes the success of the Snack Shack to several factors including the high

quality of food served, standardized portions and of course good customer service. He mentioned he has a great deal of pride in the staff noting Terry Belanger, who retired a couple of years ago, had worked for almost 25 years at the Snack Shack.

He mentioned there is a lot of work which goes on behind the scenes, explaining food has to be ordered, received, prepped and cooked before it is placed in the customer's hand. He continued customer service extends to a policy which ensure if a child accidentally spills or drops their order it is replaced at no charge.

Covid-19 brought many changes to this Chesterville business, with Bill mentioning his concerns for the safety of staff and customers as opening day approached. He worked to ensure that all Covid-19 safety protocols were followed, and for a time, Bill was the only person working with the public. They now accept debit or visa in addition to cash. For more information please visit their Facebook page. Customers can pre-order and pick up by calling 613-448-2703.

Perhaps the success of the Snack Shack can be described in these six words – Good staff, good food, good service.

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## What to do with \$200 hay?

**Jakob Vogel B.Sc. Agr**  
Record Contributor

The hay/straw market has truly developed into being a true cash crop for those producers that have been able to maintain their yields over the past couple of years. With forage shortages becoming more commonplace, the need for replacement forages is putting heavy pressure on the pricing of these commodities and less focus on the quality of said forage.

As mentioned, it is becoming quite common to refer to hay and straw as commodities rather than forages now, since it is being bought and sold so frequently within the dairy, beef and horse markets. The concern for dairy producers is the increasing cost associated with purchasing feed from unknown suppliers when their own expected crops failed or yielded poorly. There are several factors to consider when trying to maximize the amount of money that is left over for our producers after the purchase of not only protein supplements, but also now a stable forage based commodity. Among these factors is the idea of precision feeding, meaning feeding the right feed to the right group of animals. Although this is a concept

easily discussed, it takes time, patience and logical (proactive) thinking to make sure that we are able to align our feedstuffs correctly throughout the winter months and into the next growing season. Additionally to this, we need to be able to assess an accurate level of inventory so that we do not over feed on an ingredient that will lead us to running short or require additional purchases.

When feeding with precision, start by having accurate samples of the different feeds, including straw. From there, we need to assess the requirements for these animals. For example, 4th cut wrapped bales is a great feed for milking cows, however – not ideal for heifers considering the protein, energy and digestibility of this feed. Again, with this – it would be important to insure that we can access these feeds or group the feeds together – heifer feed together and dry cow feeds together. This way, not only are we keeping these feeds grouped for simplicity, we can also ensure to limit possible mixups between feeders, etc.

There are several ways to calculate inventories, most of which are done

using spreadsheets or mobile applications. While all of these systems can yield accurate results, the danger lies in the assumption behind the program. For example, while calculating the tonnage within an AgBag, some will assume an average feed density based on the diameter of the bunk. However – we know that the speed at which the bag is filled, the dry matter of the forage as well as the tension used at the bagger (pressure) can all have an impact of the true density and ultimately the total amount of forage in storage. As you can imagine, assuming a density within a pile, bunk or Ag Bag can be quite detrimental to the inventory situation on farm. The other factor that is often overlooked, or at least under estimated is shrink. Unfortunately, even the best bunks have shrink or loss due to fermentation. The severity of the shrink should be realistic if not a little high to ensure we have some wiggle room with dry matter changes, and animal number fluctuations within the herd.

Along with inventories, it is often overlooked to consider the importance of stability within different groups of animals. Naturally, we do not want

any fluctuation within the diets, which should allow for constant high performance from all groups of cows. However, when facing a feed shortage – this becomes quite a challenge. Typically, the priorities for ration stability is Dry Cows, Milk Cows and finally Heifers.

Now with the incorporation or the monitoring of return over feed cost (ROFC or ROI), it is important to measure these metrics accurately and precisely.

Again, similarly to the density and inventory calculations, numbers can be commonly measured to make things look really good or really poor depending on your position with the person who is calculating your ROFC. It is important during the analysis of the data that any assumptions be discussed and explained and most importantly, be agreed upon by yourselves as producers, and the person measuring this. A specific case that was being worked on, involved inflation of the price of palm fat by \$300 per tonne which obviously decreased the ROF, which naturally raised questions from the producer. The important factor is to have a precise and accurate value for purchased ingredients on a per tonne basis.

Straw has become a multi-usage commodity

ranging from bedding to being incorporated as a feed ingredient from calves all the way to the milking cow group.

The changes in utilization has also put an upwards pressure on the price of straw. Again, it is important to sample straw to assess mineral content within the commodity.

So, when facing an inventory shortage, which many producers will be facing this winter, there are several solutions available

that can be used in harmony to provide stability to the dairy herd.

Depending on your area and your specific requirement of forage, another thought may be to establish or consider the use of a forage extender.

These products are typically high fiber ingredients (or combinations) that can be used in place of forages without harming the cows due to excessive starch content.

## Goin' for the gold

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Staff

STORMONT – Stormont County Go for the Gold Team is heading off to the provincial competition following their success at the regional finals on Aug. 17 and hosted by Grenville County 4-H. Team members Amiee VanLoon, Dougie Robinson, Bobby Robinson and Hamish McDonald will be competing via Kahoot at a yet to be determined date and time.

Neil Robinson, who with Susanna Bretzler, Molly McDonald and Jill Robinson coach the Go for the Gold Team, commented in an email to *The Chesterville Record*, Stormont County has “had a team at regionals since 2015 when we hosted the regional competition.” When asked about preparation for competition, he replied “topics to be covered in the competition” are reviewed during virtual meetings, with members asking questions “to help them prepare” for competition. Team members read and make notes on information provided in manuals in preparation for the event.

Robinson thanked “4-H Ontario for their hard work to create a virtual way to continue GFTG and Grenville 4-H Association for hosting the regional competition.” He commented how everyone enjoyed both the local competition held in July and the regional event held recently.





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## Malfunctioning smoke and CO alarms

RUSSELL – The Russell Township fire departments have noticed a trend of false smoke and Carbon Monoxide (CO) alarms. This seems to be happening in newer homes with new units, even in other areas of

the province. At this time, we cannot pinpoint what is causing these false alarms but we felt it was necessary to address the matter with our residents. Smoke and Carbon Monoxide (CO)

alarms occasionally do malfunction and cause false alarms, however this is not as common as people think. These devices are mandated by law, are intensely tested, and save lives.

The trend in false alarms does not necessarily mean all devices malfunctioned. The alarm could sound due to the placement of the alarm, dust within the unit, high humidity, and more. Your manufacturer's installation and maintenance instructions will have further recommendations.

We want to remind residents that a smoke or CO alarm going off needs to be taken seriously. In the case of a CO alarm sounding, you should immediately vacate the property, call 911 and let us test the CO levels in your home with our specialized equipment. There is never a financial cost to residents whenever we respond to a 911 call, and when it comes to CO, you need to be certain it is safe before re-entering the home.

We ask that you clean all the units by vacuuming or blowing the units out with compressed air to ensure there is no dust build up within the unit. If false alarms continue, you might have a malfunctioning unit. If your home is less than one-year-old the builder's warranty may cover



replacement of the unit. Otherwise, you will need to contact the manufacturer for a replacement unit if it is still within the warranty period. We want to remind everyone that within the Province of Ontario homeowners / landlords are responsible to ensure that their residence has a working smoke alarm on each floor and a CO alarm outside of ALL sleeping areas at ALL times. Newer construction now requires smoke alarms inside each bedroom.

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The recording and registering of this information is very important. It helps determine if specific models are exceeding the acceptable number of defective units, which could represent a risk to the general public.

It is our mission and duty to keep the residents of Russell Township safe and informed on matters associated with fire safety. If you have any further questions or concerns with your smoke or CO alarms please contact us directly via email at fire-dept@russell.ca.

## Savour the Senses - A virtual journey of the senses

RUSSELL – Experience Eastern Ontario's finest wines from the comfort of your own home on Sat., Sept. 26 at Savour the Senses, a virtual wine tasting experience in support of DeafBlind Ontario Services.

Prior to the event, three bottles of wine will be delivered to your door for contactless delivery. Then, guests will explore their senses in a one-of-a-kind blind wine tasting, led by winemakers from three different wineries; Tom Moul from Jabulani Vineyard and Winery Ltd., Richard Deslandes from Green Gables Winery and Vineyard, and Noreen Hyatt-Gervais from Stone Crop Acres. Learn from these experts in the field, along with the evening's sommelier, Paul Gault from Somm4all, and ask questions about pairings, varietals, regions and more.

"Whether you're a wine connoisseur or you're looking for a fun Saturday night in, you are invited to an evening that will make a difference for people with deafblindness, while enjoying a unique tasting experience in your home," says Susan Manahan, director

of development and communications at DeafBlind Ontario Services.

The tastings will begin with a crisp and refreshing wine that pairs well with almost anything. Second, guests will learn about cold climate grapes as they savour a cool, casual bouquet of delicious aromas that resemble summer. Lastly, sip a succulent and smoky wine that is guaranteed to reward your senses.

"With social distancing in effect, we decided to get creative and host an event that brings people together for a good cause," said Susan.

Savour the Senses, presented by the Lions Club of Russell, raises funds for DeafBlind Ontario Services, a not-for-profit organization that provides accessible residential and customized support services across the province, including in Ottawa, Embrun, and Vars.

Kick up your virtual gatherings a notch, with a fun, unpretentious evening of wine tasting in your jammies or sweats. Get your tickets by Sept. 18 at 12:00 p.m. For more information and registration, please visit [www.deafblindontario.com](http://www.deafblindontario.com) or call 1-855-340-3267 ext. 289.

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