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The garden party is running once a month May through October, plus their Christmas Market in November.



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Little Bo Peep found her sheep

A favourite nursery rhyme came to life when one of the groups decorated their table and wore sheep costumes during the 2022 Ladies Night held in Avonmore at North Stormont Place on May 7. Funds were raised for Carefor Health and Community Services, Meals on Wheels delivery services in North Stormont. **See page 9 for more details.**Thompson Goddard Photo

Celebrating pandemic graduations

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – On Wed., May 4, members of the Rotary Club of Chesterville accompanied by South Nation Conservation vice chair, Steve Densham visited North Dundas District High School on Maple Ridge, and in Chesterville at St. Mary's Catholic School and Chesterville Public School. Accompanied by a staff member and students at each of the schools, the group visited the location where a honey locust tree had been planted on school grounds.

The trees were planted by the RCC, in collaboration with SNC to celebrate the graduating classes of 2020 and 2021 in local schools who were unable to "have a formal graduation due to the COVID-19 pandemic," commented RCC president rotarian Christine Cross-Barkley. The honey

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Tony Fraser runs for second term as North

Dundas mayor

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Record Staff

WINCHESTER – Having completed his first four-year term as North Dundas' mayor as well as having eight years as a North Dundas councillor under his belt, Tony Fraser is getting ready to run for a 2nd term as mayor.

Most municipal incumbents often say that a four-year term is not always enough time to see projects that have been started during their tenure and finished; Fraser is no exception.

"I definitely am going to run for the position of mayor. I am looking forward to the opportunity to complete some of the projects that have been started," he said.

North Dundas and Chesterville and Winchester have experienced unprecedented

growth in the last three years.

The new growth has triggered a host of projects from obtaining more water for the growing community to extending the life of its landfill site another 25 years. Along the way, there are hundreds of kilometres of gravel roads to be maintained and gravel roads to be paved.

The building of a new and improved Dundas Manor is also on the municipality's radar.

These are just some of the challenges the mayor has taken on and wants to see through to their end.

When it comes to population growth, Fraser has a particular point of view.

He said, "We want to make sure we have a variety of low density and multi residential homes, so that we can appeal to a wider demographic in North Dundas."

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South Stormont seeks engineering and planning services

Sandy Casselman

Record Staff

LONG SAULT - The township of South Stormont is taking a proactive approach when it comes to continued and future expansion.

During the April 13 council meeting, chief administrative officer Debi LucasSwitzer recommended that council direct staff to develop an RFP (request for proposal) for engineering and planning services to develop servicing, transportation,

support the growth in the communities of Long Sault and Ingleside. She suggested the funds be paid from the Working Capital Reserve now and then recovered in the future from the Development Charges Reserve Fund. South Stormont's politicians agreed, approving the recommendation.

"As council is aware, at the Committee of the Whole meeting, we received some very distressing information with respect to the amount of

streetscape studies that are required to water capacity that we have and how many lots we have available for those that are not committed. As a result of that, we sat down with the director of planning and building and the director of Public Works and had a lengthy conversation in terms of what it would take for us to be much better prepared for the development that we know is coming, in order to be able to provide the appropriate services that they're going to want," LucasSwitzer said. "We don't have the capabilities at this time, as

council's aware we have a very heavy construction season and a very heavy planning and building season. We're not in a position to do this work on our own. As a result, we are asking for council's support in order for us to get the appropriate services in place so we can meet the demands of the community."

Councillor Cindy Woods said she's happy to see this report and recommendation come to council, noting that it will make things better for everyone, ensuring township standards are being met in terms of new developments. Deputy Mayor David Smith agreed, adding that it's something that "has to be done."

Tony Fraser

Continued from the front

"The rate we have grown in the last few years has been unexpected. North Dundas has become a place where people want to move to. The evidence that supports that is we thought we had enough water to go from 2019 to 2039. We knew that at some point we would have to find more water. We thought we had 20 years of water in front of us, but within a matter of three years that water was allocated."

The current population Winchester and Chesterville have lots of water to use, but when the growth begins to take place, the current supply will not be enough.

Fraser said the growth coming toward North Dundas is the result of what the municipality has to offer such as having a great hospital, schools and

recreation facilities including tennis courts, and two swimming pools.

"You can live your whole life in North Dundas. You can be born here at our great hospital, be educated here, raise a family here and find employment here."

One of Fraser's interests is creating more housing for seniors in North Dundas.

He said, "When I was campaigning for the position for mayor in 2018, I was talking about the need to have homes for seniors. I did not want people to have to leave North Dundas to find accommodations that suited them."

Since then, the Winchester community has welcomed the arrival of Wellings of Winchester a specifically designed housing development for seniors.

"That is a start," said



Tony Fraser

Courtesy Photo

Fraser. "We need more of that."

As mayor, Fraser is hoping to facilitate more growth, large and small housing projects.

"We are looking for housing for those looking for a lower price."

Fraser believes he has a handle on what his community wants in terms of recreation, lifestyle and community, and he has the support of municipal staff in taking these challenges on.

Fraser complimented municipal staff as being forward thinking and having the ability to come up with innovative solutions to these modern day challenges.

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LEAF AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Spring collection for leaf and yard waste will be happening in the following areas:

May 16th, 2022: Morewood, South Mountain, Mountain, Hallville, Inkerman, Ormond, Forestwood Heights subdivision

All leaf and yard waste must be placed in a compostable bag and placed at the curb by 7:30 a.m. on the above dates.

> Any questions concerning pickup, please contact the landfill at 613-774-5157.



NOTICE OF PASSING

OF A DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAW BY THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH DUNDAS

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of North Dundas passed municipal wide Development Charges By-law No. 2022-35 on the 3rd day of May, 2022 under the Development Charges Act.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or organization may appeal the by-law to the Ontario Land Tribunal under Section 14 of the Act by filing with the Clerk of the Township of North Dundas not later than the 13th day of June a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection, accompanied by the fee prescribed. https://olt.gov.on.ca/appeals-process/fee-chart/.

The by-law applies to all lands, buildings and structures in the Township of North Dundas with certain exceptions, therefore a key map is not provided. The non-residential charge is pro-rated to account for economies of scale. The development charges imposed under the by-law are required to pay for the increased growth-related capital costs related to the increased need for municipal services arising from new development. A pumping station surcharge applies to the Thompson Subdivision in Chesterville. The development charges imposed under By-law No. 2022-35, which came into effect on May 4, 2022, are as follows:

Service/Class of Service	RESIDENTIAL								
Municipal Wide Services/Class of Service:	Single & Semi Detached Dwelling	Other Multiples	Apartments 2 Bedrooms+	Apartments Bachelor & 1 Bedroom	Special Care/ Special Dwelling Units	Senior- Oriented Dwelling Units			
Fire Protection Services	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Services Related to a Highway	9,557	8,269	6,113	4,056	3,914	5,166			
Parks and Recreation Services	1,133	981	725	481	464	613			
Waste Diversion Services	130	112	83	55	53	70			
Growth-Related Studies	144	125	92	61	59	78			
Total Municipal Wide Services/Class of Services	10,964	9,486	7,013	4,653	4,490	5,927			
Area-Specific Services/Class of Service:									
Pumping Station*	748	647	479	318	306	405			

Service/Class of Service	NON-RESIDENTIAL (per sq.ft. of Gross Floor Area)						
Municipal Wide Services/Class of Service:	0 to 2,500 sq.ft	2,501 to 5,000 sq.ft	5,001 to 30,000 sq.ft	30,001 sq.ft to 55,000 sq.ft	55,001 sq.ft +		
Fire Protection Services	-	-		-	-		
Services Related to a Highway	0.6325	0.3163	0.2372	0.1581	0.0791		
Parks and Recreation Services	-	-	-	-	-		
Waste Diversion Services	0.0125	0.0063	0.0047	0.0031	0.0016		
Growth-Related Studies	0.0150	0.0075	0.0056	0.0038	0.0019		
Total Municipal Wide Services/Class of Services	0.66	0.33	0.2475	0.1650	0.0825		

The complete by-law is available for inspection at the municipal office during regular business hours.

Dated in Winchester, this 9th day of May, 2022.

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Welcome to Chesterville!

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – Fat Les's Pub & Poutinerie, located at the corner of Main and Queen Streets, opened its doors to the public on Mon., May 9.

Co-owned by Les and Rhonda Winters and Jamie and Carrie Scharf, Les explained the Chesterville location is their "first ever eat in restaurant." They will be offering inhouse dining as well as take-out available by calling 613-448-1222.

Head chef and manager Dennis Marion mentioned the business has two dining areas, a pub-style dining room as well as a family style dining room which includes an ice cream parlour and in-house baked goods for sale.



A honey locust tree was planted at NDDHS to celebrate the graduating classes of 2020 and 2021 who were unable to have an in-person graduation due to the COVID-19 pandemic. On Wed., May 4, members of the Rotary Club of Chesterville, SNC vice chair, Steve Densham joined NDDHS principal Michael Deighton and a student representative at the tree.

Thompson Goddard Photo

Pandemic graduations

Continued from the front locust tree is a deciduous tree

which is native to central North America and mainly found in river valleys.

"I would really like to thank the Chesterville Rotary Club for taking the time to recognize the incredible challenges that our students, school and community have faced during the past two plus years of the pandemic. The impact on our young people has been significant, and I believe that part of the healing process and our ability to move forward, is to acknowledge with our students and community the impact or trauma that the pandemic has had on our students," commented NDDHS principal Michael Deighton. He continued the tree and plaque recognize the challenges experienced and perseverance of students, staff, and community members.

There will be a plaque placed next to each tree upon which is written "This tree was planted in honour of the graduates of 2020

and 2021 who did not have a formal graduation due to the Covid-19 pandemic. A gift from: Rotary Club of Chesterville South Nation Conservation."



Chesterville Legion Branch 434

Are you a Veteran and thinking of filing a disability claim?

Are you having issues with Veterans Affairs Canada about benefits you are receiving?

The Royal Canadian Legion Provincial Service Officer will be visiting the Chesterville Legion the week of May 23, 2022. The exact date and time of the visit will depend on the number of veterans that would like to speak to her. Please contact the Branch and provide your name and Service Number and we will arrange an interview for you.

Please contact us at 613-448-1997 or at legion434@eastlink.ca before May 12, 2022, so that we can coordinate the visit. Questions can be directed to either the Branch President, Steve Grubb, or the Veterans' Service Officer, John Summerfield.





Municipal officials from the township of North Dundas joined staff members and owners as Les Winters and Jamie Scharf cut the ribbon, officially opening Fat Les's Pub & Poutinerie on May 7.

Thompson Goddard Photo

Marion explained the menu will feature Canadian and Italian style food, with some special menu items for the Chesterville location. These include chicken cordon blue, Cajun style chicken sandwich, salt and vinegar fish sandwich, ground chuck slider burgers and The Chesterville. Marion described The Chesterville as a fried batter chicken breast, finished off in the oven with barbecue sauce, dressed with cheddar cheese and bacon and served on a specialty bun.

Carrie remarked how she was "nervous and excited" on opening day, mentioning

there was a lot of work done to prepare the restaurant for the opening. She thanked Balloon Babes, out of South Stormont, for creating the beautiful outside balloon display, with co-owner Les commenting how he "can't wait to fill the house."

In attendance at the event was North Dundas Mayor Tony Fraser, councillors Gary Annable and Theresa Bergeron as well as economic development and communications officer Stephen Mann. During the ceremony, Fraser presented the owners with a congratulatory plaque and wished them every success.



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County Roads 6, 9, 12, 13,15, 22, 32 within the Township of North Stormont

County Roads 12, 29 within the Township of South Stormont

County Roads 20, 21, 22, 23, 23A, 24, 25, 30, 34 within the Township of North Glengarry County Roads 17, 19, 20, 23, 25, 27, 34 within the Township of South Glengarry

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This work is being done under the Public Works exception to the cosmetic pesticides ban for the promotion of health and safety. The work will commence on May 16, 2022 (weather permitting) and end June 24, 2022.

For further information contact:

Wagar and Corput Weed Control Inc. 613-938-2117 (collect calls accepted) or
The United Counties of SDG - 1-800-267-7158

Please contact the County if you require more detailed information regarding our program - including additional information on how to post "no spray" signage in front of your property. This information is available at the County website (<u>www.sdgcounties.ca</u>)





EDITORIAL&Opinion

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Insects have feelings too, but it is hard to care

Well according to the spider I just ran into in my dining room, spring has more than arrived and summer is next up at bat.

Every year I try to figure out which insect cycle we

Last year, for me, it was

wasps and earwigs. The year before it was ants and earwigs.

Earwigs apparently move into your house when their environment outside becomes too dry or too wet or too hot.

I do not feel at all sorry

for them. We all have to deal with being affected by a changing environment. I say to earwigs 'suck it up' and stay in the yard. The same goes for the wasps that invaded my house last year. I never could find out where they were coming from, but I am sure they suffered a signifanct population decrease in Eastern Ontario after I declared war on them. I do not have any kind of against grudge the miserable, stinging and rude wasp, but you stay where you belong and I will follow

The relationship between insects and the rest of us especially humans has always been a tricky one to keep in balance.

Fortunately Canada has a few months of winter that helps to regulate some of the more lethal beasties that plague our cousins to the south and especially in Australia where all insects seem to have been designed

to take you out.

I know that there is a reason why insects exist, and at the best of times you have to respect that, but from time to time we all run into exceptions to the rule.

Just like you do not want to find an alligator in your bathtub, you do not want to find some kind of poisonous insect in your kitchen window courtesy of climate

Just as important is the impact of a changing climate on agricultural pests that just love to munch on your favourite crop.

The climate is warming up, it doesn't matter why. Experts have speculated that there will be an increase in global mean annual temperatures of 1°C by 2025 and 3°C by the end of the next century. Such increases in temperature will have an effect on temperaturedependent insect pests in mid-latitude regions. Yes. That means the mosquitoes, hornets and spiders just to name a few pests will probably feel more welcome as North America, and Europe start to warm up.

The problem for most if not all insects is that they were created and designed to not have to regulate their body temperature. If it's too hot they do not do very well and if it's suddenly a frosty morning, they likewise take a hit to their health.

All insects have an operative range temperatures they do best in, and as temperatures slowly rise, there will be some winners and losers in the insect world. As humans go, we can adapt, but can we adapt to a gradual invasion of insects that can cause chaos to our crops of soybeans, and grains, not to mention when you spot one looking at you from the end of your television remote.

Thanks to cargo ships from Asia, the ones with all those neat electronics no doubt, and a changing climate, we now have the amazing murder hornets in North America. The size of a

double A battery and protected by a hard shell. This new addition to our summer bug collection, and things not really wanted in your home is very slowly trying to gain a foothold in Canada beginning with British Columbia.

Climate change could help speed up the pace of the hornet's advance, similar to the astonishing travels of the Asian hornet in France, where it has moved at nearly 50 miles a year since arriving in the early 2000s there and is now found in the

In 2020 the murder hornet was spotted near the US border so they are slowly coming this way.

The good news is that they do not go around in trench coats looking for people to murder. They destroy attack and honeybees, the ones we cherish and depend on to pollinate our crops.

When do fly swatters go on sale?

Joseph Morin

NDDHS Report

By Savannah Coleman **Student Council Communications** Lots of fun for May

As the spring weather arrives, North Dundas has many activities and days full of fun coming up - Spring Carnival, Student vs Staff Volleyball, and spirit days!

Our talent show was a major success, full of amazing talent that our very own ND students showed off! At the end of the show, there were prizes given out to thank students for getting over 540 donations to donate to the food bank! Some prizes included M&M Milkshakes, homemade maple syrup, and homemade jewelry.

North Dundas raised over \$1000 for the Green Iglu Fundraiser that was put on by our student representatives, Sebastian Lafrance and Brooklin Begg; well above their goal of \$217! There was a coin drive and "Guess How Many Gummies are in the Jar" at the pancake breakfast and talent show to raise money for this Canadian charity that is designed to fight the issue of food sovereignty in remote and Indigenous communities in Canada. Well

The secondary track and field team had a great day on Wed., May 4, as they competed at the SD&G championship at the Terry Fox Athletic Facility! Top 4 finishers in each event will attend EOSSAA in 2 weeks. Our team has 12 athletes who qualified in 24 events! Nephi Da Silva Moreira finished 1st in the 100m, hurdles and long jump; Lamoni Kamabasaya finished 1st in hurdles and long jump and broke the SDG record in long jump; Tala Brant Barry finished 1st in the discus; Julia Cooper finished 1st in the discus; Brandon Daye finished 1st in the triple jump; Ben Dean finished 1st in the javelin; Jack Link finished 1st in the 3000m; Sophia McRostie finished first in hurdles; Cassidy Porteous finished first in the hurdles. Other qualifiers are Owen Bond, Jess Groves, and Reese Snelson. What a way to represent our school!

All teachers at North Dundas showed their classes three one-minute videos to show that the r-word is not okay to use. Your words matter, so use them well! Sure, to you the r-word may just be a word. We get it, but we're here to ask you to stand with the 1 in every 100 Canadians living with an intellectual disability. Regardless of how you use it, using the r-word is NOT okay. Make the choice to stop saying it and inspire others to do the same.

ND's Spring Carnival will be held on May 18, for all grades 7-12. There will be different stations of various activities to compete against friends!

ND's high school Student vs Staff Volleyball game will be held on May 20, and will be a \$2 buyout, with the funds going to health and wellness initiatives.

Lots of fun opportunities to do here at North Dundas!

What's on your mind?

I'm trying to think of something to write about that's not controversial but also not overtly boring and I'm drawing a complete blank. I have ideas, of course. Endless ideas. But none of them seem quite right. Should I talk about the community group that's taken offense because their council has been making decisions on their behalf, you know, like council's are supposed to do? Or should I write about the 2022 Year of the Garden that's meant to entice and encourage people to take up gardening in one form or another? Of course, I could always talk about what it's like being one of the people who hasn't contracted Covid, but I don't want to jinx myself.

So where does that leave me? Or us, since, as the reader, you're in this too. I think it's time for you – the reader – to tell us what you want to read about. What types of editorials do you prefer? Are you into reading about a reporter's take on political issues? Do you want to learn something new? How do you feel about personal accounts of this or that? Maybe drawing awareness to specific societal issues, such as homelessness and poverty? Or, on the flipside, maybe something funny? I don't know, you tell me. Please. Really, I'm serious. Send me an email with your suggestions and I'll see what I can do. address My email news@etceterapublications.ca.

That's great. Now, where does that leave me for this week? Well, I guess

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- to stay with the current theme - I'd like to talk more about the writerreader relationship. When I write articles for the paper, I usually try to answer the questions I know I'd like answered if I were the reader. That's it, that's my process with almost everything. Now, with editorials, in the past, before I started working for The Record, I wrote a lot about current events – sometimes controversial, sometimes not – or about a topic covered in one of the current week's articles.

Recently, I've kept everything rather tame, like when I write about the changing seasons, for instance. If I were to apply my usual process to writing editorials then I'd probably write about something I think is important, either a controversial topic that needs to be dissected or an informative topic that spreads awareness whether it be about available services and resources or about a topic, such as the No Mow May project, where people are I'm thinking, wouldn't it be interesting encouraged to leave their lawns alone for the month to ensure a healthy start to the season for our bee population.

I do worry about offending people, so I try not to do that even when I talk about controversial topics, but I'm sure that I'm not always successful. I find it's getting increasingly difficult to discuss certain topics, as more and more people are tending toward extremes, either left or right. It makes me sad because if we can't have an open, honest, and civil discussion, then how are we to move forward

toward peace and a better world for everyone?

What I love – as a reader and a consumer of the written word – is being challenged to learn and to grow and to think or see something in a new way. Ultimately, I may not agree with the new perspective, but I really do believe it's important to take the time to genuinely consider it. I do this a lot on my own. I like to read non-fiction and I like to read blogs and editorials that give me new perspectives. I also like writing out my thoughts and feelings about something until my own opinion starts to take a form and begins to not necessarily solidify, but to become more tangible or identifiable. I also write because it's an excellent way to address mental health issues, and, let's be honest, I have several of those.

So, where am I going with this? Well, I've already asked you to send me an email telling me what you'd like to read about in an editorial. Now, to find out what you would write about in an editorial. Perhaps, if you're so inclined, you could write a few thoughts in a "letter to the editor" where you share your perspective and experience. Maybe we could build a community of residents who are eager to learn and to share with one another. It's just a thought. I'll leave it to you to decide, of course, but just in case you like the idea, our editor's email is editor@etceterapublications.ca and I'm sure he'd love to hear from you,

Sandy Casselman

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Dundas Agri-Systems joins AgriHub group Joseph Morin

Record Staff

BRINSTON - Dundas-Agri Systems, (DAS), in Brinston, family owned and operated in Eastern Ontario since 1981, is taking advantage of an opportunity to extend its reach by joining forces with the AgriHub Group of Companies.

A press release about the decision stated: "Dundas Agri Systems (DAS) is pleased to announce that effective May 1, 2022, it is joining forces with a group of other like-minded agri-businesses from across Canada who operated under the corporate umbrella of the AgriHub Group of Companies. This partnership is a natural fit given the focus on Canadian Dairy Excellence and customer service practiced by DAS, and the various AgriHub Operating Brands.

The experienced and dedicated staff at Dundas-Agri

Systems will still be on hand to help their clients.

The press release stated: "Most things will remain unchanged with respect to the company structure and product/service offerings. It will remain a local Eastern Ontario focused business with all current employees and support personnel remaining with the organization.'

The reasoning behind the decision is to give Dundas-Agri Systems access to corporate skill sets like finance, information technology, human resources, and marketing.

"We will be gaining access to an expanded team of dairy and industry experts. In addition, DAS will see expansion in the product and consumable lines, improved costing, while achieving a measure of pricing stability due to leveraged buying power.'

DAS is determined to continue to share good relationships with its existing customers and is hoping to be able to create a stronger group of agricultural experts.



- OBITUARY -**RONALD DWAYNE HUTT**

Passed away suddenly at home on Tuesday, May 3, 2022, Ron Hutt of Alexandria, age 67. Beloved son of Reg Hutt of Winchester and the late Patricia

Hutt (nee Paul), Loving father of Krissy Lanoix of Cornwall, Loving grandfather of Seth and Nora. He was predeceased by his brother Richard. He is also survived by nieces, nephews and cousins. A graveside service will be held at Maple Ridge Cemetery, Chesterville, on Thursday, May 26 at 1 p.m. followed by a luncheon at the Royal Canadian Legion in Chesterville. Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation 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.

– Obituary –

LANCASTER (nee Jessiman), **Lilias Elizabeth Ross**





Peacefully on Thursday, May 5th, 2022 in her 105th year. Beloved wife of the late William MacQueen and the late Gordon Lancaster. Loving mother of the late Beverley MacQueen (Louise) of Winchester. Cherished grandmother of Cristina MacQueen (Eric Ladouceur) of Winchester and great-grandmother of Danica and Kieran MacQueen-Ladouceur. Born November 29th, 1917 in Aberdeenshire, Scotland. Daughter of the late Alexander and Jane Ann Jessiman. Last of a family of six brothers and one sister: Alex, Cecil, Bill, Ken, Elson, Harold and Heather and many nieces, nephews and cousins in Canada, Scotland and New Zealand. Lil volunteered in many organizations including being a convener for the Canadian Red Cross, past chair person of blood donor clinics, chairman of the WDMH gift shop, In Memoriam Fund of WDMH, lifetime member of the Hospital Auxiliaries of Ontario, Treasurer for the Canadian Cancer Society, delivery of Meals on Wheels, Council member and Trustee of the Winchester United Church. Lil was also a former Civil Servant in Ottawa for many years. She enjoyed many years with the senior choir, square dancing, travelling, and reading. In lieu of flowers, donations to: Winchester District Memorial Hospital, Winchester United Church or Carefor Winchester. Family and friends are invited to a Memorial Service on Saturday, June 4th at the Winchester United Church, 519 Lawrence St. at 11 a.m.



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Peacefully at the Ottawa Civic Hospital on Wednesday, May 4, 2022, Jane Brugmans (nee VanderHeijden) of Chesterville, age 89. Beloved wife of the late Gerry Brugmans. Loving

mother of Wilma Winters (Jim) of Finch, John of Chesterville, Pat of Chesterville, Elly Johnson (David) of Toronto, Anne Arial (Steve) of Orleans, Garry of Chesterville and Tracy Whyte (Peter) of Morrisburg. Dear sister of Anne VanMeurs (late Jan) and Mary Van de Rakt (late Jan), both of the Netherlands. Jane will be fondly remembered by her grandchildren Sarah (Bill), Cory (Erin), Peter (Lisa), Kevin (Alexandra), Jessica (Eric), Josh, Chelsea (Brett), Hope, Quinn, Reagan, Calla, Nicholas, Mackenzie, Carter and her great-grandchildren Maya, Jacob, Bryson, Adrianna, Emma, Taylor, Kate, Milly, Finn, Teddy and Bo. She was predeceased by her son Peter, her sisters Mientje VanderHeijden and Joke VanderHeijden and her brothers Martin, Marinus, Peter, Harry and Nico VanderHeijden. She is also survived by many nieces & nephews. Friends called at the Marsden McLaughlin Funeral Home in Chesterville on Monday, May 9th from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary of the Presentation Roman Catholic Church in Chesterville on Tuesday, May 10th at 11 a.m. Interment was at St. Mary's Cemetery in Chesterville. Donations to Winchester Hospital would be gratefully acknowledged by the family. If you are making your donation online or by cheque directly to the charity, please include the following note with your gift "please notify the family". Online condolences may be made at marsdenmclaughlin.com.

- Obituary -**Lillian MacLeod**



Our beloved matriarch, Lillian (Winters) MacLeod, chose to depart her earthly life on May 5, 2022, at the

She is remembered with love and sadness by her children Ron (Marie), Jim (Susan), Alex (Louise) and Sharon; her grandchildren Dan (Ashley), Shaunna (Peter) and Damon (Mandy); and her great-grandchildren Amelia and Alexander Vyletel and Asher and Tamoh MacLeod

Lillian was predeceased by her youngest child, Mark, in 1985, and her husband, Bruce, in 1991.

Lillian was born at home on Post Road, close to Long Sault, on June 5, 1926. She was the fifth of Emily Ada (née Ross) and Heber Winters's nine children. As a farm girl, Lillian helped out with a host of chores, including milking, gardening, laundry, cooking, canning, housekeeping and minding the little ones. Despite her busy life, Lillian was a happy child who loved baking cakes, riding horses and sharing a good laugh with her sisters.

At the age of 16, Lillian got a job at the paper mill in Mille Roches, She saved her money and was soon able to buy her first car, a black Ford with a rumble seat

In 1949, Lillian left her job (and sold her car!) when she married Bruce MacLeod. After honeymooning in Niagara Falls, the young couple settled on the MacLeod family farm at Goldfield. Lillian was thrust into a busy life as a farm wife, mother and homemaker. She was a tireless worker, renowned for her cooking skills, her pristine home (God help any flies that dared to enter), her glorious flower beds and her limitless devotion to her family's well-being.

Lillian was a brave and powerful woman who dealt with tragedy and illness during her long life. The loss of her youngest son, when he was only 23, was a crushing blow. And when her dear husband, Bruce, died, it took all her strength to move to Ingleside and begin a new life on her own. In her later years, Lillian confronted serious health issues and the heartbreak of losing numerous family members and friends. But she always overcame each difficult challenge. What choice did she have? She loved her children, her grandchildren, and her great-grandchildren. She loved life. She loved laughter. And she never wanted to say goodbye.

At Lillian's request, her remains will be cremated and there will be no funeral. Those who wish to do so may make a donation in Lillian's memory to Winchester Hospital or to Diabetes Canada.

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Lillian's life at a brief service at Finch Cemetery on Saturday, June 25, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.



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Youth bowling awards' ceremony

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE - It was a full house at the Chesterville Legion for the awards' ceremony for the Chesterville Youth Bowling, held on Sat., May 7. Pat Middleton explained the local youth bowling teams were not part of the Youth Bowl Canada this year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Patterson mentioned there are 37 bowlers in CYB and how "it was a great year." She continued how it was wonderful to see the bowlers getting out and bowling before mentioning there were a few fun tournaments held throughout the season. The bowling season begins in September, with the suggestion for those interested in the 2022-2023 season to contact the Chesterville Bowling Lanes for more information closer to the beginning of the season.

In the Peewee/Bantam League, the regular league champs were the Jets, with team members Samuel Bissonnette, Robin Sanders, and Madeline Vanbruinessen. The playoff champs were the Oilers, with team members Caleb Vanderveen, Raelynn Drapeau, Delilah Marion and Lucas Vanderveen. In the Junior Division the season champs were the Saber with Alex Robinson, William Berkelaar and Sam Tessier and the playoff champs were Clark Sanders, Merrick



Peewee/Bantam

From the left: Sam Bissonnette, Kaden Leach, Isabelle Broomer, Hailey Sadler, Vanessa Bissonnette and Owen Thompson. Thompson Goddard Photo



Bantam/Pee Wee

From the left: Madeline Vanderbruinessen, Robin Sanders, Danika Bissonette, Caleb Vanderveen and Lucus Seguin. Thompson Goddard Photo



Juniors:

Front row, left to right: Mckenna Kelly, Lindsay Burnett, Caroline Sanders and Annika Michaud. Back row, left to right: Caleb Shaver, Alex Robinson and Clark Sanders. Thompson Goddard Photo

Richer and Mckenna Kelly of the Senators team.

After the awards were

Bowling Lanes' owner Ron Legion Branch 434 in Robinson expressed his Chesterville for the use of

presented, Chesterville thanks to the Royal Canadian



PeeWee/Bantam Play-Off Champs: Oilers

From the left: Lucas Vanderveen, Caleb Vanderveen, Raelynn Drapeau and Madeline Vanbruinessen.

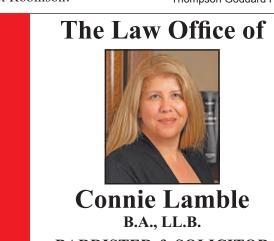
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Season Champs: Sabers

From the left: Sam Tessier, William Berkelaar and Alex Robinson. Thompson Goddard Photo



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PeeWee/Bantam Regular League Champs: Jets

From the left: Madeline Vanderbruinessen, Samuel Bissonette and Robin Sanders. Thompson Goddard Photo



Hi/Low Peewee/Bantam Champions and Junior Champions

Front row: Caleb Vanderveen and Kaden Leach. Back row: Sam Tessier and McKenna Kelly.

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and their families. He then cream dessert, Robinson invited everyone to a pizza lunch with the pizza purchased from Louis' Restaurant in Chesterville.

the hall, to the participants As he was preparing an ice mentioned he appreciative the of community support for the program.





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The Chesterville Record paper is continuing to be published on a weekly basis, we are just doing it from our homes.

The decision to not have a physical office was not an easy one. It was extremely difficult for management, and staff to make, but the times are changing and we had to evolve

Many other community newspapers in this part of Ontario have made similar decisions in order to continue to serve, and effectively engage their respective communities as we

With the restrictions of the pandemic over the last two plus years, The Chesterville Record stopped production at the end of March 2020. The paper started back up in late June 2020, and has been going strong ever since.

Despite numerous lockdowns, the staff still managed to publish your paper on schedule, every week, sometimes at the office, but for the most part, it was done from their homes.

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Densham announces candidacy for NS deputy mayor

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

BERWICK - Long time resident and municipal councillor of North Stormont announced on Mon., May 2 that he was seeking to be the next deputy mayor of the municipality.

Densham commented when announcing his candidacy how he wished to build on the positive momentum created over the last term of council and carry it forward. He noted it had been a challenging term, with the Wind Turbines, the pandemic and other council issues, but he has learned a lot and intends to build on the knowledge gained to encourage growth in NS.

He took a few moments to thank Craig Calder for "building a strong staff" during this challenging time and mentioned the GFL agreement will be key "to opening new potential opportunities in NS to feed economic development." He noted small businesses struggled with restrictions during the pandemic and need economic support during the recovery period.

Densham mentioned he



Steven Densham announced his candidacy for deputy mayor of North Stormont on Mon., May 2.

Thompson Goddard Photo

went out and spoke with local business owners, learning firsthand what was needed for them to not only survive but thrive during these difficult economic times. Including organizing Wellness Tours which involved MP Eric Duncan, MPP Jim McDonell and Densham reaching out to local businesses during the pandemic as well as the creation of a NS Shop Local Facebook page. On the economic development front, he mentioned his successful advocacy to allocate a budget for the salary of an economic development officer.

He praised that the amalgamation of municipal recreation groups into an Amalgamated Recreation Committee under the leadership of Ellen McNaughton and Pierre Thibault. He feels the unification of the various committees has led to a better coordination of events, development of best practices and collaboration on budgeting.

Densham concluded how it is necessary for rural municipal governments to be proactive to ensure the continued survival of rural communities. He mentioned he enjoyed his term as councillor as it allowed him the chance to contribute to his community substantially. He continued, in his role as councillor he was able to encourage people and committee members to work together for the benefit of the North Stormont community.

Densham currently serves on five community committees and boards including his most recent appointment to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital board.

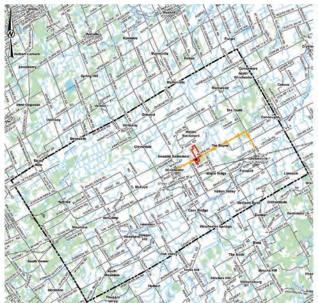




Environmental Assessment of the Township of North Dundas Waste Management Plan Notice of Draft Environmental Assessment Study Report

The Township of North Dundas (Township) has completed a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) of the Township of North Dundas Waste Management Plan.

The EA Study evaluated long-term solid waste management options for a 25year planning period. The Township is seeking to accommodate disposal of waste corresponding to the consumption of approximately 417,700 m³ of waste landfill disposal from 2023 to 2048, as its existing Boyne Road Landfill is currently at capacity. The EA Study evaluated long-term solid waste management options to achieve this objective and has identified increased diversion and expansion of the existing Boyne Road Landfill as the preferred alternative.





As a requirement of commitment 15 in the approved Terms of References, the draft EA Study Report will be available for public review and comment from May 27, 2022 to June 24, 2022 for a four-week review period. You may review the environmental assessment during normal business hours at the following locations:

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And they're off on the Nation River

The St. Daniel Knights of Columbus 11725 celebrated their 25th year running their annual Duck Race on the Nation River. This year the race featured 800 ducks and four winners. Claire Larabie came in 1st, followed by Brenda Dillabough, Dave van Delst and Randy Rose in 4th. The winners received \$500, \$150, \$100 and a Country Kitchen gift certificate for \$50 respectively. In this photo, the ducks take the plunge off the Bridge in South Mountain on Sat., May 7. The funds raised through the race go to the House of Lazarus, the Winchester District Memorial Hospital, Dundas County Hospice, Community Food Share and Naomi House.

François Landry announces candidacy for NS mayor

Carolyn Thompson Goddard

Record Staff

BERWICK - François Landry, currently deputy mayor of North Stormont, filed his nomination papers for the position of NS mayor on Mon., May 2. A life-long resident of North Stormont, Landry has served a term as a municipal councillor and is currently completing a four-year term as deputy mayor.

"My priority is to oversee the ongoing growth and development of North Stormont during the next four years," commented François. "Even though the municipality faced some challenges during this term, such as the construction of the EDPR Nation Rise Wind Farm and the COVID-19 pandemic, I feel positive about the continuous progress in our communities now and into the future."

François congratulated township staff for their work over the past term. He mentioned there has been remarkable progress in many areas, including the fire and recreation departments as well as returning our garbage collection in-house. He noted how construction of the new fire hall in Crysler as well as the Moose Creek Community Centre will begin soon and is confident that investing in new infrastructure is vital to economic growth. François also stated that



François Landry is seen providing North Stormont deputy clerk Mary McCuaig with his nomination papers for the position of North Stormont mayor.

Thompson Goddard Photo

staff played an important role in the negotiations leading to the 20-year agreements with GFL Environmental and the EDPR Community Fund.

He expressed his appreciation for the volunteer base in North Stormont recognizing their valued contribution and engagement. "This municipality has so much to offer to residents and visitors, which makes it a great place to live" added François.

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An electronic copy of the draft EA Study Report will also be available for review on the project website at https://www.northdundas.com/municipal-services/ environmental-assessments

Following the above review period, the draft EA Study Report will be updated to address comments received and will be submitted to the Ontario Ministry of the

Interested persons are encouraged to review the draft EA Study Report and provide comments by June 24, 2022. Comments may be submitted by mail or e-mail to the individuals listed below.

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If you require any accommodations for a disability to review the draft EA Study Report, contact Doug Froats at 613-774-2105 ext. 228 to make the appropriate

Veuillez noter qu'il vous est possible de nous communiquer vos commentaires ou vos questions sur le projet en français en les adressant à Yannick Marcerou au 613-592-9600 ext. 3318 ou par courriel à yannick_marcerou@golder.com.

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South Stormont gets update on roads' needs

Sandy Casselman Record Staff

LONG SAULT - Township of South Stormont politicians recently received an update on the municipality's roads' needs.

During the April 27 council meeting, D.M. Wills Associates' transportation project engineer Eric St. Pierre presented his findings from a 2021 field investigation. His presentation included an overview of the Road Needs Study (RNS) methodology and activities, a summary of South Stormont's roads' infrastructure, a summary of the findings and budget considerations, and road work prioritization considerations.

"The road study methodology that we used for this study is a combination of the MTO (Ministry of Transportation Ontario) Inventory Manual for municipal roads from 1981, as well PCI (Pavement Condition Index) methodology, in addition to that for hardtop roads," St. Pierre said. "So, every single road received an assessment based on the inventory manual, and all hardtop roads, your surface treated and your hot mix asphalt roads, they received, in addition, a PCI assessment. The inventory manual is a holistic look at the road network. It doesn't just look at the condition of the pavement. It takes a look at the surface

condition, which is how easy it is to drive on the road. It looks at the surface type, drainage alignment, maintenance demand, etc., while the PCI is more focused on the user's experience of the road. It's more complex."

St. Pierre said a fully funded plan of roughly \$2.3 million per year for the next 10 years would address all the township's road needs with future costs approaching the resurfacing base rate of \$1.3 million per year. In his report, he also stated that the current amount of funding, which is roughly \$1.5 million per year, would maintain existing levels of service but would not allow for necessary rehabilitation work. This, he noted, could cost more in the long run.

"Because you're missing so much of your rehabilitation candidates in that existing budget and you're not addressing all your reconstruction or major rehabilitation needs, you might find that your future costs' increase compared to the fully funded plan," St. Pierre said.

Mayor Bryan McGillis asked director of Public Works' Ross Gellately for his opinion on the matter. Gellately made a statement before asking the deputy director of Public Works' Mohammed Alsharqawi to speak, as he's been the one looking after this particular project.

"I think that the plan is very reflective of the

condition of the roads currently and the two scenarios that were presented, I think, you give us a good idea of where we are and where we need to go," Gellately said. "Unfortunately, the roads are one part of the upcoming asset management plan. This information will be used in the asset management plan, as well as all the other core assets that have been identified."

Alsharqawi reiterated that the roads' needs have been identified for the next 10 years and that it is up to council as to whether they follow the \$2.3 million per year plan or the \$1.3 million per year plan. Either way, he said the team would look to prioritize the projects according to need.

"This is something that we needed to do and for the future of the township in terms of what we want to do with our roads," McGillis said. "I think this is a good start."

No decisions were made during the meeting, but later in the evening, a report from Gellately stated that municipal staff have scheduled a spring road project, and facilities tour for June 3, where capital and maintenance projects for the current year and those proposed for future years are viewed. Council was invited to add to the list of sites to visit.

St. Pierre's report can be found in the May 2 council meeting's agenda package. The meeting itself can be viewed via a link from the township's website (southstormont.ca).

Newington's Mother's Day breakfast

The Newington Firefighters Association held their first Mother's Day breakfast on Sat., May 7, since the pandemic began. People were able to enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast complete with pancakes, sausage, bacon, eggs, home-baked beans, and home fries as well as selection of refreshments.

Captain Chris Beaudette explained the money raised at the breakfast would be used to purchase equipment, supplies and training. As well, the Newington Firefighters' Ladies' Auxiliary also donated two hanging flower baskets as prizes in a free Mother's Day draw at the breakfast.

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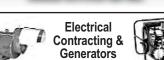
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An enchanted evening

Carolyn Thompson Goddard Record Staff

AVONMORE - In the tradition of the other Ladies Night held at North Stormont Place in Avonmore, this year's event was a resounding success. The 2020 and 2021 Ladies Night events were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic and there was a wonderful sense of community evident in NSP.

Organized by the Avonmore Community Athletic Association, organizer Josee Poirier explained the event raised \$13,325.25 for Carefor Health and Community Services, Meals On Wheels delivery services in North Stormont. Poirier commented how "It takes a village to support community services! Avonmore is a small community with a huge heart."

Poirier continued the event provided an opportunity for fun and fellowship for the 112 women who participated. She mentioned there were fifteen tables decorated, noting the Night Before Christmas group had three decorated tables. Some of the themes included Neverland,



The 2022 Ladies Night held in Avonmore at North Stormont Place on May 7 raised funds for Carefor Health and Community Services, Meals on Wheels delivery services in North Stormont. From the left: Carrie Coutourier, Sophia Branchaud. Back Row: Jennie Sauve of Carefor, Josee Poirier, Beth Harps of Carefor and Kerri Mainville. Thompson Goddard Photo

Witches of Oz, Little Bo Peep, Goodnight Construction Site and Yellowstone, with many in costumes related to their table's theme.

Throughout the evening, participants were able to visit with friends, enjoy delicious snacks and desserts, bid in the silent auction and later in the live auction with auctioneer Brandon Scheeppers. On behalf of staff and clients of Adams Financial Group, Kerry Adams presented a cheque for \$3,000 to Carefor Meal Delivery Program during the evening.

A sincere thanks was provided to those who made donations for the auctions, organized the event, decorated the tables and venue. Poirier wished to thank the ACAA committee members who worked so hard to make this event successful including Sophie Branchaud, Carrie Coutourier, Kerri Mainville and Beth Harps. A special thanks was extended to Adams Financial Group, noting how AFG president Kerry Adam is a ACAA volunteer and serves as the fire chief, Avonmore Station, North Stormont Fire Services. The 2023 Ladies Night theme will be the 90s era, much to the delight of people at this year's event and is scheduled for May 12, 2023.

Happy Face sheds light on coming childcare changes

Sandy Casselman

Record Staff

WINCHESTER - With last month's announcement from the provincial and federal government about changes to childcare in Ontario, some parents are wondering what happens next.

"I think it's going to be amazing for families," Happy Face Nursery School executive director Cheryl Firlotte said.

Firlotte While acknowledges the benefits of new funding announcement, she also noted that she's been getting several inquiries from parents about the provincial-federal announcement with many under the impression they'll getting \$10-a-day childcare as of April 1; this is not the case.

"The big things that parents don't necessarily have a clear understanding of is that it's not \$10-a-day. It's not happening right away. It's a gradual process," Firlotte said. "It's not \$10-a-day, it's \$12-a-day, and we won't get to that \$12-a-day for a little

while, and that date will vary for different centres because it depends on what your starting point is.

Firlotte said Happy Face is currently waiting to get their application forms, as each eligible childcare centre must apply to be part of the program. Only licensed childcare centres are eligible. If approved, the first stage of the program will see parents receive a 25 per cent discount on their current fees, retroactive to April 1.

"It's not going to be an overnight process," Firlotte said, adding that it's a gradual stepping down until parents reach the \$12-a-day cost. The next reduction is set for December 2022, and Firlotte said she believes this will consist of an additional 25 per cent off whatever parents are paying at that point.

Parents already receiving subsidies will continue to receive those subsidies, as they are not to be impacted by the new program. So, lowincome parents who currently pay zero dollars will continue to do so, Firlotte said.

"I just wish they would

have been clearer with families, especially about what to expect from this program," Firlotte said, noting that the \$10-a-day is an average that takes into consideration those families receiving additional subsidies. "For full fee-paying parents who don't have the subsidies, it will be \$12.

The program is open to everyone in Ontario with children in the kindergarten or younger age range. It doesn't cover school age children.

As for the governments' promise to increase the number of early childhood educators, and to increase the available childcare spots, Firlotte said Ontario has not yet released the guidelines for how this will work. However, she did say that she expects it to be a lengthy process.

"They haven't started that process yet," she said. "But right now, for us, as with almost every industry right now, staff shortage is a huge issue for us. Our new centre in Winchester is opening in September, so I need 12 new staff members."

Childcare professionals have been advocating for affordable childcare for years, Firlotte said, making this announcement a huge win. She said it's an exciting and wonderful thing for

"Through the pandemic, we saw that society relies on childcare. It's huge. People can't go to work if they don't have care for their children," she said.

families.

Happy Face Nursery School has locations in Chesterville, Morrisburg, Nationview, and Roxmore, with another coming to Winchester soon. To learn more about Happy Face, visit the website: (happyfacechildcare.ca). Happy Face's administrative office is located at 504 St. Lawrence Street in Winchester.



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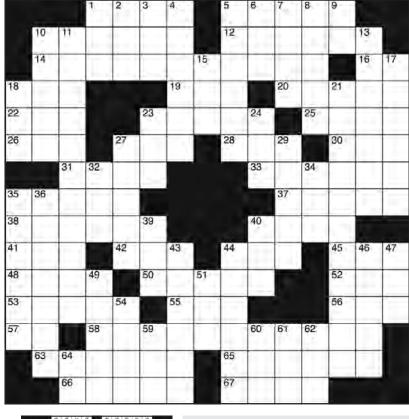
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1. Amounts of time

5. A ship's place at a wharf

10 Point a finger at

12 Large, burrowing rodent

14. Raises the stakes 16. Measure of illumination

18. Cast out

20. A word used for emphasis 22. Military missions

23. Wet with rain

25. Selling at specially reduced prices 26. Word element meaning ear

27. student,

28. Blood relation

30. Make into leather

31. One billionth of a second (abbr.) 33. Containing salt

35. A seat

CLUES DOWN 1. Old EU money

2. Some put it on steak

3. Sign language 4. Sowed on the around

5. Tags 6. Everyone has one

7. Arguments

8. N. African capital

9. Midgame (abbr.)

10. Change as needed 11. Functioning as a consonant

13. An island in the north Atlantic

15. Carpenter's tool 17. Small football player

18. Ghosts say it 21. Explain through logic

23. Having ten 24. Criticize

27. Arms of the sea

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37. A type of fine pottery 38. You're caught red-_!

40. "Heat" director Michael 41. Expression of creative skill

42. Title of respect 44. Crony

45. Payroll experts

50. Famed consumer advocate

52. Indigenous Thai person 53. Fitzgerald and Baker are two

55. Cooking tool

56. Decorate a cake with frosting 57. The seventh note of a major scale

58. Transfer from private to state ownership

63. A set of five 65. Removes

66. Foolish persons

67. Lower parts of a wall

29. Belonging to a bottom layer 32. _ Caesar, comedian

34. Licensed health care pro (abbr.) 35. Swiss cottage

36. Cleft lip 39. Loud. unpleasant noise

40. Disfigure

43. Kayakers traverse them

44. Authored 46. Small freshwater fishes

47. Macabre poet

49. Carthaginian statesman 51. Principle underlying the universe

54. Common Japanese surname

59. The bill in a restaurant 60. Small constellation

61. Chap 62. Equal

64. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)



BeBe's Boutique sends 'sparkle from coast to coast to coast'

WILLIAMSBURG - What began as a home-made gift-giving project for Breckyn Caers has now become a full-fledged successful home-based business she calls BeBe's Boutique.

"I wanted to make something different for end-of-year gifts for my oldest son's teachers," she said. "Through the power of social media, I had friends ask for pairs [of earrings] for themselves and for gifts. Later that summer, I made earrings for my own wedding and then for a friend's wedding and then another friend's wedding."

Caers said her business developed organically from making druzy studs for gift giving purposes in 2019, to making earrings to sell just six months later. While earrings are her biggest seller, she also makes bookmarks, rings, necklaces, and keychains too. Most of her earrings are made from stainless steel, however, Caers said she can make "almost everything" with silicone posts for those with metal sensitivities.

"I appreciate each and every order more than [customers] could ever know," she said. "I've sent sparkle from coast to coast to coast, which is a pretty amazing feeling."

BeBe's Boutique products are sold online via Facebook and Instagram. The sparkly merchandise can be picked up at Caers' home just north of Williamsburg or she can ship to anywhere in Canada. For those who live locally, she may be able to deliver depending on the day.

"I try to meet up with people whenever possible if I'm out running errands, too," she said. "So, it depends on the day."

Caers is a self-taught jewelry maker. With no formal classes, she's learned almost





Breckyn Caers spreads sparkling beauty with her homemade jewelry business, BeBe's Boutique. Courtesy Photo

everything she knows about making jewelry from online tutorials and experimentation.

'There's a lot of trial and error, but sometimes there's positives in those mess ups," she said.

BeBe's Boutique products come in many different sparkly colours, as well as in a myriad of themes from flowers to barnyard animals to holiday icons to film characters, and more. Caers said she gets her ideas from online sources, as well as from her clients.

"I listen to my customers," she said. "I also watch trends that are popular in our area and try to keep up with that, and if someone has a special request, I do my best to accommodate."

If you're the type of person who prefers to look at products in person, Caers attends many local fairs and events, where she displays her merchandise. She said these venues are a great way to meet and chat with customers, both current and new.

"Events have definitely helped," Caers said. "It's fun to get out and see everyone, meet new customers, and catch up with previous customers. I'm very lucky that I have made some pretty great friends through this as well."

Recently, Caers showcased her BeBe's Boutique items at the April 30 House of Lazarus (HOL) Ladies' Night Out event and the May 7 Spencerville Spring Market. This weekend, on May 14, Caers will be showcasing her merchandise at the Winchester Garden Party Market. To stay informed about upcoming vendor events, follow BeBe's Boutique on Facebook or

Although BeBe's Boutique is growing and gaining in popularity, Caers has not forgotten her community. She creates and donates items for local charity fundraisers, as well. The April 30 HOL event, for instance, she donated earrings to be included in the giveaway bags for attendees.

"I'm always happy to help with local fundraising efforts," Caers said, adding that in addition to donating items to fundraisers, she's also happy to run a fundraiser with a group. "I currently have my Habitat Cornwall Fundraiser with hammer and screwdriver earrings for the South Dundas build." The local Habitat for Humanity has broken ground in Winchester Springs. Excavation of the site took place on May 9.

Look for BeBe's Boutique on Facebook (facebook.com/BeBesBoutiqueB/?ref=page _internal) and on Instagram (@bebesboutiqueb). If you're looking for something specific, reach out to Caers via messenger and she'll do her best to accommodate.

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.

South Dundas awards contracts for two municipal drains

Sandy Casselman Record Staff

MORRISBURG

Municipality of South Dundas politicians have awarded contracts for work on two municipal drains.

The decisions were made during the April 25 council meeting. Following the request for proposal (RFP) tender process, infrastructure services coordinator Justin Moran recommended Quintan council hire Products for maintenance work on the Oliver Keyes Municipal Drain at a cost of roughly \$100,146 plus HST. He also recommended that TDM Construction be hired for maintenance work on the Thorpe Ellis Municipal Drain at a cost of roughly \$51,900 plus HST. Council approved both requests.

"It was nice to see that all the bids were very close and very competitive," Coun. Lloyd Wells said in response to the Oliver Keyes Municipal Drain report. "And a local contractor got it, so that's even better. It's a big drain, like there's almost 10 km, so I think that's a good price." He later noted that both contracts were awarded to local contractors, adding that "it's nice to see that we have more than one local contractor bidding on stuff."

Both municipal drains underwent an inspection in the fall of 2021, following

requests for maintenance, and, in addition to bottom cleanouts and brushing, both municipal drains required miscellaneous repairs, some culvert replacements, and environmental offsetting measures. The Oliver Keyes Municipal Drain requires roughly 9.5 km of bottom cleanout, and 200 m of brushing, while the Thorpe Ellis Municipal Drain requires roughly 5 km of bottom cleanout, and 100 m of brushing.

There were three bids each received by the deadline for both the Oliver Keyes and the Thorpe Ellis bidder on the Oliver Keyes Municipal Drain project, while TDM Construction was the lowest for the Thorpe Ellis Municipal

"I thank you for your work," Mayor Steven Byvelds said to Moran. "I know that you jumped into a big mess, but I think now with your credentials of our drainage superintendent, it's good to see some work getting started. I know it technically can't start until August, but the tenders are out and that's a good thing, so keep up the good work." Work on both municipal drains. Quintan municipal drains is expected Products was the lowest to begin mid-August.

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Township adds loading zone in front of Embrun school

Sandy Casselman

Villager Staff

EMBRUN - The township of Russell has amended its Traffic and Parking Bylaw to include a 10-minute loading zone across from École Secondaire Catholique Embrun.

While the final decision was made during the May 2 council meeting, the issue of traffic congestion in front of the school was initially raised by Millie Bourdeau, director of public safety and enforcement, during council's April 19 regularly scheduled meeting. A lengthy discussion took place at that time, as Bourdeau's initial recommendation was to make that section of St-Jacques Road a "no parking" zone to encourage students to park in the parking lot rather than on the road.

"Following the regular council meeting of April 19, 2022, council requested that the proposed amendment be reviewed and brought back to council at a later date," Bourdeau said in her report. "Council members suggested that a 10-minute loading zone instead of a no on the municipality's website (Russell.ca).

parking zone be instated on the east side of the road, as it is on the west side."

With council members concerned for parents dropping off and picking up students, the recommendation was changed to adding a 10-minute loading zone on St-Jacques Road across from École Secondaire Catholique in Embrun, to be effective Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. With council's approval of the bylaw amendment, they also gave Bourdeau the greenlight to order four new signs to be installed at an approximate cost of \$295.

"Following council's request, the public safety and enforcement department will monitor the area to ensure that the proposed loading zone remedies citizens' concerns of traffic congestion during school's start and finish hours," Bourdeau stated.

Bourdeau's report, along with a sketch of the affected area, can be found in the township's May 2 council agenda package. A listing of Russell's bylaws can be found



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Metcalfe Farmers' Market celebrates 29 years

Joseph Morin

Villager Staff

METCALFE - The Metcalfe Farmers' Market celebrated its 29th year with a grand opening on Sat., May 7.

The market included blacksmith demonstrations and music by Two for the Road.

Reanne Slater the Metcalfe Farmers' Market manager was happy to have the market back open for another season.

She said, "We have 54 vendors."

Slater said there was no problem getting that number of vendors at the market for the opening day. "We have a waiting list," she

"This will be our 29th year which is wonderful, and we have four-night markets planned again."

Slater mentioned "There are a few new people; we have some new flower vendors and Halls Apples. We have a few new farmers outside with vegetables and a new pork person."

"The market is definitely healthy."

Slater said she works throughout the offseason to find new vendors and uses social media for example to help maintain the area's awareness about the market.

Susan Potter the president of the market and the owner of Susan Potter Photograph Restoration and Digital Services was happy with the market turnout.

Potter has been at the Metcalfe Farmers' Market since 2006.

"The amount of vendors we have today and for the season is definitely the most we have had in a number of years," said Potter.

Potter said there are a lot of smaller producers who prefer the Metcalfe market. "Hopefully because we have so many

vendors, people come out and see that it is worthwhile and want to come back."

Potter said there was a great deal of room for more vendors and more visitors.

Ottawa councillor for the Osgoode ward George Darouze was on hand for the opening of the market.



The Metcalfe Farmers' Market opened for its 29th year on Sat., May 7. This group of people celebrated the special moment. Left to right are Merilyn Mulligan, Jacob Taylor, Janet Borzecki, Serena Weinholdt, Pat Trudel, Debbie Lyall, Phyllis Desoyners, Metcalfe Farmers' Market president Susan Potter, Larry Bazzinett, Benson Morris, market manager Reanne Slater, and Coun. George Darouze.

He said, "I am very happy to be here again, and for the 29th season. It's a beautiful day to be in Metcalfe."

Darouze said that after the pandemic, it was great to see so many people out and

"In the last few years, people have been cooped up, and it's so nice to see people out in the community supporting the local economy and agriculture sector."

Metcalfe welcomes spring with Meet and Greet on Victoria Street event

Joseph Morin

Villager Staff

METCALFE - On Sat., May 7, the Meet and Greet on Victoria Street event in the village of Metcalfe signals the beginning of summer along with the first day of the Metcalfe Farmers' Market on the Metcalfe fairgrounds.

The Victoria Street event was hosted by the Metcalfe Community Association.

The day featured vendors along Victoria Street, which was closed to traffic for the day. Along with vendors there was a small "touch a truck" display with fire trucks and heavy equipment including a dump truck and a grader. The police arrived as well to give children and adults a look at the inside of a police cruiser; added to all of that was food and music.

Greely Metcalfe Fire stations had on display a ladder truck various other equipment. The Ottawa Bytown Fire Brigade had a vintage fire truck for visitors to look at.

The president of the community association, Marc Sauve said, "This is the 6th annual. We could not have any for two years because of Covid. Originally we had six participants. Then it went to 11 and now we are up to 40 members."

Each year the association collects fees from the vendors to be at the event, then selects a recipient for those funds. This year, the recipient is Rural Ottawa South Support Services, (ROSSS).

"We also have a free barbecue that is put on by Coun. Darouze. The fire department will do the actual cooking for the barbecue."

Later in the day there



The fries for Charity truck was at the Meet and Greet on Victoria Street event on the weekend. Left to right are: Jon Courcelles, Daryn Hick, Brad Nixon and Noah Johnston.



The proceeds from the Meet and Greet on Victoria Street event all go to the Rural Ottawa South Support Services, (ROSSS). In this photo are Jennifer Baxter, Marc Sauve, Melissa MacIsaac and Genevieve Le-

mortar

was a martial arts demonstration.

"The people here are all local Metcalfe home based business owners and operators and we have five

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brick

businesses."

Sauve said the small villages in the area have a lot to offer and that is why events like Meet and Greet on Victoria Street are so important.



The Bytown Fire Brigade brought a vintage fire truck to the event. Here left to right are: Corey Regimbald, Carole Hall and Marc Sauve. Morin Photo

Camille Piché Community Centre's future undecided

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EMBRUN – While options are being explored, the township of Russell's plans to turn the Camille Piché Community Centre into Embrun's new library are not set in stone.

A delegation of Embrun residents attended the municipality's May 2 council meeting where their spokesperson, Lorraine Dicaire, provided a history of the Camille Piché Community Centre, noting that the residents should have a say in what happens to the centre now and in the future. Dicaire's presentation, along with the discussion afterward, were conducted in French. Mayor Pierre Leroux said that while council is still on board with transforming the centre into a library. nothing is final yet.

"The group of citizens was asking that we find alternatives to using the community centre as a new branch, but they also clearly stated that they deserve a new library," he said. "This file has been ongoing for several years now. The administration and council looked at several options and concluded this was the most practical cost-effective way of proceeding. However, until such time as the next step is finalized, council could always go in a different direction."

In 2021, council decided to turn the Camille Piché Community Centre into Embrun's new library. In April 2022, an engineering study was completed confirming that the building can be

transformed into a library. Now, municipal staff are looking into concept drawings, costs, and timelines, which they will present to council for a final decision before moving forward.

Prior to the delegation's presentation, a letter was sent to council in both French and English providing a short history of the centre from concept to creation. The letter also included a list of resident signatures.

Back in 1972, the Embrun Recreation Association members addressed the construction of a new and bigger hall which was much needed," the letter stated. "The huge Big Hall was built for the Embrun community, and all monies owing were paid back in full by this recreation association by 1977 and all debts to the township were paid. The township had given us a money advance of \$90,000 at 7.3 per cent.

"This proves that this building was a vision by the pioneers of Embrun in the 1960s. They were the innovators of this project. They saw it through and the whole community would come and see the construction site. It became the people's project. This explains why it is so hard for us to hear about future plans for this building, because really this building belongs to all of us in Embrun, and we should be able to vote on the final decision of its fate."

The letter in its entirety is available in the township's May 2 council agenda package in both French and English.