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Students plan 30-hr. "famine"

For the second consecutive year, students from Chateaugay Valley Regional High School are joining in World Vision's 30-Hour Famine to help end hunger and suffering. Participants are now collecting pledges for the event, scheduled to take place this Friday and Saturday (March 11-12).

The 75 students will go without solid food from 1 p.m. on Friday until 7 p.m. Saturday, when they will break their fast with a light meal - much of which is being generously donated by local merchants. The money raised will support both emergency aid and long-term development projects

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Recycling plan presented at Hemmingford

by Florence Ellerton
 Hemmingford Correspondent

John Hodges of the Hemmingford Environment Committee presented a final version of a recycling project for the community at the March 1 meeting of the Hemmingford Village Council.

Louise Trepanier, accountant, attended and presented the 1993 financial report. It showed revenues of \$374,641 and expenses \$347,693; Capital expenditures were \$17,714. With a surplus of \$9,234.

The contract for painting the post office was given to Thomas Cammell.

André Leavey was named rural and municipal inspector for 1994 and 1995.

The municipal inspector reported on snow removal, stating that intersections with the main

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Committee established for Main St.

Huntingdon's Urban Planning Committee and local merchants are joining forces to improve the "downtown" area.

More than 40 businesspeople met February 22 with the seven committee members, three of them town councillors, and decided to set up a working committee to tackle the problem.

The preliminary information meeting allowed the merchants to express their views in what councillor Francine Lalonde, a member of the Urban Planning Committee, described as "a good atmosphere".

Committee chair Ronald Critchley stressed the need of preserving the historic aspect of the Town as one means of attracting more tourists to the area.

Lalonde emphasized the need

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People in the community

Role of the MRC prefect is vital to region

Valerie Furcall
 THE GLEANER

Most people have an idea what a municipal councillor or a mayor does here in the Valley, but an MRC prefect's role in the political scheme of things may be a little less obvious.

Essentially, a prefect promotes his or her district's interests at the regional level and reaches out on its behalf for a share of the financial pie.

For MRC du-Haut-St-Laurent's Paul-Maurice Patenaude (who is also mayor of Dundee), it means working toward a leadership role in the Montérégie's regional committees which spread around the budget dollars



Mutual Aid firemen contained Monday's Arena fire to the compressor room, where the electrical fire started.

(Photo: V.F.)

Electrical fire means end of Arena skating season

Valerie Furcall
 THE GLEANER

A massive slide of snow and ice coming off the roof of the Huntingdon Regional Arena is being blamed for the Monday morning fire, which destroyed the compressor room, Hinchinbrooke Fire Chief Dan Tully said Tuesday.

Mutual Aid firefighters from Huntingdon, Godmanchester, Ormstown, Ste-Barbe, St-Anicet and Chateaugay, N.Y., answered Hinchinbrooke's call to the

Fairview St. location after Arena manager Paula Larocque's 11 a.m. fire alarm.

Larocque said Tuesday morning that "It looks like the skating season is over."

About 80 firemen, including 31 from Hinchinbrooke, extinguished burning electrical panels and equipment in the compressor room, while Hydro-Québec workers disconnected power-lines attached to a burning transformer outside the building. Only minimal amounts of toxic

PCBs would be contained in the recent-model transformer, a Mutual Aid source said.

Fourteen pieces of equipment, five pumps, six tankers, a ladder truck and two utility vehicles, were on-site.

Chateaugay used its ladder truck to open roof vents to clear the buildup of smoke inside so firemen could work.

Tully said a quick response from the nearby Huntingdon department, which was first on the scene, kept damage contained to the building's rear corner. Huntingdon Firemen wearing air packs entered the Arena through the front doors and used fire extinguishers on the sparking wires and burning compressors until the electricity was cut off. Hinchinbrooke arrived minutes later and plowed through snow to reach the building's rear and set up water lines.

The Huntingdon Sûreté du Québec sent a patrol car which re-routed traffic and cleared the way for firemen, Tully added.

"Fortunately there are enough employers willing to give their (firefighting) employees time off to answer fire calls," Tully and

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Study shows Valley needs more libraries

Cultur' Art Sud-Ouest (C.A.S.O.) has been researching the library situation in Haut-St-Laurent, in order to provide information on which municipalities provide a library service, which municipalities do not, and on the potential of developing more library services through community and municipal involvement.

Public libraries are for all ages and are not only important for self-education and personal

development, but also for hour upon hour of recreational enjoyment which stimulates imagination and thought.

A public library can also be a "foyer culturel" (cultural home or hostel) where cultural groups and organizations could present exhibitions, or use space to plan special events. A "cultural base" exists in each municipality with a public library.

Municipalities which have

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Main street revamp, new garage top list

Town council sets infrastructure priorities

Judith Taylor
 THE GLEANER

Tops on Huntingdon's list for upgrading under the new Infrastructure program will be the municipal garage and the main street commercial area.

At the Monday night Town

Council meeting, it was decided to rebuild the municipal garage, now located in a residential area at the corner of King and Lake Sts., possibly at a new site.

With the municipal Urban Planning committee and local merchants involved in improvements to the downtown

core, the Council also approved new sidewalks and street-lighting for the town's commercial centre, and also discussed the desirability of locating a community centre containing the library, in one of the empty Chateaugay St. buildings.

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Franklin is "tire capital"

Toronto seminar learns 50 ways to re-use materials described

Valerie Furcall
 THE GLEANER

Nowhere in the world is there a larger stockpile of used tires than in the municipality of Franklin.

The revelation that Franklin is home to more than 24 million used tires by volume (according to a mid-'80s estimate) took even world-renowned environmental scientist Dr. David Suzuki by surprise.

Last week two Franklin Citizens Group delegates, Isa Lane and Barbara Olivella told the Franklin used-tire saga to the Rubber Recycling Symposium exhibitors in Toronto (March 3-4), and came back armed with names of experts and recycling companies in the field of scrap tire management.

Franklin councillor William (Bill) Stevenson, who "felt it was my responsibility as a council member to also attend the Symposium," moved at the March 7 regular council meeting that a special public meeting be held at the Town Hall Monday, March 14, at 8 p.m. Secretary-treasurer Nancy Westerman, who was sent by council to the Symposium, is to give a report. A question period will follow, Stevenson added.

The Symposium exhibitors personified "professionalism at its best," Lane told The Gleaner.

"We saw solutions that are environmentally sound, using proven technologies, and ones which could be compatible with

our agricultural area," Lane said.

The Franklin Citizens Group were told by a representative of one company involved in tire-derived fuel production, that "Gasification is not an acceptable

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Anglo job search theme of meeting

On March 3, a meeting organized by the CVESPA Employment Assistance Project brought together various federal, provincial and regional players in the area of employment and small business development, to discuss the programs available to assist the English-speaking population of southwest Quebec.

Participating were: Serge Plamondon, Manager of small business counselling at the Federal Business Development Bank (FBDB); Louise Charlebois and Walter Fisk representing Canada Employment Centres (Human Resources Development Canada - HRDC); René Dubé representing

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Planning already under way for Fiddlers' Contest in June

by Diane Farquhar
 Rockburn Correspondent

The second annual fiddling and step-dancing competition, sponsored by the Huntingdon Rotary Club, is set for June 25 and 26 this year. Chief organizer Gerald Duheme announced recently that he and the organizing committee have been hard at work preparing programs and lining up entertainment. But this is only a small part of the work to be done, he said.

With last year's successful contest behind them, Rotarians are confident that the second year will prove bigger and better than ever.

The spacious facilities of Huntingdon's Arthur Pigeon School will be used for the event again this year. The stage area will be set up in the gymnasium, and food concession, a bar, and practice rooms are among the other conveniences to be set up. The school parking lot will be reserved for motor-homes and campers, with electricity and water hook-ups available at a reasonable rate.

Big prizes

There will be a total of \$5,000 in prize money for winners in the different categories. Duheme said generous financial support has been received from many sources.

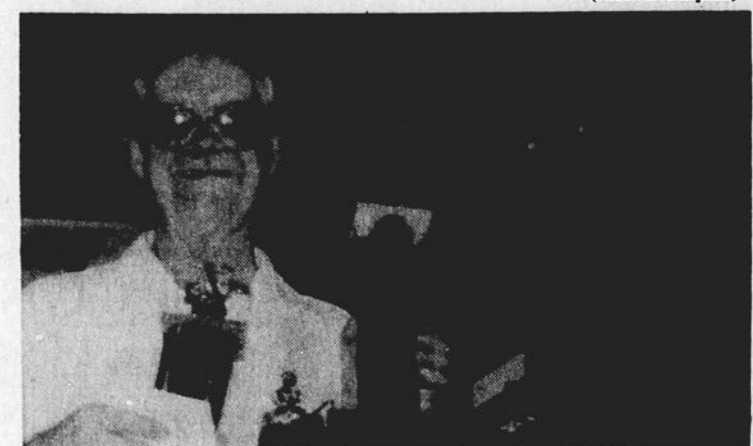
The local Rotary Club distributes profits to many needy organizations in the Valley. Special memorial donations to the club from individuals in memory of

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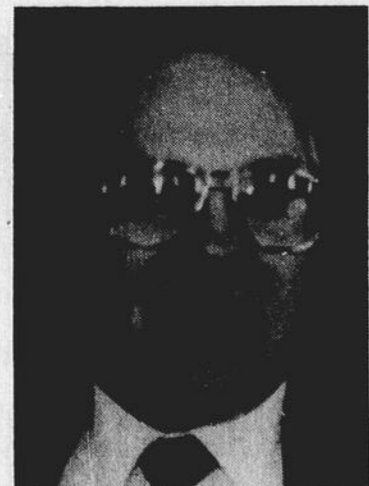
Both young and old had a great time in last year's premiere edition of the Huntingdon Fiddlers' and Step-dancers' contest. Best fiddler, 18 and under, was April Verch, who received her trophy from chief organizer Gerald Duheme of the Huntingdon Rotary Club which sponsored the event.

(Photo: D. Farquhar)



Albert Séguin of Vaudreuil (left) led the older contingent with a first-place finish in the 60 years-and-older fiddling division. He received his award from Don Davidson of Huntingdon.

(Photo: D. Farquhar)



PAUL-MAURICE PATENAUDE

(Photo: V.F.)

emarked for regional development.

Ten years ago, Patenaude, then

the owner of the Dundee Line Hotel Inc., entered the political arena when he defeated then-mayor Reginald Burrows. During his third mandate in 1990, Patenaude replaced Huntingdon mayor Gerald Brisebois as the MRC's prefect.

Before becoming a businessman in 1971, Patenaude, 55, who has a B.A. and teacher training, taught school for eight years. Since closing the Dundee bar in 1991, he says he has been working "basically full-time as mayor and prefect."

In the past three years he has moved into strategic positions in the Montérégie political infrastructure.

Patenaude, as chairman of a seven-member Montérégie sub-

committee, the *Comité Technic Suroît*, administers a five-year trust fund of \$580,000, of which \$106,000 is reserved for the Haut-St-Laurent. These funds help non-profit organizations create or boost activities to stimulate economic growth in the region. (The Suroît is the designation for the three MRCs in this southwestern corner of the province, Haut-St-Laurent, Beauharnois-Salaberry and Vaudreuil-Soulanges.)

This year the MRC Haut-St-Laurent has applied for \$15,000 to promote the Velo-Pomme cycle tour next September. Patenaude expects the project will be funded because of last year's success.

The *Comité Technic Suroît* members also include the three

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This and That in Town

YESTERDAY — Tuesday Mar. 8 was International Women's Day, it seems. The only local organization to let us know they noticed was the Valleyfield Hospital Centre, whose director-general Paul-Henri Boutin sent a Fax to say the hospital wished all its female employees an "excellent Women's Day". That was nice, and we guess it's a good idea, but it makes us feel a little funny sometimes, considering that there is no International Men's Day or even International People's Day. But there are certainly things that need to be fixed as far as the global perception of women is concerned, so if an International Day helps, then let's go for it.

FOR FARMERS — Don't forget the Chateaugay Valley UPA Syndicate's Friday evening meeting on "Effective Communication", a "lively and humorous look", by guest speakers Dominique Charland and Manon Landry, at the problems of getting your feelings across effectively to spouse, friends, associates, etc. Time is 8 p.m., place is Ormstown's MacDougall Hall. All are welcome.

LATER ON — on April 13, to be precise, the Quebec Farmers' Association will hold its annual CBC/QFA Day, featuring a trip to the Maisson Radio Canada in Montreal. Theme for the day is "Coping in the '90s".

A CONCERT — for the benefit of the Franklin Centre Citizens' Committee (the group which has been so active in seeking answers to the used-tire problem) and the RRR Havelock, another local environmental group, will be held Saturday Mar. 12 starting at 9:30 p.m. at the Qué Pasa restaurant in Ormstown. Featured musicians will be Louise Bernard and Penny Lang. For reservations call 829-2686.

HIRING A STUDENT — during the summer can be a great idea. Sandi Baranowski of CVESPA's employment assistance project mentioned this week that there is a government program called SEED (Summer Employment/Experience Development) available to employers hiring a student for a period of from six to 18 weeks between May 2 and September 2. Projects concerned with social issues such as substance abuse, the environment, literacy and community development will be favored. The program is part of the annual Challenge program and the deadline for applications is March 18. If you can create a summer job for one or more students, get in touch with the Canada Employment Centre, says Baranowski.

ARTHRITIS SUFFERERS — and their families will be glad to know the CLSC's Arthritis Self-Management Program is starting a new six-week course on March 30. Techniques of managing this debilitating condition, including medications, exercise, and relaxation, will be discussed by group leader Magali Hope. Two-hour weekly sessions will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesdays at the CLSC. For more information call Magali at 264-3264 or the CLSC at 264-6108.

EASTER IS COMING — and Hot Cross Buns are in season. Aubrey-Riverfield Women's Institute will be selling the Grant's Bakery variety to raise money for the Residence-Elle Women's Shelter. Place your order by March 22, for delivery one week later, with any W.I. member including Jean (825-2578), Joyce (825-2125) Audrey (825-2307) or Vernice (825-2067). (J.F.)

SPRING CLEANING — also looms. Keep in mind the used-cloth-and-clothing drive as a good recycling project. Bags of material and clothing may be left at 47 Colville St., Howick (the Angells') between April 18 and 25. Information on this project, organized by Aubrey-Riverfield W.I., is available at 825-2067. The same group is sponsoring a Military Whist at Ormstown's Walshaven Residence on Tuesday April 12, so mark the calendar well ahead. (J.F.)

ST. PATRICK'S DAY — in Huntingdon will be marked on Sunday Mar. 13 with the annual Irish Entertainment at the Notre-Dame School auditorium on York St. "Sophie's pre-show entertainment" starts at 7:15 p.m., while the program gets under way half an hour later, says Irish Society president Bob McGee.

A BRUNCH AND BAKE SALE — will be offered by the Huntingdon Rotary Club on Sunday Mar. 13 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Huntingdon Academy. Tickets are available from club members.

MUSIC AND COMEDY — will be featured in Huntingdon March 25 and 26 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Young People present their annual variety show "March Madness". For more information call Yvette Harper at 264-5862.

IN HOWICK — the parishioners of Trés-St-Sacrement Church are holding their annual Spaghetti Dinner Sunday Mar. 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Community Centre across from the church. Home deliveries will be available and profits will go to the fabrique of the church.

IN HEMMINGFORD — the Lions' Club Spaghetti Supper will be held Friday Mar. 18 at the Old Convent, with proceeds going to the local Red Cross. Tickets are available through Club members or at the door. Still hungry? Don't forget the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary Corned Beef and Cabbage Supper this Sunday Mar. 12 at 5 p.m. at the Hemmingford Legion Hall. (F.E.)

THEY NEVER STOP EATING — in Hemmingford, it seems: tonight, Wednesday, will see a four-course back-rib BBQ at the Old Convent (reservations necessary). Cribbage and Bridge will be played there on March 16. For more information, call Francine at 247-3307. (F.E.)

IN ORMSTOWN — don't forget the Presbyterian Church Coffee Hour coming up Saturday (see ad in last week's Gleaner). (J.M.)

A MEETING — of the Networking for Youth (Huntingdon Literacy Exchange) will take place Thursday Mar. 10 at 3 p.m. at the Academy. Topping the agenda is the "Born to Read" project. All are welcome.

A SIGN OF SPRING? — We all can hope. Charlotte's Hobbies and Gifts in Hemmingford is holding its Open House, to be held in the Old Convent on March 19 and 20. Visiting hours are from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Everyone is most welcome. For more information, call 247-2590.

CANADA POST — caught the public by surprise with unannounced postal hikes on March 1. It now costs 50 cents to send a letter to the United States and 88 cents to send one overseas.

HUNTINGDON'S BANK OF MONTREAL — was inadvertently omitted from the list of sponsors for the recent Huntingdon Curling Club's Charity Bouspiel. Bouspiel co-organizer Joe Zalopany called to say that the Bank management was so impressed with the community involvement, that organizers can count on receiving a prize from them again next year.

AN INVITATION TO THE COMMUNITY — is extended by St. Joseph School Committee to hear motivational speaker Margaret Mitchell on Tuesday night, March 15, from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Her topic will be "Self-esteem and the Year of the Family." Refreshments follow. Call the school at 264-5442 for more information.

ATTENTION ALL CARD PLAYERS — A St. Patrick's Military Whist is planned Monday night at the Huntingdon Legion, sponsored by the St. Joseph School Committee. Proceeds are earmarked for new playground equipment. Card playing begins at 8 p.m.; everyone is welcome to get a foursome together and come out.

AVID GARDENERS — are starting their seeds indoors these days, to get a jump on spring, so eagerly awaited this year. The ultimate destiny of some of these tiny seeds might involve splendid blooms giving pleasure to viewers at the annual Walshaven Flower Show, which has been scheduled for August 6 this year. Keep your eye on The Gleaner more news of this event as the season progresses. (J.M.)

Better late than never: Scottish night in Ormstown

by Jean McEwen
Ormstown Correspondent

"Caed Mile Faighte" translates to "a Hundred Thousand Welcomes". That was the greeting on the place cards at the Scottish Evening at the Ormstown Presbyterian Church Hall on Saturday evening, March 5.

Between 70 and 75 people were on hand to enjoy the dinner and entertainment, and each received a wee tartan ribbon with a bit of heather on arriving.

Rev. John McPhadden asked the blessing, and pipers Wanda Goudry and Cathy Anderson piped in the Haggis which was carried by Melvin Harrigan.

Kirk MacGeachy of Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue gave the "address to the Haggis."

Jack O'Kane was M.C. and the toast to the Queen was proposed by Leigh Coffin. Jack proposed the toast to the memory of Robbie Burns.

The Dinner of haggis, beef stew and vegetables, mashed 'taties (potatoes), cabbage salad, oat cakes and assorted tarts was enjoyed.

After dinner, the four pipers, Wanda, Cathy, and Ruth and Melvin Harrigan played a number of



Kirk MacGeachy charmed his audience with Scottish tunes at Saturday's social.

wonderful Scottish songs on the pipes.

Yvette Harper, accompanied by David Tucker, sang some Scottish numbers and Jack O'Kane kept the audience laughing with his endless supply of jokes and stories.

Kirk MacGeachy was introduced and told about Robbie Burns. He sang favorite Burns songs

accompanying himself on the guitar. His wife, Pat told a Scottish fable.

There was a short sing along with Yvette and David, and a pleasant evening came to a close.

Thanks to organizers Pat Kerr, Pat Callaghan and Barbara Collins for putting it all together and to their helpers who did the serving.

CLSC will screen pre-school children

This month (March) the Huntingdon CLSC is introducing a screening program for pre-schoolers.

Parents of a three-year-old, or a child who will turn three before next September 30, may bring the child in for an examination to detect any possible early problem in the areas of language, visual, or psychomotor development.

If any such problem is suspected, the child will be referred for further help

or treatment, said Gisèle Martin of the CLSC's childcare nursing module.

While the CLSC itself will contact the families of all three-year-olds having an active file at the community service centre, any other parents, especially those who may have moved recently to the area, are asked to call the CLSC for an appointment to have their child screened. The phone number is 264-6108. (J.T.)

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include the three Suroit MRC secretary-treasurers and industrial commissioners. In the Montérégie there are 1.2 million people living in 225 municipalities, comprising the 15 MRCs.

to the *Table des concertation des préfets de la Montérégie*, which represents the 225 municipalities. The president is Frederick Trepanier, mayor of St-Marc-sur-Richelieu.

Patenaude is also the president of the *Comité d'approbation des projets de la Montérégie*, a committee which selects projects that will benefit the whole region. Some 12 out of 17 submissions were chosen to share in the \$1 million funding. Promoters must match from one-third to one-half the amount of funding received for their project.

"We play a big role, as administrative members of the *Société Montérégienne de développement*, (one of 16 in the province), to bring ideas and requests to the Government about things we want to promote. Our committee has made resolutions about Autoroute 30, and proposals concerning Parc Safari and Granby Zoo. As Montérégie members, we exchange ideas among ourselves and try to learn about each other," Patenaude explained.

An initiative for the Suroit is a tourism office, likely in Coteau Landing or Valleyfield, to serve the three member MRCs, Haut-St-Laurent, Beauharnois-Salaberry and Vaudreuil-Soulanges.

In MRC Haut-St-Laurent, Patenaude automatically sits on the principal committees, including administration, economic development, land use, and waste management. As well, he is vice-chairman of the CAMO, a government-funded working committee making an inventory and profile of the MRC's economic base. Its report is expected by the end of March.

The three MRCs will also pay their members-shares for the next three years of the project.

Some \$300,000 has been allocated to set up the office, including a building, personnel, and promoting tourism in the area.

Last month, Patenaude was elected vice-president

Ormstown

by Jean McEwen • 829-2704

Meeting

The annual meeting of the Chateaugay Valley Association for Community Living was held on March 1 at St. John Anglican Church Hall, president Willa Hooker presiding. A minute of silence was observed in memory of the late Dee Zabitsky. Margaret Curren read the minutes which were approved by Jean Cavanagh and Thelma Peddie.

Treasurer Gail Pearce gave the financial statement, and reports followed for the Springtime of Hope campaign, the cafeteria, and the booths at Ormstown and Havelock fairs. The booths have been reserved again for this year.

The annual Military Whist will be held at the Huntingdon Legion Hall on April 25. The Springtime of Hope campaign will be in May,

and a donation was made by the members in memory of Dee Zabitsky. The staff officers for the coming year is:

Past-president, Leigh Coffin; president, Willa Hooker; 1st vice-president, Jean Cavanagh; 2nd vice-president, Mathilde Tardif; recording secretary, Margaret Curran; treasurer, Gail Pearce; publicity and membership, Jean McEwen.

Directors are: Merle Ferry, Ruth Stark, Vera Dooling, Caroline Garipey, Kay Higgins, Frances Rennie, Thelma Peddie, Stewart Ross, Ruth Leggett, Laura Brown, Ann O'Kane and Diane Furey.

Teachers are Elsie Welburn and Huguette Sutherland. Membership fees were collected, and anyone else wishing to pay their membership may send or give it to Jean McEwen (Ormstown) or Gail Pearce (Dewittville)

Parking problem

Lack of parking space along Chateaugay St. is perceived as a major problem by the merchants. Critchley and Merchants' Association president André Castagnier agreed that another 200 parking spots are needed on the main street between Henderson and Lorne Sts. Harvey Davignon raised the point that often, business-owners and Chateaugay St. residents themselves occupy a goodly number of the parking places for several hours at a time. Also, events such as weekend auctions lead to large numbers of cars being parked for long periods in one place, cutting down on spots available to shoppers. Mayor Gerald Brisebois suggested that a piece of land along the western part of Chateaugay St. might be bought by the Town and used for parking.

While some merchants were doubtful about the

need for a sense of municipal pride to allow Huntingdon "to take its place and play its role as a leader in the region".

Lawrence Bergevin underlined the role of Chateaugay St. businesspeople in taking the lead to revivify the atmosphere throughout the town's business establishments.

Meanwhile, it is known that the second instalment of the new federal-provincial-municipal "infrastructure" grants will be devoted to improving the downtown areas of small towns such as Huntingdon.

Anyone interested in joining the new working committee, which will meet as soon as possible, is asked to contact André Castagnier.

(J.T./T)

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representing the Ministère de Sécurité du Revenu; Kathy Daigle, representing La Société Québécoise de développement économique du Haut-St-Laurent; Guy Lachance, representing the Chateaugay Valley Career Education Centre; Sandy Baranowski, CVESPA Employment Assistance Project animator; and Janet Hicks, CVESPA executive director, who developed the project.

The CVESPA executive director welcomed the participants and outlined the goals of the Association's project: to improve the employment prospects of anglophones in the rural Chateaugay Valley, through increasing participation in the present training and work opportunities and by researching and stimulating new ideas for job creation. She expressed the association's hope that the meeting would lead to concerted action by departments involved in the various aspects of job development and training.

Project animator Sandy Baranowski reported on the feedback she has been



SANDY BARANOWSKI (Photo: V.F.)

receiving from individuals regarding their employment needs and ideas.

Serge Plamondon noted it was the first time he has met with representatives of all the other departments. Each participant described the programs of his or her department as they relate to either small business development or job training and placement.

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tourist potential, most agreed that a policy of "shopping at home" must be promoted among local residents.

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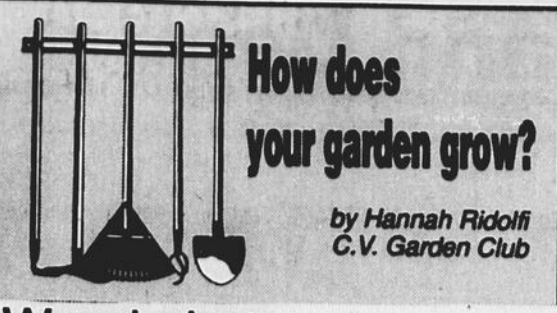
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Weed alert: Working with the enemy

Looking out at the heavy covering of snow, I see in it a well-travelled squirrel path leading from the balsam fir to a bare-branched crab-apple tree. I realize then that the squirrels and the blue jays have eaten all the left-over fruit.

In normal winter some edible apples or highbush cranberries will remain on the branches of the trees until the latter part of March. But not during this hard and hungry winter for the animals and birds.

Although frost has penetrated well below the normal level, the development and growth cycle of vegetation (at the ground level but under the snow) will progress as usual, thanks to the insulating snow. Once there is an adequate cover of snow, the temperature of the soil will generally stabilize until a thaw occurs.

Under these conditions, plants maintain their normal growth cycle, and with the arrival of the spring thaw they are revealed, growing under the melting snow. In the flower garden the indomitable violas are a good example of this kind of survival.

Weeds are tough
However, the strongest survivors are weeds.

Locating the various early weeds while wandering around the growing area of one's garden can be helpful. These hardy (usually perennial) plants have the growing area to themselves at this time of the year, and are easy to isolate. They can reveal or indicate:

- a) the habitat they thrive in: shady, sheltered, sunny or open;
- b) the soil condition in which they are growing: alkaline, acidic, sandy, badly drained, etc.

Weed list
Listed below are a few weeds indigenous to our area, along with some distinguishing characteristics.

Yellow Rocket (*Barbarea vulgaris*): common on rich moist soils, grows on sunny open ground. Sometimes called winter cress.

Stinging Nettle (*Urtica dioica*): found in moist soil, rich in nitrogen.

Chickweed (*Stellaria*

media): likes rich, moist soil, tolerates slightly acidic conditions.

Ground Ivy (*Glechoma hederacea*): grows in semi-shaded areas, tolerates sun. It stays green all winter and is very dense.

Sheep Sorrel (*Rumex acetosella*): Acidic soil with inadequate drainage, needs lime treatment.

Burdock (*Arctium lappa*): Grows in rich, light well-drained soil. Its tap root can go down to three feet.

Wood Sorrel (*Oxalis*): Grows in dry soil, needing organic matter. Favors open areas.

Move fast
Weed control is based on the rule, "get to them before they get to you". Weeds produce literally thousands of seeds, and if the plant is pulled before going to seed, chances are good that you may be able to control it. Herbicides should only be considered as a last resort. The size of the normal garden generally needs no chemical control.

Caution is necessary, however, as some plants such as purslane or chickweed can regenerate themselves, not only from roots and seeds, but from bits of broken stem or rooting from joints on the stems.

Weeds are responsible for progresses such as fixing nitrogen, or releasing acids from decaying organic matter to interact with mineral resources of the soil.

Get a book
Finding a good well-illustrated handbook or field guide to weeds is almost an essential to the gardener who wishes to improve conditions in the garden by becoming familiar with and working with the weeds.

Club meeting
On Tuesday, Feb. 8, the Valley Garden Club held a well-attended meeting in Rockburn.

A presentation of flower-arranging was given by Nova Rodgers, followed by the screening of two videos, one on flower arranging and Ikebana and the other on country gardens. A resolution was made for the Garden Club to sponsor a Junior Garden Prize program at the Annual Walshaven Flower Show. This was passed unanimously.

Attic treasures on display at CVHS



Carolyn Cameron found the Cameron Bible invaluable in tracing the family tree. (Photo: V.F.)



Chateauguay Valley Historical Society president Roland Greenbank, holding the (Ken) McNiece Family Bible, which was on display at a recent meeting. (Photo: V.F.)



Members got a closer look at the table full of Valley memorabilia on display at the February CVHS meeting. (Photo: V.F.)



Robert Petch showing an old text used by the Hemmingford Mechanics Society in the late 1800s. (Photo: V.F.)



Marian Ruddock, Dewittville junction station masters held out this mail hoop to pass messages to train engineers as they rolled past the platform. (Photo: V.F.)



Isabel Templeton, showing an early 1900s photograph of Montreal business women, which included her mother. (Photo: V.F.)

Steps to peace outlined at Day of Prayer service

Ellen Bulow was the speaker on Friday evening, Mar. 4 at the World Day of Prayer for Peace service held at St. John's Anglican Church, Huntingdon.

Ms. Bulow, a member of St. John's, known for her multiple roles in the community as parent, C.V.R. science teacher, and Hinchinbrooke municipal councillor, took the 1994 theme "Go, See and Act" and showed how individuals could respond in their own lives to help achieve peace in the world.

As a first step, act to achieve peace in one's own heart and extend that peace to our homes and the wider community, she said.

Act for peace through prayer and in our actions choose the peaceful path that Jesus showed us.

Get involved in the community and work to help others.

Say 'No' to violence in all its forms and 'Yes' when asked to help to support peace.

Take a stand and make your opinion known to the

decision-makers. "One letter means 20 opinions to those in power," she said.

Support those in office with a peaceful agenda. Support peaceful organizations, like our churches, working in aid of areas in strife.

Ms. Bulow closed with the prayer known to many, "Let there be Peace on Earth - and let it begin with me."

The service in Huntingdon was one of an estimated 3,000 held March 4 across the country. Canada is only one of 170 nations which celebrate the day organized by the International Council for the World Day of Prayer.

In this country the organizing body is the Women's Inter-Church Council. The order of service is printed in both French and English, and at the local service the readings, prayers and hymns were in one or other

of the two languages. Ms. Bulow's remarks were made in both French and English.

There were members of four churches in the congregation of some 50 persons. Each church was represented in the choir with a particularly strong contingent from St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. Margaret Hutchings was the organist and the ladies of St. John's Parish Guild hosted the social hour which followed.

-Roland Greenbank

Ormsdown

by Jean McEwen
829-2704

Our sympathy goes to friends of the late Mike Hebert, formerly of Ormsdown. He was the son of the late Gerry and Mavis Hebert. He passed away on Wednesday, March 2 after a heart attack.

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Head start in literacy for 100 local newborns

The Networking for Youth group of Huntingdon Literacy Exchange has undertaken a "Born to Read" literacy project to reach children of our community even before they reach school age.

Since it has been proven that early exposure to reading can affect a child's success in school and his/her subsequent desire for life-long learning, this pilot project will target newborns.

If the love of reading is to begin at home, there is a need to get books and reading materials into every child's environment at a very young age.

Since Huntingdon is a Literacy Exchange Community, the success and implementation of this Born to Read pilot project will depend on networking within the community.

Some senior citizens

from the Huntingdon Craft and Rec group have already mobilized to make 100 Born to Read cloth tote bags which double as diaper bags for area newborns.

Book publishers who believe we can make a difference in creating a literate environment have agreed to provide early-childhood books at discount prices. Related materials and information handouts encouraging parents to read to their infants from birth will also be included. Even TV channel 57, WCFE in Plattsburg N.Y., has expressed an interest in this Huntingdon project.

This pilot project became a reality when Literacy Partners of Quebec announced that the Born to Read project proposal submitted by the

local Networking for Youth group was one of 12 selected to receive grants from funds raised in the 1993 Peter Gzowski Invitational Golf Tournament for Literacy held in Quebec. The requested grant of \$1,500 was awarded.

The Literacy Partners of Quebec are hoping to organize a "Community literacy showcase" later in 1994, where projects such as Born to Read can be highlighted.

The next meeting of the local group will be held Thursday, Mar. 10, at 3 p.m. at the Huntingdon Academy library. Anyone interested in the youth of this community is welcome. For information please contact, Donna Erskine, Pearl Fennell or John Ryan.

Donna Erskine

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Editorial

ON ATTENTION-GETTING

Yesterday was International Women's Day. There were conferences, special events, press releases. Most people listened politely, and at least gave lip service to the concept of improving women's lot in areas where it needs to be improved. Many of these polite people were women.

We're talking about here now -- Quebec, Canada, North America, even most of Europe. But to try to switch one's mind-set to truly comprehend what women undergo in some other cultures is a serious and difficult task.

Sure, many -- too many -- North American women are abused, beaten, discriminated against in subtle and not-so-subtle ways. This is reprehensible, but considered to be an aberration from the commonly-accepted norms of our society. But to understand what it means to be a woman in some cultures involves a quantum leap in perception. The only explanation we can conceive of, for some of the things that are done to women, is that she is simply not considered fully human in the way that men are. In other words, men are human, women are something less, in the minds of those who hear women's words as noise rather than speech, who think that women's souls (if they are allowed any at all) are incapable of the moral perfectibility of men's souls. To abuse a woman is more like

abusing an animal than another human being; it just doesn't need to be taken too seriously.

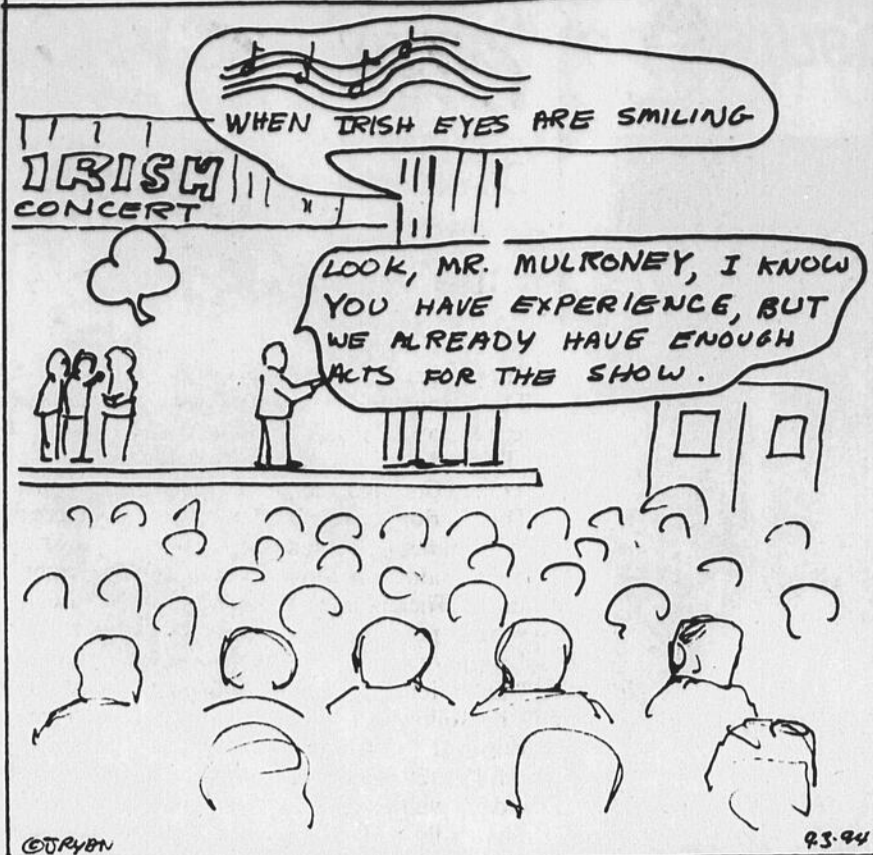
There are people in our culture who decry the "strident" cries of women for equal rights, equal treatment, equal value. But here at least it is conceded that women's words are in the same language as men's: they can be understood intellectually, even if they are not heeded or acted on.

It is almost impossible to imagine the reality faced by millions of other women who know that no man of their acquaintance will even listen to, much less comprehend, their cries for justice. Words are useless when the ears and minds are closed.

There is an old joke about the man who bought a mule, having been assured that the animal was very intelligent and would respond immediately to all the usual commands. The new owner tried and tried, without success. Angry and frustrated, he went back to the vendor, who laughed, picked up a handy two-by-four, and hit the animal a solid blow between the ears. He then said, "giddap" or whatever, and the mule obeyed without hesitation. The seller explained, "It's just like I told you -- he's perfect. You just have to get his attention first."

Getting attention -- real, serious, respectful attention -- is what it's all about.

(J.T.)



Letters

Photographer recalls shots taken for Gleaner in 1939

I've read in recent Gleaners about the 5 lb. boy of chocolates given for the most interesting pictures printed in The Gleaner 55 years ago.

I still have the clipping: "The Old and the New in Riverfield". There were four pictures: one of Jim Carson and his team hitched up to the old wooden plow, used in those days to plow the winter road. Another was of a M. Betourney of St-Chrysostome and his truck with plow attached to open the road from St-Chrysostome to Howick for cars. The third picture was of the old iron bridge, bought by Fred Allen and taken down piece by piece, numbered and then built over the Norton Creek where it still stands. The fourth picture was of the new cement and steel bridge built a few

feet further up the river.

Those pictures and "writings" were only some of the many pictures and articles I sent to the Gleaner for 60 years. More recently, I wrote in 1992 about my wonderful 80th birthday weekend and the terrible accident to my son.

The Gleaner didn't realize what a "scoop" they had when I wrote about my son's accident. He works in the U.S.A., but was born in the "old" Barrie Memorial, lived in Nitro and went to school in Nitro and Valleyfield. In the hospital he's known as "the Miracle Man". A doctor even flew over from Germany to see for himself the man who survived 13,800 volts of electricity.

Elizabeth St. Onge Howick

Defeated PQ hopeful calls for party unity in campaign

Following the February 20 Parti Québécois riding convention in Beauharnois-Huntingdon, I and my supporters wish to congratulate successful candidate Jean-Marie Latreille, but we would also like to share our position with respect to the future election.

Soon, Quebec will be at a crossroads. As René Lévesque often said, together we can meet the challenge of taking on our own responsibilities. This is a serious and important transition: economic revival, a less cumbersome government, openness to the world, and regaining the confidence of young people are some of the issues we face.

This is why we believe it

Too often when the owner dies, pets are not mentioned in will

It is normal when a loved one dies, to want a souvenir, perhaps a ring which the person wore, a necklace, watch or whatever. Naturally when it is a relative one might inherit some money, or a house or a car.

Recently there were three cases brought to my attention, where the deceased owned an animal and there was no written will as to what to do, only the usual words said at random: "If anything happens to me, take care of my dog and my cat."

The sad thing in all these cases was that although this could have been done, the children or immediate relatives had only one thing in mind: to get rid of the animals as soon as possible.

One dog was 13 years old and the cats were five years old. My recommendation was that euthanasia would be kinder for a 13 year-old dog than living in a shelter wondering, pining away with a broken heart for the person he missed.

necessary to build certain bridges. After the convention, we continue to believe in the value of our ideas, however diverse they may be. Anybody who is tempted to take a hard line vis-à-vis those who think differently is heading for defeat. Therefore we must all get together in Beauharnois-Huntingdon to work together and win the riding for the sovereignist cause. Never forget that unity is our only measure of success in making Quebec a free and truly democratic society.

Stéphane Gendron, St-Rémi
 Yvan Marcil, St-Antoine-Abbé
 Huguette Lepage, and
 Normand Turcot,
 Beauharnois
 Guy Pelletier, St-Rémi

Out of sympathy for the bereaved, I took in the two cats, which I was assured, wouldn't be any trouble. They were neutered, vaccinated and loved to go outside.

For three days they cowered in the cage, very frightened and not eating. On the fourth day, the cage door was left open so that they could walk in the kennel. Soon both cats escaped through the trap door and went outside in the fenced yard. Now, only one cat is seen at night on the balcony. The other one is probably hiding under the trailer.

The irony of all this was learning that one of the children would be moving into his father's house, where the animals could have stayed happily. Inheriting the house and furniture was one thing, the pets were something else, it seems.

Jackie G. Marcil
 Shangri-la Shelter
 Franklin Centre

Using this newspaper

The Gleaner welcomes contributions from its readers, in the form of news items or Letters to the Editor. Letters should express the writer's personal opinion and be kept to a reasonable length. All submissions must be signed by the writer and must include his or her address and telephone number. Both letters and news items are subject to editing, and will be published at the discretion of the Editor.

Births and Deaths

Cards of Thanks, In Memoriams, Marriage Notices, Engagements, Announcements.

BORN	DIED	DIED
<p>DUMAS - Francisca van Bergen and Mario Dumas are thrilled to announce the arrival of their daughter, Jesse Martina, born February 25, 1994, weighing 7 lbs. 1 ounce. Proud grandparents are Dorothy and Denis Dumas and Martina and Henry van Bergen.</p>	<p>CHABOT, M. Siméon - At Daytona, Florida on February 25, 1994, at the age of 86 years, died M. Siméon Chabot, husband of Mrs. Jeannette Mongrain living in Trout River. Besides his wife, he leaves to mourn his children, Marie-Paule, Lise, Huguette, Claude and their spouses, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, relatives and friends. There was visitation on Tuesday, March 1, at Salon Funéraire Rodrigue Montpetit & Fils Inc., 170 Châteauguay, Huntingdon. Funeral was held Wednesday, March 2 in Ste-Agnès-de-Dundee Church. Burial of the ashes at Ste-Agnès-de-Dundee Cemetery at a later date.</p>	<p>RENNIE, Winston - At the Barrie Memorial Hospital on February 28, 1994, Winston Rennie, aged 52 years, husband of Carrol MacFairlane, son of Bert and the late Lillith Arnold. Dear father of Nancy, also survived by two brothers, Keith, Gordon (Linda), and 2 nephews, Timothy and Anthony. Funeral service was held on Thursday, March 3 at 2 p.m. at the J.M. Sharpe Funeral Home Chapel, Franklin Centre. Interment Hillside Cemetery in the spring.</p>
<p>LASALLE-SUTHERLAND - Carole and Allan are delighted to announce the birth of their son Daniel LaSalle Sutherland. Born at 4:07 p.m., February 27, 1994 at the Anna Labege Hospital in Chateauguay. Weight: 8 lbs., 2 oz.</p>	<p>CARD OF THANKS</p> <p>The staff of Howick Elementary School extends their very warm thanks to everyone who observed "Teacher Appreciation Week" last week. We were delighted with the many generous gestures from the School Committee and individual families. It is gratifying to know that our parents appreciate our efforts.</p> <p>My sincere thanks to all for cards, flowers, and gift of fruit. Also phone calls and to Dr. Hiel on the Emergency at the Barrie, also Dr. Blonde.</p> <p>William "Bill" Boyd</p> <p>The family of the late Cornelius Van Der Voet would like to express their heartfelt thanks to friends and neighbours for the expression of condolence, cards, calls, flowers and donations.</p>	

Richard Cavendish, 75, remembered for garden

The Valleyfield community, along with many friends, was saddened by the death of Richard Cavendish, on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at the Montreal General Hospital, where he had been a patient for a few months. He was 75 years of age.

A Memorial Service was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22 at St. Mark's Anglican Church, Valleyfield.

The service, which was conducted by the incumbent priest, Fr. E. Majka, was well-attended by many friends, alongside only son, Dennis, and his wife, Wendy.

Richard, who was a very quiet, reserved man, emigrated here from England in 1951, along with his late wife Jean, and their young son, Dennis.

He became an employee of MacDonald College, where he worked with the animals. He retired at age 50 in order to pursue his own interests

of gardening, reading and walking.

He was a frequent visitor at the Elgin home of his son, Dennis, where he spent his time developing a special garden. Besides regular flowers and vegetables, all of which were grown from seeds he collected, he also enjoyed collecting seeds from wild flowers to plant in the garden, all of which made a charming landscape.

His was a familiar face in the congregation of St. Mark's Anglican Church, and he enjoyed the card games at the Valleyfield Friendship Club. Over the years he made many friends in this area, and was always on hand to help people out, especially seniors; he would take them on shopping trips and to other events.

Deepest sympathy is extended to his son Dennis and daughter-in-law, Wendy, of Elgin. Richard will be sadly missed.

-Elsie Melanson

Fiddlers . . . from page 1

loved ones will be most welcome to aid the club with this ambitious project, Duheme said.

Schedule
 Musicians and dancers will take to the stage on Saturday June 25.

In the fiddling and stepdancing divisions, there will be classes for all age groups, and one specialty class for two and three keyboard accordions.

The finals will begin Sunday afternoon, and trophies and prize money will be presented in the evening.

Stage shows will be held both days and special entertainment acts will be announced later.

Folks from all over the Valley and from Ontario and the U.S.A. who participated last year will be welcomed back. Rotarians hope musicians and dancers who haven't competed before will tune up their fiddles and dust off their dancing shoes and come to join in the fun.

The traditional old-time fiddling music, accompanied by piano and guitar, is much-loved by people from all walks of life. These days many young people are taking lessons in both fiddling and stepdancing, and the large turnout of young people in the "12 and under" and "18 and under" divisions is a sure sign that traditional music is here to stay.

Getting together
 An "extra" for the spectators at such competitions is the fun that goes on in "Fiddle Park" and in the practice rooms. There, folks who play

any instrument, those who sing and any one wishing to take their turn on the board to show their fancy foot-work, gather to have a lot of fun.

The relaxed atmosphere, out of the spotlight, is where music-lovers of all ages meet and make new friends or just enjoy a good time.

Mark your calendars and tell your friends not to forget this fun-filled weekend which Huntingdon Rotarians are sponsoring again this year.

GLEANER ARCHIVES... 125 years ago

March 5, 1869
 February closed as it began, with snow-storms... a very violent one set in, accompanied by a high wind... the frost became intense... Mails have been most irregular. For a whole week... no mail was received by way of Franklin, an only one during that period went out... The mail from St Remi was conveyed on the shoulders of a man on snow-shoes. Storekeepers have suffered much from the interruption of business, and been, in addition, greatly put about by the difficulty of getting freight from town. Until the late frost there was crossing on the St Lawrence, while the road to Caughnawaga has been impassable for loaded teams... 12 feet of snow altogether has fallen during the past winter. In the woods, just now, it measures from 4 to 5, and is closely packed.

55 years ago

March 8, 1939
ACADEMY JUNIOR CHOIR WINS
 ... at the Quebec Music Festival in Montreal... they secured an honor standing of 151 points out of a possible 200. The choir included the following: Bessie Arthur, Bernice Grant, Dorothy Laurie, Gladys Tannahill, Helen Ony, Helen Cunningham, Janette Pearce, Marion Stark, Marjorie Clouston, Marjorie Caldwell, Roberta McDermid, Roberta Kelly, Alton Warden, Baird Pringle, Joe Carr, Norma Dawson, Newton Arthur, Roil Hatcher. Four members (absent due to illness) Gordon Grant, Jimmie Montle, Jimmie Bickford, Ralph Connor.

SUE FOR DOG TAXES
 Owners of dogs at Ormstown given five days to pay taxes... otherwise the account would be handed to a lawyer for collection.

OBJECTION RAISED... INDIGENT PATIENTS
 Mayor Faubert protests against the number of people who seek financial aid from Huntingdon as indigent patients... he expressed the opinion that there were numerous cases that were really an imposition on the town, that the town was paying for the care of indigent patients

25 years ago

March 5, 1969
TRAFFIC DAMMED BY CLOGGED ROADS
 It blocked roads and rail traffic, threatened motorists, isolated farmers from towns and town workers from their families... Town Foreman Philibert Langevin said "it was the worst one we've had this year". Eighteen inches of snow fell... but squally winds piled up drifts many times that height.
SHAKEN OUT OF "FINAL" SLEEP
 Four Quebecers were gassed to death while waiting for help in stormbound cars... Valleyfield man Claude Noel came within minutes of joining them -- twice.
 Road-wide drifts had forced his car to a stop on the highway between Ste. Barbe and Huntingdon. "I guess I fell asleep"... Claude Leduc and Yves

... meeting of the Directors of the Agricultural Society... probability of the petition for a second Society being withdrawn for the time being. Labouring under the difficulties entailed upon me by the disastrous loss of its two horses, the Directors naturally wish that no division should take place just now, but, we believe, had the people of Hemmingford and Havelock insisted on separating, no opposition would have been made, as it has always been conceded that such a demand on their part is just. As to Franklin, probably some demur would have been made as to its withdrawing. Under the present circumstances, we should be glad to have the report confirmed as to Hemmingford and Havelock waiving their rights for a time, until the old Society recovers its footing...

who could and should pay their own bills. SLIGHT INCREASE...

Decrease in number of farmers in Huntingdon County if ten in year's time -- total population of province is 3,071,907... The 1937 figures reveal that in the county of Huntingdon there are 1,884 farmers, a total of 225,289 acres of land and taxable real estate of \$6,071,515... the farmer population Chateauguay County was 1,576... number of farmers in the Province, 147,164...

CHATEAU TO BE EXCURSION HEADQUARTERS

... This is the first year for the Chateau to show the current assets in excess of the current liabilities. The financial statement indicated good management was being exercised on the part of Fred Langevin and the staff... Langevin suggested that some advertising be done for the general welfare of Huntingdon... if such were done the Chateau and all business firms would materially benefit... the town council could include in their yearly budget, a certain amount of money that would be used to erect bill boards in strategic locations directing the tourist traffic to and through Huntingdon...

THIS AND THAT IN TOWN

Rats -- big, fat rats. The town dump on the Plank Rd. is infested with them and some hunters improve their skill at shooting game birds and animals by using the rodents for targets on poor days or when the snow is too deep for tramping in the woods.
 If That's Disgusting -- drop by the dump and see children (one little girl was probably only three or four) pawing around in the garbage and refuse. That is PITEFUL.

CONGRATULATIONS



Dennis O'Connor
 Dennis O'Connor was conferred with the degree of Barrister and Solicitor-at-Law and called to Bar of Ontario on February 3, 1994 in Ottawa. He is presently an associate with the firm Hewitt, Hewitt, Nesbitt, Reid, in Ottawa.

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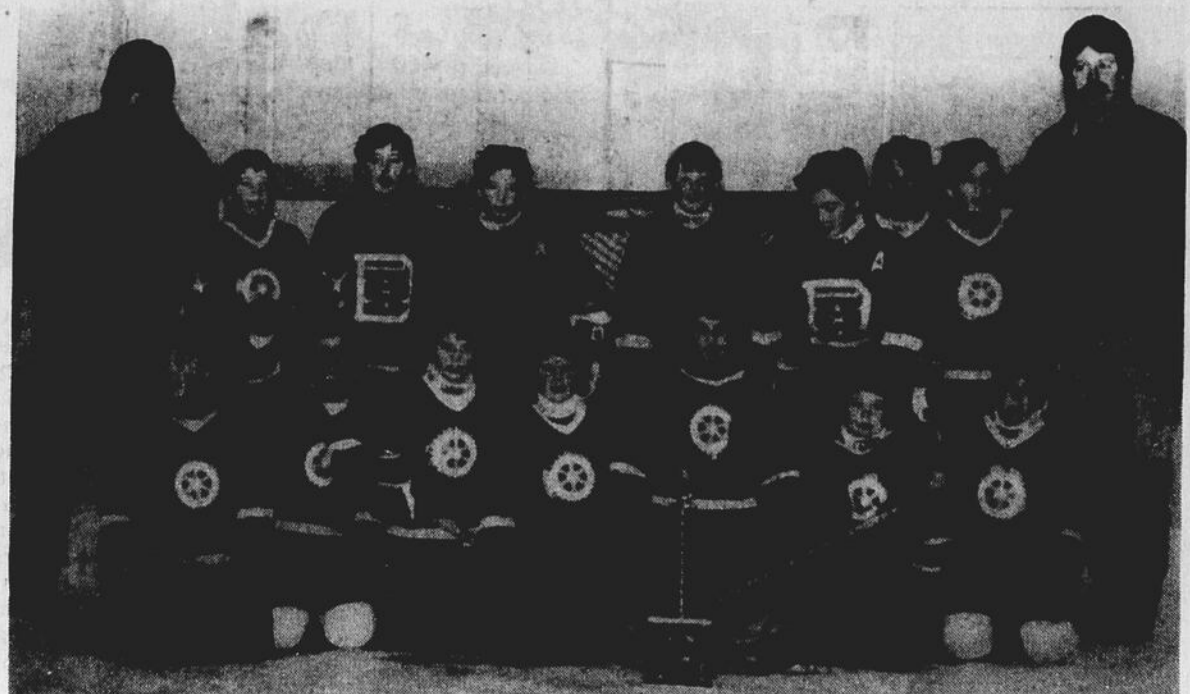
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The Huntingdon Flames team which travelled to Malone: left to right, front row: Jeff Duke, Jonathan Tully, Mark Caza, Marc-André Voyer, Pierre-Alexandre Viau, David Ireland, Emery O'Hare; back row: Coach Paul Brisebois, Martin Lalonde, Jamie Brisebois, Justin Deme, Sean Dolphin, Patrick MacDougall, Louis-Charles Faille, Sébastien Kraft, and coach Marc Voyer.

Novice B Flames win tournament with fine team effort in Malone

On Saturday, Feb. 26, the Huntingdon Novice 'B' Flames were up in the early hours to travel to Malone, N.Y. where they had accepted an invitation to play in the "Malone Minor Hockey Mite Tournament".

In the Flames first game, they faced the host team. Sean Dolphin got the Flames on the scoreboard early in the first period with an unassisted goal. Marc André Voyer then scored with an assist from Pierre-Alexandre Viau, giving Huntingdon a 2-0 lead. Jeff Duke went to work in the second period, getting one unassisted goal and another assisted by Mark Caza and Sean Dolphin.

Huntingdon led 4-0 after the two periods.

There was no scoring in the third period as Malone came out strong, but were unable to beat Flames goaltender Jamie Brisebois, who turned in a strong performance to register the shutout.

In their second game the Flames met up with Rouse's point. The Flames were invincible, outscoring the opposition 11-0. Jeff Duke led the offensive barrage with four goals and one assist. Sébastien Kraft scored twice an assisted on two others. Other point-getters for Huntingdon were: Justin Deme, two goals; Jamie Brisebois, a goal and an assist; Emery O'Hare, one goal; Martin Lalonde, one goal; and David Ireland and Patrick MacDougall, one assist each. Jonathan Tully was solid in goal to maintain

the shutout.

In their third and final game of the tournament, the Flames met Saranac Lake. Both teams were undefeated and this game would decide the tournament champions.

Saranac Lake broke the ice early in the game, but Huntingdon replied late in the period, creating a 1-1 tie when Jeff Duke scored unassisted. Sébastien Kraft broke the tie early in the second, scoring his third goal in as many games with a setup pass from Patrick MacDougall. From that point on, the Flames never looked back, outscoring Saranac Lake 4-1 in the period. Jeff Duke scored Huntingdon's third goal with assists from Sean Dolphin and Justin Deme; Marc-André Voyer scored unassisted; and Sean

Dolphin scored the fifth Flames' goal assisted by Jamie Brisebois. The score after two periods was Huntingdon 5, Saranac Lake 2.

In the third period, Jeff Duke was able to score early for Huntingdon with an assist from Justin Deme. Jeff later put the game out of reach when he scored his fourth goal of the game (unassisted). With nine goals in three games, he was the leading scorer of the tournament.

Pierre-Alexandre Viau in goal made the big saves when it counted. The final score was Huntingdon 7, Saranac Lake 3, and the Flames were tournament champions.

Throughout the three games, the Flames turned in a true team effort. The defensive corps of Patrick MacDougall, Sean Dolphin and team captain Louis Charles Faille held the opposition at Bay, while the three goaltenders Jamie Brisebois, Jonathan Tully and Pierre Alexandre Viau were almost perfect in nets, maintaining a 1.0 goals-against average for the tournament. They also contributed as forwards and defencemen when they weren't tending goal. The Flames' forwards were Justin Deme, Jeff Duke, Mark Caza, David Ireland, Marc-André Voyer, Emery O'Hare, Sébastien Kraft and Martin Lalonde.

The team demonstrated positional play and passing at its best, yet the most important achievement of all was that the kids had fun, thanks in large part to the tournament organizers. Along with the trophy, each player and coach received a souvenir puck. The Flames would also like to acknowledge the presence of many family members and friends whose support greatly added to the excitement.

-Paul Brisebois



Junior Mixed Curling

The weekend saw 16 junior teams compete in a Royal Caledonian Curling Club event in Howick, Ormstown and Huntingdon. Two teams from Morrisburg, Ont., and one each from Lachine and Baie d'Urfé won their respective divisions. Huntingdon and Lacolle clubs both entered teams, and although not finalists, the curlers enjoyed the experience. Pictured are Huntingdon players (l-r) Carrie Ness, Serena Frier and skip Brent Frier sweeping in a stone delivered by teammate Jason McLean (not pictured).

(Photo: V.F.)

Clean Sweep

Curling news around the Valley

The Farmers' Bonspiel will be getting underway March 14 to 17, (Monday to Thursday), at the Riverfield Curling Club.

This curling event is open to farmers, retired farmers, and farming families. There will be a one-game points winner each night of action.

This "friendly" event will be followed by the Provincial Farmers' March 18 to 20, (Friday to Saturday), with teams such as Shawville and North Hatley coming to show their skills.

Though you must be a farmer to curl, you needn't be one to watch. Feel free to drop in at the Riverfield Club to see how well our local curlers stack up to the competition. If our farmers curl half as well as they farm, there should be some really fine games.

You may have had an opportunity to see some of the Scott Tournament of Hearts curling on television this past weekend. As often happens, the game was decided by the last rock. Sandra Peterson's Regina team won for the second time straight. If you would like to see some more T.V. curling action, don't miss this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. on CBC, (Channel 6) for the Labatt's Brier finals.

Saturday afternoon and evening will find teams from local Caisse Populaires curling at the Ormstown Curling Club. This is an annual event arranged by the St-Antoine-Abbé Caisse. A supper will follow the curling fun.

Huntingdon Curling Club was a busy place this weekend as curling teams fought for the right to represent their "Legion" in the provincials. Many Legion members are fine curlers, and participate each year in the hopes of winning at the local level and travelling on to the finals held at a different Canadian town each year.

A meeting of the Ormstown Curling Club executive (men) is scheduled for this evening (Wednesday) at 8 p.m.

Don't forget that National Open House Week is March 14 to 20. At this time, participating Curling Clubs hold Open House parties and invite interested people to come see what curling is all about. This is a cross-Canada program arranged by the Canadian Curling Association, to promote curling and new memberships. Even though a club near you may not be involved this year, remember you are always welcome to drop in and visit. You'll be welcome to watch and ask questions any time...House Party or not.

If you have curling information you would like to see mentioned in our Curling Column, please call Brent Harrison, (Franklin Studio) Tel. & Fax. at 827-2392.

-Brent Harrison

Shoot-out needed to decide exciting Minor Hockey game

It was the Olympic finals all over again right here in the Valley on Sunday, as Huntingdon's Novice B Flames of the Minor Hockey Association went to a shoot-out to beat Mercier 5-3, after two overtime periods had ended in a 3-3 tie.

In regular time in the league play-off game, Huntingdon rallied from a 3-1 deficit to tie the score with only 32 seconds remaining. No one scored through the two periods of overtime.

In the tension-laden shoot-out, Huntingdon goalie Jamie Brisebois stopped the two Mercier attempts, while Jeff Duke and Sean Dolphin made their shots count for the win. Duke and Dolphin also scored during regulation time along with Michel Favreau. Duke and Sébastien Kraft had assists.

Unfortunately, the same Huntingdon team had lost 5-0 to Valleyfield the previous day, in their first play-off encounter, and also lost 6-0 to Ste-Martine in Sunday's play-off semi-final.

In Novice A action, Huntingdon shut out Mercier 1-0 on Wednesday Mar. 2. Steve Renaud scored unassisted.

The Novice C Rangers defeated Ste-Martine 3-2 on Sunday Feb. 27, on goals by Conrad Marcotte, Jonathan Guérin, and Ben Renaud. Marcotte scored both Huntingdon goals in a losing effort on Saturday when Malone took a 4-2 exhibition win over the local team.

Atom

The Atom A Canadiens shut out Soulanges 1-0 Friday, with Joey Hurteau scoring the game's only goal.

On Sunday, the Huntingdon team rolled over Beauharnois 7-4. Andrew Duheme and Joel Patch each scored a hat trick and Jeremy Reddick got the other. Assists went to Joel Patch (two), Philippe Beaulieu, Andrew, Duheme, and Mathieu Lemay.

The Atom B Canadiens lost twice on the weekend, 4-1 to Valleyfield on Saturday, when Westcott Duheme, assisted by Stephen Atkinson and Mathieu Lemay scored Huntingdon's goal; and 7-1 to Mercier on Sunday. Westcott Duheme scored

again, assisted by Myles Dolphin.

In inter-club Atom C action on Saturday, the Lightning came out on top in a 3-2 game against the Canadiens. Eric Rémillard had all three Lightning goals, with Patrick Bourdon getting an assist on one, while Jean-François Daoust and Patrick Daoust scored for the Canadiens, with two assists going to Danny Laplante.

The Atom C Canadiens lost an exhibition encounter with Malone by a tight 3-2 score. Jean François Daoust, assisted by Marc Leblanc and Tomy Derépentigny; and Patrick Daoust, unassisted, accounted for the Huntingdon scoring.

PeeWee

Beauharnois defeated the PeeWee A Canadiens 2-1 on Sunday, with Adam Green getting the goal, assisted by Martin Forget and Olivier Morin.

The PeeWee B Canadiens also lost on Sunday, 3-2 to Valleyfield. François Favreau scored twice in a losing cause, with David Dandurand and Eric Malboeuf getting assists.

The PeeWee C team fought to a 3-3 tie with Soulanges on Saturday. Mathieu Derépentigny scored twice, and B. Tannahill got the other goal.

Bantam

On Wednesday Mar. 2, Huntingdon defeated Verdun 3-2. The score sheet showed goals by

Philippe Dandurand, Marc Caza, and Michael Shewchuk. Assists went to Dominique Duguay (two), Steve Dorais, and Marco Latreille.

Midget

In Midget B action, Huntingdon lost 3-1 to Mercier on Monday Feb. 28. Steve Leblanc, assisted by Mathieu Castagner, scored for Huntingdon. (J.T.)

Hemmingford Bowling

The Hemmingford Wednesday Night League team standings after Feb. 23 are as follows:

TEAM	PTS.
Bickes	66
Bechard	58
Wallace	55 1/2
Thompson	54
Holmes	51
Rodrique	42
Leboeuf	37 1/2
Rankine	36

HIGH SCORES OF THE WEEK:

LADIES: (single and triple): Ann Lapiere: 193, 534; Bev Bechard: 186, 468; Johanne Vaillancourt: 181.

MEN: (single and triple): Michael Clifford: 208, 510; Myron Gness: 176, 498; Gerald Duteau: 179, 484; Les Thompson: 193, 482; Dwayne Leboeuf: 181.

-Florence Ellerton

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(as of March 6, 94)

Standings	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Old Pub	3	0	2	24	12	8
Autobus Leduc	3	1	1	21	11	7
Legion #81	2	2	1	22	19	5
Ferns	0	5	0	11	36	0

Scoring leaders	G	A	PTS
J. Bulman	9	7	16
G. Arcoite	7	7	14
M. Leduc	2	10	12
G. Fenlon	6	5	11
Y. Duheme	3	5	8
M. McRae	6	1	7
R. Tanner	4	3	7
S. Wilson	3	4	7
R. Lindsay	3	4	7
D. Rennie	2	5	7
D. Walsh	1	6	7

Goalies	W	L	T	GA	GAA
P. Clement	3	1	1	11	2.20
M. Legros	3	0	2	12	2.40
M. Rennie	1	2	1	14	3.50
D. Rennie	0	4	0	24	6.00

Results: Legion #81 12, Ferns 5; Old Pub 3, Autobus Leduc 3.
Next week Mar 13:10 a.m. Ferns vs. Autobus Leduc; 11:30 a.m. Legion #81 vs. Old Pub.

Valleyfield
by Elsie Melanson • 373-7202

Branch 62, Royal Canadian Legion held the annual Election of Officers on February 28 at the Legion Hall.

The new President-elect is Louis Charbonneau; 1st vice-president: Clifford Winter; 2nd vice-president: Lucien Pelletier; 3rd vice-president: Gilles Belanger; past-president: Lucien Gingras.

The new secretary is Ghyslaine Sauve; and treasurer is Roger Gagné; Sergeant-at-Arms: Roger Corbeil; Service Officer: Gerard Renaud.

Only two Directors were elected for the moment; they are Alphonse Jean and Gérard Poirier.

Members are reminded that the next General Meeting will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 20.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Branch 62, Legion, will be holding their annual Election of Officers at 7 p.m. Monday, March 21.

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Howick's Robert E. Ness brings home prestigious national dairyman award

by Jean Furcal
Howick Correspondent



Robert E. Ness of Howick (left) receives the Curtis Clark Achievement Award from Marjorie Atkins of the Alberta Holstein Association.

If you had been fortunate enough to be in the arena at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair last November 19, you would have heard Robert E. Ness of Terrace Bank Farm, Howick, called forward as the winner of the Curtis Clark Achievement Award for 1993.

This award was established in 1988 to honor the character and friendliness of "Master Cowman" Curtis Clark of Acme Holsteins, Carstairs, Alta. It goes to the dairy cattle exhibitor who exemplifies "the ability, sportsmanship and dedication necessary to be respected by his fellow breeders and exhibitors." The award is sponsored by the Alberta Branch of the Holstein Association, with the selection being made by a special committee.

The award is a special honor and one much valued and appreciated by Robert "Bob" Ness, who remembers fellow dairyman Curtis Clark. Bob was watching the Holstein show when to his surprise he heard the citation being read. The award represents ultimate recognition in a lifetime and Bob feels very honored to win it.

The nomination had been made by the Ayrshire Breeders' Association of Canada. The trophy depicts a bronzed version of one of Curtis Clark's hats, and, as a personal keepsake, Bob was also presented with a gold belt buckle. The presentation

was made by Marjorie Atkins, on behalf of the Alberta Holstein Branch.

Dedicated to Ayrshires

An ardent Ayrshire man, Bob Ness has spent his life developing and promoting the breed. His career encompasses being a dairyman, showman, and judge. His interest in and dedication to his chosen field have found him working in many capacities at local, national, and international levels.

The Ayrshire Association and the dairy industry have benefited from his opinions, vision and involvement. He served the Association as director for eight years, being president in 1978. He was a member of the Association's Breed Improvement Committee and chaired the Marketing Committee for many years. For six years he was a director at CIAQ

Inc. and since 1988 has been on the Board of Directors for Semex Canada.

Internationally, Bob Ness is an outstanding ambassador for Canada in promoting the Canadian dairy philosophy and improvement programs. He was a director of the World Federation of Ayrshire Association in Australia, New Zealand, Finland, Sweden, South Africa, U.S.A., the former U.S.S.R. and the United Kingdom. His involvement helped generate sales of Ayrshire genetics around the world and he has helped organize auction sales in the U.S.

Family enterprise
Back in Howick at Terrace Bank, Bob with his family has developed a first class operation. Its story goes back to 1920 when the farm was acquired by Bob's father, Earle Ness with help from his father, R.R. Ness of Burnside Farm. Thirty

cows were acquired from Earle's former home and the dairy operation was underway.

Ten years later, two exceptional cows were imported from Scotland. They were Nether Craig Brownie and Hightac Lily. Both produced over 100,000 pounds of milk. Many of the present cow families are direct descendants from those early purchases.

Two of the best cows bred at Terrace Bank were Flossie Ex** 161 279 M. 4.22% and Frosty Ex** 148 306 M. 4.17%. The farm's highest lifetime producer was Burnside Rare Rase Ex** with 194 000 pounds of milk until surpassed by Terrace Bank Countess Vee.

Many milk records have been set: in 1967, 10 cows produced one million pounds of milk; later, six produced the same amount. The Grand Champion Cow at the first Quebec Spring Show - the biggest Canadian Ayrshire show, was bred by Terrace Bank. In 1986 a top honor was winning the Superior Breeder Award, which has very stringent criteria.

Fine Showman

Showing cattle has always been an important part of Terrace Bank life. The Royal was the main showplace and Bob started going there in 1946 when he was still a teen. (His grandfather R.R. Ness had been a keen competitor, going as far afield as Seattle, Washington). Bob went with his Uncle Douglas Ness of Burnside, showing at first for him until 1960. His training form his Uncle was

invaluable, Bob said. He has been an active supporter of the Royal Winter Fair and Terrace Bank has shown a Breeder's Herd at the Royal Winter Fair every year from 1967 to 1987. Since 1946 Bob has never missed a year, except one when his wife Joan died in 1991.

As well as being a showman, Bob is an accomplished judge on the international circuit, putting his expertise to work at top Ayrshire shows in Canada in addition to judging the Royal Sydney Show in Australia in 1988 and the Rand Show in South Africa in 1991. On both occasions he visited farms, making friends with the people he met. His judging ability was evident early in his life as he won, with Murray Templeton, the Junior Provincial Championship in 1945.

Two requests have been received for judging in 1994 - the State Fairs in Ohio and Illinois.

4-H leader

At the local level Bob has been a vital part of 4-H life, becoming a member of the Howick Calf Club as a young lad. It was formed in 1933 with Robert Roy of Balquhider as the first leader. Roy was followed by his son Archie, who later on asked Bob to help him. It is praiseworthy that Bob served as leader for 30 years. Many young people have benefitted from his interest and expertise. At present, son Larry is following in his father's footsteps as 4-H leader.

Terrence Bank has been a family farm owned and operated by the Ness family since 1920. It has expanded since that time with 380 arpents now under cultivation. The crops are hay, mixed grains, corn and soybeans. The herd numbers about 180 with 64 cows presently milking. From 25-40 animals are sold annually for milking, the market mainly in Canada and the U.S. In 1981 their first embryo transplant calves were born. Embryos are sold to New Zealand, Australia and South Africa.

Bob's wife Joan (Summerton) was an important partner in the farm enterprise. Children Larry, Pamela, Carol, and Linda made the Nesses an active farm family. Larry and his wife Cecile comprise the third generation. With their four young sons, Eric, Jason, Andrew, and new baby Robert, the future looks bright for Terrace Bank Farm.

QCNA Assemblage Provincial Affairs with Glenn Wanamaker



About a decade ago, the federal Revenue Department was brought to heel after months of criticism for its aggressive pursuit of taxpayers.

Some tax auditors, pushed to extremes in order to fill quotas, were so zealous and unrelenting that they forced innocent taxpayers into bankruptcy.

Now some of the same criticism is being heard about the Quebec Revenue Department. Revenue Minister André Vallérand has responded by promising to humanize the department and remove the "irritants" for taxpayers.

He's chairing a 10-member committee that's been meeting every Monday for several weeks. Its mandate is to recommend administrative changes to make things less complicated for business, and procedural changes so taxpayers won't all be treated as potential cheaters.

But it's uncertain if this means any real shift in tax collecting philosophy.

A memo obtained by *Le Devoir* revealed that tax collectors have been given the objective of ferreting out 30 per cent more in extra tax money for 1994-95.

Vallérand has since indicated this objective will be withdrawn.

Aimed at evaders
"The directive is not aimed at the average citizen, just at those who are evading tax payments," said press aide Pierre Menard.

The problem though is the perception that the department considers every taxpayer a potential tax evader.

Pierre Cléroux, Vice-President of the Canadian Federation of Independent Business and a member of Vallérand's committee, was stunned when he first heard about the objectives.

Now, he said in an interview, he thinks they'll be dropped.

"I'm satisfied. There does seem to be a real willingness to change things. But we'll see - the real test will be at the end when we see what's done with our report," he said.

At its latest meeting, the committee agreed to recommend changes to harmonize the system of sales tax collection for small business.

About three years ago, the veil was lifted off a troubling period in recent Quebec history by Pauline Gill in her book "Les

Enfants du Duplessis". Her book tells the story of Alice Quinton, one of several thousand children who were institutionalized between 1935 and 1964 because they were unlucky enough to have been born out of wedlock.

They were hidden away in institutions run by religious communities, often to be medically certified as mentally incompetent. In some cases they were used as cheap labor, and were abused both physically and psychologically.

For many other Children of Duplessis - so-called because the practice was sanctioned by Premier Maurice Duplessis and his Cabinet - the book helped unleash a wave of bad memories.

It also created the impetus for the "Children" to come together, to find out that they were not alone, to talk, and to try and expunge the guilt and shame and bitterness that they've lived with quietly for decades.

Officially, there are now 339 members of *le Comité des orphelins et orphelines institutionnalisés de Duplessis*. They've compiled case histories for about 2,200 people, and they estimate the total number of orphans at about 5,500.

Seeking damages
About a year ago, seven lawsuits were filed against the government and several religious institutions seeking damages of well over \$1 billion.

But since then, we haven't heard much. The Quebec government chose to ignore pleas for a public inquiry, preferring instead to let the affair wind its way through the courts.

In January, the Committee was refused permission to use the provincial class-action fund to help pay for the lawsuits. But an appeal has been filed and will be heard later in March.

Also this month, the Committee's lawyers will be in Superior Court to present preliminary arguments on the main case. If the court agrees there is material enough to proceed, the first testimony could be heard by early summer.

Meanwhile, the Sûreté du Québec has been continuing its own criminal investigation of complaints filed by some of the orphans, and Committee lawyer Robert Fauteux believes some charges may be laid this spring.

Town . . . These projects, and another to install lighting at the park on the corner of Prince and Pilon Sts. in the west end of town, will have cost estimates prepared by the Montreal engineering firm of Lea Benoit.

The Town could have a maximum of \$408,837 to work with, half of it coming from other levels of government, and the other half to come from municipal funds.

A system of warnings and fines for infractions of the municipal code was passed by majority vote. A first complaint will result in a warning; the second means a fine of \$50-\$100; and repeated complaint can mean fines of anything from \$200 to \$2,000.

A resolution banning smoking in the Town Hall (except for the caucus room) was passed by a 3-2 majority vote.

The Explo-Tour promoters will receive a \$2,000 grant from the municipality toward next year's Un vélo, une pomme bicycle tour. Organizers are hoping to attract 2,400 participants, double last year's number. The Town will supply apple juice for visitors, while the Arena will provide toilet facilities. The local fire department will be asked to take charge of public security.

The Town hopes to hire six students under the Défi '94 program to supervise the swimming pool this summer.

from page 1 Council supported an MRC resolution asking Quebec to retain responsibility for clearing dead wildlife from roadsides. In the past, this has been done by game wardens, but now municipalities are being asked to take on the job.

Councillor André Brunette will attend two sessions on composting during April.

Two used hockey goal nets will be bought for \$400 for the outdoor rink at the park.

The local Rotary Club will receive \$200 toward prizes for next June's Fiddlers' Contest.

André Castagnier, president of the local Merchants' Association, will be asked for the names of four businesspeople for the new working committee on renewing the downtown area.

(J.T.; reportage M. Daoust)

Police report

A Ste-Martine man in possession of 40 cases of American liquor was arrested March 4 by Ste-Martine Sûreté du Québec officers.

The file was turned over to Sûreté du Québec detectives from the St-Jean Organized Crime Squad for further investigation.

Tires . . .

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that "Gasification is not an acceptable form of deriving fuel from tires. You must stop that type of industry from coming into your community."

The same company president also told them that Florida has recently closed its [tire-burning] operations, and so has Japan. Lane learned that a Japanese company attending the symposium bought tire recycling technology from Canadian companies.

The Franklin residents were told the Ontario government took action to prevent another Hagersville tire fire incident (14 million tires burnt uncontrollably for 17 days in February 1990).

The Ontario Government also introduced a five-part

recycling program to fund research into used-tire processing and tire-derived products such as 'crumb rubber.'

Through recycling, and allowing only small, short-term storage of tires, the Ontario Government has since reduced its stockpiles by more than 60 per cent.

Tire shortages?

One Ontario company has had to shut down its crumb rubber plant because of used-tire shortages, even though 10 to 14 semi-trailer loads arrive from Mississauga daily at a Franklin dump.

"It is insane," Lane said, "that the Cambridge recovery company can't get enough tires, when we can't get rid of ours."

There are two popular options for re-using tires

— crumb rubber and tire-derived fuel.

Crumb rubber is used in nearly 50 everyday household and industrial products, ranging from adhesives, automotive mats, shoes, carpet underlay and flooring, pipes, containers, sports equipment, to road construction.

Some 7,500 tires are used in an asphalt blend for each kilometer of road, and provides a superior surface on longer-lasting, more durable roads.

"This method of recycling has the potential to virtually eliminate existing tire piles and to utilize all tires scrapped annually in Canada," the Citizens' report says.

Tire-derived fuel is used in at least two industries — cement

manufacturing and pulp and paper production.

"Everyone consulted dismissed 'gasification and incineration' as not being viable ways to dispose of scrap tires," Lane said.

"We have to force our Quebec Government to take a stand, or we're headed for the biggest environmental disaster if the Franklin dumps burns," she stated.

The Citizens' report is to be made available to the public, and an information kiosk is to be set up at the benefit night planned this Saturday night at Ormstown's Que Pasa? Restaurant. Canadian folksinger Penny Lang will perform.

RRR Havelock representative Gregg Edwards also attended the conference.

Famine . . .

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projects in countries like the Sudan, where civil war has displaced 250,000 people and famine has killed thousands.

Library . . .

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have library services not affiliated with the B.C.P. (*bibliothèque centrale de prêt de la Montérégie inc.*) are: "The Little Green Library" in Huntingdon; the municipal-school library in St. Chrysostome located in St. Joseph High School; and "The Rockburn Cultural Center Library" in Hinchinbrooke, which may be closing for good in the summer, due to lack of community support.

Organizers have arranged to hold the Famine at Ormstown Elementary School, where most will sleep overnight,

passing the time playing music, cards, games, volleyball, reading, laughing, and watching movies. They are permitted to drink only juice and water. It is hoped that the effort will exceed last year's total of \$2,000. The funds come from sponsors - friends, neighbors, relatives - who pledge their support, much like a walk-a-thon. The students are able to issue official receipts from

-André Kenney C.A.S.O.

World Vision for tax purposes. Money from this year's event is earmarked for a number of specific projects, including planting 1.8 million trees in Ethiopia, immunizing children in Bangladesh, and assisting a street mission in Calgary, Alta. Readers who would like to make a pledge in support of this project are invited to call 829-3625.

-Erika Rosenbaum.

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In Howick there is a strong community movement led by the Howick Lions' Club, towards becoming affiliated with the B.C.P. The municipality of Howick has agreed to the service, but it still has to be officially ratified. The municipalities of

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May 16, 1994 CLSC, 509, St-Jacques Street, Napierville
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June 27, 1994 Vieux couvent, 549, Frontiere Street, Hemmingford
All the public sessions will begin at 19h00 o'clock and will start by a fifteen minutes of questions.
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Craft & Rec member marks 90th birthday

A special occasion last Wednesday was Arnold Kahn's birthday. Mr. Kahn turned 90 years young on February 25. Florence MacNaughton served Arnold a piece of

cake with a birthday candle. On behalf of the members and volunteers Beverly Watson pinned a red carnation on Arnold's lapel and presented him with a

birthday card. Don't miss the St. Patrick's Day program on March 16 at 3 p.m. A very special program will include live Irish music and our very own CandR Swingers. Try and be there!

We would like to thank Florence MacNaughton and Vera Dooling for taking blood pressure last Wednesday. They took a total of 51 readings.

Our ceramic group treated us to tasty breads at tea time. Thanks a lot, girls; they were great. A friendly "Hello" to all our sick and shut-in friends.

"Many happy returns" to the following:
Hazel Leamon, Emiline Monique, Nicole Hart, Doris Ryan, Rita Kerby, Louise McPherson, Gordon Burrows, Mary Grove, Florida Dault, Rhoda

Arthur, Muriel Hamilton, Florence MacNaughton, George Birkett, Patricia Westover, Pat McLean, Alice Vine, Joan Watson, Anne Cameron, Irene Cunningham, Ella Ruddle, Lu Lamarre, Shirley Zalopany, Eileen Archambault, Doreen Beare, Stan Harmon, and Tika Kahn.

Congratulations to Anne and Dr. Cameron, who celebrate their anniversary this month.

-Gloria McIntyre

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streets have been cleaned, for the safety of citizens. He also reported the break in front of the pumphouse, and also on frozen pipes in front of one residence.

André Leavey will attend a course from April 11 to May 20 on the new sewer project. During that time a temporary janitor will be required, and a notice has been posted at the Town Hall for Hemmingford residents to apply for this position. The janitor will be chosen March 21.

The village is studying the possibility of purchasing the public lighting system.

A \$200 donation was given to the Old Convent.

March of Dimes campaign underway at H'don Legion

The annual meeting of the Huntingdon Legion will be held on Thursday Mar. 10 at 8 p.m. The financial report for 1993 will be presented, and all members are urged to attend.

Irish Stew: On Thursday Mar. 17, there will be an Irish Stew supper from 5 to 8 p.m. (Watch next week's Gleaner for ad.)

March of Dimes: The campaign will officially kick off on Wednesday Mar. 9. The Royal Canadian Legion has only two campaigns per year, the Poppy Fund and the March of Dimes. We in Huntingdon profit directly from the March of Dimes, so let's make this year's campaign as successful as last year's. Campaign Chairman is Lawrence Carrigan; co-chairman is Jim MacMillan; and the Honorary chairman is Doug McGerrigle.

Flea Market: A flea market is planned for Saturday, April 9. If you have any articles you would like to donate we will be happy to pick them up at your convenience. Call Anne Cameron at 264-5426 or call the Legion Hall (264-4711).

Spaghetti Supper: A spaghetti supper is scheduled for Sunday April 10 with profits going to the March of Dimes.

Spring Fling: A 'Spring Fling' will be held on Saturday night Apr. 16, with music by the country rock band 'Flashback', led by Gilbert Leger. (Watch Gleaner for ad.)

Calendar of events: An up-to-date calendar of hall bookings is available at the hall. Drop in and pick one up.

Bar hours: For those who aren't sure of the exact hours the Legion is open, here is a reminder: Monday, closed; Tuesday open 6:30 p.m. for Bingo; Wednesday and Thursday 5 p.m. to midnight; Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. to 2 p.m.; Sundays 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Activities: There are many activities at the Legion which you might want to try: Darts on Wednesday nights; Cribbage and

Shuffleboard on Friday nights; and every Monday night there are Military whists. Don't be shy, come over and make use of these activities.

Membership: If you who have not renewed your membership, please call Mildred Smail or drop in and pay your 1994 dues at the bar. Any member who has not paid for two years or more can be reinstated by paying for the current year, without

having to go through the initiation. For more information on membership call Mickey at 264-5467.

Service and Seniors: Anne Cameron is Service Officer as well as chairman of the Seniors Committee. If you know of anyone sick or in hospital please let us know. Any questions on veterans services can be answered by Anne at 264-5426.

-Raymond Stonehouse

H'ford Eastern Star welcomes dignitaries

by Florence Ellerton Hemmingford

Victory Chapter No. 34, Order of the Eastern Star in Hemmingford, held its monthly meeting March 4, in the Masonic Hall, with an official visit from the Worthy Grand Matron. Gladys Vaillancourt, opened the meeting.

Visitors Sister Anita Young, Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Leo Dryden, Worthy Grand Patron of Quebec were warmly welcomed.

Florence Ellerton, P.G.M. and General Grand Chapter Committee Member, was presented as were Past Grand Matron's Hazel Alexander, Grand Secretary, and Bette Smith with past Grand Patron Donald McCaig.

Fourteen Grand Officers including our own Joanne Maxwell, Grand Conductress, and three Grand Instructors were also welcomed.

Anita Young and Leo

Dryden received donations for their special project, "The Lamplighters Foundation."

This foundation is made up of volunteers, mostly parents of children being treated for cancer at the Montreal Children's Hospital. They try to supply items that will make the hospital stay a little more bearable and less lonely.

The W.G.M. congratulated Florence and Marjorie on their work on the General Grand Chapter Committee. She also congratulated Sister Joanne Maxwell on her position in the Grand Family and wished her well in her travels.

The Good of the Order will be given to Estarl, to help young men and women to become ministers.

At the social hour Joanne Maxwell was presented with a gift from the chapter.

Four Howick churches unite for Day of Prayer

by Jean Furcull Howick

"Go, see, act" was the message of the 1994 World Day of Prayer on March 4, with a service prepared by the Christian women of Palestine. The four churches of the Howick region gathered in the Riverfield Presbyterian Church Hall for the service. Olive Craig welcomed the worshippers.

With the recent tragic events in Hebron, the program of worship took on added significance. The preface to the service, read by Audrey Reddick, explained that "the region of Palestine has special significance for Christians, as it does also for Jews and Muslims. On the one hand, we acknowledge the need for the State of Israel to be assured of secure and recognized borders. On the other hand, the Palestinian women remind us of the well-documented human rights violations against their people and of the Palestinian people's desire for statehood."

Several readers helped unfold the story of the land where three monotheistic religions meet - Judaism, Christianity, and Islam - with Jerusalem the Holy City sacred to the three religions.

Ruth Brown gave a short explanation to help clarify the Middle East situation, both historically and in light of today's events. As Abraham is Father to Jews, Christians, and Muslims, the struggles and antagonisms of the present are better understood. The life, suffering, death and resurrection of Christ was remembered as the suffering, brutality and injustice of today's world implores us to "go, see, and act."

Prayer and singing were an essential part of the worship. Hymns sung were "Love Divine all loves excell'g", "Praise the Lord ye heavens adore Him," and "God will take care of you."

Others taking part in the service were Gloria Peddie, Una Gruer, Grace Robb, Mary Reddick, Jean Templeton, Joyce McKell, Evelyn Kerr, Marcel Paquette, Peggy Landry and Olive Craig as pianist. The World Day of Prayer is celebrated annually in over 170 countries

Books to enjoy

During the past month the Little Green Library has received many new books, and also had a visit from André Kenny of Cultur'art Sud-Ouest, who is doing a survey on all cultural activities in the district, with a view to helping these groups.

New books received recently are: "The Robber Bride" by Margaret Atwood; an unsettling story of three women who share a common wound.

"Nightmare and Dreamscapes" by Stephen King: classic tales of the struggle between evil and good.

"Accident" by the well known-author Danielle Steel.

"Disclosure" by Michael Crichton: a struggle in the cut-throat computer industry. "Dictionary of First Names": learn the meaning of your name and its derivation.

"Riding the Yellow Trolley Car" by Wm. Kennedy: meet Louis Armstrong, Maggie and Jiggs, Samuel Beckett, John O'Hara and others as you stroll down the aisle of the yellow car.

"Children in Crisis" by F. Newman: support for teachers and parents.

"10,000 Dreams Interpreted" by G. H. Miller.

"Legacy of Secrets" by Elizabeth Alder: Shannon Keefe does not believe her father committed suicide, and flies to Ireland to check his family history.

"The Change": women, aging and menopause, by Germaine Greer.

"Lemon-Aid": new and used-car guide for 1994 (P. Edmonston).

"Hope" by Herman Wouk: a saga of Israel. Many books have been purchased for the juniors and younger children. Along with some of the "Sweet Valley" series, "Garfield", and other stories, there is

information on the ozone layer, cats, spiders, birds, insects, leeches, and lampreys; great stuff to wear; also how to build houses of bark, snow, hide and earth. The Library also has the unitrade Catalogue of Canadian Stamps for both young people and adults. During the past month, the library received \$325 in memorial donations which are used for the purchase of books, unless otherwise requested.

Memorial donations include:

In memory of: Dee Zabitsky: from Susan and McKie Cluff; Kenneth and Anne Cameron; the Donald Erskine family; Ola Proudfoot; Mrs. Mary Daoust; Royal Canadian Legion Branch 81; and the Rotary Club.

Vincent O'Connor: from his wife Doreen and family. Roger Barrette: from Mrs. Madeleine Curran. Simon Bidner: from Eunice and Henry Wallace.

George McPherson: from Jon and Ola Proudfoot.

Other donations came from: Mr. and Mrs. James McCoy, the Caisse Populaire, the Club Optimiste, and Huntingdon Presbyterian Evening Auxiliary.

The Library is still looking for help from a bilingual person to check overdue books, (or an English-speaking person for the English, and a French-speaking for the French books).

To raise funds for the library, a Brunch is planned for March 20 at the newly redecorated Legion Hall. Tickets can be purchased at the library or from volunteers. Many new people are joining the library this year, so be in fashion and join too. The library post office box number is 1570.

Good reading. Ola Proudfoot

Dewittville WI plans new recipe booklet

Dewittville W.I. members had a delightful March meeting at the home of president Carolyn Cameron.

Guest for the afternoon was Helen Nitsch from Ormstown. Helen made a wonderful cauliflower soup, delicious little cheese biscuits and a yummy raspberry dessert. Pauline Blachford and Liz McNaughton helped serve and provided cookies to go along with the tea and coffee.

Carolyn opened the meeting with a poem: "All things work out." The roll call was answered by giving a new recipe. These will be made into a booklet so everyone will be able to try them. It was reported that the skating rink had been well used. A letter was read from Shirley Scott, a former member.

CONVENERS' REPORTS

Agriculture: Dorothy McCaig told of a cranberry farm near Victoriaville, Que. Cranberries are grown in a bog, and are floated and harvested

mechanically. It takes three years for a bog to produce enough fruit for mechanical harvest. Mr. Bieler hopes to get into cranberry-processing, beginning with jam and eventually juice. It is great to know that cranberry sauce to go with our turkey can be produced right here in Quebec.

Home Economics and Health: Hazel Aikman spoke about how our health care system is abused. Health care fraud costs \$60 to \$90 million per year.

Safety: Gwen MacGregor reported on a farm-safety quiz in one of the farm magazines. Questions—Do you think that farmers should take more precautions on the farm? The majority of the answers were "Yes". The main concern was that drivers of large machines should slow down and take time to shut off moving parts before trying to do repairs. Another concern: keep small children away from farm machinery.

-Liz McNaughton

Fire . . . from page 1

and Martin said. Larocque also praised the Mutual Aid efforts to save the building.

A women's group brought sandwiches and coffee to the scene for firemen who stayed on the job until early afternoon, when power was switched back on in the front half of the Arena.

Tuesday morning Larocque was calling other arenas looking for spare ice time to finish the men's hockey league finals and play-offs, and for the Regional Minor Hockey Association.

A figure-skating show scheduled for mid-April is also cancelled, she said.

Rockburn

by Diane Farquhar • 264-3960

The community was saddened to hear of the sudden death of Winston Rennie of the First Concession.

Deepest sympathy is extended to his family at this time of sorrow.

Sympathy
The family of the late Gary Donnelly, a former resident of Rockburn, were shocked by the news

that he died in a freak car accident near his home at Bowmanville, Ont.

His remains were returned to Huntingdon for a wake and burial in the family plot in the spring.

He leaves to mourn his mother Dorothy Hoyer, his brother Jim and many other relatives. Sincere condolences are conveyed to his family.

ANNUAL MEETING
HUNTINGDON LEGION HALL
Thursday, March 10
8 p.m.
Financial report for 1993 will be presented. All members are urged to attend.

ST-JOSEPH'S ST-PATRICK CARD PARTY
MILITARY WHIST
At the Huntingdon Legion
Monday, March 14
8 p.m.
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Huntingdon Irish Society
Robert McGee, Pres.

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On March 11, 1994, 8 p.m.
At MacDougall Hall, Ormstown
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Guest speakers from Huntingdon CLSC
Dominique Charland and Manon Landry
Everyone Welcome
Refreshments will be served

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SUNDAY, MARCH 13
FROM 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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ANNUAL MEETING
Ormstown Union Cemetery Company
MacDougall Hall, Ormstown
Tuesday, March 15,
8 p.m.