

# The Ripple

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## Maple syrup and so much more at Maplefest

by Maureen Wideman

The rain stayed away and the people didn't—a perfect combination to ensure the success of Maplefest—a local festival to celebrate the arrival of spring and the maple syrup harvest. Hundreds of people took advantage of the fun and opportunities during the two days of Maplefest, held this past weekend, April 22 and 23.

It was standing room only for much of the time at the Millbrook Legion where a tasty pancake and sausage breakfast featuring real maple syrup was served up. A bus was waiting outside the Legion doors to whisk people away on a tour through historic Millbrook and on to other points of interest including the flea market, the Old School, and the Kennedy Maple Bush.

The flea market, crowded with vendors, gave people the opportunity to purchase crafts, new and used clothing, antiques, baked goods and other bric-a-brac. You could also meet Mary Stewart, wife of the provincial conservative candidate, Gary Stewart.

At the Old School, the museum was open with displays, photos, and artifacts of local historical interest. Across the hall, bodies were flying as black belts Jim Martin and Jim Rowland, along with their students, put on a judo demonstration.

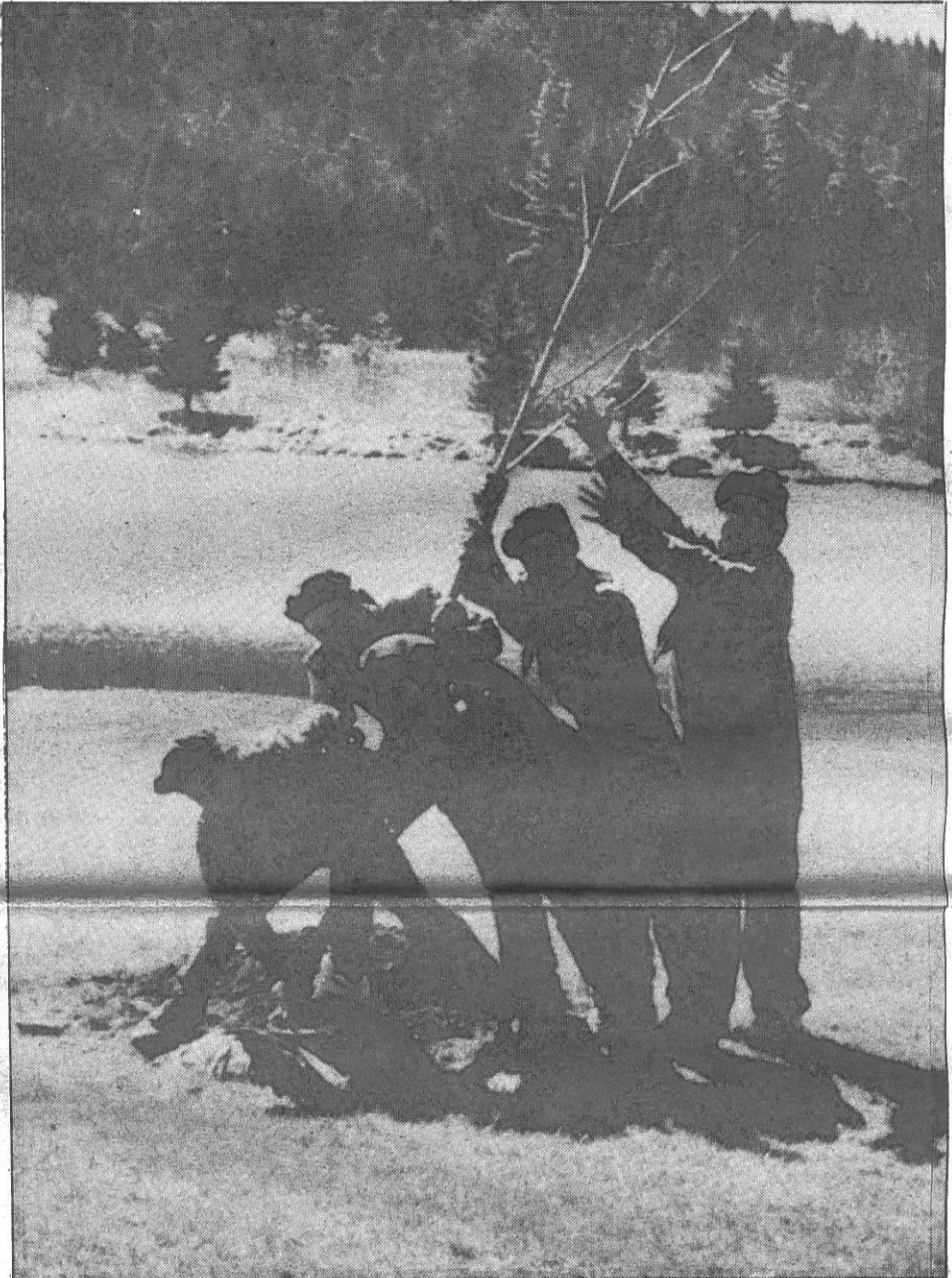
For a mere \$2, patrons were treated to a relaxing and informative visit at the Kennedy's Sugar Bush outside the village of Millbrook. Sap was boiled down to make taffy for all to taste. Syrup was being made in the cabin, which is nestled between 1,000 maple trees. Wagon rides were available or you could walk the winding trails with the traditional music of The Messy Fergusons playing in the background. The Bethany Outdoor Theatre was on hand (no pun intended) with a puppet show. Those who wanted the birds-eye view could take a ride in the helicopter.

Back in the village, Linda Zakarow of the Millbrook Deli, generously donated the pancakes and syrup for the pancake race and the pancake eating contest. Stuffing their faces to victory were Eric Stevens, Hannah Zakarow and Ross Ricupero in the 10 and under category. Michael Stevens, Chris Becker and Wes Denley were the winners in the 11 and over group.

Some merchants had tables set up on the sidewalk and there were many bargains to be had. The First Millbrook Scouts were selling baked goods and gathering sponsors for a tree planting day in May. Belcrest Farms also had a table featuring maple syrup and produce from their farm. An art show featuring local artists was held in the former bakery and received rave reviews from visitors.

The Firefighting Museum was on public view where people could see the increasing inventory of firefighting equipment, uniforms and posters. Two old cars were made available for the firefighters who demonstrated in front of a large crowd how a rescue would be performed using a variety of equipment including the jaws of life.

Maplefest was bigger and better this year thanks to the many community groups, individuals and the Millbrook B.I.A.



In the spirit of Iwo Jima, The First Millbrook Scouts plant two Norway Maple trees at the pond in celebration of Earth Day. Years ago our young people fought to protect our country; now patrol boats are used, not to keep away invading armies, but to protect fish stocks. Young and old alike are working to save our planet, to protect our environment. This year, Scouts Canada will be planting their 50 millionth tree. Pictured above are Matt Reddy, II, Philip Unger, 12, Kyle Thertell, 13, Ryan Gregory, 14, and Bryan Reddy, 13. The maples were generously donated by Central Ontario Electric in Bowmanville.

Photo by Maureen Wideman

## Ripple team to produce Millbrook Fair paper

by Celia Hunter

The Ripple's parent company, Baxter Creek Enterprises, is celebrating its first six months in operation with two publications in May; the official Millbrook Fair publication, as well as the regular May issue of The Ripple.

The Millbrook Agricultural Society and the staff of Baxter Creek Enterprises have been working together over the past several months to produce this year's Millbrook Fair paper. The Fair, running this year from June 9 to 11, is a highlight in the rural calendar. The Fair offers an opportunity to farmers to compete and show livestock, exchange ideas, and visit with neighbours near and far. For horse-lovers, there are events ranging from Working Hunter through Western barrels and pole bending, to harness classes.

The Millbrook Fair also offers non-farmers, both rural and urban, a chance to ask questions, learn more about livestock, and watch events and competitions in a friendly, informal atmosphere. Representatives from organizations such as The Cattlemen's Association will be on hand to answer questions.

Arts, crafts and baking skills are judged and on display. Truck and tractor pulls along with the always popular Midway provide entertainment through the evening. Watch for the full program in our special Millbrook Fair publication, and 'come join us at the Fair.



Musicians Ken Brown on fiddle and Curtis Driedger on guitar, a.k.a. the Messy Fergusons, entertain visitors at Kennedy's Sugar Bush during Maplefest.  
Photo by Maureen Wideman

## Parents to have a say in schools

School councils, which will advise principals and sometimes school boards on school related matters, must be in place in every Ontario school by the end of the next school year.

This directive from the Ministry of Education and Training is part of the reform of the school system which follows the report from the Royal Commission on Learning. The Royal Commission and the Ontario Parent Council recommended that school-community councils be mandatory to give parents a greater say in how our schools are run, and to strengthen partnerships with the community.

The majority of members of each school council will be made up of parents who must be elected by parents whose children attend the school. One parent must be elected by the council to act as chair. Community representatives, the school principal, a teacher and a non-teaching staff member will also sit on the school council. At the high school level, a student from the school will represent the student body on the council; at the elementary level, involvement of a student will be at the discretion of the school principal.

School councils will provide advice on matters such as curriculum and school-related programs, school budget priorities, the school year calendar and community use of school facilities. They will also have a say in assessment and accountability, selection of principals, involvement of community support agencies in schools and the school code of behaviour.

A parent information evening on provincial education reforms is being held on Wednesday, April 26, beginning at 7:30, in the Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School auditorium. Guest speaker for the evening will be Mr. Len Budden, Director of Education for the Peterborough County Board of Education. The evening is hosted jointly by the Community School Association for TASSS and the County Community School Association Council.

### Teen dance planned

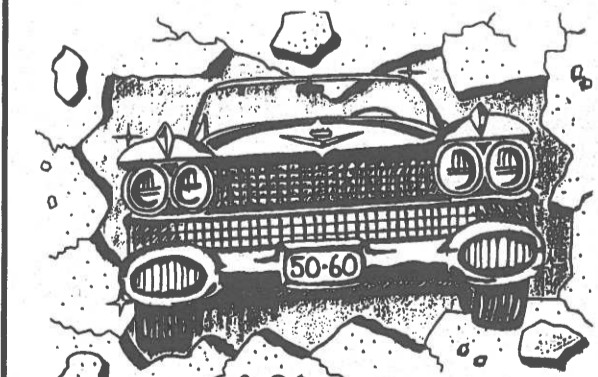
A Teen Dance for ages 13 and up is being planned for Friday, May 12, upstairs at the Arena, organized by the ad hoc group responsible for the success of the Teen Nights at the Millbrook School gym.

The dance will run 7:30 to 10:30, with music supplied by a local DJ. The Arena will open the food concession on the main floor for drinks and snacks.

There will be no program at the school gym that night.

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Pink Cadillac's Greg Brown on keyboard

## Dance for a Lift

On Friday, May 5, the Millbrook Medical Centre Lift Campaign will get another big boost when the 50's and 60's rock 'n' roll group Pink Cadillac set up at the Millbrook Legion Hall for a special dance to raise funds for the project.

Pink Cadillac is an Oshawa based group of six that includes Greg Brown of Millbrook on keyboards, along with Brian "Charlie" McCarthy on guitar, Orrin "The Horn" Baird on sax, Cam "the King" Kingelin on drums, Brian "Twaiter" Twaites on bass and Greg Stokman on drums. Every member of the band pitches in with vocals to create the harmonies and solid dance rhythms that go with the great "oldies" tunes.

According to Brown, "we play the music that most of us were weaned on as young musicians. We have a lot of fun, and that translates into a lot of fun for our audiences."

Brown himself spent his earlier years with the recording group Ocean which in 1971 was catapulted to fame with their hit "Put Your Hand In The Hand". The group toured throughout Europe and the Far East before breaking up. Brown then put in another year as a member of The Hawks, backing up Rompin' Ronnie Hawkins.

Tickets for the May 5 dance are \$6.50 in advance and are on sale at the Millbrook Deli, the Millbrook Times office, the Millbrook Legion, or by calling Greg Brown, 932-2224. Tickets at \$7.50 will also be available at the door. There will be lots of door prizes, and a light lunch provided by the Ladies Auxiliary is included in the ticket price. Doors open at 8:30 p.m.

## School celebrates peace

Both staff and students at North Cavan School are planning for Peace Day on May 11, when the school will celebrate peace in relation to caring about others, caring about ourselves, and caring for the environment.

Students will participate in workshops that will look at developing strate-

gies to resolve conflict, anger management, respect for differences and the concept of power. Opening and closing ceremonies will give the students a chance to focus on the various elements involved in the project, and draw conclusions from the workshop experiences.

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## Schools planning special events for Education Week

by Celia Hunter

Area schools are looking forward to welcoming parents, families and friends to special events planned in honour of Education Week, May 1 to 6. The theme for the week is "We Are The Future".

Grandview School in Bethany has a full slate of activities planned. On Monday, May 1, the Grandview Canada Chorus and the Gymnaestrada team will be performing at the Lindsay Square Mall, 1 - 2 p.m., as part of a special program "Celebrating the Arts". On Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., the Intermediate Drama presentation "The Miracle Worker" will take place in the Main Gym as part of Parents' Night. Science Fair projects and special displays will also be featured. Wednesday is Open House and Arts Celebration Day, with parents invited to visit their child's classroom, and special demonstrations, displays and arts assemblies scheduled. Finally, on Friday morning, students will demonstrate inventions along with engineers teaching the program World In Motion Science Inventions.

At South Monaghan School in Bailieboro on Tuesday, May 2, the Grades 4 to 8 students will present a Variety Night. The Community School Association will be organizing a Book Sale and Bake Sale to raise funds for school-related projects. On Thursday, the kindergarten classes of 1995-96 will come to visit and get acquainted with their school.

On Tuesday, May 2, Grades K - 3 at Millbrook/South Cavan School will welcome grandparents and community seniors to their classrooms and an assembly that will include folk-dancing, a gymnastics demonstration and singing from the choirs.

Millbrook/South Cavan students, Grades 4 to 8, are looking forward to presenting their musical "The Castaways" on Wednesday, May 3 in the school gym at 7 p.m.

North Cavan School is holding a Math Fair, both in school hours, 2:10 - 3 p.m., on Thursday, May 4, and as part of that evening's Open House.

## Students to do odd jobs for seniors

Local seniors can now get a little extra help with their spring cleaning.

Under the Students Supporting Seniors' program, Peterborough County Board of Education secondary students will be helping seniors and disabled members of the community with odd jobs or cleaning projects on Wednesday, May 3.

Once again, students from all PCBE secondary schools have volunteered to spend that morning doing odd jobs such as window cleaning, yard work, raking, car washing or house cleaning. The students do the work free of

charge. For their own safety, the students are not permitted to do work requiring heavy lifting, the use of a ladder, axe, chainsaw or electric clippers.

Anyone interested in having a student come to their home is asked to call the school closest to their home between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 26. In the case of most residents who receive The Ripple, the school to call is Crestwood Secondary School, 742-9221. Students and teachers will be available at that time to take telephone requests for assistance.

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# Marylou's restaurant to open in Millbrook

by Celia Hunter

Erik MacDougall came looking for a bass boat. Instead, he found Marylou's. The grand opening of Millbrook's newest restaurant, Marylou's, is set for June 3, with Robert Atyeo booked as the first featured Saturday night guest artist. Owners Marylou and Erik MacDougall have been working day and night to renovate the premises where formerly Frankie's and then The Wives of Henry operated. Marylou's, says Erik, will be a family-oriented restaurant, with a Sunday Night Prime Rib dinner as one of the many attractions. Daily menus will include daily and chef specials for lunch and dinner, along with what Erik terms 'finger foods' - hamburgers and cheeseburgers, chicken fingers and wings, french fries and onion rings. Food will be served right through from opening to closing time.

"We've got a wonderful cook lined up," says Erik, and indeed, he and his wife Marylou, currently living in Havelock, have covered all the angles.

Renovations have included installation of a dance floor/stage, a newly designed kitchen and new washrooms. Walls have been moved to make more space available while keeping the seating capacity at 45.

Saturday nights will feature one or two artists on stage. "We are looking at entertainment with the likes of Willie P. Bennett, Catfish Willie, and Reverend Ken," says Erik, who has worked in the bar and restaurant business for, it seems, much of his life. From his parents' pizza restaurant in Lindsay to Marylou's current employment at The Rockhaven in Peterborough, this couple brings experience along with a giant helping of energy and enthusiasm.

Erik is happy and smiling as he dodges past table saws and sink units to point out the next stages in the renovation plan. "Some people have told me this is a bad time to open a new restaurant. Wrong!" he states firmly with a grin, "We've been able to pick up equipment from auctions at far-below-market prices, and Frankie and Mike McLaughlin have been a great help with advice and leads."

Erik's first glimpse of Millbrook was just last August when he came to check out an ad for a bass boat for sale. "I did buy a boat, so I plan to be out fishing a lot," he says with a twinkle in his eye. Bets are that you'll be far more likely to find him down at Marylou's.



Belgium draft horses Pete and Kaja pull visitors at Kennedy's Sugar Bush along the winding trails during Maplefest Celebrations last weekend.

Photo by Maureen Wideman

## Building partnerships

The Victoria County Board of Education invites parents to a spring conference on Saturday, April 29 in Lindsay, to learn more about the partnerships between schools and parents.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Avis Glaze, a long-time advocate of parent involvement in schools and a member of the Royal Commission on Learning.

Dr. Glaze will speak on

## Lepper is champ

Bruce Lepper of Millbrook continues to prove his excellence as a woodcarver with yet another sweep of the medals, with a Best-of-Show award in the songbird category at the Central Ontario Wildfowl Woodcarving Championship in Kitchener in mid-April.

The red-breasted grosbeak once again won top honours, placing first. Bruce also won a second place ribbon with another entry.

Parents and Schools be workshop sessions and Working Together, and on discussion groups. the findings of the Royal Commission regarding The conference will be held at I.E. Weldon Secondary School from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. There will also

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## Everyone wins at local Teen Night

Officers from the local OPP Detachment traded in their polished boots for sneakers and challenged teens to a game of volleyball at the Millbrook School gym on Friday, April 21. Sergeant Dave Osborne claimed at the end of a full hour of play that he'd played on the winning team all night. It

was a mark of the spirit of the game that he'd played on both sides of the net in the course of the evening.

Over 50 teens and a smattering of family members from the OPP side cheered and dodged the wayward ball as the officers tried to match the much more practiced skills of their younger op-

ponents. There was energy left to spare at the end of it all though; as the teens launched into their own pick-up games of basketball, a foursome of officers were spotted sprinting down the hall to the ping-pong table.

Teen Night, for ages 13 and up, is held every Friday, 7:30 to 10:30.

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## School councils give parents a say in kids education

Schools and education are much in the news these days. It's budget time, and once again there is an increase. On top of that, locally, taxpayers are being introduced to the concept of equalized assessment which in many rural municipalities means a substantial tax hike. There can be little doubt that the subject of education is up near the top of the list of contentious issues these days.

On a happier note, many schools are preparing to invite family and friends to come and enjoy plays, concerts and displays featuring the talents and skills of students for whom these budgets are developed. Education Week, May 1 - 5, gives the community a chance to take a look at some of the challenges and achievements involved in education at the local level today. This is a chance to see "your dollar at work".

But just seeing some of the positive results growing out of those many dollars is not enough. As taxpayers and concerned parents, we have been asking for more say. We have been demanding accountability. We have said we want to have more input into how things are run. We have been heard.

The provincial government is reforming the school system, and has begun implementing some of the changes. One of the first recommendations being acted upon deals with community and parental involvement. School councils are to be established for every school in the province; public, separate and independent, elementary and secondary, in order to give community members and parents the chance they've been asking for to have more say in how things are run. All parties at Queen's Park endorsed this move: it's a go, regardless of the outcome of the provincial election.

There can be no more heckling from the sidelines. We have been taken on as players. We have been invited to take our places on the field and play position to help our team win. Yes, we're on the team now, and it's teamwork that will make it a winner.

Every school will have to have a school council up and running by the end of the next school year. As the spotlight turns on your community's school during Education Week, give some thought to your potential role in the running of that school. We asked to have a greater say; now we have to show we meant it.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Speaking out

I commend all those federal MPs that stood up in the House of Commons and voted against their party on the issue of gun control. Although I disagree with the new legislation, I am applauding their actions because they had the convictions to stand up in the House to vote on behalf of their constituents, contrary to the party line.

Far too often, when these contentious issues come up for a vote, the elected official does one of three things: they either vote according to the party line, they vote ac-

ording to their constituents which may or may not conflict with the party or they simply abstain from the vote. I have a serious problem with the third approach. I strongly believe that any elected official absent from a pivotal vote in the legislature should be reprimanded by their constituents for failing to take a stand. Whether you vote for or against a piece of legislation is not the point. The point is, that politicians should take a stand for or against an issue and not sit on the fence.

As a candidate in the up-

coming provincial election, people are asking me if I am prepared to represent the people of Peterborough riding or the party? I strongly believe that the Common Sense Revolution represents the business plan required to put Ontario back on the forefront of economic prosperity. I am not prepared to deviate from this basic plan. However, when it comes to issues outside of the Common Sense Revolution business plan, I am prepared to support the wishes of the constituents. For too long, politicians fail to listen to the people after being elected. If I am privileged enough to serve the people of this riding, I am promising to create a number of focus groups and hold public forums on many issues concerning our community. This will provide an opportunity for people to voice their opinions and concerns.

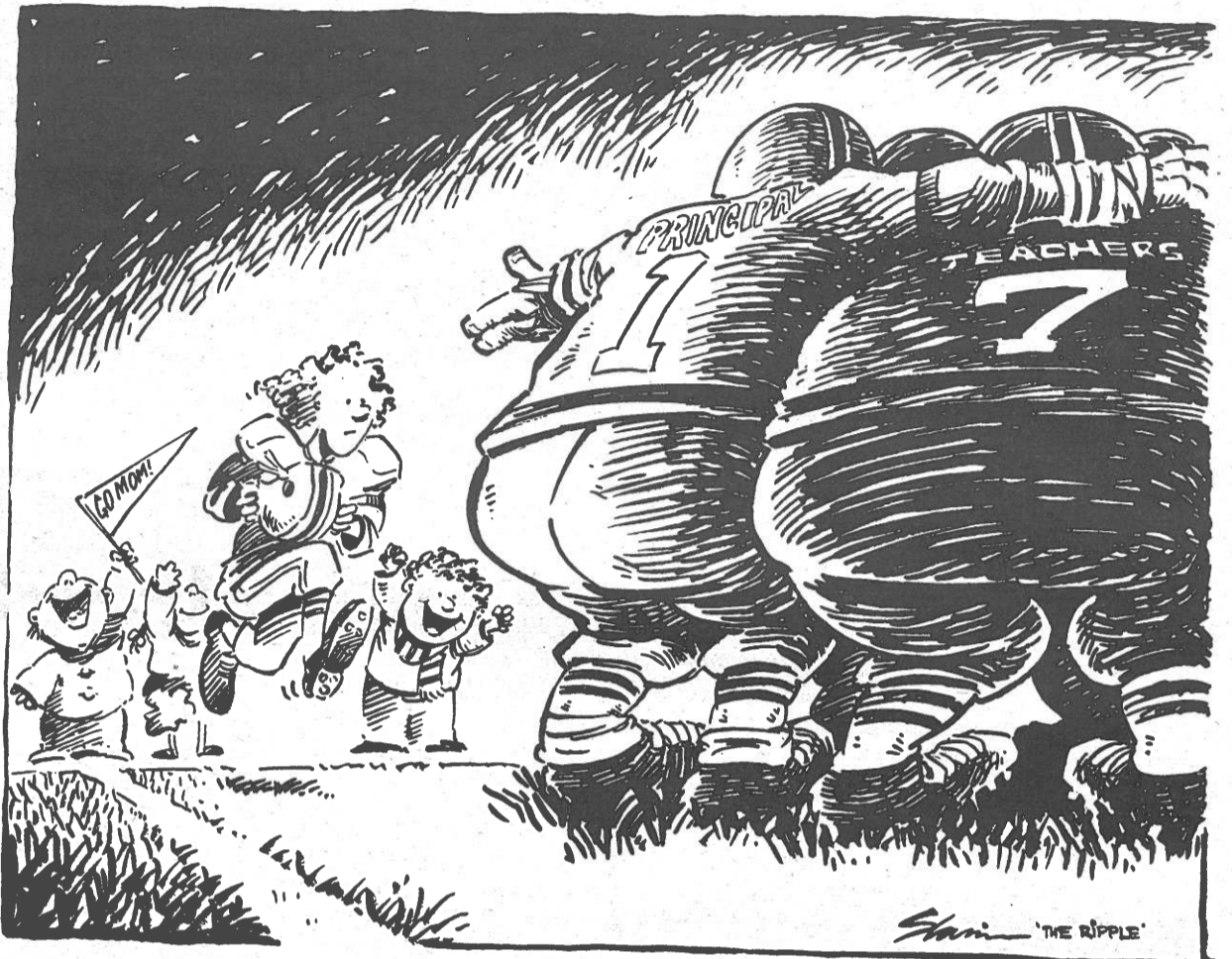
After being in municipal politics for 13 years, I can say with confidence, that the only special interest group which I have represented, has been the people of this community. I have always represented people first and I am not about to change that should I be elected.

I encourage everyone in this riding to ask the other candidates one question. Are you prepared to stand up to the party when the interests of this riding con-

flict with the party? I applaud all elected officials that do stand up and vote on behalf of its constituents. Too many governments from all political parties have ostracized their representatives that buck the party line, and to me that is an insult to the process, the MP or MPP and most importantly the people of the riding. If this is the type of democratic system we want, then we should save the taxpayers' money and simply elect one Premier or Prime Minister to decide our public policy and ignore local representation. God forbid should that day ever come to be.

Gary Stewart  
 Peterborough Provincial  
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## Welcome new readers

This issue marks our sixth month of operation, and we welcome readers from the Campbellcroft, Garden Hill and Elizabethtown areas.

For those who have missed our earlier issues, perhaps a few introductions are called for.

The Ripple is produced once a month, on the last Tuesday. It is delivered free of charge through the mail to 4700 households, and is also available in stores and businesses throughout the region.

Our focus is on community groups and individuals, their achievements, and the challenges they meet. We place a special value on rural living and agriculture. We highlight the vitality of our cultural community - the artists and artisans, writers, musicians and dramatists. We honour our heritage, both the physical evidence in the buildings and the artifacts, and the less tangible testimony through stories and memories.

We welcome contributions from readers. We offer top quality, great rates and wide circulation to advertisers. We are here to stay. We hope to hear from you.

We welcome letters from our readers on issues of local interest.

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# HAVE YOUR SAY

## Two truckloads for "Beyond Your Blue Box"

by Dennis Hannah  
Reeve, South Monaghan Township

The South Monaghan Action Recycling Team held their first "Beyond Your Blue Box" drop-off drive on Saturday, March 31. Two truckloads (approximately 30 cubic yards) of materials, which are not currently included in the county's recycling program, were collected, making this first drive a success! Thanks to everyone who participated and a very special thanks to our volunteers.

The tentative date for the next "Beyond Your Blue Box" drive is June 24. So start collecting those egg cartons, cereal box board, aluminum foil, hard plastics, styro-foam, corrugated cardboard, fine paper and brown paper, and help to keep excess waste out of the landfill.

Plans to celebrate South Monaghan's 150th anniversary are well under way. Various suggestions have been submitted by residents, and thanks go out to these individuals. Council is currently reviewing the proposed programs.

On July 1, a celebration picnic/barbeque at Squirrel Creek Conservation Area is planned. Among the events scheduled are races and games for the children and adults. While plans are still tentative, there will be more information in future issues of The Ripple.

Any suggestions you may have to help celebrate South Monaghan's 150th are welcome, and should be forwarded to the Municipal Office.

The main topic of conversation in our area lately has centred on the appearance of a rather large rock at the Township Office. It has been brought in from the farm of the late Reg Atchison and placed there to commemorate South Monaghan's 150th Anniversary and in tribute to those fine folks who founded South Monaghan.

Bailieboro Women's Institute has formed a committee to research South Monaghan's history and eventually compile it into a book. Anyone with an item of interest should contact Mrs. Bev Buckham or Mrs. Joyce Syer.

Over the past couple of months, the Township has been saddened by the loss of several life-long members of our community. We extend our sincere sympathy to the families of Edna Plews, Marion Eagleson, Herb Dawson, Jimmy Johnston and Edith Edgerton (Hoy).

On a more cheerful note, we wish Marjorie Packman a very happy 80th birthday, and Delores Dart a very happy 85th!

We are happy to report that the agreement for community use of the baseball diamond at Squirrel Creek Conservation Area has been received from ORCA.

The Township's Official Plan is due to be reviewed this year. Under the Planning Act, it must be reviewed every five years, and in light of the new County Official Plan, there may be some changes made to the text.

Summer hours for the landfill site begin at the beginning of May. They are as follows; Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays as usual, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

*This space will be offered to each municipal council in turn, to give our elected representatives a chance to keep their electorate informed.*

### Cobourg to host house tour

Heritage and history fans can look forward to a day out when Cobourg hosts a House Tour on Saturday, June 17. There are eight homes of distinction on the tour as well as the restored St. Michael's Church, the Marie Dressler House and Victoria Hall, built in 1860.

Tickets are \$12, available at the Cobourg Book Store, the Chamber of Commerce or by phoning Marg Benne (905) 349-2299. Tickets can also be purchased on the day of the tour at Victoria Hall, where refreshments will also be available.

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Lynn Miles from Ottawa is the featured guest artist at the Give A Hoot Café on Sunday, May 7, starting at 7 p.m. The Café is held at the Old Millbrook School and is organized by the Millbrook Cavan Environmental Watch.

## Fair plans spring dance

The call is out for contestants for the Millbrook Fair Ambassador Contest. The Spring Dance and Contest will be held May 26 at the Cavan Community Hall in Cavan.

Male and female contestants are encouraged to come out and get involved in the Fair and the Agricultural Society by taking up this\* position. Businesses and organizations

are invited to sponsor a candidate.

For information, or for tickets to the dance, call Christine Hickey, 932-2369 or Evelyn Sargent, 745-5999.

## Spring clean for libraries

by Debbie Chilton

If you've already started your spring cleaning, stop before you throw out that no-longer useful object!

The Cavan Millbrook South Monaghan Union Library Board will be holding its annual yard

sale on Saturday, June 3.

All proceeds from the sale will go directly to these local libraries for books, videos and other library needs.

The yard sale will be held at the Lions Den on County Road 10 at the 7th

Line north of Millbrook.

Donations for this worthy cause will be greatly appreciated. No books or clothing though, please. Contact Debbie Chilton, 939-2077 to make arrangements for pick-up of your donations.



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# Yeah Earth!

Once again, the Millbrook Cavan Environmental Watch and other community groups such as the 1st Millbrook Scout Troop, pictured on page 1, helped to bring the community together to focus on the environment on Earth Day.

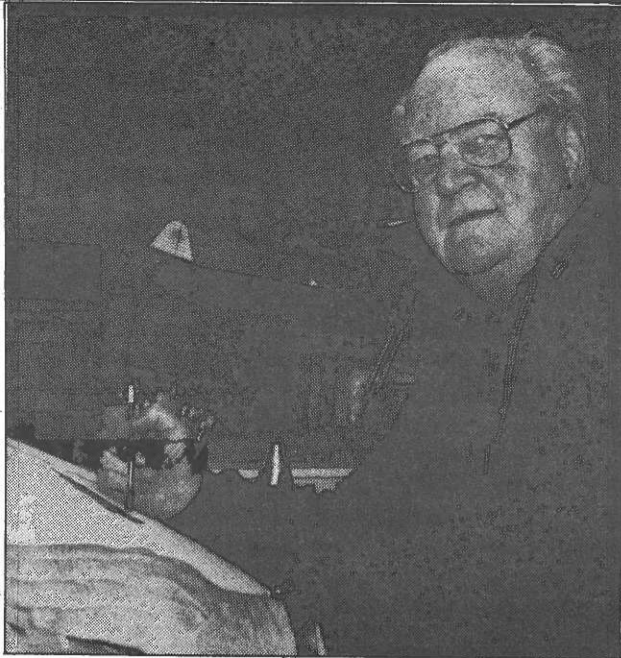
Celebrations took place on Sunday, April 23. One of the organizers of the day's events, Joanne Rowland, described the tree-planting portion of the program as one of the biggest surprises. Volunteers planted donated maple saplings in Millbrook where some of the largest old maples have been cut down in recent years.

"It was incredible," Rowland explained, "At one of the sites, there must have been 20 people involved or just observing the planting of a tree on Anne Street near where an enormous and beautiful maple was cut last year. Some were helping to mulch, some were watering, some just watching quietly."

Activities also included t-shirt painting for children at the Old Millbrook School and displays of Harper cleaning products, bluebird-house construction and the expanded blue box program expected to come to the area in the near future. Serviceberry bushes were distributed by Brian Fallis on behalf of ORCA.

Entertainment is always the mark of a good party, and this year's line-up was a crowd-pleaser. Newly-painted t-shirts were modelled by youthful artists, music, dance, poetry and song were all supplied by local talent. Finally it was time for the cake.

The Earth Day Cake is something of a MCEW-Earth Day tradition, and one that is not easy to live up to. However, the team of cake creators reached a new high, with an enormous round cake of blue and green, depicting the earth and complete with carefully crafted candy trees, from palms in the tropical regions to maples and apple trees in more temperate zones.



Celebrated local artist Huntley Brown

## ARTSCAPES

By Loretta Pompilio

### Huntley Brown's talents well known throughout community

During the long winter nights in Lethbridge, Alberta, you could find Huntley Brown either listening to Foster Hewitt on the radio or reading the comics. For a Prairie boy in the 30's and 40's the comics were a big thing and Huntley, at an early age, wanted to be a comic strip artist.

"As a teenager I always painted. My father was also an amateur painter, so we would often go out and paint with A.Y. Jackson, whose brother happened to live next door," Huntley recalls. Through observation, he learned to draw out of his head, then a move to Toronto led to formal art training at The Ontario College of Art. Huntley graduated in 1955 and won the Governor General's Award for best student in the College.

The next ten years were frantically busy as Huntley juggled his time working in a commercial studio; did freelance illustrating for feature articles in several maga-

zines including MacLean's, Saturday Night, The Journal, Chatelaine and Reader's Digest, as well as artwork for fiction stories, and editorial cartooning for The Globe and Mail and The Toronto Star. Meanwhile he taught illustration and composition at the Ontario College of Art, a job he is soon to retire from. Maureen, Huntley's wife, comments that she rarely saw Huntley in the hectic 60's and 70's.

The Browns found Millbrook as a result of a church related program that matched prisoners to visiting volunteers. Huntley regularly visited the Millbrook Correctional Centre and realized the potential of opening a country Gallery. "In the 80's I really got interested in landscapes and started to paint the Ontario landscape in watercolour. I was fortunate to have been picked up by an American art consultant who sold my work exclusively throughout the U.S.A. for five years. We wanted to open a gallery to reach the Canadian market as well, and Millbrook seemed like the place for us."

The 80's were equally hectic years as Huntley continued to teach at O.C.A., painting in watercolour for his own Gallery and his New York agent, as well as receiving commercial commissions. One such commission was to paint the Canadian Russian Hockey team in three days! All 36 players' heads were painted in full detail in an oval shape. Posters were hastily produced to take to Russia and the original painting was presented to then Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau on the ice.

A more recent commission required Huntley to stand on scaffolding to paint a 45 foot high by 40 foot wide mural of The Risen Christ for St. Joseph the Worker Church in Oshawa. Huntley recalls that he was "thrown off the site by a safety inspector as the Church was still under construction and I didn't have the proper safety gear." I wonder if Michelangelo experienced this sort of frustration in the Sistine Chapel?

Life is much calmer these days as Huntley prepares to retire from teaching in two years.

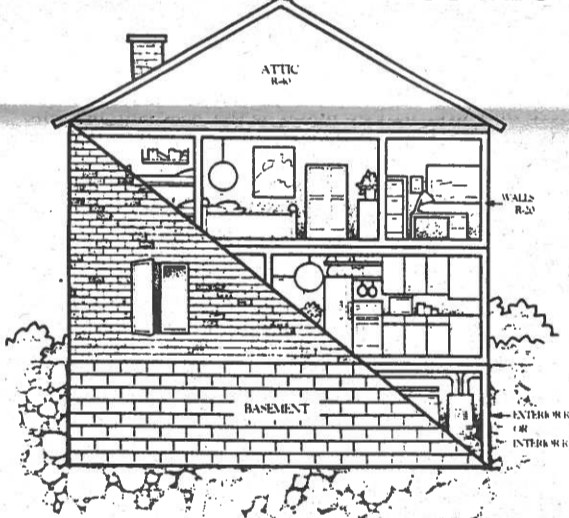
A shift has occurred in painting mediums from watercolour to oils. "I really like oils because you can do anything and make as many changes as you want, whereas in watercolour you only have one chance. However, this can be an evil as you're never satisfied."

Maureen, in the meantime, channels her creativity into quilting, sewing for her grandchildren, knitting and making unique teddy bears.

Huntley has always been involved in community activities. When they first settled in Millbrook, he was one of the founding committee members to save The Old School. Over the years, local residents have chuckled at Huntley's editorial cartoons, which he donated to The Millbrook Highlighter and later The Millbrook Times. All in all, both their beautiful gallery/home, and the Browns, have been a significant presence in the Millbrook community.

Loretta Pompilio is a professional art consultant and artist living in Millbrook.

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### Local students honoured

Two Millbrook/South Cavan Grade 7 students were awarded an Honourable Mention in the Junior Biological Science category at the Peterborough Regional Science Fair, held at Trent University on

April 1. The project, by Jovan Ilievski and Dustin Raab, entitled "Can Limestone Be Used To Protect Pine Trees From Acid Rain", explored a possible solution to the damaging effects of acid rain on our native trees. Their project also earned them the Kawartha Field Naturalists Award for the best science experiment dealing with an environmental issue.

In their project, Dustin Raab and Jovan Ilievski administered different amounts of simulated acid rain solution and crushed limestone to four young pine trees, over a period of one month. During this time, they recorded the effects on the trees. Their conclusion? "Yes," says Dustin, "I think the limestone would help to protect trees. But, it would probably be better not to have any pollution in the first place." Spoken like a true environmentalist.

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# STONE SOUP

By Evelyn Raab

## Is there a cure for chickaholism?

I didn't always love chickens. I used to be normal. Well, sort of. But somehow, over the past few years, my interest in chickens progressed from mere curiosity, through occasional preoccupation, and finally, alas, into downright obsession. But, I am getting ahead of myself.

Of course, like most habits, it began innocently enough. I needed some eggs. Oh sure, I *could* have gone to the IGA and bought a dozen, like most regular people do. But clearly, there were other, *darker* forces at work here. I found myself compelled - indeed, *driven* - to purchase chickens. At the time, it seemed so harmless. How was I to know that I had just taken the first step on a course that would send me spiralling headlong into the bottomless pit of chickaholism? Not even my own family suspected the danger that lurked in that fateful box of day-old Barred Plymouth Rocks. And, really, for a while, it actually seemed to be OK. We raised the chicks through pullethood, and on to productive henhood. They pecked around the yard, they laid lots of eggs, they were typical, ordinary chickens. I was happy. Years passed, our chickens came and went in an uneventful manner. But then it happened. I saw my first Silkie. I was doomed.

I believe it was at the Millbrook Fair, 1985. She sat in her cage, all fluffy and white - *I knew I had to have one of these*. I was overwhelmed by an obsessive need to obtain such a chicken for my flock. But of course, this was just the beginning. Where there are Silkies, there are certain to be Australorps, and Wyandottes, and even - dare I say it? - White Crested Polish Bantams! There was no turning back. I wanted them all. And more. I wanted Cochins, and Sebrights, and Araucanas. I wanted a Buff Orpington. And, above all, I wanted a Frizzle. Utterly without standards, I would take chickens that had weird feet, and bad habits, and questionable breeding. I began hanging out at poultry auctions. I subscribed to the *Feather Fancier*. My poor children could do nothing but stand aside and watch in helpless horror as their beloved mother plunged deep into the feathery excesses of this bizarre underworld. But it wasn't until I bought the guinea fowl that I realized I was totally out of control. I needed help.

As you might imagine, a person doesn't get over a heavy poultry habit overnight. It's a long, difficult, uphill climb. With the support of my family, I began my recovery last September. I didn't go to the fall chicken sale in Belleville. Of course, it wasn't easy. George had to hide the keys to the van. But, I survived. And now with spring upon us, I am once again faced with the temptations of auction season. Frankly, I doubt that I will be able to totally resist - maybe I'll just go and *look*.

I now realize that while chickaholism cannot be completely cured, it *can* be controlled. I know that I will never be able to visit the Royal Winter Fair without

becoming a blithering idiot in the poultry area (one year I actually forgot about my children while there, and lost Jared for half an hour - he has forgiven me for that). I accept the fact that I won't ever be able to drive past a farmyard without nearly careening off the road because I think I see a Speckled Sussex beside the tractor. And I reluctantly admit that I am still searching for a Frizzle. No, I can't quite imagine myself living a totally chicken-free lifestyle. Perhaps one day - but not just yet. In the meantime, I collect the eggs, I admire my birds, and I clean out the incubator.

Maybe we'll hatch some ducks.

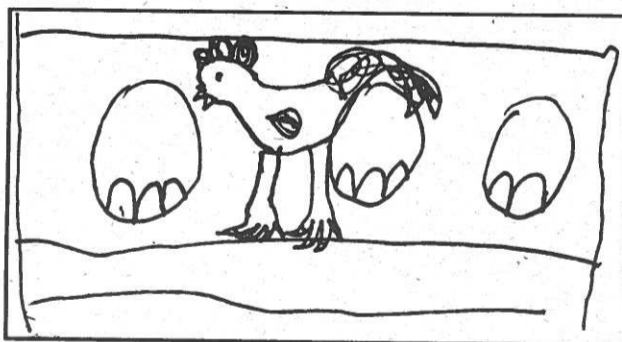
### Rose's Garlic Chicken

An inspired combination of my two favorite obsessions, chickens and garlic. You could probably also make it with guinea fowl. Or duck. If necessary.

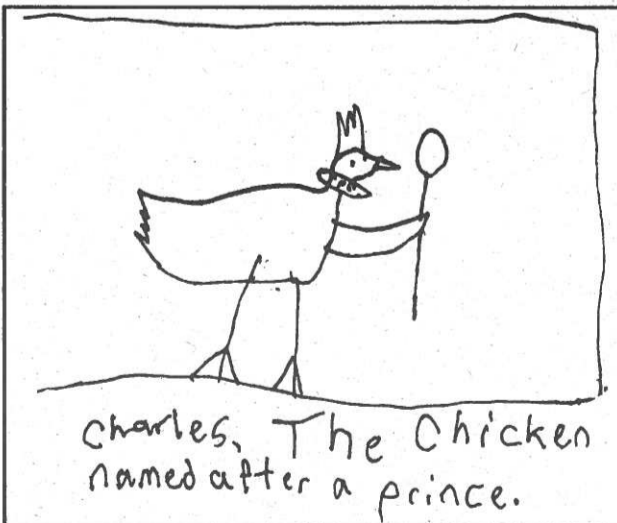
- 1 4-lb. chicken
- Salt, pepper, thyme, rosemary, bay leaves
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2/3 cup white wine
- 40 cloves of garlic - unpeeled (really)

- ◆ Rub chicken inside and out with plenty of salt and pepper.
- ◆ In a large skillet, heat the olive oil and brown the chicken in it, turning over to do all the sides. Remove the chicken from the pan and place it in a large casserole or dutch oven that can go into the oven.
- ◆ Pour the wine into the skillet, stirring around to loosen the browned bits from the bottom of the pan. Add this to the casserole with the chicken. Sprinkle in some thyme, rosemary, and a couple of bay leaves. Finally, toss in the garlic cloves. I am not kidding about the number - 40 cloves - and *don't* peel them. Trust me.
- ◆ Cover the casserole tightly with a lid or foil, and bake at 375° for 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 hours. And don't peek while it's cooking.
- ◆ Serve the cooked garlic cloves along with the chicken - they turn squishy and delicious, and are unbelievably good to spread on some French or Italian bread.
- ◆ Eat a few handfuls of parsley before going out in public.

Evelyn Raab is a recovering chickaholic living in Millbrook with her Australorps, Sebrights, Spangled Hamburgs, Silkies, etc. And let's not even mention the guinea fowl or the turkeys.



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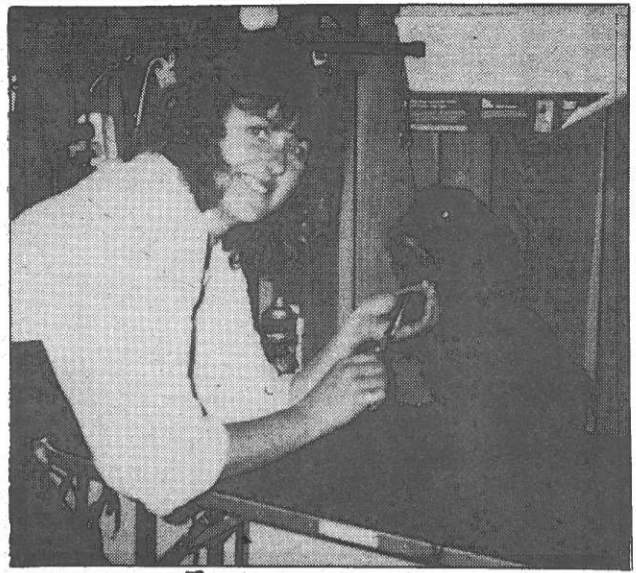
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School Board trustee Angela Lloyd with client

## Trustee loves job

by Celia Hunter

Angela Lloyd has two businesses to run, a husband and two children to take into account, a number of volunteer jobs, and is the Peterborough County Board of Education trustee for Millbrook, Cavan and South Monaghan. You would think she'd be hard to track down. Not so; Angela takes her jobs seriously - if she's not in a meeting at the Board office, she's more than likely grooming dogs and holding down the fort at Millbrook Farm Supply, which she and her husband Tony own and operate, or out at the family-run kennels in South Monaghan Township.

The job as school board trustee takes priority. "I've never read so much in my entire life!" she grins.

The budget has been the Board's focus over the past several months. The most important factor, from the Board's viewpoint, says Angela, was that programming not be affected. "With increased enrollment," she notes, "and a 1991/92 dollar level brought about by government funding cuts over the past two years, the system is doing more with less."

Equalized assessment, Angela points out, is going to hit rural taxpayers this year, as all properties, regardless of where they are, will be taxed as per assessment. She defends the Peterborough Board's record, saying that administration costs, generally not more the 5% of an operating budget, take up only 3.1% of the PCBE budget.

"The education system is going through one of the biggest changes in a long time," Angela notes. "We are looking at boundary changes, microtechnology, and school councils."

On the subject of school councils, Angela is firm. "Get involved in your schools," she advises. "Yes, it's time-consuming but it's worth it."

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**THE WAY WE WERE**

**A tribute to a favourite Whitfield School teacher**

by Norma Worr

Frances Hallam (Jones) was one of my favourite teachers at the one-roomed Whitfield School. She taught me in Junior VII and VIII back in 1933 and '34.

Frances was just out of Normal School and 18 years old when she was hired to teach at Whitfield S.S. no. 8, still an area landmark as the recently renovated Millbrook and District Lions' Den on County Road 10 at Cavan's 7th Line.

Frances was an attractive redhead who always seemed to look her best. I remember the green dresses she wore, which complemented her colouring. She had a dark-haired sister, Beatrice, who also taught school on the 4th Line, and a brother, Gordon. Their parents were the Rev. and Mrs. W.W. Jones. Reverend Jones was the United Church minister here from 1929 to 1934.

Frances never used the strap; in fact, there may not have been one. However, there was no gum chewing, loud chat or wearing your cap in school hours. In a one-room school, noise had to be at a minimum, and discipline was important.

Each class went to the front of the room in front of the teacher's desk, for instruction on the black board. I believe there were 29 pupils in 1934.

I must mention Colonel O'Dell, the school inspector, who called once or twice a year. He would test individual

classes on arithmetic and spelling. I was nervous when he called. He was short, stout, and commanded attention.

Our music instructor, Martin Chenhall, was well liked; he called once a week to teach us Music.

On leaving Whitfield's, Frances taught in Toronto, where she married a Bishop's son and became an Anglican. For many years I lost track of Frances, and then one day, someone said she was living in Kingston.

Some time later, I was on a bus, passing through Kingston, that stopped for a coffee break. I looked up her name in the phone book, and called her. We had a nice chat, and began to write back and forth a few times a year and especially at Christmas. Frances has two grown children and one granddaughter, Heather, who live in Toronto.

When last February my brother Wilfred had an appointment for a check-up at a Kingston hospital, he invited me to go along. I phoned Frances to say I'd like to see her, and she met me the next day with her car, and gave me a tour of Kingston. Our tongues wagged for most of the afternoon. We enjoyed the good home cooking at the well-known Aunt Lucy's Restaurant, and toured Frances' church, St. George's Cathedral, which is very beautiful with the lofty Gothic ceilings seen in many of the famous churches



Whitfield School 1934, back row (from left): Don Sutton, Lorne Fallis, Walter Coyote, Cameron Elson, Norma Gillis, Barbara Argue, teacher Frances Jones, Flossie Bothwell, Gordon Larmer, Max Fallis, Earl Pallister, Vern McInnes. Centre: Margaret Elson, Hope Douglas, Catherine Elson, Isabel Carveth, Jean Gillis, Elain Argue, Gordon Coyote, Earl Carveth, Melville Davidson. Front row: Mel Morton, Earl Morton, Howard Gillis, Jack Nelson, Gord Davidson, Neil Nelson, Wilfred Gillis, Gerald Armstrong.

I've visited in Europe. It seemed that in no time at all it was time for me to meet up again with Wilfred and Moretta at Hôtel Dieu Hospital.

Frances taught four of the Gillis children; myself, sister Jean and brothers Wilfred and Howard. Of the pupils shown in the school photograph, 19 are still living in the area. My nephew had wagered I wouldn't recognize Frances after all these years, but he lost the bet. As soon as she came through the door, I knew her - she is still youthful, and has lots of pep. It was a joy to see her again, and our visit together was a well spent day.



Frances Hallam with Wilfred Gillis

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**Canada Chorus records hit**

Grandview School's Canada Chorus recently recorded a song composed by one of the school's parents as a way to promote Canada on the eve of the Quebec referendum. Millbrook resident, Renée Paul worked closely with the composer, Rick Johnson, to develop French lyrics to the song.

Rick Johnson originally wrote the song and recorded it with his wife Terry Crawford, and three Grandview students for the Canada 125 Songwriting Contest. Of over 700 entries, Rick's composition was one of the top ten finalists. In light of the debate going on regarding the referendum in Quebec, Rick dusted off the music and brought it into the school.

Each grade and class in the school is represented in the Grandview Canada Chorus. A temporary studio was set up in the mini-gym by another of Grandview's talented parents, Dave Midgely, a sound engineer working in television audio productions.

Terry and Rick Johnson plan to send copies of the recording to radio stations and media outlets across the country with the hope of receiving some air play to spread the message of the song. The recording will be available for sale in both cassette and disc format.

**Bondar is hit with students**

By Dustin Raab

On April 11, fourteen Millbrook/South Cavan School students in grades 6, 7 and 8 joined students from other Peterborough County schools at Kenner Collegiate where they had the opportunity to listen to a talk by Dr. Roberta Bondar. In her talk, Dr. Bondar

addressed the issues of the world's environment. She accompanied her talk with a slide show of pictures of the earth from space. She also showed photographs of some countries that have not been taking care of their ecology.

Dr. Roberta Bondar was

the first Canadian woman to travel into space on board the space shuttle. She was in Peterborough as part of a Canada-wide tour promoting environmental awareness. She stressed that Canada has an important role to play in helping other countries to take care of their own environment. She is currently actively involved with the Friends of the Environment Foundation, which is raising funds to help with local projects.

The students all found the experience inspiring and were thrilled to have the chance to engage in the question and answer period that followed the talk.

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# GREENSPACE

By Richard Miller

## Changes in billing and delivery may lower garbage costs

After five years of monthly meetings and investigating various ways and means of reducing garbage disposal costs, and following a public meeting held last October, the Waste Management Task Force of Cavan Township presented a report to Council last month which recommended changes in billing and delivery systems. These recommendations were accepted in principle by Council, along with the recommendation that another public meeting be held to explain the proposed changes to residents, and to get reactions and suggestions. Consequently, a public meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 30th, 7:30 pm at the Community Hall in Cavan.

Most of you are already familiar with a variable rate billing system Ontario Hydro uses this system, as does your local butcher or bulk food store. In fact, most products and services you purchase are billed according to the amount of product or service you require. For some reason, municipal services have not been billed this way in the past but, given the debate over deficit reduction and government cutbacks at both federal and provincial levels, I wouldn't be surprised to see variable rate billing systems introduced into upper tier government services in the not-too-distant future.

In Cavan, property owners pay taxes on their property according to the size and use of the property, as well as the size of the house, the number of bathrooms, etc. In return for paying these taxes, the property owner has access to schools for their children, police services if necessary, road maintenance, garbage disposal, and so on. Theoretically, having paid the taxes, the property owner can then use (or not use) these services as much as he or she likes. If the local government fails to plan properly, or if its residents make too much use of the services, a deficit can result, leading to higher taxes next year. In an effort to make the system somewhat more equitable, and to allow the municipality some flexibility in planning for a flexible future, the concept of variable rates for garbage disposal has been introduced.

In my mind, the most fair system would be weight-based. That is, if you dispose of ten pounds of garbage, you would pay for ten pounds. However, while the technology exists for this arrangement, it is currently too expensive to justify in Cavan, so a simpler system has been proposed. A modified volume-based system would see specially-marked tags distributed by the municipality (in return for paid up residential taxes), and only those bags, cans, or other containers bearing a proper tag would be accepted for disposal, each bag or can being of a reasonable weight (heavier amounts would require two tags). Each household would be given 100 tags per year; extras could be purchased, and unused tags could be returned for credit against taxes.

Before you think this is unreasonable, listen to some statistics. There are 1879 households in Cavan. For the past several years we have processed about 1200 tonnes

of household waste through the transfer station each year (not counting scrap metal, recyclables, etc). This means each household generates approximately 1400 pounds of garbage per year, or 27 pounds per week. Therefore, each tag will pay for 14 pounds of garbage. According to the survey taken last October, most residents currently dispose of no more than two bags per week, so the new system should not be a hardship to most people.

Consider too that Peterborough County has announced an expanded range of materials to be collected through the blue box, meaning that more of what you have been disposing of in your garbage will now be collected in your blue box, meaning less you will have to pay for disposal. If you can make a little extra effort, through selective shopping, composting, etc, you might only need one bag per week, and 50 tags could be returned for credit. Conversely, if you make no effort, you will have to buy more tags.

The second part of the proposal involves changes to the delivery system: we propose curbside collection of garbage throughout the township at no extra charge. Those people who are currently serviced by a private contractor (about 300 families) will see immediate savings.

Approximately 1000 vehicles use the transfer station each weekend under the current system. This number is also based on the survey from last October which indicated that over half of the residents use the transfer station every week. If the average one-way distance is 5km (and it is undoubtedly more), then each of us travels about 500km annually going to the dump!

As most of you know by now, our transfer station is also used by non-residents of Cavan, either taking a chance during regular hours, or sneaking in after hours. Most of you know too, that at times it can get very busy at the transfer station and, especially during spring cleaning, the amount of garbage disposed of can overwhelm the containers used for haulage, with the result that the excess garbage is simply left on the ground until a container is emptied, ready to refill. Curbside collection will eliminate most of the illegal garbage and equalize the flow of legal garbage.

To implement a user-pay system through the transfer station would, I believe, overwhelm both staff and facilities, and the resulting slowdown caused by staff having to check each bag to make sure it is properly tagged, would anger residents using the facility. A curbside collection system would solve this problem too.

First, it would be a convenience to residents not to have to drive to the transfer station every week or two, and would realize direct savings from gas not purchased and less wear and tear on your vehicle. Second, it would virtually eliminate illegal garbage (I say virtually because there will continue to be some people who will allow friends from outside the township to take advantage of the system). Third, as an extension to the first, it would reduce the traffic on our roads every weekend, saving wear and tear on those roads, reducing consumption of fossil fuels and subsequent harmful emissions, as well as reducing the possibility of traffic accidents; all very tangible benefits, although not directly related to the waste management budget. Every advantage in this paragraph, however, will save you money.

With all garbage and blue box materials being collected at curbside, the transfer station would have reduced hours, possibly the first Saturday of each month only, and no garbage would be collected there. It would be used only for tires, scrap metals, the re-use centre, etc. A suggestion has been made that a special material would be collected each month, such as furniture, dry-wall, asphalt shingles, styrofoam or fine paper.

To recap then, properly tagged garbage would be collected at the end of your driveway, once per week, in addition to the blue box collection currently in place. The transfer station will be open once a month for disposal of materials mentioned above, but no household garbage. Efforts will be made by the township to find ways of reducing further those materials which currently go into the garbage, if not by recycling then through other diversionary methods. While there is no limit to the amount of garbage you can dispose of, provided you pay for it, there is a practical limit to the amount the truck can carry, so you will have to spread it out, so to speak. In other words, if you generate 15 bags during spring cleaning, you will not be able to put out those 15 bags at once; rather, you might put out three bags each week until they are gone.

Your garbage will be picked up and, if you are willing to make a little effort, you can get a credit against your taxes by cutting down on the amount of garbage you generate. If you like the sounds of this, or even if you don't, come out to the public meeting on May 30th and make your views known. Council and the Task Force are prepared to listen and make modifications if necessary, or even to reject the proposals outright if that's what people wish. But pro or con, you have to speak up now or forfeit the right to complain later.

Don't forget Garbage Blazer Day on May 6th when you have an opportunity to help clean up your community, and remember too the compost demonstration/workshop at Maple Leaf Park on the last Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm from now through September. See you there., and on May 30th at the Community Hall.

Richard Miller is a book artist, environmentalist, and Waste Management Co-ordinator for Cavan Township.

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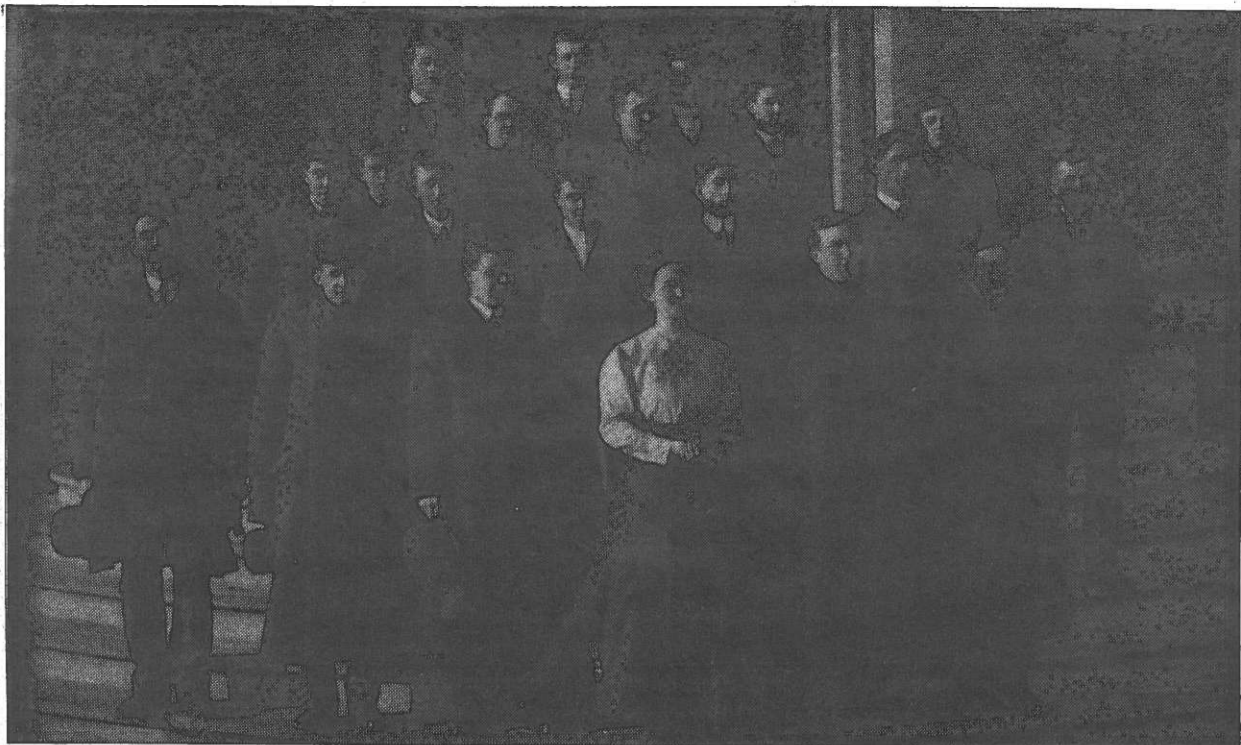
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Miss Agnes Hampton's Young Men's Sunday School class. Top (from left): unknown, Hilliard Lang, Wes Brown. Second row down: Hugh Kennedy, unknown, George Burnham, Jess Byam, Bill Kennedy, George Walsh. Third row down: Harry Skitch, Willis Lang, John Rowland, unknown, unknown, Martin Pethick. Front row: Ted Burnham, Willy Rowland, Miss Agnes Hampton, Len Smith, Bill Cameron. Photo courtesy of Dorothy Stevens.

## Millbrook librarian teaches class

It is 100 years since the Millbrook Mechanics Institute, founded in 1894, became a library through the Public Library Act of 1895. It was the principal of the Millbrook School, Mr. David Hampton, who spearheaded the effort to have a public library instituted.

His daughter, Miss Agnes Hampton, was appointed librarian on October 1, 1900, and continued in that position until March, 1925. In addition to her duties at the library, Miss Hampton was for many years a Sunday School teacher at the Millbrook Methodist (United) Church.

In the early days of this century, Sunday School was quite different from what it is today. Every Sunday afternoon at 2:30, both parents and children gathered for

instruction and worship. There were classes for all ages. Adult classes were divided into Men's and Women's. Each class had its own private room closed off by folding doors. The younger women had their curtained-off corner as did the young men. Children were divided as now, according to age, and filled the main part of the Sunday School room.

In the photograph, to the right of Miss Hampton stands Mr. Len Smith, father of Dorothy Stevens and Kay Dalgliesh. Mr. Smith was a community minded person and in 1917 was president of what grew into the International Ploughing Match. He was twice president of the local Agricultural Society and was a great promoter of the Millbrook Fair.

## Theatre Celebrates with Ceilidh

by Celia Hunter

At the 4th Line Theatre's Annual General Meeting held April 23, Artistic Director Robert Winslow outlined plans for coming seasons at the theatre and stressed the need for increased respect for the arts. In his address, Winslow spoke passionately about the importance of the arts in our society, describing the sense of regional pride the 4th Line Theatre can create and the lessons that can be learned through the historical plays produced there.

In preparation for this summer's production of *The Winslows of Derryvore*, Winslow has auditioned 30 individuals and has 90 more booked for upcoming weekends, for a cast of over sixty. The play, set in the early 1600's in Ireland depicts, says Winslow, a dark period of history. Battle scenes, mummers, Celtic music and magic are all part of the action.

Board member Jim Embrey who heads up the Education Committee described a number of initiatives being taken. These include a weekend workshop in Peterborough May 6 and 7, a two week acting workshop at the 4th Line Theatre site in July, and the possibility of adapting the play *Moodie Traill* for use as a touring production in the schools. "The potential for education is wonderful," Embrey explained, "The historical nature of the plays lend themselves to an educational experience." He went on to note that children are always incorporated into the plays, and that Winslow is unfailingly supportive and encouraging to students.

The 4th Line Theatre, whose main box office is in the Charlotte Mews in Peterborough, is located on the 4th Line of Cavan just west of County Road 10. Their first three seasons met with rave reviews both locally and in the national press.

Following the Annual Meeting, the Theatre hosted the second of a series of ceilidhs at the Millbrook Legion. Entertainment included Irish dancing and music, both Celtic and with a French Canadian flavour. In the words of one participant, "Even the wallflowers got up to dance!"

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## MAY 1995

### APRIL (CONT'D)

#### TUESDAY 25

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** at Grandview Public School 6-8 p.m.

For information call 277-9206

#### WEDNESDAY 26

**Euchre** at the Millbrook Legion 1:30 p.m. - \$1.00

**Parent Information Evening** on Provincial Education Reforms Guest speaker Mr. L.J. Budden, Director of Education TASSS Auditorium, Peterborough 7:30 p.m. Call Betty Hubbard County C.S.A. Council, 292-7792

#### THURSDAY 27

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** Pontypool Community Centre 6 p.m.

#### SATURDAY 29

**Millbrook & District Lions Club Annual Fishing Derby** at the Millbrook Pond - prizes, draws, tagged fish- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$1/child (under 16), \$5/adult

**Ham Supper** at Janetville Community Centre, hosted by St. Paul's, Bethany. Sittings at 5 and 6 p.m. \$8/adult, \$4/child (10 & under) \$1 off for advance tickets - Call 277-3452, 277-1510, 324-2959

#### SUNDAY 30

**Composting Demonstration** at Maple Leaf Park - 1 p.m.

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### MAY

#### MONDAY 1

**South Monaghan Council Meeting** - 7:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY 2

**Millbrook Play School** for Moms & Tots at the Millbrook Christian Assembly \$1.50/week, \$5/month 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Kawartha Woodturners Guild** St. Peters S.H.S., Peterborough 7 p.m. Call Martin Groneng - 749-2459 or David Prescott - 741-6134

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** at Grandview Public School 6-8 p.m. For information call 277-9206

**Cavan Council Meeting** Cavan Municipal Office - 7:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY 3

**Euchre** at the Millbrook Legion 1:30 p.m. - \$1.00

**Garden Club Meeting** Old Millbrook School 7:30 p.m.

**Open Darts** - Millbrook Legion 8 p.m. - \$2.00

#### THURSDAY 4

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** Pontypool Community Centre 6 p.m.

**Bingo** at the Millbrook Legion 7:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY 5

**Family Enrichment Centre** Mobile Outreach at Cavan Community Centre 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**50's & 60's Rock & Roll Dance** with Pink Cadillac at the Millbrook Legion - Tickets \$6.50/advance, \$7.50/at the door Available at the Legion, Millbrook Deli, and Times office. In support of the Millbrook Medical Centre Lift Fund

#### SATURDAY 6

**Giant Community Garage Sale** All over town! All day!

#### SUNDAY 7

**Give a Hoot Cafe** featuring Lynn Miles of Ottawa - 7 p.m. \$5 per person, family rates

#### MONDAY 8

**Millbrook Council Meeting** Old Millbrook School - 7:30 p.m.

**South Monaghan Township Council Meeting** - 7:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAY 9

**Manvers Township Council Meeting** - 9:00 a.m.

**Millbrook Play School** for Moms & Tots at the Millbrook Christian Assembly \$1.50/week, \$5/month 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** at Grandview Public School 6-8 p.m. For information call 277-9206

#### WEDNESDAY 10

**Bus Trip to Cullen Gardens** for Spring Tulip Festival Hosted by St. Paul's, Bethany 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. \$20 - Call 277-3452, 277-1510, or 324-2959

**Euchre** at the Millbrook Legion 1:30 p.m. - \$1.00

**Open Darts** - Millbrook Legion 8 p.m. - \$2

#### THURSDAY 11

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** Pontypool Community Centre 6 p.m.

**Bingo** at the Millbrook Legion 7:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY 12

**Teen Dance** at the Millbrook Arena - 7:30 to 10:30

#### MONDAY 15

**Millbrook Cavan Historical Society Annual Dinner** Phone 932-3587

#### TUESDAY 16

**Millbrook Play School** for Moms & Tots at the Millbrook Christian Assembly \$1.50/week, \$5/month 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Family Enrichment Centre** Mobile Outreach at St. Thomas' Anglican Church, Millbrook 10 a.m. to 12 noon

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** at Grandview Public School 6-8 p.m. For information call 277-9206

#### WEDNESDAY 17

**Euchre** at the Millbrook Legion 1:30 p.m. - \$1.00

**Open Darts** - Millbrook Legion 8:00 p.m. - \$2.00

#### THURSDAY 18

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** Pontypool Community Centre 6 p.m.

**Bingo** at the Millbrook Legion 7:30 p.m.

#### MONDAY 22

**Millbrook Council Meeting** Old Millbrook School - 7:30m p.m.

#### TUESDAY 23

**Millbrook Play School** for Moms & Tots at the Millbrook Christian Assembly \$1.50/week, \$5/month 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** at Grandview Public School 6-8 p.m. For information call 277-9206

**Cavan Council Meeting** Committee of the Whole Cavan Municipal Office - 7:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY 24

**Victoria Councy Family Resources Centre** Mobile Outreach at Bethany United Church - 10 a.m. to 12 noon

**Euchre** at the Millbrook Legion 1:30 p.m. - \$1.00

**Open Darts** - Millbrook Legion 8:00 p.m. - \$2.00

#### THURSDAY 25

**Bingo** at the Millbrook Legion 7:30 p.m.

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** Pontypool Community Centre 6 p.m.

#### TUESDAY 30

**Millbrook Play School** for Moms & Tots at the Millbrook Christian Assembly \$1.50/week, \$5/month 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Pontypool Shotokan Karate Club** at Grandview Public School 6-8 p.m. For information call 277-9206

#### WEDNESDAY 31

**Euchre** at the Millbrook Legion 1:30 p.m. - \$1.00

**Open Darts** - Millbrook Legion 8:00 p.m. - \$2.00

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Gobbling his way to victory for the second year in a row at the Maplefest Pancake Eating Contest was Michael Stevens, 13, of Millbrook in the 11 and over age group. Photo by Maureen Wideman

## THE LAST WORD

# There's an art to successful scrounging

by Maureen Wideman  
It's that time of year again. When the snow is melted, the sun feels warmer, and people begin cleaning out their basements and sheds. Yes, it's garage sale season!

Many people I've talked to are horrified by garage sales. "I've never found anything good at garage sales," they mutter with distaste.

Ah, they just don't know how to look, or more pre-

cisely, scrounge. "Garaging," as it is known in my family, is a learned craft, carefully cultivated over many years. I apprenticed under my mother, a veteran scrounger since before my birth. It is doubtful I will ever achieve her level of skill. Her favourite place is Florida where garage sales begin on Wednesday and run through to Sunday. Her best find was an 1820's carved mahogany sidechair she got for \$10, or perhaps the signed

crystal plate featuring birds which set her back \$2.

My sister too is a skilled and practised "garager". She has bought practically everything at a garage sale - from the truck she is driving now to the brand new high-efficiency gas furnace she put in a previous house.

My best find was the 200 year old country Chippendale chair I bought for \$20. It was covered in paint splatters and its seat cover worn, but the beauty and grace of this chair screamed for rescue from the sidewalk.

To be a good "garager" you have to be on the road early - like 6 a.m. My tools for the job include a hat, in case it gets sunny; an umbrella, in case it rains; a local newspaper where the ads are placed; a map to find the streets; a compass because I am direction disabled and can get lost in some subdivisions for days at a time; a pencil for marking off ads; a cardboard box with newspaper for packing valuables so they don't get broken; an empty trunk because you never know what you're going to find; and always start with a full tank of gas. You don't want to be wasting time getting gas during sale day or you could miss a bargain.

As far as passengers are concerned, keep them to a minimum. People who don't see "garaging" in the same light as you do could slow you down. They may end up doing something silly like chit-chatting with the home owner to find out why they are selling these particular items. In "garaging" speed counts.

You have to be willing to get dirty. Some people pull boxes of stuff out of their attic or basement and throw it out on the driveway. Rummaging through this kind of potential merchandise can make you filthy, but it is all worth it when you find that sterling butter knife at the bottom of the box. A box of baby wipes in the car helps this problem.

"Garaging" can be great fun - a terrific way to welcome spring. Forget professional baseball, but tell me, how much do you want for that old baseball glove in the corner...

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