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Briefly

Meet Me on Main Street

The Township of North Dundas continues its community dinner series this evening (Wed., July 19) in Hallville, at Kerrs Ridge Rd. and County Rd. 1, from 5:30-8 p.m., with the band, Sons of Gord. Next week, July 26, it's at Chesterville.

Avonmore Fair

Don't miss this year's Avonmore Fair, July 21-23, as the Roxborough Agricultural Society celebrates 157 years. Volunteers have really gone beyond just helping out as there are many activities planned for all ages, including the new exciting aerial animation flying trapeze show. A town yard sale is also on Sat., June 22, from 8:30-noon at the community pool. See pages 6 and 7 for more details.

OPP Charity BBQ

The second OPP Charity Barbecue was a great success, with thanks to sponsor Tackaberry G & Sons Construction. A total of \$1,305 was raised for the Beth Donovan Hospice. This week's barbecue, Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Kemptville OPP detachment, is sponsored by Lockwood Construction with proceeds going to North Grenville Accessible Transportation.

A walk through time at Morrisburg's antique festival

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

MORRISBURG - With every year, small communities are finding it harder and harder to keep annual events and traditions going. But as Carl McIntyre insists, "We cannot let these events die. They are one of the only ways to grow local businesses and bring people from outside. Just look at all these people." McIntyre was referring to the many people enjoying a day beside the water at the annual antique and collectibles event, this year held at the Lakeshore Drive United Church on Sat., July 15 and Sun., July 16.

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Presence of West Nile Virus found in local area mosquitoes

CORNWALL - Mosquitoes in our area have tested positive for the West Nile virus. However, there have been no human cases reported in the region, according to a news release last week.

"The Eastern Ontario Health Unit has been actively monitoring mosquitoes for West Nile virus" said Dr. Paul Roumeliotis, Medical Officer of Health. "This finding shows that West Nile virus remains a concern in our area. Residents should be aware and take the necessary precautions to protect themselves and their families."

West Nile virus is spread to humans by the bite of an infected mosquito. For most people, the risk of illness from West Nile virus is low. However, it can cause serious illness in others.

The following measures can help reduce the risk of West Nile virus:

- Use federally registered

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Hosed down

Emma Galloway of Leeds/1000 Islands used every ounce of energy to haul the fire hose and hit the target before moving to the next task at the Ingleside Firefighter Challenge on Sat., July 15. Sawyer Helmer photo

Firefighter challenge heats up Ingleside

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

INGLESIDE - The 11th annual Ingleside firefighter challenge set up in flooded grounds on Fri., July 14, only to be met with warm sunny weather on Saturday, the day of the challenge.

With each year the event grows more and more popular and firefighters travel from many of the neighbouring stations to compete. Bouncy castles, pony rides, music and food trucks provided extra entertainment during the challenge, but things really started to heat up when the competition began.

Embrun firefighter, Jimmy Ivanski, is always the one to beat, as the well-known pink-suited firefighter competes in a number of challenges per year and donates the equivalent of his winning time in funds to help fight breast cancer.

Despite their hard work no one could come close to Ivanski's winning time of 1:15:67. Ivanski shaved approximately 10 seconds off of his time from last year's challenge. The race was on for second and third however and the 40 competitors battled against the heat to fight for their place in the ranking. Coming in second

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Continued from the front was Tom Haughn from Ottawa with a time of 1:28:67 and in third, Pat Mayer from Hawkesbury with a time of 1:30:25.

In order to complete the course, contestants wear a full suit weighing around 80 pounds. They must climb 40 feet of stairs and pull up 40 pounds on a rope. They then have to simulate a forcible entry, race to the fire hose and hit a target and finish by dragging a 180-pound dummy to safety.



Big Winner

Jimmy Ivanski from Embrun won the 11th annual Ingleside Firefighter Challenge, shaving 10 seconds off of his time from last year. Ivanski wears his iconic pink custom suit when competing.

File photo



Climbing high

Competitors at the 11th annual Ingleside Firefighter Challenge had to race up 40 feet of stairs in full gear weighing approximately 80 pounds, before hauling a 40 pound weight to the top. The first leg of the competition hits hard, especially on a hot summer day.

Sawyer Helfmer photo

St. Lawrence River – recreational gates at Iroquois Dam remain lowered

CORNWALL – Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is advising users of the St. Lawrence River that the gates used for recreational passage at Iroquois Dam remain closed, according to a news release last week. These gates were closed due to significantly above-average water flow and will remain lowered until conditions allow for safe passage through these gates. Boaters are advised that they will need to use the Iroquois Lock for passage.

This notification is in accordance with the operating regulations of

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Jensen Contracting Co. lends a helping hand

Jensen Contracting Co., based in Spencerville, lent the House of Lazarus (HOL) a helping hand on July 6. Adam Jensen, owner of Jensen Contracting, spent the whole day putting together a garden shed free of charge. The HOL gardens provide food bank clients with fresh produce throughout the summer months. Over 100 local families rely on the HOL Food Bank every single month. Seen here are Jensen with HOL operations manager Jennifer Westendorp.



Courtesy photo

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Mosquitoes

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personal insect repellents, such as those containing DEET. Use a light coating on exposed skin. Follow label instructions for proper

application.

- Wear light-coloured clothing, long sleeves, pants and socks when outside.
- Avoid being outside at dusk and dawn, as mosquitoes are the most active at that time.
- Ensure that all

containers in or around the yard like tires, pool covers, saucers for flowerpots, wading pools and children's toys are regularly emptied of standing water.

- Ensure that screens, windows and doors are fully sealed to prevent mosquitoes

from entering the house.

For more information, visit the EOHU website at www.eohu.ca and click on the Community Health section, or call 613-933-1375 or 1 800 267-7120. Follow EOHU on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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Bob Weagant retires after 47 years

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

WINCHESTER – Just like many rural children, Bob Weagant grew up working at the family business. Only for him it wasn't a farm but a farm supply store. It started as a farm machinery business, a division of F.R. Weagant, general merchant in South Mountain in 1953. Under the direction of Weagant's father Fred and mother Anita, the business grew and moved to Winchester in 1976. Now in 2017 the company is celebrating its 64th year of business. Fred Weagant passed away just before the company's 60th anniversary. Anita Weagant resides at the Garden Villa in Chesterville. Bob Weagant raves that his mother still has the best memory of anyone he knows.

Weagant graduated from the University of Western Ontario in 1970 and began his career full time with the company. Some of his most memorable moments include his first sale, a McGraham Rake in South Mountain. Weagant recalled his experience selling five brand new combines to a farm in Saudi Arabia in 1985. Later in his career, nearly 10 years ago now, Weagant travelled to Saudi Arabia to instruct a farmer in the operation of a new feed mixer. The farm he visited consisted of approximately 25,000 head of cattle.

Weagant explained that some of the experiences he has had within the company came as a surprise but he saw the opportunity to go with it. Over his career, Weagant has overseen the expansion from one to three



Stepping down

Bob Weagant, Julie Black and Stacey Weagant are preparing for the transition once Bob retires on July 29. His father Fred Weagant's motto, "If it's in a line, it might as well be a straight line," will be carried on as a proud tradition when Stacey takes over management as the third generation Weagant with the help of co-director Julie Black.

Sawyer Helmer photo

stores and 75 plus employees – some of whom are second or third generations from Fred Weagant's original employees. At the heart of the company are fundamental family values and family of staff said Weagant.

These values and the evident business acumen of Weagant has been closely observed by his daughter Stacey Weagant, who will be taking over Weagant's directorial position at the end of July. Weagant's retirement party will take place on July 29. While he will remain at the head of the company as President and sit on the management board, Weagant is stepping down from his day-to-day duties.

Over the past six months, Stacy Weagant has been making the transition to her roll and learning as much as she can. However, she is more than qualified as she and her co-director Julie Black have been working full time at the company for the past 20 years. "I really respect his ability to jump into so many roles," said Stacey of her father. It is likely his versatility that has added to the company's success over the years.

Weagant said he has already travelled extensively and while he is eager to do more of it in his retirement he has four major priorities for his new found time off: family, the cottage, his Corvette and his Cessna 172 airplane.

Weagant has been an avid flyer for 49 years.

Weagant has seen the rapid expansion of farm machinery and technology over his career. However, there are a few core fundamentals to the business that will stay the

same with each passing generation. Weagant recalled his father's motto, "If it's in a line, it might as well be a straight line." A proverb which has held up over three generations. Weagant explained that while walking through the lot, the nose of every machine in a line will be perfectly placed. Weagant went on to express his belief in the value of first impressions. As such he is adamant to invest in staff, the property and modernizations.

Weagant is confident in Stacey's ability to take over his position and he is looking forward to the

retirement party. "We are always ready for a party." Weagant and his wife Sandra are skilled dancers, active in the community, and have four daughters and eight grandchildren to keep their calendars full. Sandra Weagant who has worked as a Registered Nurse for 48 years retired a mere three weeks before Weagant, beating him to the punch. The retirement party will be held at South Mountain Agricultural Hall from 7 p.m. until 12 a.m. From seven to nine there will be speeches, laughs and greetings, followed by fun and dancing until midnight.

LHIN Highlights

OTTAWA – The Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) Board of Directors meetings held in Ottawa, June 28, are now available online at www.champlainlhin.on.ca, including planning for immigrants' health and well-being – challenges faced by newcomers, the role of the Ottawa Local Immigration Partnership and the need for immigrant-conscious health and community planning. With the expiry of previous board members' terms and expansion of the LHIN Board membership under the *Patients First Act, 2016*, this marked the first meeting with the new full complement of board directors – see Board members and their biographies online.

To celebrate National Aboriginal History Month, the Champlain LHIN invited local Elder and Mohawk Traditional Teacher, Paul Skanks, of Gloucester, Ont., to deliver the opening and closing remarks. Mr. Skanks was raised in Kahnawake, a Mohawk Nation in Québec, and is of the Turtle Clan.



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CASTOR Country

By Tom Van Dusen

Iceberg alley

On Newfoundland's Great Northern Peninsula, June and early July are all about icebergs, from the iceberg-styled donut put out by Tim Hortons in St. Anthony to using iceberg chips to cool after-dinner drinks.

St. Anthony is the largest community at the top end of the peninsula, with a lone Tims to call its own. It's apparently the only outlet where one can purchase a blue-iced donut with a clump of white erupting from the centre... a confection I just had to sample after I learned of its existence while touring the region June 28-July 7.

While I've visited St. John's and surrounding area a number of times, this marked my first journey to the north end of the island and I was surprised. I'm not sure what I expected but it wasn't a plethora of corner stores, accommodations, cafes and gift shops conveniently placed among the raw ruggedness.

I was a tag-along on a bucket list trip organized for Lynn's mother Noreen who wanted to see l'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site and UNESCO World Heritage Site where a Norse expedition from Greenland led by the legendary Viking chieftain Leif Eiriksson disembarked about 1,000 years ago... well before Cabot and Cartier first saw the Rock.

Operated by Parks Canada and offering free admission during Canada 150, l'Anse aux Meadows features an interesting visitor centre, guided tour of archeological digs conducted on the site that Leif and company dubbed Vinland, and recreated turf-walled buildings which

became a home away from home for the Norse explorers.

Blessed with a guide bursting with information, it was a very rewarding visit for my little touring party. My only disappointment came when I learned that, in order to keep suffocating smoke at bay, fires inside the sod huts are fuelled by distinctly non-Viking natural gas.

But there was nothing artificial about the Great Northern glacial sideshow; locals seem no less impressed than the tourists by the annual parade of hundreds of bergs of all shapes and sizes travelling what's known as Iceberg Alley, a stretch of the Atlantic Ocean running about 1,000 km along the coast of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Four boats carry load after load of awestruck Canadian mainlanders, Americans and visitors from around the world out into the ice flow; operators can easily promise a close-up view of marvelous ice formations, but can only offer the possibility of whale sightings along the way. The problem, one operator confided, is that the whales just won't stick to a schedule.

As they strive to develop and extend tourism to economically replace the decimated fishery, the locals have learned to package the mythical appeal of the iceberg migration beginning from where they "calve" off the Greenland icepack, launching in early June with the 10-day Iceberg Festival at St. Anthony.

This season got off to a late start because of unusually cold weather witnessed by snow still packed into cliff-side crevices during our stay. It

also made for many two and three-storey bergs – 90 per cent of whose total volume is underwater – still grounded in area coves and bays.

One of the highlights of our trip came when, while being ferried by Zodiac to an overnight stay at Quirpon Lighthouse Inn, we were guided close to a massive berg. As we circled the formation, suddenly a gigantic piece broke away, hitting the water and splitting many times again. To me, it was as majestic as watching a whale breaching.

Another highlight for several among our party

was being "Screeched In," a ritual involving dressing up in Nor'westers, swallowing dried capelin, kissing a frozen cod, and chugging the Newfoundland rum known as screech.

As for that other Newfoundland natural wonder, moose, I arrived on the Rock expecting the lumbering mammals at every turn of the rental car. The horror stories one hears back on the mainland about moose basically hurling themselves at passing vehicles tends to engender extra vigilance.

While we saw a few moose along the roads – Lynn has the photos to

prove it – they wandered off when we slowed down, taking a casual look over their shoulder before beginning to nonchalantly munch again on greenery a little deeper in the woods.

Many among the island's excess moose end up in the cooking pot including for a fundraising supper at St. Paul's Anglican Church on the edge of Gros Morne National Park. Topped with homemade berry pie, accompanied with vegetables, all for \$10... the baked moose was delicious!

For most of our sojourn on the Rock, we stayed at the very comfortable Viking Village B & B, walking



distance from the l'Anse aux Meadows entrance. At under \$100-a-night per couple, it was down-home service all the way.

Arriving late on the first night, we were greeted and shown to our rooms by guest Gene Greene from Tennessee who has been vacationing on the northern peninsula for 15 years.

Leave it to the Americans to know a good thing when they see it!

The Road Home

Once a Glen, always a Glen

by Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Special to the Record

Just over 100 years ago, Canadians participated in the Great War for Civilization or as we have learned to call it, World War I. Great Britain declared war on Germany and her Allies on Aug. 4, 1914, a few months after the assassination of Grand Duke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and his wife. Canada was automatically at war alongside Great Britain and Canadian servicemen were on the front-lines of the conflict by early 1915 until its conclusion in November 1918.

Canadians responded to the call to arms in record numbers and among those were many residents of the Chesterville area and the United Counties. There are photographs of soldiers at training camps in the Heritage Centre in Chesterville and I have seen a piece of art by local artist Ron LeClair depicting some of our local soldiers at the Chesterville train station (hope I got this right Ron!). In late 1915, the 154th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Forces - CEF (perpetuated by the SDG Highlanders) began recruiting people for overseas service, but since the war began citizens of the counties had been volunteering to serve.

One of these young men was a British Home Child named Claude Nunney, who was born in Hastings, Sussex, England, came to Canada when he was 13 years old in 1905 with the Catholic Emigration Service (the same year and the same organization as my Grandpa Conroy came to Canada with – although on a different date – I checked to make sure) and became part of the rural community of North Lancaster where he had been indentured on a farm. In 1914, when war was declared he was away from Glengarry but returned there to join his friends from the 59th Stormont Glengarry Battalion of Infantry as they signed up first in Alexandria and then re-attested in Ottawa.

He served with the 38th Battalion CEF (perpetuated by the Cameron Highlanders of Ottawa) in Bermuda and France, receiving the Military Medal, Distinguished Conduct Medal for bravery displayed at the Battle of Vimy Ridge, and the Victoria Cross for actions along the Drocourt-Quent Line near Arras France on Sept. 2, 1918, dying a few days later of wounds he had received during that battle.

Great Britain, as part of the commemoration of the Centennial of WWI, is honouring Victoria Cross recipients by having a blue plaque, sometimes referred to as a blue stone, placed on their homes. This recognition program has been in existence since 1867 and is currently administered by the English Heritage. On July 19, 2017 on the 125th anniversary of the birth of Claude Nunney, a blue plaque will be unveiled at his childhood home at 42 Bexhill Road in Hastings.

Peter Silk, from across the pond in England, has been a moving force in having the plaque installed and spent years researching this man. I am certain it hasn't been an easy task because like many British Home Children, there is conflicting information that needed to be sifted through. Silk was up to the challenge researching in both England and Canada to confirm details about this man's life as elementary as the place and date of his birth – it was in Hastings on July 19,



Remembering Claude Nunney, MM, DCM, VC

From left, Judy Neville, President Ontario East British Home Child Family; Captain Jim Devine, SDG Highlanders; Sgt Shawn Stoness, SDG Highlanders; Bill Bresse, President Branch 544 Royal Canadian Legion; George O'Dair, President Glen's Association; LCol John Denner, Honourary LCol, SDG Highlanders; and Col. William Shearing, former Commanding Officer SDG Highlanders. Courtesy photo

1892 – not Dublin in December 1892 as mentioned in various sources and his actual name which is Stephen Sargent Claude not Claude Joseph Patrick Nunney.

Claude Nunney came to this area as a "little immigrant, worked on a farm in Glengarry, won the hearts of the people who knew him and was one of an estimated 10,000 British Home Children, many who served their adopted country in WWI. Our local war hero has not been forgotten in Glengarry, or for that matter in SDG. The Royal Canadian Legion Branch in Lancaster is named after him with an historical plaque outside it which tells the story of Claude Nunney, also in Lancaster the 253 Claude Nunney VC, Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron and the annual Claude Nunney Dinner held in the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Highlanders Sergeant's Mess annually. Also located in the Sgt's Mess are replicas of Nunney's medals, the originals of which were donated to the Highlanders many years ago.

On July 12, a group of people, who gathered outside the Lancaster Legion, near the Ontario Archaeological and Historic Plaque dedicated to Claude Nunney, recounted some of this gentleman's story and a photo taken. This photograph has been sent to Silk by Judy Neville, President of the Ontario East British Home Child Family, so those who will be honouring Nunney in Hastings on July 19 will know that here in Glengarry and SDG we remember Nunney, or as Captain Jim Devine of the SDG Highlanders commented "Once a Glen, always a Glen."

Post Script or P.S. I am thinking that next year on Sept. 2 and it is a Sunday (checked on Wikipedia) perhaps the same group and a few more should get together and have a luncheon to commemorate Claude Nunney – I will keep you posted on that plan!

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Letter To The Editor

An open letter to the trustees – Upper Canada District School Board

The Editor:

We are addressing this letter to the trustees of the Upper Canada District Board. Our hope and wish is for all trustees supported by the Chair and senior staff to provide the opportunity to revisit the closure of Rothwell-Osnabruck (RO), Ingleside, Ont., and Benson Public School in Cardinal, Ont.

Both of these communities will face a serious loss not having the ability to provide a high school in the case of R-O and a public school in Cardinal. In preparing this letter, the writer is fully aware of similar correspondence being prepared by the Mayor of Edwardsburgh, Cardinal, for delivery to the media surrounding his municipality. Anyone following the results of the PAR review by the UCDSB is probably asking why continue the fight while still attempting to save our schools. The easy answer is the parents and students do not want to have their children taken from their home community. Closing schools located in a community hub tears away a piece of the social fabric and an important pillar of any Community.

In the case of R-O, the following are a few details that flies in the face of the Board's decision to reduce costs:

- RO is on full municipal services for wastewater and water – similar to Benson Public in Cardinal.
- Utility costs are approximately \$75,000 at R-O versus \$375,000 at the new designated school.
- Closing R-O based on the final Board report reflects an expense of \$430,619.
- From 2011 to 2016, South Stormont has had the most students age 0-14.
- Trustees – you are aware South Stormont was prepared to assist with Capital improvements at R-O to cover construction and equipment for programming such as shops to the upper limit of \$700,000.

Minister Hunter's announcement on June 28, 2017 clearly stated a new funding formula is coming in September. Surely, Trustees, you would want to hear what impact it will have on your ability to provide services, as well as new programming including French Immersion. Trustees, we have the time to stop the process in closing our schools. Some trustees are satisfied the decision to close is

responsible. Trustees, we all have second and third sober thoughts. We know you may not want to hear our concerns. However, our parents and families continue to reach out hoping for all of us to find a solution where our schools remain open in September. Our position and the community of Cardinal know if we really wish to hear the voices of these communities a positive solution will be reached in time for the new school year 2017-2018.

The Ontario Government announcement on June 28 did indicate school boards were not obligated to review the current PAR review. Trustees, this same communique outlined how important our schools located in these small villages are vital and need to be preserved. Trustees, reach out to our municipalities and find common interest to save these schools. Trustees, our students will be forever grateful.


In closing, Trustees of the Upper Canada District Board, please hear the voices of our communities and let's find a partnership favourable to all parties.

Jim Bancroft,
Mayor, Township of South Stormont

In Memoriam

– Aitken –

In loving memory of a dear son, Kevin, who passed on suddenly, July 6, 1975 at age 17.




Your picture we see in many a place.
Your happy smile upon your face.
Still, you always seem so near.
How we wish you could be here -
To share in happy times once more
To say "Hello", as you walk through the door.

The world may change from year to year
And friends and family day to day.
But never will the one we loved
From memory pass away.

Your life was like a candle burning
Brightly with a short time to glow.

Forever in our hearts.
Mother Shirley Aitken
Though never met but fondly admired.
Carey, Brock & Eric

IN MEMORIAM




Paul Monast
2002 - 2017

In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who passed away July 15, 2002.

Fifteen years have passed since you were called away.
Time slips by and life goes on
but from our hearts you are never gone.
Memories of times together are always in our thoughts.

You are sadly missed.
Your loving family
Lucille, Muriel, Carl, Fern, Don, Pete, Pat, grandchildren and great-grandchildren


OBITUARY



SCHWARTZ, Catherine

At the Perley-Rideau Veterans Health Centre in Ottawa on Sunday, July 9, 2017, Catherine Schwartz of Chesterville, age 93. Beloved wife of the late Alvin Schwartz. Loving mother of Orin Schwartz of Casselman, Netsie McGregor (Doug Reinhart) of Stettler, Alberta, and Eric Schwartz of Montreal, and her deceased daughter Gloria Butironi. Dear sister of John Gray (Frances) of Montreal, Emily Almond (Peter) of Gaspe, Verna Arsenault of Bathurst, N.B., Eleanor Krauss of Red Deer, Betty Smith of Red Deer, and Margaret Boudreau of Perth. Also survived by nieces and nephews. There was no visitation or funeral service. Donations to the Perley-Rideau Veterans Health Centre would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

~ OBITUARY ~



DEWAR, Milinda "Billie"
(née Unruh)

Billie entered this world on June 28th, 1927 on the family farm in Richey, Montana. She was the 12th of 14 children born to Andrew and Minnie Unruh. From her mother, Billie learned of God's unrelenting love and at an early age she accepted Jesus as her Lord and Saviour. At the age of 18, she met a handsome young cowboy from Canada while she waited tables in Wolf Point, Montana. It was life-long love at first sight. After she married that cowboy, Don Dewar, in 1945, she took on the role of devoted wife and then mother as she and the growing family accompanied Don across most of the U.S. and Canada as he made his living as a professional rodeo cowboy. After Don retired from competition in 1955, they farmed in Ernfold, Sask., then Enderby B.C. In 1966, they moved their 5 children to Salmon Arm, B.C., which would be their home for more than 30 years. While Don ran a printing shop, then a garbage and septic tank service, Billie revelled in the role of caring for her husband and family. She raised her children with an abiding sense of the love of the Lord. In 1997, Don & Billie retired to Kamloops, B.C. Then, in 2004, they made their last big move to Finch, Ont. to live out their days close to their youngest daughter. Billie, who suffered numerous health issues all her life, finally left this world and went home to be with her Lord and Saviour on July 6, 2017. She was the last living member of the Andrew Unruh children. She is survived by her adoring husband of 72 years, Don who now resides at the Woodland Villa in Long Sault, Ont. She leaves behind her daughter Linda Gleddie (Doug) of Kamloops, B.C., son Murray (Marti), son Garlyn (Tarrie) both of Campbell River, B.C. and daughter Lenae Bamber (Murray) of Finch, Ont., as well as numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Billie was predeceased by her son Loren in 1976. A celebration of Billie's life will be held at 11:00 AM on July 22nd, 2017 at The Gathering House, 2 Water St., Chesterville, Ont. In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Samaritan's Purse in both Canada and the U.S. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Wilson Funeral Home 822 Pitt Street, Cornwall. Online messages of condolence may be made in the obituary section of www.wilsonfuneralhome.ca

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July 21 - 23



Friday, July 21

- 5 pm Gates Open
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Monalea Petting Zoo
- 6 pm Junior Farmer "Youth Olympics"
- 7 pm Junior Farmer "Farmer Olympics"
- 7 pm Tug of War Competition
- 8 pm - 1 am **BARN DANCE** featuring **AMBUSH**



Saturday, July 22

- Free Parking on Grounds
- 8-11 am Breakfast @ North Stormont Place Dining Hall
 - 10 am **COPE AMUSEMENTS MIDWAY**
 - 10 am - 5 pm Agricultural Education Area - Interactive displays
 - The Travelin' Farmer
 - South Nation Conservation
 - Stormont Grain Farmers
 - SDG County Library
 - St. Lawrence River Institute
 - Hospitality Area
 - Free Face Painting & Balloon Tying

Outside on the Fairgrounds

- Giant Rock Climbing Wall
- Children's Pedal Tractor Fun Zone
- Monalea Petting Zoo
- 10 am 4-H Dairy Calf Rally
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Fair Schedule Continued

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- 8:30-11:30 am Breakfast @ North Stormont Place Dining Hall
- 10 am Children's Superhero Fun Run
- 10 am **COPE AMUSEMENTS MIDWAY** - Cotton Candy Day- Free Candy to the first 150 children 12 & under
Monalea Petting Zoo
- 10 am Musical Worship Service with Music by the "Rev. & the Choir Boys"
- 10 am - 4 pm Classic and Antique Car Show
- 10 am - 4 pm Agricultural Education Area: Interactive Displays
 - Hospitality Area
 - The Travelin' Farmer
 - South Nation Conservation
 - Stormont Grain Farmers
 - SDG Country Library
 - St. Lawrence River Institute
 - Free Face Painting & Balloon Tying
 - Free Giant Rock Climbing Wall
 - Free Children's Pedal Tractor Fun Zone
- 11 am - 3:45 pm Exhibition Hall Open for Viewing of Displays
- 11 am Children's Pedal Tractor Pull Contest
- 11 am Western Horse Performance Show
- 12 pm 4-H Beef Calf Rally

- 12 pm CANADA 150 TRACTOR PARADE
- 12 - 4 pm Dining Hall- Lunch Special
- 1 pm AERIAL ANIMATION FLYING TRAPEZE SHOW
- 2 pm L'il John the Clown entertains & MC's:
 - Nail Driving Competition
 - Bale Throwing Competition
- 3 pm AERIAL ANIMATION FLYING TRAPEZE SHOW
- 4 pm 2017 Fair Closing (Sunday Prize Draws)



Friday Evening - Admission to the Grounds \$2.00 each
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Local Holstein Clubs provide more than family fun

Muriel Carruthers
Record Staff

SDG – Ontario Holsteins held their local annual twilight family fun nights with barbecues in the Stormont and Dundas Counties last week. Both back-to-back events were fortunate to see enjoyable evenings with sunny skies and no rain.

The two nights' events were catered by The Leatherworks of Carleton Place, which provided a delicious buffet-style roast beef dinner with salads, chicken, and other side dishes with desserts, to the hundreds who attended. No comments were heard following the meals that anyone was still hungry or thirsty at this caterer's provisions of food, beverages and service. Children attending the Sanders' farm were also treated to barbecued burgers and hotdogs.

An impressive display of machinery by sponsors and vendors were noted at both farms, as well as the chance to see the Holsteins and both relatively new barns. There were lots of activities for the children as well, including face painting and bouncy structures, and door prizes offered at both events. In attendance at both

events were the Township of North Stormont Mayor Dennis Fife and MPP Jim McDonnell, both also from agricultural backgrounds.

First up on Wed., July 12, in Crysler, the MacGregor family – Tom and Janet with next generation farmer, son Doug – of Glen Haven Farms, established in 1882 – hosted an outstanding party. The evening officially started at 7 p.m. but a few friends and family members arrived a bit earlier to visit and check out the recent new barn, the robotic milker and huge workshop, and of course, the Holsteins. Children were entertained well with the two bouncy structures and especially with Lil John the Clown, who kept their attention (as well as the adults watching) for some time with his magic tricks and comments. The MacGregors were quite pleased and surprised with the numbers of attendees, including children, who attended – just under 600. Dundas Holstein Club President Eric Vandebroek commented that he was very pleased with the turnout, and later called out the door prize numbers.

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Farside Farms great hosts for family night

Tony and Rejeanne Sanders are joined by their children for a photo – daughter Amy with brothers (not in order) Collin, Mike, Adam and Tony Ray – in front of the sign (not visible) that reads Stormont County Holstein Breeders “Where it all began in 1881”.

Carruthers photos

Glen Haven Farms shines at Dundas County Holstein event

From left, Glen Haven Farms' owners Tom and Janet MacGregor are seen here with Dundas County Holstein Club's Secretary Janessa Pol and President Eric Vandebroek, on Wed. July 12, when the MacGregors hosted the Club's twilight family fun night.



Dining area under the tent

The atmosphere was real down home with bales and boards for seats under the huge tent, where visitors to the Sanders' Farside Farms could meet their family, friends and neighbours for a relaxing time as they dined.



Clowning around

Lil John the Clown captivated his young audience, as well as parents and adults standing nearby, with his magic tricks and humorous comments, at Glen Haven Farms. Many of the youngsters were eager to answer questions or be his assistant when requested.



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Maple the Cow was a pleasant surprise for the younger children who were eager to try their hand at milking at the Farside Farms' Holstein family night. Carruthers photo

Morrisburg's antique festival

Continued from the front

McIntyre is the past president of the Chamber of Commerce, and owns the Basket Case Cafe with his wife Hanne Rycroft. The two encouraged the Chamber of Commerce to pick up the annual event when the Lion's Club was no longer able to continue organizing.

McIntyre's desire for Morrisburg is "think big" since, like other small communities, it does not grow rapidly. Popular annual events are essential to draw in people.

McIntyre and Rycroft had a display at the event, the only one they partake in as their shop is open for antique browsing the majority of the time. Their cafe also donated the food for the event so attendees could enjoy sandwiches and treats throughout the day.

McIntyre has been collecting for approximately 30 years and said he always looks for unique pieces. "Mid-century modern is very popular right now," he explained. He finds his pieces from many downsizing seniors and a regular trip to Denmark.

Also displaying some of his collection was newcomer, George Valade from Dusty Treasure Hunters in Glen Walter. This year in Morrisburg was the first time he has ever displayed outside of his home shop, and said the experience has "been fun." Valade has been collecting since he was a young boy when his parents would take him to auction sales throughout Eastern Ontario. "I guess that's where I got the bug, Auction fever was in my blood. Country living on the outskirts of Glen Walter, roaming the countryside I've amassed a variety of unique antiques and collectibles. Needless to say that I enjoy the hunt, the



Reality show

Helen Derix (middle) owner of Julie Fashion held a vintage fashion show during the Morrisburg antiques event on Sat., July 15. The local ladies sported fashions from the iconic female stars from Old Hollywood. Sawyer Helmer photo



While the getting is good

Carl McIntyre sold a number of pieces at the Morrisburg antiques event. Event attendee Doug admired some of McIntyre's unique pieces. This is the only event McIntyre takes part in since his shop Basket Case Cafe is open regularly. Sawyer Helmer photo

rush of finding dusty old treasures and researching their historical value," explained McIntyre in his profile bio.

Valade said he looks for anything that is unique or different, "It has to catch my eye and is out of the ordinary."

Also providing some vintage entertainment was Julie Fashion owner Helen Derix who outfitted a number of local ladies to walk in a fashion show and depict some of the Old Hollywood Belles and their iconic fashions. "I don't call

it a fashion show, I call it a reality show," said Derix, since she concludes that she can provide something for every and shape or size.

Over the two day event approximately 760 people passed through to explore what the 20 vendors had to offer. Any money raised will go towards the replacement of the South Dundas welcome sign. Main organizer Geraldine Fitzsimmons of the Chamber of Commerce said, "We are hoping to grow the event but this year was a wonderful success."

Holstein family nights

Continued from page 8

On Thurs., July 13, the Stormont County Holstein Club's annual twilight meeting and family fun night then followed at Farside Farms with the Sanders Family – owners Tony and wife Rejeanne – in Berwick. Following the dinner and visits to the barn, attendees were then welcomed by Stormont County President Kevin Glaude, who introduced the Sanders family. Past president Jeff Waldroff informed the audience with a thank you to the sponsors as he read out the many names. A heartwarming thank you by Tony was next, as his wife and family joined him at the front of the tent. He stated he was a second-generation farmer, and from the size of the family, it appears this farm will continue into the next two generations. Sons Collin and Mike are third-generation farmers who help on the farm. All 21 family members present sported matching navy blue shirts with the Farside Farms logo – Rejeanne informed The Record that there's also a onesie awaiting the next Sanders' grandchild due to be born soon. The evening's program wrapped up with the acknowledgement of the Veteran Breeder Awards to a 50-year and several 30- and 40-year Holstein breeders.

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From Lawbreaker to Lawmaker, an emotional launch

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

CORNWALL – SD&SG MP Guy Lauzon launched his autobiographical book at the Addiction and Mental Health Centre at the Cornwall Community Hospital on June 12. The book entitled *From Lawbreaker to Lawmaker* took Lauzon a little over a year to write and is a memoir of his life from humble beginnings, to his respected seat at Parliament.

Lauzon recounts in the book his 15-year struggle with alcoholism and how he overcame the odds to become one of the longest serving politicians of the Conservative party. Lauzon said during the launch that it is his hope the book will act as a beacon of hope to others suffering from addiction. All of the proceeds generated will be generously donated to the Addictions and Mental Health Centre in Cornwall.

During Lauzon's address to the captivated audience at the launch, he found himself overwhelmed with emotion as he thanked his family, friends and God for his sobriety. Lauzon bravely admitted that were he not sober, he would likely not be around today.

Christine Penney, Vice-President of Community Programs for the CCH, opened the ceremony and expressed her gratitude towards Lauzon's dedication to the Centre. "I think it demonstrates a selfless endeavour on his part. [Not only does he get to promote his book], but he is also taking the opportunity to shine the light on the services available at the centre," said Penney.

In the provided press release Jeanette Despatie, President and CEO of the Hospital explained, "Today, it is widely recognized that one in five of us will experience an addiction or mental health issue in our lifetime. We also know that historically the attention and investments in the addiction and mental health sector has not kept up with the other health-care demands. While this is changing, we are pleased that Cornwall Community Hospital, together with our partners, have made decisions and investments to ensure that the needs of this population are met. We thank Mr. Lauzon for sharing his story with us here today!"

After years of Lauzon's family and friends encouraging him to write the story of his life and success, the final decision was made "with the hope it might help others who suffer from the same disease. Alcoholism is a fatal disease, a cunning disease, a powerful disease. It's also patient. I haven't touched alcohol for 43 years but I can tell you if I had even one glass of beer, I would fall back into the depths of alcoholism. I wrote this book so others who suffer from the disease of alcoholism can learn from my mistakes. The message to anyone who reads this book, is hope. If an alcoholic, high school dropout like me can achieve sobriety and actually get elected to Parliament, just imagine what others could accomplish."

In the press release Lauzon states, "I truly feel blessed to be able to share my story with all those who may be in a dark place and are seeking a way out. People



An inspiring story of resilience

MP Guy Lauzon signed copies of his book for the large crowd present during the launch of his autobiography at the Cornwall Mental Health and Addictions Centre on Wed., July 12.

Sawyer Helmer photo

need to realize that they are not alone in their struggles, that there are hundreds of people who understand what they are going through and are there to lend a hand and a shoulder."

After the speeches finished up, Lauzon made himself available for book signings, while the Centre's staff were giving tours of the new facility. Lauzon concluded, "If even one person reads this book and is

inspired to do something about their drinking problem, then I think I have achieved my goal."

According to Penney, the book is being sold on Amazon.ca, in Cornwall at Backstrom's Independent Grocer and The Christian Book Store, in Winchester at the Seaway Valley Pharmacy, in Chesterville at Flair with Fabrics, and in Morrisburg at Cardinal Flowers.



Chugging along at the Seaway Train Show

The 6th annual Seaway Train Show was held at the Long Sault Arena in South Stormont on July 15 and 16. Marie Morell, a member of the organizing team, commented that over 4,000 people attended the event which had 33 vendors and 21 exhibits, as well as an opportunity to take a ride on a train outside the arena. Morrell is seen here with Jim Davis of the Ottawa Valley Associated Railroaders during the successful 2017 event.

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Yellow and Red head into final game of regular season tied for second

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE—In the first game of the evening in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thursday night, Blue played host to Yellow and in the night cap it was Red taking on Black.

Blue 5 Yellow 2

The Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League kicked off the night with the number one seed Blue versus the number two seed Yellow on Thurs., July 13, at the Chesterville Arena. Yellow went into the game sitting in second place with 13 points just three behind the first-place Blue team and looked to pull to within one with a victory.

Blue has stumbled a little over the past few weeks after starting the season with eight straight wins and lost their previous game to Red 4-1 as they looked to get back to their winning ways. Blue opened the scoring when Jaelyn Crump fired one to the back of the net from Carly Crump and Sam Benoit at 5:55 to take a 1-0 lead.

Blue made it 2-0 when Becca Alves snapped one home from Cinnamon Boulanger and Lindsay Cummins at 10:19. With time winding down in the opening frame, Blue struck again with just 34 seconds showing on the clock as

Boulanger powered one to the back of the net from Cummins and Alves and took a 3-0 lead into the second period.

Yellow got to within two as Shannon McRae slapped one home from Jennifer Whitteker and Angie Van Gorp-Helmer at 8:45 of the second period. Blue restored their three-goal lead when Boulanger scored her second goal of the evening at 10:07 from Cummins and Rebecca Kennedy. Blue made it 5-1 at 11:02 as Boulanger completed her hat trick from Cummins.

Yellow got one back with just 41 seconds remaining in the sandwich frame as Jodi Hall pounded one home from Stephanie Shane to get to within three. Blue carried the 5-2 lead into the third period. The teams battled back and forth in the third period but neither were able to find the back of the net as Blue hung on for the 5-2 victory moving five points ahead of Yellow in the standings.

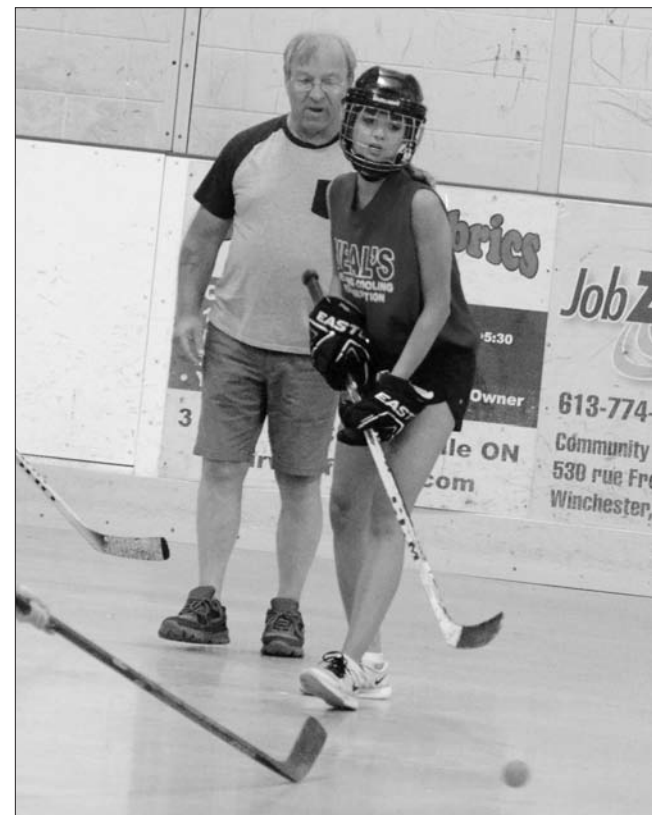
Picking up the win in Blue's goal was Roxanne Crump.

Red 6 Black 4

In the second matchup of the night, Red played host to Black. Red went into the game in third place just two points behind Yellow for second and after Yellow lost their game earlier Red had a chance to catch Yellow with a win. Black has had trouble getting anything to work this season with only two wins but in every game they have been close.

Black opened the scoring when Kaila Beckstead scored an unassisted marker at the three-minute mark in the opening frame taking a 1-0 lead. Red knotted the affair at one when Lesley Ann Tupper lit the lamp from Sara Desjardins and Catia Dias.

Red took their first lead of the game when Geena Rose snapped one home from Marissa Imrie at 15:27. Red took the 2-1 lead into the second period. Black tied the game again as Karen Edward pounded one to the back of the net from Beckstead at 5:17 of the second period.



In the first game of the night, Yellow played host to Blue. Blue's forward Lindsay Cummins had a good game picking up three assists along with her lineman Cinnamon Boulanger who scored a hat trick and an assist. Blue went on to take the game 5-2 securing the top seed heading into the final week of the regular season.

Moore photo

Black retook the lead at 8:49 as Sam Naish slapped one home from Edwards and Teresa Schoones to make it 3-2. Red squared the game at 12:34 as Desjardins rifled one to the back of the net from Tupper. Red took their second lead of the game when Kaitlyn Kerr snapped one from Imrie and Rose at 15:32.

Red took a slim 4-3 lead into the third period. Red took their first two-goal lead of the night as Tupper scored her second of the night from Imrie at 5:13 of the third period. Black didn't give up and got back to within one as Schoones blasted one home from McRae at 8:59 to set up a close finish.

With the clock down to 3:02 Red put the finishing touch to Black's comeback attempt as Kerr scored her second goal of the game from Desjardins and took the game 6-4 moving into a second-place tie with Yellow. Picking up the win in Red's goal was Jennifer Byrne.

Up next

The teams in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League head into their final games of the regular season on Thurs., July 20, as Yellow welcomed Red at 7 p.m. and Blue plays Black at 8 p.m.



In the second game of the night, Red played host to Black in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thurs., July 13, at the Chesterville Arena. Red's Geena Rose battles Black's goalie Patti Mitton for the ball during the first period. Rose went on to have a stellar game scoring a goal and picking up one helper as she and Red took the game 6-4 tying Yellow for second place, heading into the final week of the regular season.

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Rippin' Racers open season on a high

MOOSE CREEK — The Chesterville Rippin' Racers attended their first swim meet of the season on Sun., July 16, in Moose Creek. Approximately 30 swimmers from the team took part in this first event along with Coach Shannon and Coach Mallory. The coaches were very impressed with many personal bests and cannot wait for the next swim meet.

The results for the Rippin' Racers were: Faith McRae: 3rd in IM and 6th in breaststroke; Aidan Hutt: 3rd in butterfly, 4th in front crawl and 6th in breaststroke; Emily Rose Verman: 4th in butterfly; Sophy Sweeney: 2nd in butterfly and 6th in back crawl; Jaymee Cranham: 3rd in butterfly, 3rd in back crawl and 4th in front crawl; Eric De Vries: 2nd in butterfly, 2nd in front crawl and 3rd in breaststroke;



Rippin' their way to Moose Creek

The Chesterville Rippin' Racers travelled to Moose Creek for their first swim meet of the season on Sun., July 17. There were very many personal bests and the team looked good in their premiere event of 2017. Above is a picture of the participants.

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Brooke Elliott: 6th in back crawl and 5th in breaststroke; Lauren Meharg: 3rd in back

crawl, 3rd in front crawl and 2nd in breaststroke; William Vingerhoeds: 3rd in back

crawl; Shealyn Elliott: 6th in back crawl, 6th in front crawl and 6th in breaststroke; Olivia

Pereira: 4th in back crawl; Emma Gaudette: 3rd in IM, 3rd in back crawl and 5th in front crawl; Matt Pereira: 3rd in IM, 3rd in back crawl and 5th in front crawl; Luke VanDelst: 6th in front crawl and 5th in breaststroke; Sadie Thompson: 2nd in IM, 2nd in

front crawl and 1st in breaststroke; Bethany VanDelst: 5th in front crawl; Alex VanDelst: 2nd in butterfly, 3rd in front crawl and 3rd in breaststroke; and Zander Thompson: 2nd in IM, 1st in butterfly and 2nd in breaststroke.

Cedar Glen Men's Night

WILLIAMSBURG - The results from Cedar Glen Men's Night on Thurs., July 13 were: first low gross A - Derek Whitteker 37; first low net A - Greg VanDellen 32; second low gross A - Dillon Lapier 38; second low net A - James Morrell 35; closest to the pin on number 15 - Mahlon Locke; first low gross B - Rick Morrow 43; first low net B - Peter Schoenfeld 34; second low gross B - Larry Harper; second low net B - Garry Ducross 35; longest drive on number 11 - Kurtis Barkley; first low gross C - Shaler Hill 44; first low net C - Harold Chalker 34; closest to the pin on number 18 - Dillion Lapier; first low gross D - Winston Muir 56; and first low net D - Tom VanDellen 41. Other winners were A/B skins: Kurtis Barkley and Lyle Schell with a four on one; Wayde Roles and Lyle Schell with a three on three; and Larry Harper and Greg VanDellen with a three on five; C/D skins: Tim McRae with a four on five; Sahler Hill with a four on eight; and Pete Brown with a three on nine. The 50/50 winner was Kevin Osbourne.

Incredible young woman scores bursary from HEO

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

HALLVILLE — Emily Beach of Hallville was honoured with a \$1,000 bursary from Hockey Ontario East at their annual general meeting at Landsdowne Park in Ottawa last month. Beach began her hockey career as a Can Skater with the Winchester Skating Club.

Hockey was in the blood – her father Tim was a hockey player and two of her brothers and older sister also played



Deserving \$1,000 bursary from Hockey East Ontario

Emily Beach received a Hockey East Ontario (HEO) hat along with a \$1,000 bursary at the HEO AGM held in late June at TD Place at Landsdowne Park in Ottawa. Beach accepted the honour from HEO President Ron McRostie and will be using the money toward her education as she travels to Trent University in Peterborough in the Fall. Beach played for the North Dundas Midget B House Demons this past season as well as the North Dundas District High School Devils' Varsity team. Courtesy photo

hockey so it was only fitting as the youngest she would follow in their footsteps.

Beach began her hockey career in 2005 in the North Dundas Minor Hockey Association (NDMHA) first in Initiation, then to Novice, Atom and then to Pee wee. At the time she couldn't play with the boys because it was still contact in the house leagues then, so she joined the Dundas County Women's Hockey Association in Bantam for two years.

Although she did want to play Bantam in North Dundas her parents thought it safer in the women's league. After two years of women's hockey, Beach convinced her parents to let her play with the boys in Midget after the house league rules changed to a non-contact league. She also starred with the North Dundas District High School Devils for three seasons.

Beach's mother, Fran, helped her along the way not only as a hockey mom but she got involved as a team manager and also on the NDMHA board as the referee scheduler.

Beach plays defence and according to her mom, "Although she is only a few inches over 5 feet tall with a slim build, anyone who has seen her play knows she is not afraid of anyone and holds her own with 'the big boys!'"

Academically, Beach excelled as well, graduating last month as a member of the four-year Honour Roll and an Ontario Scholar. Beach went to Nationview Public School in South Mountain and was one of the first students to go to North Dundas District Intermediate School in Grade 7.

She also achieved her secondary school Extended French Certificate and was a Specialist High Skills Major in Agriculture. Beach also had a busy work schedule holding down two jobs throughout high school at Your Independent Grocer in Kemptville and on a dairy farm helping out with milking and chores.

The 17-year-old is now moving on to Trent University in Peterborough and will be pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Forensic Science and hopes to play intramural hockey at the school. Everyone from HEO wished Emily all the best in her future endeavours.



Bantam B House Demons

The North Dundas Midget B House Demons' number 3 Emily Beach will be moving on to University Intramural Hockey at Trent University. The feisty blue-liner played her entire career with the Demons with the exception of two years when she played Bantam Hockey with the Dundas County Women's Hockey Association. Courtesy photo

Limoges Sports Dome project going ahead

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

LIMOGES – The Nation Municipality is going ahead with its own sports dome project, and the final decision was made at the Council Meeting on June 26 to place it in Limoges.

About 100 residents attended the meeting, which was held in the gym at the Ecole St-Viateur elementary school in the village, due to the expected large turnout at this crucial meeting. Councillor Marc Lafleche was the sole vote against the project. He expressed concerns about the site and its viability, considering it will be at the end of the municipality which is closest to the Russell Township Sports Dome, which is now under

construction.

The dome in Limoges is being built with St. Joseph Developments, Mayor Francois St. Amour told *The Villager* while at an announcement for the Limoges Health Hub, which the developer is also building in a similar type of partnership.

Like the Russell project, corporate and individual donations are being sought to offset some of the costs. The budget is set at \$4.7-million for the entire project.

The dome will have fields for soccer, baseball and many other sports, as expected, but it will also host a two-storey, 7,400 sq.-ft. community centre. The centre is planned for the use of community organizations and to host major events.

Steve Poirier wins Patriot Sprint Tour, rain ends evening early

Martin Bélanger
Special to the Record

CORNWALL — A very busy evening was on tap at Cornwall Motor Speedway on Sun., July 16, with the Patriot Sprint Tour, a full show in all divisions plus the remake of the Cindy Ladouceur-Danny Lefebvre Memorial on Lamoureux Pumping night.

The Cindy Ladouceur-Danny Lefebvre Memorial began the evening as Tyler French took the early lead over Karl Potvin and Marc Dagenais. A good battle occurred for second between Potvin and Dagenais as Dylan Kirkland brought out a caution on lap 13. On the restart, Dagenais powered past French for the lead as Joe McNicholls sat in third. A good battle for first as McNicholls joined Dagenais for the lead as Patrice Moniere rolled over in turn 2 and red

was out with one lap to go. McNicholls led the final lap and captured the win, his first of the season at Cornwall.

The 30-lap Patriot Sprint Tour saw Dylan Westbrook take an early lead with Steve Poirier in second and Mitch Brown in third. Westbrook went into lap traffic with 10 laps in the books. Westbrook held the lead with Poirier making a great move on lap 22 to pass Westbrook with Jared Zimbardi in third. Poirier led the final laps to win the Patriot Tour with Westbrook and Zimbardi completing the top three.

The rain came in as preparations were being made for the Modified feature, but officials had to pull the plug for the rest of the evening. The Speedway will announce the remake dates in the next few days.

Another big event next week is the second round of the Race for the Cure

Sportsman feature event along with a complete show plus the autograph night.

Patriot Sprint Tour Feature Results (in order)

Steve Poirier, Dylan Westbrook, Jared Zimbardi, Mitch Brown, Cory Turner, Jordan Poirier, Lee Ladouceur, Rick Wilson, April Wilson, Yan Bilodeau, Chris Jones, Paul Pekkonen, Guillaume Neiderer, Jake Brown and Ryan Turner.

Cindy Ladouceur-Danny Lefebvre Memorial Mini-Stock Results (in order)

Joe McNicholls, Tyler French, Marc Dagenais, Dylan Kirkland, Steve Morin, Alexis Charbonneau, Skylar Ladouceur, Mike Gaucher, Patrice Moniere, Francis Dagenais, Justin Jodoin, Karl Potvin, Corey Gates, Jeff Humfry (DNS), Richard Thornton (DNS), Teddy Baird (DNS) and Tristan Hurford (DNS).

Russell Sports Dome naming opportunity opens

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – Organizers of the fundraising drive for the Russell Township Sports Dome have released eight methods corporate sponsors can assist with, including naming rights for the dome itself.

Interested parties can visit http://russell.ca/businesses/services_for_business/bid_and_tender_opportunities for the complete tender package.

The dome construction is underway on Sportsplex Drive, at the western edge of Embrun. Organizers report that they have recently received a number of large generous donations from individuals and businesses.

Fundraisers sent out a corporate brochure to about 575 businesses. The brochure outlines the other methods by which businesses and individuals could help. These include purchase of banner ads inside, purchase of external signs

outside and Founders Wall donations.

In addition, businesses are encouraged to participate in the five per cent Sports Day on Sat., July 22, during which businesses are asked to donate five per cent of their net revenues for the day, with or without a cap, towards the project. Participating businesses will be recognized with the amounts raised.

Both businesses and individuals are encouraged to run their own Sports Dome project internally, or to give donations in kind. Businesses may purchase items for the Sports Dome as listed on the website at www.sportsdomesportif.ca.

Finally, donors can purchase a lawn sign. Any business who donates \$100 will receive a white lawn sign. Donors giving \$500 will receive a gold lawn sign.

Additional inquiries can be sent to Doug Anthony at kindoug27@gmail.com.



Naming the dome

A naming opportunity of the Russell Township Sports Dome is up for tender through the Township of Russell website. Shown here are attendees at the groundbreaking ceremony earlier this year.

File photo



Letter To The Editor

Ontario can do better!

The Editor:

The report by Statistics Canada on job creation in the month of June should ring many alarm bells, especially within the government caucus and in the head of every worker in Ontario. The Ontario economy lost over 11,000 full-time jobs which can't be made up for by part-time work. Moreover, June took away 9,100 youth jobs and 2,200 manufacturing jobs – key components of a skilled,

stable and well-paid workforce. The government's own budget figures predict a slowdown in economic growth to 1.7 per cent by 2020, and a slowdown in job creation by almost a third by that date. Ontario can do better and it would, if only the present government let it do so.

The cost of electricity and over-regulation are driving our jobs and entrepreneurs away, factors confirmed by independent bodies such as the Fraser Institute. Instead of predicting a bleak future for Ontario's job growth, the government should remove the barriers that stand in its way. We could stop the reckless pursuit of overpaid wind

and solar generation our grid doesn't need. We could halt a costly and cumbersome cap-and-trade system that funnels our money to California in exchange for nothing of value. We could reduce businesses' wait times for licenses and permits by cutting red tape and building processing capacity. When six in 10 Employment Ontario program trainees are out of work after training, we could tailor training and apprenticeship programs to local labour market needs and trends. Those policies would be a good start.

Jim McDonnell, MPP

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PC leader visits Limoges

Candice Vetter
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LIMOGES – Patrick Brown, Ontario PC Leader, visited Limoges on Thurs., July 13, where he met with local municipal representatives, voters and PC candidate for Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, Amanda Simard.

In his speech, he accused the current Liberal government of using taxpayer dollars to promote its re-election bid. Brown said he was committed to restoring the Auditor General's ability to block partisan government ads.

"The next election will be about who will make it easier for families to make ends meet and get ahead," said Brown. "The PCs will restore the Auditor General's oversight so that hard-earned taxpayer dollars are not wasted."

In a press release, Brown stated that in 2015 the Wynne Liberals made amendments to the *Government Advertising Act, 2004* and that these changes eliminated the Auditor General's power to block partisan government ads. He said the Auditor General has warned that these changes have weakened her office to nothing but a "rubber stamp" for partisan government ads. He also claimed that in this fiscal year, the Wynne Liberals are more than doubling the amount of money spent on government advertising – spending \$57-million, an increase of \$32-million from last year.

The Ontario PCs have promised to restore oversight of government advertising to the Auditor General. The party also issued a new release on July 17, in which Brown announced a promise to put an immediate freeze on signing

future energy contracts, pending a full evidence-based review of Ontario's energy supply.

Brown claims that the Auditor General had previously reported that Ontario produces enough surplus energy every year to power the entire province of Manitoba. The release also stated that since this surplus power cannot be consumed within Ontario, it is given away for free or sold for a loss. "Under the Wynne Liberals, families, workers and small businesses are forced to pay skyrocketing hydro rates for electricity that the province cannot use," said Brown.



PCs together in Limoges

Ontario Progressive Conservative Party leader, Patrick Brown, discusses local issues with PC candidate Amanda Simard when Brown visited Limoges recently.

Courtesy photo

Feds and province provide water funding

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

EMBRUN – GPR MP Francis Drouin and GPR MPP Grant Crack, along with the mayors of Russell Township, Nation

Municipality and the Village of Casselman, attended at Bertrand Plumbing and Heating in Embrun, on Tues., July 4, to announce federal/provincial/municipal funding for five

water and wastewater infrastructure projects.

The federal government is providing up to 50 per cent of funding in the amount of \$1,501,763. The provincial government is

providing \$750,882, and Casselman, The Nation and Russell will provide the balance of the funding.

The approved projects include watermain twinning and water and wastewater servicing of Russell's Commercial Park, drinking water system upgrades for the Village of Casselman and a new water reservoir for the Village of Limoges.

This investment is part of an agreement between Canada and Ontario for the Clean Water and Wastewater Fund.

"As we grow, we are grateful for the continued support from the federal and provincial governments," said Russell Mayor Pierre Leroux in a media release. "The majority of these funds will help create a back-up water main to the village of Embrun as well

Save the dates for the Russell Fair

RUSSELL – Anyone interested in good old-fashioned country fun, food and entertainment is encouraged to save the dates of Thurs., Sept. 7 to Sun., Sept. 10 on their calendar. That's when the Russell Fair comes to the Russell Fair Grounds, at 1076 Concession Street, in Russell, Ont. – just a 20-minute drive east of Ottawa.

Music lovers will be excited by the news that this year's Friday night concert will feature two of Canada's best tribute bands – The Road Apples, Canada's premiere tribute to The Tragically Hip, and The Summer of '69, playing all the hits of Bryan Adams. And concert-goers will get an extra treat this year – the show will take place under a massive tent to be set up in the north baseball diamond. The arena will be taken over by a 4 on 4 Hockey Tournament.

What else is new? Check out the very popular Education Day, which is being extended to two days this year, Fri., Sept. 8 and Sat., Sept. 9. The Craft Beer Fest, held for the first time last year, is being expanded so fair-goers can enjoy even more local and regional thirst-

quenching beverages. Come and enjoy the taste of a cold one on Sat., Sept. 9, from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Kids and adults alike will be thrilled to witness Live Pro Wrestling on Sun., Sept. 10, as well as the Mighty Mini's championship wrestling – a family-friendly event that's sure to entertain. Also new is the ultimate thrilling aerial show, i-Flip, including a 60-foot death-defying high fall. Come and witness the excitement put on by Milord Entertainment.

Admission is \$10 for adults (except Saturday when it's \$12), \$5 for children (7 to 12); children under 7 are free. Weekend gate passes are \$25; Thurs., Sept. 7 is Toonie Day. From 5 to 10 p.m. any ride is a toonie.

The Fair is also once again having a free special needs afternoon, 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. on Thurs., Sept. 7, offering an afternoon filled with activities, rides and a petting zoo for children with special needs and a chaperone to enjoy. Register at reannslater@gmail.com.

Visit the website www.RussellFair.com to check out everything the Fair has to offer, along with the complete schedule of events, and to download the App, or follow on Facebook.



Welcoming water infrastructure

Representatives from all levels of government, including federal, provincial and municipal, along with representatives from Bertrand Plumbing and Heating, welcomed the joint announcement of funding for water infrastructure projects in Russell, the Nation and Casselman, at Bertrand's shop in Embrun on Tues., July 4.

Courtesy photo

More Taggart conflict allowed by MOE

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

OTTAWA – Recently Taggart Miller Environmental Services advertised for members of a Community Liaison Committee which would be set up as part of the landfill operation which recently received approval from the provincial Ministry of Environment under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*.

The Taggart release states the proposed committee is "pursuant to one of the conditions of approval and as contemplated in the environmental assessment for the facility. The CLC is intended to act as a

conduit of information and input to and from the local communities about the CRRRC and its operation. Host community royalties from the CRRRC will be handled by a separate committee to be established in consultation with the local community."

The release then asks interested parties to apply by explaining "your interest in participating in the CLC and how you think you can make a unique contribution...Only the successful candidates will be contacted."

Many opponents to the project have expressed surprise that the proponents are the ones who get to choose committee

members. The MOE has frequently referred to the "proponent-driven process" and this appears to be another example of the proponent running rough-shod over the community that will be despoiled by the presence of a 450,000-tonne per year landfill in its midst.

It is also not the first time that opponents have accused the MOE of allowing conflicts of interest in the Taggart Miller file. The person at the MOE who was recently the special project officer for the Taggart file, and is now the supervisor of the project review unit, was also an environmental assessment specialist for

as service the current Embrun Commercial Park and provide opportunities for future development."

"The Municipality of Casselman is growing," said Casselman Mayor Conrad Lamadeleine. "With this financial support, our infrastructure projects for the improvement of our water and sewerage system will be realized."

The federal government has stated it will provide

more than \$180-billion in infrastructure funding over 12 years for public transit, green infrastructure, social infrastructure, transportation that supports trade, and Canada's rural and northern communities. Since 2004, the Government of Ontario has committed over \$3.7-billion to municipalities across the province through the provincial gas tax program.

Golder Associates, which is the engineering consulting firm on this project, and he was a Golder employee during much of the life of this file (2010 to 2014). When that was pointed out to the MOE by opponents the ministry conducted an internal review, which, after several months, stated that was not considered a conflict.

The Villager attempted to contact Gary Wheeler of the MOE's communications branch to find out if it is true that proponents get to handpick the CLC members, but had not received an answer by press time.

Disclosure: Candice Vetter lives between the two sites proposed as the Taggart landfill and has officially been registered as opposing the facility.



“Meat” the manager for the Russell Sports Dome

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Villager Staff

RUSSELL – Jeff Goulding, the interim manager at the Russell Foodland, came from Kitchener to join with Foodland and Sobeys while owner Karine Boucher is away on maternity leave. When Maple Leaf decided to set up shop in the parking lot for a Sports Dome fundraiser, Kin Club past president and Sports Dome project manager, Doug Anthony, ran with the idea and put together “Meat” the Manager, an event of music, barbecue and, of course, tents for the always possible rainy weather.

All of the proceeds go to the Sports Dome and the barbecue products were donated by Maple Leaf. Buns were donated by Canada Bread.

Goulding was on site all day to meet the community and cook up some burgers and hotdogs to help support the Sports Dome project. “I love Russell. The community has been amazing and they are so giving and caring. It’s a really nice change, coming from Kitchener. I’ve been having a lot of fun and hopefully I can find a way to stick around,” said Goulding.

“The “Meat” the Manager barbecue on Fri., July 14, at Russell Foodland was a success raising \$775 for the Russell Township Sports Dome. The Kin Club of Russell sends a



One step closer

Interim Russell Foodland manager Jeff Goulding helped serve up some hotdogs before the Kin Club barbecue during the “Meat” the manager fundraiser on Fri., July 14. Representing Maple Leaf were Christina Chini (left) and Holly Elich (right).

Sawyer Helmer photo

special thank you to Foodland manager Jeff Goulding, Barry’s Home Hardware, Schneiders hot dogs, Just Awesome Sauce, and all those who supported the cause,” said Anthony in a later press release.



UCPR supports VIA Rail project

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

L’ORIGINAL – The Council of the United Counties of Prescott Russell recently voted unanimously to draw up a resolution of support for a

proposed high-frequency train route. VIA Rail has proposed a high-frequency train and dedicated tracks in the Quebec City-Windsor corridor, a plan that has long been talked about but not acted on.

The plan has been presented to the federal government and appears to have the support of Transport Minister Marc Garneau. UCPR mayors (who make up its council) are hopeful that the rail

line would enable UCPR residents to commute to Ottawa or Montreal by train.

The UCPR resolution asks the federal government to provide funding for the project and the provincial government to make it a high priority infrastructure project, but

most importantly for the region, asks both governments to ensure

trains provide service to railway stations in rural Eastern Ontario.

Correction

In the July 5 and 12 issues of *The Villager*, the Russell High School graduation dates were incorrectly listed and should have read Wed., June 28, and not June 29.

MoneySense magazine ranks Russell

Candice Vetter
Villager Staff

TORONTO – *MoneySense* magazine has ranked Russell Township as one of its top 25 places to live in Canada.

The ranking is based on financial factors which include a robust economy, high wealth and incomes, home affordability, low taxes, transit, health accessibility, low crime, arts and community, and nice weather.

Russell ranked 21, and Ottawa was number one. Russell scored well regarding income, costs of housing and unemployment rates. The magazine reported that the township has a population near 16,500, with

an estimated unemployment rate under three per cent. The median household income was listed as just under \$117,000 per year, higher than that in Ottawa, with an average house price around \$420,000, less than in Ottawa.

Russell had a low score regarding transit, and high scores for health and safety, for community, low crime, and generally good weather.

To see the whole report, as well as the rankings of several hundred other Canadian communities, go to <http://www.moneysense.ca/canadas-best-places-to-live-create-your-own-ranking/>.

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Pitre still recovering

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – Tina Boileau, who is the mother of Jonathan Pitre, the Russell teen who is in Minneapolis receiving a bone marrow transplant to treat his epidermolysis bullosa, has tweeted that Pitre is improving.

Boileau broke a three-week silence, saying she had no idea how to write a post with the roller coaster of emotions they have been undergoing. She said her son was admitted for a blood infection which later cleared. However, he soon contracted pneumonia and two viruses. His immune system is currently compromised, but medication needed to treat the viruses is a cytotoxic drug that has similar

effects to chemotherapy and acts as a cell suppressant. As a result, Pitre's white blood cell count plummeted from 13 to 0.4 last weekend (normal range is between 4 to 11). Boileau said that because of this, he wasn't responding to the medication that stimulates the bone marrow to produce granulocytes and stem cells and release them into the bloodstream.

She and the doctors were concerned about possible engraftment failure, which she described as the worst case scenario. However, a bone marrow, skin biopsy and spinal tap were performed recently. The first result indicated a blood cell

count of 15 (out of a scale ranging from 1 to 100). Boileau said that the number was not great but it did indicate he still had cells.

The next result was to find out if he was still engrafted, which she said was the hardest wait. Then on July 14 they received word that he is still 100 per cent engrafted with the donor cells received from his mother. His white blood cell count had also increased. Tests were done to see if he has an infection or a virus in his bone marrow that could contribute to his counts being low, but news of the engraftment was welcome. This was the second attempt at a transplant after one which did not take last fall.