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Briefly

Friday night roller skate

WINCHESTER - There are only three weeks left to enjoy the free Friday night roller skate at the Joel Steele Arena 7 to 9 p.m. The skate is for all ages and features a DJ to groove to throughout the events. Skaters can bring their own roller blades/skates or borrow from the lending library. The free skates run since June 22 are presented by Dairyfest.

Kids Park Days

CHESTERVILLE - Get out and enjoy the Kids Park Days, admission is FREE! Everyone is welcome for all the fun activities including arts and crafts, kiddy pool fishing, a bouncy castle and much more. From 10 a.m. to noon on Fri., July 27, Chesterville Community Park.

Main Street series

CHESTERVILLE - The 4th Meet Me on Main Street is tonight in Chesterville at 5:30 p.m. Due to the weather forecast the event will take place in the Chesterville Arena. Next Wed., Aug 1 will be the 5th and final event held in Winchester with entertainment from Brigadoons and featured beer from Beau's Brewing and Tuque de Broue.

Preserving rural life in SDG

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

SDG - In 2014 aerial photographs from eastern Ontario were studied by the South Nation Conservation Authority and revealed that the forest cover in the jurisdiction had dropped under the recommended 30 per cent to 28 per cent. In 2017 an Agricultural Forest Cover Committee was assembled by SNC to meet over the course of five months and present the SNC board with recommendations to mitigate the issue on the agricultural side. Agriculture was one of the leading factors for forest cover loss

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Avonmore Fair entertains all weekend

Grace MacDonald
Record Contributor

AVONMORE - The 158th annual Avonmore Fair took place July 21 to 23. Families were able to enjoy inflatable rides and games, as well as a Wild West show by Tom Bishop and an Ultimutts Stunt dogs show. "The Ultimutts Stunt Dog Show provided wonderful entertainment all weekend. Many people viewed this show multiple times during the fair and became attached to certain dogs (and one special cat) as they performed. This resulted in larger cheers each time a vote was asked of the crowd during their shows!" said Roxborough Agricultural Society director and fair entertainment committee chair and grounds superintendent, Brent McIntyre.

Saturday saw very warm temperatures and clear skies. The Western Gaming Show had one of

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Casting a line

Local children joined South Nation Conservation staff and guest speakers at the Cass Bridge Conservation Area on Wed., July 18 and Thurs., July 19 for the 10th annual Youth Fishing Camp Day. The Winchester camp was the second of three to be held over the summer that teaches the next generation of anglers how to fish responsibly and introduces children without any fishing experience to the joys of the sport.

Sawyer Helmer photo

SNC Youth Fishing Camp teaches responsible practices

Kalynn Sawyer Helmer
Record Staff

WINCHESTER - South Nation Conservation held their 10th annual youth fishing day camp at the Cass Bridge Conservation Area on Wed., July 18 and Thurs., July 19. The full days featured fishing, lunch and learning about best practices, types of fish and conservation efforts for children ages nine to 13. There were also guest speakers to talk about fly fishing, legislations and techniques.

Each day saw a full roster of children attend the event which was the second of three around the SNC jurisdiction. The fishing camp days are an initiative from the SNC similar to the youth hunting camp, both aim to teach the future generation of anglers and hunters, skills to be sustainable and environmentally

conscious in their practices. Before the children hit the dock to cast their lines, they are taught about the natural environment of the watershed, the tools of fishing responsibly and the cycle of life. The latter lesson was taught by explaining that fish who swallow the hooks or are injured can be released to become another fish's food.

"They are our future generation of anglers," said Samantha DeVries, SNC communications and outreach summer student on break from Bishop's University. "We teach them to conserve and enjoy nature, how to identify different fish species, how to properly catch and release and how to treat fish properly."

The final fishing day camp will be held on Aug. 8 and 9 at the Jessup's Falls Conservation Area in Plantagenet.



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Forest cover

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including, industrial and commercial developments, residential land developments, solar farms and unsustainable forest harvesting.

Most recently on July 12, Alison McDonald, manager of planning at the SDG Counties, presented County Council with a report to promote preserving and enhancing forest cover in SDG. "We are trending [downward] and if it keeps on that trend where we are losing one million trees a year, it will get to a point where we don't have enough to sustain clean air, clean water, mitigate soil erosion, etc. That is what prompted us to look at the issue as a county," McDonald said. "The county is looking at practical solutions that we can do to help. That is why we went to council to give them everything we had heard about that we think is practical, fair, reasonable and doable financially or legislatively."

McDonald said the County Council was very receptive of the recommendations and ideas, giving the go ahead to look into each with more depth to flesh out the best options going forward. McDonald said the next steps are to put together a team to do just that and then present the ideas to the incoming council after the election. To get there, one step McDonald wants to take is presenting to and getting insight from the local federations of agriculture. "In the presentation to council we focused on areas that the agricultural forest

cover committee supported in their recommendations and also tailored them into what the county can do," she said. McDonald was involved in the Agricultural Forest Cover Committee and said the time showcased that many use best management practices but that there are also those who do their business differently. "They came together as a group and said they were also concerned with the issue but worried that they were being negatively portrayed as an industry and they wanted a two pronged approach. One that showcases agriculture but also does something about the people that aren't necessarily a showcase for the community," said McDonald.

During the council meeting where McDonald gave the presentation, North Dundas Mayor Eric Duncan suggested low or no tax for forested land as an incentive. McDonald agreed that the idea was viable - being that forested land is not using services, but that to move forward there must be conversations with the treasurer and financial departments. What McDonald said she would like to know from the federations of agriculture, is whether such incentives would be enough to keep class four or five land, forested versus clearing.

Another incentive idea is to change the Eco-gift program. McDonald explained that during the sale of a farm, which would involve large capital gains, succession planning, severing land for children and RSPs would not be enough to offset capital gain. To help, farmers could

make an Eco-gift. "If we can get Eco-gift programs going that value forested land at the value it would be as farmland, then you might be able to sever off 100 acres and donate that to the county or the conservation authority and potentially generate around \$1.5-million in revenue offset for the sale of your property. At the time of liquidating or selling off the farm, you also make an Eco-gift transfer for the value of the forest as farmland and then you get a taxable benefit that is spread over multiple years. That's a very practical, tangible, win-win situation that we are looking for."

The forest cover issue brings forward a lot of different opinions and some of those involve look to other counties in Ontario. But McDonald explained, "If you've gone to Southwestern Ontario and seen some of the farmland there, where there is about four per cent forest cover, they have irrigation issues, crop and soil erosion issues, but their farmland is second to none. Somewhere like Lanark or Frontenac is all trees because they are on the shield they don't have great farmland. SDG is totally different than both of those extremes. We have a lot of excellent farmland and then we have swampy, rocky mineral areas, which you can do farming on like goats, hops and beef, but you don't necessarily have to clear cut 100 acres of a swamp and then try to do cropping and large livestock. We have a balance between those two types of landscapes and that makes it really difficult."

When looking at the

numbers, it can be overwhelming to see so much loss and many in the agricultural community have felt the backlash from conservation advocates. McDonald however said she is hesitant to come down too hard on agriculture. "For the most part, [farmers] may be doing exactly what they should be doing which is clearing good farm land that should be farmed," said McDonald. "The issue is, do we know where we are clearing, do we understand as an agricultural community what the best practices would be, do we understand leaving a buffer up to a watercourse and how that might benefit the agricultural land?"

One of the major problems, however, comes when industrial land clearing is happening without adherence to best practices. The only way to truly stop such needless clear-cutting is with a by-law or regulation. This creates fear for many in the agricultural community since the regulation might start out just trying to control industrial clearing and end up with a broader scope. "Once it's there, who's to say it won't be expanded," said McDonald.

For McDonald as well as many others who come from the rural areas of SDG, forested land plays a big part in the quality rural life that the area and it's residents are trying to

preserve. Big block forests throughout farmland and rural SDG means good habitats, flood and drought mitigation, reduced soil erosion and the preservation of clean air and clean water. In order to maintain the quality rural lifestyle of the area, McDonald advocates for a perfect balance - crops on the right classes of soil, wetlands and forests that remain on less viable farming land. "If you drive around a lot, around the whole county, you start to think that the balance is moving too far in the wrong direction," said McDonald. "If everyone cares about this, lets all do our part. Everybody has a part to play and everybody has to agree this is important."



Splash it up

On Tues., July 17 two cheque presentations took place at the Ingleside Splash Pad from community minded residents. Richard and Gloria Waldroff donated \$1,000 towards the Ingleside Splash Pad. This money was raised over the last two years from the Ingleside Yard Sale barbecue and the Stormont Community Foundation donated \$1,500. This money was raised from the canteen sales from trade shows at Town Hall. From the left, Gloria Waldroff, Richard Waldroff, Kevin Amelotte and Sandra Donnelly.

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4-H clubs join SNC to clean up park

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CASS BRIDGE — As part of a community exchange, the Dundas 4-H Club welcomed their counterparts from Vegreville, AB and in cooperation with the South Nation Conservation Authority (SNC) took a day to have fun and clean-up the Cass Bridge Conservation Area just South of Winchester on Fri., July 20.

There were 20 youths ages 12 to 17 from both Vegreville and Dundas County along with two chaperones from each club and members of SNC were divided into four groups, each with a different task to do their part in the clean-up of the area.

On hand there were two youth service leaders who were from Saskatchewan and Prince Edward Island as part of a program called Hands to Larger Service. The four stations were water testing - where they checked the water in the South Nation River for oxygen levels with a chemistry kit provided and demonstrated by SNC. This part of the project was called Find Your 4-H Wings. The second station was a kayak trek to pick up garbage and other debris found in or along the river; six kayakers were provided, the third station was putting together picnic tables and a bench; which were donated to the SNC by the club and the final station was the park clean-up as the group went around picking up garbage in the park and surrounding ditches.

This was the back end of a home and home visit for



Hands to Larger Service

The Dundas County 4-H Club welcomed a 4-H Club from Vegreville, AB and in cooperation with the South Nation Conservation Authority completed some projects on Fri., July 20, at the Cass Bridge Conservation Area. Ten youth from each club participated in the day along with four chaperones and a couple of youth leaders of the project dubbed Hands to Larger Service.

Moore photo



Cleaning up the river bank

The 4-H Club also did some house keeping along the river bank as they rotated into different stations during the day long event. The group stare down a big bullfrog that was sitting in the shade at the bottom of the hill.

Moore photo



Nation water looks good

The Dundas County 4-H Club welcomed the 4-H Club from Vegreville, AB to the Cass Bridge Conservation Area north of Winchester on Fri., July 20. At this station, the members got to test the Nation River water for oxygen with the assistance of a South Nation Conservation Authority representative.

Moore photo

the youth after the Dundas Club spent 10 days in Vegreville where they did a history project as they visited the Ukrainian Cultural Village. They enjoyed the Pysanka Festival as they watched Ukrainian Dancers perform.

The group also visited the Hutterites and from there they travelled to the

West Edmonton Mall and Elk Island National Park. Next the group had planned to visit the Seaway Locks in Iroquois, the Visitors Centre in Cornwall, the Lost Villages Museum, Parliament Hill and take in the sound and lights show, Calypso Water Park and finally zip lining at Camp Fortune.



Horse play allowed

At another station, the 4-H Clubs got to try out kayaks and paddle up and down the South Nation River seeking out garbage and other refuse. This seemed to be the most fun part of their day.

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The Vibrant Community Round Table looking for help building common agenda

SDG – The Social Development Council of Cornwall and Area and its Vibrant Community Roundtable partners is launching a survey to help them build a common agenda.

The Vibrant Community Roundtable is a project that brings together various community members from all walks of life representing Akwesasne, Cornwall and the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry. Community members include government representatives, individuals from the business, non-profit and interfaith sectors along with individual community members who have experience dealing with poverty or have faced adversity.

The purpose is to engage in discussion about how to address complex societal issues like poverty and community liveability. The ultimate goal is to form a group that will work together to build a healthier and more resilient and vibrant community for all.

“There is so much strength when an entire community gets together to support a project. This is why I see so much potential with The Vibrant Community Round Table” says Carilyne Hebert, executive director of the Social Development Council.

VCR and SDC are asking for your help in developing their common agenda and determining their main focus. This survey is the next step in building a vibrant community. Response will directly impact the direction the round table will be taking.

“We want to hear from residents from across all of SDG, Cornwall and area. We want to engage people from all sectors and backgrounds. The survey is short and shouldn't take more than three minutes to complete. The main questions are about your personal priorities and our community priority. These three minutes will help shape the work of the Vibrant Community Round Table.”

The English survey can be found at <https://sdccornwall.ca/survey> and the French survey at <https://sdccornwall.ca/sondage>.

The group will meet again this fall with all the survey data and will be able to start focusing their work on the community's priorities.



Skies clear for MPP picnic

SDSG MPP Jim McDonnell held his annual picnic to speak with constituents and enjoy a summer afternoon. McDonnell and his wife Margie mingled with the community and welcomes around 125 residents to the event held this year at Lakeview Park in Long Sault. Despite the morning rain and threatening clouds, the weather cleared just in time to enjoy the picnic outside.

Courtesy photos

CASTOR Country

By Tom Van Dusen

I need a beer!

In the staggering heat of a particularly debilitating summer, where does a guy go for a cold beer and a little atmosphere around here anymore?

Beer, mead, through the ages the magic elixir, the hydrator and restorer of whatever nutrients are lost when you're sweating by the bucket. One of my biggest disappointments in life is that, somewhere along the way, I allegedly developed an allergy to yeast which, of course, should limit my beer intake. I say "allegedly" because I pretty much ignore it.

I mean, it's one of the prerequisites of summer, a tradition that knows few equals. A man – and these days, probably a woman – must have, is entitled to, his watering hole, a familiar place where everybody knows his name. Hey... that has an interesting ring to it!

A proper summer drinking establishment comes with a few compulsory accessories, draft taps being the most important. When drinking at a pub or bar, I insist on draft; these days, I'm becoming more particular too, always requesting locally brewed craft beer. If there isn't a local on tap, I'll grudgingly accept a pale, watery multinational, but

not without making my annoyance obvious. Some of those bartenders must be really happy to see me leave!

I've turned on my heel and walked out of bars after discovering they offered no taps... tap-less! Draft, some modest food selections, rickety stools, music... these are very important essentials. A patio is optional, especially in this never-ending heat and humidity wave. Beer company posters and ancient unrecognizable artifacts are all good in providing homey surroundings.

When I whine... where does a guy go for a beer? I'm mainly talking about Russell since the local pub, a watering hole par excellence for more than a century closed down, was converted into we're not sure what, and nothing came in to replace it.

Yes, there is the much improved Russell Legion with its new long bar and a handful of taps, and I'm not knocking it. It's not exactly a pub but it certainly will do in a pinch, particularly on Karaoke Saturday once a month. Have I mentioned that my perfect watering hole would offer karaoke three times a week?

Shifting to Embrun, there's now a bit of a selection when it comes to

pub'ish drinking establishments. My favourite, the Lucky 7 with baskets of peanuts-in-the-shell on the bar and several taps, has been replaced by a Boston Pizza which has a small bar area. Sorry George, but the atmosphere just isn't like it used to be!

I've discovered lately that Étienne Brûlé in the old Embrun firehall is a pretty good spot to down a pretty good draft brewed right on the premises in pretty good company. Further east on Notre Dame is Half Pints which I've frequented once and don't feel competent to fully assess.

When it comes to Embrun pubs, though, the hidden jewel is Maurice Lemieux's Village Sports Bar, reminiscent in a way of the dead-and-buried Russell House Pub, with the owner's countless sports team trophies decorating the room. Over the years, Maurice has ruled the world with his broomball teams and his hockey teams haven't been slouches either. He's currently owner of the Metcalfe Jets and I'm not sure what else.

You can't have a finer time on a Wednesday evening in the Russell-Embrun corridor than at the Village. That's when the old time music makers gather for impromptu jam sessions. These aren't rank



amateurs... they're pros who know how to coax memorable, mainly country tunes out of various stringed instruments and keep the toes tapping all night.

If I have one complaint about the Village, it's that there's only one tap and that dispenses one of the interchangeable big commercial brands. But one tap is better than no tap, right! Before I get to Prescott, there is McCloskey's Hotel in Chesterville, a great place for a fair pour and creative environment.

The other part of my life is spent in Prescott, where a guy has no problem ordering up a draft in a very serviceable pub, three of which are within a four-minute walk from my place. No, I didn't time it; it's an educated guess.

A 10-minute bike ride away is the Windmill Brewery which has Friday night live music in an outdoor pavilion, with \$5 drafts brewed on the premises, and pulled pork on a bun. It doesn't get much better than that, eh draft fans?

OCPA Plowing Fore A Cure supports Winchester and Kemptville Hospitals

OTTAWA – The Ottawa Carleton Plowmen's Association (OCPA) and two area hospitals have teamed-up to host the 15th Annual Plowing Fore A Cure Golf Tournament on Tues., Aug. 14, at Emerald Links Golf and Country Club.

This year's tournament is being held in memory of Lloyd Cowan, 1923 – 2017. Lloyd was born into a farm family in Metcalfe Corners where he spent his youth working on his family and neighbours' farms. Lloyd later worked driving a truck for the City of Ottawa, delivered milk, waited tables and drove a taxi. He subsequently started his own surge milking machine dealership in North Gower and later moved to Manotick where he built his home and shop. Lloyd was heavily involved with the Ottawa Carleton Plowmen's Association and the International Plowing Match held in Richmond in 1983. Highly regarded in the farming community, Lloyd will always be remembered as a senior statesman of agriculture in Ottawa-Carleton.

Proceeds from this tournament will be divided equally between the Kemptville District Hospital Foundation and the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation. Kemptville plans to use the funds to purchase much needed equipment for use in cancer patient care.

The \$125 per person early registration (prior to Aug. 7) fee includes nine holes, a cart, dinner, awards presentation and silent and live auctions. To attend the dinner and auction only is \$50. Registration deadline is

Thurs., Aug. 9 and can be done online at www.emeraldlinks.com

In September 2001, the Ottawa-Carleton Plowmen's Association and the Ontario Plowmen's Association hosted Rural Expo 2001, The International Plowing Match in Navan. This event had two goals; to promote the agricultural community and to provide a lasting legacy to the community. As part of this legacy, supporters of the IPM2001 continue to raise funds towards patient care for Ottawa area hospitals through this tournament.



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SDG Library – ‘Library of Things’

SDG – The SDG Library has just launched a new collection of items for library members to borrow, called the ‘Library of Things’. Wikipedia describes the ‘Library of Things’ as “non-traditional items that are being loaned by libraries, [which] can include kitchen appliances, tools, gardening equipment and seeds, electronics, toys and games, art, science kits ... and more.” SDG Library has chosen to offer musical instruments for its first collection of items.

“Thanks to one of the Library’s biggest advocates, Bill McGimpsey of The Cooperators, and his generous financial support for this project, we were able to purchase six acoustic guitars, complete with straps, tuners, chord books and cases,” says Karen Franklin, director of library services. “We were

also able to leverage some technology funding to purchase an electronic piano. We are now hoping to add ukuleles to the collection, to help round out our offerings. The idea is to give the public the opportunity to borrow a musical instrument, which in turn may encourage people to want to learn more.” Not only can you borrow an instrument, you can take free music lessons via ArtistWorks, compliments of the Library. “By focusing on instruments that combine melody, harmony and rhythm, we hope to inspire borrowers’ creativity, and foster their interest in music.” Franklin adds that the Library will gratefully accept financial donations and items to help develop this collection.

The SDG Library is also adding its fifteen Mobile

Internet Hotspots, introduced in 2017, to the ‘Library of Things’. These portable ‘MiFi’ devices allow borrowers to access the Internet wherever they may be – at the cottage, while travelling, or at home if one doesn’t have Internet service. They can even access the Library at sdglibrary.ca. The Hotspots have proven to be very popular with Library members to date, resulting in an ongoing waiting list to borrow one.

Libraries of today are very different organizations when compared to libraries of the past. While the promotion of literacy is still the core objective, the techniques, services, and technologies used to achieve this objective might surprise those who have not visited a library lately. The ‘Library of Things’ is a prime example of this.



From left, Karen Franklin, director of library services, SDG Library; Bill McGimpsey, owner/operator, The Cooperators; Nicholas Seguin, communications and marketing coordinator. Courtesy photo

Shroomfest does it again

WINCHESTER – Each year, Shroomfest raises money for local charities in a big way. On May 4, over 500 men came together for dinner catered by AJ’s Catering, a comedy show and live and silent auctions. The result was \$62,950 for more than 30 worthy causes.

At a subsequent presentation event, the Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation received \$5,000 from the event. The donation will be directed to the Family Care Fund. Since 2007, Shroomfest has donated \$33,000 to the Foundation.

In total, Shroomfest has raised over \$415,000 for the community. Their donations support small local charities for youth, seniors’ programs and supports, and rural recreation in Osgoode. Committee members include Al Graham, Brian



Doing good

Shroomfest committee member Al Graham presents a cheque for \$5,000 to Cindy Peters, WDMH manager, direct mail and events. Courtesy Winchester Press photo

Johnston, Kevin Cavan, Daryn Hicks, Doug Anderson, Brendan Cavan, Steve Corlyon, Bruce Buckland, Fernando Medeiros, and Seth Curtis. “From what I hear, this is always a fun night. Evenings out like this are

important for those of us living in rural communities and even more important for charities and non-profits that rely on funding from the public,” notes Kristen Casselman, the Foundation’s managing

director. “I would like to extend my sincerest gratitude to the Shroomfest committee for thinking of WDMH and its patients again this year. We are so appreciative of this gift and your ongoing support over the years.”

Seaway Train Show welcomes thousands

LONG SAULT – Over 4,000 people attended the seventh annual Seaway Train Show held at the Long Sault Arena over the weekend of July 21 and 22. Organizers Rudy Tabak and Marie Morrell said it was the best year yet.

Visitors came to the small town from as far as Syracuse N.Y., Ottawa, Toronto, Quebec City, Farnham, Bedford and Valleyfield, P.Q., Aurora, Borden and Withy. Excluding Toronto, the Seaway Train Show is the biggest show of its kind in eastern Ontario and western Quebec. The event features 19 exhibitors and over 30 vendors for visitors to enjoy.

This year, the winner of the \$750 Via Rail gift certificate was Erin Sheehand Powel of Manotick. The event also raised roughly \$4,500. Tabak and Morrell said in an email after the event: “we will be able to realize more dreams for special needs people artistically inclined.”

The organizing pair said despite almost 5,000 people in Long Sault, Avonmore and Moose Creek areas losing power from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. on the Sunday, the show was still packed with people who wanted to come out and see the trains.

“This was our best year ever and people had a lot of fun doing slot car racing thanks to Ray Savard, balloonist artist Amanda Brown and all the event’s volunteers.”

Card of Thanks

The family of the late Mrs. Pauline A. Lauzon wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to their relatives, friends and neighbours who all conveyed their condolences and their many acts of kindness extended to us at the time of our mother’s passing.

The messages of sympathy, memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society, and Winchester District Memorial Hospital (W.D.M.H.), Mass cards, floral tributes and gifts of food brought to our homes were very much appreciated.

Special thanks to Father Charles Enyinnia for the lovely service and to Pierre Vaillancourt for the music. To Manon Gagnier-Kapeller and Michelle Gagnier for the readings and to the pallbearers Norm Ranger, Terry Williams, Robert Ranger and Maurice Quenneville, your support will not be forgotten. Thank you to Alistair M. MacDonald and his staff at Munro & Morris Funeral Home for their professionalism and kindness. To the friends and the Chesterville Legion members for providing the lunch served after the service, thank you.

Our family sincerely appreciated the care given by Dr. Oussama Fares, his staff and the staff at W.D.M.H. The care and support that was provided at home by Zena Reoch and all of the nurses from Bayshore Health Care, Natalie Primeau from Champlain Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), and Danielle Drouin from Elizabeth Bruyère Specialized Services, has been greatly cherished. We also appreciated the service provided by the staff at Pharmachoice in Chesterville.

Your kindness and support will always be remembered by us.
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SNC committees thanked for a job well done

FINCH – South Nation Conservation (SNC) is proud of its environmental programs, some of which have been adopted by other agencies; proud of its staff, many of whom have been on board for most of their careers; and proud of its close connections to the communities it serves.

Following SNC's 70th anniversary in 2017, SNC is also very proud of its dedicated volunteers, many of whom channel their support through the authority's 20-year-old committee structure.

Several long-time committee members have been acknowledged for their contributions through the "Friends of South Nation Conservation" recognitions. At a recent

meeting of the board of directors, committees were thanked collectively for 20 years of service. A ceremonial shagbark hickory tree was planted in the backyard of the SNC office in Finch to honour committee members and their work.

"The committee structure is one of the things about SNC that I appreciate the most. The fact so many people have voluntarily committed themselves to the organization and its mandate is a clear indication of broad community acceptance," said Fernand Dicaire, SNC's board of directors chair.

Meeting up to six times a year, the SNC standing committees include clean

water, communications, fish and wildlife, and forestry. They're made up of representatives of the general public, community groups, agriculture and other landowners, business, industry, provincial and municipal governments, and the board. Once a year in March, all committees meet on the same day to get a better idea of projects each is involved with.

"We simply couldn't have made the advances that we have without the input, advice and hard work of the committees," said Angela Coleman, SNC general manager.

The dedication which has come to be expected among committee members was no better exemplified than by the late Ian Mitchell



A ceremonial shagbark hickory tree was planted in the backyard of the SNC office in Finch to honour committee members and their work during a meeting of the board of directors recently.

Courtesy photo

who was a past chair of the communications committee. On July 5, a bench was dedicated at Reveler Conservation Area to recognize his efforts in promoting outdoor

recreation and education, partly through the Geocachers of Eastern Ontario which he co-founded.

"Ian's commitment to protecting the local

environment was unmatched," said SNC communications and outreach team lead, John Mesman, adding his thanks for a job well done to all committee members.

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Winners from the Avonmore Fair 4-H Calf Rally

AVONMORE – The Avonmore Fair on the weekend of July 20 to 22 featured a 4-H Calf Rally for dairy and beef. Young 4-Hers from across the region came to show their animals. The winners were as follows.

Dairy
 Novice Showman: Taylor Mathers, Dundas and Cooper Smith, Prescott; Junior Showman: Jason McOuat, Que. and Nadia Uhr, Stormont; Intermediate Showman: Janine Spichtig, Stormont and Kyla Baranowski, Prescott; Senior Showman: Aimee VanLoon, Stormont and Cassie Allen, Prescott; Champion Showman: Aimee VanLoon, Stormont; Reserve Showman: Cassie Allen, Prescott; Honorable Mention Showman: Taylor Mathers, Dundas; Champion Holstein Calf: Joshua Uhr, Stormont; Reserve Champion Holstein Calf: Cooper Smith, Prescott; Honorable Mention: Jonathon Buiting, Stormont; Champion Ayrshire Calf: Graceson Bergeron, Russell; Reserve Champion Ayrshire Calf: Patrick Daoust, Stormont; Honorable Mention: Ceilidh Newman, Russell; Champion Jersey Calf: Aimee VanLoon, Stormont; Reserve Champion Jersey Calf: Cassidy Porteous, Dundas; Honorable Mention: Alex Beaudette, Stormont; Champion Brown Swiss Calf: Sydney Mode, Prescott; Reserve Champion Brown Swiss Calf: Anne-Marie Campeau, Russell; Other Dairy Breeds: Kylie Cornelissen, Glengarry; Heifer: Aimee VanLoon, Stormont; Interbreed

Reserve Champion Heifer: Graceson Bergeron, Russell; Interbreed HM Champion Heifer: Joshua Uhr, Stormont; Group of Three Heifers - 1st: Stormont County; Group of Three Heifers - 2nd: Russell County; Group of Three Heifers - 3rd: Dundas County; Tie Stall Competition - 1st: Glengarry County; Tie Stall Competition - 2nd: Russell County.

Beef
 Novice Showman: Claire Stewart, Stormont and Hailey Jamieson, Stormont; Junior Showman: Riley Jampen, Carleton; Intermediate Showman: Terry Ennis, Stormont and Brennan Daly, Carleton; Senior Showman: Aimee VanLoon, Stormont and Colleen Shirley, Stormont; Champion Showman: Terry Ennis, Stormont; Reserve Showman: Aimee VanLoon, Stormont; Reserve Champion Beef Calf: Terry Ennis, Stormont; Tie Stall Competition - 1st: Stormont County; Tie Stall Competition - 2nd: Carleton County.

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Obituary



KENWARD, Ann

V. Ann Kenward passed away peacefully on the morning of July 18th, 2018, in her 71st year, after a courageous year and a half battle with cancer. Ann is lovingly remembered by her husband of 49 years, Stephen Andrew, her sons, Stephen Charles (Tamara) and Jonathon (Shannon), and four grandchildren, Lauren, Julian, Jacob and Lucas. Ann will also be fondly remembered by brothers and sisters, Donald (Anna), Gordon (Peggy), Sheila (John), Susan and Chris (Heather). Family and friends are invited to a celebration of hope at the Nelson Laprade Centre in Chesterville, starting at 3pm on Saturday August 4th, and will include a pot luck meal. (Dress is casual). Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

Card of Thanks

The family of Toni Van Hoof wish to extend our deepest gratitude to all the staff of the Woodland Villa in Long Sault, for the wonderful care before and after her passing. Thank you to everyone who sent cards, flowers, donations and words of encouragement and support. This has meant so much to all of us.

Thank you to Father Thomas, the St. Mary's Catholic Church choir for the wonderful service. To the ladies of St. Mary's Church Morrisburg, we appreciated the luncheon you provided.

To Dave Lapier and staff, a big thank you for taking care of all the arrangements.

To all of you, your kindness will always be remembered.

The Van Hoof Family

Obituary



ANTONIA "TONI" VAN HOOFF

A resident of the Woodland Villa Nursing Home in Long Sault for the past five months, Toni Van Hoof passed away there on Wednesday, July 11, 2018. She was 88.

Toni was born in Keldonk, The Netherlands on July 3, 1930 to her parents Johannus and Anna Byvelds (nee Van Dommelen). Toni immigrated to Canada along with her family in 1953 and she married Jack Van Hoof on June 29, 1957 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chesterville.

Toni and Jack were members of the Morrisburg and District Horticultural Society. Toni enjoyed working with flowers, knitting, crocheting, sewing and reading. She was an accomplished seamstress and she did alterations for the Clothing Barn in Glen Becker which was owned by Alex and Mary English. Toni's greatest joy were her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Toni is survived by her children Francine Melenhorst (Josh) of Winchester, Donald (Laurie) of Williamsburg, Gary (Julie) of Morrisburg, Brian (Shanna) of Williamsburg, Paul (Donna) of Metcalfe and Lisa Cassidy (Steve) of Addison, her siblings Martin Byvelds (Johanna) of Boucks Hill, John A. Byvelds (Toni) of Williamsburg, Anthony Byvelds (Corrie) of Williamsburg and Catherine Van Moorsel of Williamsburg. Toni will be fondly remembered by 17 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband Sjaak "Jack" Van Hoof, her granddaughter Michelle Van Hoof and her brothers Arnold, Albert, Bill, Johannus and Gerry Byvelds. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Friends may call at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Williamsburg, on Sunday from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Morrisburg, on Monday, July 16 at 11 a.m., with Father Thomas officiating.

Interment was at St. Mary's Cemetery in Morrisburg. Pallbearers were grandchildren Michael Melenhorst, Kelly Van Hoof, Kayla Van Hoof, Colin Van Hoof, Jaxon Van Hoof and Douglas Cassidy.

Donations to St. Mary's Church or CHEO would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

~ OBITUARY ~

BARKLEY, Charles "Chuck"
 Real Estate Agent for 30 years



Suddenly at his cottage on Tuesday, July 17, 2018, Chuck Barkley of Elma, age 62. Loving husband of Gail Barkley (nee Smith). Loving father of Chris (Midori) of Toronto, Stefan (Amalie) of Alliston and Damon (Terra) of Merrickville. Beloved son of Edna Barkley (nee McNairn) of Morrisburg and the late Arnold Barkley. Dear brother of Marilyn Barkley of Morrisburg, Karen Barkley of Toronto, Brenda Lafortune (Leo) of Mariatown and Danny Barkley (Michelle) of Ottawa. Chuck will be fondly remembered by grandchildren Minami and Haruki. Also survived by aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Friends may call at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home, Williamsburg, on Friday, July 27th from 6-9 p.m. A Celebration of Chuck's Life will be held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Morrisburg on Saturday, July 28th from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. There will be an opportunity to share memories of Chuck at 1 p.m. Donations to the Alzheimer's Society or the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

Avonmore Fair

Continued from the front

the biggest turn outs. Spectators enjoyed the speed events where riders and their horses competed for the fastest times. There was also over 100 4-H competitors who came out to show their cows. "The 4-H dairy calf show saw wonderful attendance with over 110 calves entered and subsequently great viewing numbers. This show has grown in the last few years due to the timeless efforts of director Jill Robinson and her group in contacting clubs and collecting an impressive list of show sponsors. Even eight pee-wee competitors found their way to the show ring. The 4-H beef show was smaller than normal due to competing schedules of numerous breed shows in other areas, but it was none the less impressive with exuberant participants despite Sunday's early morning rains," said McIntyre.



Fair day fun

Who knew that inflatable rides could be so adventurous? Morgan Fraser of Williamstown claimed the challenge of these rides during the Avonmore Fair July 21. Vogel photo

Saturday evening saw entertainment by Tom Bishop, whose show was a highlight of the weekend. With this show travelling from the Niagra area, MacIntyre said he was disappointed they did not arrive as scheduled on Friday so their show could have been set up earlier and fairgoers could see the scope of this show in advance. "Despite this delay, the performance proved extremely thrilling when it came to showtime! Trick

riding, Roman riding, various rope spinning tricks both on horseback and off, and even western gun tricks were interspersed with audience participation to provide fun filled shows!" he said.

On Sunday, the heavy rain did not stop the western and english competitors from showing their horses. "The Western Gaming shows had over 75 horses registered. Organizers Crystal and Paul Vogel worked hard to garner these

animal numbers as well as their show sponsorships. Paul was worried about the strong possibility of high temperatures, as this had caused the cancellation of some horse shows this summer. Luckily there was enough cloud cover during mid-day that temperatures were kept in check," said McIntyre

Around noon, the sky's had cleared up and made for a very cool afternoon at the Avonmore Fair. It was a weekend that all enjoyed.



What a pair

The winners of the pairs class during the Western Pleasure show on Sun., July 22 at the Avonmore Fair brought sisters Naomi and Kylie Cornelissen to win the red ribbon. Vogel photo



Fair games

This walk/jog competitor is all smiles as she completes her horsemanship pattern during Sunday's Western Pleasure show. MacDonald photo

Ingleside celebrates 60

INGLESIDE – The Ingleside Firefighter Association hosted the celebration of Ingleside's 60th anniversary at the shopping plaza on Sat., July 21. The event featured a fun day of free activities for all ages. "We had a wonderful day for our Celebration 60 Event. The community came out in droves to enjoy the day's activities," said event organizer and Ingleside resident Jennifer MacIsaac.

For the children, there were inflatables by Bubble Bounce, pony rides by Mellow Meadows Equestrian and a children's firefighter challenge. The actual firefighters performed a car extraction demonstration and old equipment was on display for residents to see. A big part of the annual event was missing this year however. The firefighter challenge, that hosted firefighters from across the region to compete in a gruelling course was no longer part of the day. This is in some part due to the event becoming less popular over the years.

Music from 5 p.m. until 1 a.m. featured The Shiners, Kilts, Riffs and Spurs, and Hadrian's Wall. The day also supplied a barbecue from the Schneiders Foodland Community Cruiser in the afternoon and Twisted Kitchen Food Trailer during the evening entertainment.

The event raised money throughout the day, the dunk tank itself was a big hit and raised roughly \$600 and the Sheider's Foodland Cruiser raised \$1,100. At the opening ceremonies Mayor Jim Bancroft spoke to the crowd and then was presented with a \$5,000 cheque from the Celebration 60 committee on behalf of the Ingleside Firefighters' Association. The contribution will be donated to the Township of South Stormont for the splash pad scheduled to be completed in August.

"It was wonderful to see our South Stormont residents and visitors come and celebrate the 60th anniversary of our community. So much community pride was shown this Saturday and the organizing committee members were quite pleased with the response and to learn about the many people from away who traveled home to attend our event. None of this would be possible without the support of over forty local businesses and organizations who sponsored the event and made it possible for us to offer free children's activities all day and three great bands with no cover charge. A big thank you goes out to all of the wonderful student volunteers as well as Ingleside Fire Department members and their families who volunteered their time to provide a great experience for our guests," summed up MacIsaac.



Fire fun

The Fire Guy Show was a big hit during Celebration 60 Ingleside on Sat., July 21. Between his fire act shows Fire Guy did interactive work shops with the children with hula hoops, juggling balls and devil sticks. Courtesy photo



Building for the future

Celebration 60 Committee members presented Mayor Jim Bancroft with a cheque for \$5,000 during the event on Sat., July 21. From the left, Paul MacIsaac, Zach Gingras, Stacy Charlebois (event chair), Mayor Jim Bancroft and Jennifer MacIsaac. Courtesy photo

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- August 15** 12:00 Diners' Club. Menu: Chicken a la King, Oven Potatoes, California Mix, Chocolate Cake. Cost \$7.00
- August 17** 12:00 Lunch & Craft. Menu: Pork Chops, Sweet Potato Fries, Veggies, Apple Crisp. Cost \$10.00
- August 22** 12:00 Open Mic Diners' Club. Menu: Roast Beef & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Chocolate Cream Pie. Cost \$7.00. *We want to see your grandkids special talent or yours! Please call office to reserve you mic time.*
- August 28** 10:00 Cornwall Shopping Trip. Pick-up at the Finch Support Centre. Cost \$8.00. Please call to reserve your seat.
- August 29** 12:00 Diners' Club. Menu: Turkey & Gravy, Potatoes, Salad, Coconut Cream Pie. Cost \$7.00.
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SNC co-hosts "It's All About the River" event in Morrisburg

MORRISBURG – South Nation Conservation (SNC) teamed up with the River Institute and the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce on July 21 to deliver a family fun day along the Morrisburg waterfront, meant to coincide with the Renegade Bass Fishing Tour's fishing tournament on the St. Lawrence River that day.

"It's All About the River" featured free kids fishing, live music from local entertainer Faye McMillan, local vendors, prizes and family activities. Attendees were also treated to the sight of dozens of bass fishing boats participating in the tournament.

Additionally, South Dundas Mayor Evonne Delegarde was on hand to deliver opening remarks alongside representatives from SNC, South Dundas Chamber of Commerce and the River Institute.

"We're very happy that we were able to work with our partners to deliver an educational family fun fishing experience," says John Mesman, SNC team lead, communications. "These events serve as great opportunities to teach about the importance of maintaining our environment while having fun," he explains.

It's estimated that by noon on Saturday, over 100 people were present at the Morrisburg waterfront to soak it all in. The reaction



Fun-filled day

From left, Peggy Taylor, SNC Board of Directors and Cindy Saucier, SNC education and stewardship. Courtesy SNC photo



At the booth

From left, Britney Bourdage, invading species community outreach and Cindy Saucier. Courtesy SNC photo

was positive; there are already talks of turning it into an annual event.

"I think we'd all like to see this event happen again next year and beyond," says

Mesman. "We look forward to working with the River Institute and the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce for potential future editions."



Fishing in the sun

Community members were invited to fish during the It's All About the River event on Sat., July 21, with equipment provided by SNC. Courtesy SNC photo



Packed tournament

The Renegade Bass Fishing tournament took place at the same time as the first ever It's All About the River event on July 21. Courtesy SNC photo



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Blue finishes season undefeated, Red in second

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE — In the first game of the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League's final week of the regular season Red played host to Yellow in the first game of Thursday night and Blue welcomed Green in their season finale.

Red 3 Yellow 3: The Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League opened their night with Red playing host to Yellow on Thurs., July 19 at the Chesterville Arena. Neither team was moving up or down heading into their final game and will face each other in the opening game of the round-robin playoff format.

Red opened the score when Lesley Ann Tupper slid one home from Jessica Rutley just 2:02 into the first period taking a 1-0 lead. Red made it 2-0 when Tupper

scored her second of the game at the 15-minute mark from Rutley and Emma Grady. With time winding down in the first period,

Yellow cut the deficit in half as Michelle Lang fired one to the back of the net from Heather Erwin and Janice Casselman with just 31 seconds remaining. Red took a 2-1 lead into the second period. Red restored their two-goal lead when Tupper scored unassisted at 13:10 of the second period and took a 3-1 lead into the third period.

Yellow cut into Red's lead when Jackie Morris slapped one home from Shannon McRae and Jessica Winters just 1:37 into the third period. Yellow knotted the game at three when Morris scored her second of the game with 2:37 remaining in the game.

Neither team was able to

score the game winner as the time on the clock expired so they settled for a three-all draw. Playing in goal for Red was Julia Shaver and Patti Mitton for Yellow.

Blue 2 Green 0: In the second game of the night in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League, Blue welcomed Green. Blue had secured first place about a month ago, the only question left is could they go the whole season without being beaten.

Blue had a chance for a perfect season but had to settle for a tie the previous week. Blue opened the scoring when Jaelyn Crump pounded one home from Carly Crump at 7:57 of the first period taking a 1-0 lead.

Blue took a 2-0 lead when Kara Bartholomew slipped one to the back of the net from Carly Crump and Kelly Francis at 13:06

and took the lead into the second period. Neither team was able to find the back of the net in the middle frame carrying the 2-0 score into the third period. Green's defence held Blue's explosive offence off the board again in the third period but they couldn't take advantage offensively as Blue hung on for the 2-0 victory.

The two teams will open the playoffs against each other after Blue finished first and Green finished in fourth. Picking up the shutout in Blue's goal was Roxanne Crump and suffering the loss in Green's goal was Cashelle Baldwin.

Playoffs: First place, Blue welcomes fourth place, Green in the first game of the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League in the first round robin game of the playoffs on Thurs., July 25,



Red welcomed Yellow in the first game of the night in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thurs., July 19, at the Chesterville Arena. Yellow's forward, Jackie Morris celebrates after scoring one of two goals she scored including the game tying goal with just 2:37 remaining in the game.

Moore photo

at 7 p.m. Second place, Red Yellow in the second game plays host to third place, of the night at 8 p.m.

Major White Pioneers bow out of championship

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE — After winning the regular season in the Upper Canada Little League, the Williamsburg White Pioneers had home field through out the championship tournament on July 13-15. They lost their opener to the Williamsburg Green Pioneers and needed a win against the Kemptville Green Wildcats or the Winchester Sox on Saturday.

Sox 10 Pioneers 7: In the third game of the Upper Canada Little League, the Major White Pioneers played host to the Winchester Sox in a battle of the top two teams on Sat., July 14, at the Chesterville Ball Park. The Pioneers needed to win the game to stay alive in the tournament or go home.

With a win, the Sox would go to a tie-breaker to see who would get a bye to the final and who would play in the semi-final. Winchester took an early lead scoring two

runs in the top of the first but the Pioneers answered with five in the bottom of the first to make it 5-2.

The Sox scored five runs in the top of the second and struck out three of the pioneers four batters in the bottom of the second to make it 7-5. The Sox scored a single in the top of the third inning but the Pioneers scored two in the bottom half making it a 8-7 game.

Neither team was able to score in the fourth inning so the 8-7 score carried into the fifth inning. The Sox scored two in the top of the fifth and held the Pioneers off the score sheet in the bottom of the inning to take the game 10-7.

With the loss the Pioneers' tournament was over. Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Mason Hummel and Alek Larocque with two each and Dawson Coleman, Tyson Wilhelm and Marty McLeod with singles.

Wildcats 13 Pioneers 12: In their second game of the Upper Canada Little League

Championship, the Williamsburg Major White Pioneers welcomed the Kemptville Green Wildcats at the Chesterville Ball Park on Sat., July 14. The Pioneers lost their opening match against the Green Pioneers 14-7 and looked to rebound to have a chance to play in the semi-finals.

The Wildcats opened the scoring with two runs in the top of the first inning but the Pioneers responded with three runs in the bottom of the second inning. The Wildcats tied the game in the top of the third but the Pioneers scored five runs in the bottom of the third taking an 8-3 lead.

The Wildcats followed that up with five runs in the top of the fourth inning to tie the game at eight before the Pioneers scored a single in the bottom of the fourth to make it 9-8. The Wildcats added five more runs in the top of the fifth inning but the Pioneers fell just short scoring three runs in the bottom of the inning making it 13-12.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Tyson Wilhelm and Marty McLeod with three each, Travis Faulkner with two and Mason Hummel, Alek Larocque, Chloe Young and Jacob Zandbergen each scoring singles.



Major White Pioneers win regular season

The Williamsburg White Pioneers won the regular season by just one run as they headed into the Upper Canada Little League Championship tournament on July 13-15, at the Chesterville Ball Park. The team played a good tournament and were close in their three round-robin match ups. The team members are: Front from left, Jacob Zandbergen, Mason Hummel and Logan Tait. Middle from left, Alek Laroque, Caleb Machan, Tyson Wilhelm, Dawson Coleman, and Chloe Young. Back from left, coach - Dan McLeod, Luke Byvelde, Marty McLeod, Travis Faulkner, coach - Kent Young and coach - Todd Larocque.

Moore photo

Racers fare well in St. Andrews Swim Meet

ST. ANDREWS WEST—The Chesterville Rippin' Racers participated in the St. Andrews Swim Meet on Sun., July 22. Despite the rainy weather, the team stuck it out and brought home five top overall medals. Coach, Mallory Hutchinson is proud of the swimmers and parents who made the day a success. "We couldn't have done it without you!" she proclaimed. Medaling for the day were Elizabeth Lough - 1st in IM, 4th in butterfly and 3rd in back crawl, Zander Thompson - top 11-12-year-old boys, 1st in IM, butterfly and front crawl, Faith McRae - 1st in IM, 2nd in front crawl and butterfly, Gwyneth Van Delst - 5th in front crawl, Marissa Latimer - Top 7-8-year-old girl, 1st in butterfly and breaststroke and 4th in front crawl, Bethany Van Delst - 4th in back crawl and breaststroke and 6th in front crawl, Brooke

Elliott - 2nd in butterfly, 3rd in breaststroke and 5th in front crawl, Mateja Kalvanoic - 3rd in front crawl and back crawl and 5th in breaststroke, Shealyn Elliott - 1st in butterfly, 2nd in front crawl and back crawl, Olivia Pereira - Top 11-12-year-old girl - 1st in front crawl, back crawl, and breaststroke, Luke VanDelst - 2nd in back crawl and breaststroke and 4th in front crawl, Carter Latimer - 1st in back crawl and breaststroke and 2nd in front crawl, Luka Kalvanoic - 2nd in back crawl, 4th in front crawl and breaststroke, Owen Latimer Top 13-14 year-old boy, 1st in butterfly and breaststroke and 2nd in front crawl, Matt Pereira Top boy 15+, 1st in IM, front crawl, and breaststroke and Bella Gaudette - 3rd in butterfly. Next weekend Sat., July 28, the Chesterville Rippin' Racers will be competing in Winchester Swim Meet.





Junior Senior Pioneers finish 2018 season in second

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CORNWALL — The Williamsburg Junior Senior Pioneers played their final game of the season this past Wednesday as they travelled to Cornwall to take on Cornwall #1.

Cornwall 10 Pioneers 7: The Williamsburg Junior Senior Pioneers travelled to Cornwall on Wed., July 18, to take on the Cornwall #1 in the Upper Canada Little League. The Pioneers had a chance to finish in first place with a victory but a loss would mean they would finish in second place.

The Pioneers got off to a good start scoring three runs in the top of the first inning but left two runners in scoring position. Cornwall answered with five runs in the top of the first taking a 5-3 lead into the second inning.

The Pioneers got three runners on base in the top of the second inning but were

unable to score leaving the bases loaded. Cornwall took advantage scoring a pair of runs in the bottom of the second. The Pioneers scored a single in the top of the third inning but Cornwall answered with a single in the bottom half of the inning taking an 8-4 lead.

The Pioneers got to within two after scoring a pair of runs in the top of the fourth inning but again, Cornwall matched the two runs taking a 10-6 lead into the fifth inning. The Pioneers scored a single but three consecutive were struck out.

Cornwall ended the game with a 10-7 victory. With the loss, the Pioneers dropped to second place heading into the the Upper Canada Little League Championship on the weekend of July 27-29 in Cornwall.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Dean Lapier with two including a home run and Nolan Henry, Brendan Shaver, Brayden Barrie, Mclean Machan and Olivia Mudde all scored singles.



The Williamsburg Junior Senior Pioneers travelled to Cornwall on Wed., July 18, to take on the Cornwall #1 in the Upper Canada Little League. The Pioneers' batter, Nolan Henry tries to slug one but only catches the bottom of the ball as it goes fowl. Moore photo

Vikings celebrate 2018 CCHL2 championship

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CASSELMAN — The Casselman Vikings hosted their 2017-18 year end banquet, awards and rings presentations on Thurs., July 19, at the J. R. Brisson Complex. The Vikings won their fifth consecutive junior championship this past April, third time winning the Dwaine Barkley Cup in the CCHL2.

The evening began with a visit from a strange fellow who looked and sounded a lot like Bubbles from the *Trailer Park Boys*. He said he wanted to play with the Vikings next season to become a champion saying that he just came down from Perth and said the only thing they really had to offer was a logo on the dressing room floor.

He then went on to call up co-owner Gilles Laplante to feel his hair to make sure it was real. It

drew quite the laugh from those in attendance. After the comedy was over the meal was served followed but a couple of videos of their triumphant season.

The Vikings, coaches and captain had speeches they delivered - some were quite humorous and some were emotional. There will be 11 players graduating from 2017-18 season.

The Vikings then handed out their awards for the 2017-18 season. The winners of the awards were the MVP regular season - Sébastien Plante, MVP playoffs - Ethan Wensink, Rookie of the year - Zachary Paputsakis, Top scorer - Sébastien Plante, Best defenseman - Brady Cloutier, Sportsmanship - Isaac Lavallée, Leadership - Brendan Doherty, Most dedicated player - Gabriel Rousselle, Best Defensive forward - Ethan Wensink,



#D45 complete with rings

The Casselman Vikings hosted their annual year end banquet on Thurs., July 19, at the J. R. Brisson Complex to celebrate the 2017-18 championship season. The Vikings handed out awards and received their championship win. Pictured here with the CCHL2's Barkley Cup and their newest jewelry are (not in order) Zachary Paputsakis, Ethan Wensink, Gabriel Rousselle, Yanick Dicaire, Joseph Heath, Ethan Cahill, Brendan Doherty, Sébastien Plante, Olivier Brunet, Brady Cloutier, Ryan Sabourin, Jason Cossette, Shane Spencer, Isaac Lavallee, Joel Hunt, Sean David, Jonah Peters, Samuel Labre, Carter Malette, Daanyk Drouin, Nick Campbell, Andrew Black, Kyle Millett and Jonathan Yaremko. Coaches Mike Ruest, Geoff Segiun and A. J. Plante, trainer Marc Andre Quann, equipment manager Vincent "Butch" Bouchard, Scout, Steve Poirier, general manager Ray Lavergne and president, Sylvain Dignard. (Individual photos to follow in next weeks' *Record*) Moore photo

Perseverance - Carter Malette and the President's trophy Kyle Millett. The

league awards were then handed out and special awards to volunteers and

to some loyal fans. Winning the CCHL2 Awards were Sebastien

Plante for top scorer and regular season MVP, Ethan Wensink for playoff MVP.



Morrisburg Legion donates to South Dundas Baseball

The Morrisburg Legion Branch 370 donated a cheque to the South Dundas Minor Baseball Association on Wed., July 11, at the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park in Williamsburg. The money went to a new pitching machine for the kids to practice hitting said president David Lapier. Lapier accepts a cheque from Candace Jamieson, Jim Jamieson and Graham Houze from the Morrisburg Legion. Both the Major White Pioneers and Green Pioneers teams and coaches were on hand to thank the Legion.

Moore photo

Robidoux wins modifieds

Martin Bélanger
Special to the Record

CORNWALL — Lamoureux Pumping presented a full program on Sun., July 15, along with the popular autograph night during intermission.

Kayle Robidoux and Tyler Givogue raced side by side for the first few laps in the 30-lap Polar Sound DJ Services Modified feature, Givogue cleared Robidoux for the lead on lap three. Givogue Held on to first with Robidoux running second as Corey Wheeler and Brian McDonald moved into the top four before a caution came out on lap 12. On the restart, Robidoux passed Givogue for the lead as the feature reached

halfway point. Robidoux led with Wheeler moving up to second and McDonald. Wheeler tried a final charge on Robidoux in the last portion but Robidoux remained in front to get his second feature of 2018.

In the 25-lap Next Level Home Improvement Sportsman, Chris Ferguson was the early leader with Delbert Legrow in second, Legrow passed Ferguson for the lead on lap four. Bob Ray made his way to second spot as Kurtis Cayer also moved up on to third on lap eight. Brianna Ladouceur had a fast car and quickly jumped to second. After a lap 12 restart, Ladouceur took the

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Huskers surprised by level of competition

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CORNWALL — The Dundas Major Cornhuskers travelled to Cornwall for the Cornwall Major B Tournament on July 21 and 22. In their first game of the tournament they took on Orleans and Ottawa South on Saturday and Kingston on Sunday.

Kingston 16 Huskers 3: The Dundas Major Cornhuskers travelled to Cornwall for the Cornwall Major B Tournament on Sun., July 22, to take on Kingston. The Huskers needed a win and also needed to hold Kingston to minimal runs in order to qualify for the semi-final.

It didn't start out too good for the Huskers as the Kingston squad scored the maximum five runs in the top of the first inning taking a 5-0 lead. The Huskers bats weren't working either only getting four batters to the plate leaving one on second base.

Kingston added another five runs in the top of the second inning and the Huskers went three up and three down in the bottom of the second. Kingston scored three runs in the top of the third to make it 13-0 but the Huskers finally broke the goose egg scoring a pair of runs in the bottom of the fourth.

Kingston scored their final three runs of the game in the top of the fourth. The Huskers scored a single in the bottom of the inning but that was as close as they would get as Kingston ended the Huskers' tournament with a 16-3 victory.

Scoring the runs for the Huskers were Nicholas Guy, Alek Larocque and Mason Hummel.

Huskers 18 Ottawa South 5: In their second game of the Cornwall Major B Tournament on Sat., July 21, the Dundas Cornhuskers played host to Ottawa South. The Huskers opened the tournament with a

close game but blew a 6-0 lead and lost to Orleans 11-7 and looked to shake that off with a win.

Ottawa South opened the scoring with three runs in the top of the first inning but the Huskers answered with the maximum five runs in the bottom of the first taking a 5-3 lead.

Ottawa South tied the game with a pair of runs in the top of the second inning but the Huskers' bats were on fire scoring another five runs in the bottom of the second taking a 10-5 lead. The Huskers' defence only allowed three batters to the plate and one hit into a double play by Cam Shaver.

The Huskers added another three runs in the bottom of the third inning taking a 13-5 lead. Ottawa South went three up and three down in the top of the fourth inning allowing the Huskers to finish them off with five runs in the bottom of the inning taking the game 18-5.

With the win, the Huskers moved to 1-1 in the tournament but needed a win against a tough Kingston team on Sunday morning to challenge for a semi-final.

Scoring the runs for the Huskers were Dawson Coleman, Terrence Mudde, Nicholas Guy, Marty McLeod, Mason Hummel, Kyle Hermer, Patrick Guy and Ryan Wilson all scoring a pair and Aiden Hutt and Cam Shaver each scored singles. Pitching for the Huskers were Hermer in the first, Wilson in the second and third and Shaver in the fourth.

Orleans 11 Huskers 7: The Dundas Major Cornhuskers travelled to Cornwall for the Cornwall Major B Tournament on Sat., July 2, to take on Orleans in their opening game. The Huskers are made up of the Allstars from the Williamsburg Major Pioneers two teams and the Winchester Major Sox.



The Dundas Major Cornhuskers travelled to Cornwall for the Cornwall Major B Tournament on Sat., July 2, to take on Ottawa South in the second game. The Huskers' Dawson Coleman slides home and avoids a tag from the Ottawa South catcher after a wild pitch as Alek Larocque takes a step back out of the batter's box. Moore photo

The Huskers got off to a good start scoring their first five batters taking a 5-0 lead. The Huskers' defence held tight in the bottom of the first only allowing four Orleans batters to the dish and one on base.

The Huskers slowed a little in the top of the second getting six to the plate but couldn't get the two runners on base, home. The Huskers' defence came up big again in the bottom of the second inning allowing just two Orleans batters on base before striking out one, tagging one at second and a pop fly was snared to end the inning.

The Huskers made it 6-0 in the top of the third inning but only got four to the plate. Orleans took advantage scoring five runs in the bottom of the third to make it a 6-5

game. The Huskers took a two-run lead after scoring a single in the top of the fourth inning but Orleans battled back in the bottom of the inning with four runs taking their first lead of the game 9-7.

The Huskers got their first batter to second base but the next three made out leaving a runner on second. Orleans scored a pair in their last at bat taking the game 11-7.

Scoring the runs for the Huskers were Nicholas Guy with two and Dawson Coleman, Tyson Wilhelm, Terrence Mudde, Aiden Hutt and Alek Larocque each scoring singles. Pitching for the Huskers were Nicholas Guy in the first and second innings, Shaver in the third, Patrick Guy in the fourth and Wilhelm in the fifth.

Rippin' Racers win first swim meet of the season

MOOSE CREEK — The Chesterville Rippin' Racers kicked off the swim team season with a big win in Moose Creek on the Sat., July 14. The team had seven overall medal recipients; Lauren Meharg - Top 7-8 Girl (1st in front crawl, back crawl, and butterfly), Thomas Vingerhoeds - Top 7-8 Boy (2nd in breaststroke, 4th in back and front crawl), Olivia Pereira - Top 11-12 Girl (1st IM back crawl and front crawl, 2nd in breaststroke), Zander Thompson - Top 11-12 Boy (1st in IM, front crawl, and butterfly), Sadie Thompson - Top 13-14 Girl (1st in IM, front crawl, and breaststroke), Owen Latimer - Top 13-14 Boy (1st in breaststroke and butterfly, 3rd in front crawl), and Faith McRae -

Top 15+ Girl (1st in IM, 2nd in front crawl, and butterfly). Other winners were: Bella Gaudette - 4th in butterfly, Marissa Latimer - 1st in breaststroke, 3rd in butterfly and 6th in front crawl, Brooke Elliott - 2nd in butterfly, Elizabeth Lough - 5th in butterfly, Shealyn Elliott - 3rd in back crawl and butterfly and 4th in front crawl, Sophy Sweeney - 1st in breaststroke, 2nd in back crawl and butterfly, Bella Thomas - 6th in back crawl, Caleb Thomas - 3rd in breaststroke, 5th in back crawl, and 6th in front crawl, Saoirse McNamara - 2nd in back crawl, 4th in breaststroke, and 5th in front crawl, Will Vingerhoeds - 5th in back crawl and 6th in breaststroke, Alea Ball 4th

in back crawl, 5th in front crawl and 6th in breaststroke, Rachel Groulx 6th in front crawl and breaststroke, Logan Thomas - 2nd in back crawl and breaststroke, Carter Latimer - 1st in back crawl and breaststroke, Madison Chretien - 5th in back crawl, Laing McNamara - 3rd in back crawl, Emma Gaudette - 4th in IM and 5th in front crawl, Brayden Thomas - 6th in back crawl and breast stroke, Luka Kalinovic - 5th in back crawl and Emily Vreman - 5th in breaststroke. Coach, Shannon, Coach, Tristan, and some swim team parents beat the heat at the end of the day by participating in the Coaches and Parents Relay. It was a great event for the Chesterville Rippin' Racers swimmers to watch.



Sox win Upper Canada Little championship

The Winchester Sox travelled to the Chesterville Ball Park for the Upper Canada Little League Championship tournament on the July 13-15. The Pioneers won two games in the round robin beating the Williamsburg White Pioneers and the Williamsburg Green Pioneers but lost to the Kemptville Green Wildcats and had to settle for second place. The Sox played a semi-final game against the Green Wildcats and beat them to make it to the final against the Green Pioneers who finished first in the round robin and had a bye to the final. The Sox were relentless in the final knocking off the Pioneers 16-5 to take the Major Upper Canada Little League Championship. The Gold medal winners are: Henry Link (laying). Front from left, Kyle Hermer, Michael Theos, Deacon Jones, Nathan Milne-Servage, Nicholas Guy, Patrick Guy, Caden Holmes, Josh Lafrance, Ashton Holmes, Ryan Wilson and Paul Theos. Back from left, coaches James Wilson, Mike Jones, Geoff Guy, Chris Guy and Dale Hermer. Absent from the photo were Sam Berkelaar and Bennet Wasylko-Fletcher. Moore photo

Speedway

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lead as Tristan Draper moved up to second. Draper used the outside lane to get close to Ladouceur with five laps remaining. Ladouceur went on to capture her first feature event of the season over Tristan Draper and Cayer.

Jeffrey Lapalme held the lead for the first seven laps in the Alexandria Home Hardware Pro-Stock as CD Beauchamp made his way to the front and passed

Lapalme for lead with Lapalme in second and Jocelyn Roy in third. Beauchamp pulled away from the rest of the field and went on to win his third feature of the season.

Yanik Potvin dominated the 15-lap Tracy Wheeler Assist2Sell Mini-Stock feature race, he finished with more than a full stretch lead over the rest of the field.

A big show this coming Sunday as the Patriot Sprints will be in town for their annual trek at the speedway along with the SpeedSTR and Slingshots along with the Modifieds and Sportsman.

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Isabelle St-Amour announces candidacy for Russell Township council

RUSSELL – Russell Township resident, Isabelle St-Amour announced on Mon., July 23, her candidacy for the upcoming municipal election on Oct. 22.

“It was five years ago today that my husband and I became residents of Russell Township. We were attracted to this community because of its proximity to our family and work, its bilingualism, and the advantages of living in a small rural town offering so many opportunities. The excitement in seeing our community grow drew me to follow our local issues,” she explained. “I’ve always had an interest in municipal politics, but as my interest grew in our community’s challenges and successes, I began to feel a desire to share my unique perspective. I care deeply about this community and want to get more involved so I can help make it an even

better place to live.”

Isabelle St-Amour has been teaching elementary and secondary students for ten years now and is currently a secondary school teacher in Ottawa. St-Amour said choosing to settle in this region was a great decision and that she feels it is time for her to give back by getting involved. “I grew up in a very small town and for that reason, I truly believe in the advantages of living in a small community. I understand the importance of putting the community first, to have integrity, and be someone who is accessible and accountable. That is the kind of person and teacher I always strive to be, and that is the kind of councillor I intend to be.” St-Amour and her husband Tim, live in Embrun.

In the weeks to come, St-Amour looks forward to speaking with



Isabelle St-Amour

residents and hearing their concerns. “I hope people will reach out and contact me to share what’s on their mind and what they want for their community.”

Country music time in Russell and Greely

Tom Van Dusen
Villager Contributor

RUSSELL – Russell and area country music fans are in for a double treat this weekend with a George Strait tribute band at the Russell Fairgrounds Sun., July 29, icing on the cake of the three-day Greely Legion Country Music Festival.

The Strait tribute will be delivered by Nelson Colt & The Smokin’ Guns during what’s being billed as “A Country Afternoon in the Park” presented by the Russell Lions Club. There’s a barbecue, beer garden, face painting and other activities for kids, and opening act Phil Labelle &

the Country Reflections.

Adult tickets are \$20; children 6 to 12 are \$5 and younger than that are free. Tickets are available at Russell Pronto and Foodland. Gates open at 2 p.m. and show time is 3:30 p.m., rain or shine.

Raised in Aylmer, Colt began performing at 16; he entered and won a series of talent shows, including the 1995 CKBY Talent Search, and he was on his way.

Fans say vocally and appearance-wise he fully reflects a young George Strait. But Colt also has his own original music, some of it performed in French, and some penned with Barry Brown of the Ottawa

Valley’s illustrious Family Brown and recorded in Nashville.

The morning of the day Colt takes to the stage in Russell, the 11th annual music festival will be wrapping up at Greely Legion on Mitch Owens Road, with breakfast starting at 8:30 a.m. For \$7, breakfast is also available Friday and Saturday; for \$12, supper is served Friday and Saturday at 5:15 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. General admission tickets are \$10 on Thursday evening, ranging to \$25 for full days Friday and Saturday. A weekend pass is \$55 and campers are \$60. Ticket information is available at

www.greelylegion.ca.

Hosted by Charlie Kitts with Unwound serving as house band, the Greely Legion festival specializes in regional talent such as Jamie and Brendan McMunn, the Swinging Doors, the Flipson Family, Huntley Slim, Gord Barnes, and Dennis Whitteker. With sign-up required, there’s an open stage Thursday starting at 8:15 p.m.

If you miss the big show, the Greely Legion presents live music and dancing on the first and third Tuesday of every month, 1-4 p.m. With one and all invited to bring their instruments and signing voices, you can bet your britches it’s mostly country.

Russell, La Nation residents bask in top ranking

Tom Van Dusen
Villager Contributor

RUSSELL – A bit of a stir was created on Facebook lately after local builder Corvinelli Homes put up an item from MacLean’s Magazine describing Russell as one of the 10 best places to live in Canada.

“I told you Russell was the best place to live,” posted supreme community booster Connie Johnston, a lifelong resident whose personal history includes attending a one-room school in North Russell. “This is proof. Canada is the best country in the world in which to live and now Russell is the best place in Canada. My parents sure knew where to settle.”

Wendy Walsh jumped in with: “My grandparents on both sides knew where to make their new life too.” More than 50 others chimed in with thumbs up and right-ons.

A Russell resident of 30 years, Della Allen echoed the sentiments, citing the small town feeling that hasn’t been disrupted by development, and the

comfort level for young families.

Russell Township’s neighbour to the east, La Nation Municipality, also made the Money Sense list of top places to live. Based on criteria ranging from population growth and public transit, to high average income and low unemployment, Ottawa came out number one across the land in a ranking of 400 communities.

As to criteria of housing availability under \$500,000, Russell and La Nation came in at averages of \$403,638 and \$386,219 respectively. They also excelled under weather, crime level, taxes, and, revolving on the Ottawa axis, commutability.

The MacLean’s article contends that, what with runaway housing prices, it’s becoming increasingly difficult to find an affordable place to live. Russell and La Nation are among places that fill the bill.

Other than John Corvinelli posting the survey, there’s been no other effort to date to promote Russell lifestyle through reference to the MacLean’s assessment.

Eight grants awarded for a total of \$40,000 in the Prescott and Russell region

L’ORIGINAL – The Prescott and Russell Entrepreneurship Centre would like to congratulate eight entrepreneurs from the beautiful region as they have received a total grant funding of \$40,000 through the Starter Company Plus program initiative.

Through the Starter Company Plus program, these eight entrepreneurs have received one-on-one guidance from the Entrepreneurial Lifestyle Academy mentors and the Prescott and Russell Entrepreneurship Centre’s project officer, have participated in business workshops, seminars and networking events with topics such as writing a business plan, marketing and social media campaigns, budgeting and making their elevator pitch.

The eight entrepreneurs who received a grant funding of \$5,000 each for the 2018 Starter Company Plus program are: Samuel Doucet – Kyan Culture, Vankleek Hill; Hélène Parisien – LogBox, Hawkesbury; Jonathan Lelièvre – Jonathan Lelièvre

Consultation, Limoges; Ryan Doyle – Fillerrup.ca, Clarence Creek; Charles St-Denis – Agri-Expert CH 2018, Marionville; Kayla Gillis – Bad to the Bone, Clarence Creek; Celta Riden and Beth Lamarte – Baked on the Hill, Vankleek Hill and Jean-François Couvrette – Totum Health, Bourget.

“These pleasant and constructive exchange sessions allowed entrepreneurs in the Starter Company Plus program to take a step back and quickly make progress both personally and professionally. The workshops really stimulated their creativity,” says Benoit Brunette, the project officer of the PREC.

“Not only did these entrepreneurs receive sound advice from Antoine Carrière and Marc-André Clément, but they also presented in front of a “Dragon’s Den” board in order to obtain the \$5,000 grant. This financial assistance, in the form of a grant funding, will help with several expenses, including equipment purchases, inventory purchases, marketing expenses, registration and training fees and miscellaneous entrepreneurial expenses.”



Grant recipients

Front from left, the grants recipients Beth Demarte, Celta Riden and Helene Parisien. Back from left, the grants recipients Darquise and Charles St-Denis, Ryan Doyle, Samuel Doucet, Jonathan Lelièvre, the Prescott and Russell Entrepreneurship Centre project officer Benoit Brunette and Kayla Gillis. Missing from the photo is Jean-François Couvrette.

Courtesy photo



Enbridge Gas Distribution assists the Embrun Fire Department and the Russell Fire Department in supporting firefighter training

RUSSELL – Enbridge Gas Distribution is partnering with the Fire Marshal’s Public Fire Safety Council to help the Embrun and Russell Fire Departments in purchasing firefighting training materials.

“Safety is a priority at Enbridge and we are proud to support Ontario firefighters who share in our commitment to help keep our communities safe,” says Rick Gazda, Enbridge Gas Distribution.

Project Assist is a program that supplements existing training for Ontario volunteer and composite fire departments in the communities where Enbridge operates.

This year’s \$100,000 donation will be shared by 20 Ontario fire

departments, including the Embrun and Russell Fire Departments. Funds will be used to purchase educational materials for firefighters to enhance life-saving techniques.

Since the launch of Project Assist in 2012, 120 grants have been provided to Ontario fire departments for additional firefighter training.

“Ongoing firefighter training enables fire departments to deliver emergency services efficiently and to ensure firefighter safety is maintained,” says Ross Nichols, Ontario Fire Marshal and chair of the Fire Marshal’s Public Fire Safety Council. “The support that Project Assist provides is very helpful to the fire departments who

receive it, and the volunteer firefighters who benefit from these educational resources. I very much appreciate Enbridge partnering with the Fire Marshal’s Public Fire Safety Council, to make this program possible.”

“The Project Assist program goes a long way in assisting our volunteer fire department with getting the much needed training material for their ongoing training,” says Russell fire chief Bruce Armstrong. “Thank you Enbridge and the Fire Marshals Public Safety Council.”

“We are grateful to Enbridge and the Fire Marshals Public Safety Council for including us in its Project Assist program. With your

contribution, we’ll be able to purchase new firefighting training materials crucial in contributing to the safety of our firefighters and our community,” says Embrun Fire Chief Brain Duhamel. “Your support encourages our continued commitment to firefighter training.”

“Collaboration and partnerships are at the heart of every relationship when building/maintaining community spirit. Russell Township is thankful to have such an amazing partner in Enbridge Gas,” says Pierre Leroux, mayor of the Russell Township.

The Fire Marshal’s Public Fire Safety Council is a registered charity established in 1993 with a mission to

help create “a world where no one is hurt by fire.” The Council, chaired by the Ontario Fire Marshal and supported by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, promotes fire prevention and public education through sponsorships and partnerships with various groups and individuals with an interest in public safety.

Both fire departments within the Russell township strive to provide dependable services in order to ensure safety in the community. Their mission in the community is to protect lives, property and the environment through fire suppression, emergency medical care,

hazardous materials mitigation, specialized rescues, fire prevention, and public education. They believe in the importance of ongoing education and training, as well as effective leadership.

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has a more than 170-year history and is Canada’s largest natural gas distribution company. It is owned by Enbridge Inc., a Canadian-based leader in energy transportation and distribution, and has ranked as one of the Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations for the past nine years. Enbridge Gas Distribution distributes natural gas to over two million customers in Ontario.



Phase two has begun

The St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic High School has ambitious plans to build a new football, soccer and rugby field to the east of the existing football field. The present field will also be used for soccer or rugby and will eventually have a stone dust track around the perimeter. Phase one was to create a nature/fitness trail for walks or cross-country running and phase two is the construction of the sports field and phase three is the track around the existing field. Pictured is the beginning of phase two which is slated to be finished this fall and ready for use by September 2018.



Moore photo

Letter To The Editor

Thanks for returning lost wallet

I was reminded recently that there are still good people among us. They may go unnoticed but do kind things just because it’s the right thing to do. On July 7 my wife and I were traveling through Ontario and stopped for gas in Casselman. At the next stop for gas, hundreds of miles west, I noticed my wallet was missing. After much panic and frantic searching I realized I must have left it in Casselman. The wallet contained not only credit cards but many very important items, including

a fairly large sum of cash.

Two days later I received a call from the OPP in Russell County saying that someone had dropped off my wallet! Chantal Lanteigne of the Russel County OPP even shipped it back to me the next day. Thank you to Ms. Lanteigne and Russell County OPP. And to the person who found my wallet and turned it in without a thought, I say: Thank you, so much, whoever you are. I am forever grateful and will try to pay your kindness forward! I only regret not being able to say that to you in person!

**With deepest gratitude,
Jay Nickerson
Harbinger, North Carolina, USA**

Fatal collision in Embrun

RUSSELL – On July 14, shortly after 10 a.m., officers of the Russell County Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a motor vehicle collision involving four vehicles on St-Guillaume Road, near the Town of Embrun in Russell Township.

Despite concerted efforts by police, fire

and ambulance personnel who attempted to revive one of the involved motorists, identified as Jean Guertin, 86 years of age from Russell. Guertin was pronounced dead at the scene. Six other people who suffered non-life threatening injuries were transported by ambulance to Ottawa hospitals.

The investigation is ongoing with the assistance of OPP Traffic Collision Investigators and the Office of the Chief Coroner.



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