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Brief items from around the Valley

Fake \$5 bills circulating here

A series of phony \$5 bills with the identical serial number, GPA6492304, started circulating in the Huntingdon-area last week, according to the Haut-St-Laurent Sûreté du Québec.

Three fake fives were passed at Arthur Pigeon High School, one was exchanged at Leblanc Patates, while another one appeared at Dépanneur Renaud in Athelstan.

Aside from the repeated serial number, the paper is thin and lacks texture, explained a police spokesman.

Vandalism

Two parking signs for the Huntingdon mayor and secretary-treasurer were ripped down in the municipal parking lot behind the Huntingdon Town Hall overnight March 28-29, while a lighter was used to blacken an outdoor electrical outlet and graffiti was marked over the walls. Damages amounted to \$200.

Break-ins

A 1999 EXP-40 Polaris all-terrain-vehicle was stolen from a resident of Rivière LaGuerre in St-Anicet. The break-in and theft occurred sometime between March 25 and 31.

(VF)

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Plant opened during election campaign goes belly-up; owner gone without trace

(Gleaner staff)

Beauharnois' Thermex plant, opened with great fanfare during the height of last fall's provincial election campaign, has shut down without notice and its owners have disappeared seemingly without a trace, except for a spillage of used oil which found its way into Lake St-Louis.

The plant was supposed to recycle one million old tires each year, using a special process which took seven years to develop. Products derived from the tires included oil, carbon black, and steel wire.

At the time of the opening, Quebec

treasury Board chairman Jacques Léonard publicly stated that the process was safe and had a great future, Beauharnois mayor Michel Quevillon recalled last week.

"We were had," he said.

All looked rosy last November 23 when the grand opening saw 15 employees set to work. A contract with tire-dump owner René Gagnier of Franklin's Dumas Range was to ensure a supply of tires, which would be brought in free of charge by Recyc-Québec, the provincial agency in charge of used tires.

Dump closed down

But the Gagné tire dump was closed down last July by a Quebec Superior Court decision preventing any tires from moving into, or out of, the dump.

Thermex head Jean-François Bélanger had a March 8 appointment with Gagnier in order to renew the contract, but Gagnier said Bélanger never showed up.

As of mid-March, only about 40,000 tires had been processed by Thermex, and

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Origins of curling



Curling with old-fashioned wooden blocks requires just as much concentration, sweeping and steady delivery "with less weight" as with the modern-day granites, as evidenced by Riverfield Curling Club president Scott Templeton (centre) and teammates Marina Templeton (right) and Brian Stacey (left). They were one of 40 teams which curled in the club's annual Wooden Block Bonspiel March 24-27.

(Photo: VF)

English-language groups get more federal funding

The Quebec Community Groups Network last week welcomed the news from Canadian Heritage minister Sheila Copps, of more money for Canada's linguistic-minority communities. An additional \$70 million in the recent federal budget for Official Languages Support Programs will help the continued development of minority language communities across the country, said a QCGN spokesman.

The 15 members of the QCGN, representing English-speaking community organizations across Quebec, were also pleased by funding (within the total

envelope) for improved service delivery (\$4 million), and inter-departmental initiatives (\$6 million) which will assist other federal departments to fulfill program commitments towards linguistic minorities. These contributions are for longterm development, especially in education, health and social services and economic opportunity.

Lastly, there will be additional direct funding for community groups, which make up the backbone of the communities' development efforts and, without

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Billing system for watercourse work needs revamping

Judith Taylor
THE GLEANER

A two-month moratorium halting new watercourse maintenance projects in Hemmingford Township has drawn to a close, without changes to a billing system which non-farming residents think is unjust.

A committee set up in February to study the problem has spent hours walking ditches, studying engineers' reports and the Municipal Code, and has consulted the UPA farmers' union and lawyers, trying to find a new approach to a cost-allocation system which even the Township Council agrees is "fundamentally unfair".

Ever since responsibility for watercourse maintenance reverted from the Agriculture ministry to the MRCs several years ago, people living in the "basin" drained by a branch of a given watercourse have been assessed to help pay for drainage work, whether or not they actually have frontage on the ditch or river, and whether or not they are farmers.

Farmers are eligible for government grants reimbursing them for part of these costs, while other residents get no such aid.

Lawsuits threatened

Farmers' crops and businesses can depend on good drainage, so they have continued to press for a series of projects on various branches of the Norton Watercourse, even to the extent of threatening the MRC Jardins-de-Napierville with lawsuits should the work not be done and damages result.

In Hemmingford Township, the 1999 municipal budget includes some \$200,000 in watercourse work, all to be paid through a special tax billing the

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This and That in Town

EASTER IS OVER — and we are moving into the full swing of spring activities, on the land and indoors as well.

IN ORMSTOWN AND FRANKLIN — the annual door-to-door campaign by the local Red Cross group began Monday Apr. 5 and will continue until month's end, Nancy Westerman reported late last week.

LAST YEAR — the campaign raised \$6,750 in the two communities, and this year's goal will be \$7,000 even. Statistics relating to the ice storm of 1998 have been released by the red Cross: in Franklin, 24 beds and 26 emergency kits were supplied, while in Ormstown, the numbers were 40 beds and 125 kits. As well, emergency funding allocated during home visits totalled \$3,215 (47 visits) in Franklin and \$11,785 (176 visits) in Ormstown. These figures bring home the real value of Red Cross emergency services in times of crisis, so be generous when a canvasser calls.

MARCH MADNESS — this year has become "April Foolishness" as the Young People of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Huntingdon present their annual show at the Church Hall on Friday and Saturday, Apr. 9 and 10, at 7:30. This will be the 19th annual variety show, as the millennium draws to a close, says Yvette Harper, one of the guiding spirits behind the production.

A LETTER — from Reg L. Keatley of Calgary arrived recently, in search of a clear picture of the late Dr. J. C. Shanks, a member of his family who practised in Howick for some 50 years until his death in 1942. Mr. Keatley encloses an obituary on Dr. Shanks which appeared in The Gleaner of the day. The picture in the newspaper was not clear, he says (unfortunately, some things never change) and he is looking for a clearer likeness of the good doctor, who was his great-uncle. If you can help him, out, you may contact him at 1222 Bowness Rd. N.W., Calgary AB, T2N 3J7.

ON SATURDAY — Apr. 24, the local Masons will sponsor a Spaghetti Supper at the Masonic Lodge, 3 Lorne Ave. in Huntingdon. Hours will be 4:30 to 8 p.m.

THE ANNUAL MEETING — of the Comité Régional des Retraités et Pré-Retraités (Retired People's group) will be held Wednesday Apr. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Huntingdon CLSC, 220 Chateauguay St. All are welcome to attend. The group's president is



Academy winners

Winners of the Legion's Remembrance Day Essay and Poetry Contest at Huntingdon Academy were announced recently. Shown with Huntingdon Legion representatives Jackie Campbell and Albert Lemay (at rear) are students Megan Palmer, Jordan McDowell, Scott Pringle, Vanessa Vallée and Kaylie Feeny.

(Photo: courtesy Huntingdon Academy)

Fernand Daoust.

A NEW PHONE LINE — offers access for job-seekers in the Huntingdon-Valleyfield sector. Jobs available through Emploi-Québec will be listed by category (office work, non-specialized and semi-specialized jobs as well as management positions, and jobs in the service sector. As well as calling (450) 370-3351 (the line is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week), people call also check the Emploi-Québec website at <http://emploi.mes.gouv.qc.ca>.

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THIS WEEK — will see public hearings on water use conducted in St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, the only venue in the Montérégie. This despite a special request from the Haut-St-Laurent's ZIP Committee to have a session in Valleyfield, given that this region, including Lake St-François, the Chateauguay River and the Franklin underground water table are issues of special importance.

THE ST-LAWRENCE SEAWAY — re-opened for the season last week, as motorists waiting for the Larocque Bridge are already well aware. To mark the 40th anniversary of the Seaway, a special ceremony was held in St-Lambert prior to the March 31 opening. The Seaway was completed in 1959.

THE ANNUAL BARN MEETING — of the Howick-Huntingdon Ayrshire Club will be held Saturday Apr. 10 from 12:30 to 4 p.m. at Oakburn Farm (Kenny and Grant Roy) near Howick. All are welcome.

EACH SPRING — the Aubrey-Riverfield branch of the Women's Institute organizes a cloth and clothing drive, collecting material for recycling. Residents of the Howick-Riverfield sector are asked to put clean materials in garbage bags and drop them off at 46 Colville St. in Howick. For more information please call 825-2067. (JF)

IN ORMSTOWN — the local branch of the Royal Canadian Legion will hold a Roast Beef Dinner this Saturday Apr. 10 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.. Tickets are limited and may be reserved by calling 829-3669.

GIRL GUIDE GROUPS — in Ormstown will hold their annual Tea, Bake Sale and Fish Pond on Saturday Apr. 17 from 2-4 p.m. at Ormstown's MacDougall Hall.

THE NEXT MEETING — of the Valleyfield chapter of the La Leche League will be held tomorrow, Thursday Apr. 8 at 7:15 p.m. at the Valleyfield CLSC on Maden St. For more information call 429-4450.

A SELF-DEFENSE COURSE — for teen-aged girls aged 14 and over will be held in Huntingdon next weekend, sponsored by the Valleyfield women's shelter La Vigie. Places are limited: to register or to get more information call 371-4222. The course is free.

INCLUDED — on the list of nominees for provincial awards from the Fédération des Agricolteurs du Québec (table champêtre division) is the Domaine de la Templerie, located on the New Eric Rd, in Godmanchester and operated by Chantale Legault and Roland Guillon. Winners will be announced at the end of April at the group's annual meeting at Mont-Tremblant.

(JF)

Ecumenical march



Members of several congregations in Huntingdon and neighboring communities joined for the traditional Good Friday march through the streets of town on April 2. A total of 75 people joined in the walk, which visited Huntingdon's United, Presbyterian, and Anglican church before ending up at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. This was the 10th anniversary of the event, said Fr. Gabriel Clément of St. Joseph's Church.

(Photo: HT)

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which, many of the projects financed under other programs would not be brought to fruition.

In particular, all QCGN members serve English-speaking minority communities across the "Mainland of Quebec," many threatened by dispersed populations and diminishing infrastructure support.

The QCGN is a network of organizations representing the English-speaking communities of Quebec, funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage and receiving sustaining funding under the Official Languages Support Program.

Member organizations are: Alliance Quebec; Chateauguay Valley English-Speaking People's Association (CVESPA); Coasters Association; Committee for Anglophone Social Action; Council for Anglophone Magdalen Islanders; English-Speaking Catholic Council; Outaouais Alliance; Quebec Association for Adult Learning; Quebec Community Newspapers Association; Quebec Drama Federation; Quebec Farmers' Association; Quebec Federation of Home & School Associations; Quebec Young Farmers; Townshippers' Association; and Voice of English Quebec.

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People

Young and old can try their skill at Riverfield's wooden-block 'spiel

Valerie Furcall
THE GLEANER

Once a year Riverfield Curling Club gets out its one-of-a-kind wooden-block curling "stones" for a good time bonspiel. Over the past 24 years, up to 56 teams at a time have joined in the nostalgic event.

In 1975, to mark the club's 150th anniversary, the late Roy Angell took on the task of turning out a set of 32 blocks, to give modern curlers a feel of what their pre-1900 ancestors would have used on local ponds and rivers.

Intended as a one-time only attraction (no one thought the blocks would last for reuse) the Wooden Block Bonspiel became Riverfield's season-ender highlight.

The club has a single original wooden block stored in its basement archives room, while member Donald Templeton has an antique wooden-handled model, says Morris Craig, a bonspiel organizer.

Over the first dozen years of use, the bottoms of the reproduction 15-lb. beech blocks wore so flat that they lost their "glide-ability," prompting the late Ken Allen to attach Teflon sliders. Meanwhile, the late Wallace Craig and son Morris had filled in cracks and tightened the metal rings. (For 10 years, the blocks were stored off-season in a



Tom Boyle (left) of Brenda Steele's team, watching a block delivered by a member of the Lloyd Allen (right) team.

(Photo: VF)

tern of water, after a stay in the club's back shed wrought havoc with them.)

Club president Scott Templeton said the main difference between the old wooden blocks and the current granites is the weight: the granites weigh 42 lbs..

"The wooden blocks don't run as true, but that makes playing with them more fun, and that's what's it's all about," Templeton added. "And, the blocks don't allow for 'fancy angle shots,'" Craig said, adding that most of the curlers he knows can't make them anyway, but they can always blame that on the wooden blocks. "When they use the granites, they blame (their missed shots) on the ice. Either way, they're covered," he said jokingly.

The light-weight blocks and the low entrance fee (\$6 a person) means children can play with their parents, seniors and novice curlers can easily participate. The club's eldest curler, Lloyd Allen, who has curled for around 60 years, again skipped a team in this year's Wooden. He grew up curling with 60-lb. "irons," which were used up until around the 1950s.

This year's Wooden Block winners were: skip Gilles Foley, Joyce Craig and their sons Adam and Martin; they beat Phil Wood's team from Huntingdon. Div. B winners were Ashley Craig's team; they defeated a team skipped by Ross Craig.

Next year is the club's 175th anniversary,

and big plans are in the works, Morris Craig said.

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property-owners involved for amounts ranging up to several thousand dollars.

Pressure from non-farming residents in February led to the formation of a six-member committee (two municipal councillors, two farmers, and two non-farming residents) to look into the process. At the same time, a request for a two-month moratorium on new projects on Branches 4 and 4a of the Norton Watercourse was forwarded to the MRC Jardins-de-Napierville, where it was given tacit approval.

At the March meeting of the Township Council, however, two farmers who had previously requested drainage work wrote to say they would sue the municipality and the MRC if the work is not done and if they experience damage to their crops or tile-drainage systems as a result.

"Rent to farmers"

When this last letter was forwarded to the MRC, also in March, the member mayors rejected the idea of delaying the work, in order to avoid any lawsuits from the farmers.

MRC prefect Michel Lavoie told the Hemmingford contingent at the meeting that the Municipal Code governing such drainage work was designed to promote agriculture, and if other people move into the green zone, they should be prepared to cover the cost of drainage work. Those ineligible for subsidies could always rent their arable land to farmers who can apply for subsidies,

leaving the land-owner responsible for marginal land, pasture, bush, bedrock and swamps, he said.

With Township mayor Donald Hadley absent until April 2, and the next regular Township Council meeting slated for April 12, committee members are afraid that the Norton projects and the billing system may continue as before.

Township secretary-treasurer Margaret Hess told The Gleaner, "The situation has reverted to normal, since the delay has expired. The committee is still studying the matter and seems closer to making a proposal.

"In the meantime, the drainage projects in question still in their very early stages — the shovel won't be out there in the next few days."

Meanwhile, frustrated by what they feel is a lack of representation at the MRC level, due in part to the failure of mayor Donald Hadley to speak up on their behalf, the protesting citizens have turned for help to Quebec's Municipal Affairs ministry and to the provincial UPA farmers' union.

"We're trying to get a fair deal, we're willing to share in the work of managing local resources, but we're not getting the support we need," said one resident. "Our council has passed resolutions and then abdicated responsibility when they have had an opportunity and a duty to speak out."

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Editorial

HISTORY LIVES IN CEMETERIES

Preserving the past for the pleasure and information of future generations is a job well worth doing, and across the Valley dedicated people are doing just that.

This was brought home to us on the weekend by a leisurely drive broken by visits to several historic cemeteries in search of family information, and also the flavor of days gone by.

There is nowhere more tranquil and evocative than some of these old graveyards, where weathered tombstones bear mute witness to the lives and the losses of early families. Reading inscriptions dulled by the weathering of well over a century is challenging for the eye, and thinking oneself into the way of life of our ancestors is harder still.

In one old cemetery, for instance, we found side by side the stones for five

children in one family, all struck down in the same year, perhaps by sickness.

How can anyone today envision that family's bereavement? It was not enough that the early inhabitants endured unbelievable hardship to get here, and then to create for themselves some kind of home starting absolutely from scratch — they had to endure the ravages of diseases which today would probably be stopped in their tracks by modern medical techniques.

Under spring sunshine, a visit to an old cemetery is a lesson in living history, and the work of the people who keep these places tidy and accessible is a vital step in keeping in touch with our past. The ancestors would be pleased, we think, to see their resting places kept orderly and attractive.

(JT)

FROM GLEANER ARCHIVES . . .

120 years ago

April 10, 1879

... inquest on the body of Mike O'Brien, of Covey Hill. ... O'Brien set off Wednesday for a day's hunting, being joined on the way by John Waddel. The two roamed about all day, occasionally partaking of the contents of a flask of liquor, which they had procured at Shea's on the lines. The young men reached Waddel's again in the evening, and seemingly none the worse of liquor; here they parted and O'Brien continued his journey towards his home, which was about half a mile distant. But home he never reached, and the neighbors turning out to search for him, his frozen body was found Friday evening within eight acres of his parents' residence. It is supposed he sat down to rest, and being tired, fell asleep, the cold hand of death gradually stealing over him. Deceased was 19 years of age.

... the children of the two schools at Dundee Centre, gathered together in the lecture room of the Zion Church, to receive some prizes promised them and awarded according to the results of written and oral examinations. On

the benches allotted to them at a happy, expectant group of 95 children from these schools, taught by Miss Fraser and Miss Grant. Round about them sat about as many more of their friends, all pupils in the adjoining schools, and their parents and guardians to the number of 250 — over 400 persons altogether. ... The children had prepared a very excellent programme of songs, choruses, recitations, and dialogues, which were admirably presented, amusing the older ones. ... A valuable prize was given for the best Essay on "Education" to Flora McDonald and John Farley. ... for Composition, to Maud McMillan ... to Bella Grant for her composition on "Intemperance" ... Rebecca Millar's essay on "Kindness" to which a special prize was given, for it was well deserved. ... The prizes were distributed to the children, every child received a book, while two valuable volumes were presented to the teachers, whose earnest work during the past year was so easily perceived in the exhibition of the evening.

60 years ago

April 5, 1939

SCHOOL GRANTS WILL BE REDUCE IF CONCERTED EFFORT IS NOT PUT FORTH ... IN HUNTINGDON

Dr. Clouston's address: "As you know, we have been talking about a new school for many years. ... The Hepburn Report gives us dishonorable mention. Of all 60 High Schools in Quebec, the old Huntingdon Academy is selected as having served its day and to be only fit for demolition. ... Now this comes as a shock to those of us who have been so proud of Huntingdon Academy. ... The stone building was good when it was built. Today it not only houses more pupils, but instead of four class rooms it has seven. It was necessary to divide it up but in doing so you have ruined the light, ruined the air and ruined the quiet which is needed in a classroom. ... To ship milk to Montreal you must have at least 600 cubic feet

of air space more a cow but the law allows you to keep a school child in 150. ... In some rooms when the window is opened for ventilation, no heat comes up the hot air register. ... It is not to be forgotten either that when the original building was put up the girls wore heavy boots, woolen stockings and underwear, many petticoats (some even quilted), mysterious armour and paddings about the body, keep their hair long and even added to it with "rats" and "switches". ... The sanitary facilities are inadequate and I do not think they would please you. ... The brick building has only one basin, there are only four in the whole school and the Department calls for 16. This brick school has no fountain, only one tap and common cups for drinking. ... Everyone would like a new school if it does not cost too much. ... the whole plant could be built and equipped for \$80,000. Quebec has promised half that amount. ...

30 years ago

April 9, 1969

HUNTINGDON MOTHER FOUNDS BOUTIQUE

Huntingdon's newest business attracted over 100 customers in its first three hours of life. ... a steady stream of women and teenage patrons moved among women's wear displays to take their first look at the Smart Shoppe. ... Mrs. Irvin Laberge, flanked by helpers Dorothy McCallum and Gladys Dubeme, cuts ribbon to open her dress shop.

AH — THOSE EASTER BONNETS

Easter bonnets, like groundhogs, are sure signs of spring and tend to run to flowers and floppy brims. Last Sunday, they were caught by the camera walking to or from church. Though not overloaded with the frills and sashes of the Easter hats of tradition, they remain unmistakably Easter bonnets. ... Lorraine Lefebvre, Mrs.

Hector St-Onze and a sweet young thing who would only give her name as Phyllis, were photographed.

THIS AND THAT IN TOWN

Fire leveled the ambitions of two of Dewittville's youngest businessmen at 12:30 p.m. ... Seems 13-year-old Wesley and 10-year-old Robert thought the current maple syrup season was going to be the best in years and the swinging pair decided to get into the producing end of things. They tapped, hung buckets, gathered a sizable quantity of sap. Then another problem: where the heck could they boil? Finally they decided the change-back at the Dewittville Playground would be ideal, and they fired up the stove ... The young businessmen lost everything ... even Granny's big boiling pot. ...

(VF)



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Obituary

Ormstown's Peter Collier set example for visually-impaired

Peter Collier, a long-time resident of Ormstown, died at the Huntingdon County Hospital on March 4, 1999. He was 79.

After losing his own sight, Peter worked for many years with the visually handicapped at the Montreal Association for the Blind. He was that organization's first contact with the hundreds of blind people who called to get help, encouragement and specially-designed equipment for everyday living.

Many callers would express their fears, despair, loneliness and frustration to him. His own sudden blindness made him a sympathetic and understanding listener. One of his great satisfactions was in seeing a frightened blind person emerging from rehabilitation training with more confidence and hope.

A familiar sight to residents of Ormstown was Peter walking along village streets with his guide dog, Pilot. Both he and Pilot underwent an extensive training period near New York City, learning how to make right and left turns, getting around obstacles, dealing with traffic situations as well as gaining skills for the use of escalators, revolving doors and public transit. Many former Valley students remember the day Peter and Pilot visited their classroom. Peter was a good communicator and enjoyed speaking to various groups.

Peter, himself, became an example to those with handicaps that life could be lived to the full. He regularly visited the YMCA where he enjoyed swimming and wrestling; he was a member of Toastmasters International and of the Ormstown Presbyterian Church where he was on the Church Session; he volunteered his time at the Centre d'Accueil. Peter travelled extensively with his wife, Mollie — a trip to Great Britain being especially memorable.

In an earlier career, Peter worked as a



Peter Collier with his guide dog Pilot.

journalist with the Canada-West Indies Magazine. His father, H.C. Collier, was founder and editor of this publication which sought to forge closer cultural, tourist and trade links between Canada and the Caribbean Islands.

The Carillon of the Ormstown Presbyterian Church, enjoyed by the people of the village, was given to the Church and community as a gift from Peter and Mollie Collier. It was dedicated in memory of Peter's aunt, First World War Nursing Sister, Annette Tate. At the time of his death, it was suggested that gifts in Peter's memory could be given to the Ormstown Presbyterian Church Carillon Fund.

Peter is survived by his wife, Mollie.

(J. McP/uf)

Thermex closes... from page 1

creditors were beginning to clamor for a total of some \$25,000 owed to them, said mayor Quevillon last week.

The discovery of an oil spill from a hydrocarbon separator in the plant necessitated a two-week clean-up operation supervised by the Environment department, for which the bill was sent to Les Investissements René St-Pierre, the company which had leased the former Elkem premises to the Thermex operation. While the Beauharnois mayor claimed 10 tonnes of material had been spilled, early this week Environment ministry spokesman Gilles Bernier said that only 45 gallons of used oil had escaped.

Mayor Quevillon said an application for bankruptcy had apparently been filed, and at least six creditors were on the trail of

Bélanger and his staff, who seem to have disappeared into thin air.

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The deserted Thermex plant in Beauharnois.

(Photo: HT)

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Education

Anti-violence program succeeding in several Valley primary schools

Newspapers and television daily attest to the fact that violence is a prevalent element in our society, especially among adolescents.

The statistics are grim: young people between the ages of 10 and 21 count for 36 percent of violent crime in the United States. Between 1985 and 1994, aggravated assault committed by youths increased 50 per cent. Homicide is the second leading cause of death for all 15-24 year-olds. While juvenile males are delinquent more than juvenile females, females are closing the gap, with aggravated assault being their most frequent crime.

Many Valley schools are addressing this issue and have implemented "Second Step", a social competence program. Second Step is a series of curriculum kits designed to reduce impulsive and aggressive behavior in children and increase their level of social competence. It does this by teaching skills in empathy, impulse control and anger management.

In empathy training, students learn how to identify and predict the feelings of others and provide an appropriate emotional response. In the area of impulse control, students learn skills in problem-solving and conflict resolution, effective communication and specific social behaviors.

In anger management, the students learn techniques to reduce stress and redirect angry feelings to prevent aggressive or violent reactions.

The Second Step series includes curricula for preschool/kindergarten and grades 1-3, 4-6 and 7-9.

Because Second Step targets skill deficits that put children at risk not only for violence, but also for substance abuse, suicide and school drop-out, Second Step can be adopted as a basic skills curriculum for prevention education.

Jean Dahmé, social worker at the Huntingdon C.L.S.C., has been instrumental in launching this program in six of the Valley schools, and several conducted seven hours of training sessions for teachers in each of the six schools, as well as

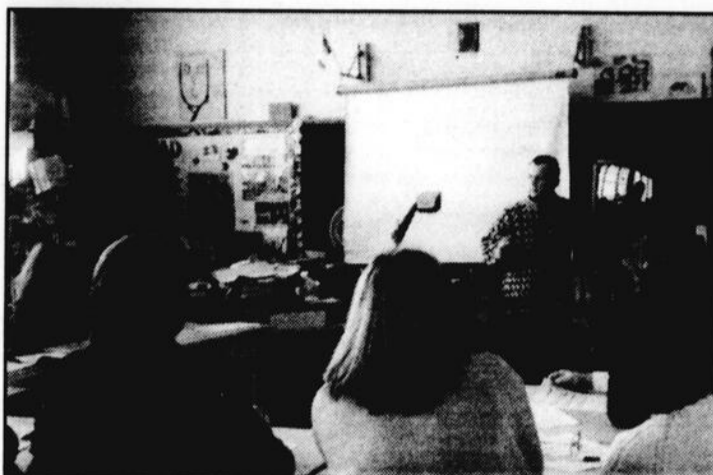
three hours of training for noon-hour supervisors, in three of the schools.

It is important that everyone who is involved with the students learns the same strategies in dealing with aggressive and impulsive behavior in children. Training sessions for parents as well as bus drivers are also being planned.

Schools are reporting a marked improvement in the behavior of the children since the implementation of Second Step. It is a long journey, but the skills that the children learn from this pro-

gram are skills that will serve them well in their lives.

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Jean Dahmé, training noon-hour supervisors from St. Joseph, Huntingdon Academy and Ormstown Elementary Schools.

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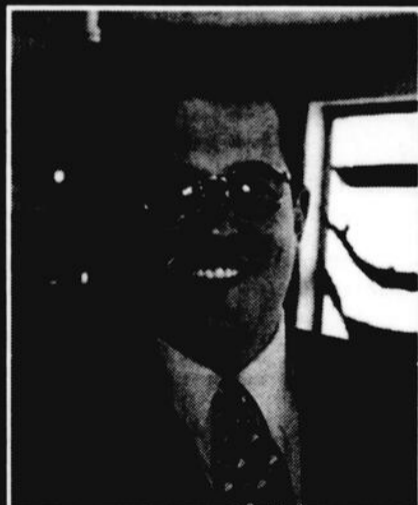
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Brunch to aid Chernobyl kids draws 300 at Larocque Shack

Larocque's Sugar Shack on the Ridge Road near Athelstan was the site of a wonderful fundraising day for the benefit of Chernobyl children.

A Pancake Brunch was served to close to 300 hungry folks ready to sit down to a delicious springtime meal. The meal was prepared and served with the assistance of Rennie's United Church.

Scrambled eggs, stacks of pancakes, baked beans, home-made muffins, and gallons of fresh maple syrup boiled at the

shack made a great menu.

Profits will help bring several children to the Valley from Chernobyl to enhance their health and happiness. The Russian youngsters will be coming to Canada at the end of May, and will live with fostering families for 12 weeks. The strong support from the community is encouraging to the volunteers who do so much for those who are in need.

(DF/vf)



Allis Neely Simpsin and daughter Carrie poured on the maple syrup.

(Photo: DF)



Nancy Grant Webb, Tamara Niven and Beverly Erskine dished up scrambled eggs at the Pancake Brunch.

(Photo: DF)

BIRTHS & DEATHS CARD OF THANKS, IN MEMORIAMS, ENGAGEMENTS

BORN

GABRIEL - Stefan, Claudia and excited big sister Sarah are proud to announce the birth of Matthew Stefan at the Anna Laberge Hospital on March 27, 1999 at 7:40 a.m., weighing 9 lbs. 1 oz. Proud grandparents are Ross & Adolf Gabriel from Huntingdon and Hedy & Willy Suter from Switzerland.

DIED

SMILLIE, Ethel C. - Aged 89 of Largo, FL, and summer resident of Somerville Park, Quebec, and formerly of Fort Covington, NY., died unexpectedly Monday, March 29, 1999, at the Largo Medical Center in Largo, FL., after being stricken at her home. Born in Lachute, Quebec, October 25, 1909, she was the daughter of the late Andrew and Eleanor Wood Doig. She graduated from Lachute Academy and from Macdonald College in Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec. Prior to her marriage, she was Principal and also teacher at Dundee School in Dundee, Quebec for several years. She later taught in various schools in the Montreal area. On June 29, 1940, she was united in marriage to George C. Smillie in Lachute, Que. He predeceased her on April 11, 1984. From 1954 until 1967, Mrs. Smillie taught fifth grade at Fort Covington High School and later Salmon River Central School. From 1967 until 1974, she worked as a substitute teacher at Salmon River Central. She enjoyed spending her winters in Largo, FL. and her summers at her camp in Somerville Park. She was a member of the Lake Seminole Presbyterian Church in Florida and was very active in several women's circles. She was a member of the Orange Lake Village Community Center and a past member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She enjoyed gardening, reading, crafts, shuffleboard, swimming, and visiting with family, friends and neighbors. Survivors include: three daughters and sons-in-law, Anne and James Russell of Fort Covington, Carolyn and Robert Smith of Massena, NY., and Sandra and Wendell Jock of Hogsburg, one sister-in-law, May Doig of Lachute, Que., nine grandchildren, John Smillie Hall of Norfolk, MA, David Russell of Waddington, NY., Nichols Russell of Fort Covington, Jessica Russel Hein of Bakersfield, CA., Bruce Smith of Arlington, VA., Amy Smith O'Malley of Stamford, CT., Ian Smith of New York City, NY., and Frederick and Alexander Jock both of Hogsburg, NY., six great grandchildren, one nephew and several nieces. Besides her parents and her husband, she was predeceased by two brothers, Gordon and Sharman Doig. Calling hours were held Friday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Cappello-McKenzie and Cosgrove Funeral Home in Fort Covington. A funeral service was held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Fort Covington, with Rev. Donald Alexander officiating. Burial will be Zion United Church Cemetery in Ste. Agnes de Dundee, Quebec later in the spring. Donations may be made in her memory to Love Thy Neighbor Fund, c/o First Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 282, Fort Covington, NY., 12937, or to the Charity of one's choice.

DIED

LALONDE, Raymond - At the Montreal General Hospital on March 30, 1999, in his 65th year. Beloved husband of Carol Evans. Dear father of Steven (Lorraine Lamb), Stanley (Susan Kay) and Glenda (Peter McBride) of Ottawa. Much loved grandfather of Morgan and Rachel. Also survived by his brother Roger and his sisters Helen, Joan and Florence. Funeral service was held from the chapel of the McGerrigle Funeral Home Inc., Ormstown on Thursday, April 1 at 2 p.m. followed by cremation. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Canadian Heart Foundation or a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

McCRACKEN, Francis J. - On Sunday, April 4, 1999 passed away Mr. Francis McCracken aged 84 years. Beloved husband of Ethel MacMaster. He leaves to mourn his sister Blanche Brooks (late Tom), also many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Predeceased by brothers Bruce (late Mabel) and Harold (Dorothy Sharpe). Visitation was held Tuesday, April 6. Funeral service will be held Wednesday, April 7, 1999 at 2 p.m. in Kelly Funeral Home Chapel, 19 Lake, Huntingdon. In lieu of flowers, donations to the charity of your choice would be appreciated.

RINGUETTE, Conrad - In Huntingdon on April 1, 1999 at the age of 77 years passed away Mr. Conrad Ringuette, husband of Mrs. Irene Deschambault. Besides his wife he is survived by his children Gracia (Arthur Quenneville), Richard (Vicky Krajcar), Lucie (Michel Leduc), Madeleine (Philippe Lepage), Lise (Michel Farrell), Luc (Nicole Gratton), and Joanne (Michel Mercier), 12 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, his sisters Eva, Bibianne, Rachel and Gisele, his brother Rosaire, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and many relatives and friends. Visitation was held Sunday, April 4 at Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Inc. Funeral service was held Monday, April 5 at 11 a.m. in St-Joseph's Church, Huntingdon. Burial St-Joseph's Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

The family late Roy Angell wish to express their sincere thanks to friends, neighbors, and relatives for food, visits and cards during his illness and after his death. Special thanks to Dr. Brissette for always being on call, to the CLSC for all their help, also to Amy Tolhurst and Peggy Landry for many visits, Ruth Graham for her evening care and Bonnie Mason for her support. All was very much appreciated.

Vernice Angell & family

I would like to thank Dr. Krotecki, Dr. Vandor and all the Second Floor Staff of the Barrie Memorial Hospital for the excellent care I received during my recent stay. Also I extend my deepest appreciation to the Montpetit Ambulance staff for their extraordinary kindness and generosity. My heartfelt gratitude goes to my family, friends and neighbors whose visits, gifts and cards meant the world to me.

Anna Elliott Elder

The family of the late Wilfred McCartney would like to thank doctors and nurses of the Barrie Hospital and friends for their kindness during their recent bereavement.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the doctors at the Barrie Memorial Hospital in Ormstown, especially Dr. Blonde, as well as the Hinchinbrooke Firemen, a special thanks to Lillian Stark. Thanks also to those who sent flowers, cards, donations and phone calls in memory of my late husband, Albert Cain.

Mrs. Albert Cain

It is difficult to adequately express my feelings of gratitude for the many kindnesses which have been shown me since my surgery. To my family, friends and neighbours all I can do is say "thank you" for the many visits, cards, phone calls, flowers and food. I hope you know how much it has been appreciated. We realize how fortunate we are to belong to this community.

Jean McClintock

Out-of-province visitors attend H'ford Eastern Star gathering

Hemmingford's Chapter No 34, Order of the Eastern Star, met March 5 in the Masonic Hall to receive an official visit from the Worthy Grand Matron. Florence Ellerton, Worthy Matron, opened the meeting.

Among those welcomed were: Sister Marion Melnechuk, Worthy Grand Matron; and Brother John Wise, Worthy Grand Patron; Brother Leo Dryden, General Grand Chapter Committee Member on the Shriner's Hospital; past Grand matrons Florence Ellerton, Louise Wilkenson, Brenda Shaw Radford, Myrtle Crutchfield and Anita Young; Past Grand Patron, Rodney Jenne; and 14 Grand Officers including our own Gladys Vaillancourt, Grand Ruth; Ralph Hastings, Grand Musician of the Grand Chapter of New York State; and Barbara Wheaton, Grand Lecturer of Vermont.

The Worthy Grand Matron spoke on Serenity and the Worthy Grand Patron had words of wisdom.

The Worthy Matron then presented the Worthy Grand Matron with a model lighthouse. The Worthy Patron presented the Worthy Grand Patron with a bottle containing a ship and a lighthouse. Donations went to their special project, the Diagnostic Breast Cancer for the Montreal General Hospital.

The Good of the Order will be given to Estarl, to help young men and women studying for the ministry, the mission field, and youth leadership.

At the close of the meeting, the Worthy Matron asked the conductress to escort Sister Gladys Vaillancourt to the East. Florence read a verse on Ruth and then presented a gift to Gladys on behalf of the chapter. Gladys thanked the chapter in her own amusing way.

The visitors from New York State, Vermont and Ontario added a lot to the meeting.

(FE/vf)



The Bicentennial officers of Victory Chapter at the Official Visit (l-r) back row: Nessie Deery, Evelyn Shaw, Barbara Wheaton, John Rensink, Kenneth Lewis, Kenneth Campbell; middle row: Doris Cookman, Robert Wheaton, Linda Gregory, Doris McClay, Emma Lewis, Fabienne Winter; front row: Marion Melnechuk, Florence Ellerton, Robert Curry, John Wise, Gladys Vaillancourt. Absent: Florence Wilson.

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Sports

Young Lacolle rider does well on Florida horse-show circuit

Thirteen-year-old Francesca Mulligan of St-Bernard-de-Lacolle headed south with parents Peter and Lois and brother Matthew, along with five horses to compete on the HITS horse show circuit in Ocala, Florida.

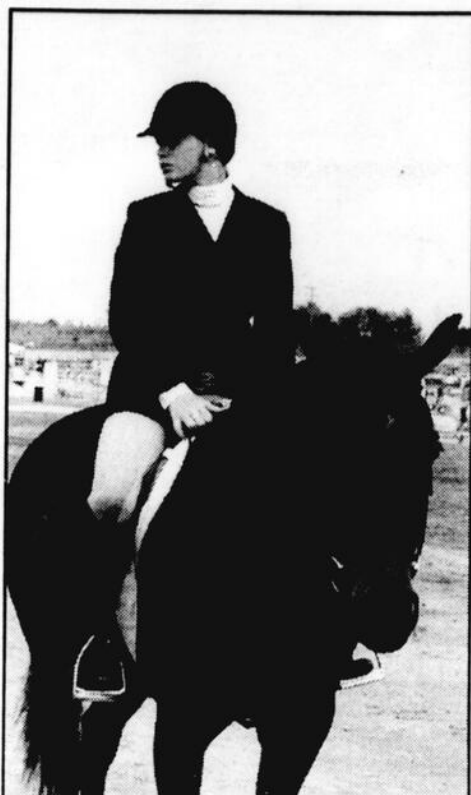
Frannie doubted she would do much showing, as all these horses were young and inexperienced. However, she was asked by Toronto professional Wayne McLellan and Robert Meilsoe to ride two of their horses in the Children's Hunter division, open to riders under 15. Courses included jumps three feet high and classes are judged on the horse's manners, style of jumping and movement. There were approximately 40 entries in this division.

The two horses Frannie rode were very different: "In Pursuit of Honour" was easy-going and quick to get used to, but "Seal Beach" was much more difficult — longer strided, stronger and with some quirks left over from his racing days.

Frannie was high in the ribbons with both horses and was champion the final week with "In Pursuit of Honour". Frannie and "Larry" (as he is affectionately known in the barn) ended up third overall for the entire five-week circuit.

Meanwhile, thanks to the co-operation of her teachers, Frannie kept up with all her eighth-grade studies via the fax machine.

Frannie starts the Canadian horse show



Frannie Mulligan and "In Pursuit of Honour".

(Photo: courtesy LM)

season in mid-May and will make her debut in the jumper ring riding "Ordinary

Man," her brother's veteran jumper who won a bronze medal for Canada at the 1996 North American Young Riders Championships in Chicago. She will also

ride some of Stoney Fields horses in the hunter ring, following in the family's footsteps.

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158, 442; C. Leboeuf 180; G. Fortin 158.
Men: L. Thompson 216, 569; C. Ferguson 215, 566; M. Gnass 193, 549; G. Bickes 203, 538; T. Lapierre 186, 520; J. Winters 235, 519; B. Provost 184, 512; B. Rodrigue 193, 475; W. Nugent 190, 450.

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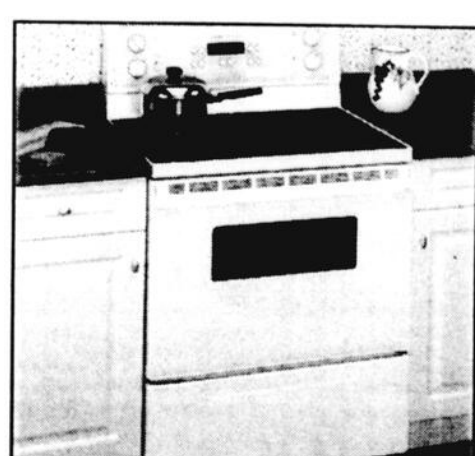
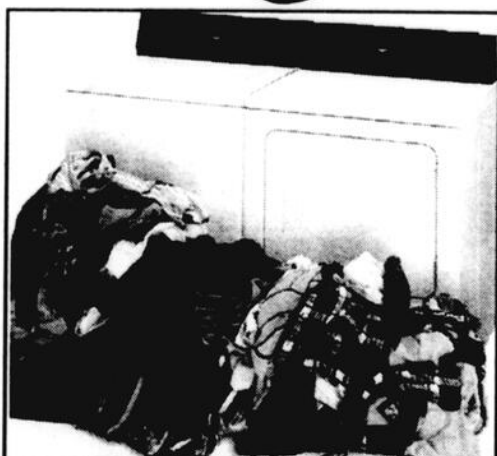
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New generation of rural women are finding W.I. is still relevant

Valerie Furcall
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You can't get much more up-to-date in relevant social issues than being involved in recycling and working to better one's community.

"Dispel the popular myth of Women's Institutes as being a group of old ladies sitting around drinking afternoon tea and eating 'delicious refreshments.' Drinking tea is just a way of catching our breaths as we get set to take up the next challenge," says Jean Furcall, a Aubrey-Riverfield W.I. former president and one of some 150 active members in six Chateauguy Valley branches (Dewittville, Dundee, Franklin, Hemmingford and Howick).

"Both in our communities and abroad through the Associated Country Women of the World (numbering over six million), we are in the forefront of today's issues: agriculture, child care, family violence, health and human rights, citizenship and safety," she explained.

Local W.I. groups formed around the Chateauguy Valley more than 80 years ago (Howick is second oldest in Quebec at 88 years), bringing together rural women who wanted to actively better their communities and country. The W.I. motto, "For Home and Country," sums it up.

The W.I. decidedly has appeal; some women like Howick's Louise Kerr and Sophia West have been members for more than 60 years, though two longtime branches, Huntingdon and Ormstown, disbanded in the last three years as declining enrolment and an aging membership made it difficult to continue. Meanwhile,

Dewittville has experienced a resurgence and has a large group of relatively young members

"I can understand why today, with so many organizations competing for a woman's time, it's hard to attract new members," says Howick's Grace Brown, who joined as a new bride more 25 years ago. "More women are working outside the home and time with their families is precious."

Hooked from first meeting

"I noticed at the first meeting I ever attended that the women had fun, the program was diversified with reports from everybody, and I saw that I could learn something new each time. I enjoyed working on community projects and meeting other women.

"The fellowship we shared and the fun we had together became a habit I don't want to give up," Grace said.

Before mass media and television, conveners' reports were a big thing — providing useful information that women could use in their daily lives, noted Liz McNaughton, Chateauguy-Huntingdon County president.

"It's more challenging today for a convener to come up with 'something different' — it doesn't make sense to stand up and read off a paper that everyone has access to and has already read for themselves," she added.

Community activists

W.I. groups appear to be quietly working on their community's level. Aubrey-Riverfield in the early 1990s led glass, paper, etc., recycling projects that were eventually taken over by the municipalities. Making and giving away quilts is



Howick W.I.'s Joan Champ (left) and Grace Brown (right) arranging the display of W.I. handicraft articles exhibited at Huntingdon Fair.

(Photo: VF)

another branch project. Howick members accept weekly commitments to visit Centre d'Accueil residents. Dewittville supports its community skating rink. Hemmingford members help with a meals' program. Dundee headed up a cloth recycling collection and co-ordinates the annual Salvation Army collection. Franklin promotes public speaking competitions in a local elementary school.

WI groups monetarily support numerous local non-profit organizations. They

are self-financing and may hold socials and card parties to raise money for special projects.

Huntingdon Fair in recent years has served as a venue for an inter-branch crafts and arts display, showcasing individual member's creativity.

"We're working on marketing WI, using different strategies to keep our longtime members while appealing to new ones," said Grace Brown.

Picture of the Past



This barn-raising took place around 1860 at 534 Brownlee Road North in Hemmingford Township. The family names of workers helping out would include Atkinson, Brownlee, Fisher, Kenney, Stewart, Thompson and others, says Jim Laurie who sent in the photo. The farm was then owned by John Stewart, son of Archibald, and the barn still stands today, "good as new", says Laurie.

(Photo: courtesy J. Laurie)

Rockburn's Walter, Barbara Currie mark 55th wedding anniversary

Beverly and Gerry Cocher held a special evening of celebration in honor of

Walter and Barbara Currie, on the occasion of the Curries' 55th wedding anniversary on March 27.

The Curries were invited to the Cocher home for a quiet anniversary dinner, and were pleasantly surprised when friends and family began arriving one by one, to help them celebrate their 55 years of happy married life.

The folks enjoy good health and are active in church work and curling, and travel occasionally.

Everyone passed on good wishes for many more healthy, happy years together.

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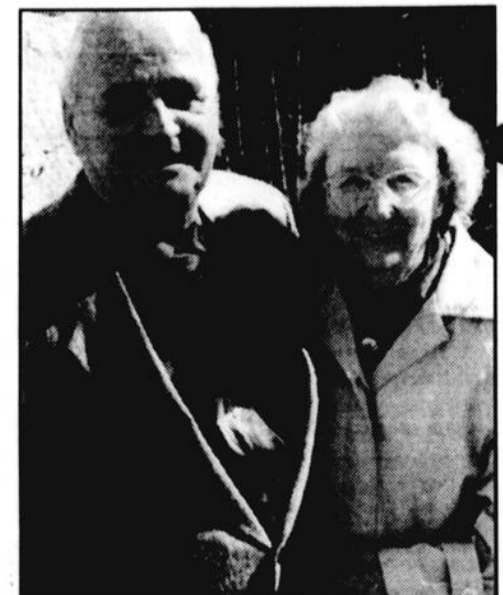
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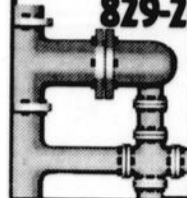
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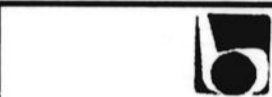
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- planification, organization, management and control of activities related to the selection, rental, maintenance and management of financial, human and material resources.
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REQUIREMENTS:

- Good knowledge of budgeting and accounting
 - Good knowledge of Social Housing environment.
 - Capacity to communicate and a sense of human relations.
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To be considered, all tenders must be presented in duplicate on the special forms to this effect in a sealed envelope duly identified as tender. All tenders must be received at the Town of Huntingdon office before Thursday, April 29, 1999 at 3:00 p.m. Tenders received will be opened the same day at 3:05 p.m. in the municipal council hall in the presence of the tenderers.

The council of the Town of Huntingdon does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any of the tenders and bears no obligations whatsoever towards any of the tenderers.

Given at Huntingdon on April 1, 1999
 Diane Taillon, secretary-treasurer

Literacy awareness project launched at Howick School

The 88th annual meeting of the Howick Women's Institute was held at the home of president Grace Brown, who is stepping down as president after six years.

New president Isabel Templeton assumed the chair and gave an overview of the 1999 program.

Ann Macleish reported 110 information sheets had been given to Howick Elementary School for distribution, concerning the literacy awareness project which the branch has undertaken.

Penny Anderson, Carole Snook, Isabel Templeton and Grace Brown volunteered to read stories on cassettes to be used by the school.

Cards were sent to Lesley Bonnor and

Mama Brown.

New officers for 1999 are: past president, Grace Brown; president, Isabel Templeton, 1st vice-president, Edith Harvey; secretary, Ann Macleish; treasurer, Gladys Younie.

Conveners: Agriculture, Thyra Tolhurst; Canadian Industries, Iris Simpson; Citizenship & Legislation, Thelma Peers; Education & Cultural activities, Grace Brown; Home Economics & Health, Joan Champ; International Affairs, Edith Harvey; Publicity, Joan Gosnell; Remembrance & cards, Carole Snook; Safety & Environment, Penny Anderson.

—J. Gosnell/vf



Thyra Tolhurst (centre) of the Howick W.I. received a Life Membership, presented to her by Margaret Chisholm (left). Also present for the occasion was Elizabeth MacNaughton (right), Chateaugay-Huntingdon County president.

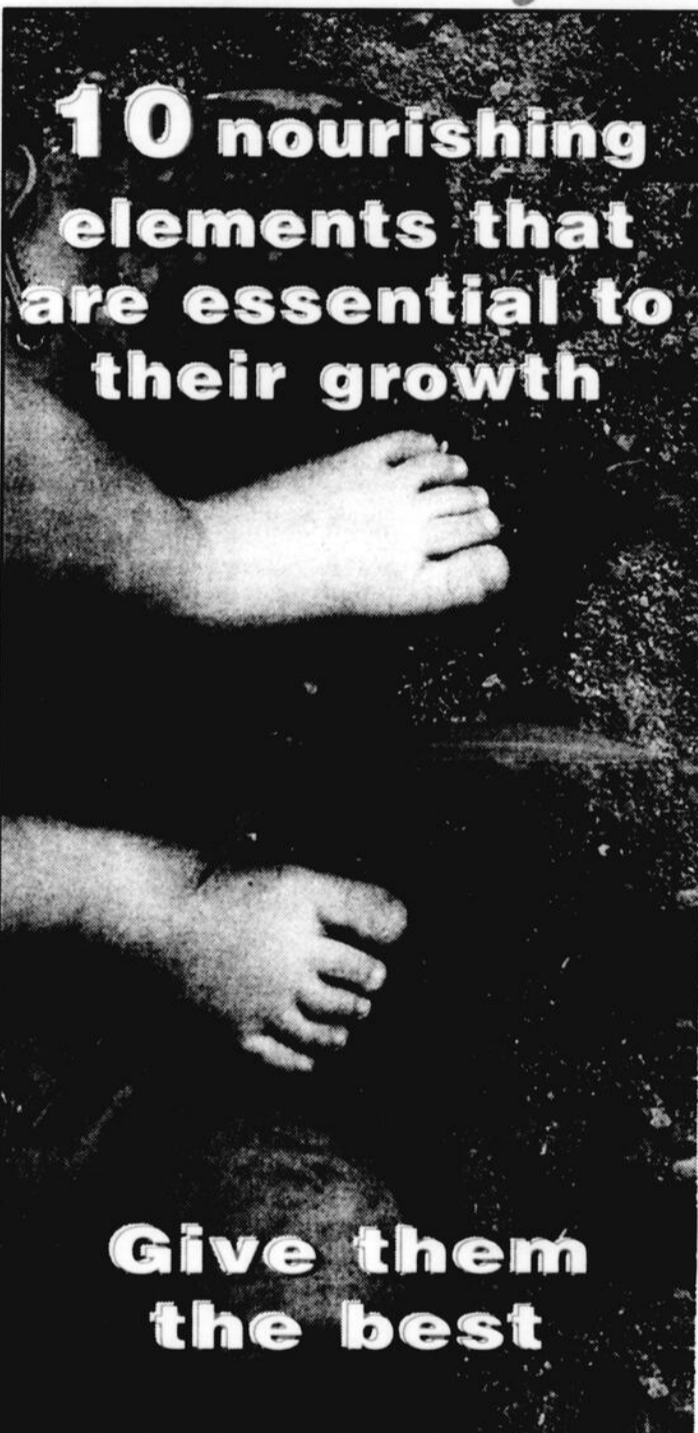
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Howick W.I.'s Gladys Younie (centre), branch treasurer for 10 years, was a recipient of a Life Membership, presented to her by Joan Champ, Chateaugay-Huntingdon County president Eliabeth MacNaughton attended the presentation.

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