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**Foster parents needed in SD&G**

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People interested can register for the following information sessions:

- Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2021 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 21, 2021 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2021 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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**Burn ban in effect**

NORTH DUNDAS – North Dundas Township-wide has a burn ban in effect.

This burn ban will remain in place until conditions improve.



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**Are you ready to Rodeo**

The South Mountain Fair was missing for a year thanks to the pandemic. Now that Covid is slowly receding and it’s possible to hold some community events again, the Mountain Township Agricultural Society is quick to put together their first post pandemic fair. Tractor and truck pull competitions, traditional exhibits of home crafts and the Black Creek Rodeo show brought people out on the Aug. 20 weekend. In this photo a rider was no match for this horse that was determined to get him out of the saddle. **See page 6 for more photos.**

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**Firefighter for a day in South Dundas**

Joseph Morin  
Record Staff

SOUTH DUNDAS – Have you ever wondered if you could make it as a firefighter? Before you find out if you have what it takes, you might like to find out exactly what that means.

The South Dundas Fire Department, hoping to encourage residents to apply for a volunteer firefighter’s job in South Dundas, held a special all day “Firefighter for a Day” event at Matilda Hall on Sat., Aug. 21.

The weather was perfect for the event bringing hot and sunny and the kind of weather that would bake anyone rigged out with the typical fire fighter gear.

Despite the sweltering temperatures, there are about 20 people, men and women who were courageous enough to try to find out if they could survive the necessary training a firefighter has to endure and succeed at.

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**SDG raises local concerns during AMO conference**

Sandy Casselman  
Record Staff

CORNWALL – Despite its virtual format, this year’s Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference provided municipal politicians with opportunities to connect and discuss concerns with their peers, as well as with higher tier politicians, and ministry personnel.

As an active participant in municipal politics for roughly 22 years, United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SDG) warden Allan Armstrong, who is also Deputy Mayor of the township of North Dundas, has attended many AMO Conferences over the years. This year, due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, the

Aug. 16-18 annual event was held virtually, which Armstrong said is better than not meeting at all.

“They’re doing the best they can under very difficult circumstances; it’s better than nothing; it’s the only opportunity afforded to us right now to get that many ministers together,” he said, adding that the conference is only one of maybe four or five opportunities each year when caucus gets together. “My preference for normal life would be to be in person; it’s a much different dynamic.”

Aside from its virtual format, Armstrong said the conference followed its familiar formula. In addition to keynote speakers and informative seminars, there were numerous meetings with ministry personnel, as well as delegations on various topics.

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# AMO conference

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“There was nothing really stark that came out of it,” he said. “I spent most of my time as part of delegations providing information.”

SDG officials participated in three delegations focusing on local issues: these included two sessions with the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, both of which were attended by Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MPP Jim McDonell; the first focused on the Counties’ Official Plan, which had been modified by the province without consultation with SDG; while the second focused on making it easier for upper-tier municipalities to implement Community Improvement Plans and programming.

The third delegation was held with Sam Oosterhoff, the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of

Education, and included Armstrong, as well as Municipality of South Dundas Deputy Mayor Kirsten Gardner. Armstrong and Gardner were there to relay their concerns for rural education, which Armstrong said hasn’t seen any real movement.

Armstrong said SDG has identified this as an important issue, which is why they commissioned an outside consultant and created an education committee, of which Gardner is chair. With roughly only 15 minutes to speak with Oosterhoff, Armstrong said the focus was on getting a meeting with Education Minister Stephen Lecce to discuss the findings of SDG’s commissioned report.

“We’re trying to let them know that we’ve done this [report], and we’ve requested very strongly that we would like to get some time with the minister so we can present our findings,” Armstrong said. “We’re looking for a solution that can be used throughout Ontario in all rural areas. We

want the same opportunities for our children, as they do in urban areas.”

Armstrong referred to broadband issues that were highlighted this past year when the pandemic forced students to participate in remote learning. He said Gardner was well spoken and did well at making a case for rural education in the limited time they were given.

“[Oosterhoff] said they would get back to us. There are never any promises made. Certainly, we were heard, and our message was very clear. So, we’ll see, but we’re not going to go away,” Armstrong said, adding that they will be following up to be sure SDG is given an opportunity to present their findings and recommendations directly to Lecce.

As part of the Eastern Ontario Wardens’ Caucus (EOWC), the warden, along with other SDG officials, attended meetings with both the NDP and Liberal caucuses, as well as a multi-minister session with members of the provincial

cabinet. EOWC priorities were discussed, including better access to broadband internet for rural residents, long-term care and healthcare transformation, and affordable housing.

“You are going to hear about policy work, training programs, and helpful opportunities that AMO creates through Local Authority Services (LAS), our business services arm,”

AMO president Graydon Smith said in his statement at the opening of the three-day conference. “AMO brings leaders together, so that we can identify challenges, create solutions, and improve municipal government.”

More than 1,500 municipal leaders, government officials, public servants, sponsors, exhibitors, and media

attended the event. There were more than 400 delegation meetings and three Ministers’ Forums. In addition, more than \$400-million in additional provincial funding for housing and homelessness, public health, and municipal modernization was announced. Stable Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) investments for 2022 were also announced.



## Summer music in Winchester

Sweet Corner Park was busy with visitors and music as the park welcomed the weekend with music from Branded. The event was sponsored by Watters Financial and Co-operators Insurance (Winchester).

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 After several months of experiencing and hearing about lockdowns, closures, COVID tests and vaccine clinics, the federal and provincial governments finally began to lift some restrictions. Ontario remains at Step 3, but small indoor activities are now permitted. We are happy to announce that our staff is preparing for a phased reopening of the Centres. Some outdoor activities will be maintained while the weather is good and small group indoor activities will resume in September at the Centres. We are thrilled and agree that it’s time to reopen our doors.

Due to COVID protocols, the reopening will be gradual and will involve restrictions. Number of participants per activity will be limited to 10. Pre-registration will be required. The wearing of masks, hand washing/sanitizing, physical distancing and COVID screening will continue as will designated areas or assigned seating. These measures will be in place for health and safety reasons. We need to ensure that we are taking every step to keep our clients, their caregivers, our volunteers, and staff as safe as possible. We know things will not be exactly as they were, but we also know that time spent together will be worthwhile.

We cannot wait to welcome you back! It’s time!

*Dianne Kuipers*

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# Denis Moquin, Liberal candidate for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry



Denis Moquin, Liberal candidate for SD&G. Courtesy Photo

SD&G – Cornwall native Denis Moquin has a resumé of over 45 years of public service and a proven track record of leadership and achievement in serving his community.

After 25 years with the Cornwall Police Service, Sergeant Denis Moquin assumed the role of executive director of community agencies of Stormont Dundas and Glengarry. In this position that he held from 2001-2003, Mr. Moquin had extensive contact with the many agencies that serve the diverse needs of residents of our community, from assisting the unemployed to the health care needs of the

disadvantaged.

Always keen to serve his community in a positive way, Mr. Moquin served a two-year term as a Cornwall city councillor from 2005-2006.

In 2007, Mr. Moquin returned to his police roots when he was approached by a Montreal law firm to act as an investigator and security consultant in South Africa. This involved investigative work after the genocide in Rwanda.

Currently, Mr. Moquin serves as the security manager of an elite staff for a large office complex in Ottawa, that houses several embassies and prominent business offices in the nation's capital.

The fluently bilingual Mr. Moquin has been recognized by his peers for his leadership and team building experience throughout his career.

Mr. Moquin believes his life experience and proven track record will assist him in carrying out the duties as the Member of Parliament for Stormont-Dundas and South Glengarry.

When asked why is he running for Parliament Mr. Moquin made his position very clear, "As your voice in Ottawa, I'm prepared to ensure our riding benefits from a national child care program; that we meet the challenges of climate change; our farmers are recognized for the important work they do in feeding the nation; our businesses can grow and prosper; our seniors receive better care. Now is the time to vote for Denis Moquin, Liberal for Stormont-Dundas and South Glengarry."

His hobbies include, watching car races, he served as race director at the Cornwall Motor Speedway for 25 years and currently serves as race director with Dirt Car Northeast. He is also a former member of

ACTRA Toronto where he had several acting roles in movies and commercials.

Mr. Moquin is married to Elaine (nee Russell) and they have 3 children and 5 grandchildren.



## Williamsburg couple 'Help the Homeless' with horseshoe tournament

Despite the extreme heat, Beth Carhart and Tom Bauld held a "Help the Homeless" charity barbecue and horseshoe tournament on Sat., Aug. 21 at their home in Williamsburg. Carhart, along with her friend Judy Vilon, has been hosting charity events and raising money for local charities since 2007. Carhart asked participants to donate hats, mitts, gloves, scarves, first aid kits, blankets, or rain ponchos to help fill backpacks for the homeless. Carhart raised \$815 for the charity. She estimates upwards of \$2,000 is needed for the backpacks. Backpacks for the homeless are to be packed on Nov. 20 and then delivered. To donate, learn more, or help in some other way, please contact Carhart at 613-290-9890. Pictured throwing a horseshoe is participant Dave Hess.

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## Firefighter for a day

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Director of Fire and Emergency Services, for South Dundas, Cameron Morehouse explained that recruiting new firefighters is an ongoing process.

"We are trying to recruit firefighters for our municipality, we are short some," he said.

Recruiting for small rural fire departments can be a challenge.

Morehouse said, "The first thing is to recruit but then you have to retain firefighters."

Morehouse said Edward-Cardinal had been running this kind of recruitment program for several years and he thought it was worth trying in South Dundas.

"A year and a half ago we went over and talked to them and took their ideas and added some of our own but then Covid hit."

Covid delayed everything but as soon as

the province reached Stage 3 the fire department was ready to go with the recruitment event.

There are four workstations for potential firefighters to work on fire related activities.

The search and rescue component of the event was held inside Matilda Hall. There was a ladder station and a pumping area with hoses and auto extrication at the far end of the hall's parking lot.

"We have been overwhelmed with the response. We thought we might get twelve people to come out. We had responses from Brockville, Cornwall and Morewood, Finch and Chesterville."

Seven women and thirteen men signed up for the grueling day-long exercise.

Morehouse suggested that next year the municipality could host a Dundas ladies' day. "It's just an idea right now," said Morehouse.

A Morrisburg couple was eager to try their hand at firefighting.

Matthew St. John and Dana Crooks have just bought a home in Morrisburg.

"Volunteer fire fighting is something I have always wanted to try out," said St. John. "I thought this was the perfect opportunity when I saw it online."

He said he was not sure about what to expect but he was enjoying the experience.

There were several women who came out for the firefighting experience.

"I wanted to try this out



Matthew St. John aims a hose at the inside of a car during the Firefighter for a Day event in South Dundas on Sat., Aug. 21.

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to see if I would like it," said Crooks. "I enjoy physical work as well."

For those who attended the application process, and liked what they then if accepted, more experienced, the next step is training.



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## Taste the memory

They say that the only constant in life is change, and that is most likely correct.

Everything seems to be in a constant state of change. These days it's the weather, the economy, our health and our institutions.

Thanks to the pandemic, so many fun activities and expected events that have always been part of our lives for ever have been affected.

It was weird watching the Stanley Cup this year when each time the game was in a Canadian city with restricted attendance you would swear the different television networks were playing a crowd cheering recorded track in the background. The play on the ice did not always match the sound of the subdued crowd.

However, since then the pandemic restrictions have been dialed down a bit and the South Mountain Fair along with Russell Fair were both welcome events for all of us isolating away in rural Ontario.

In South Mountain, waiting for the different events to take place spectators were content to just sit and enjoy the hot sun while they waited for the fun to begin.

You could feel the extraordinary weight of the heat coming off the ground in waves and even that was refreshing considering we have all been stuck inside for so long. The smell of French fries swirled around in the air tempting everyone to try some and the hot weather suggested the beer tent was not an altogether bad place to be while waiting for the fair to kick off.

The rumbling of trucks and tractors as they lined up for the truck and tractor pull sounded like thunder in the distance.

Sitting in the stands by the track it was difficult to imagine that we have just gone through about two years of a crazy upsetting pandemic lifestyle. Change is inevitable but the sights and sounds, smells and flavour of a country fair are unmistakably constant.

So you can have confidence in what will come after the pandemic.

Mask wearing may be around for a while but inevitably that too will become part of the change we all experience going forward.

Just be assured that some things, especially the memories we have stored in our collective minds are able to resist change, and if you have any doubt hang around a chip truck for a few minutes and let the smell of hot fries take you back to your favourite country fair.

Joseph Morin

## Individual rights versus obligations to the whole

Our second summer living with COVID-19 is coming to an end. For most of us, this is the first time we've lived through a pandemic. The experience doesn't match what I've seen in the movies, but the one thing movie writers did get right is the division amongst people ranging from the mild to the extreme.

A new school year is starting soon and there are no guarantees it will go smoothly. There's still so much left unknown and still so many people at odds with the decisions that need to be made prior to the first day of school. There is still an open debate about whether educational professionals should be forced to vaccinate. Our politicians appear to be sitting on the fence so as not to alienate either side; this needs to change. Our politicians were elected to make the hard decisions, not sit on the fence.

We have masses of children returning to school in roughly two weeks. There's been speculation by

the province's head medical officer saying we could be entering a fourth wave of the pandemic this fall and winter. There are currently no vaccines available for children under the age of 12. The only thing protecting them from the virus is wearing masks, washing hands, and relying on the adults around them to get vaccinated. I believe we have the right to choose what we do or don't do with our bodies. I also believe that right stops when the well-being of the community-as-a-whole is threatened.

I believe that teachers, educational assistants, and anyone working with children should be required to vaccinate. When it comes down to it, it's the adult's choice, but they only get to decide for themselves, not for the people around them. So, if a teacher chooses not to vaccinate then they're choosing not to be a teacher. If they're in this profession to help children learn and become the best they can be, then their top priority should be the well-being of

the students. Taking the risk of getting COVID-19 and then spreading the virus to classrooms filled with unvaccinated children is not only negligent, but also disrespectful.

To be clear, this is my opinion, not that of the paper. I realize it's not a popular one, but it is what I believe to be true. I believe the safety of the whole is more important than the want of an individual.

This whole thing – both the vaccine and the mask controversies – brings me back to when the government was first considering banning smoking in public places. At the time, I found myself in several arguments with avid smokers who felt their rights were being violated, but for whatever reason couldn't understand how their unhealthy addiction was contributing to the ill health of others. Put aside the statistics for cancer-causing second-hand smoke exposure, what about those of us who are asthmatic? Smokers made it difficult for me to go to stores,

restaurants, malls, and even parks because I was at risk of an asthma attack. To be clear, these can be scary and life-threatening. Luckily for me and many others, in the end, the government decided that the desire for some to smoke did not outweigh the rights of the many to have clean air to breathe.

I feel very strongly that we're in a similar situation now. The vaccines, the mask wearing, the keeping hands clean, and the social distancing are helping. With new heartier, more determined virus variants, we're at greater risk if we're not all on the same page. The pro-vaccine group simply wants everyone to be safe and healthy. I don't want to debate the issue, I simply want anti-vaxxers to see things from a different perspective, one that puts the well-being of the whole community over the desire of the individual. We need to remember that our rights as citizens come with obligations to the whole.

Sandy Casselman

## Resilience...

Resilience is explained as the capacity to respond to pressures and tragedies quickly, adaptively, and effectively and develop new learning and growth.

The aim is not just bounce back from a situation but to bounce back better.

Our lives consist of resources and demands. Resources include intelligence, sleep, co-worker support, and emotional awareness to name a few. Our demands can consist of lack of support from co-workers, lack of support from home life, and feeling overwhelmed.

The art of mindfulness can help build resilience.

Studies have shown that unfortunately our family, friends and work family can play a role on both sides of this equation. As team members your team may be your resource but may also be your demands.

We all have those occasions where someone says something to us that we don't like, or a work colleague is rude or abrupt and it is up to each of us to think carefully

how to respond.

Your response will affect you and your health.

Parneet Pal, MBBS, MS of Wisdom Labs discusses the effects of mindfulness. Studies have proven that whatever we practice becomes stronger. If we practice being calm and thinking before we react, our minds will become stronger in being able to react less aggressively and more compassionately. On the other hand, if you allow the quick, hot-headed aggressive reaction to be your dominant reaction then your brain will focus and increase those responses.

It is the quick negative responses that increase the negative impact on your own physical and mental health.

It has been proven that people who are more in tune with the negative quick reactions are more likely to develop chronic diseases that will have long lasting impacts on their health and well-being.

Think of your well-being. Take that extra moment the next time you are sitting in a meeting or working at your emails or even responding to a family member. Before you respond, take a deep breath, become aware of

where you are and what you are about to respond, allow yourself you think before you react and see if you can build your mind to respond in a more positive and less defensive manner.

You may even find that by trying to relate to the other person or situation you may not need to respond at all but at the least, if you do need to respond and it is negative, you can control the impact the situation has on you and the other person.

Mindfulness builds resilience. The bottom line is you can control your reaction to every situation. You are in control of how you react and how you make others feel in every situation. Is this easy? No way! It takes practice and the will to want to improve your reactions to situations and the desire to be resilient.

Resilience is a skill using neuroplasticity during stressful events. Resilience can mean offering a stronger, more open-minded positive mindset.

I encourage you to take on the challenge of being mindful and build your resilience – it is for your best interest.

Linda Vogel

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## Art on the Long Sault roundabout

Carolyn Thompson Goddard  
Record Staff

**LONG SAULT** – A small group assembled at the eastern roundabout on County Road 2 early in the morning of Aug. 20 to officially recognize the donation of two elements: a ship's anchor and decorated canoe on display at the location.

A few years ago, diving enthusiast Andre Lafleche discovered a ship's anchor in the St. Lawrence River west of Cornwall; facilitated its removal and refurbishment before donating it for display at the roundabout. Lafleche is quoted in an Aug. 20 press release provided by SDG corporate communications director Todd Lihou saying how "Relics, like the anchor, are part of our local history. He added the connection between the Municipality of South Stormont and "the St. Lawrence River, the seaway



From the left: South Stormont Deputy Mayor David Smith, SDG warden Allan Armstrong, Andre Pommier, South Stormont Mayor Bryan McGillis.

Thompson Goddard Photo

and the Lost Villages have been cemented over the decades," with the anchor on the eastern roundabout in Long Sault providing visual evidence of that connection.

At the roundabout, opposite the ship's anchor is located a fibreglass canoe, donated by South Stormont resident Andre Pommier and painted by Ottawa artist Robbie Lariviere. Lariviere commented how the art on the canoe was "painted with spray paint" and when asked about the style of the painting, replied that "it's tricky describing the style as it's v pop art culture as well, but for sure a form of

graffiti."

Pommier commented how he felt it would be great to have a piece of art at the roundabout with the canoe provided a base for illustrations. South Stormont Deputy Mayor David Smith facilitated Lariviere to provide the artwork on the canoe. It is expected the canoe will be on display during the warmer months and will be replaced during the wintertime with a holiday themed display.

SDG warden AI Armstrong commented on the beauty of travelling along County Road 2, with the work being done to

enhance the waterfront throughout the United Counties shows the pride of residents in their communities. He noted the beautification work is made possible with the collaboration of all four levels of government working together. South Stormont Mayor Bryan McGillis echoed the words of Armstrong and noted the beauty of the Long Sault Parkway and County Road 2. Smith reminded those that were present the importance of community involvement in projects like this one being celebrated today.

## And they are off!

Carolyn Thompson Goddard  
Record Staff

**CHESTERVILLE** – The engines were roaring in the parking lot of the Chesterville arena as drivers and passengers prepared to begin the "How well do you know your Homeland Car Rally Scavenger Hunt" on Aug. 21. Organized by A Group of People, president Amanda Burger commented in a post event email there were 18 cars registered for the car rally in what she described as a very successful "first annual car rally scavenger hunt". Team Fam Jam were the winners in the event as they accumulated 66 points



A few minutes before the first annual "How well do you know your Homeland Car Rally Scavenger Hunt" began Amanda Burger, SDSG MP Eric Duncan, Marie-Therese Robinson, Harmony Koiter, Patrick Burger and Suzanne Millaire gathered together near the registration desk.

Thompson Goddard photo

which were "based on the tasks they completed" on the route through the Winchester and Chesterville areas.

Burger took a moment to thank the amazing Board of Directors which include vice-president Suzanne Millaire, Patrick Burger who is currently the secretary-treasurer as well as Harmony Koiter and Marie-Therese Robinson. She thanked those who participated in the event as well as SDSG MP Eric Duncan who started the event with waving the checkered flag. The profit raised from this event as well as other events organized by A Bunch of People events goes to local charities.



### - OBITUARY -

## HURBERT ANGUS CURRAN

Peacefully at his beloved camp on Wednesday, August 18, 2021. Hubert Curran of Chesterville at the age of 83. Loving husband of Margaret Curran (nee Rice). Dear father of Larry (Connie) of Trenton, Darlene Curran and Scott both of Chesterville. Survived by his brother Ranald (May) of Greenbush. Predeceased by his brother Silas and his sister Karen Lennox. Sadly missed by 5 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren as well many nieces and nephews.

**Funeral Arrangements**  
A graveside will be held at the Ormond Cemetery on Friday, August 27 at 11 a.m. followed by a celebration of life at the Royal Canadian Legion in Chesterville from 1 - 3 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to the Marsden McLaughlin Funeral Home in Chesterville. Donations to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church or the Ottawa Cancer Clinic would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. If you are making your donation online or by cheque directly to the charity, please include the following note with your gift "please notify the family". Online condolences may be made at [marsdenmclaughlin.com](http://marsdenmclaughlin.com).

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# The 2021 modified South Mountain Fair

## Continued from the front

After long anticipation and many hurdles, the Mountain Township Agricultural Society was pleased to host a modified version of the South Mountain Fair this past weekend. Although the events were not all present, we were excited to share with the community Truck Pulls Friday Night, Tractor Pulls Saturday Morning, Rodeo shows on Saturday Evening and Sunday Afternoon. Some classes from our exhibits were able to continue this year in Homecrafts, Junior Homecrafts, Culinary Arts and Floriculture. Despite the unprecedented heat wave over the weekend, it was a spectacular turnout each day. We cannot thank the community enough for your continued support.

The Truck/Tractor Pulls were well attended and participated in with over 25 trucks and over 50 tractors. The smoke rolled and crowd cheered for both tremendous

competitions. A special thank you to The Executioner Sled Team for supplying the sled and Marc Chartrand for his entertaining announcing.

After more than a couple decades, it was amazing to see a rodeo return to the South Mountain Fairgrounds. Special thanks to Black Creek Rodeo and their team for helping to make it possible.

Despite a limited number of classes, the submissions to this year's exhibits were overwhelming. Special thanks to all the judges who were able to attend and adjudicate the classes in person.

This weekend would not have been possible without the dedication and hard work from all the organizing committees, volunteers, and sponsors. Despite all the unknowns and continued changes regarding COVID protocols we are so pleased with the outcome of the weekend.



Pro-actively the board and organizing committees begin to plan for a full fledged 2022 South Mountain Fair. We look forward to seeing you then! *Chloe Preston*





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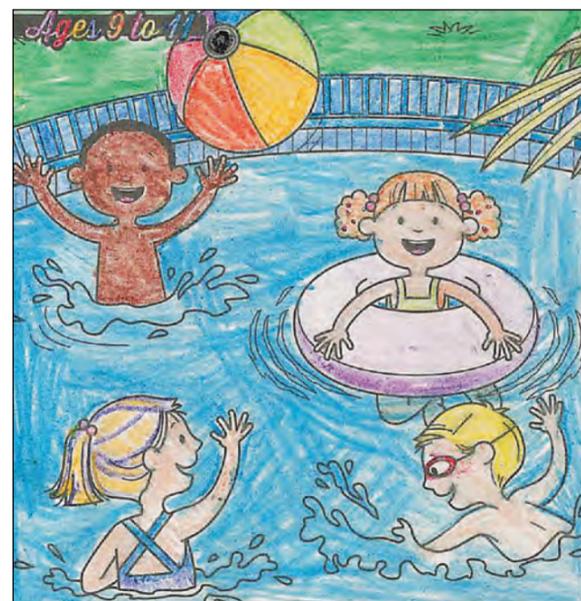
# Artists in the area



Haley from Embrun, Age 5



Cossette from Ingleside, Age 6



Molly from Chesterville, Age 10

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A big shout out to all of those who entered our colouring contest. All of the entries were well done.



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# Signature quilt donated to CDHS

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – Earlier this month the Chesterville & District Historical Society (CDHS) received the donation of a signature quilt from Audrey Stiles. The quilt has 394 signature blocks as well as one block with the year 1923 embroidered on it and the other the name Hy Shy Ny Club.

The CDHS has been the recipient of at least two other signature quilts including one made by the Dundas Presbyterian Church Ladies Aid Society dated 1929 donated by Betty Sullivan a few years ago. Signature quilts became popular fundraisers in the late 1800s and 1900s with people paying for a block upon which their signature would be placed either in ink or embroidery thread.

Stiles mentioned she reached out to Kim McInnis, a member of the CDHS, because “I felt it was important for the quilt to be in a safe place where it would be available to people interested in the history of Winchester Springs.” After growing up on a farm in Goldfield South, operated by her parents Phil Casselman and Vera Haggerty, she pursued a teaching career “in various parts of Ontario before returning to Ottawa” and began researching her ancestry which includes the “Haggerty, Weir, Carlyle, Sutherland and Casselman lineages.”

When asked about the history of the quilt, she recalls her mother Vera, daughter of Erwin Haggerty and Jennie Weir, commenting during annual summer quilt airings on the clotheslines of the family quilts, she had won this one in a raffle. Stiles remembers her mother saying, “we made it



This photo shows a few of the blocks on the 1923 signature quilt which was donated to the CDHS recently by Audrey Stiles. Courtesy Photo

and then it was raffled off,” referring to the 1923 signature quilt which was a fundraiser for either the Methodist Episcopal Church in Winchester Springs or a “youth group—apparently the Hy Shy Ny Club” but she was unable to confirm the name of the youth group. Stiles recalls that her mother had said “we made it and then it was raffled off,”

meaning the embroidering on the quilt was done by the youth group. She continued “Many of the names on the quilt are familiar to me – either extended family members or neighbours in the Toyes Hill community.”

Kim and Lester McInnis, who accepted the donation on behalf of the CDHS, have begun transcribing the names which appear on the quilt. Kim notes there are 33 rows of 12 blocks, with the date, club name as well as the names of the officers of the Hy Shy Ny Club including honorary president Mrs. E. Haggerty; president Mrs. R.S. Petterson; vice president L. Haggerty; secretary Vera Haggerty and treasurer Lisa Aleitha Coons. She described the condition of the quilt as ‘pristine’ and mentioned how it seems as good as the day it was completed, except for some yellowing around the places it was folded for storage.

Kim continued that they both had noticed while transcribing names how some originate from areas outside of the Toyes Hill area; names of note include H. Justice, Dr. M. Locke, A. Sweet and members of the Geggie family; like Betty Vanden Bosch and John McMillan who conducted research on the signature quilt previously donated to the CDHS by Betty Sullivan. Kim and Lester have plans to research the people whose signature appears on this quilt.

Caroline Roberts, CDHS president, commented “This is a fascinating find; a signature quilt has the obvious advantage of giving us the names of the local women who came together a hundred years ago to work on it, but what more can it tell us about their lives? Did it commemorate a special event? Artifacts such as this inspire us in wanting to find out more.”

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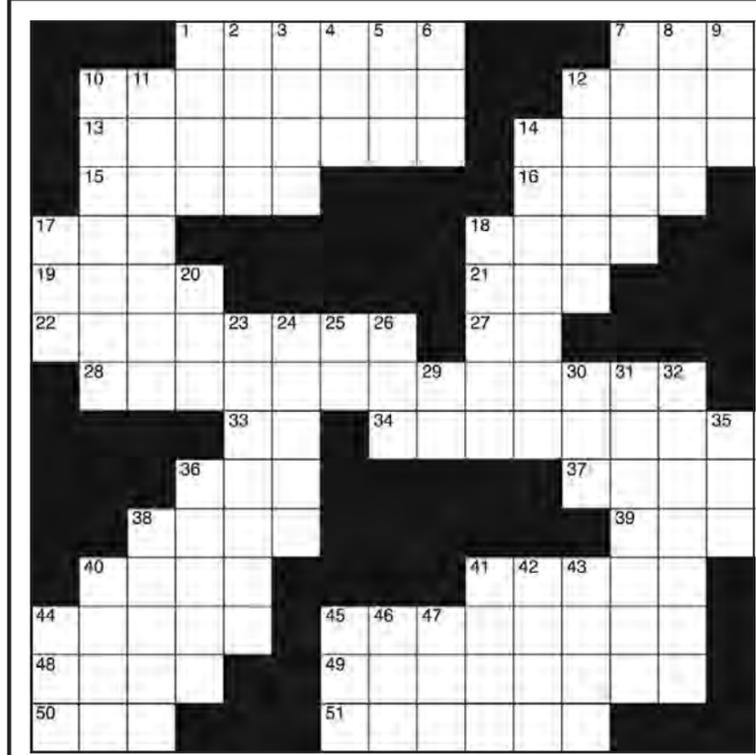
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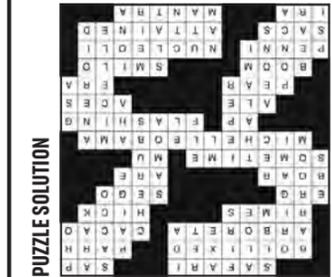
- 1. Nature expedition
7. Take the energy from
10. Bungled
12. Young salmon
13. Botanical gardens
14. Source of chocolate
15. Country singer LeAnn
16. Yokel
17. Unit of energy
18. Plant of the lily family
19. Tusked wild pig
21. Form of "to be"
22. Formerly
27. Letter of the Greek alphabet
28. Former First Lady

- 33. News organization
34. Shining brightly and intermittently
36. Brew
37. Teams' best pitchers
38. Edible fruit
39. Pitching stat
40. \_ or bust
41. Baby product manufacturer
44. Monetary unit of Finland
45. Small spherical structures in cells
48. Pouches
49. Reached
50. Investment account
51. Oft-repeated slogan

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Nuclear undersea weapon
2. Helps the skin
3. Evergreen coniferous trees
4. Relieve of employment
5. A way to drench
6. Journalist Tarbell
7. \_ and Venzetti
8. Alcoholic liquor
9. An athlete who plays for pay
10. Where to get drinks
11. Japanese art form
12. Baseball great Satchel
14. Winged angelic beings
17. One point south of due east
18. Group of islands in Polynesia
20. A place to play: \_ center
23. Masses of gray matter in the brain
24. Belgian city (alt. sp.)

- 25. Millilitre
26. Beloved Will Ferrell film
29. Railway above ground
30. Satisfaction
31. Aggregate of molecules
32. Type of barometer
35. Type of college teacher (abbr.)
36. Long periods of time
38. Native people of Nebraska and S. Dakota
40. Deliver
41. Thin, narrow piece of wood
42. Modern Israel founder
43. Small NY college
44. Pounds per square inch
45. Veterans battleground
46. Hollywood talent agency (abbr.)
47. Popular kids' channel



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Crossword puzzles can fill empty hours with an entertaining and educational activity. However, there are many other benefits to doing crossword puzzles that may surprise even the most ardent puzzle enthusiasts.

# Cedar Barn Homestead

AVONMORE – Since 2018 Cedar Barn Homestead, located at 3224 Main Street in Avonmore, has been operated by Huguette and Larry Cromier. The business specializes in products made from goat's milk as well as several other products.

Huguette explained that the merchandise in the storefront include “a large selection of goat milk soaps using natural ingredients and essential oils” which are made on-site from the milk of their goats. She continued to say that they offer an artisan soap collection which are made with fragrance oils as well as hand and body lotions, “natural whipped body butter, lip butter balm” as well as a selection of “lovely, crocheted facecloths, soap savers and cedar soap dishes.

She described how “goat milk is high in butter fat” and “in alpha hydroxy acids, “which provide moisturizing for dry and sensitive skin” as well as “smoother and younger looking skin” by helping to remove dead skin cells. Huguette confided how she “used to have that annoying itchiness across her back and shoulders heading into the winter months” which disappeared when she began to use goat milk products.

When asked, Huguette outlined the process of making goat milk soap, explaining how over time it has become easier to make as you “learn to get the feel of it.” She combines ingredients and after putting the mixture in the mould to harden which takes up to 48 hours, she then transfers it to the curing rack for six weeks before it is ready to be labelled on-site in her workshop/storefront.

## SMALL BUSINESS Spotlight



Larry and Huguette Cromier are shown at the aesthetically beautiful sign for their company Cedar Barn Homestead located at 3224 Main Street in Avonmore. Thompson Goddard Photo

The male and female members of the herd live in separate enclosures at the rear of their house. Each enclosure has access to the barn, climbing apparatus and plenty of room with trees for shade. She explained that people enjoy coming to visit

the goats on their walks and enjoy feeding them “after getting permission of course.” Huguette mentioned that she and Larry enjoy sitting in the goat enclosures in the afternoon.

There are currently five female

Nigerian dwarf goats and one baby goat, or kid, living at Cedar Barn Homestead as well as two males. Goldie, considered to be the matriarch of the group, is 7 ½ years old and keeps an eye on the female group to ensure the young are protected and they all behave. Huguette mentioned goats generally live for about 14 years.

This year Cedar Barn Homestead will be part of the 2021 Apples and Art Studio Tour being held on Sept. 25 and 26 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. throughout Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry. Huguette explained that a “very supporting acquaintance who walks by almost daily” had referred her to this event; she will be inviting “a few outdoor vendors” who complement her homestead theme. She continued how her “Avonmore Pool committee is looking for people to do private fundraisers to help raise funds for a pool cover” and she is “not charging vendors but hope [they] can all support them with a small donation.” The committee will be on site to man a donation table and “providing a beverage” and “there has been talk of some sweet goodies, so stay tuned!”

The storefront at Cedar Barn Homestead is open between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and on Saturday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. as well as an online store that offers shipping & curbside pick up as well as a “small selection of [their] soaps at Relics Outfitters in Ingleside, Cornerstone Organics in Long Sault, Moise Feed and Seed in Cornwall.”

More information is available on their Facebook group “cedarbarnhomestead (picture of a barn) and website located at www.cedarbarnhomestead.com.

*If you would like to have a light shined on your business, please contact us at: editor@etceterapublications.ca or call us at 613-448-2321.*

# RoseFellow's Casselman three-building project gets underway

**Sandy Casselman**  
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – Construction is underway in Casselman and when all is said and done there will be three roughly 130,000-square-foot buildings available for multiple non-residential tenants.

The project is the result of a partnership between RoseFellow, a real estate development and management firm in Montreal, and Bertone Development Corp., the owner of the 1,519,372-square-foot site in Casselman. The partners are investing \$60 million in the project.

The site is located off Highway 417 and St.

Albert Road. According to RoseFellow's site plan, the three buildings will each have a ground floor office area, a mezzanine office area, and a warehouse area. Building A is to be roughly 120,300 square feet, while Building B will be roughly 157,800 square feet, and Building C will be approximately 126,000 square feet.

A brochure for the Casselman project, which is also referred to as “RF. Industrial 3.0,” includes background information for both the company and the project, as well as a site plan, and a rendering. The brochure can be found on RoseFellow's website

(rosefellow.com). Information is available in English or French.

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## Fair time in Russell

**Carolyn Thompson Goddard**  
Villager Staff

RUSSELL – There was a great turnout on Sat., Aug. 21 for the 2021 Russell Fair, with Mhairi Rowland, president of the Russell Agricultural Society estimating that throughout the day approximately 2,000 people of all ages visited the fairgrounds. Volunteers facilitated and recorded COVID-19 screening and contact tracing information, with the emphasis on enjoying the day in a safe way.

Throughout the day there was the opportunity to enjoy and watch a live cattle show, a BMX demonstration, SuperDogs, Canadian Cowgirls performance or enjoy meeting exotic animals during a Little Ray's Reptile

show. For those who needed a bit of time out of the sun, there were several shaded locations and if you worked up an appetite, four food trucks were onsite to provide something to eat.

If you needed a bit of a rest from the heat, there was the opportunity to take a walk through the building where homecraft entries were available for viewing, with 12 vendors providing the opportunity to pick up a gift for someone special.

On Sun., Aug. 22, there was the Shilo Gymkhana Western Games. This event is described on the Russell Fair website as "patterned horse racing consisting of timed speed events designed to display precise, controlled

actions and tight teamwork between horse and rider." It will be the final event of the 2021 Russell Fair, which began on Friday with a fair dance and continued through Saturday providing the community with a top-notch fair during a pandemic.

Rowland described the event as an "awesome, family event" which received many positive comments from those who attended before commenting that "It was well worth the work!" and the RAS is "very glad [they] could offer this event to [their] community." The work of the agricultural society members, volunteers, sponsors and community members ensures the legacy of the founders of the agricultural fair by keeping it going into the future.



To learn about farming and animals on the farm, visitors were able to take a walk down the Russell Fair Education Lane and see some of the larger animals; while inside the Russell Agricultural Society building, there were smaller animals. Julian and Emile Redelsperger watch as son Victor looks at ducklings while sister Aline watches from her stroller.

Thompson Goddard Photo



The Capital Cowgirls held three shows on the Saturday of the Russell Fair and provided spectators with an opportunity to see the agility of the riders and their connection with their horse.

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There was a great crowd of spectators for the early afternoon president's SuperDogs Show in the south ball diamond at the Russell Fair on Aug. 21. The canine entertainers stole the show as they performed acts of agility and jumping prowess.

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There was lots of excitement as the BMX demonstrations were held on the Saturday of the Russell Fair. Feats of daring and demonstrations of skill held the attention of those watching the show in the arena side parking lot.

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There was a lot of attention paid to the several vehicles on display in the south ball diamond at the Russell Fairgrounds. From antique cars to more modern farm equipment there was a good variety of vehicles that people of all ages enjoyed inspecting.

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## Township provides opportunities for resident input

**Sandy Casselman**  
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – Whether it's ensuring they have access to information or opportunities to provide feedback, the township of Russell is making communicating with residents a priority.

Currently, there are several ways Russell strives to stay connected to residents, including question-and-answer sessions at council meetings, annual surveys, theme-specific surveys, public meetings, up-to-date website and social media content, newsletters, and open communication channels between residents and municipal staff and politicians. Recently, the township has extended the deadline on one survey, introduced another theme-specific survey, and offered residents an opportunity to win \$50 simply by registering for email news updates.

Russell's 2021 Citizen Satisfaction

Survey has extended its deadline to Aug. 29, giving those residents who have not yet participated an opportunity to share their views and concerns and to rate the level of services provided by the municipality. The survey was skipped in 2020 due to the pandemic but is now back and available online via a link through Russell's website, social media, or by contacting the municipality for a paper copy. Residents needing the latter, or accessibility support, have been asked to contact the township via email (info@russell.ca) or phone (613-443-3066).

In addition to the Citizen Satisfaction Survey, Russell has issued another questionnaire for residents through its Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC). This theme-specific survey can be accessed in the same way as the annual survey but closes on Sept. 6. According to the survey introduction, "the goal of this survey is to help the AAC better

understand the barriers to accessibility in the township of Russell so that there is equal opportunity and access for all persons."

With the launch of its updated website in the spring, the township announced an incentive to encourage residents to subscribe to email updates. Residents who subscribe for email updates between April 16 and Aug. 31 will be entered to win a \$50 gift card for the local business of their choice. The winner must be a Russell resident. Residents can sign up via the township's website (Russell.ca). The email subscription process allows residents to choose the topics they want updates for, and they can unsubscribe from the email list at any time.

For those taxpayers who are interested in taking a more active role, the municipality's committees are comprised of residents, as well as a representative from council. While these groups are

generally populated along the same timeline as the local municipal council, there are times throughout the four-year term when new or replacement members are needed. Schedules, agendas, and minutes for all township committees can be found on Russell's website.

Unlike many of its neighbouring municipalities, Russell has altered its usual council agenda to include a question-and-answer session for residents. While this wasn't the practice pre-COVID-19, the pandemic has made it necessary for council to meet virtually, which led to the change in the routine. It is unknown whether this will continue post-pandemic.

Russell residents have three imminent deadlines to remember. The Citizen Satisfaction Survey deadline has been extended to Aug. 29. The chance to win a \$50 gift card to a Russell business by subscribing for email updates from the township will end on Aug. 31. The Accessibility Advisory Committee's Survey is open until Sept. 6.