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Briefly

Coming events CHESTERVILLE – Turn to page 8 in this week's *Chesterville Record* for the classified page and coming events.

Check before you go SD&G – The Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU) is asking the public to check the EOHU website for clinic delays or cancellations before attending vaccination clinics. Due to staffing constraints from increased COVID-19 cases and self-isolation, some clinics may be running on a delay, or may be cancelled. The EOHU will post updates on affected clinics on their website and social media.

In affected clinics where the shortage is mild, appointments may be running late. Clinics with severe staffing shortages will be cancelled, and clients with appointments for these clinics will be offered alternative arrangements.

Go to eohu.ca for more information.

Trail closed in Russell

RUSSELL – The recreational trail in Russell will be closed from Rue Valoris to Rue Castor (located west of the dog park). This closure will be in effect from Monday 17 January until Friday 25 February. Workers will be present installing fiber optic cables along the trail. Trail users are asked to avoid this section of the trail until the work is completed. The township will notify you if the estimated completion date is postponed.

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Theresa Bergeron sworn in as North Dundas councillor

Theresa Bergeron was sworn in as councillor during the regular meeting of North Dundas Council, held on January 18. Pictured here is Theresa Bergeron with her fellow members of North Dundas Council. Front row, left to right: Theresa Bergeron, Mayor Tony Fraser, Deputy Mayor Allan Armstrong. Back row: Councillor Gary Annable, and Councillor John Thompson. Photo Courtesy of Township of North Dundas

North Dundas council adopts new development charges

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

WINCHESTER – The North Dundas council has passed a new development charges, (DC), bylaw, but not without knocking down some suggested high fees for non-residential growth.

The suggested DC rate for non-residential development was 400 per cent, but councillors decided to reduce that to 25 per cent, which would bring the amount, proposed by the study, \$2.64/ sq. down to 0.66/ sq.

The residential rate had a slight increase going from the current \$7,291 to \$7,450.

Growth in any community comes at a cost. North Dundas has experienced an amazing burst of growth to its business and residential sector. More homes usually means more businesses and consequently more services. The cost of building and maintaining services such as roads, sewers and water for example are partially covered by DC.

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South Stormont names new public highway, John Bancroft Boulevard

Sandy Casselman
Record Staff

LONG SAULT – In addition to passing a bylaw to dedicate land as a public highway, the township of South Stormont council also voted in favour of naming it the Jim Bancroft Boulevard.

The decision was made during council's Jan. 12 meeting, where director of planning and building Karl Doyle made the recommendation, noting the public highway is needed to facilitate expansion of a new road in the Long Sault East Industrial Park, which will support future development opportunities expected to commence this year. Township politicians were in full agreement.

"It is necessary to dedicate the road as public highway," Doyle said. "Should council not pass the necessary bylaw, development within the Long Sault Industrial Park would be halted and potential opportunities could be lost."

The road expansion was completed in September 2021 and then surveyed by IBW Surveyors. The plan was then sent to and approved by the Land Registry Office on Nov. 24, 2021. With accurate legal descriptors in place and with road frontage via the new public highway, the lots can now be sold. Staff also recommended naming the new road after former Mayor Bancroft who died in December 2020.

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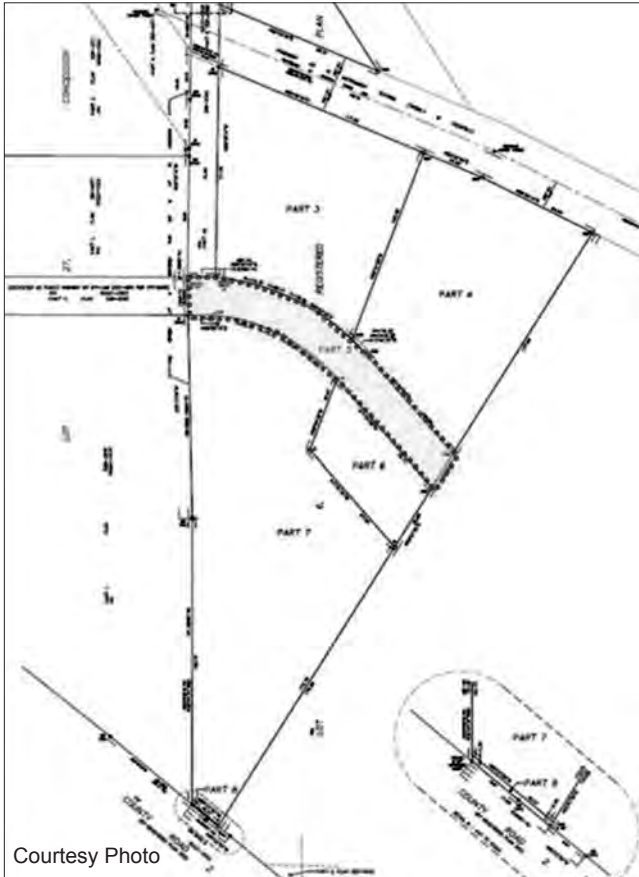
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John Bancroft Boulevard

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“He dedicated many years to the service of his community as a member of council of the former township of Osnabruk and the township of South Stormont. Jim served on numerous committees and community groups in support of residents and demonstrated a passion and commitment for the betterment of the community,” Doyle stated. “Staff reached out to discuss the road naming initiative with Amy Bancroft before the Christmas holidays and she gratefully accepted the honour and is supportive of the initiative.”

With council’s approval, municipal staff plan to host



Courtesy Photo

a commemorative road opening either later this winter or in early spring. South Stormont politicians were effusive in their agreement of the name, adding their recollections of Bancroft and his many contributions to the township.

“I want to thank you for bringing this forward. This is a real great honour to the late Jim Bancroft. He did a lot of great things for this community, to build this community to where it is today. I had the privilege to work with Jim for many years,” Mayor Bryan McGillis said. “I think that it’s important to remember what people do for the community in the past and to remember the names of the people that made a difference, and I think that when we mention Jim Bancroft, he made a difference to this whole community and I’m

very passionate and emotional about this.”

Deputy Mayor David Smith echoed the mayor’s comments but added a suggestion; he said naming the road after Bancroft is great

but said it might be even better to name the entire industrial park after him as well. While no motion was made, it was noted that further discussion would be had on Smith’s suggestion.



Winter returns with a blast

North Dundas and the surrounding area received its share of snow on Mon., Jan. 17. Environment Canada issued a winter storm warning for most of Southern Ontario with expected snowfalls of 35 cm to 45 cm. In this photo a North Dundas resident takes on the first winter storm of the season. Morin Photo

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New development charges

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North Dundas is increasing its development charges at a time when they will be more important than ever as the demand for services increases. The challenge councillors face is how to raise the charges without discouraging economic growth especially in the non-residential sector.

The journey to establish new charges began in mid November 2021 and after a study by Watson and Associates the draft

development charges bylaw were presented to the council.

The study suggested that non-residential charges go up 400 per cent, a number that councillors did not accept.

Calvin Pol the director of planning building and bylaw enforcement presented the latest version of the DC bylaw for council to pass. The new bylaw has to be passed by Jan. 25.

Pol said, "So this is following up on our last public meeting we did on the development charges, study background study and the draft bylaw that was presented to council."

He explained that the bylaw was intended to

support capital projects that were contained in the development charge background study.

"It also ensures that the increase in the need for services will be met by council to cover off the charges that are there, and the capital costs associated with those costs with those projects, and also that council accepts and approves the development charge background study that was prepared by Watson and Associates that no further public meeting is required at this time," he said.

Once passed, the bylaw can be revisited to make necessary changes and amendments as long as they

are made within a year of its passing.

Pol highlighted the 400 per cent increase and suggested it was excessive even though it was warranted by the DC study. As an example, he explained a new non-residential building of 6,000 sq. coming to North Dundas in the past would have a DC of around \$2,042. A 400 per cent increase would change that to around \$10,890. The council decided to back off from the suggested amount, and that means the revised DC for a new non-industrial 6,000 sq. ft. would be \$2,640 on average.

Councillors agreed that the 400 per cent increase was too much. Mayor Fraser said, "That is a very big difference from what previous development charges had."

The mayor was concerned that industrial development in the municipality might be discouraged from coming to North Dundas because of a high DC rate.

Councillor Thompson agreed saying, "I'd like to look at the numbers. I think that's too drastic an increase, especially when we're trying to bring in more business, commercial and industrial."

Deputy Mayor Armstrong said, "I certainly concur. That's certainly one of the ones that is unacceptable." while we may be entitled to a 400 per cent increase, that doesn't mean that we should be collecting that."

Councillor Annable agreed saying, "I just want to concur with my other two colleagues. When I first read it, I kept looking for a decimal point or something I couldn't believe it was that high."

Councillor Bergeron, the newest councillor, who was just that night sworn in as a councillor replacing former Councillor Hoy agreed that the increase was too high.

RRCA showcases six local farms in two-part video series

Sandy Casselman
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – "Please hop on board with us and enjoy the ride," Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA) stewardship specialist Brendan Jacobs said in part one of a two-part Agri-Action Farm Tour series.

Six Eastern Ontario farmers were recently showcased in two RRCA Agri-Action Farm Tour videos, where they guided viewers through some of the best management practice (BMP) projects they've implemented on their lands, including cover crops, buffers, windbreaks, and constructed wetlands. Each video is roughly 40 minutes in length and can be found on the RRCA website or YouTube.

"Seeing is believing. We had our own doubts when we started this, but these go away pretty quick once you see what happens when you start to work with nature," North Glengarry farmer Mike MacGillivray of Kirkview Farms said.

In addition to MacGillivray, Jacobs visited Lawrence St. Denis of Denlorn Farms in South Glengarry, and Marc Bercier of Ferme Agriber in The Nation in part one of the Agri-Action Farm Tour series. In part two of the tour, Jacobs visited three more farmers, including Kurt MacSweyn of Dalagra Farms in North Glengarry, Tony Vogel of Carry-on Farms in South Glengarry, and Jackie Pemberton of Pemdale Farms in North Dundas.

"It's always good to try to be involved and do some good for the environment and agriculture in general. We're always learning new stuff," Vogel said. He has a constructed wetland on his property.

Most of the participating farmers said they're learning as they go. While some talked about specific projects, others elaborated more on their evolving farming practices and the importance of being open to change. Pemberton, for example, noted that she and her husband have had an environmental plan for their farm for years, where they regularly look at the practices on their farm to see where they can improve.

"Best management practices can enhance farmland sustainability by improving soil health, reducing erosion, and retaining valuable nutrients," Jacobs said. "This not only provides on-farm benefits such as increased average yields, but also improves the health of the local watershed."

For more information on the RRCA and the Agri-Action Farm Tour, including access to the two videos, visit the conservation's website (rrca.on.ca), send an email (info@rrca.on.ca), or phone 613-938-3611. The Agri-Action Workshops, BMP resources, and funding opportunities, such as subsidized tree planting and ALUS partnership opportunities are also available on the website (rrca.on.ca/BMP).



Fire destroys snowplow

A fire at the municipal shed on Mon. Jan. 17 was quickly put out thanks to quick action by the North Dundas Fire Service and township staff. One snowplow was destroyed along with some equipment, but no one was injured.

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THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SOUTH DUNDAS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT PART OF LOTS 13 TO 18, CONCESSION 8 11249, 11303 AND 11313 SNOWBIRD ROAD (FORMER TOWNSHIP OF MATILDA)

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of South Dundas will hold a Public Meeting on the 14th day of February 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office, to consider a proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*.

This Public Meeting is to allow the Public to comment on the request for the change of zoning for the property noted above.

The purpose and effect of the Zoning By-law amendment is to rezone Part of Lots 13 to 18, Concession 8, being the severed and retained portions of Consent Application No. B-183-21 from "Agricultural (A)" to "Agricultural – Special Exception 77 (A-77)" to prohibit additional residential dwellings. The zoning amendment will also reduce the minimum lot frontage from 45m to 25m for the severed portion and reduce the MDS calculation to the new property line created by the consent. The zoning amendment seeks to fulfill a condition of consent approval.

The Key Plan identifies the location of the property. This Zoning By-law Amendment is not related to any Minor Variance, Official Plan Amendment, or Plan of Subdivision.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting conference call and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Amendment.

Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting as an Attendee please call the Municipal office at 613-543-2673 at least 12 hours prior to the meeting.

Please leave a message with your first and last name, phone number, email address and home address. Registration will be confirmed by a Municipal staff member who will provide you with the call in instructions. This information will be shared up to one business day in advance of the meeting.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the Public Meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of South Dundas before the By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Municipality of South Dundas to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

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For additional information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, please contact the Municipal Planning Consultant via email at planner@southdundas.com.

DATED at the Municipality of South Dundas the 19th day of January, 2022.

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Letters To The Editor

Covid's last victim

So here we are, deep in the middle of another COVID winter and lockdown, going completely mad.

The non-stop postulating, understanding, evaluating, analyzing, and arguing is enough to drive anyone crazy. That is exactly what has befallen us, but it needn't be so.

Two years into this, we now have sufficient data and experience to make a few assertions or, at the very least, to take a definitive step towards a future that we truly want.

So where are we and what do we want?

Our healthcare workers have done anything and everything they can to keep us safe, mitigate the losses and keep our last line of defense against this virus intact while simultaneously trying to continue caring for other patients as normal. They have the unenviable position of being both our saviours and (unfairly) the scapegoat. Like true heroes, they have endured the public labels and carried on, undeterred.

Our provincial "leaders" overstepped their authority and used strong-arm tactics by enacting Bill 195 and invoking emergency powers, with no end in sight to their overreach. They used these powers to fire doctors and nurses as they cried out for relief and better planning. Our health care is teetering on the brink, with or without COVID, and they continue to put the onus on the people to rescue a system that they have riddled with holes.

They mandated passports, implemented restrictions and rules, creating a new tiered society that is structured around an "us versus them" mentality.

There are the loss of jobs, businesses and homes, sky-rocketing prices for anything and everything, the backlog of medical procedures that could have prevented serious illnesses and, of course, the mental fatigue of you, Joe/Jane Canada.

Our prime minister, fresh off a failed

plan to grab absolute power while a population wrestled with an unknown virus, continues to sow division blaming those that haven't been jabbed for the continued problems in the health care field. But from upon his high horse, he also does nothing to alleviate the issues.

Instead, the federal government plays politics and floats the idea of mandating vaccines on a provincial level during an election year in Ontario; calculated and cowardly.

While all this happens our media is asleep at the wheel, deep in the trance of social media likes and pandering to reactionary stories bereft of facts or detail, while instilling a deep fear in the population that keeps you watching and scrolling. Those that speak out are silenced, suppressed, or ridiculed and ostracized. The time of open discourse seemingly a thing of the past.

So, what are we left with? Choice.

We can choose to continue to take part in this decent into madness or we can choose to right the ship, now. We are a free and just society that does not discriminate, for any reason. We do not silence those that dissent, we invite discourse. We don't succumb to fear and hatred, leaving logic and empathy on the sidelines.

COVID isn't going anywhere. No mandate, passport, vaccine, or lockdown will stop you from eventually getting it. There is no choice. That much we know.

The real danger here isn't the virus but the condition we have all taken on.

We have run straight into the arms of fear with a desperate need for control and forgotten our own power as a people. We must take it back.

If we don't, the final and greatest victim of COVID will be our Charter of Rights and Freedoms, the very document that shapes our country and that we have made such great sacrifices for.

Tom Schoch

The opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor are those of the letter's author and not of this newspaper.

Editorial

Making the journey one step at a time

It is hard to believe that almost two years has passed since the Covid-19 pandemic began with the closure of almost everything non-essential in Ontario (and pretty much the whole country) to help curb the spread of this newly discovered viral disease. There was a very real sense of fear felt as politicians and health care officials discussed various responses as people began to get sick, go to hospital, be put on ventilators, and dying from the effects of this virus.

With the lack of traffic on the streets, the lack of people walking in the neighbourhood and the frenzied shopping for groceries and other essentials it seemed like the world had been turned upside down. As people began working from home, the schools pivoting to online learning and the increased need for personal protective equipment for essential workers, it became clear the world had changed and would remain changed for a very long time.

With the schools closed, I began working from home and in my spare time began volunteering for an organization making cloth masks and provided them to people working in the health care field. These would provide some protection for the scarce N95 masks they used in health care settings. Eventually it became apparent that not just workers in essential services needed cloth masks, with sewers continuing to make masks for people of all ages.

As face coverings became mandatory in enclosed areas, coupled with the availability of testing for Covid-19, contract tracing, social distancing, the hope for an early end to the pandemic restrictions began to rise. The news of several vaccines being developed added to this sense of hope and when they became available this sense of hope intensified. As 2021 dawned, there was a feeling this new year would see the end of the pandemic and a sense of normalcy would return.

I recall the elation I felt when my age group was eligible for vaccination and I booked an appointment as soon as I could, received it and my second dose and felt like perhaps the pandemic would soon be under control. As fall approached there was a sense that perhaps this year there could be more normal holiday celebrations. As the Christmas holidays approached there was suddenly a new wrinkle – a new variant called Omicron. This variant was particularly worrisome to many as it spread rapidly and once again the familiar sinking feeling from March 2020 returned to me.

Despite receiving my booster dose, which would help to mitigate the effects of Omicron, I felt reassured until it became reported by news outlets the PCR testing would not be available to the public, contact tracing was increasingly difficult for health officials to conduct and rapid antigen tests (RAT), were in short supply. There was news that the Ontario government would be providing boxes of five tests to the public – but it became obvious these were to be distributed in Ottawa and Toronto only around Christmas and I wondered about when they would arrive in our area.

A couple weeks ago, I saw a Facebook post which stated residents of Cornwall, Akwesasne and SDG could line up at Cornwall Square on Jan. 11 to receive a ticket, one per household, which would be exchanged for a RAT. While I had listened to many people chatting about the validity of RAT results on news' reports, I figured it was a good idea to have them on hand, just in case they were needed.

It was bitterly cold on that January morning as I made my way to the line which by 7:45 a.m. stretched down the western side of the mall almost to Water Street, but within an hour, I was inside the mall which was considerably warmer and by 9:45, I walked out with my ticket in my wallet, ready to return in a couple of days to pick up my kit.

It is a very strange road we have been travelling on and it looks like it is going to be that way for the next little while. I guess all we can do is take care of ourselves, take care of those we love and be patient with each other, hoping this too shall pass soon.

Carol Thompson Goddard

Shopping local should be first option

To the editor:

I am in receipt of my second unsolicited letter on what appears to be township of North Dundas

letterhead (bearing no signature). This time it has the rather forbidding heading "Reply by February 2, 2022."

It advises that homeowners are responsible for repairs to their water and sewer lines between the municipal connection and their foundation. It proceeds to offer insurance coverage for same with Service Line Warranties of Canada (SLWC). An acceptance form is included.

This is not a good deal for the residents of North

Dundas.

Residents should be aware of the following:

In spite of appearances, these letters (and newspaper ads) are not from the township of North Dundas. As I am assured by our mayor, no monies are being paid to the municipality in spite of council having "partnered" with SLWC. The township has not supplied a mailing list to them. It is unclear why council has allowed this partnership as

described by SLWC.

SLWC is an American company based in Chattanooga, Tennessee; service has been subcontracted to Northcoast Solutions of Canada ULC, in Vancouver; total cost of water and sewage coverage is \$149.40 per year to a maximum claim of \$ 5,000 and \$ 8,000 respectively.

This premium will rise in the second year (per SLWC website); Commonwell Mutual, an

Ontario insurance provider, offers a Domestic Service Line endorsement for \$45 per year with \$25,000 coverage!

The "reply by February 2, 2022" acceptance form does not have the option "please delete my name from your mailing list." It should. In conclusion shop local and get a better deal.

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I am running because SDSG deserves to have a representative who is ready to make a meaningful impact at Queen's Park on day one. As a lawyer, I have been trained to analyze complex pieces of legislation. As a municipal councillor, I understand many of the issues that our communities are facing, and I have the political experience and knowledge to get the job done! But most of all, I am a lifetime resident with deep family roots in SDSG who is very passionate about the area. I have devoted years to improving the lives of local residents through my work with several local charities and not-for-profit organizations, and I will continue to do so as your voice in Toronto.

To vote for me in the nomination race, you must be a member of the Ontario PC Party.

About Me

I was raised in St. Andrews West by my parents, Troy and Robyn Guindon, along with my four siblings: Kent, Alex, Kelsey, and Brooke. After graduating from Tagwi Secondary School in 2012, I studied finance and economics at McMaster University. Before completing an undergraduate degree, I received early admission to law school. I graduated with a Juris Doctor from the University of Ottawa in 2018.

I currently reside in Long Sault with my fiancé, Emily Palmer, who works as an administrative assistant for the Municipality of South Dundas, and our two dogs, Hershey and Crosby. I have been working as a lawyer at McDonald, Duncan, Dore LLP in Cornwall since my Call to the Bar in 2019. My primary areas of practice are Business Law, Real Estate, and Wills/Estates. Being a lawyer in my hometown has been one of the most rewarding experiences in my life. Every day I get to make a positive impact in the community whether it be by helping a young couple purchase their first home or by assisting an aspiring local entrepreneur open his or her own business.

In addition to practicing law, I am currently serving my first term as a municipal councillor for the township of South Stormont after being the youngest person ever elected to the position in 2018. During my time on council, two of my proudest accomplishments were my involvement in the creation of South Stormont's Waterfront Master Plan and the upcoming improvements to the Long Sault East Industrial Park. When these projects come to fruition, not only will it provide some much needed, additional recreational opportunity for local residents, but it will be a big economic booster for the whole region.

I am also very active with several local charities, as I believe in the importance of giving back to the community in whatever way a person can. I have been a member of the board of directors for the Children's Treatment Centre, a local charity that provides counselling services to abused children in our community, for the past two and a half years. For the past year, I also sat on the board of directors for the Agape Centre, Cornwall's largest food bank and soup kitchen that supports over 1200 people each month, as I believe that no one should go without food. In addition to this, I recently joined the board of directors for Laurencrest Youth Services Inc., an organization dedicated to helping at-risk youth in the Cornwall area.

Why I am running to be SDSG's next MPP

SDSG deserves a young, energetic, hard-working representative that will tirelessly advocate for local initiatives. In the upcoming weeks, I will be releasing a more detailed set of priorities, but one of my main priorities is to help our local municipalities secure the funds they need from higher levels of government to complete large infrastructure projects. My time as a municipal councillor has taught me the importance of strong partnerships between different levels of government. Further, I plan to work with local and provincial stakeholders to develop a plan to ensure our community schools remain open and vibrant to secure the long-term viability of our rural communities.

I believe one of the most important roles of government is to create an environment where small businesses can succeed, and when small businesses succeed, the community succeeds.

Contact information: I am encouraging everyone who is interested in volunteering with my campaign to contact me at andrewguindon@hotmail.com.

2021 Spark Program winners announced

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – The three winners in the 2021 Akwesasne, Cornwall & SDG Counties Spark Program are Karonhianonha Francis of the Native North American Travelling College, Jean-Yves Lemoine of the Cornwall Community Museum and Evodie and Jonathan Smith of Paperboat Farms, Cornwall & SDG Counties Spark Program.

Paperboat Farms plan to develop Farm-to-Table Culinary Events, with the Cornwall Community Museum developing walking, bicycling and virtual tours and at the Native North American Travelling College the development of Visitor WOW Moments.

In an early December press release, SDG corporate communications coordinator

Todd Lihou made the announcement and explained each winner will receive a \$3,000 grant "and mentorship to help take their new tourism ideas to the next level of development." Lihou continued the winners will be able to access "a network of tourism innovators, entrepreneurs and leaders across the province."

With a goal to fostering and supporting new tourism ideas, the program "is a partnership between the Tourism Innovation Lab, Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, Cornwall Tourism, Cornwall Tourism Development Fund and SDG Counties Tourism. This year there were 11 applications and the top six applicants presented "their new tourism idea at a Virtual Finalists' Pitch Session held on Dec. 7."

- Obituary -



VAN WYLUCK, FRANK

FEBRUARY 26, 1940 – JANUARY 14, 2022

Frank passed away peacefully at the Garden Villa in Chesterville, where he enjoyed his friends and the wonderful staff.

Frank was born in Nuenen, Netherlands to the late Frank and late Johanna van Wylick. The family moved to Canada on March 23, 1951.

He was the cherished husband of the late Margaret (Carruthers) and loving father of Victoria (Kirk) Allison, Lorraine (Keith) Bottema, Linda (David) Barnhart, David Alexander (Gisele), and late Charles (Linda) Alexander. Dear grandfather to Shelby (Zac), Mackenzie, Blake (Sarah), Kyle, Eric (Amanda), Randy (Kayla), Allison (Mark) and Alexandra (Justin), and great grandfather to 5 great grandchildren.

Dear brother of Jane (Cor) DeGroot, Herman (Marie-Claire), Wayne (Sandy), late John (Joan), and late Cecil (Alice).

Frank was a loyal, retired employee of Parmalat Canada and a proud member of The Royal Canadian Legion. He enjoyed reading, playing cards, camping, walking, travelling, and sharing his stories.

There will be a private graveside memorial in the spring. Donations in memory of Frank can be made to The Ottawa Hospital Foundation at <https://ohfoundation.ca/>.

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- OBITUARY -

RUTTERS, JOSEPH

Died Wednesday, January 5th, 2022 at Cornwall Community Hospital with family by his side. Date of birth - July 15, 1932, age 89 years. Born in Klein Dongen, Holland. Emigrated to Canada in June 1960 with his wife, Hendrika (nee Van Beek) and

young daughter, Corry. Joe worked in a variety of occupations upon arrival in Canada. He first worked in construction and developed accomplished skills in home construction and renovation, becoming well known in the Berwick area as a jack of all trades. He was the owner/operator of his own farm for many years and finished his work life with West Front Construction upon retirement in 1990. Joe continued to enjoy completing projects at home for himself and in support of his family throughout his retired years.

Joe was predeceased by his wife of 47 years, Hendrika Rutters and by his second wife Theresa Van Dongen. He was also predeceased by his parents and by 10 siblings. Joe was dear father of Corry Witteveen and her husband John of Ingleside and of Adrian (Joe) and his wife Susan of Chrysler. Loving grandfather to Kimberly Douma (Jason), Kevin Witteveen (Koryn), Grayson Rutters and Barrett Rutters. Loved great-grandfather to Trenton, Carter, Darcy and Britten. Joe is survived by his brother Clem Rutters (Mary) of Long Sault, by brother Ton of Holland and by many nieces and nephews.

Joe is also fondly remembered by his 10 step-children, of whom he particularly enjoyed recent visits and conversations with Margaret, Mary-Ellen (Dennis) and Anne. Joe enjoyed excellent support from health care providers in recent years and was thankful for care from Dr. Martin Racine, Personal Support Worker Anna Jamieson, the Ottawa Cancer Clinic, staff at Sunset Cove Retirement Residence and staff at Cornwall Community Hospital.

A celebration of Joe's life will be planned for the spring. Memorial donations may be directed to The Canadian Cancer Society or a charity of your choice. Online condolences may be directed to www.brownlee-funeralhomes.com.

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Winter has arrived!

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – With the snowstorm this week, spending some time in the great outdoors and enjoying the sun and weather was a fun, family activity. There was plenty of

opportunity to enjoy some sledding, cross country skiing, skating and communing with nature locally.

The Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary, open now for winter excursions, had people coming to enjoy the trails, feed some birds or maybe a

squirrel and with the Volunteer Centre open between noon and 4 p.m. on weekends there was a place to warm up on a cold winter's day. At Hoople's Creek and a little further east near Long Sault, ice fishing huts were clearly visible on the river with people enjoying a winter

recreational sport.

Throughout the countryside there are several community outdoor rinks faithfully maintained by volunteers and with the arenas closed due to the pandemic until the end of January they provide an invaluable source of family fun and exercise.



The ice fishing huts on the St. Lawrence River near Long Sault as the sun sets in the west. Thompson Goddard Photo

South Dundas resident publishes first book

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

SOUTH DUNDAS – South Dundas resident Sandra Patterson recently announced her first book entitled "Unjust Affiliation: A Girl's Debilitating Struggle From Birth with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis" has been published. The book chronicles the struggles faced and overcome by her daughter Taylor who suffers from Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. The author describes her book as "as true story of the 'other' side of a girls struggle with chronic pain."

"After a lot of thought" Patterson, who works as an educational assistant with the Upper Canada District School Board, decided to write the book because of her belief people are often unaware of the pain experienced by those suffering from this and other diseases. She explained how "people may 'look' normal, but there is a story behind each one of our eyes that may infer something different."

Approximately 25,000 children under the age of 18 live with some type of arthritis according to information on the Canadian Arthritis Society website. Patterson explained her daughter was diagnosed with JRA as an infant and it continues to affect her life as an adult, experiencing constant pain for most of her life. She continued Taylor "has been on every possible medication,

including pills, injections, infusions, etc., from every separate category of the kinds", and decided to stop all medication when she turned 18.

Patterson provides the reader with an opportunity to experience the trials and triumphs with Taylor and her family. Readers can see the strength and determination of this young woman, who with a supportive family and close friends, "learned to be strong, never sought pity, and who always managed to keep a smile on her face." She commented how despite "all that Taylor has had to go through and will, she has taught me how to be stronger" and has become a "kind, caring, and decent person" with a beautiful smile on her face while navigating her life.

Patterson explained the actual writing of the book took about eight months. She spent time speaking with Taylor and her son Jason to ensure that timelines and facts were correct, noting the difficulty in recounting and remembering "how much my daughter has been through over the years." Patterson mentioned she would have to step back from writing at times due to this, commenting: "To see a child suffer and have to remember details throws a dart into a mother's soul that temporarily immobilizes her."

One of the most fulfilling parts of creating this book for Patterson was



Courtesy Photo

proving to herself she could do it, and to discover "if persistence could make a dream come true." For those who are contemplating writing a book, she provides them with some advice, which includes writing about something they know and to expect writers' block and to never give up.

"Unjust Affiliation: A Girl's Debilitating Struggle from Birth With Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis" is published by Tellwell Publishing, based in Victoria B.C. and is currently available worldwide in Kindle, Kobo, Smashwords and other ebooks, on Amazon.ca, as well as in paperback.

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South Stormont to see more diversified housing

Sandy Casselman
Record Staff

LONG SAULT – Township of South Stormont politicians recently approved a Plan of Subdivision Application for the John Chase Subdivision.

Director of planning and building Karl Doyle presented the application and reported comments to council during its Jan. 12 meeting. Council voted to support the application and to approve the township's formal comments and conditions with a directive to forward these to both the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SDG) and the applicant, Newell and Grant Brown Ltd.

"The proposed subdivision is located on a 24-acre parcel of land and contains 74 lots consisting of both single and semi-detached lots. There will be one block that will be dedicated to accommodate a low-rise multi-residential development for seniors and retirees," Doyle said. "We have a list of draft conditions of approval contained in the report that will be forwarded to the counties and, should they approve the final plan, that the developer will be required to fulfill conditions prior to receiving a final approval for the plan of subdivision. That being said, we are recommending that council endorse the conditions."

The subdivision plan includes 65 single detached dwelling units, 18 semi-detached dwelling units, and 28 multi-residential, which would potentially consist of six to seven four-unit low-rise townhouse buildings.

The report stated that a notice of public meeting was mailed to all landowners within 120-metre radius of the proposed subdivision, a site sign was posted, and a formal public meeting was held in October 2021. Only two members of the public spoke at the meeting.

"A resident expressed opposition to the subdivision noting that he had purchased his lot at a premium rate as the developer advised that the lot to the east of the Chase Meadows Subdivision (the now proposed subdivision site) would not be developed for many years," the report stated. "The resident also raised concern about the impact on property values and overcrowding due to the proposed semi-detached and apartment-style housing proposed."

Councillor Andrew Guindon asked Doyle to speak to the issue of resident concern with multi-residential housing. Doyle reiterated what was said in the report, adding that there will be a communal parking lot for the roughly five units. Once the actual site design is completed, he said there will be further evaluation.

"I think it's a great idea," Deputy Mayor David Smith said. "I'm very happy to hear this. I've been trying to get more and more people to have diversified housing. This is something that's a little bit different. I don't have a real appetite for all these cookie cutter type housing. That subdivision itself, I see it's smaller than the other ones on the same road, which I'm also happy to see. I just think that

there's got to be more different kinds of housing offered for various needs and families and there's not just all three-bedroom 1,800-square-foot houses. We need some diversified housing and I think this fits the bill."

Guindon then asked if the developer had plans to plant two trees per lot like that of another subdivision, and if there would be shrubs installed as privacy barriers between the new buildings and the already existing buildings.

"In the draft plan conditions, it speaks to incorporation of vegetative elements along the frontage. Also, in respect to the block, there's also a requirement for adequate buffering between lower density properties, so whether it be a combination of fencing or a small berm with coniferous type vegetation be incorporated, just to mitigate any potential conflicts with vehicles and lights shining into some of those properties," Doyle said. "I can also confirm, and I know it's been a while, we have finalized 99 per cent of the subdivision and site plan design guidelines. That is being flipped out this week and will be presented to council subsequently."

Other than Mayor Bryan McGillis agreeing with Smith's comments, there were no other questions or statements from council before the vote. All voted in favour of approving the recommendation. The report can be found in the Jan. 12 agenda package on the South Stormont website, along with a video of the meeting.

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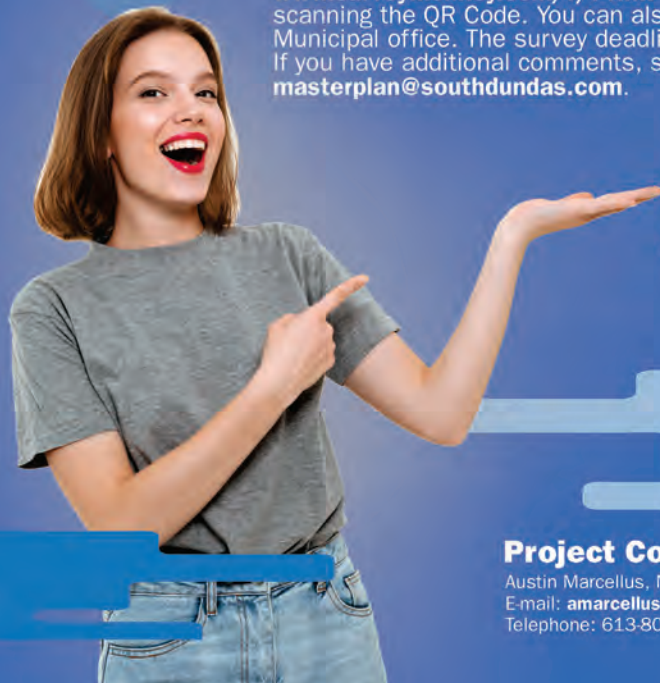


Parks & Recreation Master Plan

A Parks & Recreation Master Plan is being prepared for the Municipality of South Dundas to guide decision making related to facilities, programs and services over the next ten years. Learn more about the Parks & Recreation Master Plan by visiting the Municipality's website.

Have your say! Complete the Community Survey by visiting www.surveymonkey.com/r/PRMPsouthdundas or by scanning the QR Code. You can also pick up a copy at the Municipal office. The survey deadline is February 4, 2022. If you have additional comments, send an e-mail to masterplan@southdundas.com.

Scan the QR code to complete the survey



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2021 Year in Review

July

South Dundas Tourist Pursuit App launched

SOUTH DUNDAS—The South Dundas Tourism Pursuit App reinvents discovering fun places in a novel way to visit while promoting South Dundas tourism at its best. The tourism application was launched at Stone Crop Acres Winery and Vineyard on Wed., June 23. The winery captured the flavour of the tourism app and celebrated the collaboration between the municipality and St. Lawrence College that made the joint venture a success.

Russell's committees invite resident involvement

EMBRUN – While there are plenty of opportunities for residents in the township of Russell to get involved in their community, the most obvious way, and the one that appears to ensure the greatest opportunity for input, is joining one of the municipality's several committees.

As with Russell's council meetings, the committee assemblies are open to the public with both the agenda and the link to the virtual meeting available on the township's website. Currently, Russell has an Accessibility Advisory Committee, a Community, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, an Environmental Advisory Committee, a Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, a Planning Advisory Committee and Committee of Adjustment, and a Public Library Board. Just prior to the pandemic, a Seniors Advisory Committee and a Teen Advisory Committee were created but have yet to get underway.



Working together in SD

The South Dundas Tourist Pursuit App launch at the Stone Acres Winery and Vineyard on Wed., June 23 featured all the various members of the collaborating team of people who made the App possible. Left to right are James Dupuis, MPP Jim McDonell, St. Lawrence College CEO Glenn Vollebregt, South Dundas Mayor Stephen Byvelds, Deputy Mayor Kirsten Gardener and Noreen Hyatt-Gervais.

Morin Photo

Celebrating Canada Day in Avonmore

AVONMORE—The North Stormont community of Avonmore is always ready to celebrate Canada Day and this year was no exception. In addition to a fireworks display, there was an Avonmore Canada Day House Decorating Challenge, a Canada Day Scavenger Hunt and a Canada Day Colouring Contest and a very successful bottle drive in support of the children's park in Avonmore.

South Dundas politicians dive deep into waste

MORRISBURG – The topic of waste management dominated a recent Municipality of South Dundas special meeting. The July 13 session began with a presentation from DFA Infrastructure International Inc.'s Derek Ali outlining a potential regional waste management project for municipalities within the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry. This was followed by updates, recommendations and, subsequently, decisions made about the local municipality's landfill expansion project, as well as its compost depot days.

North Dundas focuses on drinking water capacity before it becomes an issue

WINCHESTER – The anticipated growth in North Dundas has created concern about ensuring the municipalities' drinking water and sewage system is up to the challenge of more users. North Dundas councillors and Public Works' staff have started out on a plan to get ready for any water and sewage issues in the future. The municipality has already identified several different ways to deal with the new growth. North Dundas has hired J.L. Richards and Associates to conduct a study covering the next 20 years regarding water needs.

Roundabout under construction in South Dundas

MORRISBURG – There were a host of dignitaries visiting the Municipality of South Dundas last Thursday to officially kickoff the already started Morrisburg roundabout project. "I give a lot of credit to our previous council and [South Dundas economic development officer] Rob Hunter, without who we wouldn't be here today," Mayor Steven Byvelds said during the July 22 gathering. He also acknowledged the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry, as well as the provincial and federal governments for their role in making this transformation possible.

August

Celebrating 60 years at NDDHS

CHESTERVILLE – Over the past 58 years, high school students from all corners of North Dundas, and for a few years from Russell Township, have attended North Dundas District High School located midway between Chesterville and Winchester on Maple Ridge. In 2023, 60 years will have passed since NDDHS opened its doors and planning is getting underway to celebrate that milestone with a school reunion.



Kings Pizza destroyed in

Firefighters from all four North Dundas stations plus a tanker and ladder truck from North Grenville spent Sat., July 31 working on this fire in South Mountain. A landmark business in the region, the former Kings Pizza building was destroyed. The owners of the building were away at the time of the fire which was called in at around 11:30 p.m. on the Saturday. When firefighters arrived, the building was completely engulfed. They remained at the scene until 7:30 a.m. the next morning. The Ontario Fire Marshal's office will be looking into the cause of the fire.

Morin Photo

Municipality gears up for more growth

WINCHESTER – Growth of any kind anywhere in a community result in corresponding growth in other areas of the community. In the case of the incredible recent growth in construction in North Dundas, the municipality has hired an additional building inspector. The official title of the new position is applications expeditor/building inspector. The request for the new position was brought up by the director of planning, building and bylaw enforcement, Calvin Pol.

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In Memoriam DEBBIE STOODLEY

Precious forever are Memories of you
Today, tomorrow and all life through,
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Without the love that came from you

Love you forever and miss you everyday,
Patsy, Kim, Jennifer and Families



— OBITUARY — Norma McMillan

Peacefully at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, Norma McMillan (nee Shaver) of Morrisburg, age 75. Loving wife of Stephen McMillan. Loving mother of Doug (April) of Dunbar and Troy (Tracy) of Williamsburg. Dear sister of Danny Shaver of Iroquois. Norma will be fondly remembered by her grandchildren Stacey, Courtney, Kayla, Jessie, Lauryn and her great-grandson Nathan. She was predeceased by her parents Dwayne and Gladys Shaver (nee Hall) and her brothers Larry and Tim Shaver. She is also survived by nieces and nephews.

Norma had the opportunity to sing on stage with Bluegrass bands from Toronto to Pennsylvania. She has been told many times that "she had the voice of an angel". Due to Covid restrictions a celebration of Norma's life will be held at a later date. Interment of cremated remains will be at Grantley Cemetery in Chesterville. Donations to Grantley Cemetery or Winchester Hospital 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 marsdenmccloughlin.com.

— Obituary —



WEAVER, Alice (nee Derby)

With her daughters by her side, Alice Weaver (nee Derby) went to her eternal home in heaven to meet her Lord and Saviour on January 14, 2022. Alice was born on Maple Ridge Road, Winchester to the late Harvey and Verna Derby. Beloved wife of the late John Weaver. Loving mother to Daphne (Geoff) Cole, Shannon (Steven) Harrison, Shelley (Mark) Willock and the late Allannah Weaver. Alice will be fondly remembered by her grandchildren: Adam (Sarah), Justin (Melissa), Heidi (William), Kailey (Alex), Jaydan, Breanna, and Megan. Alice was also great-grandmother to Wesley, Amelia and Addilyn. Alice was predeceased by her dear twin sister Olive Hutchinson.

Alice enjoyed a long career in teaching and impacted many students at Chesterville and Winchester Public Schools. She faithfully served at the Inkerman Wesleyan Church.

The family would like to sincerely thank the staff at Maxville Manor, staff at Garden Villa, Dr. Maren Hamilton and Nancy Graham (Diabetes Nurse Educator) for their care and compassion. Many thanks to our extended family and friends who have been so supportive during this time.

A private service for immediate family members will be held at the Winchester Chapel of Hulse, Playfair & McGarry, 472 Main Street East, Winchester on Jan. 22, 2022 at 10 a.m. The service will also be livestreamed for extended family and friends and can be viewed on the website of Hulse, Playfair & McGarry at www.hpmcgarry.ca. In the event that there are issues with the livestream a recording will also be made available following the service.

Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society gratefully accepted.

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HOL tackles housing issues with purchase of building

WILLIAMSBURG – The House of Lazarus Community Outreach Mission recently purchased a building with the intention of creating two affordable housing units for rent this October in Eastern Ontario’s Dundas County. “We are thrilled to offer two families a place to live affordably,” HOL executive director Cathy Ashby said. “We receive calls weekly from people who need a place to rent. Landlords are selling their houses and people have nowhere to go.

Fair time in Russell

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.

Villeneuve prohibited from speaking directly to staff

BERWICK – Township of North Stormont Coun. Roxane Villeneuve has been officially sanctioned following a second code of conduct investigation. During the municipality’s Aug. 10 council meeting, integrity commissioner Tony Fleming outlined his findings concerning complaints made against Villeneuve in November 2020 and presented recommendations for appropriate action. With Coun. Randy Douglas absent from the meeting, it was left to Mayor Jim Wert, Deputy Mayor François Landry, and Coun. Steve Densham to determine Villeneuve’s fate.

Firefighter for a day in South Dundas

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

September

Water woes plague Chesterville residents

CHESTERVILLE – Some Chesterville residents have been experiencing a brownish coloured water when they turn on their taps. Recent complaints have prompted the municipality to issue a statement regarding the complaints about coloured water. “The township of North Dundas and the Ontario Clean Water Agency are aware of coloured water being detected by some residents in the drinking water system serving the Village of Chesterville,” says the statement.

South Dundas discusses potential subdivision

MORRISBURG – The Municipality of South Dundas may see another new subdivision established along the St. Lawrence River between Morrisburg and Iroquois. While a decision has not yet been made, more information and an opportunity to comment on the Sumac Pointe Subdivision project was given to both residents and politicians during the township’s Aug. 16 council meeting. The owner of the property, which is located along a section of the river at the west end of Lakeshore Drive and Dr. Stevens Drive, is owned by the South Dundas Waterfront Development Corporation.

SDSG all-candidates’ debate available on YouTube

CORNWALL – The Cornwall and area Chamber of Commerce (COC) and Your TV Cornwall partnered to provide residents of Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry with an opportunity to hear from local member of parliament candidates prior to this month’s federal election. “This election is going to be for future generations. Future generations that are looking to have the opportunity to buy a home, future generations to be able to move to Canada without any discrimination or without any concerns, future generations that want to breathe clean air and be surrounded by greenery, future generations without discrimination for the lifestyle that they choose,” Liberal candidate Denis Moquin said.”

Morrisburg Arena gets a little TLC

MORRISBURG – The Municipality of South Dundas council have given township staff approval to move forward with Phase 1 of the Morrisburg Arena Rehabilitation Project. The decision was made during the Sept. 8 special council meeting, where manager of facilities David Jansen gave a report outlining the necessary upgrades, which include addressing deteriorating stairs, as well as accessibility issues. While council unanimously agreed that work needs to be done, some expressed concern, noting the potential for projects to come in over the initial estimated cost.

Community honours Sam Ault and Ault Family with mural and more

WINCHESTER – “We’re here to commemorate the legacy of the Ault family and their contributions to Winchester and the dairy industry,” township of North Dundas Mayor Tony Fraser said. “Sam Ault was a community builder. He was instrumental in bringing a new high school, park, curling club, and hockey arena to Winchester. He was also the premier leader of the modernization of the cheese industry of Ontario and throughout Canada.”



Sisters run for great causes

Four sisters from across the region have found an interesting way to fundraise for different causes. The group, called The Training Buddies, made up of the Milne sisters, first started to fundraise by running during Canada’s 150th celebration. They have kept up the tradition ever since. They donate \$25 each for a total of \$100 and select a charity to give to, then head out for a 5 km run. Their latest donation was to Canadian Tire’s Jump Start program. On Mon., Aug. 30 the group ran through Inkerman. In this photo they celebrated finishing their run. Left to right is Karen, Nancy, Marian and Patti Milne.

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www.chestervillefair.com/agm.
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Breathe noisily
- 5. _ Nui, Easter Island
- 9. Reddish browns
- 11. Simple shoes
- 13. Produce alcohol illegally
- 15. Home to famed golf tournament
- 16. Tax collector
- 17. Famous people
- 19. Urban area
- 21. Units of syllable weight
- 22. Pituitary hormone (abbr.)
- 23. Dismounted
- 25. Actor Damon
- 26. Vietnamese offensive
- 27. Retail term
- 29. Netted
- 31. Partner to carrots

- 33. Witnesses
- 34. Caulked
- 36. Satisfy
- 38. R&B performer _ Lo
- 39. Monetary units of Macao
- 41. Give advice, explain
- 43. Possesses
- 44. Turn back
- 46. Gentlemen
- 48. One who fertilizes
- 52. Italian monk title (prefix)
- 53. Parties
- 54. Type of horse
- 56. Cuts in half
- 57. Raises
- 58. Expresses contempt or disgust
- 59. Ancient Italian-Greek colony

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Illinois city
- 2. One of the original disciples chosen by Christ
- 3. Young form of a louse
- 4. Type of powder
- 5. Finger millet
- 6. Share a common boundary
- 7. Assumed as a fact
- 8. Provide clear evidence of
- 9. Invests in little enterprises
- 10. A way to be
- 11. Monies given in support
- 12. Fashion accessory
- 14. Steal
- 15. Becomes less intense
- 18. Geological times
- 20. Hooray!
- 24. Monetary unit

- 26. Male reproductive organs
- 28. Earnings
- 30. Close by
- 32. Small integers
- 34. Fixed in place
- 35. Used to treat Parkinson's disease
- 37. Large, imposing building
- 38. A rooflike shelter
- 40. Stiff, hairlike structure
- 42. Print errors
- 43. To show disapproval
- 45. Body of traditions
- 47. Without
- 49. _ Clapton, musician
- 50. Dangerous illegal drug
- 51. Infrequent
- 55. Sound unit

PUZZLE SOLUTION

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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.

SMALL BUSINESS Spotlight

InCyT protecting our community

CHESTERVILLE – InCyT is answering the call to produce personal protective equipment in Canada by producing ASTM Level 3 surgical masks at their location in the former Nestlé plant in Chesterville.

Christine Martin, operations supervisor at the InCyT factory in Chesterville, explained the company currently operates in just under 10,000 square feet in the 370,000 square foot former plant on Main Street in Chesterville. She mentioned how they are “really happy with the operation in Chesterville.” The welcome they have received; they are “beyond happy to be here in the community, as well as the assistance provided by IDP.”

When asked about the decision to relocate to this North Dundas village, Martin explained IDP, which owns the building, restored a portion for their start-up. The company was able to access shipping and receiving capabilities as well as “access to people that wanted to work hard.”

She continued the company began on July 1, 2020, with a plan “to begin rebuilding manufacturing capabilities and capacities in Canada of personal protective equipment.” This was in response to a shortage of PPE in this country at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020 and the realization that most of the “Canadian supply of surgical masks were manufactured in China.”

The manufacture of PPE in Canada for use in this country is important, so that adequate supply levels can be maintained, which will decrease our reliance on outside sources of these important resources commented Martin; “this means having our own stockpile; having what we need on our soil, which includes the ongoing capability and capacity to produce our own PPE.”



InCyT ASTM Level 3 masks are made locally in Chesterville and are available in several locations in North Dundas.

Martin explained that quality control is important; the production of their masks include having a Canadian testing partner, hand packing the masks off the line to spot issues and checking “batches of 25 masks every 20-30 minutes.” She explained how checking the masks involves looking at “mask length, width, ear loop length and strength,” commenting that those made in other countries “are made in factories where they are machine packed and likely not quality checked for ear loop strength.”

She mentioned some of the special regulations which need to be followed in producing masks in Canada include compliance with “Health Canada’s Medical Device Establishment Licensing regime for Class 1 devices, as surgical masks are considered to be medical equipment” and they ensure that the

requirements of ASTM F2100 are exceeded.

Many non-medical, professional people wonder about the difference between a medical ASTM 1, ASTM 2 or ASTM 3. Martin explained “The levels are a testing standard set by Health Canada. Level 3 is the highest standard, and we exceed it. So, for example a Level 1 mask would have 95-97.99 per cent particulate filtration efficiency, Level 2 and 3 have to be over 98 per cent (ours are 99.93 per cent). The main difference in ours in order to be level 3, as they are surgical masks, is the fluid resistance to synthetic blood and that high filtration.” She continued how “the Level 3 ASTM masks are what surgeons and dentists wear every day and in absence of N95.”

Currently InCyT produces ASTM Level

3 surgical masks, with Martin mentioning the manufacture of protective clothing such as booties and gowns, children’s medical grade masks and N95 masks are all possibilities in the future. She mentioned production of such PPE would depend on several factors including requirements as well as the “commitments of big purchasers (typically government or government mandated buying groups that continue to buy offshore).”

Martin mentioned there were some hurdles facing the company which currently “have a stockpile of over two million masks that (...) need to start moving.” One hurdle currently facing the company is overcoming federal and provincial government PPE procurement structures, which currently don’t have made in Canada mandates. Martin explained initially they expected “sales would take off quickly as the government was specifically calling on Canadian companies to start producing PPE as there was a national shortage.” She described a couple of occasions when a customer received “Chinese made masks for free” from the federal government and cancelled their order. The company is currently investigating the possibility of securing contracts with hospitals and dentists in the hopes of getting production starting up, providing employment for employees who have been laid off.

Made in Chesterville masks are available locally at Pharmasave pharmacies in Greely and Winchester, PharmaChoice locations in Winchester and Chesterville, Mike Dean Local Grocer, Jean Coutu, 9th Street location in Cornwall and The Safety Place in Nepean or by visiting the store on their website, www.incytresilience.ca.

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.

A banner year for the Sisters for Life: We are so grateful

Jane Adams

Special to the Record

WINCHESTER – 2021 was a banner year for our local Sisters for Life team who have been fighting cancer since 2013. They have raised \$35,371.86 in 2021; bringing their total raised since 2013 to just

over \$200,000.

This year funds raised have been donated to support the Canadian Cancer Society Wheels of Hope Program and a promising research project supervised by Dr. John Bell, Ottawa Hospital, Research Institute; the Winchester

Memorial Hospital Digital Mammography Fund; and the Cornwall Hospital Breast Seed Localization Project. A wonderful highlight this year, a local community member from South Stormont has pledged to match the funds raised by the team for the WDMH

Project (\$16,135.93).

This small but mighty team pulled out the stops this year by hosting online auctions and raffles, participating in the Canadian Cancer Society’s

Virtual Relay for Life, and winding up the year with a novel event called a “Blingo Bingo”. The team is quick to say that they could not achieve what they have without their

dedicated supporters. Local individuals and businesses have been more than generous with donations and participation in their planned events.



Top left to right, Kim Casselman, Meghan-Tia Robertson, Maureen Robertson, Joy Krol, Susan Casselman, Kaitlyn Holmes. Bottom: Angie Beehler and Monique Rutley. Absent from the photo, Natalie Dawson.

Courtesy Photo



Ross Video donates to Iroquois Cenotaph

Ross Video has donated \$5,000 to the Iroquois Cenotaph Project. In the photo, left to right are: Jeff Poapst of Ross Video with committee members MP Eric Duncan, Iroquois Legion President Darlene Riddell, Jim Locke, and South Dundas Councillor Archie Mellan.

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Five residents needed for Russell Namesake Rededication Committee

Sandy Casselman
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – The township of Russell recently announced five open seats on the municipality's Russell Namesake Rededication Committee with an application deadline of Jan. 26.

Those interested in sitting on this committee must be 18 years old, a Canadian citizen, and a resident of the township. In addition, there's a stated preference for individuals who are bilingual. Applicants must represent themselves rather than an organization or business, and they must be available to attend meetings and other activities associated with the committee. This is an unpaid seat. The term will end when the new namesake has been approved by Russell's municipal council.

The committee's mandate is to receive and then research, evaluate, and verify submissions from residents for the rededication of "Russell" in someone else's honour. The issue of Russell's name arose roughly two years ago when people discovered the municipality

was named after Peter Russell, a high-ranking administrator in the pre-Confederation government of Upper Canada who owned slaves. In response, hundreds of people signed a petition calling on the township to change the name.

It was noted by many that the municipality doesn't represent the beliefs of its founder. It was also noted that legally changing the name would be complicated and costly, as it's not just the township that's been named Russell, but also one of the towns within the municipality and the upper-tier United Counties, as well. Those opposed to the idea of changing the name started their own petition calling for the name to remain the same.

"I'm proud to say that we're not changing the name Russell. My notice of motion for keeping the name and simply changing the namesake was approved by the majority of council. This allows us to come together as a community now in finding someone who we feel is more deserving of that honour without costing anything to the

taxpayer," Mayor Pierre Leroux said during a July 6, 2020, Special Meeting Wrap-Up video posted to the township's Facebook page. "As part of the notice of motion as well, Coun. [Mike] Tarnowski and Coun. [Cindy] Saucier made some amendments that will also see the creation of a Community Diversity, Equity and Inclusion volunteer committee similar to our Accessibility Committee or our Youth and Seniors Committees. This is to look at our community through that lens."

To apply for one of the available Russell Namesake Rededication Committee seats, complete, sign, and submit a Committee Appointment Application Form to the clerk's office (clerk.greffe@russell.ca) by 4 p.m. Jan. 26. The application can also be mailed via the Town Hall address of 717 Notre-Dame Street in Embrun. Forms are available on the committee webpage (russell.ca/en/your-township/committees.aspx) or by contacting the clerk directly, either via email or phone (613-443-3066, extension 2310). Only those selected will be contacted.

Russell streamlines dog licensing with changes to bylaw

Sandy Casselman
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – Township of Russell politicians recently approved some money-saving changes to the municipality's Animal Care and Control Bylaw.

During the municipality's Jan. 17 council meeting, director of public safety and enforcement Millie Bourdeau made the recommendation, which included amendments to sections 7 and 8. The changes impacted the municipality's current registration and user fees.

"Presently, the dog licensing process is lengthy and repeated yearly. This process requires mailing out invoices and tags, then receiving payments and issuing receipts when required," Bourdeau said. In addition to outlining the many factors contributing to the high cost of the process, Bourdeau's report included suggestions for change submitted by residents with dogs.

She said the online renewal and payment option has been working well. However, she said there remains an issue with some dog owners not paying for licence renewals.

"Dog licences will be added to the yearly property tax bill of registered homeowners. The licence fee will remain on the tax bill until the owner informs us that the dog is no longer part of that household. This will eliminate the dog licence late fees for property owners," she said. "Tenants will continue to receive invoices as previously done and will be subject to late fees. Renewal for tenants

will be done either online or by dropping the application and fees in the drop box. Once we go back to providing services at the office, they will also be able to register in person."

Another big change is there will no longer be a cost difference between sterilized and non-sterilized dogs. Without this change, the information would have needed to be added manually. It was noted that making the licence one fee for all, eliminates the extra staff time that would be needed. Coun. Cindy Saucier suggested that charging the lower fee for all animals would mean a lack of incentive for owners to have pets sterilized.

"If there was a significant difference between the two, I would say maybe it would be an incentive, but for \$5, I don't think it would make much of a difference in incentive," Mayor Pierre Leroux said. "I'd like to say congratulations to the administration. Merci Beaucoup. This is a great initiative. As a dog owner, I love the fact that it's just going to be automatic on my taxes, that I don't have to worry about filling in a form, sending it in, and sending in payment. I think this is a natural progression in the level of service for that service."

In addition to amending the Animal Care and Control Bylaw, Russell council also approved the appointment of a junior municipal law enforcement officer whose duties are to include dealing with animal complaints, the sale of dog licences, and patrolling the parks and the trail. Samuel Arbour was appointed to the part-time position, which, it was noted, was included in the budget.

Russell changes effective date for new development charges

Sandy Casselman
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – Politicians with the township of Russell voted in favour of changing the effective date of the new development charges from Nov. 15, 2021, to Jan. 1, 2022.

The request was made by interim chief administrative officer Richard Godin during the municipality's Jan. 17 council meeting. Godin summarized the written report, which was prepared by corporate services and human resources officer Debbie Guillemette, and council agreed to the request.

"Following the adoption of the new development charges rates back in November 2021, complaints from certain developers were received where they were under the impression that the new rates would take effect on Jan. 1, 2022, and not Nov. 15, 2021, since developers are used to increases being in effect on July 1 and Jan. 1 with development charges indexing," the written report stated. "It should be noted that the increase-impact for one developer in particular is estimated at approximately \$250,000. That being said, the development community is requesting that council revisit the effective date."

It was noted that staff followed all requisite communication guidelines prior to the development charges change in November of last year. However, they said they would like to honour the request made by the development community "as a show of

consideration for the significant impact of this misunderstanding from some developers."

"There will be an impact of reducing the development charges collection for 2021 by approximately \$430,000. The immediate impact will be on the township's cashflow, but this will not impact the taxation as it will be part of the reserve fund adjustment at the next development charges update anticipated for 2026," the report stated. "It is important to note, also, that had the effective date been set as Jan. 1, 2022, during the development charges study preparations, this would not have changed the calculation of the rates, therefore it can be established that this change will not create any

shortfall in the long-term as per the study's assumptions."

On Nov. 15, 2021, Russell council approved the Development Charges Bylaw that was to take effect immediately. The new bylaw represents an increase for a single-family home from \$18,449 to \$23,129. The bylaw exempted charges for basement apartments in new constructions, and the cost of a new single dwelling with a basement apartment now represents a decrease in cost to the permit holder from \$38,241 to \$23,129.

To learn more about Russell's Development Charges Bylaw, visit the municipality's website: (russell.ca/en/build-and-invest/development-charges.aspx). A link to the actual bylaw can also be found at this web address.

PRAC meeting postponed due to technical difficulties

Sandy Casselman
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – With technical difficulties labelled as the culprit, the township of Russell's Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC)'s first meeting of the new year was cancelled last minute.

The meeting, which was to take place on Jan. 10 will now happen on Jan. 31. The meeting was being held to discuss a variety of topics, including capital projects for 2022. If the rescheduled meeting follows the same agenda, the Jan. 31 PRAC meeting should begin with a presentation from Israel Michaud and Hélène Grandmaître from the Train Station Committee. In addition to this, there were five more items listed for discussion, including updates on COVID-19, 2022 capital projects, the recreational complex, Jonathan Pitre Park, and the recreational trail encroachment report.

Those wishing to hear the presentation and be present for the discussions can do so by signing into the virtual meeting at 6:30 p.m. on the last day of this month. The link can be found on the township website's calendar page (calendar.russell.ca).

The calendar page also lists the dates, times, and agendas for the municipality's other committee meetings, including the Public Library board meeting on Jan. 20, and the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) meeting on Feb. 2. To learn more about Russell's other committees of council, visit the website (russell.ca/en/your-township/committees.aspx).



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