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CELEBRATING LIFE IN CAVAN, MILLBROOK AND NORTH MONAGHAN

## Hayes Line residents opposed to gravel pit expansion

By Lorna Miller  
(with files from Michele Curran)

Hayes Line residents continue to have concerns about the expansion of operations at the McGee gravel pit, citing alleged violations of municipal and provincial regulations as well as health and safety concerns.

There was standing room only at the Old School in Millbrook on Wednesday, February 27 at the public information meeting held to discuss a proposed bylaw amendment to allow Laverne McGee to expand his gravel pit operation to include other uses.

At a public meeting in August 2001, residents near the pit voiced concerns regarding excess noise, dust,

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traffic, environmental issues, water quality and quantity, land use compatibility, and public safety. Following this meeting, McGee Excavating Ltd.

requested the bylaw be revised to restrict the new uses to the importation, screening, and stockpiling of topsoil; the importation, crushing and stockpiling of rock, stone, gabion stone, quarry stone, and limestone screenings; and the importation and stockpiling of hemlock and cedar mulch.

The proposed bylaw amendment includes definitions of the products, and places limits on the amount of product to be imported to the site.

Under the present municipal bylaw and the guidelines of his license from the Ministry of Natural Resources, McGee is allowed to excavate and truck 250,000 tonnes of gravel from the site yearly. However, McGee has only



Families such as the Hayes, shown here in front of the McGee pit, have expressed concern about the proposed expansion (left to right: Doug, Brad with Buddy on leash, Carly, and Donna).

excavated, on average, 1/5th and less of this tonnage per year since he took over the operation five years ago.

"This is a 30-year-old pit once owned by Fred Nelson," McGee said. "I realize that the residents

have legitimate concerns, but they have to realize that there would be more traffic on the road if I were to excavate more gravel. If I can incorporate ten small items [the new uses noted above] at the pit, then the truck traffic would be less."

McGee and his legal counsel, Tom Cole of Lakefield, were at the meeting to answer questions regarding the proposed bylaw amendment.

However, it was municipal planner Karen Ellis who was in the hot seat fielding the questions, with McGee and Cole adding a few words when personally addressed.

The confrontational mood of the meeting was quickly set as neighbours of the McGee Pit voiced concerns over alleged infractions of the bylaw, and alleged licensing regulation violations already committed by McGee at the pit which had not been addressed by the municipality or the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Infractions residents noted include threats to the water quantity and quality by the stockpiling of tonnes of manure and other materials for recycling, and failure to safely control run-off from washing operations; concerns about traffic on Hayes Road due to the location of the pit entrance; failure to maintain proper fencing along site boundaries; failure to rehabilitate the site to prevent erosion; constant, dawn-to-dusk noise from the operation of the stone crushers.

Nobody monitors what is going on at the pit," said one concerned neighbour, Laura Wright. "I had to call

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## Millbrook water and sewage rates going up

By Michele Curran

Ever since the crisis at Walkerton, the government has been under public pressure to come up with safe drinking water guidelines — which include the creation of a fund to work more effectively with, maintain, and replace water and sewage plants.

In keeping with this initiative, Township Council passed two bylaws on Feb. 18 that will see Millbrook's residents water and sewage bills rise dramatically.

The increase is retroactive to Feb. 1 and fortunately, the first bill, according to Parks and Recreation manager Rick McGee (who has oversight of the project), won't be that bad. However, residents should brace themselves when the next bill for water and sewage arrives at their homes — as they will be seeing a 50% increase in their bill.

So, if your fixed rate for water was \$19.16, you would add on the volumetric charge of \$0.254. The resulting amount you would pay is \$24.10. If your fixed

rate for sewer was \$44.81, add the volumetric charge of \$0.371, and you would pay \$50.60.

The rates will be increased by 50% this year, 75% next year, and 100% in 2004.

Deputy Reeve Brian Fallis said at the meeting there was a lot of misinformation going around the village and he wanted people to know the municipality spent \$750,657.00 on this project. He also suggested a press release, and Bill Stockwell, chief administrative office, said with the first bill in March, residents will receive one and an information letter as well.

Fallis also said he attended a conference dubbed Simply Water that convinced him the increases in Millbrook are minor — compared to what other communities are facing. He also said it is a big myth that we have an abundance of water resources and don't need metering. Allegedly, aquifers in the Millbrook area are depleting, and water is often overused and misused. ♣

## Council delegations limited by CAO

By Melodie McCullough

In an effort to improve communication between the Greater Peterborough Area Economic Development Corporation (GPAEDC) and township municipalities, GPAEDC staff spoke before every township council in the county last fall — every council except Cavan-Millbrook-North Monaghan.

Lance Sherk, hired by the GPAEDC in October as manager of business retention and expansion, made the rounds to introduce himself, explain his job and let municipalities know what the GPAEDC can do for them. But when the GPAEDC requested a chance to speak in CMNM it was told the township prefers that he speak with Bill Stockwell, chief administrative officer.

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by the reeve of CMNM that his preference is working through an information exchange (between staff) as opposed to actually having an audience with Council," said Susan Cudahy, president of the GPAEDC. "I would prefer that CMNM councillors hear it directly from us, but if that's not the

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# Township limits Schickedanz homes for now

By Melodie McCullough and Michele Curran

A representative of Bruno Schickedanz Homes reacted with anger upon receiving notification that the township plans to limit the number of homes that can be built in the immediate future at its proposed Millbrook subdivision.

The township, however, says it is perfectly within its rights to do so.

"This municipality continually keeps changing its mind," said Greg De Freitas, engineer and project manager for the Baxter Creek subdivision, which has draft plan approval from Cavan-Millbrook-North Monaghan (CMNM) for 113 homes (81 single-family and 32 townhouses). "It seems to me this municipality doesn't have to honour agreements. It feels like it can do whatever it pleases."

He said he received a letter from CMNM Township Feb. 18 stating his company can only pro-

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ceed with Phase 1 and 2 of the four-phase development, amounting to 45 homes. No reason was given in the letter, he continued, but he thinks it is because the township needs some of the water services allocated to the subdivision for other development, such as the new nursing home scheduled to be built across the street next spring.

"You can draw your own conclusions," he said.

But Bill Stockwell, chief administrative officer for the township, says in the consolidated draft plan conditions signed by the town-

ship and Schickedanz Homes Nov. 15, 2001 there was a provision for "phasing", which means the township can demand the development proceed in phases, and provide servicing for those lots only. It has until seven years from the date of the original conditions (October, 1997) to provide water and sewer services to the full 113 lots.

"It doesn't really matter why we need the allocations, we're going by the agreement," said Stockwell.

He said it does not make sense to keep the extra allocations slated for Phase 3 and 4 tied up in the subdivision when it is not likely Schickedanz Homes will build all phases right away.

Meanwhile, Council received a report at its Feb. 18 meeting noting that final approval of the subdivision agreement has been delayed again as various commenting bodies — township engineer Bruno Dobri of Landmark Associates, the Otonabee Region Conservation Authority (ORCA) and Peterborough County — have expressed concern over recently received engineering drawings from the developer.

At issue is the storm water management plans and the possible harmful alteration to the area fish habitat. Recently, ORCA met with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) to review the file, and is now providing a letter to the developer outlining the requirements for DFO approval. The County of Peterborough did not approve the plans in November and has yet to review the developer's latest offering.

De Freitas said the sales office and model home on the subdivision property are now open and a number of sales have been made, although he did not know how many. ♣

## Council

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wish of the reeve then so be it."

She said other requests for staff to visit and explain the physician recruitment program and tourism kiosk program (as they have with other townships) have been answered in the same way.

"So we're starting to feel our information exchange is being compromised. What I am concerned about is that all townships get equal treatment from us and are apprised of opportunities and make decisions on an equal basis," said Cudahy.

Bill Stockwell told The

Gazette the process is meant to streamline the delegation system. He said he and the reeve met with Sherk and he now intends to make a report to Council, ask councillors for any questions they may have, and then invite Sherk to appear before Council.

"Then Mr. Sherk can walk in and be ready for those questions. That makes more sense."

Cudahy, however, said she is unaware they are going to be asked back.

Brian Fallis, Deputy-Reeve for CMNM and County appointee to the board of the GPAEDC, said the municipality's expectation is that staff from the

GPAEDC or other organizations deal with township staff, while political leaders or board members appear before council. He also noted Stockwell is the economic development officer for the township.

"I think that's the protocol we're undertaking," said Fallis.

Cudahy said in the past some townships considered communication with the GPAEDC to be less than satisfactory, so "we are really making an effort to get out there on a regular basis."

"Hopefully we won't lose any of that communication flow in CMNM. It's one of our key areas." ♣

## Hayes Line

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the Municipality six times before I got someone who would acknowledge that looking after this problem was part of his job."

Wright also sent a letter to the Cavan-Millbrook-North Monaghan Council on August 12, 2001 (received by the Municipality on August 13, 2001) which stated that McGee had imported unknown tonnes of materials on at least 23 occasions from April 3 to July 27, 2001. She said these deliveries are in direct conflict with his operator's license, and were made after the Ministry Aggregate Officer had become involved in monitoring the site.

Also of concern to Michael Shearson, a resident of the 14th Line, was the lack of environmental impact and noise studies.

"There have been no environmental, traffic, or noise studies requested to date," Shearson said.

"We are not going to spend thousands of dollars on studies before we know if this amendment is turned down," Cole replied.

McGee had included the importation of asphalt and manure for recycling and composting in his original amendment proposal, but Cole stated that his client was now removing those two articles.

Concerns were also expressed regarding falling real estate values if the proposed amendment was approved.

"When we bought our property, we were told that the pit was worked out and was no longer in operation," Wright said. "Then McGee bought the property and started up again. I now have chronic bronchitis from the dust raised by the operations, and the hay for my horses is contaminated with it."

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from the crushing operations, and one farmer couldn't sell his hay crop due to the accumulation of dirt on the bales.

"Unfortunately it was a very dry summer last year," said Ellis. "This caused more dust than in normal years."

Linda Friend raised the question of truck routes along Hayes Line, as there are half-load restrictions in force along portions of it.

"All trucks from the McGee pit will have to travel east on Hayes Line to the 10th line," Ellis replied.

"Who will foot the bill for the increased traffic on the road?" Friend asked.

A visibly shaken Ellis fielded questions as opposition after opposition to the proposed amendment was voiced by the crowd, who were angry that McGee did not personally address the concerns raised.

Two local poultry producers who raise 40,000 broilers six times a year were concerned about the maintenance of the quality and quantity of water necessary to their operations if the pit washing operations were increased.

"I would like to see a study done on the effects of the increased pit operations on the water table," one commented.

Another concern is the importation in topsoil of spores which cause black leg disease in cattle.

"There has been one case of this disease reported since the topsoil was imported and screened at the pit," Wright said. "There is no way to keep

track of where the soil comes from or what it contains. As it is screened, the dust raised could contain any number of things, and that dust is carried by the wind right across the fields and into our homes."

The overall consensus was that the excavation of sand and gravel was not a problem in itself, but the seeming lack of concern for the surrounding community by McGee and his failure to live up to his licensing agreement or comply with municipal or Ministry of Natural Resources laws and regulations does not warrant an expansion of operations at the site.

"Why would they give more responsibility to someone who is not responsible for what he already does?" Wright asked.

Deputy-Reeve and member of the Planning Committee, Brian Fallis interjected to assure the assembly that this was an information-gathering meeting only, and that nothing would be decided with regard to the proposed amendment at this time.

In response to the question of why the Municipality was even considering an amendment Karen Ellis replied that "everyone has the right to apply to the Municipality for a bylaw amendment, and if that proposed amendment is turned down by the Municipality, they have the right to appeal the decision to the Ontario Municipal Board."

"Mr. McGee has paid for due process to amend the bylaw, and we have to provide him with that due process," she said. "I hear your concerns, and they are being considered. This is not a done deal, but just because 500 people think this proposed amendment is wrong does not make it wrong."

Fallis says that the proposal will have to be rewritten and several matters addressed before any decisions are made. ♣

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**BUSINESS PROFILE**

# Monaghan Lumber offers quality & service

By Lorna Miller

Trends in housing seem to change on mere whims. In the 1950s, builders and decorators pushed plastics, carpeting, linoleum, and tile as the latest and best in home decor. Wood was out. Heavy antique furniture with its crevices, turned legs, and carved surfaces were painted or tossed. Simple was in.

Over the next decades, broadloom over plywood was the way to go. Even through the 1970s and into the 1980s, beautiful wood flooring vanished under loops of wool and man-made fibers.

Enter the 1990s, and people began looking to bygone eras for inspiration. Hardwood flooring, wood trim and molding gained in popularity. The beauty of wood became popular and the Convery brothers, Brad and Phil, recognizing the new trends were back to natural materials, moved from their mill in Acton to a store in Peterborough to fill the niche created by this return to natural products in homebuilding.

"We moved to Peterborough 12 years ago," says Brad Convery. "There was a niche here for quality wood products."

Monaghan Lumber Specialties, a North Monaghan Ward business, now supplies contractors, builders, and do-it-yourselfers with the best in hardwoods for a fine finish to every building project.

The brothers saw the demand for quality woods in homes under construction or being restored, and

*"The Western Red Cedar is the best. It lasts longer indoors and out."*

import Western Red Cedar from British Columbia and Alberta, pine, and other hardwoods for siding, fences, flooring, walls, and trim.

"The Western Red Cedar is the best. It lasts longer indoors and out." All fences we build are from Western Red Cedar," Brad says. "We deal with people within a 100-mile radius. Wood is naturally easy to clean and longer lasting, and adds beauty to your home."

Carpenters and cabinet-makers throughout the area that appreciate quality also use Monaghan Lumber's wood.

The hours are long, and the brothers are always busy with the phones constantly ringing. A steady stream of customers keeps their 20 employees hopping to meet the demand for their products.

Both Phil and Brad are married, and they each have two children. Their business is growing daily, and they have no regrets about leaving the mill and becoming specialists in their chosen field, providing the best hardwood money can buy.

"We just try to provide the best quality lumber and the best values in the business," Brad says.

For more information about the wood available at Monaghan Lumber, call (705) 742-9353. ♣

# Regular investment for better results

By Bruce Armstrong, Scotiabank

If you want to pinpoint two big enemies of effective investment strategy, look no further than investor procrastination and the usually fruitless effort to 'time' the market — that is, attempting to buy or sell at the precise time the market plunges or peaks.

To deal with these shortcomings, many financial planners advise

*One of the best advantages of a DCA plan is the discipline in setting aside money on a regular basis.*

investors to set up regular investing programs. By establishing such a plan and faithfully sticking to it, you can largely eliminate the powerful emotions — particularly greed and fear —

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Nexicom has recently introduced a new long distance service to its telephone customers in Cavan, Millbrook and Keene.

Up until now, Nexicom customers have been receiving Bell Canada's long distance plans and rates, although billed through Nexicom as a local service provider. Due to changes in the telecommunications industry, Nexicom, together with the other 22 independent telephone companies in Ontario — is now offering Alto as a competitive alternative in long distance rates.

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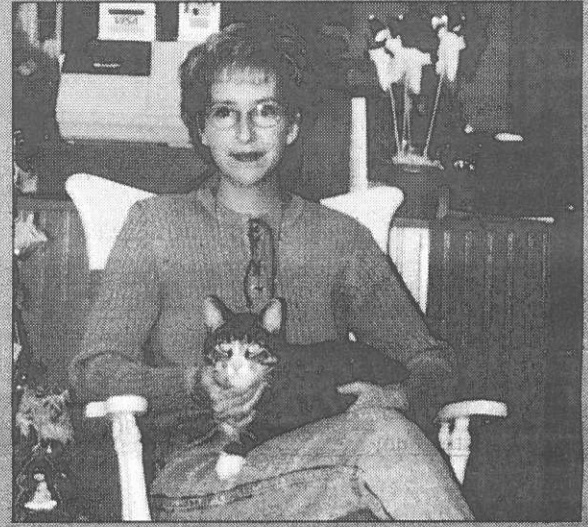
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tomers will experience the peace of mind that comes from using a local service provider, and the convenience of continuing to receive only one phone bill from Nexicom.

Customers must contact Nexicom directly if they want to receive this new rate plan. "We cannot go ahead and switch customers over to Alto without their consent," says Sandy Brack of Nexicom's telephone division. "If our customers want to continue with one combined bill for local and long distance service, they need to contact us. It's part of government regulation."

Customers can stop by the office to complete a consent form or contact Nexicom by phone at 944-2586 or 295-2586. ♣

# 1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



Shelley Simmonds (pictured) and Joanne Fournier, owners of The Rustic Rooster, are looking forward to celebrating the shop's first anniversary along with customers and neighbours. The Rustic Rooster offers an eclectic range of home, craft, and gift items.

that can easily derail any investment strategy.

The regular contribution schedule ends the last-minute dash for cash, and minimizes the risk of making a big, lump-sum investment at the wrong time.

One of the best forms of regular investing program is a dollar cost averaging (DCA) plan. Here you commit to investing fixed amounts regularly — each month, for instance — in a security over a long period of time. Under a DCA plan, you buy only what your money will pay for.

When prices are high, you get fewer of the securities that you've decided to acquire. When they're low, you get more. This means you can build up a securities portfolio at a favourable average cost.

It's true that you could squeeze a better return if you time your purchases and sales to market ups and downs. But relatively few investors have the skill, knowledge, and plain good luck to buy low and sell high on consistent basis. For many, dollar cost averaging can produce better results than those earned by making random purchases, financial planners say.

One of the best advantages of a DCA plan is the


discipline in setting aside money on a regular basis.

Once you are in the plan you're on automatic pilot. And, planners say, it supports the fundamental 'pay-yourself-first' principle crucial to building any successful financial plan.

DCA plans are perhaps most effective for those investments bought with low or no commissions, such as no-load mutual funds. Frequent purchases of smallish amounts of securities sold by commission will likely mean high fees, which would erode the effectiveness of the plan.

Setting up a DCA arrangement is not difficult. Decide how much you want to invest and on what timetable. Your broker or planner will help you set up an automatic withdrawal plan at your financial institution and will take care of buying the investments.

Investors need the fortitude to stick with the program. That means buying when prices are rising — and also when they're falling. And you have to monitor the plan on a regular basis. For instance, a salary increase could mean that you have room to boost your regular investment amount by the same percentage. ♣



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**EDITORIAL**

**Our integrity trampled**

It seems like eons ago, but this particular incident still makes me angry when I think about it. Last week, we witnessed an unprecedented event – two gold medals for Canadian hockey Olympians. Against all odds – including what looked like incompetent or biased refereeing and defeats by “underdog” teams from countries with less history with the game – both the women’s and men’s teams prevailed. It’s been 50 years since Canada brought home gold in men’s hockey – and the first time for women’s hockey – so we have every right to be proud.

I’m not really well versed in team sports. However, I couldn’t help but be drawn into the Olympic excitement – especially when every other member of my family was hooting and hollering through hockey games in the previous week.

I’ll get to my initial point. The incident in question was glossed over in the media the next day – particularly the American media – but wasn’t missed by the always outspoken Don Cherry. The American women’s team, it was reported at the game, put a Canadian flag on the floor of the dressing room and walked all over it with their skates.

I don’t believe in being too nationalistic, because this leads very easily to ethnocentrism and racism – we need to stay open to others to engender dialogue and peaceful co-existence. However, I am still distressed by this incident. It seems whenever an American flag is disgraced – for example, burned – it is an international incident. When our flag is disgraced, the event doesn’t merit reporting, even by our own media. Clearly, our flag – and by extension, our culture and national integrity – is not worth the material it is made of in the minds of many Americans.

And yet, we quite sympathetically and empathetically donned pins with American flags last fall in the wake of Sept. 11’s events, and flew American flags at all our public buildings. We expressed our solidarity with our neighbours to the south by displaying their flag – but for what? Clearly, there is no reciprocal feeling of support, or even more disturbing, recognition as a sovereign nation. Go ahead and fly our flag, and we’ll give you lukewarm acknowledgement – but really, the support doesn’t mean a thing because we are the centre of the universe.

Consider this flag-trampling incident as a wake-up call – let’s not tie our fortunes or CULTURE too closely to our bullying, swaggering neighbour to the south. It’s humility and a sense of fair play in the global village that distinguishes us – and is precisely the reason why we feel led to share in our neighbour’s misfortune.

Like Joe, on those controversial, but oh-so-right-on commercials: I am Canadian. ♣



**LETTERS**

**Give 'em an inch, & they'll go a mile...**

Give a politician \$100 in taxes and he'll spend \$150. A fine example of this fiscal mismanagement is Reeve Cathcart and Council of Cavan-Millbrook-North Monaghan Township.

According to *The Peterborough Examiner* (Jan. 19), township revenues have increased by 35 to 40% as a result of income from the slot operation at Kawartha Downs. Council, naturally, plans to spend every last penny. Despite this windfall, municipal taxes have increased dramatically and more hikes are planned. Say, should I mention that Cathcart's re-election brochure promised, "(Vote for me) and have your municipal taxes reduced by 25%"?

Hoping to deflect criticism, Council blamed the tax jump on provincial property re-assessment. Poppycock. Yes, property values did increase; however, Council merely had to lower the mill rate to offset this revaluation. They purposely failed to do so. In greed, they chose to collect

more tax and lamely point the finger at the province.

Now Council plans to sock residents in the Millbrook ward with a whopping 50% increase in water and sewer charges, to be phased in over three years. My heart goes out to those on fixed incomes, but Deputy-Reeve Brian Fallis is unsympathetic. The *Examiner* quotes him joking about, "the difficulty (of) deciding where to spend all the money."

Why, pray tell, couldn't some of the slot revenue be used to lessen these barbarous tax grabs? It would seem that Council, being flush with our money, is simply delighted to give hundreds of thousands away to various "worthy causes" (read: buy friends and political favours). They also need the extra money to support their obscene pay raises of 35-50%, and the \$80,000 salary of the new Chief Administrative Officer Bill Stockwell (who, coincidentally, happens to be the father of MPP Chris Stockwell).

Other Peterborough County ratepayers should heave a sigh of relief that Ron Millen defeated Neal Cathcart in the recent race for County Warden. Had the results been different, it would have cost them dearly.

— Ken Greenberg  
Millbrook



OUTDOORS WITH GEORGE

**Outdoors with George**

By George Luchuk

Hey, this is the outdoors column after all – and should one let the opportunity pass, especially this year, to talk about the weather?

After all, what really defines our collective Canadian psyche more than the weather? Oh, I know, there are some other good contenders that define and shape our consciousness these days – especially in the flush of two hockey golds (it's hockey that defines us, man! HOCKEY! you say...).

I'm with you on that, believe me, but concerns about the weather were here long before the invention of ice hockey – and to my mind, at least, this focus has led to our general Canadian hardiness. Internationally we're perceived as having a quiet confidence – and we're not too proud to reveal humility and tenacity in the face of adversity.

Not too much adversity this winter though! So just what the heck is going on? We don't need to be told that climate change is happening. Is it really a man-made phenomenon, as proposed by our government? Excessive greenhouse gases, especially those gases pro-

duced by human activity, are a generally accepted cause leading to this effect. Not everyone agrees, though; as compelling as the argument is, one cannot but also reflect on the fact that large weather changes have always been part of the natural history of planet Earth. This doesn't lessen the concern though – for whatever the cause, we sure are noticing the effect.

If for some remote reason you need more evidence that something is happening, just pick up the 2002 Farmers' Almanac. They've been prognosticating the weather since 1792. Yes, that's right, 210 years of publication. How accurate have they been over all these years?

Well, I don't have the stats, but generally they are easily 50% right, and occasionally, incredibly accurate to the point that one must ask, how do they do it? I suspect that much of their data is based on past years' weather records and, of course, a little bit of calculated guessing.

So what's happened to this year's issue? Well, if you turn to page 146, you'll soon discover that the almanac is a big 100% wrong. They predicted that January in southern Ontario would be one of the coldest in recent memory. Of course, we all know it was exceptionally mild. How mild? The warmest January in recorded history. How do we respond to this change? A good friend of mine that used to say (annoyingly!) almost every day, "The main thing is, not to worry...the main thing is, not to worry..." – over and over again.

OK, OK, I'll stop! But then, should we really worry? Naw – after all, we ARE Canadian! ♣

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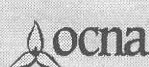
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THE RISIBLE MOMENT

# A winter to forget

By Lorna Miller

The following article was written last spring after our first winter in the country. It was one of the worst winters for snowfall on record. I was definitely not ready to cope with it and was glad when it started to warm up. Here's a look back at that winter we all want to forget.

Finally! At last! Thank heavens! It is spring!

"What the heck have you been doing to yourself?" asks the chiropractor as he hooks me up to ropes and tackles to straighten out my spine.

"Oh, nothing," I reply, "just enjoying the wonderful winter weather!"

Hah! I nearly killed myself this winter. It isn't fair to throw an uncoordinated klutz into four feet of snow in ski country and expect her to survive unscathed. The snow was piled so high from door to driveway that I felt like a burrowing animal that should have hibernated for the winter.

It has been a winter of many falling-downs and getting-ups while taking walks among the beauties of nature with the dogs. On one foray I was watching a red-tailed hawk circling above my head as we climbed up a snowmobile trail into the bush. I was absorbed in his flight as he majestically circled higher, wings extended -- aerodynamic perfection against the sky, when, whumph! Head first into the snow! I had tripped over Lassie, who had stopped to sniff some rabbit tracks.

Let's not forget the time I had to slide down into a 40-foot gully to help the dogs, who were floundering around in four feet of snow at the bottom. The Mighty Hunters had treed a raccoon, so I slipped, slid and fell down to the bottom to help them out. I apologized to the raccoon, who seemed to be quite amused by the whole experience, and then had to perform a kind of upward swimming crawl to the top, stopping to help floundering canines when necessary. The dogs and the raccoon enjoyed the whole thing immensely. I, on the other hand, was cold, wet, and my boots, mitts and pockets were full of snow. Not fun!

The pinnacle of my idiocy came one night when I took the Mighty Hunters out for one last pee before bed. We went across the road to a small field used locally for storing treasures (junk). Once again, I was enraptured by nature's beauty. The stars pulsed

of light from the vertical crevices of a blue-black sky. I lurched around in the soft, deep snow, enthralled by such celestial beauty. I was so awed by this almost religious experience that I blundered into an old, broken rusty fence. As I flailed around sinking deeper into the snow, an errant wire caught my zipper, ripped it open and my pants fell down around my knees. While I was trying to extricate myself from the fence in thigh-high snow, my sweater got hooked up in rusty wire and while flailing and falling to get free, I lost both my rubber boots. I dropped the flashlight as I bent over to recover my boots and I dropped my mitts and earmuffs. After much swearing and sweating I managed to get myself free and stagger home with the dogs laughing at me behind my back.

"What happened to you?" hubby asked when I staggered into the house holding up my pants, my clothes ripped, one boot almost off and a livid scratch across my cheek.

"Nothing," I replied, "just watching the stars."

Goodbye, winter. You shall not be missed. ♣



COSMIC COMICS

# Nose to grindstone: Sagittarians

By Crystal Eyes

Here's a little astrological experiment for you. Look around a public place to spot someone who looks stressed -- who is also trying to convince him or herself that everything is okay.

He or she might be bravely announcing something like: "Well, things can only get better," then burst into tears, cry uncontrollably a few minutes, and then break out laughing. Or they might be talking to another, saying, "Well, he said he wouldn't do it again, so you know, I trust him. I do. I really do. I'm pretty sure he won't do it again. I need a cigarette -- do you have a cigarette? What am I going to do? No, what am I saying? I trust him. Really, I do."

When you have your subject, approach them and ask if they are born under the sign of Sagittarius. (Nov. 23-Dec.22) Don't look surprised when they say yes.

I have a lot of sympathy for Sagittarians. Currently they are experiencing a

cycle known to astrologers as the Saturn cycle, one ushering in seriousness and heavy responsibilities.

Sagittarians are optimists, tending to be very enthusiastic, believing in what is possible. They are philosophical and idealistic -- better leaders than managers.

The Saturn cycle, unfortunately, requires people to be managers and not leaders. Instead of dreaming the big dream and living in the world of possibilities, Sagittarians are being forced into the day-to-day drudgery necessary to make the dream a reality.

This year Sagittarians have done leg-work and research; none of it glamorous, most of it boring. They've been forced to limit free time in favour of a bigger, more important goal. They are facing the very difficult task of seeing their lives for what they really are. And more importantly, they are taking concrete action to improve the quality of their lives over time.

If you are a Sag, you might be wondering how much time. If your life has been very serious for six months already, then you should be through the worst of it by the end of the summer. Alternatively, if you are yet to experience this cycle, you are likely born in mid-December or later -- and your cycle doesn't start until September.

The harder you work, the better it will be. ♣



HEALTH & WELL-BEING

# Resolutions Part II: Keeping the pace

By Kimberley Keijzers, Certified Personal Trainer

As promised, this month I will discuss adding in fitness to a meal plan.

On the second line of my calendar, I plan to add the month's cardiovascular activities. Both children are in school on Mondays and Wednesdays, so I take advantage of this time alone to go on a walk.

Although I enjoy having company, my small children's little legs have a hard time keeping up.

I love walking. It is the one (and only) physical activity that I actually miss if I don't do it at least once a week. I schedule the big calorie-burning, sweating-under-my-coat kind of walks for when I'm on my own.

My son is at home with me on the other weekdays, so I schedule activities I can do at home, while he plays in the next room. I've tried many different activities and discovered that I really enjoy only a select few. So I plan to plug in a step aer-

obics video on Tuesdays, kickboxing video on Thursdays, and low-impact aerobics video on Fridays. I've learned that I get bored easily, so variety is the key to my program. Saturdays and Sundays are family days -- they are "free" days where I may invite my family to hike through the woods, go skating or tobogganing. Although I don't write it on my calendar, I do keep in mind the goal of "fun" on the weekends.

I'm eating healthy and moving daily. So far, so good. Now I plan to add strength training to my program. There's just something about lifting weights that boosts my strength in all areas of my life. I feel stronger as a woman, as a mother, as a wife. Again, experience has taught me that to stay on a program, I cannot get too carried away. It must fit into my life and become part of it without taking over.

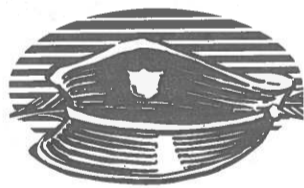
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I have devised an all-body workout that can be completed within 30 minutes at home when the children are away. I play my favourite music really loud. Then I warm-up with stair climbing, stretches, and move into my program. I've picked the following exercises because I like them, I have the equipment, and I can see results. I vary between two to three sets, 10 to 20 repetitions, depending on the exercise. My weights range from three pounds up to 50 pounds. For my legs: squats; chest: bench press; back: seated row; shoulders: front and side raises; triceps: triceps extension; biceps: curl; abdominals: crunches.

I like to increase the resistance every two weeks to keep my muscles challenged and vary the program every few months. If I do happen to miss one day, it's very easy to make it up another time in the week.

Let's recap -- my diet has been planned for the month with plenty of fruits, vegetables, and grains. My fitness has been planned to include only activities I really enjoy at convenient times with a lot of variety. My strength program is devised with time and space considerations.

Next month, to make it a well-rounded program, I plan to add in stress management and career planning. ♣



DEEP BLUE INK

# Two for eleven

By Dean Vincent

After the atypically warm weather of the last September hell, any desire to write fell away like the grit and detritus of a pulverized cement wall. Especially if the subject fobbed around had anything to do with the human world, which we all love and hate beyond any means of explanation. I fantasize now and then that my journalistic and/or artistic intention, and my motivation for writing this column at all (plus a recognition of the fact that the task itself is a process of self-assessment and uncomfortable personal exposure) has meaning to anyone but the Deep Blue Inkster. That is to say, does this column mean anything in a Gazette Reader's world?

Does any column? For what's the point of exposing oneself if nobody cares, or if the process itself is systemically futile beyond one's control? This is not an uncommon phobia in the community of all the humanities, and it multiplied after September last.

So, with that leaked, I must say that I suffer a recurring dread that after the contemporary terror war has ended (which perhaps should not concern me at all, for it will never truly "end", but that is another column I hope will be read) the news media will have absolutely no significance at all.

The news media has never totally recovered from the events of the twentieth century. World War One and Two, the holocaust, Cambodia, Rwanda, East Timor, etc. What horrors could be included in that final, indolent "etc."?

It is vexing that after any temporary respite in the terror war, the news media will once again predicate itself on stories of individual human tragedy (mother drowning five chil-

dren) or scandal (US politicians). Throw in the occasional train or building collapse and that is pretty much it. Forget sports, they are what they are, a distraction from your aching back and bulging girth. This is not to say that I don't find human tragedy or even sports interesting reading and/or viewing -- but for all intents and purposes their ends are the same, an endless useless drama, a virtual zoo of miser, pain and absurdity for our titillation.

After the greatest story of my life time (and by great I mean it has repercussions for the global social strata -- religion, life, death, nationalism, all the juicy themes), we, in this country at least, will have to once again be satisfied with the stock Stockwell Day articles, the partisan political columnists, the hockey, the big business.

For a time, the holocaust and its eternal aftermath precluded any rendering of "it" in the usual artistic forms. One side of the dialectic thinks it vulgar for artists of any kind to

approach the unapproachable. Any art that conceived the holocaust would, consequently by the very definition of art, elevate the event itself to the status of that "art". To elevate an event through artistic form is to perpetuate the event, and even, possibly, consecrate it. The crucifixion, for example, that perpetual symbol, is no less than a depiction of torture and death, but has come to signify the act of willing sacrifice for the sake of others. The twisted man on the cross has become something good. The holocaust will never be analogous to the crucifixion for even with the inclusion of death and torture there was no willingness to die or sacrifice oneself for others. Here even I have evoked the name holocaust for use in an artistic critique. I have made the event holistic and abstract, somehow unreal. I have devolved the individual murder victim to an organic whole. Have I trivialized the event by my actions? Have we trivialized September 11, 2001? Do we have any choice? ♣

## Economic Development Part 2: Agricultural Life

# Municipal social plan calls for townships to "take ownership"

By Melodie McCullough  
Committee members who have spent the last year developing a municipal social plan now hope community organizations and municipal governments in Peterborough County and the city will step forward to carry on and "take ownership" of the challenges identified.

"We've come up with a first phase draft which has identified 'gap areas' related to social services in the county and city," said John MacDonald, chairman of

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the municipal social plan steering committee.

"We're now proposing a Phase 2 second year of the program to allow communi-ty organizations, as well as

municipal governments, to take ownership of some of the challenges that have been identified and move the program forward into a planning and action stage," he said.

About two years ago, in response to provincial downloading of a number of social services, the Social Policy Initiatives Committee for the county and city recommended the project to help municipalities determine social priorities in their communities. Town hall meetings were held throughout the county last summer, including in Millbrook, as part of the process.

"A number of municipalities in Ontario and across Canada have developed these social plans and have found them to be valuable in focusing resources and efforts to meet the needs of the citizens and their municipalities," said Mr. MacDonald.

Topics considered in the plan are access to health care; access to arts, culture, and recreation; accessibility for disabled; child care and child development; community involvement; economic/income security; environment; food security; housing; human rights; safe communities.

At the town hall meeting in Millbrook, the active cultural scene of the township was seen as one of its strongest assets. But concerns were expressed about gaps in services in the areas of health, transportation, accessibility for the disabled,

and housing. Detailed information for each community is available on the Internet at [www.peterborough.unit-edway.ca](http://www.peterborough.unit-edway.ca).

Mr. MacDonald said he hopes funding will be provided for the second phase to hire a facilitator to work with township officials to examine each area of concern and meet the needs of citizens. For the first phase, funding came from the United Way and the city

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and county, with the majority coming from Human Resources Development Canada.

He said the steering committee realizes the development of a municipal social plan is an ongoing process because social service needs are constantly shifting, depending on provincial policies.

"This should not become a stagnant report, but more a working document for those responsible for these areas. This is a work-in-progress in many ways." ♣

# CMNM offers "quality of life" all its own

By Melodie McCullough  
Barb and Bryan Purdie bought a house on the Bland Line in Cavan Ward near Mt. Pleasant simply "to get into the housing market", with no idea of actually staying on the property for any length of time.

Nine years later with two children on board, that "house" is now "home".

"Originally when we moved out here we didn't think we would stay, but we did and have no intention of leaving," said Barb in a recent interview.

"People seem to be really friendly here, and there's more of a sense of community."

The Purdie family is not alone in their view that the grass is greener in Cavan-Millbrook-North Monaghan Township (CMNM). The population is growing, and it is estimated by the year 2020 it will have increased by 40% to over 11,000. People who have grown up in the area are choosing to stay while others are joining the community because the attractions of rural and small-town life outweigh the drawbacks.

The Purdies, for example, both grew up in large cities, Bryan in Montreal and Barb in Toronto. Barb moved to Peterborough in 1981 and Bryan came to the city when they married 11 years ago. After living in a Peterborough apartment, the cheaper real estate prices drew them to the township. Barb has a 15-minute drive to her physiotherapist job at Five Counties' Children's Centre in Peterborough, and Bryan commutes to his job in sales at Chem-Ecol in Cobourg. The children,

*"The roads are so atrocious. Sometimes we think 'what are we doing living here?' But then spring comes, and we wouldn't live anywhere else."*

Emma, 10, and Mitchell, 8, attend North Cavan Public School, but require lots of chauffeuring to activities in Millbrook and Peterborough.

So, is it less expensive to live where they do?

There's wear and tear on the cars and gas expenses, says Barb, but taxes are quite a bit less. When you compare the township's tax rates with those in Peterborough, there is a noticeable difference. But when comparing food costs (\$114.47 for a week for a family of four in Peterborough County), there's not much difference even with Toronto (\$117.44).

According to Statistics Canada, people need less money to live in rural areas, says Margaret McCutcheon, a research and policy analyst with the Peterborough Social Planning Council.

"But I'm not sure if I can always see that," she said. "Supposedly it does cost less, but I think when you look at transportation, recreation and availability of services those costs may be underestimated."

The "Low Income Cutoff" (popularly known as the poverty line) is supposed to show the minimum amount required to live decently, and is one indicator of "cost-of-living", said McCutcheon. A

family of four living in rural Peterborough County needs a yearly income of \$23,892; it grows to \$29,653 for Oshawa, and \$34,572 for Toronto. But it only takes in the cost of food, clothing, and shelter, and nothing else, she said.

Of course, there are other things to consider when choosing a home besides living expenses. For example, an ambulance answers a call in Peterborough about 12 minutes faster than in CMNM.

Other drawbacks to rural life include environmental concerns. A proposed gravel pit expansion near the Purdie home has them concerned about ground water pollution. Noise from racecar tracks and pollution from intensive farming are also issues that have come up in the township in the past.

There's no access to cable television or natural gas in some areas. Lack of transportation, especially for seniors and those without vehicles, can be a huge issue. And a big issue for the Purdies, as for many others, is poor winter road conditions.

"The roads are so atrocious. Sometimes we think 'what are we doing living here?'," says Barb. "But then spring comes, and we wouldn't live anywhere else."

They love the morning quietness, seeing a deer in their backyard or being able to cross-country ski for kilometres through the neighbours' fields. When it comes down to it, "quality of life" is what usually matters most when people choose their homes. For Barb, it's things like the small rural school her children can attend where everyone knows everyone. Or the friendly neighbours "who bent over backwards" to help when she had a small car accident recently.

For her husband, Bryan, life in CMNM means "freedom, tranquility, privacy and fresh air" — and that's hard to beat. ♣

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# 22 great years for East Central Farm Show

By Lorna Miller

The Morrow Building in Peterborough will be the site of the 2002 East Central Farm Show when 110 exhibitors set up there March 6 and 7.

The East Central Soil and Crop Improvement Association (ECSCIA), which has sponsored the event for 22 successful years, invites Central Ontario firms which provide goods and services to the agricultural community to participate.

"The show began 22 years ago in the Fenelon Township Community Centre in Cambray, with about 50 exhibitors," says Getha Sherry, secretary-treasurer.

The Farm Show quickly became an annual social event and the demand for exhibiting space exceeded the capacity of the Cambray site. This necessitated the search for a larger venue to accommodate the growing list of exhibitors.

"There were so many exhibitors that we were squeezing them onto the stage," says Sherry. "So we moved the show to the Morrow Building in Peterborough. Today, the 110 exhibitors take upward of 140 spaces with some setting up outside the building, and there is a waiting list."

Although the show caters more to the latest in farm machinery, insurance, and financial providers, crops and seeds, there are a few breeders who exhibit their livestock in portable corrals outside the building.

"The emphasis is not on livestock," says Sherry. "But breeders do come with their own corrals and Angus and Hereford

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Cattle. Primarily, the show is for previewing the latest advances in farming methods, equipment, financial and insurance services, crop production and farming-related computer services."

This year there are five booths dedicated to the

issues of nutrient waste management and water quality maintenance sponsored by the Peterborough County Lands Stewardship Council.

"The farmers want to know the latest information on these two topics," says Sherry.

The ECSCIA gives two yearly \$500 scholarships to students living in Victoria-Haliburton, Peterborough County and the Regions of Durham and York. The students must have completed their first year at a post-secondary institution or agricultural college and be taking courses in the soil

and crop area with emphasis on environmental sustainability.

The Association recently hired a part-time regional coordinator, Neil Moore, who in his position as communications officer, sends out a newsletter to all Soil and Crop members and co-ordinates projects and events.

The show runs from 12 noon until 10 pm on March 6 and 10 am to 4 pm on March 7. Admission is still only \$2 per person. ♣

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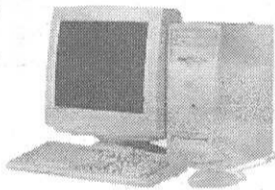
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## Farm Safety Week

The majority of farm families are in the animal husbandry business and daily come in contact with their animals

as they tend, feed, ride, and act as their midwives and physicians. Common sense dictates that one always be on guard while dealing with larger animals, but familiarity breeds carelessness. This attitude could prove fatal.

Statistics show that animal-related incidents are the number one cause, 30%, of non-machinery deaths and injuries on the Canadian farm every year.

With this in mind, "Handling Livestock Safely. Put Your Best Foot Forward" is the theme chosen for this

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year's Farm Safety Week by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture (CFA) and co-sponsors Farm Credit Canada (FCC), The Canadian Coalition for Agricultural Safety and Rural Health and Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada. The motto is "Farm Safety Means Farm Safely".

"We want people to really think about farm safety," says Bob Friesen, CFA President. "And safe

handling of livestock is an important part of safe farming."

In the "most dangerous" category are the larger animals, bulls, horses and cows, followed by calves, steers and pigs. Each year farm animals kill approximately 118 people while 1,727 are seriously injured. Women in the 16-59 age bracket are mostly injured or in fatal falls while horseback riding; men 16-59 are involved in incidents with calving cows in the spring and bulls in the fall mating season.

"We have to make it clear that safety is a choice, not an act of faith", says Friesen. "Certain acts have predictable consequences and if something is predictable it is preventable."

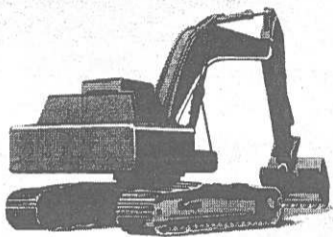
The campaign highlights tips on the safe handling of livestock that

should be incorporated daily throughout the year.

"If we can prevent one injury or fatality we will have made a difference," says John Ryart, FCC president.

The 2002 Farm Safety Week runs from March 13 to 20. But make yours the safe choice all year — watch your step, respect your animals and stay safe.

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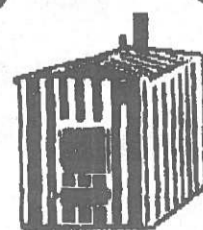
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# Nutrient and water quality experts at Farm Show

By Lorna Miller

The Stewardship Councils of Peterborough, Northumberland, and Hastings Counties, the Region of Durham, and the City of Kawartha Lakes, along with representatives of local health units from each area, will host information booths at the East Central Farm Show in the Morrow Building, Peterborough Exhibition Grounds March 6 and 7.

Duncan Armstrong, Stewardship Coordinator for the Peterborough County Stewardship Council, says the five Stewardship Councils have participated in this annual event and co-sponsored the Farm show booths for the past five years. Over the years, they have provided information and advice to farmers interested in the themes of wells and well maintenance, windmills and other alternate energy sources, and the latest in safe fuel storage units.

The theme for the 2002 show will be Nutrient and Water Quality Management. Experts from the health units and Stewardship Councils will be on-site both days to answer questions, and provide practical information on implementing methods to address these two important issues which concern farm and urban communities alike.

"These two issues go hand in hand," Armstrong says. "Experts provide information on the procedures and processes for implementing the management of nutrients and water quality."

This will also be an opportunity for farmers to learn how to access financial assistance programs from Healthy Futures, which is administered by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. There will also be an exhibit of the latest in farm equipment to help prevent pollution of fields and farmyards through leakage.

"Representatives will be there to answer any questions the farmers might have regarding obtaining financial assistance to implement any

methods, procures and/or improvements they need to make to address these issues," Armstrong says. "These measures can be as simple as fencing off a field to keep cattle from a well or water source; planting and maintaining buffers between barnyards and water courses or purchasing a new design of double-walled fuel storage tanks. There are many different areas for which financial assistance is available."

The family farm is a

way of life which has almost disappeared from the Ontario countryside. Farming has become big business. But, as Armstrong points out, there is financial aid for the family farm and big business operations alike.

"Farming has become big business, but large operations or small, farmers face the same problems, and the Stewardship Councils of each area are there to help them solve these problems in every way they can." ♣

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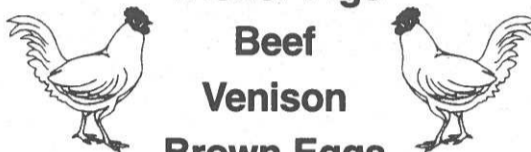
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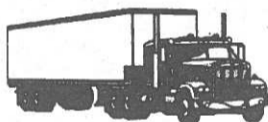
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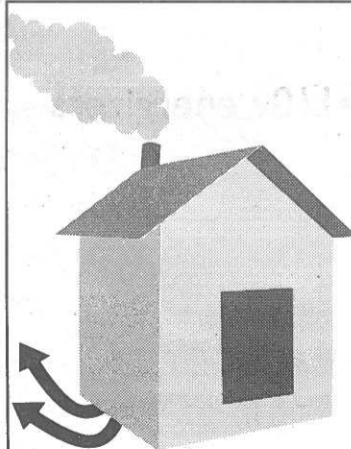
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## ARTS & CULTURE

# Bruce Johnston Library: What does North Monaghan want?

By Michele Curran

At the Feb. 4 CMNM Council Meeting, board members of the Bruce Johnston Library provided Council with information regarding expansion of the facility. Council agreed in principle with the idea, but had yet to hear from the North Monaghan Parkland Reserve Advisory Committee.

At the Feb. 18 Council Meeting, this committee also expressed agreement but had some reservations.

This committee was formed as part of an annexation agreement in 1990 between the City of

Peterborough and the township of North Monaghan. This agreement saw township lands passed over to Peterborough; the City agreed to pay the township the amount of \$25,000 per year for a period of 20 years.

After amalgamation, this agreement was passed on to the newly created Township for oversight, and the advisory committee was created to recommend to Council how the funds should be distributed for cultural and recreational purposes. The fund presently stands at \$104,276.

Council would like to use the money to fund the

library expansion, with additional space being incorporated in the expansion program for the purpose of community use.

*"I feel it should be bigger than what the library proposes for books. The library can use space for after-school programs. Under-utilization is a concern for us."*

Brian Earle, a member of the advisory committee, expressed concern about the project and said, "We support in principle what is being proposed but we need the following: final plans, cost, and a needs study as recommended by Council. Is it necessary to hire the Rethink Group of Peterborough or can staff carry this out? We also need to contact North Monaghan residents to find out their needs regarding the library."

Earle invited Council to advise the committee about other projects that may need funding. He said the committee discussed donating to the proposed Wellness Centre at Sir Sandford Fleming College, in return for area residents getting the same fee rates as Peterborough residents.

He also suggested funding a soccer field, or a scholarship for both male and female Trent and Sir Sandford students studying agriculture or the environment. He also

pointed out, of the 750 library patrons, only 20% are from the North Monaghan area and the rest are from Cavan Ward.

"Do we spend it all, or do we save it for a rainy day for other projects?" Earle asked of Council.

Reeve Neal Cathcart nixed the idea of a scholarship, "How can we support a scholarship when it is not for culture or sports?"

He also asked Earle if he had investigated the fee structure for the Wellness Centre. "You should check into it because students will pay \$40, whereas the price for Peterborough residents will be \$1200. I can't see people in the area wanting to pay these fees."

When Deputy-Reeve Brian Fallis suggested expanding the library to be large enough for community meetings, Earle countered with "What size do you pick?"

"I feel it should be bigger than what the library proposes for books. The library can use space for after-school programs. Under-utilization is a concern for us," he added.

Councillor Bob Deacon said, "The population is going to grow, and so we should get the professionals in to tell us what size to build."

Council passed motions agreeing in principle to the expansion of the Library and approving contract discussions with the Rethink Group to carry out a needs assessment regarding additional community use of the library. ♣

# Millbrook to experience a "Season of Love"

St. Andrew's United Church is offering the first in what is hoped will be an annual Winter Concert series, with two concerts coming up on March 10 and 17.

The theme for the one-hour concerts is "Season of Love". Each concert starts at 3 pm, and the cost is just \$5 per person (tickets at the door).

On March 10, Ron Caissie will entertain with his blend of contemporary and easy-listening styles, energizing a wide variety of musical traditions. The "Season of Love" theme is captured in his modern interpretation of love songs. These songs will celebrate love for the earth, for one another, and for God. Ron has performed at Grand Ole Opry, Atlantic City Boardwalk, and has toured through Europe, Canada, the US, and

Jamaica. He is currently in rehearsals for the Peterborough Theatre Guild's coming production of *The Mikado*.

Nancy Robinson and Dan Washburn take to the stage on March 17 for an eclectic mix of musical styles, ranging from folk to pop, from new country to easy listening. Nancy, a resident of Millbrook, has been writing songs for three decades, and is accompanied by Dan on acoustic guitar and harmonies. These two will sing about love from all angles! Dan was lead singer of the award-winning band "South Mountain", and has been a solo country artist, band leader for Colleen Peterson, and recently played with George Fox on a recent Christmas tour.

For more information, contact St. Andrew's United Church. ♣

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# Maplefest set for April 20-21

By Melanie Anderson

Planning and preparations are underway for this year's Maplefest — bigger and better than ever. Set for the weekend of April 20-21, this year's fest will include a midway, entertainment, and a silent auction at the Legion, and Earth Day celebrations. The usual breakfast at the Lions' Den will be served, as well as at The Village Food Emporium, Millbrook, and Doodoo's, Bailieboro.

At noon, Village Bulk Foods, Millbrook, will serve hamburgers and sausages.

Activities and entertainment at the sugar bush include, fiddlers and pony rides. Other events include a flea market at Millbrook-South Cavan Public School, and a skateboarding demo.

A free bus will be available between all venues, all-weekend. Check the April edition for more detailed information! ♣

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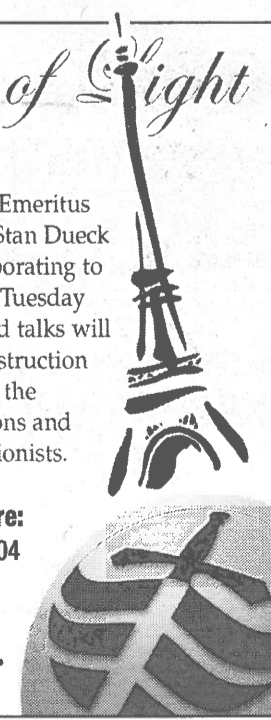
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## Kawartha Wild Turkey Club Annual Banquet

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## W.O.W. International Women's Week Dance

At Lions' Centre, Burnham St., Ptbo. Mar. 9, 9 pm - 1 am  
Sponsored by Wild Out Women, \$5-\$10 sliding scale admission. For info, call Shirley at 799-5278.

## Winter Concert Series #2

At St. Andrew's United Church, Millbrook Mar. 10, 3 pm, doors open 2:15 pm  
Tenor Ron Caissie featured, contemporary and easy listening music, wide variety of musical traditions. Celebrating love for Earth, each other, and God. Tickets \$5 at door.

## Millbrook Preschool March Break Schedule

(formerly Millbrook Playgroup) Tues. Mar. 12, regular hours, 9:30 - 11:30 am  
Wed. Mar. 13, all day drop in, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm  
Fri. Mar. 15, regular hours, 9:30 - 11:30 am, possibly extended for those who wish to stay

## Winter Concert Series #3

At St. Andrew's United Church, Millbrook Mar. 17, 3 pm, doors open 2:15 pm  
Millbrook's Nancy Robinson and Dan Washburn; folk, pop, soft rock, new country, easy listening styles. See article this issue for details.

## Give a Hoot Cafe

At the Old Millbrook School Sat. Mar. 16, 8 pm  
Dennis O' Toole, Jeff Brackett, mystery guest. \$10 at door; family rate, half price for open stage performers.

## Singles Dance

At Keystone Links Sat. Mar. 16, Sat. Apr. 6, 9 pm - 1 am  
Music by DJ; call 932-2740.

## St. Patrick's Day Luncheon

At Hutchison House Museum, Ptbo. Sun. Mar. 17, 12-1 pm, 1:30 - 2:30 pm sittings  
Traditional Irish meal: corned beef, baked potatoes, coleslaw, Irish soda bread, sweet apple buckle. Tickets limited, \$10, must be purchased in advance at museum office.

## Mt. Pleasant Women's Institute Meeting

At Mt. Pleasant Hall Mon. Mar. 18, 2 pm  
Speaker Shirley Johnson, Hospice Peterborough.

## Standard First Aid Course

At the Old Millbrook School Family Centre March 18, 20, 25, and 27, 6 - 9:30 pm  
Cost \$75.00 per person. Please call Kirsten Armbrust at 932-3613 to register.

## Palm Sunday Jazz Liturgy

At St. Andrew's United Church Sun. March 24th, 7 pm  
Rev. Joseph Ramsay leads jazz ensemble as part of worship in a 21st century style. See article this issue for details. No admission, free-will offering.

## Millbrook Preschool Easter Party

(formerly Millbrook Playgroup) Tues. Mar. 26 9:30 - 11:30 am  
Enjoy a morning of Easter treats and crafts, plus toys and circle time. Call 932-7088 for more info.

## Good Friday Walkathon with the Cross

From Millbrook to Bailieboro Fri. Mar. 29, 1:30 pm  
Sponsored by Millbrook and District Ministerial Association; walk 11 km, start at Millbrook Christian Assembly to Christ (Anglican) Church, Bailieboro. For details, see article this issue.

## Community Easter Sunrise Service

At the Millpond, Millbrook Sun. Mar. 31, 7 am

Brief, ecumenical service, sponsored by Millbrook and District Ministerial Association. Breakfast of hot cross buns, coffee, tea, juice.

## Skate with Easter Bunny

At the Millbrook Arena Sun. Mar. 31, 1 - 3 pm  
Free skating with the Easter Bunny, everyone welcome; goodies for kids! For info, call 932-2911.

## Euchre Party

At Mt. Pleasant Hall Mon. Apr. 1, 8 pm  
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Belts, hoses, and other rubber parts may be frayed or worn. It's a good idea to have these checked - and maybe even replace belts as a preventative measure (keep the old ones in the trunk - just in case!) - it's cheap peace of mind. While you're at it, check your windshield wipers - make sure they are up to the job for the next few months.

Your radiator should also be checked for leaks, coolant levels and quality, and possibly flushed to ensure a clean bill of health for meeting the demands of driving on those hot summer days.

It's time to take off the winter tires - that is, if you ever put them on during such a mild winter! Even if you aren't changing tires, now's a good time to have your tires checked for uneven wear, and to have them rotated and balanced. This will improve fuel consumption, and give you a smoother ride.

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**Euchre Party**  
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An invitation to observe and celebrate Holy Week at United Churches and ecumenically

This year, Christians celebrate Holy Week beginning on Palm Sunday, March 24, and will participate in services and special gatherings leading up to Easter Sunday, March 31.

Locally, churches and congregations of all denominations welcome you to join in their services held through this most important week in the church calendar. We suggest you call the church of your choice soon - to hear what's planned.

On Palm Sunday, March 24th, in the evening at 7:00pm St. Andrew's United Church, Millbrook, is pleased to invite the community to a Jazz Liturgy. Rev. Joseph Ramsay will bring a jazz ensemble to present worship in a 21st century style. This jazz ensemble played at The General Council of The United Church when it met in Toronto in 2000. A free-will offering will be received to defer the travel expenses of the musicians.

Though forces of evil did their best to extinguish the light of love that shone in Jesus' life and per-



## Holy Week and Easter in Millbrook and Cavan

son, Good Friday was not the final word. Christians are encouraged to look back at these events with a faith that celebrates the victory of life over death, light over darkness, good over evil on Easter Day.

This year once again, The Millbrook and District Ministerial Association is sponsoring a Good Friday Walk at 1:30pm on March 29th.

Beginning at The Millbrook Christian Assembly on King St. West, walkers will proceed through the village of Millbrook, and will walk the 11 km to complete the walk at Christ Church, Anglican in Bailieboro. As in past years, the walkers will carry a large wooden cross as a reminder of the importance of Good Friday and its meaning in our faith. This year the walk will be slightly different in that participants will be seeking sponsors, with proceeds being divided equally between the Millbrook & District Food Share and

The Canadian Food Grains Bank.

This "Good Friday Walk To Combat Hunger" picks up on the theme of fasting or "self denial" that is traditional for Christians in the Lent/Holy Week season.

Easter Day will see the Christians of Millbrook gathered for a traditional Sunrise Service at the Millpond at 7:00 am. Following this brief service a breakfast of hot cross buns, coffee, tea, and juice will be enjoyed by all.

## Easter Bunny's trail leads to Arena

The bunny trail is leading straight to the Millbrook Arena on Easter Sunday. Even though the Easter Bunny will be mighty tired after his busy night, he can't pass up an opportunity to visit with all his Millbrook and area friends.

"We sent him an invitation and he said he would hop, skip, and jump to the Millbrook Arena to skate with anyone who comes," says Brian Millett of the Municipal Recreation Department.

The annual free skate with the Easter Bunny has been an event for several years, and 100 to 150 people are expected to don their skates and take a turn on the ice with the floppy-eared Easter symbol March 31 from 1 to 3 pm. There will be goodie bags for the kids, and a great photo opportunity for parents! For more information, call the Arena at 932-2911.

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- 11:00 a.m. .... Trinity Church, The Marsh
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