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Briefly

Meet Me in South Mountain

SOUTH MOUNTAIN – Following up on the success of last week's Meet Me on Main Street in Morewood, the event series will continue tonight, Wed., July 10 with celebrations in South Mountain. The event will feature local food vendors, breweries, a vineyard and a distillery. Live musical entertainment will be provided by Marleen Fawcett, and magician Kevin Smith will be on hand to dazzle and amaze attendees.

Community giveaway

CHESTERVILLE – Nationside Pentecostal Church is hosting a free clothing giveaway and barbecue this Sat., July 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 171 Main St., North IDP Group (formerly Nestlé). Drop in for a bite to eat, and to peruse the free clothing available!

Chesterville's big moments

CHESTERVILLE – As part of *The Chesterville Record's* 125th anniversary celebrations, we are looking for residents to share photos of the history of Chesterville over the last 50 years. Interested individuals are invited to bring their photos to *The Record* office during business hours, Monday to Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. to have pictures scanned. Thank you for your help in celebrating Chesterville's history.

Morewood hosts third Meet Me on Main Street

Kory Glover
Record Staff

MOREWOOD – In these constantly changing weather patterns, going from hot to cool, sunny to rainy, many events this summer have not had Mother Nature on their side. Fortunately, attendees in Morewood on Wed., July 3 for the kick-off of the third annual Meet Me on Main Street series were met with warm temperatures and clear skies.

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Gearing up for a great fundraiser

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Correspondent

LONG SAULT – Dave Smith of South Stormont is planning an afternoon of activities at Arnold Bethune Memorial Park in Long Sault on August 24 which will raise funds for the Canadian Cancer Society.

The event is being held between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. and will include a 3-pitch coed softball tournament, coed volleyball tournament and the opportunity to walk or run along a homemade track in the park. Smith explained there will be live music, a refreshment tent, family fun zone, inflatable rides and many other activities to enjoy during this community event.

Following the afternoon fundraiser, Smith has arranged an evening event at the same venue which includes an outdoor barbecue dinner and dance billed as 'A Tribute to the Stars' and featuring several local tribute artists.

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Biggest ever Meet Me on Main Street for Morewood

The politicians and staff of the Township of North Dundas were on hand to volunteer their time at the third rendition of Meet Me on Main Street in Morewood on Wed., July 3. The event was first introduced in 2017 to great fanfare and it was brought back in 2018 with the crowds growing even larger. Organizer, Brandon Cousineau estimated that 250 people showed up over the three hour celebration this year. Pictured here, from the left, Chrissy Thompson; North Dundas clerk, Joanne McCaslin; councillor, John Thompson; Amy Fraser; Mayor, Tony Fraser; councillor, Gary Annable; recreation coordinator, Brandon Cousineau; SDSG federal Conservative candidate and former mayor, Eric Duncan and CAO, Angela Rutley.

Moore photo

Pomyhill Holstein thrives as first time host of Twilight Night

Kory Glover
Record Staff

MOOSE CREEK – It was a big night for Pomyhill Holstein on Thurs., July 4 – in more ways than one.

For many years, Pomyhill Holstein has been approached to host the annual Stormont County Twilight Family Night; despite being interested in hosting from the beginning, other priorities always kept them from being able to do so.

"We've been asked to host this event since 2013 but we would always have to say no," said Annik Chevalley, co-owner of Pomyhill to the crowd of over 400 attendees. "2013, we were getting married, 2014, we had a baby, 2015, we were building a new barn and 2016, we

were trying to finish the construction from 2015. In 2017, we finally said yes but let's wait until 2019."

The Pomyhill team decided to wait until a special time to host their first Stormont County Twilight Family Night. They chose this year because 2019 marks the 20 year anniversary of when François Chevalley, Annik's husband, immigrated to Canada from Switzerland and started building Pomyhill Holstein from the ground up.

"François came to Canada 20 years ago from Switzerland on his own to start this farm," said Annik. "I think he's very hard working and has a lot of vision."

When Pomyhill started back in 1999, the farm had 60 cows for 25 kilos of quota with 120 acres; in 2019, the family still milks 60 cows but they have four times the quota and run 440 acres.

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Cornwall set to get their fill

Kory Glover
Record Staff

CORNWALL – The proliferation of single use plastics has been a source of major concern for environmentalists across the globe.

According to recent statistics from Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Canadians throw away over 3 million tonnes of plastic waste every year, with up to \$8-billion per year “in lost value and wastes valuable resources and energy.” Approximately one-third of the plastics used in Canada are for single-use products and

packaging.

Because of this ongoing issue, not only has Trudeau started implementing a new ban on harmful single-use plastics to hold companies responsible for plastic waste, but other smaller businesses are following suite – including the upcoming Local Fill that will be opening in Cornwall later this month.

The Local Fill’s main goal is to cut out single-use plastic by being able to refill containers to your heart’s desire. No more simply throwing away your shampoo container, instead, you could refill it at The

Local Fill.

“You’ll be able to bring in your existing plastic containers to refill with all household goods,” said Julie Dennis, owner of The Local Fill. “These include dishwasher detergent, shampoos, conditioners and vinegars and much more.”

However, if you made the mistake of discarding your containers before going to The Local Fill, don’t worry.

“If clients come in without their own containers, we also offer clean, empty containers for them to take home,” said Dennis.

This business venture has been on the planning board for the past several months, according to Dennis. However, in only the past two months has everything really taken off due to finishing up some unfinished work from her other business, Junis Kitchen & Bath.

“Had to wrap up all my projects, which actually finished up yesterday [Thurs., July 4],” she said in an excited tone.

Dennis acquires the products she will be selling at The Local Fill from distributors as far as Montreal and Toronto-based companies but also more local businesses from closer to our area.

“All of them are from Canada and as local as possible,” she said. “Others will be more local including Williamstown, Ottawa and a few in the rural Cornwall area.”

From the moment Dennis created a Facebook page for her new business venture and made the first post announcing the opening of The Local Fill, the response has been overwhelmingly positive.

“There’s been a very positive response to the coming of a zero-waste refill store,” she said. “I think it’s pretty obvious this is what the community is looking for; it’s obvious from all the Facebook comments and feedback. The community is really looking for a place to refill their existing containers.”

The Local Fill is set to open Sat., July 27 and is located at 1515 Pitt St.

Pomyhill Holstein

Continued from the front

“I think this is a fantastic accomplishment for a first generation farmer here,” said Annik.

Despite this being their first time hosting the Twilight event, Annik mentioned that, while they were setting up for their guests, she was thinking that she should’ve done this years ago.

“As we were getting ready, we were thinking, ‘Ah, I wanted to do this five years ago but never got to it,’” she said. She went on to say that events like these take a great deal of work, that you often don’t fully appreciate until you are hosting it yourself.

Apart from a delicious meal and live musical entertainment being offered to the guests, the 4-H Club was in attendance as well, building birdhouses with the kids. There was also a play area, with a bouncy castle, to keep kids entertained until their bedtimes.

In the case of whether or not Pomyhill Holsteins will be hosting any more Twilight events in the future, Annik says that anything is possible.

“It was a really good experience,” she said. “So, I say that anything is possible.”



A family, a team

The Chevalley family, from the left, Jeremy, Anthony, Annik and François hosted their very first Stormont County Twilight event in correlation with their farm’s major milestone of 20 years in business.

Glover photo



Working with your hands

Members of Stormont County 4-H were in attendance to the Stormont County Twilight Family Night to entertain children with building bird houses.

Glover photo



Community service remembered

Well-known Stormont County farmer, municipal politician and conservationist Floyd Dingwall, who passed at age 85 on Canada Day, was celebrated during a service Monday in Finch. One of his biggest contributions to the community was establishing McIntosh Park in Berwick. South Nation Conservation is now looking at ways to commemorate Dingwall within the park. Read more about him in Castor Country.

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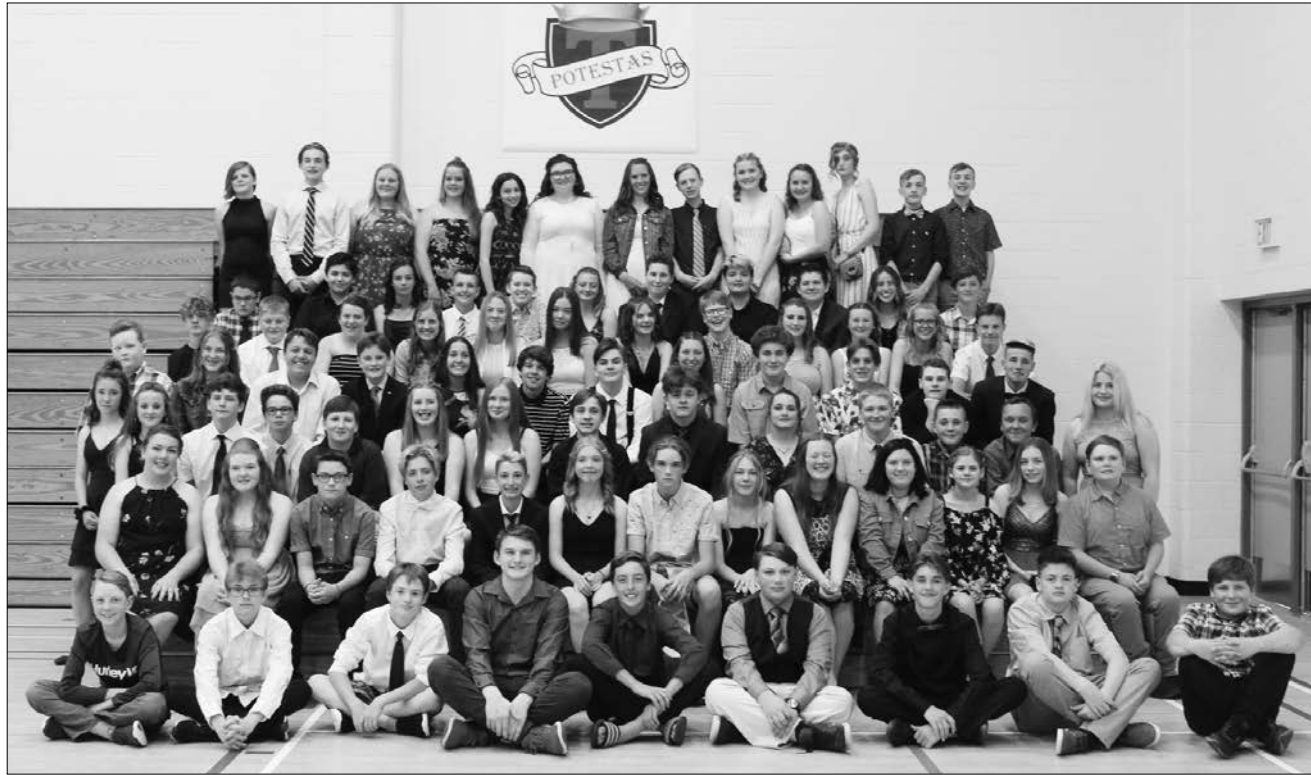
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Tagwi Secondary School Grade 8 Class of 2019



Grade 8 graduating class at Tagwi

Tagwi Secondary School graduated 99 students during the 2019 Grade 8 graduation exercises held at the school on Wed., June 26.

Thompson Goddard photo



Tagwi Grade 8 Valedictorians

From the left, Lorne Wheeler, Caitlyn McIntosh and Hailee Sloan presented their valedictory addresses during the 2019 Grade 8 graduation at Tagwi Secondary School near Avonmore on June 26.

Thompson Goddard photo

North Stormont playgrounds set to receive upgrades

Michelle O'Donohue
Record Staff

NORTH STORMONT – During the council meeting held on June 25, Nancy-Ann Gauthier provided a presentation to council about the state of the five playgrounds within the Township of North Stormont. Gauthier is the fire prevention officer, and bylaw officer for the township, and also serves as the township's certified playground inspector. The playgrounds are located in Moose Creek, Finch, Monkland, Crysler and Avonmore. Gauthier explained that after inspecting the five playgrounds, they all have varying needs for upgrades with the playground in Avonmore being in the most need of attention. \$20,000 was earmarked for playground upgrades in the 2019 budget "for repairs and maintenance of the play structures," Gauthier noted.

Gauthier explained that for the Moose Creek playground, there was one small part that was broken but they have declined to have it replaced at present, electing to remove the part instead, noting "they wanted to give the other parks the availability of the funds." She added that the Moose Creek park is "very well maintained."

Small upgrades are required to the play structure in Finch that requires a new slide to replace a broken one, and four new swing seats, Gauthier said.

Gauthier explained that for both Monkland and Avonmore, the play structures need to be removed, stating, "they don't have what we call a recognized company to get parts for both Monkland and Avonmore, we'd have to go overseas... so replacing those parts is not feasible. We have to remove

the existing play structure." In the 2019 budget for Monkland is a proposed new swing set.

The park in Crysler is overall in good shape but does require some maintenance this year; "this is an existing playground with a company that's still in existence; it has been around for a very long time. The structure is in very good shape, these would be replacement parts only," said Gauthier.

Finally, Avonmore, Gauthier notes "is in a bit of a sad state, the structure has to be removed, it's not salvageable, it's actually tilting, so it needs to be removed, hopefully this week, pending that, there's not much we can do, it needs a new structure." Gauthier explained that in the 2019 budget, they have allotted for the cost of a new swing but the cost to repair the play structure could not be accommodated

in this year's budget.

Gauthier noted that the cost breakdown for each playground's repairs has the township absorbing 50 per cent of the cost and each town's recreation association being responsible for the remaining 50 per cent.

The total cost for the township, for the 2019 year as outlined in Gauthier's presentation would be: Finch - \$589.86; Monkland \$2,803.82; Crysler -

\$5,450.56 and Avonmore - \$2,803.82 as well as \$3,000 to be set aside for park maintenance for each of the playgrounds, "for an estimated total of \$14,648." Gauthier went on to note that they are, "hoping to create a reserve account that we can build up on next year."

Councillor Roxane Villeneuve asked whether Gauthier would be going back to Moose Creek to let

them know that there was still money on the table, and to see if they would like to change their mind about accepting funds this year. Gauthier advised that they would. Deputy mayor Francois Landry also noted that he would like to see recreation grant opportunities explored, "hopefully there's something out there that we can tap into and save some funds," he said.

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Letter

The Record salutes you

Not much is known about an incident that took place on Tues., July 2 in Chesterville, all that we know is someone needed help – and they needed it quickly.

Someone was yelling for help, an elderly man; he had fallen and couldn't find the strength to lift himself back up.

He continued to yell for assistance, uncertain if his pleas were even reaching far enough to anyone's ears. Then, he was heard.

Rescue, in the form of two adolescent girls who were passing by, ran to his aid, performing first-aid to the best of their abilities until an ambulance arrived on the scene.

I want to use this editorial to send some recognition their way. *The Chesterville Record* doesn't know their names, their exact ages or other distinguishing details about them, however I believe that they deserve to be thanked for their efforts.

These girls, who were described by a bystander as looking around 13-years-old each, saved a man who was yelling for help when no one else was available. They ran to his aid, they alerted the ambulance and they eased his pain the best they could.

These girls showed kindness, bravery and clear headed thinking. I'll be fully honest, at 13-years-old, if I were in those girls' position; I would have panicked. I would not have known what to do in the anxiety-filled moment, unsure on how to aid the injured man. Heck, I might not have even had the clear enough head to dial 911 right away, out of the sheer shock.

These girls took control of the situation at hand, despite possible fear and anxiety. They were brave, they were smart and, above all else, their act was totally selfless.

Wherever you are girls, *The Chesterville Record* salutes you.

Kory Glover

Correction

In the July 3 issue of *The Record*, an error appeared in a cutline for the MacEwen grand opening story (Page 9). The cutline stated that \$2,500 was donated to the Chesterville Rotary Club; however, it should have stated that the donation was made to the Chesterville & District Lions Club.

CASTOR Country

By Tom Van Dusen

Gas Station Floyd

It's a remarkable record of accomplishment... and not just for a guy who was the oldest of 14 kids and had to leave school after Grade 8 to be raised by his grandparents. Anybody would be proud of it.

Noted Jersey cow breeder and producer; successful municipal politician who rose to warden of the United Counties of Stormont-Dundas-Glengarry; keen environmentalist who served for more than 20 years – into his 80s - with South Nation Conservation; dedicated husband, father, grandfather, friend and neighbour.

I was proud to call Floyd Dingwall, 85, a friend and colleague, having served with him on South Nation where I appreciated his practical, common sense approach in getting to the core of the issues. All of us who worked alongside Floyd were delighted when a 'Friend of South Nation' award, he was too ill with cancer to receive, officially was delivered to his bedside.

Among many other accomplishments, Floyd, who passed on Canada Day, will be remembered for his tireless efforts in establishing McIntosh Conservation Area in Berwick managed by SNC, which is now looking at

ways of honouring its past chairman within the park. One possibility is naming the gazebo in his memory; the site is the scene of an annual picnic for residents of Berwick and surrounding area. As expressions of sympathy, the family has asked for donations toward enhancing the park.

Floyd became interested in water quality, reforestation, stream bank preservation, and wildlife habitat protection at a time when the concepts were far from trendy, especially in rural and agricultural areas. He was a driving force in implementing measures that today seem common place.

"I think all sons look up to their fathers for guidance on how to be a man. I know I have," said an emotional Richard Dingwall in delivering the family eulogy during the Service of Celebration and Remembrance, before a crowded Chalmers United Church, Finch. "Dad wasn't a do-as-I-say kind of guy. He led by example... much more of a do-as-I-do man."

His father set a very high bar, Richard said: "Dad instilled in me the importance of hearing both sides of a story and the belief that an opinion can change. His perpetual optimism in the good of people and his own humility was one of the many lessons he taught me."

As much for his municipal government, agricultural and environmental accomplishments, Dingwall was known affectionately as "Gas Station Floyd" in his role of operating the fuel pumps and convenience store in the centre of Berwick: "He knew everyone who walked into the store and they came to know him. He was very personal and always took the time to chat with his customers. He left an impact on all that were fortunate to have met him over the years."

Officiating was Chalmers United Pastor Lois Gaudet, herself from a large farm family and someone who seemed to know her subject well. Underlining the support he had provided to her, both as a member of church committees and on a personal level, Gaudet focused on the deceased's strength of character.

The third speaker was Rev. Heather Kincaid who delivered an imagined scenario that had Floyd entering heaven to be greeted by his departed first wife Murial, who shows him around rooms full of his awards and accolades. Rev. Kincaid also mentioned second wife Esther who Dingwall excitedly married only a few years ago. Richard added heartfelt gratitude to Esther for



"loving and caring for dad these last several months."

In March, Dingwall and son sat down to have a difficult talk: "It was a talk he had wanted to have with me for over two years. We knew it was time. The talk was about today. My assignment – to ensure his ideal memorial service would take place."

In addition to certain people, one of the items Floyd wanted on view at the wake was a photo of Kate, the powerhouse, award-winning Jersey that was part of the family for 18 years. He began the process of selling the farm in 1996 when his council responsibilities grew and he had a feeling that free trade would lead to the demise of the protective quota system.

Born and raised a farmer, a past president of the regional Jersey association, most believe that's where his heart remained: "He was Jersey through and through," said John McIntyre, an old colleague from the cattle showing circuit who came to pay his respects.

"Floyd wasn't a saint," Richard concluded. "He was my dad and will always be my hero."

The Road Home

Newfoundland memories

by Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Summer certainly has arrived and with it the heat and humidity that we have come to expect with this particular season. I remember the long sultry days of my youth which made me yearn for something that could make the house on King Street a bit cooler but of course, in those days, not many people had an air conditioner in their house or a pool in their backyard. Mom was so right when she would say it was the humidity not the heat that was unbearable. Dad would often drive out to the front where there was often a cooling breeze off the St. Lawrence which helped to cool us down; and, of course Mom would tell us about the Lost Villages which disappeared because of the Seaway.

This past weekend, I was at the Lost Villages Museum in Ault Park near Long Sault where a Pop-up Market was in progress. The air was oppressively hot and after a quick perusal of the various booths, I popped over to grab something to eat and drink at the booth run by the Lost Villages Historical Society. In addition to my lunch, I was able to secure a chair and had the opportunity to visit with some of the members of the LVHS. Between bites of my delicious hamburger we chatted about a number of things and the conversation turned to Newfoundland, a province I had visited, must be about 15 years ago now.

I recall being incredibly hesitant about the length of time a trip like this would necessitate me being away from home. One can only imagine the reasons I came up with to change the destination of this trip; however, eventually I came round to the idea of this extended vacation down east and on a hot summer

morning we left our home in Newmarket and began what was to become my trip of a lifetime. After travelling through Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and up to Cape Breton, we finally arrived at Sydney where we would take the ferry to Newfoundland. It was quite the trip and along the way we were able to see a number of interesting sites including the Magnetic Hill and Baddeck Bay where Alexander Graham Bell had his summer residence.

After the 12 hour ferry ride, which turned out to be quite enjoyable despite my initial misgivings, we safely landed near Argentia Bay and began a three week trip across this beautiful and welcoming part of Canada. I enjoyed our visit to St. John's, Newfoundland's capital city and our first stop. It was incredible to see the bright colours the houses were painted, visit Signal Hill (it really is a very steep hill) and see the memorial to the Royal Newfoundland Regiment, learning about their sacrifice during World War I. We were told how July 1 is celebrated across this country; in Newfoundland it is Memorial Day, as it was on that day the RNR suffered very severe casualties during the Battle of Beaumont Hamel.

During our time in Newfoundland, we saw where Terry Fox dipped his toe into the Atlantic Ocean beginning his Marathon of Hope, enjoyed baked apple jam, went up the Great Northern Peninsula to visit L'Anse aux Meadows and St. Anthony but don't recall seeing a live moose. It was near L'Anse aux Meadows that we were able to take a ride on the Viking Saga, a replica of a Viking knaar that had brought the first settlers to Newfoundland. Also in St. Anthony, we visited the home of Dr. W. Grenville who served the people in the outposts of Newfoundland and Labrador. I had read about his home having a memorial to three of his huskies who had died

while he was stranded on an iceberg of some sort and stumped the summer student who was unable to locate them for me.

In my photo collection there are a lot of pictures from that trip; pictures of my children wearing a Viking helmet (the real Vikings apparently didn't wear helmets with horns on them) during our ride on the Viking Saga; pictures of our camps and of the historical sites we visited; these photos help to jog my memories of this and while I doubt I will ever make the trip to Newfoundland again, this part of our country has a special place in my heart.



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Over 200 people attend Fish Fry

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Correspondent

LONG SAULT – It was a fantastic start to the Canada Day weekend when Christ Church Seaway held their All You Can Eat Fish Fry on Fri., June 28. Organizers Tom Green and Bill Wood were pleased with the turnout with over 225 people attending either the 5 p.m. or 6 p.m. meal sitting. The dinner included New Zealand cod cooked by Mike Mundell from Kingston, French fries, baked beans and to finish the meal was tea and coffee

accompanied by ice cream. O'Neill's Pub in Long Sault provided diners with the opportunity to purchase beverages on-site.

Wood explained that former and serving clergy of Christ Church Seaway, served up the meal at the 5 p.m. sitting, and firefighters from South Stormont Fire Station No. 1 in Long Sault were present to serve diners at the 6 p.m. sitting. Wood and Green both expressed their appreciation to the firefighters and the approximately 25 other volunteers who supported the event.



Full house

An estimated 225 people attended the All You Can Eat Fish Fry held at Christ Church Seaway on Fri., June 28.

Thompson Goddard photo

Vibrant Communities invites public to be part of focus group

CORNWALL – Vibrant Communities (VC) is creating a Safety and Well-Being plan for all of SDG, Cornwall and Akwesasne and needs the public's help. They will be conducting public engagement to help build the plan this summer and fall. In order to have effective public engagement they are starting with a day of focus groups on their 4 priorities; Mental Health, Health Services, Poverty and Community Safety. This Focus Group Day is being held today, Wed., July 10, at the Cornwall Civic Complex.

The event will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a brief introduction to the day. The

first two focus groups will be Mental Health and Poverty and will run from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Participants will choose one or the other. VC will ensure the public has the opportunity to provide input on all priorities, including the focus groups they will be unable to attend. At noon lunch will be provided. Sessions for Health Services and Community Safety start again at 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Again, participants are encouraged to choose one of the two sessions. A short wrap up will take place after all the sessions have completed. Participants can join for the whole day or a half day; and can register at

vibrantcommunities-focusgroup.eventbrite.ca.

For those unable to attend in person they can participate remotely by accessing the focus groups through the following links:

Mental Health -
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.:
<https://zoom.us/j/225880282>

Poverty -
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.:
<https://TheChangeFoundation.zoom.us/j/415887357>

Health Services -
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.:
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Community Safety -
1 p.m. - 3 p.m.:
<https://TheChangeFoundation.zoom.us/j/574313584>.

North Stormont businesses receive grant funding

Michelle O'Donohue
Record Staff

NORTH STORMONT – Four businesses in North Stormont were announced as recipients of Community Improvement Plan (CIP)

grants during the June 25 council meeting.

Countryside Adventures in Moose Creek, Sweet Clover Flowers in Finch, Treats & Treasures in Finch and Touch of Health in Moose

Creek each received CIP grant funding.

A report from the township states, "In February of 2019, council approved the Township of North Stormont Community

Improvement Plan (CIP) to provide matching grants to owners and tenants of commercial properties located across the township. For the 2019 budget year, council set aside \$43,725 of potential grant monies to be made available over four intake periods." The report goes on to note that CIP funding is meant to offer businesses assistance with: planning and design, facade improvement, signage and awnings, accessibility and regulatory compliance.

During his mayor's message, Mayor Jim Wert stated, "I'd like to note that we have some of our recipients for the Community Improvement Program here tonight, and having watched this program start from theory and come into reality has been pretty encouraging, and it's nice to see four local businesses that have taken advantage of it, so well done on being selected."

Councillor Steve Densham added, "I'm just really excited about this, thank you to the staff for

getting this through, and tell your friends, we've only consumed about 25 per cent of the budget that's allotted for this, and we want to use up the budget, so if you have friends who have businesses and they want to beautify and make upgrades, there is money available," adding that "there will be two more

intakes." Councillor Roxane Villeneuve expressed a desire to get the word out there about the program as well stating, "we only had four applications the first round, so please get the message out that there's \$20,000 available... for businesses that are looking to improve their facilities."

Fundraiser

Continued from the front

During an information session at Bethune Park on July 7, Smith explained that registrations for the two tournaments are beginning to come in. Invitations for local municipalities to participate in the event have been extended, as cancer knows no boundaries. He expects some municipalities will send teams to participate in the tournaments and is hopeful local businesses or organizations will follow suit.

Smith expressed his gratitude to local sponsors and Molson's for their support as well as the many volunteers who have stepped up to assist in the planning of this event. The Paquette family of Long Sault were at the information session,

expressing their willingness to volunteer at the event. Isabelle Paquette who attends Longue Sault Public School mentioned how volunteering "makes me feel good inside" with her parents explaining how Smith approached the family to help out and "wherever we are needed, we will go."

If you are planning to walk or run in this fundraiser, pledge forms are available from the Canadian Cancer Society, the Long Sault Arena or the Senior Support Centre in Ingleside. To register a team in either of the tournaments, please contact Dave Smith at 613-577-2081 or theknowitallnews@yahoo.ca and don't forget to pick up your tickets for the outdoor dinner and dance from the Senior Support Centre in Ingleside, Long Sault Legion, Friendly Circle Seniors or Dave Smith.



Getting ready for a fun-filled fundraiser

It was a sunny afternoon when a group of participants, supporters and volunteers for the upcoming walk, run and play fundraiser for the Canadian Cancer Society gathered in Arnold Bethune Memorial Park in Long Sault. Organizer Dave Smith commented how the event, planned for August 24, will provide people of all ages the opportunity to enjoy an afternoon of fun in the outdoors while raising money for a worthy cause.

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AVONMORE – The 159th Avonmore Fair runs this year from July 19 to 21 with a full weekend of fun and activities. The annual Barn Dance with Ambush starts things off Friday night with a bang of country and rock music set to a spectacular stage of lights and visuals!

The pay one price gate admission of \$15 on Saturday and Sunday allows full access for kids to the new inflatable midway. Children five and under are granted free admission. A weekend pass is available in advance online at www.avonmorefair.ca.

There will be lots of opportunities to see many animals during the fair. The huge 4-H dairy calf rally will run all day Saturday

and the 4-H beef show will be on Sunday. Western horse shows will be in the sand ring on Saturday and The Capital Cowgirls horse drill team will perform there on Sunday. There will also be a 4-H display of poultry and heritage breeds.

Beyond farm animals, Sopher Creek Animal Rescue will display a variety of animals not usually seen up close. Their display and speaking times will take place all weekend.

The Exhibition Hall is expected to once again be filled with arts, crafts, food and field crops. Entries will be accepted Friday morning, followed by judging. Information is available on the fair website.

High flying entertainment will be

outside all weekend with the CrazECrew BMX and Inline Skating Stunt Show. Performed with ramps and a half-pipe, they will truly amaze with a variety of precision stunts including a

train of backflips! This will have everyone's heart racing!

Fierce (but family friendly) Canadian Championship Wrestling makes its return on Saturday evening. Athletes from Canada and the U.S. will

thrill the crowd and engage all to cheer for their favourites and boo the villains!

For music lovers, the Superstructure Stage will host a number of musical entertainers both days. For those hoping to be

discovered and win prizes, the adult and children's talent shows will see music and variety acts. Please try to register in advance online for the adult show to allow time for scheduling. The full fair schedule is found at www.avonmorefair.ca.

Ontario investing in growth and vitality of francophone communities

CORNWALL – Ontario sent a clear signal of its continued support for the growth and vitality of francophone communities across the province by investing \$1-million through the Francophone Community Grants Program.

Minister of Francophone Affairs, Caroline Mulroney, launched the 2019-20 edition of the program on June 25, and invited francophone organizations and small businesses to submit applications for projects to help strengthen the sustainability of French-speaking communities.

Based on the feedback received from francophone organizations, businesses and ministry partners in roundtables and meetings held across the province, the government has added an economic development and job creation component to the program. This new stream will help francophone entrepreneurs and businesses improve front-line services and better serve their French-speaking clients and partners. The program will also help train and retain skilled bilingual

workers.

In addition, the program continues to invest in local cultural and community initiatives, demonstrating the government's ongoing support for the francophone non-profit sector, as well as Ontario's commitment to protecting and promoting the French language and culture.

"This investment builds on our government's commitment to improving front-line services for francophones and is part of our plan to support and leverage the economic strengths of Ontario's Francophonie in order to create and protect jobs," said Mulroney. "By investing in community, cultural and business projects, the program will help strengthen the vitality of francophone communities across Ontario."

"We have a strong francophone community in Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry. This is a great opportunity for us to enrich our culture and enhance our businesses," added SDSG MPP Jim McDonell.

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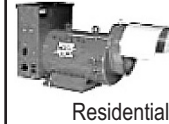
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House of Lazarus receives award

HALIFAX — “The House of Lazarus (HOL) is small and mighty. They have a plethora of programs that support their community and beyond. From Crockpot cooking to firewood to home repairs, this is the little food bank that could.”

Food Banks Canada (FBC) introduced HOL to the assembled masses at the 2019 Food Banks Canada National Conference in Halifax, NS, announcing that “the little food bank that could” had won this year’s award for excellence in food banking for small food banks.

HOL was “awarded for playing an instrumental role in improving the communities you serve through creative, efficient and successful programs and services and exemplifying the highest standards of operation.” There to accept the award during the June 17 ceremony were HOL executive director Cathy Ashby and client services manager Kim Merkley.

“I was honoured to receive this award on behalf of our community,” Ashby said. “It’s the community’s award because without the community we couldn’t offer all the programming we do. Every program we offer has a community component. It really is a case of ‘neighbours helping neighbours’ and that’s what strengthens us all.”

As part of FBC’s decision, recommendations came from both local HOL

partner Naomi’s Family Resource Centre (NFRC) and Feed Ontario.

“The House of Lazarus provides an essential, progressive and valuable service to our community,” former NFRC executive director Verna Leger said. “This agency is well respected and supported by the community at-large.”

Leger noted that HOL has a longstanding partnership with NFRC, providing support to women and children accessing the shelter’s services.

“The House of Lazarus continually sets the bar for program innovation and service excellence in our network,” said Feed Ontario’s written recommendation. “Beyond the work that HOL does locally, the food bank is a leader in our network and regularly provides their expertise to the provincial food bank network. While the food bank may be small in size, it is undeniably big in impact—both in its community and as a leader in Ontario’s food bank network. Feed Ontario is very proud to work alongside the House of Lazarus in addressing poverty and hunger in Ontario.”

Last year, House of Lazarus served roughly 3,000 people through its outreach programming and fed roughly 680 people through its food bank. To learn more about HOL’s programs and services, visit hol.community or contact 613-989-3830.



The little food bank that could

Food Banks Canada CEO Chris Hatch (left) presented House of Lazarus client services manager Kim Merkley and executive director Cathy Ashby with the 2019 Award for Food Banking—Small Food Bank during the organization’s annual conference in Halifax.

Courtesy photo

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Vern Williamson

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All my love,
Betty



Found bicycles

NORTH DUNDAS – The Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is asking for assistance from the public in identifying the owners of several bicycles located in North Dundas Township.

The SD&G OPP members have recovered several bicycles in the last few weeks and would like to find their owners. If you have lost, or have had a bicycle stolen, please contact the SD&G OPP to inquire about your bike.

- Thank You -

VANDEN BOSCH

The family of the late Stan Vanden Bosch, wish to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy and kindness shown to our family following our loss.

We offer heartfelt thanks to the many friends, and neighbours for their kindness, condolences and support that we received. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude. The family will be making a donation to Winchester District Memorial Hospital in Stan’s memory in lieu of thank you cards.

Pastor Debbie, words cannot express the strength you have given us during the past months. The Service of Remembrance and Celebration of Stan’s Life was beautiful.

Shaye, the poem “Close the Gate” was a fitting tribute to your Grand Paw, and Sawyer placing the cob of corn on Grandpa’s casket is a moment we will never forget.

A sincere thank you to Dave Lapier and staff at the Marsden McLaughlin Funeral Home for your kindness, compassion and support in carrying out Stan’s last wishes.

To the community Stan loved, we appreciate your memories, support and kindness you have shared with his family.

The Vanden Bosch Family

Obituary

JACKSON, Ruth Elizabeth (Betty)



Peacefully at the Woodland Villa in Long Sault on Sunday June 23, 2019 age 83 years. She was born in Bishop’s Mills on February 27, 1936. Betty was the eldest daughter of Frederick James Purdy and Roberta Edrie Lackie. Both predeceased her. Betty married Duncan McMillan in 1955. They settled west of Finch in the 60’s and built a gas station and repair shop where

Dunc worked until his passing in 1988. Together they raised 3 children, Leah-Anne, Heather (deceased 1994) and Robert (Bob). On May 31, 1998 Ruth married Gilbert Walter Jackson. They spent the next 6 years enjoying life until Gil’s passing in June of 2004. Betty was the much loved sister of Winston (Marion) Purdy of Mallorytown and Ronda Ferguson of Brockville. She was predeceased by a brother Ronnie in 1954. Mom is survived by 2 of her children, Leah-Anne (Randy) of Cornwall and Bob McMillan of Finch. She was Nana to 8 grandchildren, Jody, Tara, Athena, Grant, Brock, Marie, Alicia, Jenna and their families including 13 great-grandchildren. As well, Betty will be missed by many nieces and nephews. To honour Ruth’s wishes, cremation has taken place. A committal service will be held at St. Lawrence Valley Cemetery at a later date. Many thanks to Woodland Villa who provided such kind end-of-life care to Mom/Nana. As expressions of sympathy, memorial donations to the Alzheimer Society of Cornwall and District or a charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

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Morewood Meet Me on Main Street

Continued from the front

A section of Moffat Street was closed off from traffic to allow residents to take part in what food, craft brews and entertainment the area had to offer.

While the band Widow Yokum filled the air with musical entertainment, local breweries - Humble Beginnings, Tuque de Broue, winery - Smokie Ridge Vinyard and distillery - King's Lock were wetting everyone's whistles with their selection of beverages during the hot evening. There was also a busker named Cowguy who entertained the crowd by eating fire.

Children were able to take part in face-painting provided by Morewood Recreation and bounce their troubles away, in the bouncy



A dab here and there

What would a celebration be without face painting? The Morewood Recreation Association sponsored a face painting booth which is a favourite for kids who take part in the festivities.

Moore photo

castle provided by Southgate Church. The Snack Shack, Simply Baked and Triple B's were also on location, feeding hungry mouths who needed a break from all the

fun and excitement.

Be sure to check out the next event in the Meet Me on Main Street series tonight (Wed., July 10) in South Mountain.



Local distillery new to Meet Me on Main Street

Nate Heuvel of King's Lock Craft Distillery displayed his wares at the Meet Me on Main Street in Morewood on Wed., July 3. This is the first time there has been a distillery operator at the Meet Me on Main Street series over the three years and they had quite the selection including a garlic vodka and 1000 Islands Moonshine bourbon. The distillery is located in Johnstown.

Moore photo

Nor-Dun celebrates 25 years of helping people in the community

Jeff Moore

Record Staff

WINCHESTER—The Carefor Nor-Dun Centre in Winchester celebrated their 25th anniversary on Wed., June 26, in front of a crowd of about 150 people. The celebration began with a few speeches from current and past employees.

There was entertainment and a few tents set up outside for light lunch and drinks. The Nor-Dun Centre began operations in 1994 and has established itself as a vital organization from then on.

In the past year, from April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019 the centre has served 731 people in various circumstances. There

were 121 clients for Meals on Wheels, with 10,173 meals served and 2,459 volunteer hours, transportation (to and from doctors appointments, etc.) 164 clients in 4,256 trips and 4,514 hours, congregate dinners and social activities clients served a combined 10,518 clients, 486 events and 2,659 volunteer hours, footsore 180 clients and 103 volunteer hours, caregiver support

39 clients, intervention 19 clients, friendly visits/reassurance, 79 clients with 450 volunteer hours and office help, fundraising, quilting and newsletter 837 volunteer hours.

When the Nor-Dun Centre opened its doors in 1994 it was operated by the Victorian Order of Nurses (VON) that were eventually taken over by Carefor in 2006.



Time for lunch

After the guest speakers had completed their walk down memory lane, the crowd filed out of the building for a light lunch and some drinks at the Nor-Dun Centre's 25 Anniversary celebration.

Moore photo



Memories 25 years in the making

Caroline Rooney, supervisor at Carefor's Nor Dun Centre had an emotional speech as she went down memory lane in front of a crowd of around 150 people at the Nor-Dun Centre's 25th Anniversary on Wed., June 26.

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An afternoon in Ault Park

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Correspondent

LONG SAULT – Despite the sultry weather, there was a steady stream of people visiting the over 60 artisans and vendors at the Pop-up Market held at South Stormont’s Ault Park, home of the Lost Villages Museum, on July 6. Event organizer Debbie Burns of W3G & Co. mentioned this was the second year for the

event at Ault Park with 65 vendors selling a variety of home-made items with a few direct-sale business representatives on site.

Burns explained the market provided an opportunity to view the work of local and out of town artisans as well as a chance to learn about the lost villages of Eastern Ontario. Burns went on to note that she was pleased with the turnout, and that there was a steady stream of customers throughout the day.



Taking time to browse

It was a beautiful day for an outdoor pop-up market held in Ault Park on July 6. The event brought in a good crowd throughout the day.

Thompson Goddard photo



Feeding hungry shoppers

Shopping can work up an appetite, and members of the Lost Villages History Society were on hand to serve up a barbecued hot dog or hamburger or perhaps a cold drink to visitors at the market. Pictured from the left, Richard Waldroff, Geraldine Deneault, Al Daye, Tim Gault, Dave Hill, South Stormont councillor Andrew Guidon, Gloria Waldroff and organizer Debbie Burns.

Thompson Goddard photo

TD Summer Reading Club Launch Party

CHESTERVILLE – Sat., June 22 marked the official launch of the SDG Library’s TD Summer Reading Club program. More than 90 children and caregivers attended the launch party

held at Chesterville Park on Saturday morning.

Little Ray’s Reptiles was a hit with all in attendance, as participants met a skunk, great horned owl and of course, a couple of snakes

and turtles. The presentation was only fitting, as the theme for this summer’s reading program is the Natural World.

The party rounded out with meeting Alyssa

MacMillan and Amanda Derouchie, the program’s Facilitators, enjoying themed refreshments, and providing the opportunity to win prizes.

“Our Launch Party is a great way to kick off the summer and get kids excited about the reading program” said Derouchie.

The TD Summer Reading Club is a bilingual program, designed to encourage school-aged children to participate in literacy-based activities during the summer. The program lasts for eight-weeks and is offered at each branch of the SDG Library at different days and times.

“We have a lot of children participate in the program” said MacMillan.

“We have put together different activities each week to keep it interesting and fun for everyone.”

The TD Summer Reading Club weekly program started last week (July 2) and runs until August 22. For more information about the program or to register, contact your local branch or visit www.sdglibrary.ca/td-summer-reading-club.



TD Reading Club kicks off

The Chesterville Park was a buzz with young avid readers on June 22 to mark the kick off of 2019’s TD Summer Reading Club.

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Developing tourism in Chesterville

A group of local entrepreneurs and citizens met on July 2 in the Victoria Street Café to discuss the creation of an informal network designed to coordinate the planning of tourism related events in the Chesterville area. Hosted by A Bunch of People Arts and Events, organizer Amanda Burger explained that some of the advantages of working together to develop and market such events locally include, increasing attendance at events as well as sharing gained expertise. Burger explained that the A Bunch of People Arts and Events recently applied for federal funding under the FedDev Ontario Canadian Experiences Fund to market Chesterville as a tourist destination. Patrick and Amanda Burger, proprietors of the Victoria Street Café, are shown in front of several paintings created by Eileen Sharkey of Chesterville which are currently on display at the VSC. Sharkey was a life-long Chesterville resident and one of five local artists described as “Our Group of Five” in “The Time That Was.”

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Maxine Rutley

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Community Food Share names new team leader

WINCHESTER – Community Food Share (CFS) of Dundas and Stormont Counties has hired Jane Schoones of Russell as their organization's new team leader.

Community Food Share is a registered charity that helps fight hunger by distributing food and sundries from two food banks in Winchester and Morrisburg as well as food cupboards in Finch and Crysler.

Each location is staffed by a food-client coordinator with a number of volunteers

assisting on each shift. The locations in Winchester and Morrisburg are open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Finch has a one-day-a-week food cupboard open on Thursday and the Crysler food cupboard serves clients in Stormont twice-a-month on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

Additionally, CFS advocates for their client's access to basic entitlements, services and offers programs that support nutritional awareness.

"The Dundas and

Stormont Community Food Share serves a very large community," said Schoones. "We provide food, using the client choice model, to approximately 336 households every month, representing nearly 1,000 individuals - including more than 375 children."

Schoones has taken on this new role after 30 years as a teaching assistant at Metcalfe Public School. This second career move fulfils her long-time passion for community service and fundraising. A few of the local events that Schoones

has been involved with include Black Rapids Farm Fest (2017), Plowing Fore a Cure (2016), Russell Ladies Night (2014-19), Abigail's Playhouse (2004), The International Plowing Match (IPM 2001), the Canadian Country Music Awards (1999) and the Carrie Moffatt Heart Fund (1991).

"The Community Food Share is a remarkable organization and I am looking forward to doing my best to take it to the next level in serving our communities in Dundas and

Stormont," said Schoones.

Since its establishment in 1992, the Community Food Share distributes emergency food aid to the residents in need. The food is provided through generous donations from individuals, organizations and businesses throughout the community. Many corporate donors provide food that was not sold due to over-production or that has slightly damaged packaging.

Monetary donations are used to purchase specific food items that help balance the nutritional value of the



Jane Schoones

food distributed to those in need. Toiletries and baby items are also in high demand.

For more information on Community Food Share, visit their website at www.communityfoodshare.ca or friend them on Facebook.

TR Leger celebrates graduation ceremony

CORNWALL – TR Leger School of Adult, Alternative and Continuing Education held their eastern region graduation ceremony at the Aultsville Hall Theatre on Tues., June 25. Staff, special guests, family and friends celebrated as 114 students from the area campuses of Alexandria, Akwesasne Foundations, Cornwall, Dundas and Iohah:io walked the stage to receive their Ontario Secondary School Diplomas. Three students also received the Specialist High Skills Major Red Seal in Hospitality and Tourism, an outstanding achievement in the first year of the program.

Valedictorians Tehanerahtatenies John from the Akwesasne Foundations program and Alan Spates from the Cornwall Adult program were chosen to be the voice of the class of 2019. Each shared experiences from their personal journey that culminated in the achievement of their OSSD. "Both of our valedictorians spoke to the need for schools such as TR Leger to support

students beyond the mainstream. We are extremely proud of both of our valedictorians and of all our graduates," stated vice-principal Trent Carter-Edwards. "Our valedictory addresses reinforced for all just how important our model of learning is to support students of all ages, all abilities and all situations. We are so grateful for Mr. Rosaire Leger for his vision of our wonderful school."



The 2019 voices of TR Leger

Pictured, from the left, Sandy McInnes, TR Leger principal, Rosaire Leger, founder of the school, Valedictorian Tehanerahtatenies John, Valedictorian Alan Spates and Upper Canada District School Board director Stephen Sliwa.

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South Dundas invites applications for 'Mayor for a Day' contest

SOUTH DUNDAS – Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a mayor? Do you want to make a positive impact in the community? South Dundas is looking for a member of the community between the ages of 15-29 to take on the mayor's role for a day with the hopes of engaging young people in municipal matters. "Through the recently completed Youth Engagement Survey, we have seen that many youths between the ages of 15-29 are curious about the role of council," said Rob Hunter, economic development officer. "This is a great opportunity to step into that role and learn what our mayor does on a daily basis."

The lucky winner will have the opportunity to meet with Mayor Steven Byvelts and other members of council, take part in the mayor's day-to-day municipal life and try on the Chain of Office. The winner will also take home a \$100 prize from local businesses.

"Youth are the future of South Dundas," said Byvelts. "Their ideas and thoughts are very valuable and important. I'm looking forward to meeting with the winner and teaching them the role of a mayor."

South Dundas residents between the ages of 15-29 interested in applying for the 'Mayor for a Day' contest can email youth engagement intern Kaileigh Helmer at khelmer@southdundas.com with their name, contact information and a short summary (100-200 words) providing two ideas that would help improve South Dundas for youth in the community. The final day to submit entries is July 26.

"We know that youth in our community have original ideas, and we are excited and eager to hear them!" added Hunter.

The 'Mayor for a Day' contest is part of the larger Youth Engagement Initiative the Municipality of South Dundas is undertaking for summer 2019.

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Blue defeats Red in a battle of the top guns

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE—Blue welcomed Red in the opening game of the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League in the first game of the evening on Thursday night and Green was the host to Yellow in the late game.

Blue 7 Red 2

In the first game of the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thurs., July 4, Blue played host to Red at the Chesterville Arena. Blue went into the

game just one point ahead of Red in the top spot in the standings, just 17 points to 16.

Blue opened the scoring at 6:47 into the first period as Kaila Beckstead slapped one home from Leigh Ann Dearing taking a 1-0 lead. Blue made it 2-0 when Rebecca Kennedy pounded one to the back of the net from Kara Bartholomew and Lindsay Cummins at 8:14. Blue took a three-goal lead just 59 seconds later as Cummins slipped one home from Bartholomew. Blue

was relentless and at 11:30 they took a 4-0 lead as Beckstead scored her second of the game from Dearing. Blue took the 4-0 lead into the second period.

Blue made it 5-0 when Beckstead completed her hat trick from Lindsay Waddell at 1:28 of the second period. Red got on the score sheet with just 1:41 remaining in the second as Steph Dafoe snapped one to the back of the net off a rebound and the back boards from Jessica Rutley and Stephanie Shane but trailed 5-1 heading into the third period.

Red closed the gap to three when Shane sniped one from Laura Melenhorst at 5:44. Blue regained a four-goal lead at 9:40 as Cummins scored her second of the game from Kennedy and Bartholomew and restored a five-goal lead when Bartholomew lit the lap from Kennedy and Waddell with just 25 seconds remaining in the game.

Blue took the game 7-2, moving three points ahead of Red heading into week 13. Picking up the win in Blue's goal was Terri Smith and suffering the loss in Red's goal was Cashelle Baldwin.



In the first game of the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League on Thurs., July 4, Blue played host to Red at the Chesterville Arena. Blue's Kara Bartholomew (2) battles Red's Steph Dafoe in front of goalie, Cashelle Baldwin, for the ball. Bartholomew had a great game scoring a goal and picking up three helpers as Blue took a stranglehold on first place defeating Red 7-2.

Moore photo



In the second game of the night in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League, Green welcomed Yellow. Yellow's forward Jodi Hall (12) battles Green's goalie, Roxanne Crump and her defenseman, Katie Curry. Crump and her Green squad upset Yellow by a score of 3-1, to move to within one point for third place.

Moore photo

Green 3 Yellow 1

Yellow went into the game in third place, 10 points behind second place Red and just three up on fourth place Green.

The teams battled to a scoreless first period but Green opened the scoring just 54 seconds into the second period as Carly Crump rifled one home from Selena Shane and Heather Erwin taking a 1-0 lead. Green carried the 1-0 lead into the second period.

Yellow knotted the affair at 3:45 of the third period as Cinnamon Boulanger blasted one to the back of the net from Alex Roach and Jodie Hall. Green retook the lead when Jackie Morris scored an unassisted goal just 25 seconds later making 2-1.

Green closed out the scoring when Morris scored her second of the night from Janice Casselman at 11:16. Green took the game 3-1. With the win, Green moved

to within one point of Yellow for third place.

Picking up the win in Green's goal was Roxanne Crump and suffering the loss in Yellow's goal was Terri Smith.

Up next

In the first game of the night in the Chesterville Women's Ball Hockey League, Red plays host to Yellow at the Chesterville Arena at 7 p.m and in the nightcap, Blue welcomes Green at 8 p.m.

Junior Pioneers kick off summer league with a tie

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

WILLIAMSBURG—The Williamsburg Junior Pioneers played a single game this past week as they welcomed the Kemptville Wildcats on Wednesday night.

Pioneers 7 Wildcats 7

The Williamsburg Junior Pioneers welcomed

the Kemptville Wildcats to the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Wed., July 3, in the Ontario District 2 Little League. This was both teams' first game of the summer league as the Pioneers looked to build on their C championship from the spring league.

The Wildcats had a good start scoring five

runs in the top of the first inning. The Pioneers scored a single in the bottom of the first but left the bases loaded and trailed 5-1 heading into the second inning.

The Pioneers' pitcher, Brady Barrie, allowed the first Wildcat batter on base but struck out the next three. The Pioneers responded in the bottom of the second scoring the maximum five runs taking a 6-5 lead into the third inning.

The Wildcats tied the game with a single in the top of the third and their defence held the Pioneers off the score sheet in the bottom of the inning.

The Wildcats took their second lead of the game scoring another run in the top of the fourth. The Pioneers got a runner in scoring position in the bottom of the inning but were unable to get him home as they trailed 7-6 heading into the fifth inning.

The Wildcats loaded the bases in the top of the fifth but the Pioneers' defence

held them on the bags. The Pioneers scored a single run in the bottom of the fifth, tying the game at seven. The game was called after the fifth inning was complete; the time limit expired and the teams had to settle for a 7-7 tie.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Terrence Mudde, Seb Lafrance, Barrie, Aiden Hutt, Cam Shavers, Caleb Machan and Marty McLeod all scored singles. Pitching for the Pioneers were Nick Guy in the first inning, Barrie in the second, third and fourth inning and Cam Shaver in the fifth.

Up next

The Williamsburg Junior Pioneers welcome



The Williamsburg Junior Pioneers welcomed the Kemptville Wildcats to the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Wed., July 3, in the Ontario District 2 Little League. The Pioneers' batter, Nick Guy smashes one into centre field for a double. Guy and the Pioneers ended the game with a seven-all draw against the Wildcats in their summer league opener.

Moore photo

the South Ottawa Blues to the J. C. Whitteker Ball Park on Wed., July 17, at 6 p.m. and travel to the

Lower Kinsmen Ball Park in Kanata to take on the Kanata Blue Cubs on Fri., July 19, at 6 p.m.



The Williamsburg Junior Pioneers' pitcher Brady Barrie, pitched for three innings allowing just two runs. Barrie also had two RBIs and scored a run.

Moore photo

Cedar Glen Men's Night

The results from the Cedar Glen Men's Night on Thurs., July 4, were: first low gross A - Brandon Cousineau 36; first low net A - James Morrell 34; closest to the pin on number six - Larry Harper; first low gross B - Billy Dejong 39; first low net B - Larry Harper 32; second low gross B - Rick Morrow 40; second low net B - Wayne Markell 36; longest drive on number two - Shawn

Lapier; first low gross C - Frank Jerome 39; first low net C - John Wrinn 30; second low gross C - Don McMillan 44; second low net C - Mahlon Locke 33; closest to the pin on number nine - Todd Findlay and first low gross D - Francis Barkley 48. Other winners A/B Skins: Jeff Whitteker with a four on four and James Morrell with a three on eight. C/D Skins: Andrew Byvelts with a four on one and a two on nine. 50/50 winner was John Ralko.



Lannin to don Rockets' jersey in 2019-20

Rob Sadler, GM

North Dundas Rockets

CHESTERVILLE—The North Dundas Rockets have had a busy off-season so far, starting with the acquisition of Chesterville native Brett Lannin from the Elliot Lake Wildcats of the Northern Ontario Junior Hockey League (Junior A). Lannin, a former Winchester Hawk prior to heading to the NOJHL was captain of the Wildcats' Junior A team last season, recording 19 points in 48 games from the blue

line. A 6' 2", 200 lbs. defenseman will bring a tremendous boost to an already strong Rockets' back end, which consists of former Casselman Vikings' captain, Brady Cloutier, Brodie Barkley, Cameron Brown and Pierce Egan.

As general manager of the club, I couldn't be happier that we were able to get a deal done to bring Brett home to Chesterville for his final two years of Junior hockey. The back end of this team is definitely shaping up

to be the anchor of our club. Four of our five signed defenseman have played Junior A, which should give us loads of experience and depth.

Another addition who will be joining the organization this season will be Zenin Biron, a 10th round draft pick of the Cornwall Colts in 2016, who was acquired in a trade with the Morrisburg Lions that saw long time Rocket Tanner Barnett head their way in hopes of adding some depth to the Lions' defence. It's always tough when you trade a player who has been with our team for a couple of seasons. Tanner and his family were great supporters of the Rockets and on behalf of the hockey team, I would like to personally thank them for their effort and dedication. Unfortunately, as is the case in Junior hockey, the Lions felt Tanner could help them on D; and our team was in the market for a power forward like Biron to fill a need up front; so we made a deal.

Brady Cloutier and Joel Hunt, two former members of the Casselman Vikings will be joining the Rockets for their overage year. Embrun natives, both have enjoyed considerable success in Casselman winning multiple

championships and playing large roles on that team. Cloutier, a defenseman who played Junior A in Kanata before signing with the Vikings, has recorded 92 career points in 92 games with Casselman. Joel Hunt has been a Viking for the past three seasons recording 179 pts. in 141 career CCHL2 games; he was also the team's leading scorer last season with 30 goals and 32 assists totalling 62 pts. The Rockets look forward to having both play as members of the organization.

Former Chesterville Flyer, Chris Vanbridger will also be coming on board with the Rockets as the new head of player development. Vanbridger, a Winchester native and resident, played AA Hockey growing up in the Cornwall organization before graduating to the Chesterville Flyers Junior C program in 1988; following that year, he played for the Morrisburg Lions before moving to Western Ontario where he played three years with the Port Stanley Junior Lakers. We are looking forward to having Chris join our group and be able to give us a hand evaluating players on the ice.

Also of note, former Rocket goaltender Reilly Tondreau will be joining the team as an assistant coach; as GM, I felt it was a good idea to keep a younger guy like Reilly involved. Reilly is keen to help and learn and will help provide a nice bridge between the players on the team, the coaching staff and the organization.

Rockets would also like to announce formally that Chesterville native Brodie Barkley will be the club's captain this upcoming season. The assistant captains will be headed by another local product from South Mountain, Jarrett Williams. Shoring up the final two spots will be Cameron Brown and sniper Justin Lefebvre. Ultimately, this is a great group of kids to have been leading the way for us; not to mention that Lannin was captain of his Junior A Wildcats' team up north. Cloutier was captain of his CCHL2 team last season and also Hunt was an assistant captain of that team as well. Our leadership group is real solid moving into the 2019-2020 season.

The Rockets will also host the annual kids' Skills and Drills camp starting on Mon., Sept. 2, at the Winchester Arena. The camp will be made available to all age groups and will again feature players from the Rockets' team in the on-ice instruction and help. Anyone interested in returning again



Lannin signs with Rockets

The North Dundas Rockets' general manager, Rob Sadler announced the signing of Chesterville native, Brett Lannin. Lannin played for the Winchester Hawks in 2016-17 and moved to Elliott Lake to play Junior A with the Wildcats in the NOJHL.

Moore file photo



Wearing the "C"

The North Dundas Rockets have announced that returning defenseman and Chesterville native will be named captain for the 2019-20 season. Barkley is a good puck moving defenseman and good on the power play. He can also be a physical presence on the ice. Barkley played in 30 games last season scoring five goals and 12 assists.

Moore file photo



Rockets add size

The North Dundas Rockets added some size and depth up front with the acquisition of Zenin Biron from the Morrisburg Lions in exchange for defenseman, Tanner Barnett. Biron played in 20 games last year with the Lions scoring one goal and picking up 14 assists for 15 points. He also played in six games for the CCHL2 Char-Lan Rebels notching one goal.

Moore file photo



Dynamic duo

The North Dundas Rockets protected overagers Brady Cloutier (left) and Joel Hunt from the CCHL2 Casselman Vikings. The pair have been instrumental in the Vikings major run and between the two of them share six CCHL2 championships. Cloutier is a smooth skating defenseman and has been a quarterback on the Vikings power play. Hunt will add size and grit and he is a natural goal scorer.

Moore file photo

this year for the camp please contact Dayna Young at ndrockets@outlook.com or via cell phone, 613 612 3481.

Looking forward to the fall already... hope the North Dundas Community has had a positive summer up to this point.



Therien Jiu-Jitsu Chesterville competes in Orleans

Therien Martial Arts and Fitness Centre students travelled to Therien Jiu-Jitsu in Orleans on Sat., June 22, for an in-house friendship Brazilian Jiu Jitsu tournament. The tournament brought together a student from all of the Therien Jiu Jitsu schools to compete against each other to test their skills and make new friends. There were 12 students who made the trip to compete from the Chesterville Dojo including two adults and 10 kids. Most of the students who attended train in both traditional Jiu-Jitsu (which is self-defence based and includes some grappling/BJJ within the curriculum) and the BJJ program. BJJ/grappling is mostly a ground competition. It is a sport containing ground control and submissions, that focuses on using skill, technique and leverage to overcome an opponent. There is no striking. The adult BJJ program started in Chesterville in Sept. 2016 and a kids' program was added in Jan. 2019. It is led in Chesterville by Dan Gasser and Norm Beauchamp (both blue belts in BJJ) and overseen by Professor Ely Camejo (BJJ black belt) from Therien Orleans. The competitors were: Front, from left, Blake Perras, Madeline VanBruinussen, Drew Snelson and Emma Lynn Paquette. Back, from left, Kyoshi Norm Beauchamps, Mike Paquette, Nick Wert, Aiden Perras, Jayden Cross and Renshi Daniel Gasser.

Courtesy photo

Minor Pioneers knock off first place Blue Sox

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

WINCHESTER—The Williamsburg Minor Pioneers played just a single game this past week as they travelled to Winchester on Thursday night for a make-up game from earlier in the season.

Pioneers 11 Blue Sox 0

The Williamsburg Minor Pioneers travelled to Club 100 Park in Winchester to take on the Winchester Blue Sox on Thurs., July 4, in the Upper Canada Little League. The Blue Sox were putting an

undefeated streak on the line.

The Pioneers opened the scoring with a single in the top of the first inning and their pitcher Emmett Lemire let two Blue Sox runners on the bags but struck out the next three in the bottom half of the first inning.

The Pioneers bats came alive in the top of the second inning scoring the maximum five runs including a grand-slam homer by Lemire increasing their lead to 6-0. The Blue Sox got just four to the dish

in the bottom of the second but the Pioneers defence didn't allow them to cash.

The Blue Sox' defence kicked in at the top of the third inning, allowing just four to the plate; however, they were unable to take advantage in the bottom half of the inning, only getting four to the dish as the Pioneers' pitcher, Ethan Nelson sat three of them down by way of strike outs.

The Pioneers took the momentum into the top of the fourth inning, scoring another five runs. With the score 11-0, the Pioneers mercied the Blue Sox handing them their first loss of the season.

Scoring the runs for the Pioneers were Nelson, Reed McCadden, Lemire, Callum Larocque and Bennett Byvelde each with two and Carter Froats scored a single.



The Pioneers' batter, Austin Workman gets airborne after a wild pitch from the Blue Sox pitcher. Workman and the Pioneers got the last laugh beating the Blue Sox 11-0. Moore photo

Barkley finishes in 6th place

Local golfer, Kurtis Barkley travelled to Prague in the Czech Republic for his second golf tournament in the European Disabled Golf Association (EDGA) on the weekend of June 28-30. The Czech Disabled Golf Masters was one of the biggest tournaments on the tour in 2019. Barkley finished his first tournament in Richmond, Virginia in a tie for third place, and prior to this tournament he was ranked 103rd. After the first round, Barkley shot a +3 75 and sat in 7th place and on the final round he



shot a +1 73 and finished 3rd in his division and 6th over all. Barkley now ranks 45th in the world and he looks to move up the ranking in his next tournament in Calgary in August. Barkley stated, "it was nice to jump 58 spots to 45 in the world ... my goal's to be in the top 15 by end of the year." Courtesy photo



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CD Beauchamp wins round one of DIRTcar Pro-Stock Series

Martin Bélanger
Special to the Record

CORNWALL—The DIRTcar Pro-Stock Series began at Cornwall Motor Speedway on Sun., July 7, with a 50-lap feature along with the Quebec Mini-Modifieds, Modified and Sportsman on Alexandria Home Hardware night.

Jay Corbin and Stephane Lebrun were in the front row of the Alexandria Home Hardware 50 as Corbin took the lead over Lebrun and CD Beauchamp in third. First caution came on lap three as a few cars got tangled in the backstretch. On the restart, Lebrun took the lead with Beauchamp running close to him. Beauchamp took the inside lane and took the lead on lap five with Corbin holding on third. Seguin used the inside lane to pass Corbin as he faded with the top five positions being held by local runners, with Dave Bissonnette and Gilles Godard with 15 laps in the books. The feature picked up some momentum as the leaders were in heavy traffic by lap 25. Having a strong run, Godard spun in turn three on lap 32 and the yellow lights were displayed to the field. The race leader was

Beauchamp, as Bissonnette jumped to second with Rob Yetman joining the front three after starting 12th then Marc Lalonde cracked the top five with 15 laps to go. There was a caution on lap 36, and on the ensuing restart Beauchamp got challenged by Bissonnette, as Seguin got back to third with the top lane coming to life in the final portion of the feature event. Nobody could stop Beauchamp, who went on to win the initial round of the DIRTcar Pro-Stock Series.

The Loud and Dirty Modified saw Corey Wheeler take the lead with Carey Terrance and Joey Ladouceur battling for second, with Terrance getting the edge on lap five. Terrance started to reel into Wheeler as the feature got to halfway point. Terrance used the top lane to power by Wheeler for the lead on lap 16 and pulled away. Terrance had almost a stretch lead on Wheeler with five laps to go. Terrance led the final laps to win his first feature of the season in front of Wheeler and Kyle Dingwall.

Ryan Stabler was the early leader in the Next Level Home Improvement

Sportsman, leading the 31-car field to the lead as Shane Pecore made a good move to pass Stabler on lap three with Brianna Ladouceur and Gabriel Cyr in the mix. The feature had a good rhythm with the leaders in heavy traffic; these conditions brought the leaders together with Stabler closing in on the leader. Pecore led final laps to get a sixth win over Stabler and Cyr to complete the top three.

The Quebec Mini-Modifieds 20-lap

feature race saw Daniel Demers leading the way in front of Jonathan Lapolice. Demers led all laps to get his first career win in this series in front of Niko Halikas and Jonathan Lapolice, a lot of action behind Demers during that event.

Another DIRTcar series will be in town next week as the 358-Modified Series will take place with a 100-lap feature race along with a complete show in other classes.



Shane Pecore picked up another win in the Next Level Home Improvement Sportsman Series at the Cornwall Motor Speedway on Sun., July 7. Record file photo

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Russell Intermediate School Grade 8 graduation

RUSSELL – The Russell Intermediate School Grade 8 graduation was held on Tues., June 25. Graduates for the 2018/2019 school year included: Dylan Arens, Willow Benoit, Piper Bond - Dance Award, Hanne Bond-Lyons, Reilly Boyle, Paige Buma - History Award, Maxine Butler, Gabrielle Calvin-Proulx, Tanner Chadwick, Lucas Chevrier - Drama Award, Calle Chisholm - Science Award, Simon Choiniere-Belanger, Lindsay Cochrane - Hay Trophy for Most Effort in Intermediate Grades, Deklan Coggan, Emma Corkery, Lorenz Dupuis - Language Award and Stevenson Memorial Scholarship Award for Highest Academic Standing Overall, Paula Forero,

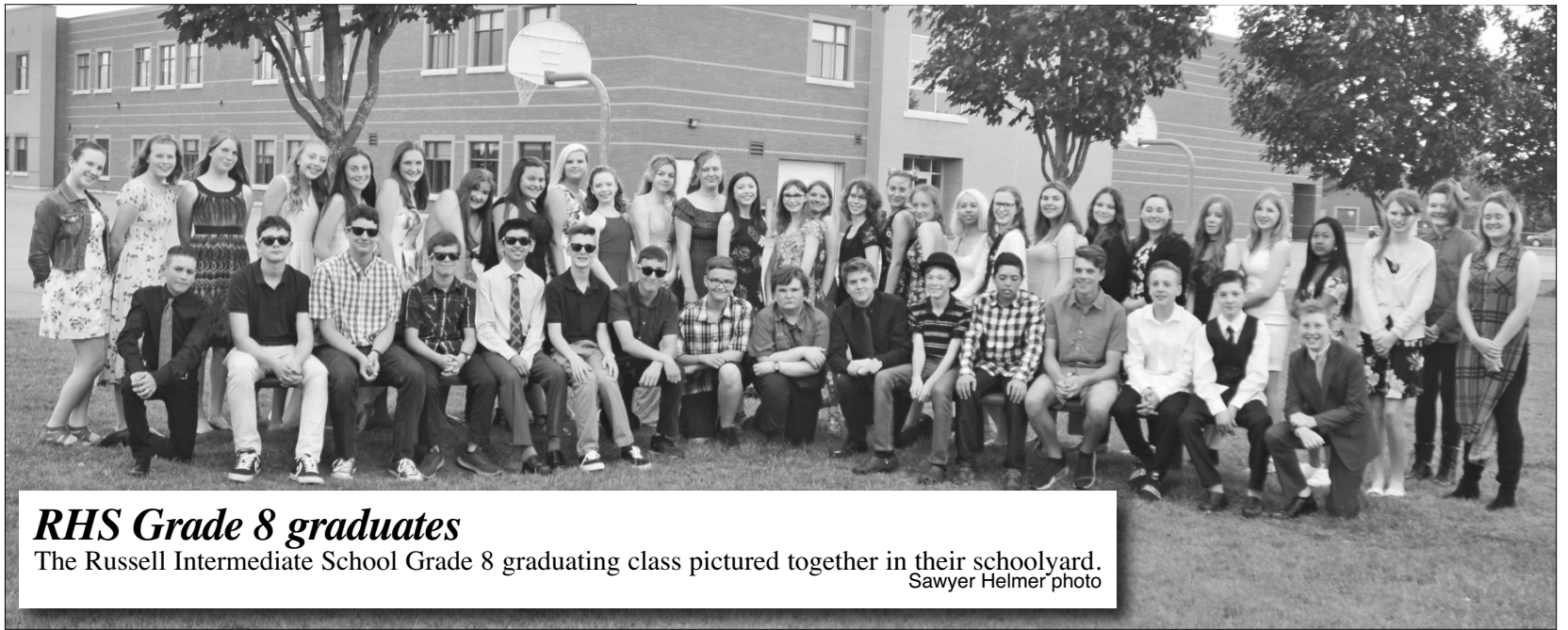
Alison Fraser, Morgan Frobel, Émélie Garneau - Geography Award, Adam Genier, Kayleb Gill, Sarah Graves - Language Award,

Karalia Hanna, Alannah Hughson - Math Award and Superintendent's Award for Most Congenial Student, Isaac Jaquemet, Aiden Koopman - Phys Ed. Award, Hannah Kreft -

French Award, Matthew Langlois, Avah Lapierre, Bryson Larocque, Tyson Larocque, Gabriel Last - Geography Award, Nick Lavoie, Kitana Luy, Logan MacGregor - Science Award and Music Award, Sloane Middleton, Ashley Miles - Phys Ed Award, Julia

Murton, Riley Panagapko - Art Award, James Rawlings, Jordan Read - History Award, Teagan Ritchie, Katie Rystenbil - Art Award, Emma Serson, Paige Skinner - Music Award and Trustee's Award for Character Always, Kassandra Stevenson -

Principal's Award for Student Leadership, Christian Thompson - Dance Award, Maya Tomaro, Zachary Tozer - Math Award, Zack Tremblay, Emily Ukena, Kate Watters - French Award and Sam Wood - Drama Award.



RHS Grade 8 graduates

The Russell Intermediate School Grade 8 graduating class pictured together in their schoolyard. Sawyer Helmer photo



Lucky lotto winner

RUSSELL – Congratulations to Eric Blanchette of Russell after winning a \$61,913.70 prize in the June 7 LOTTO MAX draw. "I've never won big before," shared Blanchette, while at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto to pick up his winnings. Blanchette, a truck driver, was visiting Niagara Falls for the weekend when he purchased his winning ticket. He checked his ticket on the OLG Lottery App when he realized he won big. "I was stunned!" he smiled. The 46-year old plans to pay off some bills with his windfall. Since its launch in September 2009, Ontario LOTTO MAX players have won over \$4.8-billion, including 64 jackpot wins and 558 MAXMILLIONS prizes, right across the province. The winning ticket was purchased at Circle K on McLeod Rd. in Niagara Falls. Courtesy photo

Design now complete for Welcome to Russell signs

RUSSELL – After consultation with the residents of the Village of Russell and the township council, the final design of the two new 'Welcome to Russell' signs have been finalized. The new signs, to be located on Craig St., and Castor St. (by the walking/bike path crossing) will depict the Russell dam site, the Castor River, an agriculture scene and lifestyle in Russell (residents on the walking/bike path). It will also incorporate Russell brick and a Russell brick campaign to collect left over/extra Russell brick from residents will be launched in the fall. The signs shape and size match exactly those in Embrun.

Welcome to Russell signs chairmen, Ash Babber and David Picard, were ecstatic with the final version following extensive input from the community. "We're so pleased that the final version represents the wishes of the majority of those surveyed," said Babber. Picard agreed with the sentiment,

"initially the Kin Club of Russell wrestled with what should be incorporated on the signs until we agreed they weren't our signs...they are the community's signs for decades to come."

The Kin Club will immediately launch its fundraising efforts to help pay for the signs, estimated around \$80,000 for the pair. The club is offering four levels of sponsorship. For more information, please contact Doug Anthony at kindoug27@gmail.com or 613-445-6483.

Fundraising kicks off on the right foot

The Kin Club of Russell kicked off its fundraising campaign for the new 'Welcome to Russell' signs with a 'Community Leader' sponsorship by Holder Tractors Inc. of Embrun for \$1,000. Christopher Palmer (left), the marketing coordinator for Holder Tractors Inc. made the presentation to Kin Club of Russell's Doug Anthony at their Embrun location. Courtesy photo



Two record attempts coming to St. Albert

The organizers of Threshing Machines.....Trash Cancer hosted a press conference in St. Albert on Thurs., June 20. The group is on a quest to set two new Guinness Book of World Records on Sun., Aug. 11. The first record is to reclaim the record for the greatest number of threshing machines operating at the same time and the second is to make the largest pink ribbon for breast cancer. Organizer, François Latour said he is excited about this year's attempt saying he hopes to have 250 plus threshing machines that would totally obliterate the current record set in Manitoba. Latour and his organization originally held the record prior to Manitoba's feat in 2016. The attempt for the threshing record will be at 1 p.m. and following that, the world's largest awareness ribbon record will try to recruit some of the people attending or competing in the threshing attempt. Latour expects between 20,000-30,000 people to attend this event so the numbers are there for the largest ribbon. The current record is 8,264 people. According to organizers, Juliette Forges and Marie Claire Ivanski, there will be a chalk line

drawn on the field where the participants can line up forming the shape of a ribbon. People are asked to wear pink but the group says they will have pink outfits to give participants if necessary. On Sat., Aug. 10, there will also be other activities including the Clarence-Rockland Plowmen's Association's plowing competition, an antique tractor pull, dancing tractors and antique demonstrations. There will also be children activities set up all weekend. The event will take place in the fields just south of the St. Albert Cheese Coop at 150 St. Paul St. The organizers are still looking for volunteers if anyone is interested, call Latour at (613) 720-1845. Pictured are the group of organizers. Moore photo

RHS Grade 12 graduation

RUSSELL – Continued from last week, Medallion winners at the RHS Grade 12 graduation held on Thurs., June 27 were: Silver Workplace: Samira Wahab; Silver College: Tyler Antille; Silver University: Sebastian Larrivee; Gold Workplace: Eve Lanthier; Gold College: Carter Barrick; Gold University: Allison MacIntyre and Governor General Medallion: Allison MacIntyre.

Justen Dupelle was named the class Valedictorian.

RHS Valedictorian

Justen Dupelle was named Valedictorian for his Russell High School class of 2019. Dupelle is pictured with RHS principal Peter Onstein.

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RHS Ontario Scholars

Not pictured in order: Meghan Baines, Jenny Bao, Carter Barrick, Emily Beaudry, Evan Borne, Elizabeth Bowen, James Cameron, Julia Costanzi, Devon Frechette, Emma Gillingham, Gordon Hanna, Alex Hiemstra, Arianna Stephanie Houle, Vivian Jaquemet, Sebastian Larrivee, Helen Lyu, Allison MacIntyre, Darian MacLean, Jenna McIntire, Jackson McMillan, Johannah Ohler, Niyati Patel, Sanskriti Patel, George Bradley Peters, Jake Peters, Simon Picard, Sean Roos, Madison Thurlow, Samira Wahab, Joshua Wolfe and Steve Zhu.

Sawyer Helmer photo

Eastern Ontario residents to benefit from improved cellular broadband and connectivity

ST-BERNARDIN — Canadians understand the importance of creating successful, sustainable communities and investing in ways to connect with each other in our increasingly digital world. Connectivity is key to supporting economic growth in rural communities and improving opportunities for all Canadian families.

On July 4, Francis Drouin, Member of Parliament for Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, on behalf of the Hon. Bernadette Jordan, Minister of Rural Economic Development, and Mr. Robert Kirby, Warden of the United Counties of Prescott & Russell, Mr. Bryan McGillis, councillor at the United Counties of SDG, Mr. Pat Sayeau, Warden of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville and Mr. Stéphane Sarrazin, EORN project co-lead announced joint funding for the Eastern Ontario Regional Network's mobile broadband project.

"The lack of cell coverage has been an ongoing issue for many years in Eastern Ontario," said Drouin. "I commend

our municipal leaders, past and present, who have decided to take it upon themselves to work together on this issue. This is a major project and I am glad to see it move forward."

Phase one of the project involves building 317 new telecommunications towers and an additional 32 local internet access points to improve overall mobile coverage for residents of Eastern Ontario.

"The demand for mobile broadband is growing exponentially, but our region is deeply lacking the needed infrastructure to keep up," said Andy Letham, chair, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus. "This project is our top priority because Eastern Ontario's economic future is at stake. We are so pleased that the federal government is joining with the province and municipal government to make this project a reality."

Phase two will identify the capacity gaps that result from heavy user-traffic, upgrade equipment to reduce network overloads, and improve service quality in rural

communities.

Once completed, the project will improve mobile coverage for over 1.1 million residents in 102 communities in Eastern Ontario. The new network will allow businesses to grow and reach new markets, with a potential to create more than 3,000 full-time jobs over ten years. For residents and families, extended mobile coverage means better access to mobile applications on a smartphone or tablet. The improved connectivity will also make it easier for people in remote areas to call for help in emergency situations.

The Government of Canada will contribute up to \$71-million to this project under the Rural and Northern Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Plan. The Government of Ontario will provide \$71-million and the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) will provide \$10-million toward the project, with private partners providing the rest of the funding.

Staying connected

A project is being put in place that will increase connectivity in Eastern Ontario, from the first phase of erecting 317 new telecommunication towers to the second phase of reducing network overloads. Pictured from the left, front, Carma Williams, deputy



mayor of North Glengarry; Lawrence Bogue, municipal councillor for Hawkesbury; Francis Drouin MP of Glengarry, Prescott and Russell; Pierre Leroux, mayor of Russell Township; François St-Amour, mayor of the Nation Municipality and Marcel Cléroux, municipal councillor for the Village of Casselman. From the left, back, Jeff Manley, municipal councillor for North Glengarry; Pat Sayeau, Warden of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville; Robert Kirby, Warden of the United Counties of Prescott & Russell; Bryan McGillis, councillor of the United Counties of SDG and Stéphane Sarrazin, mayor of Alfred-Plantagenet Township.

Courtesy photo

Don't forget your helmet

Kory Glover
Villager Staff

RUSSELL TOWNSHIP – Back in September of 2018, the township submitted a grant request to the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario for the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling program.

This began the process for a project that would lead to the creation of a cycling plan, the extension of the trail to the Sports Dome and the extension of Hamilton Road to add a bike lane. To the townships' delight, the ministry generated a favourable response with the amount of \$75,120.41, with \$22,638 being transferred to the 2019 Infrastructure Budget to complete the cycling plan.

The current cycling plan was presented at the last Russell Council meeting Mon., June 17.

"The main goal of the plan is to connect an appealing and safe network that meets current Ontario standards," said Colin McKenzie from Morrison Hershfield during a presentation to council.

It's been shown that there are four main groups of cyclists that divide the cycling population. These groups include the 'strong and fearless' that comprise only one per cent of the cycling population consisting of highly experienced cyclists who feel comfortable riding with traffic; 'the enthused and confident' comprised of seven per cent of the cycling population who are

comfortable sharing the road with traffic but only on lower traffic roads; 'the non-cyclist' which comprises of approximately 32 per cent of cyclists who are generally not interested in cycling and may never be in the future, and lastly, the 'interested and concerned' which is the largest group of the cyclist population at 60 per cent who ride infrequently and have a preference for pathways and designated cycling facilities.

The target market for the cycling plan is the 'interested and concerned' cyclist group.

It was also shown that cycling trips are divided into three categories: utilitarian, recreational and touring. Utilitarian trips encompass cyclists with a destination in mind including work, school or shopping; recreational trips are generally used for cyclists looking for enjoyment and scenery, thereby avoiding high speeds and heavy volume roadways; and touring trips are usually the longest trip of the three and require more advanced planning as the trips could last longer than a day.

This cycling plan is putting more focus on utilitarian trips but will still be making considerations that will benefit recreational and touring trips.

On-road bicycle facilities will include shared roadways and signed bicycle routes, paved shoulders and buffered paved shoulders and a conventional bicycle lane. Off-road bicycle facilities will include a multi-use pathway.

"I am happy that the province allocated us some funds to put this [plan] into place," said Russell Township Mayor Pierre Leroux.



Beautifying Russell

Russell was named the third best place to live in Canada and the residents aim to keep it that way. The Kin Club of Russell asked volunteers to come out Sat., July 6 to grab a pair of gloves and a garbage bag to keep the Castor River sparkling throughout the summer season. Volunteers from École Secondaire Embrun, South Nation Conservation and Russell Township came out to lend a hand for the cause.

Courtesy photo