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The new principal of St. James Catholic School in Eganville, T.J. O'Grady, was welcomed on his first day by students Ivory Chusroskie-Wemigwans and Alice Tracey who presented him with a shiny red apple. For more, see Page A5.

### Dick Road

By Debbi Christinck Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Harry Dick Road in Bonnechere options for council to consider as Valley Township because the sign is just too tempting for pranksters to steal.

"We concreted the footing of the pole. I believe Bill Kennedy (former Works Supervisor) put grease on the pole so you could not climb it. I think our roads department has gone above and beyond," Mayor Jennifer Murphy said during a committee meeting of council on Tuesday afternoon.

Works Superintendent Jason Zohr told council there is a request to change the name of the road, "as the road sign name is continuously being taken and costing the municipality each time the road sign is removed."

The road is named after a local resident and Mr. Zohr said he has been in discussion with Mr. Dick's daughter-in-law and the family con-

cur a name change is now required. He said he would like to allow the **Eganville** – There will be no more residents of the road to present three a new road name. The new name would be approved at a future date.

Mayor Murphy said she understood the request but cautioned a road name change involves a lot of paperwork on the part of the people who live there as well.

"I am in favour of these name changes but they will have to change everything. Their driver's license. Their health card. Their mailing address. They will have to change things with CRA. It is not as easy as slapping up a sign the county makes for us," she said. "It will affect the residents on Harry Dick."

The mayor said she understood the impetus for the name change.

"I get it – how many times a year do you replace Harry Dick Road and Hussey – do you ever replace Hussey as well? Of course. It happens all over. People are children."

"How many people live on Harry Dick Road?" asked the mayor.

"Three. There are three houses," Mr. Zohr replied.

The Dicks own two houses side by side and live in the first house, he explained. Other relatives live on the road and they want the name changed, he said.

"Is it just people taking the sign?" asked Councillor Brent Patrick. "Could we not just weld the sign

Mayor Murphy said the township has done what it can and this has

been an ongoing issue. Councillor John Epps said if the residents on the road want the name change, then council should approve

the request. Mayor Murphy said she was glad to hear the residents of the road were all okay with it. She cautioned changing a road name involves a lot of extra work people do not always

realize at first. "I just think of all these people in Dundas Street in Toronto and they are going to change the name, which is a major long road," she said.

At the same time the mayor pointed out it was a lovely thing to have the road named after Mr. Dick to begin with.

"It is kind of sad," she added.

This was not the only name change request coming to council. Mr. Zohr said Barry and Donna Verch are finalizing their severances and the new location of their driveway would no longer be off Verch Road. When speaking with the Verch's they would like to submit three name choices for the new branch of road for council's consideration. Council said they could do this and submit the names.

"They would have to go to the county as well," the mayor cautioned.

This is to avoid duplication of road names, she clarified.

Verch Road is remaining what it is, but it is just the offshoot, she said.

### Crash near Palmer Rapids claims life

Killaloe - Ontario Provincial Police at Killaloe continue to investigate an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) collision Saturday afternoon that

resulted in the death of one person. Police were notified just before 5 p.m. of a single-vehicle collision involving an all-terrain vehicle on River Bend Drive near Wishman Road, in Brudenell Lyndoch and Raglan Township.

Preliminary investigation has revealed the lone driver of the ATV was proceeding westbound on River Bend Drive and lost control resulting in a roll over. The 54-year-old from Palmer Rapids was transported by Renfrew County paramedics to hospital in Barry's Bay and died a short time later.

As per OPP policy, the name of the victim was not released.



Winery opens in Westmeath

Jason O'Brien pours a glass of white wine from WOW (Whitewater O'Brien Winery). He and wife Lioutsia have been working for almost a decade towards the goal of opening the winery in Westmeath, on the shores of the Ottawa River in Whitewater Region Township. The couple hosted an open house Saturday followed by an official opening with invited guests that evening. For story, please see Page A2.

#### training option with classes beginning at CNL Firefighters have local

By Debbi Christinck Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

**Eganville** – Bonnechere Valley Fire Chief Darryl Wagner told council Tuesday there will be a local training facility at Chalk River for firefighters and this will have a huge positive impact on all fire departments in the county.

"This is a win for Renfrew County," the chief said.

The facility will be located at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) utilizing the training facility which is already in place there for CNL firefighters. The first course is slated for October, he said, adding he will have more information at a meeting

of fire chiefs tonight (Wednesday). Mayor Jennifer Murphy agreed this is very welcome news. The issue of fire training and certification has been a concern for fire chiefs since the closure of the fire college and the need for an affordable local training centre. She pointed out while this had been discussed for some time, it is good to see it happen at CNL.

"Previously the concern was that it was a secure facility," she said, noting anyone going onto the facility has to register in advance. "It is a very secure facility for a good reason."

The mayor said having a local training facility is very important

for the local fire departments. "I applaud whoever made this happen. We have been trying to have a fire training center at Algonquin

College for eight years," she said. In his report, Chief Wagner said Renfrew County fire chiefs and officers were invited to CNL to have a look at their training facility and fleet to understand more about the training program. Having this become a designated training centre is welcome news for Renfrew County, he said. While this had been looked at

before, it was not realized, he noted. "For some reason, the current chief was able to push it over," he said. In terms of security, the location of

the training centre is quite close to the gate, Chief Wagner said.

"Once you are in the compound you are locked in," he said.

'This has been in development for awhile," he told the committee. This will impact the staff development budget for next year, he told council.

"Now that we have it, we want to make use of it," he said. "It is something that for many years the chiefs have been trying to get done, so we can send them up there and train them.'

Not all courses have to happen there, but it is great to have this resource, he added.

Chief Wagner explained to the Leader there has been a need for localized training following the closure of the fire college and having to travel to a regional training centre is a great cost to municipal fire departments if it is located very far way. He said if firefighters have to take vacation time to travel for training and stay in a hotel the costs add up pretty quickly. However, having a local training centre in the county is much more affordable and practical. "It is 46 minutes from here," he

said. "They can come home and go back the next day.

Fire Radio Dispatch System In other fire department news, Mayor Murphy said last week Renfrew County council agreed the purchase of the new Fire Radio Dispatch System will be split among the 17 municipalities with the weighted value share being used as the calculation instead of dividing the cost equally by 17. She said splitting it equally would be difficult financially for smaller municipalities. If the issue was done at budget time it would have been done with weighted value share, so this was seen as the fairer way, she said.

"For Bonnechere Valley, this means we will be contributing \$14,459.07 instead of \$21,184.84, she said.



### Cobden senior leads protest into high water rates

By Terry Fleurie Staff Writer

Cobden – A retired educator who has spent the last 25 years living in Cobden was scheduled to appear before Whitewater Region Township council yesterday (Tuesday) to protest what she said are totally ridiculous increases in her water/ sewage bills over the last two years.

Anne Guest of Crawford Street was the spokesperson for a delegation of residents at the September 5 council meeting and last Friday she explained why she and other residents had sought approval to attend the meeting to plead their case.

"A group of us have gotten together because our water and sewer rates have gone up by over 30 per cent last year and are going to increase by five per cent every year now until 2029 to cover the cost of the new effluent plant."

Ms. Guest added the new plant was built at an estimated price of \$9 million and she alleged the overrun was another \$5.6 million.

"And now we've discovered they took a loan of some sort at 2.9 per cent interest, so it's going to be over \$6 million that 500 connections of Cobden have to pay," she remarked. She said there are 497 users on the system, three of whom she believes

to the group. Ms. Guest said the service runs south to at least the Home Hardware on Cobden Road, and west to Whitewater Brewery and east to about Milano's Pizza on Highway 17.

are metered, but who are not known

"They used to bill us every three months, then they slid to every two months, and raised it then," she explained. "But last year it went from just over \$300 every two months, to \$461, is what I'm paying every two months now."

She said the funeral home in Cobden is paying \$1,161 every two months because they are classed commercial.

"I was talking to (Wayne Huebner) yesterday (Thursday) and he's absolutely enraged," she commented. She said the businesses are assessed as per their size, but she was

unsure what the criteria is. Ms. Guest said there are currently five businesses up for sale in the village which she believes can be

directly attributed to the high water/ it's us that's paying the bills," she sewer rates.

"I would definitely say that was the main reason for it," she noted. "I've been all around town and I spoke to an OPP officer with two little children who thought this was an affordable place, but the bills were killing them."

She cited the example of another woman who is on a disability pension, who is being forced to draw from her late husband's pension to cover her water/sewer bill.

"And our taxes have increased again this year, and even our garbage disposal has gone up \$14. They're just killing us with bills."

Ms. Guest claims residents weren't given any advance warning as to what the increase might be. She noted a group of residents visited a very similar project in Port Carling and learned it had cost \$13 million. She said a member of that group who was a project consultant on other water/sewer plant projects, and who has been a great resource for her, told council the new plant would cost \$13 million, however, she said his advice was ignored.

Mrs. Guest claims council never tendered the project with more than one company.

"That's the reason we're all in so much trouble. It has been building up and building up.

"In December, I phoned the town office because it had gone from \$411 to \$461," she added. "I asked them why they kept raising it and they said it was the cost of maintenance. That's bull. That's not true."

She knows of many others who have phoned and she feels council is now running scared.

"And I will be speaking Tuesday at 1 o'clock. I have a whole presentation and I will be laying it on them." She told CAO Ivan Burton the group was not out to attack them personally as the majority were not on council when the project was given the go ahead. She said Hal Johnson was the mayor at the time and Robert Tremblay was CAO.

"We're just investigating what happened back then. And the interesting part is, there's not one person on council, including the mayor, who live in Cobden.

added.

Launched Petition

Ms. Guest launched a petition in support of her cause about three weeks ago and as of last Friday she was closing in on 200 signatures.

"We've had them in stores and we've had people going door-todoor as well."

On Friday, they had a storefront location on main street, which was staffed by Ms. Guest and several supporters.

She said it's "ridiculous" to try and communicate with anyone from the township office.

"I initially sent emails to four or five different people and the only one that responded was the mayor (Neil Nicolson). And he sent me links to look up some of the information, but a lot of that information is not on the website."

Ms. Guest planned to present three proposals to council going forward.

"Number one, apply for grants based on the \$13 million total cost because you still are able to get grants based on that difference in cost; number two, request a third party audit of the engineering firm; and three, call in the engineering company owner and find out why the project management quoted cost was \$400,000 and the final cost was \$1.2 million.

"It's just been a big cover-up basically," she added.

Her presentation will be a combination of facts and figures, along with the personal aspects of how the residents are suffering. While she is the lone spokesperson for the group, she is hoping there will be some time for conversation and a question period afterwards.

She said last week shortly after she was interviewed by CTV News, she received a phone call from CAO Ivan Burton asking what she intended to be presenting at the meeting, and she replied the facts that she knew.

Ms. Guest also cited the story of how there was a house fire in the village a few weeks ago that destroyed the residence and forced the residents to find other accommodations.

"They're still being charged for their water and sewage to keep the "So they're not paying this bill; lines open until they rebuild their

house. It's disgusting."

She said council issued a statement last week explaining the rates were increased to cover the cost of maintenance on the system. In addition, Mayor Nicholson was interviewed by CTV News, where he explained council's reason for the increase.

"The gap between what the province and federal government were able to sponsor us, or grant us for this project, that has to be covered by the residents connected to the system," he said. "Any dollars we can get from the province or federal

government will reduce that and it will enable us to lower those rates."

In the same coverage, Renfrew County Warden Peter Emon said if Whitewater Township needed assistance in lobbying both the province or federal governments, the county would be happy to assist.

Ron Laronde, owner of Laronde's General Store, said he was happy to allow Ms. Guest to put one of the

petitions in his Main Street business. "It's well needed. Someone had to step up and Anne did step up. So far, the response has been unbelievable,

and not just from people living in the town," he said.

"Nancy Morris lives in Vancouver and she can't believe it," he added. 'People that lived here before have commented, they can't believe the

town is like this.' Mr. Laronde does not believe council will be able to take action right away, but it certainly is something that needs to be fixed.

'Wayne Heubner said it best. There's not a town in Ontario with our population paying this rate. There's nobody."



**Seeking signatures** 

Anne Guest, second from left, was leading a delegation to Whitewater Region Township council yesterday to protest the highwater/sewer rates in the village of Cobden. Here she is seen with supporters, from left, Cari Schauer, Ms. Guest, Brenda Weiss, and Laura Broome.

### Whitewater O'Brien Winery (WOW) opens at Westmeath

By Marie Zettler

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter Westmeath -- What is probably Ontario's most northerly winery is now open in the community of Westmeath in Whitewater Region.

The Whitewater O'Brien Winery (WOW), at 214 Synton Street in Westmeath, welcomed the public for the first time on Saturday. The public debut was followed by a ribbon cutting, part of an evening reception.

"The opening day went extremely well," said Jason O'Brien, who with his wife, Lioutsia operates the new venture. "We had about 150 people attend the public part of the day and another 70 to 80 people for the ribbon-cutting.'

Going forward, the winery is scheduled to open Saturdays from 12 noon until 5 p..m, ending for the season on December 5.

The idea of the winery resulted when the O'Briens noticed wild grapes growing high up in the trees, some as much as 30 feet off the ground. Jason, who teaches high school in Arnprior, began to research grape growing in colder climates and found grape varieties that had been developed at the University of Minnesota that withstood temperatures as low as -30 Celsius.

In 2014, the O'Briens took the plunge and planted the first vines to establish what would become the Whitewater O'Brien Winery. Nested on the shores of Lake Allumette, a widening in the Ottawa River, the vineyard stretches for nearly a quarter of a kilometer and basks in the constant westerly breeze blowing over eight kilometers of open water.

"The westerlies ward off late spring and early fall frosts and act as air conditioning in the summer," Jason says. "This natural advantage enhances the moderating effect of



The official opening of Whitewater O'Brien Winery was held Saturday evening following an afternoon open house. Celebrating the opening are, from left, Del O'Brien (father of the owner), Petawawa Mayor Gary Serviss, a good friend since childhood of the owner; Pembroke Mayor Ron Gervais, Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MPP John Yakabuski, owners Lioutsia and Jason O'Brien, Whitewater Region Mayor Neil Nicholson and Councillors Joey Trimm and Michael Moore. Photos by Connie Tabbert

cool nights and hot days which is similar to many of the great vineyard locations of the world. The riverbed soil's gravel/clay rock combination and the mineral-rich bedrock lends a distinct terrain to the vineyard, nurturing cold-hardy grape varieties of Frontenac, Marquette, Petit Pearl, Louis Swenson, Le Crescent, St. Croix, and St. Pepin. In pursuit of crafting exceptional wines, we blended our grapes with well-known varieties from Niagara, skillfully

fermenting them side by side. This harmonious combination defies the harsh Canadian winter hazards, resulting in excellent wine."

Lower Allumette Lake's place in history is secured because it is where explorer Samuel de Champlain crossed with a flotilla to meet Algonquin Chief Tessouat in 1613. After founding Quebec in 1608, he left Montreal in 1613 to travel up the Ottawa River in search of the "Northern Sea". The meeting occurred on

Morrison Island, then known as "the fortress", where the chief ruled the Algonquin Nations and forged an historic alliance with France.

The O'Brien Farm has a rich history as well, settled in the 1830s by Patrick O'Brien and a group of settlers from the United States in search of timber and fertile land. Today, the farm, spanning 700 acres, is under the care of Jason and his brother Brendan, who have been operating it for 33 years. It has been certified organic for the last two decades. As such it is one of the earliest and largest certified organic farms of the Ottawa Valley.

"We have become stewards of the land, carefully managing in a sustained way, and have transferred that knowledge to our vineyard," says Jason.

Most of the grapes that go into making WOW wine are grown on the Westmeath vineyard, with only a small proportion of the ingredients

brought in from the Niagara area in barrels to round out the flavours.

"But officially our wines are made from a blend of our own grapes," savs Jason. Four wines -- two whites, one red,

and one rose – are available now

for tasting and for purchase on site.

Online ordering for once-a-week delivery is also under development. Jason is the winemaker and Lioutsia is the store manager. Both are intermediate level sommeliers. Gift cards in varying denominations are available. There is also a WOW club providing home delivery four times a year and qualifying members for complimentary tast-

Special guests for the opening ceremonies included John Yakabuski, MPP for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; Ron Gervais, a native of Westmeath and currently serving as Mayor of Pembroke, and Gary Serviss, Mayor of Petawawa.

Neil Nicholson, Mayor of Whitewater Region, shared his excitement at the new venture.

"Whitewater Region is proud to be part of this announcement, to see a new business come to our region and to our county as a whole," he said. "Over nine years in the making!"

He added it was also great to see visitors coming from as far away as Ottawa for the opening on Saturday. Jason says there is a good crop of grapes this year. All will be handpicked.

"We're planning a harvest party around the end of September when we'll have volunteers come in to help," he said. "Details will be publicized on ourwebsite at https:// whitewater-obrien-winery.square. site/

You can also connect with the WOW at 613-633-7027 or whitewaterwinery@gmail.com.





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Risk of strong thunderstorms HIGH 26°C (79°F) LOW 18°C (64°F)





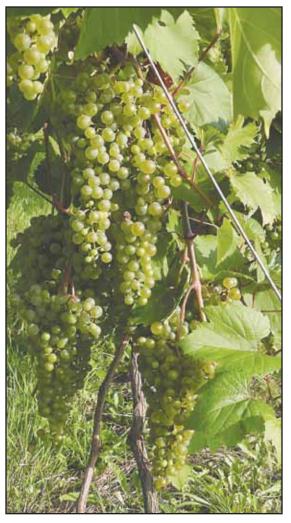
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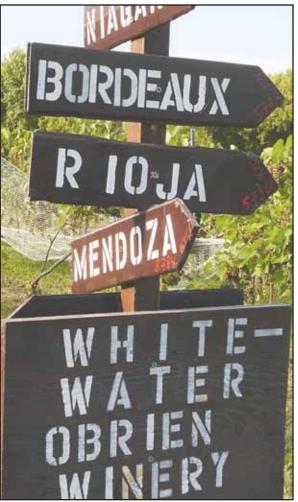
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The green grapes are almost ready for picking.



The directional signs at Whitewater O'Brien Winery to winery destinations, which now include this winery.



Lioutsia and Jason O'Brien listen as Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MPP John Yakabuski congratulates them on the opening of *Whitewater O'Brien Winery* in Westmeath.



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## Renfrew prepares action items for Official Plan

By R. Bruce McIntyre Local Initiatives Reporter

Renfrew – The town has begun its five-year review of its Official Plan and although traditional areas such as infrastructure and housing will be looked at, new components such as climate change, Indigenous engagement and emergency services will be added to the final list of items under examination.

During its August 29 meeting, council included a public meeting component which allowed residents to raise any concerns or ask questions about the process. The town contracted the services of Forbes Symon of Jp2g, and he reviewed all aspects of how an Official Plan is developed for both council and the 15 individuals present for the meeting.

As part of the Official Plan Review & Update, it is a Planning Act requirement that council hold a Special meeting open to the public to discuss revisions that may be required or are being considered to the plan and provide the public with an opportunity to submit comments or suggestions for improvements to the existing plan.

"The Official Plan is intended to provide a policy framework to manage the growth and development in the town to the year 2038," Mr. Symon said. "The Town of Renfrew Official Plan was approved by the County of Renfrew in January 2008, and it underwent a 10-year review in 2018."

Mr. Symon notified council there are currently no major modifications required in this year's review.

"It is worth noting that there are no provincial plans in place that affect the Town of Renfrew. The intent of the Official Plan Review and Update is to modify the current Official Plan to be consistent with the 2020 Provincial Policy Statement and the Renfrew County Official Plan."

However, he said there is a list of 15 recommended areas within municipal governance that council will want to examine and from there, prioritize the areas to a minimal list due to both time and budgetary constraints.

"There are some areas that have a greater emphasis in this review and that includes Engagement with Indigenous Communities," he said. "This is a requirement and is not currently addressed in the Renfrew OP and requires consideration of a land acknowledgement and recognition of areas of planning which are of specific interest to Indigenous communities (cultural heritage, natural heritage) in a substantive way.

"Another area that is becoming more relevant at the municipal level is climate change," he said. "This is a requirement, especially related to sustainable infrastructure, natural hazards and growth management."

Mr. Symons recommended a short list of reasonable attainable goals or statements be included in the OP because it is a new area of review for local governments.

Councillor Andrew Dick said the review covers a lot of areas, but in his opinion, the quality of roads is something that ultimately determines the level of growth in the town. "The way I look at it, the quality of roads, it all steers back to everything else in terms of expansion of new houses, the 417 coming in and then you drive into Renfrew," he said. "So you want to buy a house and you see about 80 per cent of our roads are poor, the sidewalks are in disrepair, they are overgrown with weeds, our roads are horrible. Then they are going to turn around and drive right back to Arnprior or Pembroke."

Mr. Symon agreed with Coun. Dick that roads are vital and he cautioned council not to reduce the quality and maintenance of roads in order to meet the needs of developers.

"Satisfactory road maintenance is becoming lower and so are the quality standards as local governments are reducing standards for developers through exemptions and other factors. I want to remind you that your job is to build a community, not to be a developer. They build and develop and your job is to be ready in areas like connectivity and recreation because developers don't always look at those things."

The formal public consultation on the OP Review component of this project is proposed to conclude September 29. Following that, council will be presented with an Issues and Options Report from the Consultant, summarizing the Official Plan Review component of the project. Council will then determine the issues to be included in the Official Plan Update and provide direction on the preferred policy option to address the issue.

### County has new executive assistant

Pembroke – A former employee of Madawaska Valley Township has been hired as the new Deputy Clerk/Executive Assistant at the County of Renfrew, taking over duties from Rosalyn Gruntz who has retired from the position after 25 years.

Ms. Gruntz was honoured by

council last Wednesday with former county CAO Paul Moreau and former Warden Debbie Robinson attending to wish her well in her retirement. Former CAO's Norm Lemke and Jim Hutton sent video messages.

Finance committee Chair Jennifer Murphy spoke about how Ms.

Gruntz supported her as warden and Warden Peter Emon shared the same sentiment on how she kept him on track over the years.

Current CAO Craig Kelley presented Ms. Gruntz with an Employee Recognition Award.

Ms. Dombroski officially began her duties September 1.





#### Remembrance Day parade in August

The Renfrew Highland Pipes and Drum band led last Wednesday's parade consisting of veterans and local Royal Canadian Legion members from the Renfrew branch to the cenotaph as part of the filming of a Remembrance Day commercial set to air next month.

### Remembrance Day comes early to Renfrew in the form of a commercial

By R. Bruce McIntyre Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Renfrew -- Although it was a warm August day, the main street of Renfrew featured close to 200 people dressed as though it was a cool November 11.

The residents and visitors joined various Royal Canadian Legion members from around the area and staged a mock Remembrance Day ceremony video.

It was part of filming a special Remembrance Day commercial to air on most Canadian networks beginning in late October.

The film crew, commissioned by the Royal Canadian Legion, arrived in Renfrew around 7 o'clock in the

several Legion members from Zone G7 branches prior to filming.

There were Legion members from Petawawa, Cobden, Eganville and Renfrew and together they marched from the Renfrew Legion to the Cenotaph War Memorial at Low Square, home of the town's municipal office.

Although originally scheduled to begin at 8 a.m., the parade started shortly after 7:30 as several residents and visitors also arrived early. The director decided to take advantage of a crowd of close to 200 people and he signaled members to begin the parade early.

Led by the historic Renfrew High-

morning on August 30 and met with land Pipes and Drums, the parade Burgess left the Legion and marched two blocks to Low Square where the cenotaph has been a mainstay of Renfrew since 1931.

> The tall granite cenotaph in front of the town hall was a gift from Thomas Andrew Low, local entrepreneur, Member of Parliament and federal cabinet minister. He originally paid to have the square turned into a park in 1918, then commissioned the cenotaph, which was dedicated in 1931, just months after his death. A small plaque is dedicated to Low for his contribution to the town. The Renfrew Great War Memorial was designed by Richard Hubert Millson & Cecil

Originally it listed the men who died in the Great War and some of the key battles, later the names of those who died in WWII and the Korean War were added.

Rev. Bruce Ferguson, president of the Renfrew Legion, was thrilled with the day and said the people of Renfrew put on a display of pride and patriotism.

"When we received a phone call last month from Central Command informing us that our town was chosen for the commercial, I was ecstatic," he said. "The main reason the film crew chose Renfrew is the incredible design of our war memorial. As well, Renfrew provides that authentic hometown look they were seeking. The 1931 design was quite similar to the memorial at Vimy Ridge and it really is one of a kind."

As the parade made its way to the grounds of the memorial, Rev. Ferguson stood alone at a podium and instead of the customary lone bugler or local high school band,

Reverend Bruce Ferguson, president of the Renfrew Legion, emceed the ceremony and said it was a great honour for the town of Renfrew to be selected as the location for an upcoming Remebrance Day

television commercial. Rev. Ferguson played music from a stereo system and it provided the

accompanying music. Local Member of Parliament (Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke) Cheryl Gallant was invited to lay the first wreath on behalf of the Government of Canada. She was followed by Renfrew Mayor Tom Sidney who escorted Tena Miller, 2nd Vice-President, Renfrew Legion. Mayor Sidney had the honour of placing a

wreath on behalf of the town. The ceremony, which included about 200 spectators wearing jackets, long pants and some with mittens and hats, lasted abut 20 minutes before Rev. Ferguson concluded the ceremonies by thanking all those that for a while."

in attendance for recognizing the significance of the event.

As the film crew packed up and members of the Renfrew Highland Pipes and Drum Band put their instruments back in their cases, Rev. Ferguson could only smile when asked how the event went.

"It exceeded all my expectations," he said. "I am so proud of everyone here today and the best thing is the fact the rain held off. Look around, it is a dark morning so when the commercial begins airing next month, those watching will think it was actually filmed in November. The only thing missing was snow, but we can do without



#### Mayor lays a wreath

Renfrew Mayor Tom Sidney takes a moment to reflect after laying a wreath at the town's Cenotaph. Joining Mayor Sidney is Renfrew Legion 2nd vice-president Teena Miller.



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### New principal at St. James returns to familiar haunts

By Terry Fleurie Staff Writer

**Eganville** – When the students at St. James Catholic School in Eganville arrived for their first day of classes yesterday (Tuesday) they were greeted by a new principal who needed little to no introduction.

Eganville native and former St. James graduate, T.J. O'Grady, was recently appointed the new principal at the school where he completed his elementary education.

"It is surreal," he said in an interview. "It's wonderful to be back. There are lots of familiar faces and it's nice knowing the community and the parish

"There's actually a few staff that are still here that were teachers when I was a student here, so it's nice," he added.

Mr. O'Grady started his education career with an eight-year stint as an itinerant music and dance teacher and is entering his seventh year as a principal. He spent two years as principal and special education teacher at Our Lady of Grace in Westmeath, followed by four years at St. Andrew's in Killaloe.

While Westmeath was a smaller school with 75 to 80 students, St. Andrew's was comparative to St. James' in terms of enrollment.

Mr. O'Grady said many members of the staff at St. James inspired him in his career, noting he was given roles as the classroom helper, and was always actively involved back when Rose Anne Boucher was principal.

"She gave me many opportunities for leadership as a student here and it's ironic that I'm back in what used to be her office," he remarked.

He admitted his time at St. James will be different than his previous schools as his three sons, Declan, 9, and twins, Gavin and Grayson, 5, are students at the school.

"I've never worked in a building where my boys were, so that will be new learning. But I'm looking forward to doing that.

"I think it'll be a little bit of learning for my three boys," he added. "They're finding out that they're not getting the special treatment they thought they might."

He said they wanted to know who their teacher was, but he was not going to tell them until he had told the other students.

"But they're excited and it definitely will be nice driving into work in the morning with my three boys. And a nice short commute, a 12-minute drive.

"Danielle (his wife) is extremely happy that I'm close to home. It definitely will cut down on a lot of the driving."

He said the reduced driving time will allow him to be more involved in the community and the parish, and in extra-curriculars with the students.

He noted being involved with the parish and the community is a priority.

"Being someone who was born here and lived here all my life, I have lots of community connections. . . so the Echo Centre is close by, the library, all sorts of things that I hope we can build relationships and get involved with."

As the music director at St. James Church, he said he's looking forward to working with parish priest, Fr. Ken, O'Brien and his assistant, Fr. Real Quellette.

"Definitely, it will be capacity building in a different light now that I'm principal here now, but it's nice to have those relationships already," he remarked. "They're well established."

Mr. O'Grady said he was approached by Renfrew County Catholic District School Board Director of Education, Mark Searson, to see if he might be interested in the position at St. James as the replacement for Erik Lemke.

"He asked if I'd be willing to move to St. James, I sad yes, and here I am."

Mr. Lemke has gone to St. Anthony's Catholic School in Chalk River. As Mr. O'Grady enters his first year in his hometown, he plans to draw on the experience he gained in Westmeath and Killaloe.

"It's always a learning journey and I loved every minute in Westmeath and Killaloe," he said. "They're can be."

both special places and I was sad to leave both communities.

"I'd built lots of friendships and relationships there, and it was a little bit of a shock leaving the Killaloe community," he added. "We had been on the journey together through COVID, so there were lots of strong relationships and friendships built. But it's just down the road, so I can go back and visit."

Mr. O'Grady feels there is a really good complement of staff at St. James with lots of experience mixed with some new members.

"We have a pretty dynamic staff." He was asked what his philosophy is on having a successful school.

"I think building strong community that is rooted in faith and rooted in excellence, and by meeting the needs of students. They need to feel at home and they need to feel comfortable to reach their full potential.

"Staff have been in the past week and I think we're ready," he added. He said the first week will be primarily looking after last-minute registrations and continuing to get set up to welcome the students.

At present, St. James has 110 students registered for the 2023-24 term which is status quo. He said a lot of the parents are people he has gone to school with or their younger siblings.

"There are pros and cons to that for sure, but I like to think that people will treat me as a professional when I'm here, and I know I will make my interactions very professional at work."

He noted his niece, Nora Kelly, was starting kindergarten this year, so she will have to get used to not calling him Uncle T.J. He said his three boys attended summer school at St. James this year where he was the principal and they got a little taste of having to call him Mr. O'Grady instead of Dad.

"I'm excited for the opportunity and to get re-acquainted and get to know the community," he said. 'And I'm hopeful we can entice more families to come and really build St. James to what I know it



New prinicpal is not stranger

Eganville native T.J. O'Grady is returning to his elementary school roots this fall as the new principal at St. James Catholic School. Mr. O'Grady, who spent the past four years at St. Andrew's in Killaloe, is looking forward to being at St. James where his three sons are students.



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#### Mississauga man charged with impaired Officers attended Goose Lane of Mississauga was arrested and

Killaloe -- Police charged a motorist with impaired driving after receiving a complaint just after 1 a.m. Saturday.

in Madawaska Valley Township charged with impaired operation where they located and stopped a vehicle. Aleksander Wolski, 28,

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According to the Arthritis Society, as many as one in five Canadians live with arthritis. For many seniors, the condition makes everyday activities difficult. Here are five tips to help manage the pain.

- 1. Use medication Acetaminophen and antiinflammatory medications can help relieve certain types of arthritic pain. Talk to your doctor about which overthe-counter drugs might help you and make sure to closely follow your physician's recommendations. Be sure to also let your doctor know about any other health issues you have. If you're planning on doing something that might cause pain, take a dose 30 minutes before starting.
- 2. Maintain a healthy weight The more weight your hips, ankles, knees and feet support, the more likely they are to hurt. Maintaining a lower weight can help relieve pressure on your joints.
- 3. **Mind your diet** A healthy diet can help mitigate arthritic pain. Probiotics and omega-3 fatty acids have been shown to alleviate inflammation, while red meat,

sugar and foods high in fat can make it worse.

- **4. Exercise** Physical activity releases endorphins, which can help alleviate pain. Moreover, regular exercise reduces joint stiffness. While working out, however, be mindful of your pain and heed any signals telling you to stop.
- 5. **Try supplements** Taking glucosamine and chondroitin supplements may help those with moderate to severe arthritic pain lessen their discomfort. While the effectiveness of using them hasn't been substantiated, if they seem to work for you, they pose no long-term health risks. Talk to your doctor about which brand to use.

While there's no way to entirely eliminate arthritic pain, these strategies can help reduce it both in the short term and the long term. With a little patience, you'll discover

what works best for

you.









Millie Brandstadt of Round Lake was among the large number of shoppers who were out Saturday buying goods at the Killaloe Farmers' Market in Station Park and also scooping up bargains at Benny's Annual Tent Sale across the street. Here, Nick Jahoor sells Ms. Brandstadt produce from J.P. Farm from Boulter.



Joanne Freeman of J.P. Farm in Boulter, near Combermere, fills bag of corn for a customer at the Killaloe Farmers' Market Saturday. Besides selling fresh produce, she and her husband, Paul, also sell various baking products at the market.

### **Charges laid in two-vehicle collision**

person was charged following a two-vehicle collision on Monday afternoon on Palmer Road near Dam Road in Brudenell, Lyndo-

Palmer Rapids -- One ch and Raglan Township. Just before 2:30 p.m., police, with assistance from Renfrew County Ambulance and the Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan Fire

Department, responded of the pick-up truck was to a two-vehicle collision involving a pick-up truck and a sport utility vehicle (SUV). The investigation revealed the driver

negotiating a turn and was struck by the oncoming SUV causing damages. The 82-year-old driver of the SUV from Nepean was transported to hospital by ambulance with non-lifethreatening injuries.

The 75-year-old driver of the pick-up truck from the Bahamas was charged with making an improper turn.



Many people strolled through Station Park on market day Saturday. With about 20 vendors set up, and the annual tent sale at Afelskie Shoes across the street, Killaloe was a beehive of activity as hundreds of people took advantage of the beautiful Labour Day weekend weather to do some shopping.

### **Calabogie** next on **TOTV** tour

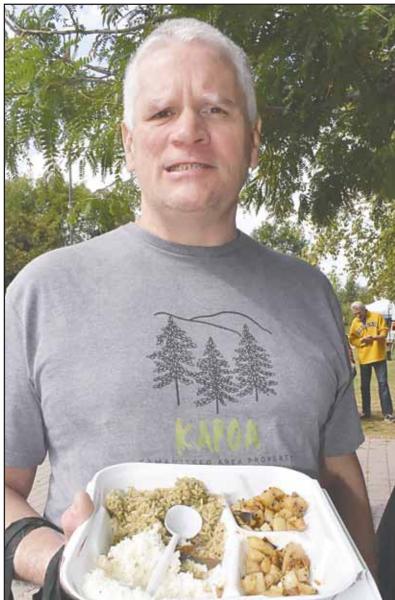
**Calabogie** – The next Taste of the Valley event in Renfrew County will be held in Calabogie this Saturday with 57 vendors registered to attend.

The first market of the 2023 season was held in Eganville on August 12 with more than 1,000 people attending.

The third event will take place in Deep River on September 30 with 58 vendors taking part and the final one, the largest one each season, takes place in Cobden on October 14 where 118 vendors will be selling their goods.

A special holiday season edition will be held in Pembroke on December 16. There are 68 vendors taking part.

Right: Bil Smith of Killaloe shows off his lunch from Nasla's Kitchen in Killaloe. Nala's is owned by Divya Vivakananden.









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### Driving that 1937 Ford Coupe and adventures in Killaloe

By Joan (O'Malley) Cybulski I find stories of the past very interesting and get great satisfaction sharing them with others.

In this story Lornie refers to Tom Ryan and others while growing up (1949-1950) in Killaloe.

Lornie would have been 13 or 14 years of age.

Summers Bros. is marking 75 years in business this year. They were originally known as Ryan Motor Sales. This business has survived many changes in the industry.

Tim Summers is the president of the Ford Dealership on Queen Street located in the same building his grandfather, Tom Ryan, operated a dealership in the 1940s and 1950s. Tom Ryan married Isabel Holly of Brudenell. He started a Chrysler dealership and operated the business until his death in 1960.

In 1961 Tim's father, Tom Summers, married Linda Ryan. They purchased the dealership from his grandfather's estate and brought in Tom's brother, Shannon into the business. Chrysler was having problems in the 60s. Tim's father switched to Ford and never looked back.

In 1969, the business officially became a Ford dealership. Tom Summers died in 1981 and Tim, Linda and Shannon became partners. In 1992, Shannon sold his share to Tim.

Just a bit of history, Tom Ryan started the first Chrysler dealership in Pembroke.

Linda Summers was the office manager and played a huge role in the business. She retired recently and misses the contact with their

Tim's brother, Tom, is the manager of the Service Department and his son, Jacob, has worked at the dealership full time for the past eight years. He does warranty/ sales and other duties as assigned. When speaking with Jacob, I asked if he was going to take over for his father. With a big smile he replied, "if he ever retires".

Jacob is the fourth generation of Ryan/Summers to be part of the family business.

I believe it is rewarding when family can work in harmony.

Tim tells me his mother was not involved much with the business in the early 1960s as she was busy raising and caring for her family. He did share with me a calendar dating back to 1962. This was during the days when men selected the picture to be showcased for the upcoming year. You guessed it! A picture of a "Sweet Lady".

The automobile industry has changed drastically over the years. Vehicles have been modernized, computerized, equipped with automatic steering, power windows and doors, GPS and backup cameras just to name a few.

Lornie will take you back to his adventure of owning his first car "My 37 Ford Coupe".

#### By Lornie Cybulski

I worked anytime they would have me at Chenard's garage, all summer on Corn binders (International trucks, as they used to call them) and into the fall after school

and Saturdays to save up enough money to buy a car.

The car of my dreams was a 1937 Ford Coupe sitting in Tom Ryan's junk yard behind his garage in Killaloe. After getting 50 bucks together, I got Tom's men to tow it up to my Dad's garage (International Farm Machinery and Trucks Sales & Service) owned by Tony Cybulski so I could proceed to get it running again. The car had an almost perfect body, but the connecting rod bearings were shot and the engine would not start. I found out the car's previous owner was a Mr. Harrington, Jerry's brother who was a teacher.

I spent most of my winter's spare time getting the motor going. After conning about \$30 from Mom, Annie (Rouble) Cybulski I got a new set of bearings and gaskets from Canadian Tire Corporation and proceeded to make repairs. Now at that time after working at Chenard's garage I had a little

bit of experience about machines plus with some advice from local mechanics.

One afternoon I had just started the acetylene torch when my older brother, Bunny (Bronis) walked in and saw this. The flame was streaming about two feet out of the torch and Bunny shouted "you're gonna blow up the place, and I'm telling Pa".

I guess he was nervous seeing this young fart playing with dangerous toys. I used the torch to heat the nuts to remove them on some struts under the car, just as I had previously done this at the garage where I had worked. This was nothing new to me as I was shown the proper procedure by experienced mechanics.

After struggling with the oil pan and removing one head I found two faulty rod bearings. They were really hammered out. I filed the caps down to fit the new bearings as snugly as possible using

then put the whole thing together.

Borrowing a battery from one of the mill trucks (Dad's sawmill) and pouring a bit of gas in the carburettor, I cranked it over, and voila! The engine did a few coughs and burps and it idled just nicely. It was the sweetest machine sound I heard all fall and winter.

The time was about March and I backed out my Ford and parked it close to the barn.

Our property was almost adjacent to the school yard, with the highway between. I would drive across the highway to the ballfield at the school. It stalled out. It was a wonder that I even got it running again. Later, on a nice clear, day I borrowed Mom's vacuum with a spray bottle and gave the car a shiny new coat of black paint.

As the weather got nicer and I got braver and even without a licence or anything, I would venture further with the car. On Sunday afternoon Cecil Sullivan and I were driving through town and saw a girl I knew, Hilda, and her cousin, so we got them to come for a ride. Cecil sat in the back with the cousin and me driving with Hilda in the front. Hilda had a pretty white dress with pink flower designs and fluffy stuff around the shoulders and collar.

As we were driving along towards Round Lake, it was a bit hot so I proceeded to open the air vent scoop that was on top outside just near the windshield. Now I had not opened that before, and dirt, and mouse crap came flying

that plastic clearance gauge and in all over Hilda's nice dress. What a stupid thing to do! Anyway, it ended our excursion with turning around and taking them back to town. So much for our first pick up venture. Cecil just about shit his pants laughing at me for being so dumb.

I must have started a trend, because some of my buddies started to get cars. Danny Roche got an old Model T Ford that used to stop in the middle of the road for no reason at all. You'd see him and his helpers pushing it often to get it started again.

My buddy, Kevin Holly, had a 41 Pontiac that ran okay but wouldn't suck gas from the tank. I can remember sitting on the fender and pouring gas from a Pepsi bottle in the carburettor to get us up the hill to the town dump. Kevin was driving and we had previously removed the car's hood. So when the motor started to die down I'd give it a slurp of gas from the bottle and hang on as we lurched a hundred feet or so forward. After we got to the crest of the hill we would coast all the way down to the dump where we would pick off a few rats with our 22's.

The Ford seemed to run okay, but I had trouble with the brakes, as they were mechanical and at the most three wheels would brake at the best. I think I had placed rubber boot patches in several places on each bald tire over the summer. This made the ride very lumpy at higher speeds.

Anyway, after summer holidays as soon as I did all kinds of dust, I got back to school and wondered what my next adventure would be.

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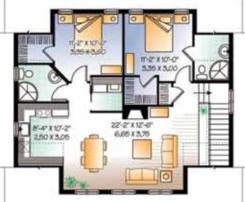




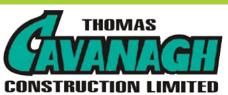




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### **Busing logic**

It is back to school time in Ontario and the buses are crisscrossing the Valley, so likely at any time of day between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. a bus is likely to be travelling down a country road to pick up a student or two.

While some buses are relatively full, the days of the buses being packed to the brim ended when staggered bells were brought in. Now many buses are half full taking students to high school for the early run – most parents and teenagers still don't think that makes any sense – and returning a bit later in the morning to pick up the youngsters for elementary school – who have been likely up for hours climbing the walls or had to be dropped off at a sitter because mom and dad left for work an hour ago.

In our vast, far-flung county, busing is a way of life for students and families because there is no public transportation to get students to school, so we are very reliant on our school buses. We would be lost without them.

However, it is frustrating to realize factored into the cost of all this are the buses picking up a student here or there and then driving past a school or two to bring the student to yet another school. Yes, we are talking about students being bused outside the school zone they live in. Before you say Francophone education or Catholic education, it is important to consider the cost of what we are doing by providing through public funding a myriad of schools in a vast county for students to attend when there are perfectly good schools close to their home.

In our own example of Eganville, students might be bused to school at one of the Francophone schools in Pembroke or bused to attend one of the Catholic high schools in either Renfrew or Pembroke instead of the local high school. This is in Eganville, which is arguably the most centrally located community in the county. What about the students who are bused from Barry's Bay to attend a Catholic high school in Pembroke or a French speaking school?

In Ottawa there are some bus routes where the bus companies have been unable to find drivers and parents are faced with the difficult decision of either enrolling their students in online education or shifting their work schedule around to drive a student to school. Possibly parents are carpooling. This is not an area where people are choosing to have their child attend a school further away but it is just about finding drivers.

In Renfrew County finding bus drivers has become an increasing challenge in recent years. Will there come a day when a school board simple states a student lives too far down a rural road and there will be no transportation provided? Many don't realize if a student lives on a private road busing is only provided at the end of the private road.

If it comes down to too few drivers, will the choice be to preserve the local school or the one further away? We can only hope it doesn't come down to that when our own children and grandchildren are in school because having no other option than online learning is not a pretty prospect for students or their families.

Keeping our schools vibrant and our education affordable and our busing efficient requires some tough decisions. Perhaps a start is re-thinking sending a student across the county to another school when the bus drives by some pretty darn good ones to

#### Letter

### **Connections to past**

**Dear Editor:** 

Even as the days of summer creep into autumn, Valley fall fairs are in full swing. There is much to be said for our simpler past. We as the "new" pioneers share in the last of a generation that grew through these simpler times without a lot of luxury but respected what our parents could provide and with that came an inherent ability to do many things like making our own entertainment, growing gardens, canning and pickling of fruit and vegetables as the bounty of the backyard harvest came in. And staying grounded which helped us deflect some of the high cost of living.

For the most part summer was always a time for family visits, picnics, a time to recharge and make sure the homestead maintenance was done for the next seasons. Yes, times have changed a lot, but as I begin to once again look ahead to autumn, it gives me great satisfaction to watch our family pick up on their raising and show the way to their young families. It's tried, tested and proven, but one must remain vigilant and constantly

change while striking that delicate balance in our new world (somewhere between the old and new) but it's still achievable. I look at our great local farmers, our agritourism operators, nurseries and organic food growers along with our local Mennonite families. These examples tell a story.

With our country and world in a very different place due to fires and floods, challenging economic times, it gives the heart a thankful feeling that we live where we do with our traditions and our steadfast durability. It has been said by historians that as we lose our connection to our past, people lose their identity, their sense of belonging and where and how we fit in.

So as we enjoy the last of summer festivals and fairs let us prepare for the next seasons with the optimism our parents gave us. Let us remain committed to our Valley family upbringing and values. Positive thinking. Together we bring everyone along, leaving no one behind. After all, it's the Valley way, eh!

Gillan Rutz, Petawawa

### Why are we always in a hurry?

The Ottawa Valley has had an almost ideal summer. Heat, but not too much of it, enough rain for lush crops, and none of the fires, floods or windstorms affecting so many other Canadian regions.

Driving through Bromley and Admaston along the Stone Road or Pine Valley on a sunny August morning reveals thriving farms, corn as high as an elephant's eye as they say in Iowa, and the sense that in the Ottawa Valley we are indeed

Valley Heritage Radio plays a succession of fiddle tunes promoting the Annual Fiddling and Step dancing Contest in Pembroke which has been a highlight of the Labour Day weekend for almost half a century. The country fairs are drawing record crowds but annual church suppers are sadly becoming a thing of the past. There's a shortage of churchgoing volunteers, and younger folk, accustomed to ordering their fast food from a drive-thru, have no desire to stand in line for an hour for a plate of turkey, mashed potatoes

In many cultures, gathering with family and friends to eat at least one major meal per day is still the norm. Whether at home or in restaurants, one is expected to sit down properly at a table set with china and cutlery and spend at least an hour over a meal and conversation. In North

A View from **Bulger's Corners** (and Wilno and Douglas and Barcelona)



Johanna Zomers

America we prefer to snake through the drive-thru and hurtle down the highway with burger in hand. Not only is it bad for digestion and health, but it's a driving hazard and turns your car into a mobile trash can. It seems we are always in a hurry to be somewhere else.

Cycling, which is a worthy outdoor activity in any time and place, has evolved into a spandex-clad race as opposed to a leisurely pedalling excursion down country lanes. Oldfashioned upright bikes such as the Dutch and French use are suited to conversation as one rides side by side chatting away with friends.

But even in rural areas of Europe, bicycles are being replaced by cars. However, my young cousins in Holland do take their bikes when they plan to drink beer, the theory being that they are less likely to be stopped by the sobriety police. The downside is that too much 'beer wobble' on a bicycle can lead to an unexpected swim in the canal alongside the road.

The now common local sight of Mennonite horses and buggies often reminds me that rural life once was much less harried and hurried than it is now. There was always the seasonal urgency of work on a farm, but it seemed a steady pace rather than a mad rush. Sunday was always a day of rest.

I can recall the first time we brought in hay on a Sunday morning because rain threatened an entire baled field. It seemed sacrilegious to be working -- other than the regular farm chores -- on Sunday. Sunday mornings were for church, Sunday afternoons were for nagging the parents to take us visiting somewhere or hoping visitors, ideally ones with children, would just show up. Rarely did anyone phone ahead to make plans.

The Sunday drive would surely find someone at home somewhere and, if it didn't, well you just stopped for an ice cream cone or maybe a plate of turkey at a roadside church supper along the way.

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### **Decision is** confusing

For no apparent reason, the Renfrew Town Council is trying to evict Marshall's Construction (Dave Bennett) from his place of business at 1 Innovation Drive in the town of Renfrew.

I have known Dave Bennett for 50 years, and he has always been the first person to donate both his time and equipment to the Town of Renfrew. Like all businesses, he too has been hit hard with COVID. His company employs 25 people with good paying jobs ... and they want to evict him!

Nice going council! Bill McGahern, Renfrew

### **Unfair** treatment

I was very saddened to read the story Renfrew issues for company to vacate premises - The Renfrew Innovation Centre, the original Westinghouse building, Wednesday, August 23, 2023.

This is a huge detriment to an important employer in Renfrew and area with the equipment, tools and foresight, the help and work involved to keep this Renfrew community on the map.

I have lived and worked in the communities of Horton, Renfrew and McNab-Braeside in the employment and agriculture sectors.

The last time I dealt with Mr. (Dave) Bennett and Marshalls was for a request to help our senior ladies in the Goshen Institute to care for and maintain our Community Monument to Immigrants.

Being mayor of Horton Township, he sought the council's approval to do so in a fast and efficient manner. Grateful we were. In agriculture, he and his company

brought and erected tents to the Renfrew County Plowing Matches. He is also part of the committee that is working to refurbish the town's caboose at Howard Haramis Park. Due to vandalism the painting has to be redone. Many hours of work and expense incurred by Mr.

Bennett went into this. Marshalls was totally responsible for the refurbishment of the vintage Town air raid siren after it was donated back to the museum. Marshalls has been helpful on numerous occasions to the museum.

He and his company contributed to the upgrade of the Golden Age Friendship Club with a donation of barbecues and propane for fundraising events.

His company also contributed to the Bluegrass Festival for many years with proceeds going to Renfrew Victoria Hospital.

Reduced rates for tents by his company has saved the Town of Renfrew and many organizations thousands of dollars.

Marshalls built the starter gates for BMX riders at Ma-Te-Way Park and manufactured the watering system for hanging plants and ground gardens on Raglan Street.

Dave Bennett's community spirit has helped support so many activities and events that in turn attracts many tourists and shoppers to Renfrew and area. I share this to remind citizens that we should see the value in what we have, keep it and take good care as it won't come around again.

Mr. Bennett and company is owed a deep apology for the way they are being treated, especially after what they have put into Renfrew.

Founded in 1902

### Falls can cause severe brain damage

An Old Man's

**Opinion** 

Not Necessarily Ours

Before starting this article we heard the obituaries, one of them being my longtime friend, Jack Ferguson, also known as Fergie. Carmel dialed the number for Jack Ferguson, at R. R.1, Cobden, hoping to speak to Alice and offer our sympathy. His death at seven years younger than I am made me stop to think of my own mortality.

When we lose our balance and our head lands on a hard surface, that is truly a sign of old age. No doubt about it, dear readers, I have reached that time of life when most of my old friends are no longer here to watch me fall. Certainly, my third fall was the daddy of them all, the one that paralyzed or shook up my poor old

brain, I can't tell which. I thought I heard the steel mailbox being rattled and went out to check, resulting in painful headaches that I suffered from for about two weeks. I trust, dear patient readers, that this is not as painful to read as it is to write. The fall took only a few seconds, but the pain wants to prolong its visit. If anyone happened to be watching

I must have resembled Bob Hope's

singing cowboys. They could jump

from a barn roof onto the back of

a galloping horse without missing

a note. That memory should rattle

Al Donohue

your brain as it did mine.

Maybe it is time for a laugh, but not a nervous laugh. Cousin O'Donel had that kind of laugh and found it difficult to stop. On his first day in Clontarf school he watched a mouse running around the floor and stopping on the teacher's shoe. He laughed so long and so hard that Miss Rice pulled out the strap and didn't stop until Henry Rose swung the broom past her nose and shouted: "You leave him alone or I'll grab that strap."

Many years later, O'Donel, while on a visit to the home of Tom and Kathleen where Charlie's wife, Carla was visiting, announced, "Have I ever got a story for you", which led them all to laugh again. The laugh was so contagious that both ladies joined the fun and laughed so long and so hard that the funny story never got told.

And have I got a story for you. Ralph Wilson, who performs miracles with anything that looks and feels like lumber, has agreed to build a ramp for Carmel and Maureen. When I get a few years older, I might even use it myself. About 50 or 60 years ago, there were two wise men (not three) who travelled North America warning of the danger of Global Warming and Climate Change. I hope Nora remembers their names because they were both truly memorable. (One was Al Gore and the other was Henry Kissinger.)

If their warnings had been heeded, our precious forests would still be standing, and our wildlife and fowl would have a winter home. While on the subject of disasters, if the present Georgia trial convicts the convict, his third impeachment will solve a major problem that should have been prevented in 2016.

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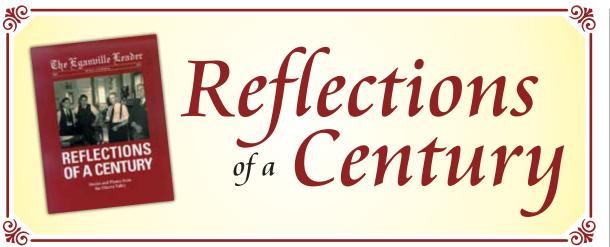
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"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen."

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### 100 Years Ago - September 7, 1923

#### **Fire In Bromley**

During the severe electric storm which swept over this part of the country Tuesday evening, lightning struck the barn of Mr. Michael Sheedy of Bromley.

Besides the barn, the cow byre and hen house were also destroyed by fire. The barn was a fine building with a basement and contained over 50 tons of hay, all his wheat, which he estimated at about 500 bushels, and some farm implements. The cow byre was practically a new building.

The fire started about nine o'clock in the evening, and a large crowd of the neighbours assembled to render all possible assistance to save the other buildings. It was with great difficulty that the fire was prevented from spreading to some other nearby outbuildings.

Mr. Sheedy is a heavy loser and his loss is partially covered by insurance.

#### **Sad Drowning Accident**

A gloom was cast over the community on Thursday afternoon of last week when the news spread that a little son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest

Bimm Jr., met death by drowning. He and a number of young companions were disporting themselves in the Bonnechere at "Lett's Landing" when the boy got beyond his depth and drowned. His companions strived in every manner to effect a rescue and had almost succeeded

when the limpid boy slipped from their exhausted arms back into the water.

The body was recovered and brought to shore. Dr. Reeves was quickly on the scene in response to a summons. He used every means of resuscitation, but his efforts were unavailing, and then to the home of the grief-stricken parents the lifeless remains were taken. Basil Willard Bimm was aged seven years and eight months. He was a bright, cheerful boy and his tragic death was deeply deplored by all. Mr. and Mrs. Bimm have the sincere sympathy of the community in their loss.

The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock to Grace Lutheran Church and cemetery. Rev. Mr. Voss officiated. The pallbearers were six little cousins of the deceased, namely Ellard Brose, Jos. Brose, Lornie Welk, Ernest, Arnold and Oscar Reinke. There were eight little flower bearers in the funeral procession: Wilmer Brose, Gilbert Zadow, Austin Lennox, Eldridge Bohart, Clarence Miller and Harold, Roland and Waldimar Reinke.

#### **Local News**

The town council and Mr. P.J. Flynn, road overseer, are carrying out a scheme of road improvement which looks good to the eye and while the initial cost may be considered somewhat high, its substantial character – approaching permanency – must debar hostile criticism.

Queen and Bonnechere streets are now driveways in excellent condition.

The holidays are over and Tuesday saw town schools reopening for another term. The teaching staff at the Separate School remains unchanged but there are several changes at the Public School. A new principal is Mr. F.K. Schnick of Smithville and his assistant is Miss E.M. Steele of Fenelon Falls. The 4th Room is presided over by Miss M. Reeves, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Room by Miss Lottie Smith, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Room by Miss Isobel McKenzie and the 1st Room by Miss Hope McKibbon, all of Eganville.

To accommodate visitors to Renfrew Fair from Killaloe, Wilno, and Barry's Bay, and other points west, the mixed train, on Friday night, September 21st, will await at Golden Lake, the Ottawa-Pembroke local and convey passengers home.

#### **Won Mowat Scholarship**

Kenneth G. McNab, of Renfrew, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.G. McNab, has won the Mowat Scholarship founded by the late John Mowat of Kingston. Announcement to this effect was made on Monday in Kingston, when the honour matriculation scholarships were presented at Queen's University. The scholarship is one of \$500, awarded in mathematics and physics, with part



### 25 Years Ago - September 8, 1998

#### **Arson Suspected In Fire At Sno-Drifters Clubhouse**

Building is badly damaged in Monday afternoon blaze

Eganville - Damage to the Sno-Drifters Clubhouse from a suspicious fire Monday afternoon is estimated at between \$100,000 and \$150,000.

The fire was reported at 3:02 p.m. and when Eganville firefighters arrived shortly after flames had broken through the roof of the structure.

Eganville Fire Chief Mike Lett said Monday night arson is suspected. An investigator from the Fire Marshall's Office as well as a canine unit was expected to visit the scene of the blaze this (Tuesday) morning. The clubhouse is located on the western fringe of the village in Wilberforce Township.

Chief Lett said arson is suspected because the fire broke out in a garbage bin on the western exterior of the building. Another reason the fire is being treated as suspicious is because firefighters came upon a second fire while one crew was returning to the village for water. That occurred about 3:45 p.m. Firefighters managed to put out the blaze with extinguishers.

Chief Lett said a vehicle fire was spotted in the car lot at Summers' Motors located less than half-akilometre from the Sno-Drifters' Clubhouse.

**Catholic Teachers And Board Reach Interim Agreement** Pembroke – Although Catholic teachers in the Toronto area were still proposing full or partial strikes on Monday, Catholic teachers in Renfrew County are back on the job with no strikes in sight.

Renfrew County Catholic District School Board Trustees and Renfrew County Catholic teachers ratified an interim agreement that will avert a teacher strike this fall.

"This extends the former agreement so we work under the same conditions as last year," said Roger Perry, president of the Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association, Renfrew Unit.

The agreement, which runs until January 31, 1999, will delay proposed changes to the teacher's workload and lift sanctions while the parties continue to seek a negotiated solution to this and other outstanding issues.

#### **Boy Hospitalized After Hit** While Riding Bike

Lake Clear - A 4 ½-year-old child was transferred from hospital in Barry's Bay to the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO) in Ottawa after being struck by a vehicle Sunday afternoon.

The accident occurred at Opeongo Mountain Resort. Police said the child was riding a bicycle when hit by a truck at the resort. Jeffrey Campbell of Eganville had just started to back up his 1997 Ford pick-up.

The boy, who had just recently learned to ride a bicycle, came service from a satellite as opposed around the corner and ran into the

back of the truck. The child was transported by ambulance to St. Francis Memorial Hospital in Barry's Bay with non-life-threatening injuries. He was later transferred to CEHO for further testing.

#### Man Is Charged In Connection With Discovery of Stolen Vehicles

Killaloe – A Scarborough man has been charged in connection with the discovery of several stolen vehicles in an old building three weeks ago in Formount.

Nashir Motara, 33, owner of the building where three vehicles were located by OPP, has been charged with possession of stolen property and is scheduled for a court appearance in Killaloe on September 23.

Recovered from the building were a 1985 Corvette that had been stripped for parts, a 1996 Toyota 4-Runner Limited Edition and a 1992 GMC cube van.

#### **New Area Company Provides Access To Internet Via Satellite**

Killaloe – The Bonnechere Metis Association (BMA) has launched a new business directly associated with the information highway.

Celestial Communications is the name of the new company operated by the Killaloe-based BMA.

Celestial is Renfrew County's newest internet service provider and while there are already several internet service providers in the county, Celestial is the first to offer to through the telephone lines.

**Cobden Clerk Resigns After** 

Cobden is without a clerk and

Barry O'Gorman, 34, who has

been the clerk of the village of 850

for the past four years, has given up

his \$8,200 a year job and started a

new job with the Regional Munici-

There are 14 to 15 applicants to

be considered by council when they

meet tonight. Ms. Waine Reynolds,

office secretary, will look after the

pality of Ottawa-Carleton.

Four Years

probably will be until the end of

### **75 Years Ago - August 29, 1948**

Constable F. Cottell is in Iroquois Falls this week on police duties. Constable Bronis Etmanskie of Killaloe is stationed in Eganville until he returns.

#### Attention

Just received a shipment of the following parts to fit Chevrolet, Ford, Dodge and Plymouth cars king pins, pan gaskets, generators, master cylinder kits, speedometers. cables and housings, clutches, water pumps, fuel pumps, rebuilt connecting rods, brake lining, ignition supplies.

Next week we expect to have a full stock shipment of valves and rod ends.

Enquire about these items here or through your local garage. Percy's Auto Supply

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Eganville

#### Real Used Car Bargains 1946 Chevrolet Stylemaster, in

good condition

1942 Plymouth Coach, just overhauled, perfect condition 1941 Plymouth Sedan, radio,

perfect

1928 Whippet Sedan, good running order.

Sauer Bros. Garage Golden Lake

#### Rockingham

Mr. Philip Dombroskie prevented a serious accident at the mill last week when he rescued his son, Willie, from drowning when he was trapped in the water by some rolling logs.

Garfield Weston, the British biscuit king and Canadian industrialist, has bought a \$75,000 home in Rockcliffe Park, Ottawa. It was owned by

#### Senator A.C. Hardy of Brockville.

Furnace room employees in an Ottawa factory walked off the job on Wednesday. They figured that when thermometers in the room reached 119 degrees, it was time to quit for the day.

The weekend toll of accidental deaths reached 30 in Eastern Canada today with sweltering weather again putting drownings and traffic accidents high on the list. Quebec recorded 14 fatalities since early Saturday, Ontario 11, Nova Scotia three and New Brunswick two. Traffic accidents accounted for 12 of the total and drownings 10.

The road from Denbigh to Eganville is smooth now. One may safely drive at 50 miles an hour without fearing the car will fall apart.

### 50 Years Ago - September 5, 1973

Welk-Um Moves Into Eganville two votes, over 3,000 he will have Welk-Um Steel Products, a new firm owned by Len Welk of R.R. 2, Eganville, that produces fireplaces, has moved its equipment into Eganville and is now located in the former McCann's Groceteria building.

Ken Chapman, general manager, said the set up will only be tem-

He said the Eganville location will provide a more efficient production line because of the space available. The building provides 5,200 square feet of working space. Tentative date for production to start is September 10. The original seven employees will be working on the fireplaces, producing about two per week. After a few weeks of production the number of fireplaces produced weekly will likely increase to seven.

#### No More Deputy Reeves On **County Council**

Effective January 1975, Renfrew County council will consist of reeves only, with the number of votes they wield determined by the size of their municipalities.

The 14 deputy reeves presently sitting on council will be eliminated. Where a municipality has between 1,000 and 2,000 municipal electors, the reeve will have an additional vote on council, between 2,000 and 3,000, he will have an additional

an additional three votes.

A motion was passed recommending a special committee be set up to examine the restructuring of council. The recorded vote was 45 for and 14 against. A second motion, that smaller municipalities discuss amalgamation amongst themselves, was passed.

An amendment was defeated which recommended that council ask the provincial government to bring about amalgamation of the smaller municipalities.

#### Barry's Bay Man Killed By Falling Tree

A Barry's Bay man was killed last Tuesday morning when he was struck by a falling tree while working in the Whitney area.

Bronis Thomas Kedroskie of Paugh Lake Road,, was cutting trees in Clancey Township near Whitney when one of the trees struck him when falling.

#### **Drink Plant Gets Grant**

Ottawa Valley Pure Spring Beverages Limited of Pembroke has accepted a regional development incentive grant for the expansion of its soft drink plant. The incentive of \$175,000 is based on a ratio of 20 percent of the approved capital costs estimated at \$75,000.

\* \* \* \* \* \* **New Businessman Likes** Barry's Bay

the month.

public.

Don McCullough, new owner of Kitts Red & White in Barry's Bay, liked the village and that's the main reason for him being there today.

He said he had never been in this part of Renfrew County before. Mr. McCullough was associated with a chain food store in Oshawa and has 18 years of experience in the food retailing business.

"We went driving one day looking for a business and ended up in Barry's Bay," he said. "I heard Mrs. Kitts wanted to sell and I liked the area so I bought."

He said he has never met so many friendly people, adding Mrs. Kitts has been very good to help him settle in.



#### **Buses are back**

After a two-month break, the familiar yellow school buses are back on the roads transporting students to schools across Renfrew County. Motorists are encouraged to drive with extra caution as these vehicles are transporting *precious cargo*.





### Caboose Day in Renfrew will raise funds to pay debt

By R. Bruce McIntyre Local Initiatives Reporter

Renfrew -- Renfrew's iconic CP Railway Caboose will be re-introduced to a new generation of fans as the volunteers who banded together to preserve and update the town's link to its railroad past are planning a Caboose Day so residents can see first hand the repairs that have taken place over the last year.

Sandi Heins, who served close to 20 years on Renfrew council as both a councillor and mayor, was back in Renfrew council chambers on August 29 to update council on various initiatives of the Friends of the Caboose non-profit group

who have been raising money to said with a big smile. "The Friends" September 12 and also to formally since then. During the last term of instead work with the volunteers a mainstay of Howard Haramis Park since 1993. The caboose is located on the same property as the town's tourist booth and a Park

Joined by fellow committee members Doug and Gladys Sidock, it was hard for Ms. Heins to hide her excitement and joy when she addressed council.

"Members of council, it is an honour to once again be here tonight because. finally, it is time to celebrate with the community, Phase I and Phase II completion of the refurbishing of the caboose," she

upgrade the rail car that has been of the Caboose are requesting permission from council to use Haramis Park and the Visitor's Centre on October 14 for the Caboose Day celebrations."

> She explained that once council gives permission for the grounds to be used as a celebration known as Caboose Day, volunteers can set up an agenda including children's activities, food vendors and other events to help with the ongoing fundraising efforts.

> "We are looking for council to grant permission so the group could meet within a week with a full agenda and present to council on

invite all of council to attend Caboose Day."

The caboose has had a colourful history since it first arrived in 1993 after the late Howard Haramis, who was mayor at the time, persuaded CP Railway executives to move the caboose to Renfrew. Upon its arrival. it was an immediate attraction for a generation of children and adults as it remained open for public tours.

However, about 10 years ago, the roof collapsed due to water damage and it was closed as it did not meet the new municipal accessibility requirements and has remained closed council, the annual maintenance to repair it. cost to maintain the caboose was reviewed and it was discovered there was no annual budget set for maintenance.

Upon receiving a report of estimates to bring it up to provincial code, the cost went as high as \$600,000. One option presented to council was to sell the car for scrap metal and remove it from the park. That led to the formation of the Friends of the Caboose and Ms. Heins, who was a member of the previous council, successfully lobbied her fellow councillors not to remove the caboose and

Fundraising has been ongoing to pay back a \$33,000 advance from the town to repaint the caboose last vear. One of the goals of Caboose Day is to help raise money to meet the financial commitment.

Mayor Tom Sidney said he attended a meeting with the volunteers and was almost overwhelmed by the depth of knowledge of local history and said this group is not only dedicated to the restoration of the caboose, but they offer a rare look at how the railway shaped Renfrew and the Ottawa Valley.





Bargain hunters were out in full force in Killaloe last Friday and Saturday looking for those specials on footwear and clothing at Benny's Annual Tent Sale. Started back in the 1970s by the late Benny Afelskie of Afelskie Shoes, the tradition continues today under the ownership of son, Shaun. The sale is a family affair with Mr. Afelskie's siblings and some of their children returning each year to help with the sale.



Benny's annual sale attracts a mix of Valley residents as well as many visitors to one of the several lakes in the Killaloe area.



Ellard and Ruth Hass of Eganville check out the deals on footwear at the annual tent sale which draws many people into Killaloe.

### It's the sale of the year many people wait for

**Killaloe** – The huge Labour Day tent sale at Afelskie's Shoes in Killaloe has come and gone for another year and store owner Shaun Afelskie says the 2023 version of the incredibly popular sale ranked right up there with all previous ones.

"It went very well," he told *The* 

Leader Tuesday. "Everything went well, a lot of product was moved." The sale is held annually on the

Friday and Saturday of the Labour Day weekend and Mr. Afelskie said the results are equally good from year to year, even during COVID, when they still carried on.

"We were lucky to do it. We followed the protocols of everything we had to do and everything was under control.

"We never lost a beat," he added. As in the past, his family turned out in full force, including grandchildren and a nephew from Hamilton, numbering in excess of 20 helpers.

"The family is sure on board. They really enjoy this weekend, helping me out, and having a family gathering.'

Mr. Afelskie said the sale featured a combination of inventory from

both stores (Killaloe and Barry's Bay), noting it also marked the end of the retail season at the Killaloe-

location until April 2024. He said when all the work is finally done on Saturday evening and the stock is moved inside in Killaloe and later returned to Barry's Bay, they hold a pizza party at the store to wrap up the weekend.

"Everything is torn down by 6

o'clock," he noted. He said the Bay location remained open during the tent sale in Killaloe and sales were very brisk there on both days as well.



**Back to shcool** 

Senior Kindergarten student Ava Thompson and her dad, Eric, are escorted across Bonnechere Street by crossing guard Colleen Yuke on Tuesday morning. Ava attends Eganville District Public School.



Four-year-old Peyton Holly received a four-generation send-off for her first day of Junior Kindegraten at Eganville District Public School on Tuesday. She was walked to the bus by her little sister, Brooklynn, second from left, mom Alissa, left, and dad, Dillan Holly, great grandma Margaret Felhaber of Eganville, and grandma Wendy Holly of Kanata.



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### Yakabuskis part of evacuation of NWT town of Fort Smith

By Terry Fleurie

Barry's Bay - When Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MPP John Yakabuski and his wife, Vicky, left their home in Barry's Bay on July 31st on a driving holiday to visit their daughter in Fort Smith, Northwest Territories (NWT), little did they know they would be part of the ordered evacuation of the town within a week of their arrival.

Their holiday was eight years in the making and it was one the Yakabuskis were looking forward to with great excitement. Their daughter, Emily, husband, Tom Colucci, and their four children, Leopold (Leo) Adelaide (Addy), Gemma ,and Julia have lived there for eight years.

"We were taking several days to drive, because we've never had that experience," he explained of their trip.

Although Mrs. Yakabuski had visited on several occasions, Mr. Yakabuski's busy schedule never allowed him to take an extended

"They'd been there for eight years, and shamefully, I'd never gone to visit," he said "I'd never been really able to take more than a week at one time from this job to get away."

They decided they'd take the time to visit on a longer holiday and planned to be gone a little over three weeks.

"We wanted to drive up from Banff to Jasper, up through the Rockies, which was absolutely spectacular. Our drive was essentially uneventful, but shortly after we got there, it was becoming increasingly a concern with regards to smoke.

"And the smoke was there because of the approaching fires coming up through Wood Buffalo National Park," he added. "That kind of progressed for the week we were there before we were evacuated."

Mr. Yakabuski said the authorities were providing daily updates, and they knew there could be some challenges arise as the fire drew nearer to the town of approximately 2,500.

He noted the situation was heightened by the fact their eldest son, Zachary Mundt and his wife, Stephanie, and their two children, May and Wallace of Deacon, had planned to join the family in Fort Smith.

"They flew to Yellowknife because they were going to drive home, and Vicky and I were going to fly home," he explained. "It made for the perfect plan. You get to enjoy the spectacular drive once, but you don't have to do it twice in the short period of time."

Mr. Colucci and their eldest son, up the Mundts, and the group spent a few days fishing on Great Slave

"By the time they were ready to come to Fort Smith, the highway was now closed. They did get through to Fort McMurray, but that is further down."

Meanwhile, back in Fort Smith and with the situation getting worse,

the Yakabuskis are trying to determine what they should do as an evacuation alert had been issued.

"And Emily is an essential worker who works for the municipality of Fort Smith. She wasn't going anywhere and she hasn't yet. She's never left the town; she's been there through the whole thing.

"We thought we might wait it out a little longer but they actually came to the door and said we had half-anhour to get to the community centre where they'd take us to the airport and fly us out," he remarked.

The evacuation order was issued on August 12 and Mr. Yakabsuki said the day before they were evacuated was probably the worst day as the fire had moved approximately 40 kilometres in one day.

"The temperature and the wind are your biggest enemies and it was going all the wrong directions that day. And the day before we were evacuated, it was like the Biblical depiction of the death of Christ.

"Right at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, as it says in the Bible, it got so dark because of the obstruction of the smoke blocking out the sun, that you had to have the lights on in the house in order to be able to see," he explained. "That's how thick and bad the smoke was.'

It lessened later in the day and the following morning when they were told they had to leave and would not be able to drive out because the only highway was closed, the smoke had decreased significantly so they could fly out. They were accompanied by Emily's other three children.

Mr. Yakabuski said at that point the fire was about four kilometres from Fort Smith and fortunately, the wind had shifted away from the town. After they left, fire crews were able to undertake some defensive measures to protect the town should the wind change back in the direction of the community.

"Yesterday and today were critical days because it's 31 degrees in Fort Smith today," he told *The Leader* last Wednesday. "Fire needs three things: heat, fuel and oxygen, and it's certainly got fuel and on days like today, it certainly has heat, and, of course, the oxygen is there."

He said crews bulldozed areas and cut down wooded areas to remove some of the fuel, hoping it would have the desired effect.

He said it has been such a challenge to fight the fires as resources across the country have been taxed to the limit this year with fires burning in most provinces.

"The reality is, we're fighting fires across the country. If this was a time when there were only fires Leo, went to Yellowknife to pick in the Northwest Territories, clearly the support from every other province or jurisdiction would be even of the earlier evcauees were taken greater.'

Mr. Yakabuski believes many townspeople evacuated before the order was issued, especially those who had places to go, be it with relatives or friends. He estimated almost all of the population, other than those essential workers, did leave.



MPP John Yakabuski and his wife, Vicky, recently travelled to Fort Smith, Northwest Territories, to visit their daughter, Emily, her husband, Tom Colucci, and their four children. While there, the Yakabuskis were part of the mass evacuation of the town due to the encroaching wildfires. The Yakabuskis are back in Barry's Bay, however, Mr. Collucci and his children remain in Fort McMurray. Emily was not part of the evacuation as she is an employee of the municipality and was required to stay behind.

As a parent, he said he obviously had reservations about leaving his daughter behind in Fort Smith.

"But there are people who need to be left behind to ensure that those that aren't in a position to organize their way out are able to get out. That's the job of someone in her capacity and also the first responders, the people that operate the airport, all those kinds of folks. They weren't able to go.

"The reality is, it's a lot easier to protect a small number of people, than it is to protect the entire town, including the people that may have physical disabilities or otherwise," he added. "The last thing you need if the fire gets there is to be worrying about the people as opposed to focusing on the fire and the infrastructure and property."

During the evacuation flight, he said he was unable to see the devastation the fire had caused because of the smoke and clouds.

A Blessing

Mr. Yakabuski said it was blessing they were evacuated to Fort McMurray, explaining originally they were scheduled to go to Hay River. Some there and had to be re-evacuated when the order was issued to leave

"Then Hay River got evacuated, so we would have been evacuated twice," he said.

They spent almost a week in Fort McMurray, saying he could not believe how extremely well all the evacuees were treated.

"Probably because Fort McMurray had been through that mess in 2016 when they lost half the city practically. It was a great place to be evacuated to."

When they arrived in Fort Mc-Murray, there were buses waiting to take them to the hotel that had been assigned to them.

SAINT JAMES CEMETER

"A good percentage of people in that hotel would have been Fort Smith evacuees," he remarked. "They certainly created space for evacuees at that hotel.

"And the accommodations were completely covered," he added.

He believes the people involved with the process were all employees or volunteers of the town.

As an MPP in Ontario, he said it's

great to see these services exist to assist people in the time of need.

"I was, quite frankly, shocked in a good way, at how efficient, effective and accommodating the entire situation was."

He admitted that situation may have been different a few days later when Yellowknife was evacuated, as then there were possibly over 20,000 heading to the same evacuation centres, which would have made it much more challenging to access accommodations.

#### Reunited In Fort McMurray

A day after they arrived there, Mr. Colucci arrived with his son, and the Mundt family, so they were reunited in Fort McMurray.

"We actually had a great visit in Fort McMurray where there's lots to do," he noted.

Mr. Colucci and his four children were still in Fort McMurray as of last Wednesday.

"Nobody will be going back to Fort Smith until they can categorically say that it's safe to do so. And weather is going to play a big part

A week after their evacuation, the Yakabuskis were able to schedule a flight from Fort McMurray to

"We didn't get to see as much of Emily and Tom as we'd like to because of the circumstances, and even on the days we were there, Emily was quite busy herself because things were going in the wrong direction. But Vicky and I enjoyed the company of three of the children while we were there. We couldn't go to all of the places we wanted to because of restrictions and the smoke."

Since their holiday was interrupted they might make another trip north sooner rather than later.

"Emily said, 'you'll probably never come again' and I said well maybe we have to come again to experience it the way we hoped it

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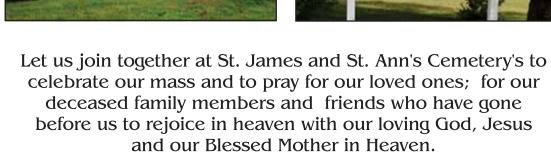


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### Renfrew CAO responds to eviction notice article in the Leader

**Renfrew** – The Town of Renfrew and CAO Rob Tremblay have responded to questions surrounding the eviction of a long-time tenant and an article published in the *Leader*.

The Eganville *Leader* published a story a few weeks ago about Dave Bennett and his business, Marshall's Construction and Welding being issued an eviction notice by the Town of Renfrew. In the article, Mr. Bennett noted he was never given an explanation about why he was asked to leave the unit he has occupied for over 20 years and stated he was only allowed to communicate with the town through legal counsel. The Leader contacted Mayor Tom Sidney for comment. At the time, the town issued a short statement and noted no further comment would be forthcoming.

A letter to the editor was received this week from Mr. Tremblay and since it exceeds the 500-word limit, the *Leader* has chosen to publish the letter in its entirety in this format to enable the town to fully share its perspective on the issue. In the letter, Mr. Tremblay provides quotes from the article and responds with the Town's response. The quote will be in italic and the response from the Town to follow.

"I am writing to you in my capacity as Chief Administrative Officer for the Corporation of the Town of Renfrew (the 'Town'). As you are aware, the Eganville *Leader* ('the *Leader*')

published an article on August 22, 2023, with the headline 'Eviction Notice Leaves Long-Time Tenant Facing Bankruptcy'. The article discusses Marshall's Construction and Welding's (Marshall's) lease with the Town and features many statements made by Mr. Bennett.

"The Town did not wish to litigate this matter through the media. However, seeing as though Mr. Bennett has now involved the Leader, we find it necessary to respond to the accusations being put forth and published by your newspaper. Unfortunately, many of the comments contained in the article are misleading, inflammatory, and/or factually incorrect. As such, the Town would like to provide the following corrections to some of the statements made in the article. The statement in the article is followed by the Town's correction. This list is not exhaustive.

"Dave Bennett, owner of Marshall's Construction and Welding and, coincidentally, mayor of neighbouring Horton Township, has been a tenant in what is now known as the Renfrew Innovation Centre since 2000, but now the town is evicting him from the location without reason.' -- The Town, through its counsel, has provided Mr. Bennett with detailed explanations as to why the commercial lease is being terminated. Mr. Bennett is aware of the reasons.

"The eviction will most likely

bankrupt his company, put at least 20 people out of work and create an interruption in services the company provides to several industries and municipalities in Renfrew County and the Muskoka Region. -- The Town's lease exists with Marshall's, not any of Mr. Bennett's other business ventures. By the Town's best estimate, Marshall's location at Innovation Centre employs 3-5

"Mr. Bennett was first notified in the spring he had until June 30 to vacate the premises, but the eviction order was delayed as his solicitors attempted to negotiate a resolution with the town. Although he has complied with everything the town has asked of him in recent months, the latest eviction notice is for October 31. And it is firm. -- The Town extended the lease termination date on multiple occasions to allow Marshall's sufficient time to wind down its operations and vacate the premises, and to restore the premises. It is in the best interest of the Town that the premises be vacated.

"Mr. Bennett said the industrial commission paid for much of the repairs, but his company also shared in the costs. "I think we have about a \$400,000 investment in the building," he said. -- To our knowledge, any investments that Mr. Bennett or Marshall's made into the building were then credited to its rent amount. Neither Mr. Bennett, nor Marshall's

have made any improvements to the building that were not financially compensated for in the form of a credit towards rental payments.

"With the cash flow interruption during COVID, his company got behind in payments to the town. However, at the time, he and then clerk Kim Bulmer worked out a plan to pay what was owed. "I gave him a timeline and I kept that timeline,' he said. "I gave a timeline of seven months for me to get caught up and *I did that.*" -- Marshall's has been in and out of rent arrears throughout its lease of the premises. Recently, upon being in significant rental arrears, Marshall's entered into an accelerated payment plan to bring the unpaid rent into good standing. After a few months of adhering to the payment plan, the accelerated payments ceased. There were numerous occasions wherein Marshall's was in significant arrears for unpaid rent.

"With the building fully occupied, the ensuing decade was routinely under control. However, there were frequent roof leaks, furnace malfunctions and seasonal maintenance requirements. Marshalls was the go-to company for most of this work. As an example, the security monitoring company had Mr. Bennett as "first to call" when there was any breach. There were many such calls he responded to at all hours of the day and night. Emergencies, even false alarms, were frequent. - The article

omits the fact that Mr. Bennett was that the entire removal is considered compensated for these duties.

"When Mr. Bennett asked town staff what the rationale was for such action, there was (and still is) no answer. He has been instructed not to speak with any member of council or staff member. He was also told the only communication is to be through lawyers. -- There have been many reasons given to Mr. Bennett, including environmental concerns, persistent missed rental payments, delayed adherence to payment plans in order to bring arrears into good standing, amongst others. After being made aware that Mr. Bennett was contacting numerous staff and members of council outside of their works hours, he was asked to communicate any concerns through his counsel.

"Some of the requirements associated with the eviction notice included removal of scrap and debris in the back yard. Another was to have remittances for rent made on the first day of each month. Mr. Bennett has complied with these orders. Rent is paid up to date and numerous large transport loads of scrap have already been removed from the yard. Ironically, Marshalls' portion of the debris is only about one third of the overall mess. -- This is factually incorrect. Much of the debris and wreckage in the yard was caused or created by Marshall's. Other tenants have access to the yard for proper storage.

"The eviction notice also stipulates

Marshalls' problem. Mr. Bennett had a verbal agreement from the town's representative assigned to the building, Dan Laverdure, however, he was recently dismissed from his duties. -- There is no 'verbal agreement'. As with any lease, commercial or residential, tenants are expected to leave the premises in a clean and tidy fashion, free of any of the tenants' chattels. This expectation is no

different for Marshall's.

"There is no indication the town has a new tenant to occupy this space. The eviction of Marshalls will result in the loss of rent revenue to the town, amounting to more than \$130,000 annually. In the past two decades Marshalls has paid approximately \$2.4 million to Renfrew, not always on time, but always eventually. -- At the time that the Notice of Termination was provided to Marshall's, it was paying a fraction of market rent. The Town has a duty to ensure fair market value is being paid for the lease of Town owned property. The Town is also bound by the Municipal Act and is prohibited from assisting commercial enterprise by leasing property of the municipality at below fair market value. It is reviewing all expired and existing leases to make necessary changes.

"We trust that this additional information and clarification will assist your readers. Rob Tremblay, Chief Administrative Officer."



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## The Aganville Leader **SECOND SECTION**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023** 



### Trail Town concept being introduced at cycling conference

By Debbi Christinck

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter Lake Clear - Cycling enthusiasts are hoping to have the Ottawa Valley become a centre of cycling tourism through a program called Trail Town, bringing together businesses, municipalities and various stakeholders to build on and promote the concept.

The focus is on cycle tourism as the next economic boom in the Ottawa Valley and no one is as uniquely qualified as Bob Peltzer to speak passionately about the issue, having travelled around the world in various cycling adventures. He sees the potential of the Ottawa Valley having a network of Trail Towns bringing cycling tourists to stop in the community. With an already-existing trail network, this would capitalize on what the Valley has, he said.

"Cycle tourism occupies a sweet spot for a community with an infrastructure like ours," he noted.

With the typical cycle tourist averaging between 50 and 100 kilometres a day, the communities of the Ottawa Valley, especially those along the Algonquin Trail, are ideally suited as a place to stop, eat, rest, shop and stay, he said.

"When you are driving you can blow right through Renfrew County without having to stop for gas," he said. "You get a lot more out of a lot less distance with cycle tourism."

Having travelled in North America, Europe, Australia and most recently South Korea and Japan as a cycle tourist, he will bring his unique perspective and experience to an initial meeting next Wednesday in Arnprior bringing together various stakeholders to discuss the concept of Trail Towns and cycle tourism. He is hoping municipal leaders, business operators and others will come together to embrace the concept.

The event is being organized by the Ottawa Valley Cycling and Active Transportation Alliance (OV-CATA) and the Mississippi Mills Bicycle Movement (MMBM) and its members see great potential in this for their home communities,

"None of us own businesses or are municipal officers in a community along the trail, but we want to interest the people who will gain in this," Mr. Peltzer explained.

A former long-time municipal councillor and a former tourism operator, he also has experience in those fields. He sees the great potential of cycle tourism and noted it has worked well in other communities.

"I've ridden a lot of rail trails in the U.S., Canada and elsewhere," he said. "If you ride the Allegheny Trail, for instance in Pennsylvania, you see one small town after another that has been rejuvenated by tourist traffic coming off the trail. Restaurants, B&Bs, hotels, bars, galleries, bakeries, groceries, and theatres have all benefitted."

In the Ottawa Valley there are communities which could likewise benefit, he believes.

"We have a great network of trails that interconnect," he said. "People are looking to ride with a degree of safety and have infrastructure to support that. We need to package that and bring it together.

The cycle tourist of 2023 is typically someone who wants to stay in a motel, hotel or B&B and eat most of their meals in a restaurant, he explained. This means they can easily bring in \$600 to \$700 to a community between accommodation, meals and recreation, he said.

The Ottawa Valley has a great resource with the Ottawa Valley Recreation Trail/Algonquin Trail which goes from Smiths Falls to Petawawa, as well as the K&P going from Renfrew to Calabogie. There are also other trails which connect and can bring cyclists in from Kingston and Ottawa, as well as connecting with the trans-Canada

trail into Toronto, Mr. Peltzer said. "There is a circular network and we are connecting three metropolitan areas," he remarked. "It is a network which mostly exists that is

great for human-powered tourism.' On his most recent cycle tourism trip to South Korea and Japan he said the group of 25 cyclists he was with probably brought an infusion

the villages they stopped in along the trail. This is the potential for the towns and communities of the Ottawa Valley as well, he feels.

"We had to have a place to stay, have meals, do some shopping," he said. "This is just one group in a small town.'

Becoming a Trail Town can in-

of between \$5,000 and \$10,000 in clude promotion and small steps like erecting signage making sure there are public washrooms and easy access with parking to begin the trail, he explained.

This concept is already in use in the United States where it started and also in Canada with the Trent-Severn waterway where there is a *Trail Town* program, he said.

"It is showing good economic results there," he said.

Along with Mr. Peltzer, Jeff Mills of MMBM will be speaking about the project. Also an experienced cycle tourist, he said the area is already seeing an increase of cycle tourism.

"This summer, there have been more and more cyclists in the Valley enjoying an ice cream, coffee or sticky bun, gathered to have a bite or snapping photos of our wonderful small towns and villages. Cyclists are having fun — and spending money — in the Ottawa Valley," he said. "Strong, resilient communities are ones where diverse groups come together, then work together for the common good. They approach tasks from an 'abundance' perspective one that assumes we already have what we need if we recognize our existing assets and work together to leverage the gifts of our citizens."

Other presenters at the conference include Louisa Mursell of Ontario by Bike, Jennifer McCourt of Discovery Routes/Voyageur Trail and Brenda Wood for Trent-Severn Trail Towns.

Anyone with an interest in the project is welcome to attend the meeting, which will be held next Wednesday, September 13, at the Nick Smith Centre from 9:30 a.m.to 2 p.m. To register for the event and to pay for a ticket which covers lunch and snacks, go to ticketsplease.ca or call 613 485-6434.



Bob Peltzer is very familiar with cycle tourism. He has traveled around the world and is pictured on a tour he did across Southern Europe. He is one of the speakers at a conference next Wednesday about bringing the Trail Towns concept to the Ottawa Valley.

### MV Wolves set to launch inaugural season in EOSHL

Home games will be played in Barry's Bay

Barry's Bay – Hockey fans in the Madawaska Valley and beyond are urged to mark Saturday, September 30th on their calendars in bright red as that date marks the first game for the new MV Wolves Senior A entry in the Eastern Ontario Super Hockey League (EOSHL).

Killaloe businessman, Michael Summers, owner of the team, was awarded the franchise in the EOSHL earlier this year and with less than a month until the team's home opener, things are starting to shape up.

The Wolves, who will be playing their home games at the Paul J. Yakabuski Community Centre in Barry's Bay, recently made several announcements on Facebook regarding player signings, the team's complete schedule, and sponsorship and ticket pages.

Since the announcement of the new franchise in the Bay, hockey fans have been anxiously awaiting the player announcements, which were released over the weekend along with the leadership group for the 2023-24 season.

Kelly Summers will wear the Captain's "C", while Robbie Lepine, Zack Luckasavitch and Devin Campbell were listed as Assistants. Summers, a Deacon native, is

returning to the Valley after a very productive season in the Elite Ice Hockey League in Europe as a member of the Nottingham *Panthers* last year. His hockey career started in the Eganville Minor Hockey Association and saw him progress to AAA, Jr. A, NCAA, ECHL, and AHL. A 2014 NHL Draft Pick of the Ottawa Senators, Summers brings a wealth of experience and skill in the game to the MV Wolves and should be a steadying presence, both in the locker-room and while patrolling the blue line.

As with any expansion team, it is often the high-end talent that is hardest to come by. Team officials feel with Summers on board, he will provide this top talent that some other more established EOSHL teams have been unable to secure.

"And while no hockey team can rely solely on one player, Summers' signing should go a long way in encouraging other talented players in the area to join as well," a team release noted.

Summer's cousin, Robbie Lepine, is another top-end talent that has been named to the leadership group. Lepine also has extensive experience playing and standing out amongst elite level competition. The Killaloe native has never struggled to put up points at the JR A, CIS, and professional levels. His professional career saw stops in the Southern Professional Hockey League, East Coast League, and culminated with two years in Europe where he was a top-5 point producer on teams in Belgium and Germany. In addition to wearing an "A" this year, Lepine will be a minority owner, helping to fund and raise money for the team, as well as help planning, and player recruitment going forward.

The third member of the leadership group, Zack Luckasavitch has been an active member of the hockey community in his hometown of Barry's Bay since his start in the game. Playing most of his organized hockey with the Valley Storm, Luckasavitch has been very involved with the Kashubian Open Team that competes in the Annual Heritage Cup in more recent years. He is known as hardworking and a good skater whose style of play is expected to translate nicely to the EOSHL. The final member of the Wolves 2023-24 leadership group is defenceman Devin Campbell. Campbell,

ership qualities, Campbell wore an

Rideaus and Tweed Oil Kings.

"It's certainly exciting times for hockey fans in the Upper Ottawa Valley and the team hopes that these initial signings and announcements help build momentum as the season draws near," said GM Liam Murray. "The top-end talent the Wolves have signed to this point will make them a compelling watch as they compete in their inaugural season."

Sept. 16th when they travel to Verona

who is currently living and working in Calabogie, grew up playing with the Eastern Upper Canada Cyclones AAA Association before graduating to the Carleton Place Canadians Jr. A organization. He went from the Canadians to the NCAA level and his play earned him two NCAA DIII Defensive Players of the Year Awards and a contract to the East Coast League's Wichita Thunder.

"Another player with strong lead-"A" with Carleton Place and SUNY-Oswego and the "C" in his senior year in college, the release noted.

The MV Wolves will play a 20game slate for the 2023-24 season with 10 home games in the Bay. The season will not feature any crossdivision play, meaning the Wolves will not play any games against their nearest geographical rival, the Arnprior Rivermen. The Wolves will be competing in the Western division and will instead be playing games against the Centre Hastings Ice *Miners* (another expansion team that will play in Marmora), Deseronto Bulldogs, Frontenac Phantoms, Gananoque Islanders, Smiths Falls

The Wolves first game is Saturday, to battle the Frontenac *Phantoms*. The first home game will be Sat-



By Christine Hudder and Lyle Shulist. A total of 38 teams teed off at

urday, September 30th in Barry's



Winning foursome

The winning team in the annual St. Francis Charity Golf Tournament, with a score of minus 15, was comprised of Tony Shulist, Kenny Yandernoll, Jack Shulist and Lyle Shulist.

#### Another successful tourney for healthcare

Special to the Leader

**Killaloe** – The winning foursome in the 19th annual Friends of St. Francis Charity Golf Tournament last Friday, was Kenny Yandernoll's team with a score of minus 15. Teammates included Tony, Jack

the Homestead at Wolf Ridge Golf Course. Running in conjunction with the tournament was the popular online auction that wrapped up on Friday as well. Volunteers and staff of the St Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation (SFVHF) organized both events and were thrilled with the results.

Erin Gienow, Executive Director of the SFVHF, said proceeds from both events will help support the needs of local healthcare, including the purchase of two digital Workstations, two stretchers, and a telemetry unit/pack for St. Francis Memorial Hospital. Although exact figures would not

be known until later this week, this year's events were very successful. The putting contest was won by Jonathan Davidson, who received a gift certificate from the Ash Grove Inn for a night's stay, dinner and breakfast.

The following contest winners won gift certificates for Metro gift cards donated by the Barry's Bay Metro: Brent Dalgleish and Shirley Radey, Men's and Ladies Closest to the Line, respectively; Mike Murack, Men's Most Accurate; Scott Gougeon, Closest to the Pin on Green; Mike Weatherbed, Men's Most Accurate; Matthew Grys, Longest Putt; Doreen Shulist, Ladies Most Accurate; Linda Kloosterman, Closest to the Pin -Ladies,; Linda Yuke, Ladies Most Accurate, and Allan Mullin, Closest to the Pin on Green - Men's.

Brian Moore won gift cards donated by Golf Town for being Closest to the Target on Hole #5.

During dinner, Chief Operating Officer Greg McLeod thanked everyone who made the day a success, including the 152 golfers, over 125 sponsors (golf and online auction), bidders and many volunteers. He said although it's always nice to gather for a round of golf, the tournament has a greater purpose in that it's raising funds which will eventually help neighbours, friends and loved ones someday.

Those present were also entertained in the afternoon by musical guests, Dr. Jason Malinowski, Amy Easton and Kirk Harber who are members of the Odd Men Out band.

While fun was had by all, Ms. Gienow added, "we hope that everyone who contributed to the tournament and online auction know that they are making a tremendous impact on local healthcare by ensuring that our wonderful staff have the tools they need to care for us all.'



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### Whitewater Jr. B team considering relocating to Eganville

By Debbi Christinck Local Journalism Initiative

Reporter Eganville - The Junior B team from Whitewater is considering relocating to the Eganville Arena, Recreation Manager Kevin McGrath told Bonnechere Valley council in August and as of this week there is still a possibility they may be coming.

"It is still in the works, so anything is possible,"

Tuesday afternoon. "It uled for September16. of council several weeks is out of our hands right now."

While discussions are ongoing for the Whitewater Kings Junior B team to move to Eganville, he has not heard anything one way or another, he explained. "We are trying to be ac-

commodating," he said. Meanwhile, on Tuesday staff were busy putting in the ice at the rink and the

Most users have their ice times slotted in and there has been interest from various groups, he said. "Bookings are good,"

he said. Whether or not a Junior B team will be one of those bookings remains to be seen.

Mr. McGrath initially told council about the interest in relocating to Eganville during the Au-

ago. While there was no firm commitment, Mayor Jennifer Murphy wondered why the team owner or management wasn't coming to council directly about a possible move.

"You use the word relocate," she noted at the time. "When we had the Junior B team coming to Eganville, the owner of that team came, made a presentation, we negotiated, we know the scope

of the team." She said she was curious why this was just a "line item" in his report.

"It is August. It is pretty late in the game," she said. "If they are just looking to rent ice time from us, I have no problem with that but if they are going to be an Eganville Junior B team, I think the owner should be reaching out to council."

Mr. McGrath said the discussion was just transpiring and the commissioner has to look at the issue too. He said there would be more leg work to do on the side of the team before anything can happen.

"Why are they moving out of Whitewater?" the mayor asked.

Mayor Murphy said knowing how it worked with the previous Junior B team, she was surprised at how this was being presented to council.

"The board has to give permission to relocate," Mr. McGrath said.

Councillor John Epps asked if it was appropriate for council to let the hockey convenor know they are in favour of the hockey team relocating to Eganville.

"I would not endorse

without a proper introduction to the owner and their plans for the team," Mayor Murphy said.

"I hate to lose the team to another town," Coun.

Epps said. CAO Annette Gilchrist

said the discussions were

preliminary, including Council has had experithe team seeing if they Eganville.

have the ice available in

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Yes, we have ice available here," she said. Mayor Murphy said this

ence with having a Junior B team in the village she added.

"We lost our Junior B team," she noted.

The team is owned by Alex Armstrong, who also owns the Pembroke Lum-



Highway 17 crash at the Calabogie intersection

Photos: Mike Yeas

#### Another crash on 17

Another serious crash on Highway 17, the third in five days, closed down a section of the highway last Thursday afternoon. No details were released by Renfrew OPP, but the driver of the pickup truck that collided with a larger truck was airlifted to hospital in Ottawa. The crash occurred near the new overpass at Calabogie Road.

Several hours later, at about 2 a.m. Friday, the Upper Ottawa Valley (UOV) Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) was called to a serious single vehicle collision on Highway 17 in Head, Clara and Maria Township. The collision occurred between Mosquito Trail and Sunrich Lane. Highway 17 was closed in both directions between Deep River and Mattawa with detours in place. The driver, who was the lone occupant of the passenger vehicle, was extricated from the vehicle by the Mattawa Fire Department. The driver was transported to hospital by Renfrew County Paramedics with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

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#### **NOTICE** TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of JACOB ROOK also known as JAKOB ROOK, late, of the Township of Whitewater Region, in the County of Renfrew, who died on or about the 23rd day of December, 2022 are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023, after which date the estate will be distributed with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the said Estate Trustee will not be liable to any person of whose claim notice shall not have been received at the time of such distribution.

**DATED** at Pembroke, Ontario, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023.

> **REICHE LAW PROFESSIONAL** CORPORATION 203 Nelson Street Pembroke, Ontario K8A 3N1 SHELDON R. REICHE, Solicitor For the Estate

Lake "The Point? Dore **PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Summer Worship Christmas Service** 

#### Sunday, September 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Minister: Rev. Dave McFarlane Pianist: Drew Vereyken

**Everyone Welcome!** 



### **NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE AND PUBLIC MEETING**

In the matter of Section 34 of the Planning Act, the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards hereby gives NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- i) An open house regarding a new comprehensive Zoning By-law for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards.
- ii) A public meeting regarding a new comprehensive Zoning By-law for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards.

Subject Lands

The geographic Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards. No key map has been provided.

**Open House** 

An open house to inform the public of the proposed comprehensive Zoning By-law will be held on Tuesday, September 26th, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the St. Casimir Parish Hall (basement), 2642 Round Lake Road, Round Lake Centre, ON.

Public Meeting

A public meeting to inform the public of the proposed comprehensive Zoning By-law will be held on Tuesday, October 10th, 2023, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the St. Casimir Parish Hall (basement), 2642 Round Lake Road, Round Lake Centre, ON.

#### **Proposed Comprehensive Zoning By-law**

The purpose and effect of the new comprehensive Zoning By-law is to regulate the use of the land and the erection, location and use of buildings within the municipality. The new comprehensive Zoning By-law consists of text and maps which will implement the County of Renfrew Official Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement.

All of the existing Zoning By-laws in effect for the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards will be repealed and replaced with the provisions of the new Comprehensive Zoning By-law.

Since the proposed Zoning By-law affects lands throughout the entire Township, a key map or a description of the affected lands has not been provided.

Additional information regarding the Zoning By-law is available for inspection at the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards' Municipal Office during regular office hours, or by clicking this link https://renfrew-<u>county.civilspace.io/en/projects/killaloe-hagarty-richard-zoning-by-</u>

law-draft or by scanning the QR code. The proposed zoning mapping can be found on the link above or by

using this direct link https://bit.ly/3OXATw9 and is available for inspection at the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards' Municipal Office during regular office hours.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards on the proposed Zoning By-law, you must make a written request to Tammy Gorgerat, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer, Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards.

If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

NOTE: One of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open, accessible, timely and efficient. Accordingly, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and will be disclosed/made available by the Municipality to such persons as the Municipality sees fit, including anyone requesting such information. Accordingly, in providing such information, you shall be deemed to have consented to its use and disclosure as part of the planning process.

Dated at the Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards this 31 day of August, 2023.

Tammy Gorgerat, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards 1 John Street, PO Box 39

Killaloe, ON K0J2A0

Email: tgorgerat@khrtownship.ca

### **PRH Foundation welcomes** two new board members

Regional Hospital Foundation is welcoming two new members to its board of directors. They are Dr. Fred Matzinger and Andre Mickovitch.

Dr. Matzinger is the Chief of Diagnostic Imaging at the Pembroke Regional Hospital. He was born and raised in the community and received his medical degree from the University of Toronto. He took the Residency Program in Diagnostic Radiology at the Toronto General Hospital and was a Staff Physician at the Ottawa Hospital for 21 years with sub-specialty practice in tho-racic and breast Imaging, a medical educator and an Associate Professor at the University of Ottawa.

Dr. Matzinger has been an active staff member at PRH since 2009.

He believes that community support is vital to the success of the hospital and the strength of its programs. He loves the Ottawa Valley and the Heart of the Valley, Pembroke, for its beauty and the warmth and friendliness of its people. Dr Matzinger will be taking over the Director position from Dr. Sylvie Cantin, and ensures he will do his best in continuing to liaise between

Pembroke -- The Pembroke the Foundation and the physicians at enjoy spending time in the great PRH to help with the success of the Foundation and its mission.

Mr. Mickovitch was born and raised in Ottawa and now lives in the Ottawa Valley. He attended Carleton University where he majored in economics and has over 32 years of experience as a Senior Financial Planner with Assante Wealth Management. He enjoys helping business owners, entrepreneurs and professionals in various capacities including tax, investment, retirement and estate planning.

While living in Ottawa, Mr. Mickovitch volunteered with various healthcare foundations including the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation, The Ottawa Hospital Foundation and the Bruyere Foundation. He and his wife, Lesley are actively involved in many local activities. He is a member of the Eganville Rotary Club and Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce and looks forward to utilizing his talents to assist with the success of the PRH Foundation's mission and to educate donors about the benefits of estate planning and donating to charities!

When he's not at work, the couple

outdoors exploring the Valley. He is an avid fisherman and cyclist.

"We are excited to welcome Fred and Andre to our Board," said Foundation Executive Director Roger Martin. "They bring years of experience in their respective fields, which will enrich and strengthen our team. Having a solid and dedicated Board is important each and every year, as the fundraising world is ever changing. We are so thankful for all of our board members who donate their time and energy to improving health care in our region.'

The Foundation's newest members join an already strong and diverse board, which includes Lisa Edmonds, (chair), Terry Lussier, co-chair, Kim Drake, Treasurer and Sabine Mersmann, Cameron Montgomery, Brandie Burgess, Jenny Hodgson and Marsha Hawthorne, directors.

Mr. Martin expressed his thanks to Dr. Sylvie Cantin and Jake Neville, who have completed their terms with the Foundation.

"We are honoured by these individuals' dedication and passion in ensuring comprehensive health care



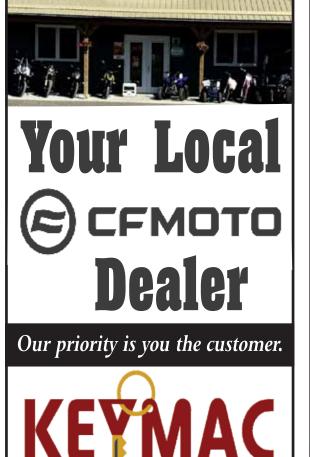
**Student bursary** 

Annabelle Schoenfeldt was presented with a \$500 bursary from the Lake Dore Property Owners' Association (LDPOA) at the group's annual general meeting on August 26. Annabelle is a graduate of Jeanne-Lajoie School in Pembroke and is attending Algonquin College in Pembroke for Early Childhood Education with the dream of becoming a teacher. Making the presentation is Janet Reiche-Schoenfeldt, vice-president of the LDPOA.



**Golfing for healthcare** 

A total of 38 teams enjoyed a beautiful day of golf on Friday, Sept. 1 at the Homestead at Wolf Ridge Golf Course. Pictured here are: Diane Neuman, Pat Pilgrim, Sue Sheridan and Linda Yuke. Pat and Sue are also members of the Friends of St. Francis Charity Golf Tournament organizing committee.



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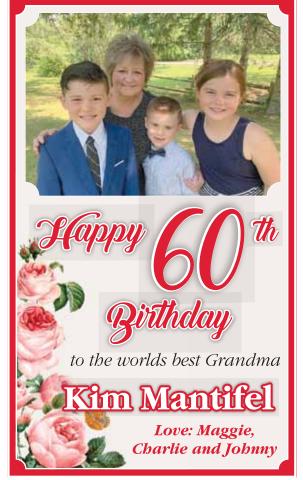
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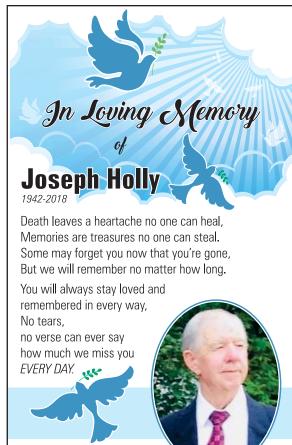
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On Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 - 5:00 pm at the
Makwa Community Centre, Pikwakanagan.





Love Judy and family.



## Grief only exists where love lived first.

Passed away peacefully at Marianhill, on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, in her 86th year.

Diane Beverly Smith (nee Hills) of Pembroke, predeceased by Parker Smith and their two sons, Paul and Michael and grandchildren, James Molson (Sara) and infant, Kaitlyn Molson. Predeceased by her parents, Walter and Fern Hills (nee Stapleton) of Timmins and by brother, Bill (Marie) Hills.

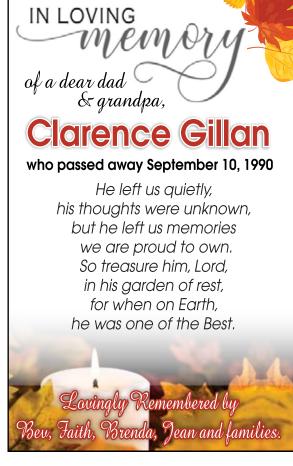
She is survived by her cherished daughter, Julie Molson and her favorite son-in-law, Jeff Molson of Whitby. Very loved daughter-in-laws, Kathy Smith-Kuiack, Gayle Smith. Sister-in-law of Glenda Breen (Mike Johnston) and "adopted" sister Gisele Marion. Proud grandmother of Sarah Smith (Steve Lallier), Tiffany Smith (Joe Lombardii), Matt (Tracy) Molson, Laura Smith, Emily Smith (Nick Rehel), Scott (Tara) Molson, Jordan Smith (Kristen Charles) and Brent (Jessica) Molson. Sadly missed by her treasured great-grandchildren, Brooklynn Mombourquette; Luca and Laia Lombardii; Luke, Mark, John and Mary Molson; Cyrus, Sabrina and Sebastian Molson; Kherington Smith, Ryker and Stoick Rehel and Steven, Bruce, Clara and Esther Molson. Survived by several nieces and nephews.

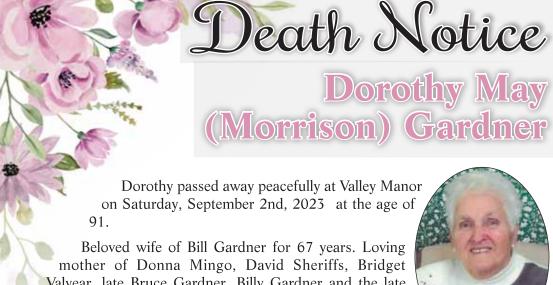
Visitation was held at the Malcolm, Deavitt & Binhammer Funeral Home 141, Renfrew St., Pembroke on Friday, September 1, 2023 from 2-4 and 7-9. Funeral Service was held in the chapel on Saturday at 11 a.m., followed by cremation. Interment of ashes in Cobden Union Cemetery at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Malcolm, Deavitt & Binhammer Funeral Home, Pembroke.

As an expression of sympathy, donations to Alzheimer's or Heart & Stroke are appreciated. Online condolences/donations are available at www.mdbfuneralhome.com









mother of Donna Mingo, David Sheriffs, Bridget
Valyear, late Bruce Gardner, Billy Gardner and the late
Brenda Lee Thompson. She was loved by her many
grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great
grandchildren. She is survived by her brother, Bill Morrison.
Predeceased by her first husband, Don Sheriffs. Dot will be dearly
missed by all of her loving family including her nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Dorothy was an avid seamstress and craft master. She leaves behind a large collection of porcelain dolls and oil paintings and so on.

Visitation was held at Zohr Family Funeral Home, Killaloe on Tuesday, September 5th, 2023. Funeral service will take place at St. Casimir's Catholic Church, Round Lake Centre, on Wednesday, September 6th, 2023 at 11 am followed by interment in the parish cemetery.

Those desiring may make donations to the Dementia Society of Ottawa and Renfrew County in memory of Dorothy on-line at www.zohrfuneralhome.com.



Renfrew Victoria Hospital at the age of 45 years, with her parents by her side.

Jenn has now entered a "new life", free of pain and suffering.

Much loved daughter of Linda (Kedrosky) and Peter Shaw.

Predeceased by her grandparents, Hedy and Ray Kedrosky and Agnes and Evans Shaw. Left to mourn is her special friend Shane

Mathieu and her furry friends *Roxy* and *Bailey*. Jenn always had a

love for creatures both large and small.

Jenn was "special niece" to Kevin Kedrosky. She was "little sister " to Colleen James and Marilyn Campbell and 3rd daughter to her childhood Nanny, Lola Mulvihill (2015). Also left to mourn are her many friends, cousins, aunts, and uncles.

Following Jenn's wishes, cremation has taken place. A Graveside Service will take place on Saturday, September 9, 2023, at 11 a.m. at Castleford Cemetery, 3438 River Road, Renfrew. Donations to Valley Animal Rescue or Renfrew Food Bank would be gratefully acknowledged by the family.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Pinnacle Cremation Services, 32 Prince Avenue E., Renfrew.

She tells us we musn't be sad
Because finally she's free.
She has found her place in Heaven
Under a blossom tree.
God has you in his care
We hold you in our hearts
We Miss You Jenn,

Love Mom & Dad





#### **RBC** Donates \$10,000 to Cancer Care Campaign!

The Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) has donated \$10,000 to the Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation's Cancer Care Campaign which was launched in January of 2021, and will support the expansion and upgrade of the hospital's Chemotherapy and Medical Daycare units, while also funding necessary renovations in the inpatient pharmacy. From left to right are Matthew Norton, Renee Clarke and Katherine Luckette, representing RBC, and Roger Martin, Executive Director of the Pembroke Regional Hospital Foundation. The campaign also supports the purchase of equipment such as treatment chairs, warming blankets, pharmaceutical refrigerators, biosafety cabinets and scrub sinks.



#### SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF GREATER MADAWASKA

Take Notice that tender are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on October 5, 2023, at the Greater Madawaska Municipal Office, 19 Parnell St. Calabogie Ontario. **Description of Lands:** 

- 1. Roll No. 47 06 012 045 009916 0000; 35 ST. JOSEPH BLVD., GRIFFITH; PIN 57492-0084 (LT); File No. 22-01; Minimum Tender Amount: \$9,875.65
- Roll No. 47 06 006 010 63579 0000; ELM RD.; PIN 57359-0231 (LT); File No. 22-02; Minimum Tender Amount: \$9,218.08
- Roll No. 47 06 012 050 10650 0000; GRIFFITH, ON; PIN 57487-0148 (LT); File No. 22-03; Minimum Tender Amount: \$15,833.22
- 4. Roll No. 47 06 006 010 62903 000; CALABOGIE, ON; PIN 57359-0198 (LT);
- File No. 22-04; Minimum Tender Amount: \$9,408.51
- 5. Roll No. 47 06 009 035 07600 0000; 6062 HIGHWAY 132, DACRE; PIN 57384-0031 (LT); File No. 22-05; Minimum Tender Amount: \$31,653.40, Subject to Crown Leins
- Roll No. 47 06 006 010 40700 0000; 12783 LANARK RD., CALABOGIE; Pin 57351-0225 (LT); File No. 22-07; Minimum Tender Amount: \$54,465.69, Subject to Crown Liens and Potential **Brownfield Property**
- 7. Roll No. 47 06 012 050 27517 0000; 6117B CENTENNIAL DR., GRIFFITH; PIN 57488-0146 (LT); File No. 22-08; Minimum Tender Amount: \$36,806.32
- Roll No. 47 06 006 025 03000 0000; GRANT RD.; PIN 57356-0081 (LT); File No. 22-09; Minimum Tender Amount: \$18,804.57
- Roll No. 47 06 012 050 27200 0000; 243 SWEETS LANE, GRIFFITH; PIN 57488-0075 (LT); File No. 23.02; Minimum Tender Amount: \$19,964.23

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to, crown interests, availability of road access or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. Any interests of the Federal or Provincial Crown encumbering the land at the time of the tax sale will continue to encumber the land after the registration of the tax deed. This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under the Act. A full copy of the tax sale advertisement and furthur information about this matter is available on line at www.OntarioTaxSales.ca or www.greatermadawaska.com or you may contact Jessica Schroeder, Finance Dept, The Corporation of the Township of Greater Madawaska, 19 Parnell St., PO Box 180, Calabogie, ON K0J 1H0, Phone:613-752-2274, Email: finance@greatermadawaska.com



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- Desire to serve to community

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Application forms are available at the office and are downloadable from our website: www.bbahs.org

We thank you for your interest, but only candidates chosen for an interview will be contacted. All successful candidates will be required to provide a clear criminal record report and to have an annual flu shot. The ability to speak another language is an asset.



2253 JOHNSTON ROAD, RENFREW ON, K7V 3Z8, 613-432-6271

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Lowest or any submission not necessarily accepted. The Township reserves the right to award any portion of this submission at the Township of Horton's sole discretion



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fill a Finance leave, as well as provide team support for our Meals on wheels (MOW) and Transportation (TR) program.

This will be a 6 month, full-time contract position. It is expected that there will be the option of part-time hours after the contract period.

As a member of the Administrative Team, you will work to support the delivery of personcentered services. Your focus will be to fulfill all bookkeeping duties, assist with financial reporting requirements, and support the MOW and TR program.

Minimum requirements:

- Successful completion of Grade 12 or equivalent
- Knowledge and experience with computer-based accounting
- Experience with all aspects of Bookkeeping
- Ability to use Excel and Microsoft Word
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and as part of a team

Preference will be given if you have experience with:

- Sage Accounting
- Direct Deposit Payroll System (Pay works)
- Non-profit, Charitable Sector
- Ministry of Health and Long Term Care Reporting Systems - 2 or more years of experience in Payroll, Accounting and Clerical
- CIMS-client information management system

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### Fall plant sale and harvest auction

 $oldsymbol{I}$  he Eganville and Area Horticultural Society (EAHS) members have been busy this past spring and summer. The planters were installed beautifully in June and still look great thanks to the collaboration of our society Planting Committee, Temperate Gardens, the Township of Bonnechere Valley, and our summer student, Layne Jessup, who did an excellent job.

In April, May and June of this year, several of our members, led by Frances O'Malley, volunteered during three morning sessions at the Echo Center, helping seniors build container gardens. A special thank you to Echo Centre staff who arranged a donation of a large box of flower and vegetable seeds to begin the process, and a donation of the various sizes of pots and the soil from Home Depot. Participants enjoyed it thoroughly, and went home happy with new knowledge, container gardens, friendships and gardening spirit. This was the second year of our partnership with the Echo Centre and we are hoping this will become an annual tradition.

This summer, Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA) members converged at the Brookstreet Hotel for the OHA Convention which was hosted by our District. This District includes the Upper Ottawa River

Eganville & Area Horticultural Society



Connie Matthews-Cull

Valley Basin horticultural societies It is one of 19 districts in Ontario. Some of our members were volunteers who helped ensure the convention ran smoothly. Other Horticultural Society members came from across Ontario to learn and to meet others with identical interests, and attended the OHA Annual General Meeting. It is a point of pride that Judy and Steven Grasmuck of the EAHS both won and placed in several of the photography categories. A warm congratulations to them.

Our Annual Book Sale took place

at the end of June with recordsetting success. We thank all who generously contributed with book donations and purchases, BV Township which once again allowed use of the old fire hall.

Our highly anticipated annual Fall Plant Sale and Harvest Auction, open to everyone free of charge, will take place on Saturday, September 16th at Legion Field. Healthy perennials will be for sale starting at 9 a.m. and volunteers will be on site between 8 and 9 a.m. to accept donations of indoor and outdoor plants as well as items for the auction. There will be freshly harvested fruits and vegetables, jams, pickles, preserves and chutneys, as well as baking and garden-themed arts and crafts to auction off starting at 10:30. Best of all, we are grateful to welcome Terry Hoelke back yet again for a fun time as our auctioneer. Please bring a lawn chair for the auction. Rain date is Sunday, September 17th.

Our October 16th speakers are Gregg and Michele Parsons, who own Firefly Meadows Farm. We welcome you to come and join us for this interesting presentation, tea, coffee and cookies, and maybe a chat. They will share the journey that a tomato travels from seed to our table with their experience and beautiful photos. Save the date and we look forward to seeing you.





#### **HELP WANTED Licensed Mechanic** or 5th Year Apprentice **Apply to** SCHUTT'S GARAGE 1410 Pembroke St W, Pembroke, email bschuttmotors@gmail.com or phone 613-732-7373



Saturday, September 9th, 2023 10:00 AM sharp

INVENTORY REDUCTION SALE

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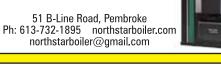
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 Bingo

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Meat Loaf Dinner with Mashed Potatoes and Vegetables served with salad, dessert, coffee/tea Cost \$17 tax included

Reservations no later than Tuesday, September 12 by calling the Legion at 613-628-2802 and leave a message.

If no answer call Donna at 613-559-0649 or Dan Haddad at 1-416-457-3405.

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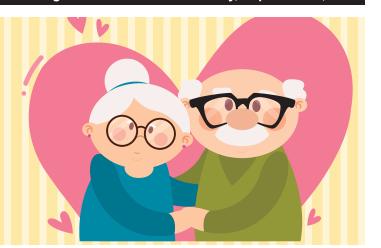
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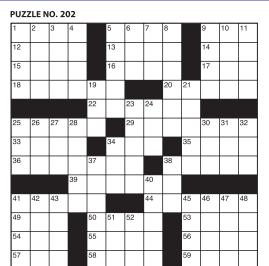
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5. Sleep noise

8. Rubber ring

9. Pinkish red

10. Hunch

19. Female

23. Wring

27. Permit

28.Trap

11. Bird's bill

bleater

building

24. Hit lightly

25. Supporting

26. Big monkey

30. Sunbeam

31. Abel's mother

Short sleep

Social insect

**ACROSS** 38. Person receiving 1. Method money of self-defense 39. Roof timber 5. Difficulty 41. Ladies 9. Josh 44. Procedure 12. It's on the agenda

13. Granny Sixpence" 50. Periods of light 14. Poet's output 15. High wind 53. In person 54. Farm enclosure 21. Sports 16. Picks 17. Ocean 55. Neighborhood 18. Black eye 56. Opera feature 57. Football position

20. Canoe's kin 22. More soaked 25. Incorrect 58. Stick around 59. Hide 29. Fed moisture to 33. Diner sign **DOWN** 1. Lively dances

34. Slit 35. Shade of blue 2. Mormon's state 32. Coloring 36. Records again 3. Lunchtime stop

34. Game official, shortly

37. Zoo attractions 38. Be nosy 40. Short paper 41. Dry with a 42. Baking appliance

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Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: you must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column or 3x3 box.

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1. Make a traditional dish. Dig up an old family recipe and teach your grandchildren how

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on September 10, why not create fun and unforgettable moments with the following?

2. Read a story. Check out a good book and discover fascinating stories together.

3. Do a craft. Try your hand at crochet, pottery, a collage or ceramic painting.

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#### Crispy Fudge

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 50 ml butter or margarine
- 50 ml corn syrup
- 250 ml semi-sweet chocolate chips • 5 ml vanilla extract
- 125 ml icing sugar sifted
- 500 ml Rice Krispies cereal

#### **DIRECTIONS**

#### Regular Method:

- In saucepan, combine butter, corn syrup and chocolate chips. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until smooth. Remove from heat.
- Stir in vanilla and icing sugar, mixing until smooth. Add cereal, mixing well.
- Spread in lightly-buttered 2 L (8") square pan. Chill until set, about 30 minutes. Cut into bars. Store in refrigerator.

#### Microwave Method:

- Microwave butter and syrup at HIGH 1 1 1/2 minutes or until melted and starting to bubble, stirring after 45 seconds. Stir in chocolate until mixture
- Stir in vanilla and icing sugar, mixing until smooth. Add cereal, mixing
- Spread in lightly-buttered 2 L (8") square pan. Chill until set, about 30 minutes. Cut into bars. Store in refrigerator.



### **HOROSCOPE**

#### **WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3 TO 9, 2023**

THE LUCKIEST SIGNS THIS WEEK: GEMINI, CANCER AND LEO



#### ARIES

A few unexpected expenses will pop up this week. Fortunately, you'll be able to negotiate the terms of a loan with your bank to avoid pinching pennies. To get what you want, you may need to "hog the blanket" in some situations.



#### **TAURUS**

Things are happening this week! You'll accomplish an incredible feat. A pay raise awaits you after you demonstrate great efficiency. Impulsiveness and impatience have no place in a relationship built on mutual respect.



#### GEMINI

You must carefully think things through before investing in a project. You may not always consult with others, even if your decision involves them. Teamwork is important, even within your relation-



#### tions and stress. You must take time to

CANCER

rest; otherwise, your body will force you to slow down. Groundedness and meditation could do you a world of good. **LEO** You have a lot of work and family re-

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#### loved ones you've been neglecting. You'll enjoy spending lunch hours with

your colleagues. If you've been neglecting your relationship due to work, you may take a romantic weekend getaway to recon-



#### nect with your partner. You'll resolve a family dispute that's been hurting

many people. Emotions are running high this week. You'll be moved by a special event, especially the accomplishment of one of your children, such as taking their



#### first job.

**SCORPIO** Take the time to weigh the pros and cons before making a decision. Even if you think you have all the informa-

first steps, graduating or getting their



tion you need, your instincts are always right. If you're single, you may be surprised to receive a marriage proposal.



#### **SAGITTARIUS**

You have a lot of work ahead of you and various details to work out. You'll reach an agreement or settle a dispute that requires organization. This is a most profitable feat that will make you proud over time.



#### **CAPRICORN**

You'll show off in some way. Your charisma will draw the attention of others. Take the time to spoil yourself, revamp vour wardrobe or change your image following a promotion, or do it simply to please yourself.



#### **AQUARIUS** You'll spend time with family or at

home. You could also engage in enjoyable activities with your loved ones to experience a form of letting go. You may have to negotiate for a long time with some people.



#### **PISCES**

You'll have a lot to say this week. However, your words could be misunderstood. You must lead by example to be understood or taken seriously. Affection is an important aspect of a happy relationship.



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