

RUSSELL PHARMACY
PharmaChoice
Advice for Life

110 Craig St., Russell, ON K4R 1C7
 Mon. - Fri. - 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sat. - 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. - Closed
 Tel: (613) 445-5555 Fax: (613) 445-0382

Stay Protected!

Jim McDonell, M.P.P.
 Stormont - Dundas - South Glengarry

Main Office: 120 Second St. West, Cornwall K6J 1G5 (613) 933-6513
 Satellite Offices: Morrisburg 1-800-514-9660, Winchester 1-800-514-9660
 jim.mcdonellco@pc.ola.org • www.mcdonellmpp.ca

SSC
 Simply Sparkling Residential & Janitorial Cleaning
MAINTENANCE SERVICES
 Consistent Quality Home Cleaning Services EST. 2003
 HEAD OFFICE: 613-443-7781 WWW.SSCCLEAN.CA

CONSUMER CHOICE AWARD 2016 OTTAWA
 3 YEARS IN A ROW
 NOW OFFERING CERTIFIED TRAINED FOGGING SYSTEM DISINFECTING FOR YOUR OFFICE & HOME
 BIOHAZARD

Briefly

SDG Library branches reopen for short stays and browsing

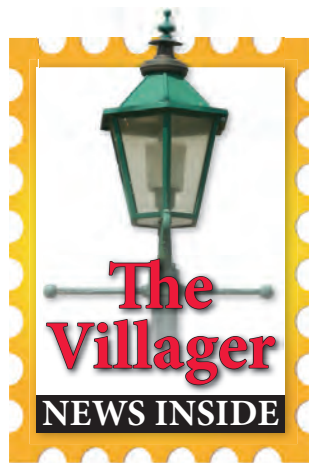
THE COUNTIES – The SDG Library has reopened for short stays and browsing the collections. Six library branches (Alexandria, Crysler, Ingleside, Lancaster, Morrisburg, and Winchester) are included as part of this announcement. The MakerLab in Finch is available for access by appointment. Curbside pick-up services will continue at all other branches. Additional hours have been added at the Chesterville, Iroquois, and South Mountain branches. The SDG Library continues to monitor the impacts of COVID-19 in our region and up-to-date information on the services available and hours of operation can be found at sdglibrary.ca/limited-branch-access. Patrons should continue to contact their local branch to find out the process for picking up items or accessing services.

Easter egg hunt

CHESTERVILLE – The Chesterville Rotary Club is hosting an Easter Egg hunt for all ages. There will be 13 eggs hidden in Chesterville. All the eggs are 18 in. high and can be easily seen. Each egg will have a Rotary Club logo and a reference number. Mark down the code and location and send to rotaryclubofchesterville.com, or you can drop off your entry in the Easter barrel at 54 Victoria St. in Chesterville. All entries must be in by noon on Fri., April 2. The winning entry will be selected on April 3 at 10:30 a.m., please include name and phone number.

THE CHESTERVILLE RECORD

Serving Stormont and Dundas Counties since 1894



PM40050631R8905 Volume 128, Number 37 Chesterville, Ontario Thursday, March 25, 2021 Single Copy \$1.00 (HST included)



Ready for some fun!

The Kember family receive information from community librarian Susan Wallwork on the StoryWalk® at Summerstown Forest Trails event on Sat., March 20. For the full story, turn to page 3. Thompson Goddard Photo

North Dundas passes one of a kind budget

Joseph Morin
 Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

WINCHESTER – North Dundas residents can expect this municipality's 2021 budget to be, for all intents and purposes revenue neutral as far as their annual tax bill is concerned. The North Dundas council adopted their proposed 2021 budget at their regular council meeting on March 23. Unlike most of the municipal budgets passed by various Eastern Ontario councils over the years, this particular one does not include a municipal tax increase. Mayor Tony Fraser said, "I have to thank my fellow councillors for their patience," he said, referring to the many discussions, debates and conversations held about the budget as councillors and municipal staff considered what they wanted to do and what they felt they could do during difficult times. He also thanked the staff for all the work they did in giving councillors the information they needed to make their decisions.

Continued on page 2

South Stormont sets 1.85 tax rate

Sandy Casselman
 Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

LONG SAULT – Last week, the township of South Stormont finished its 2021 budget deliberations with a 1.85 per cent tax rate increase. The March 16 special council meeting saw staff return to council with answers to questions and comments made during the previous budget session. While staff recommended a two per cent increase to the tax rate, by the end of the two-hour session, council had landed on the 1.85 per cent increase. Treasurer David Ni will bring the updated budget back to council on March 24 for bylaw approval. At the outset, both Councillors Jennifer MacIsaac and Cindy Woods said they were comfortable with the suggested two per cent increase, as it would assist the municipality by adding to some of the reserves and in getting some of the needed work completed. Both Mayor Bryan McGillis and Deputy Mayor David Smith were looking at finding ways to bring the tax rate down from two per cent. While in agreement with the mayor and deputy-mayor, Coun. Andrew Guindon pushed for money to be put aside for furnace issues at both the St. Andrews and Newington rinks. "I feel we have a duty to responsible taxation. I think we need to be proactive, not reactive. The discussion that we've had in the past is why we want to look at multi-year budgets, so that there's some rate stability in the future," MacIsaac said. "We just listened to our presentation from our treasurer telling us that we need more in reserves and we don't want to debenture all

Continued on page 3



FREE Market Analysis

THINKING OF SELLING?
 Now is a great time with most houses selling at or above list price!
 Give us a call for a free, no obligation Market Evaluation.

OLDFORD TEAM
 GOING THE EXTRA MILE
ROYAL LEPAGE
Team Realty
 Independently Owned and Operated, Brokerage

Emily Blanchard Sales Representative, Kim Monkhouse Sales Representative, Nathan Lang Sales Representative

613-774-2323 • WWW.OLDFORD.CA

Operation VetBuild

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

LONG SAULT – The first Operation VetBuild gathering was held at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 569 in Long Sault on Sun., March 14. Branch service officer Ken Stephens has

organized the Long Sault program and explained that the opportunity is available to former and serving members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) as well as the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF).

Stephens explained “Operation VetBuild is a Royal Canadian Legion (RCL) initiative run by the OSI Special Section of the RCL,” which began in 2019 and is designed to provide veterans (some of whom may be suffering with operational stress issues such as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder),

an opportunity to gather and socialize while building a model. Information provided by Stephens indicate this program was “inspired by the great work being done in the UK by Models for Heroes.”

He mentioned in a recent email to *The*

Chesterville Record how the program was basically “Vets helping vets in a non-clinical atmosphere” where they can interact while building models. Stephens thanked the donor who had supplied the program in Long Sault with 12 kits, a bag of tools, paint; he also thanked the

Long Sault Legion for providing funds for the program from their Poppy Funds. More information on Operation VetBuild can be provided by emailing Stephens at kenstephens095@gmail.com or contacting RCL Branch 569 in Long Sault.

ND passes budget

Continued from the front

“We recognized the need to improve our roads and that is paramount,” said Fraser.

He added, “This is a budget I think we can be proud of.”

A home assessed at \$200,000 would be asked to pay an estimated \$1,001.53 for 2021 a decrease of 2.09 per cent.

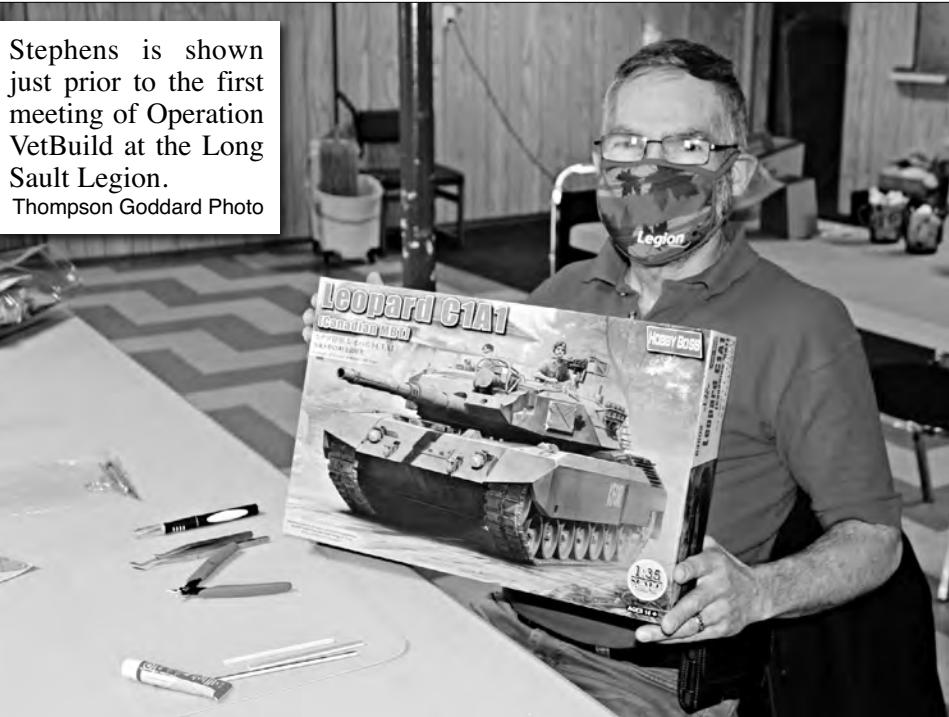
The discussions over what this year’s budget would look like began back in October of 2020. Each municipal department made their pitch for projects they considered necessary for the municipality. Councillors had to wade through the wish list and come up with a budget that satisfied everyone as much as possible.

Deputy Mayor Al Armstrong said, “It is an excellent budget.” Armstrong felt that while the budget was an aggressive one, it is at the same time a carefully measured one.

He said the reduction in this year’s residential tax would not lead to double-digit taxes next year.

The council was looking at \$7,091,126 in the 2020 budget conversation, that amount was reduced by \$76,437 for a tax requirement. There is still the Upper Canada School Board tax and United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry tax to factor in but it is looking relatively good all around.

Councillors were happy about the decrease as a sign that they had held the line as much as they could for North Dundas residents.



Stephens is shown just prior to the first meeting of Operation VetBuild at the Long Sault Legion.
Thompson Goddard Photo

WINCHESTER
FOODLAND
Fresh food. Friendly neighbours.

OPEN 6 A.M. - MIDNIGHT EVERY DAY
YOUR ONE-STOP STORE
Beer, Cider & Wine Hours: 6 a.m. - Midnight
12015 MAIN STREET, WINCHESTER • 613-774-1958

McDougall
INSURANCE & FINANCIAL
Formerly Brister Insurance

Winchester - 613-774-2832
Crysler - 613-987-2117
Prescott - 613-925-5901
Morrisburg - 613-543-3731

www.mcdougallinsurance.com

Victoria L. Byers,
Licensed Funeral Director
2990 Church Street,
South Mountain, ON
613-989-3836

byersfuneralhome@primus.ca
www.byersfuneralhomeinc.com

CHESTERVILLE PHARMACY
PharmaChoice
Advice for Life

21 Main Street N., Chesterville
Mon. - Fri. - 9am - 6pm • Sat. - 9am - 5pm
Phone: 613-448-2492 Fax: 613-448-3876

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
Branch 434
Chesterville, Ont.

167 Queen Street, Box 38, Chesterville, Ont. K0C 1H0
Tel./Fax: 613-448-1997

Garden Villa
By Sussex Retirement Living
Managed by Better Retirement Living

Come and Visit Us Today!
66 Main Street, South
Chesterville (Ontario) K0C 1H0

Phone: (613) 448-1116
Toll Free: 1 (866) 575-2718

www.gardenvilla.ca

Carefor
HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES / SERVICES DE SANTÉ COMMUNAUTAIRES

ALL SENIORS RESIDING IN NORTH DUNDAS TOWNSHIP

Nor-Dun Support Centre
517A Albert Street, Winchester, ON. K0C 2K0 613-774-6109

COMING EVENTS FOR APRIL 2021

Serving all seniors and persons with disabilities in North Dundas Township
Services Include: Meals-on-Wheels, transportation, accessible transportation, diner's meals, home help/maintenance, friendly visiting, client intervention, adult day program, foot care, information & education, health & wellness clinics, caregiver support, and social recreation.

www.carefor.ca LIKE us on Facebook

We have been excited to see our 80+ seniors starting to get the COVID Vaccine at the various clinics happening in the area. We encourage you, if you have any questions or concerns about the vaccine process, to please give us a call. Our staff are in the process of getting theirs as well. Spring has come and we have started to enjoy the warmth of the sun shining through our windows. With the nicer weather we need to be mindful of getting outside. Even if it's a walk around your building, up and down the driveway, or a walk to the post office. We need to continue to be mindful of wearing a mask if we are joining someone for our walks. Fresh air and a little exercise have proven to lift our spirits and get our joints working better. We will still be continuing to have our Drive Thru Diners Meals for the month of April. The meal is stuffed roast pork, mashed potatoes, vegetable, garden salad, and cream puff for dessert.

The dates are as follows:
South Mountain Ag Hall is Thursday, April 8th at 12:30 p.m.
Chesterville Nelson LaPrade Centre is Tuesday, April 13th at 12:30 p.m.
Winchester Nor-Dun Centre is Thursday, April 22nd at 12:30 p.m.

Please give us a call if you would like to book a pickup time for the Drive Thru Diners.

The cooks are excited to do some baking for you as a little fundraiser for the Centre. We will start to take orders over the phone starting Tuesday, April 6th and the cut off for ordering will be Thursday, April 22nd. The 4 variety of squares will be Lemon, Pumpkin Cheesecake, Raspberry, and Date. Once you have placed your order via phone to Carefor staff the pickup date will be on May 7th at 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. at our front door. Please have exact cash in an envelope with your name as we will not be making change.

Our Health & Wellness and Footcare programs will continue to be by appointment for our clients. Our staff continue to work hard providing the day-to-day assistance for our clients.

For more information please call us at 613-774-6109.

Neal's Heating, Cooling & Refrigeration Ltd.

RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • AGRICULTURAL
Natural Gas, Propane & Electric Heating, Refrigeration
Air Conditioning/Heat Pumps, Geothermal, Bulk Tanks, Sheet Metal
24-HOUR SERVICE, FREE ESTIMATES

12095 Baker Rd.
Winchester, ON
Tel.: 613-774-6446
Fax: 613-774-6486
nealshcr@xplornet.com

Fully Licensed under LLBO
Take Out • Pizza
Italian • Canadian Food

Louis' Restaurant & Dining Lounge
1 King St., Chesterville, ON 613-448-2051

Dundas Manor
533 Clarence St., Box 970
Winchester, ON K0C 2K0

Victoria Cotnam, BHSc., MSc.
OFFICE SUPPORT ANALYST
P: (613) 774-2293
F: (613) 774-4015
victoria.cotnam@dundasmanor.ca

"Ladies and Gentlemen Serving Ladies and Gentlemen"

MARSDEN & McLAUGHLIN FUNERAL HOMES LTD.

Cardinal - 613-657-4848
Williamsburg - 613-535-2339
Iroquois - 613-652-4452
Chesterville - 613-448-2120

Winchester Dental Centre

Tel.: 613-774-2616
Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
By Appointment.

539 St. Lawrence St.
Winchester, ON K0C 2K0

Seaway Valley PharmaChoice
Family Owned and operated since 1971
- FREE DELIVERY -
Downtown Winchester - 613-774-2633

Free shuttle service to your medical appointments in Winchester

Reading while enjoying nature

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

SUMMERTOWN – Putting a new twist on outdoor reading, the StoryWalk® at the Summerstown Forest Trails was held on Sat., March 20, and Sun., March 21. The warm weather and spring sunshine provided an excellent opportunity for people to enjoy a walk in the forest and safely read a children’s book at the same time.

StoryWalk® at Summerstown Forest Trails was a collaborative event between the Friends of the Summerstown Trails (FOTST) and the SDG Library with the aim of encouraging “people to enjoy reading and the outdoors together,” according to a March 12 press release from the United Counties of Stormont Dundas and Glengarry (SDG).

SDG director of library services, Karen Franklin, commented in the press release how StoryWalk® events combine “two stress relievers – nature and reading.” with FOTST president Vic Leroux mentioning how pleased the organization was to have

this activity at the Summerstown Forest Trails and hopes “this event can be repeated in the future.”

Susan Wallwork, SDG community librarian, was kept busy at the entrance to the Summerstown Forest Trails providing information on StoryWalk®. She took a few minutes to explain to participants how laminated oversized pages from the book *Be You!* were displayed along a trail marked by yellow paper. In a post event email, Wallwork noted there were 16 story boards for the 32-page long book, before commenting there were over 100 participants in the very successful event with many participants asking “when and where the next one will be – we’re excited to bring other stories to other areas of SDG!”

Lorraine Clarke, a volunteer with the Summerstown Forest Trails, greeted people as they entered the trails’ area. She explained there were several kilometres of trails which are great for walking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing or bike riding. Clarke mentioned the event had been



Zoey Mattice of Williamstown enjoyed the opportunity to spend some time outdoors while participating in the StoryWalk® held at the Summerstown Forest Trails on Sat., March 20.
Thompson Goddard Photo

delayed due to COVID-19 but was pleased with the turnout and expects there will be another StoryWalk® next year.

Simon and Natalie Kember of Cornwall brought their two young girls, Florence and Marigold, to the Summerstown Forest Trails to enjoy some fresh air, exercise and

the opportunity to read a children’s book as a family during the StoryWalk® event on March 20. Natalie commented as they received information from Wallwork how they were excited to participate in the StoryWalk® while enjoying the sunshine outdoors.

Council approves two staff appointments

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

BERWICK – Township of North Stormont council officially approved the appointment of Nancy Ann Gauthier as fire chief and Austin Winters as deputy clerk.

The bylaws confirming the appointments were unanimously approved by politicians during the March 16 council meeting. The township advertised for both positions beginning Feb. 17 with a closing date of March

5. It was noted that the successful candidates have been in acting positions for their respective posts for the past six months with exemplary results, and that both individuals meet the specified qualifications for their positions.

Gauthier is now the North Stormont Department of Fire and Emergency Services official permanent part-time fire chief. It was noted that the appointment of a fire chief is mandated by *Ontario’s Fire Protection and Prevention Act*. The position was included in the municipality’s 2021 budget.

Austin Winters, who has been acting deputy clerk for roughly six months, is now North Stormont’s permanent deputy clerk. In this position, under the Municipal Act, Winters has the same powers and duties as the clerk.

Councillor Randy Douglas noted that when Winters was originally brought on as acting deputy clerk, it was under temporary training mode. He said it seems that Winters has sailed through the training.

“He’s been a very quick study,” CAO Craig Calder said. “He’s young. He’s bright. I believe he’s going to be with us for a long time. He’s been a great addition to the team.”

S. Stormont tax rate

Continued from the front

of our projects; we are debenturing quite a few already, so I think that we’re in a prime year where we’re not seeing the MPAC (Municipal Property Assessment Corporation) increase that could have been, because of COVID-19. We already know the impact from the [United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry] and the education rate. And so, for the minimal impact to change that rate, I’d rather see it stay at two per cent so that we can be funding our future.”

As treasurer David Ni explained, the difference between a two per cent and a 1.85 per cent tax rate

increase is \$0.69 on a property assessed at \$100,000 and \$2.09 on a \$300,000 property.

“I think, yes, I agree with Deputy Mayor Smith, I think that it’s the reason why stores sell things for \$9.99 instead of \$10, but I want to be responsible here and make those pennies count,” MacIsaac said in response to a comment from Smith about tax rate and public perception.

With a two per cent tax rate increase, property tax for a home assessed at \$100,000 would be \$1,204.66, which is \$4.34 higher than 2020. A \$300,000 property would have a tax of \$3,613.99, which is \$13.03 higher than last year. As it sits now with a 1.85 per cent tax rate increase, property tax for a home assessed at

\$100,000 will be \$1,203.97, which is \$3.65 higher than 2020. A \$300,000 property will have a tax of \$3,611.90, which is \$10.94 higher than last year.

Each member of council agreed they would like to see tax rate stability from year to year and, in the end, settled on the 1.85 per cent tax rate increase. They each remarked on how easy staff

had made this year’s budget deliberations, thanking them for their hard work and dedication.

“I think it’s a privilege working with you-all of council. It’s great; with the comments you come up with. I want to thank staff again,” McGillis said. “We’re doing really well and I’m happy to be sitting here and proud to be here in South Stormont.”



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Waste Department Part-Time Truck Driver/Labourer

The Township of North Dundas is currently seeking candidates to fill the position of Part-Time Truck Driver/Labourer.

We are seeking a motivated individual to drive the waste management truck, assist with curbside pick-up of waste/recyclables and other related duties. Applicants must possess a valid DZ driver’s licence or willing to obtain. Individual must have a clean driver’s abstract.

To obtain a full position description, including the skills and knowledge, please visit our Job Opportunities page at www.northdundas.com.

To apply to become part of our team, please submit your resumé by 2 p.m. on Friday, April 9th, 2021 to Doug Froats, Director of Waste Management
Township of North Dundas
636 St. Lawrence St., PO Box 489
Winchester, ON K0C 2K0
Fax: 613-774-5699
Email: careers@northdundas.com

The Township of North Dundas wishes to thank all applicants who apply, however, only those being selected for an interview will be contacted. We will accommodate the needs of qualified applicants in accordance with the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act during the hiring process.



WE'RE WITH YOU AT HOME

As the consequences of COVID-19 affect our community and our world, the importance of our connection to reliable information, resources and one another is more evident than ever. As your local newspaper, we are committed to keeping you connected through local news, outbreak updates, stimulating features and community engagement as we make our way through these troubled times toward a brighter future together.

In order to deal with the recent COVID-19 restrictions, The Chesterville Record's office will be closed to the public, but we are still working.

The Chesterville Record will continue to be published every Thursday.

To contact us call 613-448-2321, or use the following emails:

For advertising and/or subscriptions: ads@chestervillerecord.com
For classifieds: therecordclassifieds@gmail.com
For news: editor@etceterapublications.ca

Thank you for your patience and understanding during these unusual times.

• HAPPY •
Easter

Stay Protected!

Jim McDonell, M.P.P.

Stormont - Dundas - South Glengarry

Main Office:

Satellite Offices:

120 Second St. West,
Cornwall K6J 1G5
(613) 933-6513

Morrisburg
1-800-514-9660

Winchester
1-800-514-9660

jim.mcdonellco@pc.ola.org
www.mcdonellmpp.ca



Box 368, 1 Mill St.,
Chesterville, Ont.
K0C 1H0

EDITORIAL & Opinion

E-MAIL:
editor@etceterapublications.ca

TEL: 613-448-2321

FAX: 613-448-3260

ND Mayor Fraser's update

Spring is here...finally. Looking back at this past winter, I realize that there weren't too many storms although we did face some challenges with our new winter maintenance program.

However, by paying attention to the concerns brought forward to us, we did achieve success and I am confident that we will continue delivering a level of service that is second to none.

The last quarter of 2020 and the first quarter of 2021 found township staff and council focusing on budget preparation that required us to address unprecedented challenges that we have all faced, and unfortunately are still facing.

We felt it necessary to be very realistic about the situation that the pandemic has placed us in and to recognize that many people and businesses continue to struggle.

Staff prepared a draft budget that outlined things that needed to be done and presented to council, an overview of challenges and options that we need to be aware of as we move forward in North Dundas.

The Township of North Dundas has a large road network and my belief as well as council's is that our citizens expect, and rightly so, a road network that is safe, with a high level of quality and built to a standard that reflects the

expectations of our ratepayers.

Our director of Public Works, Mr. Tunio, has studied our Roads Needs Assessment and has developed a far-reaching plan to build and repair our roads to a standard that is expected by many, me included. Our director of Recreation and Culture, Ms. Meerburg, and her staff continue to ensure that our facilities will be properly looked after, and our program offerings will be fresh and exciting. Public Works and Recreation and Culture are our two biggest departments, but all our

directors have understood the important challenge in delivering this especially important budget during this pandemic.

The 2021 Municipal Budget for the Township of North Dundas will include many important items, most importantly it will require less money from the ratepayers than the last budget and there will be a negative tax increase. We have discussed and decided on such things as our Water and Sewer Capital Charges, our Water and Sewer Allocations and are in the midst of an Environmental Assessment project that will

determine the extent of our growth in North Dundas. North Dundas is experiencing unprecedented, exceptional growth from Hallville in the west to Chesterville in the south and all points in between.

It was just a few years ago that a study was conducted of our historic growth trend and it was concluded that we had the municipal water and sewer capacity to allow us to grow at the historic rate. Well that forecast has changed dramatically and quickly.

The forecasted 20-year capacity quickly became a

number closer to a 5-year capacity. Staff and council are working hard to meet the challenges facing us and the challenges are of a positive nature.

Many factors have come into play to cause this growth in North Dundas and one of the factors that I am most proud of is that people want to remain in North Dundas and people want to move to North Dundas because we are a supportive, welcoming and exciting community.

Until next time we meet, stay safe, take care and be kind.

ND Mayor, Tony Fraser

Editorial

Don't be fooled it's still here

Patience must be one of the more important attitudes to polish and perfect.

As our health system monitors the ups and downs of the Covid-19 virus, the system's proclamations consistently portray a virus that has not been beaten but is making a last stand in our cities and villages.

The virus does not have a communications' director who would readily inform us that the virus is doing 'just fine, thank you', regardless of what health experts would say.

The job of any upstanding virus is to ensure its survival, so it is programmed to find a way to survive; opposing that ancient evolutionary urge is humanities equally determined attempt to survive, while excluding the virus in our success.

All of us have walked the walk in utilizing up to now, what has been our best weapon against the stubborn virus

which is isolating and causing restrictive measures in the work place and in public. Finally, the vaccines are starting to make their way through the system and that should make a huge difference along with existing measures.

However, do not for a moment think we are out of the woods or even close to sailing into a safe harbour.

Eastern Ontario may be slipping into the red zone this week and to pretend we are done with the virus is a mistake.

The vaccine will make a difference for sure, but not if we allow our guard down before most of us have been vaccinated.

We have come so far, that to lose patience now would be a spectacular shame.

So, hang in there, and remember your adversary, the virus has all the patience in the world; we just have to have more.

Joseph Morin

NDDHS Report

By Jamie Wilson
Student Council Communications



Spirit Week

Last week was our March spirit week to replace what would have been March Break in a typical year. On some of the days we saw participation numbers higher than we have seen so far this year. The staff here at North Dundas is truly a force to be reckoned with. They turned out the highest participation for the week. The only grade that was able to beat the staff was the Grade 12s on Twin Day! Of the students, the grade 11s managed to have the highest participation for three of the five days, also having the highest overall student participation of the week. It was wonderful to see students having fun with the days. Photos from the spirit days can be found on the school's Facebook page.

This Fri., March 26 North Dundas is wearing plaid for suicide awareness. The turbulent teen years are packed full of changes and stressors that would be hard on anyone, let alone the vulnerable, developing brain of a teenager. Teenagers are admitted to the hospital for suicide attempts more than any other age group. This number has tripled during the Covid-19 pandemic, making now more than ever an important time to focus on this issue. It is estimated that two thirds of those who die from suicide never received any mental health services. Therefore it is imperative to bring awareness to this issue. The goal is to create an environment at school and in the world where teenagers feel safe and are provided with the mental health resources they require. The first step to achieving this goal is raising awareness and showing our support for all those who have lost a loved one to suicide or who have attempted suicide themselves. You are not alone; your North Dundas family stands with you!

The Road Home

by Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Spring has indeed sprung, with the weather over the past weekend bringing an anticipation of hope and energy to people all over the United Counties. With the geese returning to their northern homes, the sap running and the disappearance of snow from our fields one cannot help but wear a smile beneath our face coverings with a special glint in our eyes.

Soon Holy Week and Easter will be celebrated with many unable to attend an in-Church gathering due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. As a practicing Anglican this will be the second Easter where we will not be able to gather at St. Clare's for in-service worship and while this has saddened me, the need to ensure the health and well-being of everyone has mitigated this feeling. It has caused me to think back to "spring festivals" in the past at Holy Trinity Anglican in Chesterville.

Now, remembering that I was just a wee lass at the time, the main thoughts

associated with Easter were chocolate rabbits, Easter eggs and of course a new outfit for that day. Being the only girl with six older brothers usually meant that for Easter there was a quick trip to David's Community Store for myself and Mom. While the boys would be wearing a suit and tie to church, as her only daughter Mom made sure I had a store-bought dress, hat, shoes and socks for church on Easter Sunday.

The selection of socks and shoes never took very long - black patent leather shoes and white socks were easily found. Stan David who owned the store would sit me down on a chair in the shoe section and while Mom watched, carefully measured my feet, select the perfect pair and once I took a walk around the chairs painlessly would hand them to my Mom who already had a pair of white knee-high socks in her hand.

Mom had told me how Stan often travelled to Montreal to purchase items for sale from wholesalers and for a child (and perhaps a few adults

also) the store was a treasure trove of new and exciting things. From the latest fashions to jewellery and novelty items, there was certainly a lot of things to look at while Mom talked with Stan's sister about the dress I would need for church. Eventually she would call out my name, I would scurry over to look at and try on the dresses she had selected. Once the dress decision was made, there was a bit of discussion as to the hat needed to complete the ensemble which gave me the time to peruse once again those more interesting items in other parts of the store.

While I couldn't pretend to be interested in shopping for my ensemble, I do recall most vividly being ever so happy walking down the aisle to our front row seat on Easter Morning with a new outfit, complete with a pair of white gloves covering my tiny hands. Thank goodness for Mom, who took the time to make sure her little girl looked nice for Easter and yes there was chocolate bunnies for us kids at home after church.



Etcetera Publications (Chesterville) Inc.

Publisher
Etcetera Publications Inc.

Editor
Joseph Morin

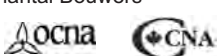
Copy Editor
Edith Landreville

Reporters
Joseph Morin
Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Local Journalism Initiative (LJI Journalist) Canada
Sandy Casselman

Ad Representative
Brenda Fawcett

Production Manager
Chantal Bowers



Proudly printed in North Dundas.

Advertising Rates on Request
P.O. Box 368, 1 Mill Street
Chesterville, Ont. K0C 1H0

Advertising E-mail:
ads@chestervillerecord.com,
adsrussellvillager@gmail.com

News E-mail:
editor@etceterapublications.ca

Telephone: (613) 448-2321

Fax: (613) 448-3260

Published Thursdays by Etcetera Publications (Chesterville) Inc.




Single Copy \$1.00 HST Included.
Annual Subscription \$35.00 within 40 miles;
Outside 40 miles \$40.00; USA \$150.00.
All Subscription Prices Include HST.

GET YOUR COPY OF THE CHESTERVILLE RECORD / THE VILLAGER EITHER BY NEWSPRINT OR YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICE

SAVE \$17.00
per year by purchasing a subscription to The Chesterville Record / The Villager
Payment of \$35.00 (includes HST) may be made by cash, cheque, VISA or MasterCard.
Mail or drop off with payment to:
P.O. Box 368, 1 Mill Street, Chesterville, ON K0C 1H0
or call 613-448-2321

Name: _____
Street: _____
Town: _____ Prov.: _____
Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____
M/C or Visa #: _____ Exp. _____
CSV#: _____
Please allow two weeks for subscription to start.

EASTER COLOURING CONTEST



The Chesterville Record is on the hunt for artists!

Now let's hop to it: Decorate the photo with your favourite colours and send it to us for your chance to win!

Good luck, everybunny!

CHILD'S NAME: _____

AGE: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

PROVINCE: _____

PARENT'S PHONE #: _____

PARENT'S E-MAIL: _____

Mail your entry on or before April 5, 2021 to The Chesterville Record, 1 Mill Street, Chesterville, ON K0C 1H0 or email it to contests@etceterapublications.ca. The contest winner will be announced on our Facebook page on April 8, 2021.

Coloring Contest Rules:

- Contest is open to children ages 4-10. Relatives of newspaper employees or contest sponsors are not eligible to win.
- Contestants may use crayons, markers or coloured pencils to colour the pictures. Adults may assist in completing the contest entry form, but may not assist in colouring.
- Entries are considered property of this newspaper and may be printed by this newspaper.

North Stormont approves 3.6 tax rate increase

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

BERWICK – The township of North Stormont's 2021 Budget has passed with a 3.6 per cent increase.

In a four-to-one recorded voted, the budget was officially passed during the March 16 council meeting. Councillor Roxane Villeneuve, who called for the vote to be recorded, was the lone holdout opposing the financial document.

"There are some projects in isolation that are worthy expenditures for our communities. They have involved collaboration and transparency. They are well costed and acceptable to our residents," Villeneuve said in a short statement. "But

balancing a budget involves just that: balancing. It is a scale. Each favourable input I have reviewed has been tipped and outweighed by the unfavourable. Scales that are unbalanced invariably lead to malfunction. Council has permitted this. Council isn't spending wisely and isn't respecting taxpayers. We aren't getting the basics done effectively and waste time and money on the unnecessary and the unimportant. North Stormont has left money on the table where higher levels of government have made available to assist municipalities while our neighbours have taken full advantage of those supports."

The budget is available

in its entirety on the March 16 council agenda municipal website in the package.



- OBITUARY - EVERT TERMEER

Died peacefully on Tuesday March 2, 2021 at 93 years of age. Evert Termeer of Finch, ON.

Predeceased by his wife Aalderdina (Grasmeyer). Much loved father of Rita (Tom) Martin Lunenburg, ON, Jean (Wayne) Litt Stratford, ON, Bill (Oksana) Termeer Grande Prairie, ALTA, Barrie (Julie) Termeer Leduc, ALTA, Richard (Mary Ellen) Termeer Florida, Rob Termeer Finch, ON, Nancy (Doug) Kaminska Shakespeare, ON. Brother-in-law of Tom and Lien Grasmeyer, and of Annie Termeer. Predeceased by brother Wim and sister Riek in the Netherlands. He will be sadly missed by his grandchildren Brady (Julie) Martin, Eric (Liv) Martin Rodriguez, Colin (Shelley) Martin, Grant (Jaela) Martin, Devin Litt, Kory (Ashley) Litt, Carley Termeer, Robyn (Jonathan) Sloboda, Amanda Termeer, Dylan Termeer, Janessa (Michael) Termeer, Kelly Termeer, Kyle (Vanessa) Kaminska and Becky Kaminska, as well as 8 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Greatly missed by his devoted Yorkie, Buddy.

Evert was a man who lived life to the fullest, not waiting for life to come to him, but actively searching out and enjoying new adventures. In 1952, he married his lifetime partner, affectionately known as Dini, and together they began the biggest adventure of all, immigrating to Canada from Holland, not knowing if they would ever see their extended family again. In 1955 they bought Duart MacLean's dairy farm in Goldfield, where they would raise a family of seven children. Growing up on the farm was a great life for all of us, seeing the cycles of nature, crops and farm animals renew themselves each spring, and sharing in the farm work. He later used the farm as a base to turn his love of bees from a hobby into a full-time beekeeping operation, which resulted in three of his sons, and two grandsons also becoming beekeepers.


He had many hobbies, including photography, ham radio, sailing and in his later years maintaining his contacts with his family and many friends via the internet. He and Dini were long time members of the Stormont Yacht Club, where they sailed every summer. That love of sailing eventually resulted in them purchasing a sailboat in the Bahamas, where they spent the winters for many years, sailing, fishing, diving, hosting friends and family for visits, and enjoying long-term friendships with local Bahamians. Each summer they made a trek to Alberta to visit their families there, and camp and hike in the much loved Rocky Mountains.

To follow Evert's wishes, cremation has taken place. As expressions of sympathy memorial donations to Hospice Cornwall (cornwallhospice.com) or Winchester District Memorial Hospital (www.wdmhfoundation.ca) would be appreciated by the family. Online condolences may be made at www.brownleefuneralhomes.com.




Obituary Earle Merkley

Peacefully with his family by his side at the Ottawa Civic Hospital on Thursday, March 18, 2021, Earle Merkley of Chesterville, age 88. Loving husband of Yvonne Merkley (nee Garrett) for 66 years. Dear father of Kevin (Catherine) of Morrisburg and Karen Gowdy (Kevin) of Ottawa. Cherished grandfather of Kurt Gowdy and Kyle Gowdy (Jenna). Due to Covid restrictions a private family graveside service will be held at Maple Ridge Cemetery in Chesterville. Donations to Christ Church United in Chesterville or the Ottawa Civic Hospital would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. If you are making your donation online or by cheque directly to the charity, please include the following note with your gift "please notify the family". Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.




Church DIRECTORY

Your Guide to Local Houses of Worship

The United Church of Canada CHRIST CHURCH UNITED 

5 Casselman St., Chesterville
Pastor: Debbie Poirier 613-850-2725

PLEASE NOTE: Due to current COVID-19 restrictions our church building is temporarily closed. Telephone calls are answered at 613-448-2532.

**THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
AVONMORE-FINCH-MARTINTOWN
ST. JAMES - CHALMERS - ST. ANDREW'S** 

PASTORAL CHARGE Minister: Rev. Lois Gaudet BBA, BTh, MDIV
Contact: Tel: 613-346-1648 Email: revlgaudet@gmail.com


Palm Sunday (March 28) Come worship with Rev. Lois at 10 a.m. in St. James, Avonmore where we will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion. (Worship cancelled in Chalmers, Finch due to Hydro power outage).

Masks and socially distancing will be required.

ST. LUKE'S - KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - FINCH

MINISTER: Rev. Dr. Cheryl Gaver 613-918-0506 Church: 613-984-2201
cgaver@cogeco.ca www.finch-avonmore-presbyterian.ca

Closed until further notice.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - Morewood
ST. ANDREW'S - Chesterville ST. PAUL'S - Winchester** 

Interim Moderator Rev. Samer Kandalaf 613-258-4136

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Chesterville and Morewood Presbyterian Church are open. St. Paul's in Winchester remains closed until the end of March.

NATIONSIDE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Rev. Edwin Valles
Email: ebvalles@hotmail.com Office: 613-448-2272
IDP Group Inc., 171 Main St. North, Chesterville

Please note: No Sunday and Wednesday meetings during the pandemic
**Please join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our online service on Facebook:
Nationside Pentecostal Church**


www.nationside.org
Affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada

HARMONY COMMUNITY CHURCH
Evangelical Missionary Church

12010 Ormond Rd. & Hwy. 31 613-774-5170 www.harmony-church.org
Senior Pastor: Rev. Daniel Wallace

Sunday Service at 10:30 a.m.

Join us via our youtube channel for our live stream at 10:30 a.m.
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoPy_DABz4REc-A76-EvrA
No Sunday School or Nursery provided at this time.

ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH 

139 Castor St., Russell, ON Parish Office: 613-445-3226
Presiding: Rev. Anne Quick
infostmarysrussell@rogers.com Website: www.stmarysrussell.ca

Please join our virtual service, Sundays at 10 a.m.


If you would like to join our service via Zoom
email: infostmarysrussell@rogers.com for the link.

St. Mary's Church is engaged in actively sharing God's unconditional grace and love.

WINCHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH


486 Main St., Winchester
Pastors Bud McKibbin and Mollie McKibbin

Join us Sundays at 11 a.m. for our virtual service
Church closed until further notice. Traditional Music - Centered Services

THE GATHERING HOUSE 

CHESTERVILLE
Friendly, Caring, Accepting
Pastor Brian Barr 613-448-1758

**Join us at www.thegatheringhouse.ca on
Sunday mornings beginning at 10 a.m. for our weekly worship service.**


ST. MARY OF THE PRESENTATION CATHOLIC CHURCH 

Administration Priest: Fr. Cyril Duru
Parish Secretary: Patricia Guy - 613-448-3262

ST. CLARE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH OF NORTH DUNDAS

Rev. John Wilcox 613-774-2236
www.stclaresanglican.ca 2530 Falcone Lane, Winchester

Visit us online for Sunday Service at our links below.
On Facebook at The Anglican Parish of North Dundas at St. Clare's.
On YouTube at St. Clare Anglican.



Covid infection more serious than it looks

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

WINCHESTER – In Rural Ontario the sense of urgency about the pandemic is often left by the wayside.

The news about its progress across the province is a daily reminder of the seriousness of the virus, but most rural residents have never seen it in action; and following restrictions aimed at stopping the virus becomes an intellectual exercise for many.

However, John Cinnamon (who farms just a few kilometres north of Winchester) and his wife Linda have come face to face with the virus and can testify to its seriousness.

It's real, its here and it's no picnic.

He posted his experience on Facebook. "It was a good idea to let people know it is here, it's not a farce and it's not a joke."

Cinnamon survived it even though being over 70 years old, he was a perfect candidate for the virus to do its worse.

In early March he complained of a stomachache and never-ending headache.

After a fair amount of arm-twisting from his children and wife Linda, he gave in and went to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital for Covid testing.

Looking back, he is glad

he gave into his family's urging.

"I'm glad that they did," said Cinnamon.

"I thought the stomachache could be the result of the some of the medication I am on, so I stopped them for 24 hours but it did not help, it got worse," he said.

"I did not think I had Covid. I had a stomachache. It was not like I could not breath.

I decided to humour everybody and go get the test."

Much to his surprise his tests came back positive and he was ordered to isolate himself in his home as the virus raged in his body.

"The doctor phoned me the next day and said I have Covid. They did not wait for me to find out about it online. The treatment was to be isolated in his home and in a separate room from his wife while the virus ran its course. My wife catered to me hand over fist."

The doctor said his Covid infection was a low-grade type.

"If it was high grade I

would have been in the hospital real quick," Cinnamon said.

The virus seemed to be content causing havoc with his stomach and head.

Two weeks of bed rest and solitary confinement resulted in his body fighting off the virus. He was virus free but was left incredibly weak.

"I am tired and it took a lot out of me."

He has no idea about where he could have caught the virus and his wife Linda did not get it.

"I do not know why I was spared. I will be 74 on July 18. I'm at the right age for a more serious reaction to the virus."

The health department called him every day as they checked up on his symptoms.

After two weeks of living in isolation from his wife and family, he was declared better.

He credits much of his success against the virus to his wife who looked after him.

"She catered to me left and right. She was the one



Linda and John Cinnamon posed beside Linda's grandfather's tractor in June of 2020.

File Photo

looking after me."

He did not think he was dying. He had terrible headaches and stomachaches.

"I would sleep but then wake up with a fever."

Cinnamon noted he was never out of breath. He waited the virus out but it was not easy.

Cinnamon said, "I would not wish that on my worst enemy. A few people have asked me if I will still get vaccinated when my times comes since my body has

already rejected it. I will take the vaccine when the time comes. Before I was a little leery about getting the vaccination but now, I am ready. I will be there."

As weak as he is, Cinnamon is anxious to get ready for spring on the farm.

"I am glad to get it behind me before I start spring's work. We have seed corn coming in that I will need to start unloading. It will take a while to get back in shape."

South Dundas Chamber of Commerce welcomes new members

Sandy Casselman

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

MORRISBURG – In an online event, the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce welcomed several new business owners to its membership.

"If you're a new member of the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce, you're fortunate," Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Eric Duncan said, noting that board president Cindy Peters is wonderful to work with and the group as a whole is "one of the best" in terms of energy and organizing events.

In addition to Duncan, the March 10 meeting included a visit from United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SDG) warden Frank Prevost, Municipality of South Dundas Coun. Archie Mellan, and South Dundas economic development officer Rob Hunter. Several of the new members were on hand to introduce themselves and their businesses.

The list of new businesses and their owners include: Sassy's Nail Studio (Tracy McMillan), McKee Painting and Cleaning (Teresa McKee), The Red Door Barn (Hanna and Carl McIntyre), Dragonfly and Dreams (Anita Milne), Marriner Design (Susan Marriner), ThistleRock Tax Company (Stepheny Rocks), 31 Gifts (Amy Griffin Scott), Toe-Tal Footcare (Catherine Geurkink), The Country Blossom (Shannon Casselman), World Financial Group (Dianne and Ashlea Maddex and Teresa Robertson), Van Moorsel Interlock and Landscaping (Drew Van Moorsel), and Cardinal Flowers (Kaitlyn Morehouse).

"I'm totally thrilled with how many new members we've got," Peters said.

Peters listed the many benefits of belonging to the chamber, while Hunter added information about how the local municipality is available to support businesses. Peters said the focus is on collaboration. In addition to its current ongoing relationship with the local municipality, the South Dundas Chamber of Commerce is forming partnerships with neighbouring chambers. It is through these partnerships that more resources and information are created and made available for local business owners.

"I think its really going to make everything better," Peters said, noting that working together will increase opportunities for wider advertising, broader networking, and additional resources and supports.

Currently, there is a website (shopsouthdundas.com) devoted specifically to shopping in South Dundas and it features the various existing businesses. If a business is not listed, the owner is invited to contact Hunter so the omission can be rectified. He also reminded those attending the March 10 meeting that all South Dundas business owners should register with his office, as last year the municipality spent more than \$13,000 in advertising for the area's businesses. Registration includes a regular newsletter, which Peters said is filled with valuable information.

South Dundas is fortunate to have a council that recognizes and treats economic development as important, Hunter said, noting that the proposed budget

Continued on page 8



Why become a board member?

We get asked this question a lot. Instead of giving you an answer we will ask you a few questions. Do you use your local hospital? Do you care about the quality of care our residents receive? Do you want to make sure your hospital remains vibrant in five, ten, fifteen years? Do you want to expand your network? Well, if you answered yes to all of the questions we think you have your answer.

What type of skills do I need?

- Finance
- Information Technology
- Clinical Health Care
- Legal

How much time would you need from me?

There are board and committee meetings every three months, which can last 2-3 hours. There are other occasional (much shorter) meetings.



ARE YOU A LEADER? WE NEED TALENT FIND YOUR SEAT AT OUR TABLE

Flourish as an expert on your local volunteer Hospital Board.

Hospitals have many sides and you can help to shape the future of health care in your own community with your skills and experience.

Apply today!



visit: <https://www.wdmh.on.ca/getinvolved> for more information and to download an application form. Deadline to apply is April 6, 2021

Questions? email: alafleche@wdmh.on.ca or call: 613-774-2422 ext. 6350

RRCA board re-elects chair and vice chair

CORNWALL – The Raisin Region Conservation Authority's (RRCA) board of directors re-elected its chair and vice chair at their March 18 meeting.

Unanimously re-elected to serve for a second year, Bryan McGillis, mayor of the township of South Stormont, was re-elected chair and Martin Lang, councillor for the township of South Glengarry, was re-elected vice chair.

"Thank you to the Board and staff for your confidence. I got my feet wet as RRCA chair in 2020 and look forward to leading the Authority again in 2021," said chair Bryan McGillis.

The RRCA's board of directors consists of eight representatives from their five member municipalities: the City of Cornwall and the townships of North Glengarry, South Glengarry, North Stormont, and South Stormont.

The board oversees the Authority's budget, programs, and services.

"Since 1963, the RRCA has been protecting people, property, and the environment through provincially-mandated and board-mandated programs and services. Under the board's leadership, the RRCA offers watershed-based community services ranging from guiding sustainable development to offering outdoor natural spaces," said RRCA's general manager, Richard Pilon.

Last year was a challenging year due to the COVID-19 pandemic; however, the RRCA adapted and continued its services in 2020 and looks forward to its initiatives planned for 2021.

Staff are gearing up to begin planting 60,000 trees throughout Cornwall and surrounding area of SDG. The RRCA's Conservation Areas are also ready to greet boaters at the Gray's Creek Marina opening on April 26 and campers at Charlottenburgh Park opening on May 21.



Chair Bryan McGillis mayor of the township of South Stormont.

Courtesy Photo



Vice Chair Martin Lang, councillor for the township of South Glengarry.

Courtesy Photo



Social gatherings can have deadly consequences.



Stay home to stop the spread of COVID-19. Learn more at ontario.ca/covid-19

Paid for by the Government of Ontario



MARCH FOR MEALS with CAREFOR

You can give a senior in your community a tremendous gift: **hope**. Across North Dundas and Stormont are seniors who have been isolated by COVID-19. Many are not getting the nutrition they need, complicating pre-existing health conditions.

Your donation will provide meals to seniors. Just this past year, there has been an 88% increase in the demand for meals. Carefor's team of dedicated volunteers have delivered over 20,500 meals in your community alone. Make one of them come from you.

Show you care today by donating to your local Carefor Meal Delivery Program:



Visit [Carefor.ca/donate](https://carefor.ca/donate)

Call the Nor-Dun Support Centre 613-774-6109

Call the North-Stor Support Centre 613-984-2436

South Dundas Chamber of Commerce

Continued from page 6

for this department remained intact with no cuts during 2021 budget deliberations. He also applauded SDG's new manager of economic development, Tara Kirkpatrick, who is working with the municipalities on outbound marketing.

Duncan invited business owners having any issues with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) to contact his office. He said he and his office are willing to help businesses with resources and, when possible, to show up if needed. Duncan suggested to both the South and North Dundas Chambers of Commerce that it would be a great idea to hold a trade show in the summer or fall, where they could hopefully recoup

lost revenue, while also reminding residents what local businesses and services are available to them.

"I hope everyone can hold on. It's getting brighter every day," Mellan said, referring to the coming COVID-19 vaccines that are expected to bring the pandemic under control.

Both chambers will be hosting virtual trade shows this April, but it was largely agreed that Duncan's idea for hosting an in-person event when the pandemic is better controlled, and things begin to open more broadly, is a good one. Prevost said he would gladly attend the event.

"If there's any feedback about virtual meetings, let us know," Peters said. "We'd like to start offering these every few months as an opportunity for people to get to know one another and network."

She suggested local businesses contact the chamber, as it is currently running an advertising campaign on social media highlighting the businesses in South Dundas. New business owners planning grand openings are also invited to speak to the chamber, as it is customary for the chamber to organize a press event with local politicians to advertise the new business.

"If you're a chamber member, there's lots to access," Peters said.

The South Dundas Chamber of Commerce is currently seeking interested parties to join the organization's board of directors. To learn more about the chamber and its listed business members, visit southdundaschamber.ca. Those interested in joining the board are invited to contact chamber manager Geraldine Fitzsimmons at geraldine@southdundaschamber.ca.

SERVICE DIRECTORY

AUCTIONS



PUBLIC AUTO & EQUIPMENT AUCTION
Monthly Online
LIQUIDATION CENTRE
Open Monday to Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Corner of County Roads 43 & 31, WINCHESTER
613-774-2735 Fax: 613-774-5559
www.rideauauctions.com

EQUIPMENT

SALMON & SONS

Top Soil, Sand, Gravel, Hy-Hoe, Backhoe,
Bulldozer, Dump Trucks
LICENCED SEPTIC BED INSTALLATION
R.R. 1 Chesterville
613-448-3683 613-448-3101
Roger Jay

PET SERVICES



Pets & Home Services
Quality care for your pets & home
Colleen Petry
Pet Sitting
www.petsandhomeservices.vpweb.ca
Serving Russell & Embrun
613-408-3480 • 613-445-3480
colleenpetry@gmail.com
bonded and insured

WATERPROOFING

Wet Basements Fixed Permanently **Written Lifetime Guarantee**
Michael Theriault
Licenced Waterproofing Professional
Tel: 613-858-4696
michael.theriault@thecrackdoctor.ca
1823 Finch Winchester
Boundary Rd.
Chesterville, ON K0C 1H0
www.thecrackdoctor.ca

HAIR SOLUTIONS



Marilynne WIGS 'N' THINGS
Wigs for Fun, Fashion & Medical
613-652-1515
CELL: 778-345-9305
marilynethewigladylady@hotmail.com
15 Plaza Dr., Iroquois, ON

PLUMBING



SÉGUIN Plumbing
For All Your Part & Accessories Needs
Michel Séguin prop. (613)
781-B Notre-Dame Embrun, ON K0A 1W1 **443-1116**

ELECTRICAL



Electrical Contracting & Generators
Residential, Commercial, Industrial & Farm
Countryman Electric Limited
WINPOWER WINGO
Sales, Installations & Services
2KW - 200KW
613-448-2474
888-388-1117
www.countrymanelectric.com

FOR RENT

YOU CAN RENT THIS SPACE

REAL ESTATE



COLDWELL BANKER COBURN REALTY
STEVE SUMMERS, Real Estate Broker
613-220-1936 CELL
613-258-1883 OFFICE
steve@coburnrealty.com
I'M LOOKING FOR LISTINGS!

TOWING

GLAUER'S TOWING & RECOVERY
Glauer's
ROAD & FIELD SERVICES
Towing and Recovery
Accepting all auto clubs
24 HOUR SERVICE 613 229 7773

CONSTRUCTION

David Brown Construction Ltd.
Excavating • Equipment Rentals
Environmental Cleanups
Crushed Stone Products • Septic Tank Pumping
613 537-2255
www.davidbrownconstruction.ca

FARM EQUIPMENT



BYERS FARM EQUIPMENT
Stabling and Material Handling Equipment
13505 Byers Rd., R.R. #3, Chesterville
byersfarmeq@bellnet.ca
613-448-2185

ELECTRICAL



17 Beaver Street
P.O. Box 54
Berwick, Ontario
K0C 1G0
OFFICE - 613-984-2877 FAX - 613-984-2965
• COMMERCIAL • RESIDENTIAL • GEN-SET & PTO GENERATORS
N. BEEHLER ELECTRIC LTD.

HEATING



WOOD DOCTOR
OUTDOOR WOOD FURNACES
Four Models - 4,000 to 30,000 sq. ft. rating.
ONE UNIT CAN HEAT MULTIPLE BUILDINGS OR HOMES
Converter now in stock, the ultimate in efficiency, burns less wood & creates more than 2 stage types.
MAXVILLE FARM MACHINERY LTD.
2508, Highland Rd. South, Maxville ON
613-527-2834 — 1-888-371-0336

PLUMBING

GLEN ROBINSON & SONS
PLUMBING & HEATING
For all your New Construction, Renovations, Service, Water Treatment, Air Conditioning and In-floor Heating Needs
Family owned and operated since 1969
QUALITY SERVICE
REASONABLE RATES
FREE ESTIMATES
613-448-2894
12841 Nation Valley Rd., Chesterville, ON

EXCAVATION



Cell: 613-551-7439
Res: 613-984-2513
STEVEN FLEGG
3735 County Road 12
Newington, ON K0C 1Y0
• Sand, Gravel
• Top Soil
• Snow removal
• Equipment Rentals
• Sales & Service
Bus.: 613-984-2447
Fax: 613-984-0453
sflegg@xplornet.com

FOR RENT

YOU CAN RENT THIS SPACE

Dundas County native awarded Law Society Medal

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

MORRIBURG – Morrisburg lawyer, Eldon Horner has been awarded the Law Society Medal from the Law Society of Ontario.

He works in Morrisburg where he is partnered with Eric Pietersma and Kristen MacDonald, and focuses on municipal law, agriculture, real estate, corporate law and estates and wills.

The medal is awarded each year to lawyers who have made significant contributions to their profession.

Horner is one of only seven lawyers in Ontario to receive the medal this year.

The news of the award was a pleasant surprise for Horner who has been practicing law in Morrisburg for most of his career.

He is from South Dundas, went to high school at the Seaway District High School and graduated from law school in 1995. "I wasn't shocked because I had been nominated last year. I knew my name had been put forward. There are a lot of good people doing a lot of good things around the province."

The award is given out for outstanding service to lawyers in the association. It could be for achievements in their particular area of practice, or in the academic sphere of law. The award can also be for outstanding service in some other professional capacity. It may be awarded for devotion to professional duties over a long-term or for a single outstanding act of service.

Horner explained, "It is a lot of years of effort and working in a variety of capacities mostly through something called the Federation of Ontario Law Associations, (FOLA). He served as the executive of FOLA for several years and is a past chair of the organization.

The association has 1,200 members across Ontario. There has not been much time for Horner and his wife Shelly to celebrate.

"I had a glass of nice wine with my wife. That's about it for now. The award ceremony used to be at a big dinner in Toronto now it is a zoom event," he said.

The actual award ceremony will be May 26. Winning the medal is a good opportunity for a recipient to look back at all the work that has gone into their career and imagine the work that is still to come.

Horner is far from retirement. He said the award gave him a moment to think about all of the time, effort and travel involved in the work he has accomplished.

"It is a wonderful thing. It is a very nice recognition from my colleagues."

Horner began practicing law more than 15 years ago and his first foray into working with his fellow Law Association members was when he served as vice president of his local Law Association for Stormont Dundas and Glengarry.

He was born and raised on a farm in Dundas County. He has always been an active member of his community serving on the board of the Winchester and District Hospital, Dundas Manor and as a former Champlain Grant review appointee for the Ontario Trillium Foundation. He is the former president of the Iroquois Golf Club."



Eldon Horner
Courtesy Photo

Monkland Flea Market opens

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

MONKLAND – There was no shortage of customers at the first Flea Market of the season held at the Monkland and District Community Centre (MDCC) on Sun., March 21.

Carol Shea, president of the MDCC, noted there were 12



There was a lot of activity as people perused the vendors located inside the Monkland and District Community Centre during the Flea Market held on Sun., March 21. Local artisan Brenda Taylor of Two Hammers is shown with jewelry created from silverware as well as items created by her husband Patrick Taylor, a blacksmith.

Thompson Goddard Photo

vendors at the event with a steady flow of customers perusing the booths located both inside and outside of the Monkland building. She explained the event will be held every two weeks on Sundays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., starting on Sun., June 6 a weekly Farmers' Market will be held at the site.

More information on the Flea Market and Farmers' Market at the MDCC can be found on their Facebook page or by calling 613-209-9170.



The sunny and warm weather allowed several vendors to set up their booths outside the Monkland District Community Centre during the first Flea Market of the season held on Sun., March 21. Thompson Goddard Photo

SNC board elects new executive and approves annual report

Taylor Campbell
Special to the Record

FINCH – Board members appointed by South Nation Conservation's (SNC) 16 member municipalities were confirmed at the Authority's annual general meeting (AGM) on Thurs., March 18.

The 2020-2021 board executive was unanimously re-elected to serve for the 2021-2022 term: George Darouze, councillor for Osgoode Ward in the City of Ottawa, was re-elected as chair; Pierre Leroux, mayor of Russell Township, was re-elected as vice chair; and Bill Smirle of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry was again confirmed as past chair.

Composed of 13 members, SNC's board of directors oversees the Authority's budget, programs, and services, and works alongside staff to



Pictured left to right are: Councillor George Darouze (SNC chairman), Mayor Pierre Leroux (SNC vice chair), Bill Smirle (SNC past chair), and Angela Coleman (General manager and secretary-treasurer of SNC).

Courtesy Photo

champion local conservation initiatives.

"On behalf of the executive, I thank all members and staff for putting your trust in us as the Conservation Authority faces new challenges and opportunities to protect and enhance our local environment," said SNC chairman George Darouze.

The board also approved

SNC's 2020 Annual Report at the AGM, which showcases program highlights from the preceding year, including community projects, development review, tree planting statistics, Conservation Area upgrades and visitation, and forestry and environmental stewardship initiatives.

"We adapted to the needs of our member municipalities

and area residents to deliver a record-breaking year in development reviews, environmental protection, and providing outdoor natural spaces, and we are proud to highlight some of this great work in our Annual Report," said Angela Coleman, SNC's general manager and secretary-treasurer.

A digital copy of the Annual Report can be found here: www.nation.on.ca/resources/publications/annual-reports.

The AGM was live streamed online and is available to watch on the Conservation Authority's public YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/SouthNationCA.

More information on SNC's board of directors including upcoming meeting dates and meeting minutes can be found here: www.nation.on.ca/about/boards-directors-and-committees.



Bowling Green Logistics Inc.

LOOKING FOR COMPANY AND OWNER OPERATOR DRIVERS

- Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec lanes and US lanes
- Dispatches in the Ontario/Quebec lanes
- Pay by direct deposit
- Dry van only
- Competitive salary
- Competitive hours

Requirement:

Minimum 25 years of age with 2 years experience and clean drivers abstract.

Please email your interest to hr@bglogistics.ca or call Bill at 613-860-8519.



ALL SENIORS RESIDING IN NORTH STORMONT TOWNSHIP

NORTH STOR SUPPORT CENTRE

6 Nelson Street, Finch, ON K0C 1K0 613-984-2436 www.carefor.ca



Happy Spring!

We are well into the planning for outdoor activities as soon as the weather gets warmer.

Please call the Centre to get more information on the outdoor walking club, virtual exercises, meals delivery and our book club.

For those of you who have received your first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, congratulations!

Stay Safe and Keep Active



Carefor
HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICES & SOINS SERVICES DE SANTE COMMUNAUTAIRES

NORTH STOR SUPPORT CENTRE

Adult Day Service	Meals on Wheels
Diners' Meals	Home Help/Maintenance
Transportation	Client Intervention/Caregiver Support
Friendly Visiting	Telephone Reassurance
Foot Care	Social Recreational Activities

6 Nelson Street, Finch, Ontario Tel: 613-984-2436 • Fax: 613-984-0072

BROWNLEE FUNERAL HOMES INC.

David A. MacDougall, W. Barry Brownlee & Dean MacGillivray

18 Front St. Finch, ON K0C 1K0 613-984-2234	MacDougall Chapel & Reception Centre 14815 County Road 2 Ingleside, ON K0C 1M0 613-537-8376
--	--

McDougall
INSURANCE & FINANCIAL
Formerly Bristol Insurance

Winchester - 613-774-2832 Crysler - 613-987-2117	Prescott - 613-925-5901 Morrisburg - 613-543-3731
---	--

www.mcdougallinsurance.com

RUSSELL MEADOWS
RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

475 Church St.
Russell, ON
613.445.5200

www.russellmeadows.com

TED MORAN & SONS LTD.
FINCH

TRUCKING - EQUIPMENT RENTALS
Sand - Gravel - Stone - Topsoil

Box 170
FINCH, ONT. K0C 1K0

Tel: 613-984-2363
Fax: 613-984-2900

Deadline: Friday at 4 P.M.
\$8.00 Plus HST
Minimum 25 words.
Additional words 32¢ each.

THE Classifieds



E-MAIL: therecordclassifieds@gmail.com

TEL: 613-448-2321

FAX: 613-448-3260

AUCTION

ANGUS HERD FOR
Chris Simpson, Ashton, ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 1
AROUND 3 P.M.

20 Black Angus cows some with
calves at foot, 1 Black Angus bull,
all vaccinated.

Ottawa Livestock Exchange
GREELY, ONT.
INFO: 613-821-2634

37-1

ONLINE TIMED FARM
MACHINERY AUCTION
FOR JERRY & MARY
BOSMA

To be held on site at civic #21351
Con. 4 Bainsville South Glengarry
On. KOC 1E0.

Auction Opens Wed., March 31st at
12 Noon and Closes Thurs., April
8th at 6:30 p.m. (Soft Close -
Staggered)

Quality Farm Equip and
Small Farm Related Items

Pickup will occur Fri., April 9th
from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. & Sat.,
April 10th from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30
p.m. Preview: Sat., April 3rd from
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. or by appointment
with owner (613-347-3884 or 613-
861-1376).

Full details to be included in HiBid
catalog at
www.peterrossauction.hibid.com

Everything will be sold as is where
is and is subject to all terms listed
on the auction catalog.

Auctioneers Note: This is an
extremely nice package of farm
machinery that must be seen to be
appreciated. This auction is not to
be missed!

Props: Jerry & Mary Bosma

Auction Conducted By:
PETER ROSS AUCTION
SERVICES LTD.

Ingleside, ON (613) 537-8862
www.peterrossauction.ca

37-1

AUCTION

DOUBLE ESTATE ONLINE
TIMED AUCTION SALE
(Staggered Soft Close)

To be Held at Our Facility, 15093
County Road 18, East of
Osnabruck Centre.

Auction Opens on Mon., March 29th
at 12:00 Noon and Closes on Mon.,
April 5th at 5:30 p.m. (Staggered
Soft Close). Pickup will occur Tues.,
April 6th from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.
and on Wed., April 7th from 9 a.m.
until 12:30 p.m. Everything will be
sold as is where is. To view items
prior to the auction you must sched-
ule an appointment. No unscheduled
visits will be permitted.

This auction features in excess of
600 lots of good quality antiques
and collectables including a great
assortment of axes, planes, and
other early hand tools, 2 firearms,
coin and paper money collection,
jewelry, and much more. For full
listing, catalog, and terms, go to
www.peterrossauction.hibid.com.

Please read and understand all
terms and conditions upon register-
ing. All items sold as is where is
and upon registration all bidders
have agreed to related terms, condi-
tions, and dates of auction. If you
are unable to comply with the terms
or timeframe, please do not partici-
pate in the auction.

Auction Conducted By:
PETER ROSS AUCTION
SERVICES LTD.
Ingleside, ON (613) 537-8862
www.peterrossauction.ca

37-1

FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 2007 GM 3/4
ton, good box and body
parts, no drive line. 2002
GM 4X4, runs good, short
box, good for parts.
\$1,200 each. Call 613-
301-1747.

37

AUCTION

ANNUAL SPRING
MACHINERY,
EQUIPMENT & TOOL
AUCTION

To be held online April 2021

To be held at our facility, 15093
County Rd. 18 East of Osnabruck
Centre. This auction will be an
Online Timed Auction Sale with
Dates to Be Announced Once
Consignments are Finalized.

Now Accepting the Following

Good Quality Consignments of
Farm Machinery, Industrial
Equipment, Trailers of all kinds,
Cattle Equipment, Farm Related
Items Including Horse & Hobby
Type Articles, Lawn & Garden
Equipment, Shop Tools, ATV's,
Good Quality New & Used
Building Supplies, Fencing
Supplies, & more.

Note: Take advantage of the strong
market and turn that unneeded and
unused equipment and merchandise
into cash! Consign early to take
advantage of increased exposure
and advertising to ensure your mer-
chandise brings top dollar. Sell
your equipment with us to reach a
broader audience and benefit from
a large following, many connec-
tions and a widespread advertising
in the online marketplace with
greater buyer reach than ever. Why
show it to only a few buyers when
you can show it to many!

To Consign Call:
Peter or Helen Ross
Auction Conducted By:
PETER ROSS AUCTION
SERVICES LTD.

Ingleside, ON (613) 537-8862
www.peterrossauction.ca

37-1

FOR RENT

DUMPSTERS - For rent.
Call 613-448-3471.

tfc

FOR RENT

FOR RENT - Two bedroom
apartment for rent in South
Mountain. \$750 heat includ-
ed. Hydro extra. Applicant
must pass credit check and
give references. Laundry
facility in building. NO PETS.
Parking available. Call 613-
798-3257 or 613-989-2103.

35tfc

NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND OTHERS IN THE
ESTATE OF

Patricia Ellen Carruthers,
deceased

All persons having claims against
the Estate of Patricia Ellen
Carruthers, late of the village of
Chesterville, Province of Ontario,
who died on or about the 12th day
of December, 2020, are hereby
notified to send full particulars of
their claim to the undersigned solic-
itors, on or before the 12th day of
April, 2021, after which date the
Estate shall be distributed, having
regard then, only to such claims as
shall have been received.

DATED at Cornwall, Ontario this
9th day of March, 2021.

Carman Carruthers and Wendy
MacNabb,
Estate Trustees with a Will,
by their Solicitors
McDONALD, DUNCAN, DORE
LLP

Barristers & Solicitors
206 Pitt Street
Cornwall, Ontario K6J 3P6

Attention: Andrew Guindon
613-938-2333 x 224

38

Advertising Pays

DEJONG MASONRY LICENSED & CERTIFIED
Brick, Block, Stone, Chimneys,
Parging, Repairs and Waterproofing Foundations
Home Masonry Specialist
KEVIN DEJONG North Dundas Township
613-316-0800 dejongmasonry@hotmail.com

WANTED FOR SCRAP
OLD VEHICLES,
APPLIANCES &
FARM MACHINERY
Call: 613-448-3221

bakertilly
Accounting
Assurance
Taxation
Business Consulting Services
613.774.2854
475 Main Street, Winchester
www.bakertilly.ca

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-69.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE
FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 25, 2021

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Volcanic crater
5. Long times
10. Swedish rock group
14. Having the means to do something
15. Rods or spindles
16. La __ Tar Pits, Hollywood
17. Missing soldiers
18. Measuring instrument
19. All of the components considered individually
20. Play " __ Irish Rose"
22. Gene
23. Barrels
24. London-based soccer team
27. Feline
30. Breed of sheep
31. Body part
32. Doctors' group
35. One who follows the rules
37. Cigarette residue
38. Ancient Greek sophist
39. Polish yeast cakes
40. Promotional materials

- 41. Pancakes made from buckwheat flour
42. Completed perfectly
43. Photo
44. A peninsula in SW Asia
45. The common gibbon
46. Disfigure
47. Ribonucleic acid
48. Japanese honorific
49. Pieces of music
52. Expressed pleasure
55. Having ten
56. Type of sword
60. Humble request for help
61. Eating houses
63. Italian Seaport
64. Cain and __
65. Measure the depth
66. U. of Miami's mascot
67. Political outsiders
68. Greek sorceress
69. Body part

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Mother
2. Jewish calendar month
3. Jai __ sport
4. Establish again
5. Swiss river
6. Racetrack wager
7. __ but goodie
8. Closeness
9. Soviet Socialist Republic
10. At right angles to a ship's length
11. Women's undergarments
12. Mountain stream
13. Expresses pleasure
21. Painful places on the body
23. Automobile
25. Scandinavian god of battle
26. Expresses surprise
27. Secret political clique
28. Yields manila hemp
29. River in central Italy
32. Brain injury science acronym
33. Mental illness

- 34. A person from Asia
36. Father
37. General's assistant (abbr.)
38. Cooked or prepared in a specified style
40. Large terrier
41. Hillsides
43. Golf score
44. Not or
46. Type of student
47. Flower cluster
49. Closes tightly
50. Saudi Arabian desert
51. Famed vaccine developer
52. Multi-function radar (abbr.)
53. Actress Jessica
54. Pay attention to
57. Beloved big screen pig
58. __ Clapton, musician
59. Take a chance
61. Cost per mille
62. Helps little firms

PUZZLE SOLUTION grid showing filled-in crossword puzzle.

THE BENEFITS OF CROSSWORD PUZZLES

Even though crossword puzzles have been entertaining and helping people
pass the time for more than 100 years, the benefits of crosswords go
beyond boredom-busting. Various studies have shown the positive effects
crossword puzzles can have on a person's brain and capacity to learn.

- Improve vocabulary
- Strengthens memory
- Improve socialization
- Help relieve stress
- May help prevent brain diseases

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

Aim high and let it fly

WINCHESTER – Archery as a hunting tool, weapon and sport dates back to 20,000 BCE.

These days archery remains a predominant skill at Olympic events and in hunting.

South Nation Archery Supply, located west of Winchester has been quietly training and producing medal winning archers at the national and international level, taking the sport and sharing it with thousands.

Larry Smith and Kathleen Millar have enjoyed careers both on and off the archery range.

Larry is a former world target team gold medalist and bronze individual world field medalist. He has represented his country 19 times in international and world events.

He is also an accomplished bow hunter.

Kathy has enjoyed a career as a teacher, a national target and field champion, representing Canada three times as an archer and 10 times as a national team coach.

Part of her love for archery includes teaching students at the North Dundas District High School how to become highly skilled archers. She worked for Archery Canada for more than seventeen years.

From teaching to writing about how to handle a bow, to stocking their store with the best in archery equipment, Kathy and Larry are immersed in the ins and outs of archery.

“The individual nature of the sport is how you have to work on it yourself and there is no one else to blame or to say things did not work out,” said Kathy.

Learning to shoot a bow and hit a target takes a fair amount of personal commitment, practice and determination.

SMALL BUSINESS Spotlight



Larry Smith and Kathleen Millar have been training world-class archers for the past 37 years from their archery supply store west of Winchester. Morin Photo

Kathy teaches budding archers how to keep themselves focused.

She said, “Living in the present is a skill I teach all of the time. Being aware of what you are doing right now at this moment, not anticipating what is happening in the future, and forgetting what you did in the past.”

The arrival of the pandemic put an end to some competitions that Kathy and Larry host every year, and ones that are held provincially for archers from across Ontario.

“We had quite a few tournaments we had to cancel because of the lockdown,” she said. Our programming this year is not what it is normally like.”

Target archery is an Olympic sport, taking place in more than 140 countries around the world. The sport made its Olympic debut in Paris in 1900.

The outdoor tournament at South Nation Archery Supply is internationally sanctioned each year and is still expected to take place.

They have re-opened their indoor range

for classes and Covid restrictions are still enforced.

The South Nation Archery Supply business is divided into two sections. One is dedicated to retail and the other to an indoor training area as well as an outdoor training field. Both training facilities are designed to international competing standards.

The retail side offers up a great selection of compound, crossbows and recurve bows, arrows, targets, archery accessories and more. The hunting and sport side of archery are equally represented at the store.

“We have been able to be successful by offering discount prices. We are very competitive with the box stores. We have a high level of knowledge and experience and 100 per cent service,” said Kathy.

Archery was in the past a crucial tool for survival. It has existed also as a sport going as far back as 20,000 BCE. Drawings in Egyptian tombs depict figures giving lessons in archery. These drawings are at least 5,000 years old.

Archery is attractive to many people.

“There is a primitive quality to it that allows people to feel there is more of a challenge. That certainly attracts people,” said Kathy.

Teaching archery is a big part of their business. They have had students as young as seven and as old as 94.

For more information about South Nation Archery Supply go to www.southnationarchery.com or email them at: info@southnationarchery.com

Their phone number is 613-989-2943. They are located at 11667 County Road 38.

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

Russell pushes for increased broadband support

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – Township of Russell council members agreed to send a letter of support along with a resolution urging both the provincial and federal governments to finance the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) Gig Project.

Mayor Pierre Leroux raised the issue during the March 15 council meeting. Included in the request were copies of letters from the United Counties of Prescott and Russell (UCPR) communications and policy co-ordinator Olivier Berthiaume seeking

support, copies of the resolution, and a copy of the proposed letter, which was penned by the mayor on behalf of the municipality.

“We’re just trying to get as much support from all the local municipalities,” Mayor Pierre Leroux said. “Last Friday, I was re-elected to the board of EORN for a two-year period, so this is something I’ll be pushing hard for to make sure that connectivity in all of Eastern Ontario is where it should be.

The resolution states that EORN has submitted a comprehensive regional project to deliver a gigabyte of

speed that will serve both residents and businesses for the foreseeable future, solving the area’s broadband needs. In addition to advocating for full financial support from both provincial and federal governments, the resolution also requests that a letter of support, along with a copy of the resolution, be sent to both Minister Maryam Monsef and Minister Laurie Scott with copies sent to local Member of Parliament Francis Drouin and EORN. Monsef is Canada’s Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development, while Scott is Ontario’s Minister of Infrastructure.

“The EORN model offers a reliable and efficient way to fix the broadband needs in our municipality,” Leroux said in his letter. “Our community needs this project, and we urge both governments to come together and fully fund EORN’s proposal. Our citizens and businesses have waited far too long for better high-speed services. Further delays are simply not acceptable.”

Still time for online farm show auction

OTTAWA – The Ottawa Valley Farm Show may be cancelled this year because of the pandemic, but organizers are bringing a unique event to those who miss their popular annual live event; the Prestigious Pedigreed Seed Auction is going ahead as an online event this year.

The auction hosted by the Ottawa Valley Seed Growers Association provides an opportunity to bid on the seed lots or special items. The auction benefits the Children’s Hospital of Eastern Ontario Mental Health Services. The bidding for auction items ends on Sat., March 27. Go to www.ottawafarmshow.com and follow the prompts to the auction online site.



STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES TRANSPORTATION & PLANNING SERVICES

- Administrative Support, Transportation Services
- Administrative Support, Planning Services
- Building Maintenance Assistant
- GIS Technician Support
- Contract Inspection, Survey Division (3 positions available)
- Road Maintenance (14 positions available)

Duration: May to August 2021
Location: Varies based on position
Schedule: 35 or 40 hours per week (depending on position)
Salary: \$15.00/hour (\$16.00/hour for returning)

Interested candidates are invited to visit our website at www.sdgcounties.ca to obtain complete position information and instructions on how to apply. Applications will be received until **12:00 noon on Friday, April 9, 2021.**

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those being selected for an interview will be contacted. We will accommodate the needs of applicants under the Human Rights Code during the hiring process.



Rideau Auctions Inc.

As per the current COVID-19 mandates, we are offering ONLINE Auctions and allowing 20 people in our Liquidation Centre at one time.

Check the website for our Upcoming ONLINE Auctions for both Public/Vehicle Auctions and Misc. & Furniture Auctions.

www.rideauauctions.com

**Civic #2250, County Road 31, Winchester, ON
613-774-7000**



Box 368, 1 Mill St.,
Chesterville, Ont.
K0C 1H0

The Villager News

E-MAIL:
editor@etceterapublications.ca

TEL: 613-448-2321

FAX: 613-448-3260

Russell wades through environmental assessments

Sandy Casselman

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – An Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the 417 Industrial Park has concluded while several others are about to begin for Route 300 intersections.

The EA report for the 417 Industrial Park was released on March 6. The 456-page report is available in its entirety on the township of Russell's website. Beginning March 19, notices of study commencement and second online public information centres will be available on the same webpage for Route 300 intersections with St-Guillaume Road and Limoges Road. The comment periods for Route 300 intersections with St-Pierre Road, St-Augustin Road, and St-Thomas Road have ended.

In an announcement from BT Engineering Inc.'s Steve Taylor and Russell's director of infrastructure Francois Landry, project managers for the EA, it is noted that: "Between March 19, 2021 and April 2, 2021, there is an opportunity for interested persons to provide comments. Early identification of individual and group concerns greatly aids in addressing these concerns." Residents are invited to check out the webpage (russell.ca/town_hall/projects/Environmental_Assessmen

and, if interested, join the study's mailing list.

As for the 417 Industrial Park report released last week, a Schedule 'B' Class EA for the drinking water and sanitary sewer servicing of the park, was prepared by WSP Canada, with four alternatives identified for each. WSP Canada recommended service from the existing Eadie Road feedermain for water servicing, and for wastewater servicing, trunk sewer from Industrial Park to New Castor SPS near the Embrun Reservoir. Both options could be financed by Russell and the City of Ottawa or by Russell alone. The report states that "the City of Ottawa had deferred commitment to servicing the areas within their jurisdiction."

It was noted that the next step is a detailed design broken down into phases for each alternative. Among other things, the phases will require geotechnical and hydrogeological investigations, a Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, a potential zoning variance and property/easement acquisition, as well as coordination with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, the South Nation Conservation Authority, and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

"Currently, council has approved to move forward with design for servicing the 417 Industrial Park," Russell Mayor Pierre Leroux said. "Once that is complete, we will

have a clearer picture as to the financial costs and will be better positioned to initiate discussions with property owners. It will definitely come back to council."

300 Intersection Improvements project Project Stage

Environmental Assessment Study and Detailed Design notice.

Notices are issued for upcoming Public Information Centre (PIC) exhibits for the following intersection improvements:

Intersection of St-Guillaume Road / Route 300

A notice of study commencement and an upcoming PIC exhibit is issued.

Intersection of Limoges Road / Route 300

A notice of an upcoming second PIC exhibit is issued.

Intersection of St-Pierre Road / Route 300

No refinements have been made since the first PIC.

All comments have been received and the comment period has ended.

Intersection of St-Augustin Road / Route 300

No refinements have been made since the first PIC.

All comments have been received and the comment period has ended.

Intersection of St-Thomas Road / Route 300;

No refinements have been made since the first PIC.

All comments have been received and the comment period has ended.

Russell readies for Discovery Day

Sandy Casselman

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – The township of Russell's Department of Economic Development is one of several partners in the upcoming Skills Ontario Discovery Day.

The free event is set for March 25 using an online format and it is aimed at people who want to learn more about careers in skilled trades and technology. Suggested participants are students (middle, secondary, and post-secondary), apprentices, educators, guidance advisors, parents, job seekers, and anyone living in the United Counties of Prescott-Russell (UCPR) area.

"We know that tradespeople are in short supply in our region," Russell Mayor Pierre Leroux said. "Any initiative to help rectify that situation is most welcome. We thank Skills Ontario for their work in this area."

The virtual event is set to begin at 10 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m. with opportunities for networking, exploring exhibitor booths, discussions with experts, identifying educational paths, and finding potential jobs. According to Skills Ontario, there will be experts from industry, education, and community services ready to discuss careers, pathways, and support programs in UCPR.

Those interested in participating are invited to register for this free event by visiting the event website (skillscompetencesontario.vfairs.ca).

Russell hires GHD to design facility

Sandy Casselman

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – GHD Limited is set to design the township of Russell's new Snow Dump Facility for \$149,000 before taxes.

The decision was made during the March 15 council meeting where executive director of Infrastructure services Jonathan Bourgon made the recommendation. The four-part request, which was approved in full, included passing a bylaw accepting GHD's bid, accepting the consulting fees of \$169,274 (includes taxes), approving an increase to the budget over the next two years for a total of \$145,000, and giving the mayor and clerk authorization to sign the contract

deadline with GHD Limited coming in significantly lower than the competitor. The difference was a savings of \$144,624.

"It boggles my mind that we have two companies that bid for this with such a huge difference in price," Councillor Mike Tarnowski said. "I'm worried that we're accepting something that won't be what we need and will end up costing more."

Bourgon said there are many factors that go into formulating a bid and each company is different. A company may bid higher if it does not have all the equipment or people needed, which means they would need to contract for more. A

busy company may bid higher to make taking the job worthwhile for them. It is also possible that a company bidding lower may do so because they have done this work before, which means the job could require less effort for them.

Noting Tarnowski's concern, CAO Jean Leduc said that going forward, staff would include another line on the quarterly tenders reports for actual cost. He said this added tracking measure will help to identify any existing issues.

"We are going to include actual, so we can find out if a contractor is bidding low and adding on afterward," he said.

"An extra \$145,000 will be required to complete the design and construction supervision, which would be financed from the Development Charge Reserve," Bourgon stated in his recommendation, noting there is already \$35,000 in the reserve from a 2020 transfer. "Therefore, an extra \$74,300 will be required in the 2021 budget for the design and \$50,500 will be part of the 2022 budget for the construction supervision." Only two bids were submitted by the project

Russell High School report

Hey everyone! For this week's report, I've decided to talk about something that is more of a delicate subject to the world, but it is one that needs to be heard. This subject is always one that is less talked about because the truth can hurt. In writing about this, as an 11th grade female, I am trying to break that cycle.

Now, the subject that I will be bringing to light is the subject of sexual assault and its culture. Even typing those words gives me chills. But last week, my social media exploded with statistics and visuals of what happens to people.

As females, we are taught at a young age to not walk the streets alone, be careful on what you wear, and how to defend ourselves if the time came. We were taught that men are not the enemy and it was just "boys being boys".

An important number has been floating around the internet recently, and

that number is 97 per cent; that comes from the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women releasing a report that revealed that 97 per cent of women in the United Kingdom aged 18 to 24 have been victims of sexual harassment in public spaces. The statistics was released shortly after the report of a 33-year-old woman, Sarah Everard's death.

Sarah's story is a sad one. One night in early March, 33-year old Sarah Everard was walking home from a friend's house while on the phone with her boyfriend, but she mysteriously vanished and never made it home. Then, weeks later, her death was confirmed with an active police officer being charged for her murder. Her story has been the spark of a movement with the trending hashtag #97percent.

To put this in perspective, people that are not with the movement

use the defence "not all men", which is another trending hashtag as well, #Notallmen. People consider it a joke because it makes the person saying it look self-centred and close-minded. Some men were offended by the idea, completely ignoring the real purpose to that saying; to stop violence against women. So, a new hashtag started; #Notallmenbutallwomen.

Just to add to this, here is a tweet I found on the internet. "I still can't forget the time I read a tweet where a man spoke of the thrill he got every time he walked behind a woman and she sped up a little. He said he'd never actually hurt a woman but liked how it made him feel to know they were scared." Just let that sink in.

This movement, this awareness, all of it, is a good step in the right direction, and this is a road we need to keep going on to hopefully one day, eliminate the problem for good.

Have a great week, and stay safe out there.

Health Care Directory
Our goal is your continued good health.

BRIGHT DENTAL CENTRE
Family, Cosmetic & Implant Dentistry

305 Castor St., Russell ON E-mail: info@brightdentalcentre.com
613-445-0885
Creating beautiful smiles everyday
Modern dentistry with gentle care

THE 2020 INCOME TAX RETURN HAS CHANGED AGAIN FOR THIS YEAR. INCLUDING MORE NEW TAX CREDITS.

RUSSELL, ONTARIO

H&R BLOCK
RUSSELL, ONT.

CELEBRATING OUR 10TH YEAR OF BUSINESS!
WE MAKE TAXES PAINLE\$S

NOW ONCE AGAIN OPEN FULL-TIME
Open on Saturdays as well, starting Saturday, February 20th, 2021.
Please call 613-445-1616 to book your appointments, or just walk-in.
92B MILL STREET, RUSSELL, ONTARIO
PLEASE CALL 613-445-1616

NEVER SETTLE FOR LE\$S! GET WHAT'S YOUR\$!