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BEGINNING AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY



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WILL ADAM GIVES A THUMBS-UP TO THE CROWD THAT ARRIVED TO SEE HIM OFF. WILL LEFT AMHERST ISLAND ON APRIL 28 TO CATCH A BUS TO SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA, WHERE HE WOULD BEGIN HIS BICYCLE TRIP ACROSS CANADA TO RAISE MONEY FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS. WILL EXPECTS TO TAKE ABOUT 4 MONTHS TO CROSS THE COUNTRY. FOR MORE ON WILL'S INCREDIBLE JOURNEY, TURN TO PAGES 10 - 13.

THIS ISSUE

- Ian Murray, editor

My apologies to Carol Langwald, Lois Henderson, and to other members of Garnet McDonald's family for the errors on page 9 of the March Beacon. That page, with corrections, is re-printed in this issue.

NEIGHBOURHOOD

- Lyn Fleming

Get Well this month to Lloyd Wolfreys, who had some minor

surgery; and to Caroline Yull, who made a trip to the hospital. Condolences to Helen Bulch and Ida Gavlas and families, fol-

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lowing the passing of their son and brother, Dave Bulch. Dave grew up on Amherst Island.

Larry and I are thrilled to announce the birth of our first grandson. Jason and Ange became the proud parents of Braden Dillon Fleming, 7lbs. 14 oz. on April 3rd. Tia loves her "baby bruller" and has become quite the big sister. The name Braden Fleming goes back to 1835 on Amherst Island, when a 25 year old Braden Fleming (and twin brother, Thomas) arrived here from Ireland. Braden settled the (Ernest Fleming) farm on the 3rd concession, which has just passed out of the Fleming family in recent years.

Good Luck to Will Adam, who left this month on his cross country bike ride to raise awareness and funds for MS.

The Amherst Island Rec Association's Friday night Euchres finished the season with prizes awarded for the highest overall scores (as well as the lowest).

Jason Fowler, a favorite return performer, played to a sell out crowd on the 28th of April. Approximately 70 people packed the Lodge for this concert.

Amherst Island radio (CJAI, 93.7) held its annual General Meeting this month.

Save the date! October 20th has been set as the date for a community walk for breast cancer.

The committee hopes to have every family on the Island represented in some way.

Spring is struggling to make it's presence known on the Island this year. We have had a couple of mild and sunny days, but they have been few and far between! Some early bulbs are starting to peek through and the grass is starting to green to add a touch of colour to an otherwise drab and wet landscape.

May also brings the lilacs and more spring flowers, and socially, the Mother's Day Ham Dinner and the Rec Association's Spring Dance/Fish Fry.

Of course also coming in May is the highly contentious ferry rate increase!



WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

- Joyce Reid

The General and Annual Meetings were held at the home of Coralie Marshall – hosted by her and Judith Harrower on April 18, opening with the Ode, Collect and the National Anthem.



This year the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario celebrates their 110th anniversary. As this goes to print an event is being held in Napanee to commemorate the occasion and to raise awareness and funds for GRANDMOTHERS TO GRANDMOTHERS, the organization that supports orphaned children in Africa and their grannies. The Stephen Lewis Foundation will have a film there to show the work being done.

A Queen Victoria Tea is to take place on Saturday May 19th as the Lennox and Addington Historical Society celebrates 100 years. This will be held at the Allen McPherson House in Napanee

Camden East W. I. celebrates their 80th year, June 5, 7:30 pm in the Shirley Memorial Hall.

All members and guests are invited to the above events.

Books about the Women's Institute of Ontario will be available to borrow, from a shelf in the Neilson Store Museum after May 19.

The number of hours given by the Amherst Island group to the community is close to 3,000 for the past year – an impressive donation of time!

We took a brief break between meetings to view the new moon lying on its back in the western sky – looking as though it was cradling the full moon in shadow.

Refreshments supplied by the hostesses were delicious, followed by a brown bag auction – funds going towards GRAND-MOTHERS TO GRANDMOTHERS. The next meeting is May 16 at Kirsten Bennick's – bring a recipe of a Wild Food and copies to hand out.

Meeting adjourned about 9:45 pm.





- Lyn Fleming

Spring has been and continues to be a very busy time at our little school.

Senior Class students have been and continue to raise funds for their 3 day year end trip to Montreal. Ms. Jardine has planned a "jam-packed" 3 days, with the highlight being tickets to Cirque du Soleil. Students have catered AIMS breakfasts, held movie nights, sold A.I. t-shirts, Easter chocolates and much more to help defray the cost of their trip.

The A.I.P.S. Public Speaking Competition was held this past month. Congratulations to Ben Whitton and Muressa Fabian-Robinson, who will go on to the area competition in May. Thanks to Cathy Glenn, Joyce Haines and Rev. Margaret Johnston-Jones for giving their time to judge the competition.

Our annual Art Exhibit at the Lodge opened to an appreciative crowd in late April. Many forms of student art are currently on display at the Lodge.

Senior class students had an interesting workshop on clean water, presented by a representative of the Medical Museum.

Loyalist Township Fire Safety officer, Derrick Ethridge, visited both classrooms to teach fire safety to the students.

Senior class students have been learning bucket drumming over the winter. Songs and rhythms are played on a variety of different size plastic pails, from relish pails to garbage pails. Recently, the Bucket Drumming Performance Band from Odessa P.S. put on a 45 minute performance for A.I.P.S. students. While it was very LOUD, it was amazing to hear what can be done with some empty buckets and a couple of drumsticks.

Students took part in the annual Pitch-In day at the end of April. Groups of students and their supervisors each took a section of road on the Island and picked up garbage left behind when the snow melted. Students enjoyed the fresh air walk but had very mixed feelings about some of the spring wild life (ie:snakes) they all met in their travels!

Kindergarten students explored the school yard on a nature walk, looking for signs of Spring. They have also been writing in their journals daily.

Senior class students attended the Heritage Fair at Queens with their Heritage projects, that had been done earlier in the year.

Still to come is an Electrical Safety presentation, a trip to the Owl Woods for Primary students, and the annual Jump Rope for Heart.

Students and staff are busily getting ready for "Spring Fling" - a talent show in place of a Spring Production this year.

Queen's Sports Camp for senior students, year end class trips and the Awards and Graduation Ceremony will round out the fast approaching end of another school year.





PREVIOUS PAGE: QUENTIN SCOTT PAUSES FOR A QUICK PHOTO. LEFT: REBECCA WOLFREYS SHOWS OFF HER CAMERA FACE. ABOVE: BEN WHITTON PRACTICES HIS SOCCER MOVES.

PHOTOS BY BRIAN LITTLE

TALES FROM THE PAST—THE BLIZZARD OF '71



TOWNSHIP DUMP TRUCK WITH SNOW PLOUGH. FARMER WITH TRACTOR IN BACKGROUND.



A FILL-IN FOR THE FERRY





ABOVE LEFT: FRONT ROAD, LOOKING EAST FROM THE SCHOOL. ABOVE RIGHT: THE SNOWBLOWER AT WORK. LOOK CLOSELY AND YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO SEE IT. ADJACENT PAGE PHOTOS: WITNESSING THE SNOWBLOWER AT WORK.

***A special thank you to Glenn Sheil who took these photos, and to Shirley Miller who forwarded them to the Beacon.

JANET'S JOTTINGS

- Janet Scott

As each new day opens on Amherst Island you will meet and greet another species. They have come back as if they can read the calendar. The data that I have are average arrival and departure statistics for 1948 to 1987 as supplied by the Kingston Field Naturalists. It is uncanny how close to these dates the spring arrivals show up.

The middle of April brought The Greater Yellowlegs on cue. You probably spotted this long legged shorebird by the slough near St. Paul's as you drove to the ferry. His habit of bobbing, while standing at the water's edge, is distinctive. As he takes off he shows a white rump and makes a three noted call. This bird is still migrating and will continue to its breeding grounds in the muskegs of Northern Ontario. By the middle of May they will have fed on the insects and crustaceans that they have found on our shores, flooded fields and mudflats and be ready to complete their flight north.

The arrival of the Tree Swallows in large numbers usually coincides with our swarms of gnats that look like clouds of smoke. The gnats were delayed slightly by the Easter Snow but soon were being happily devoured as they hatched in that warm period in April. Not only the Swallows, Phoebes and Chickadees are enjoying the gnats but waterfowl are too. Unable to fly deftly after the gnats they have adapted their behavior in a variety of ways. The Bonaparte Gulls, those small white gulls with the black heads, will swim in circles creating an eddy that the floating gnats get caught in and are quickly gobbled up by the gulls. The Mallards, Gadwall and Blacks swim with beaks slightly ajar on the surface and scoop up the delicacy. On April 26th I was amazed to watch a group of Longtailed Ducks swimming in formation. They appeared to be a diagonal line until I stopped and watched with binoculars and realized that they were ducks, swimming in a closely formed line gathering gnats in front of this snowplow effect. I have never seen this before but found it fascinating to watch. It was effective that day because it was unusually still on the South Shore. The cruising Loons showed ripples and reflections.

The schoolyard Osprey arrived on their due date and set up

housekeeping. He cruised the fields looking for just the right branch which she sometimes cruelly rejected and let fall to the ground. By the last week of April they were gathering grass to pack in the interior for padding and also diapers I imagine. They appear awkward when picking up objects but as you have probably noticed two toes go ahead and two back unlike other hawk species. They always carry a fish with its head into the wind in a streamlined manner. They have chosen a telephone pole on the north side of Front Road as their eating and observation post but once Momma settles down on the nest Father will bring home "Take-out" every meal. When the babies hatch in June he'll be very busy feeding everyone. If Momma (you'll know her by more black necklace than Poppa) spots an Eagle she'll call in a high-pitched panic cry and he'll come running from wherever he is fishing. If you approach too close to the nesting post she will warn you with three kyews. They are nervous of the people around the school but no longer fly as soon as a car drives in. The nest moving of the Osprey nest in Belleville seems to have worked and the established Ospreys are sitting on their old nest on a new pole.

Jacquie Sylvester spotted a Pileated Woodpecker down her way so watch for that neat bird. Russell McGinn has spotted either an Eagle or Osprey with a trap on its leg so watch out for that poor creature and let either of us know if it's downed. Susan Filson has spotted a Swan wearing a numbered tag #861. I will inquire among other birders and hopefully find out more about this study and can pass it on. Thankfully they're not using yellow vinyl collars as they did in one study from Cornell University. Those collars turned into a hazard in mushy ice. Vince and Lance Eves had to rescue the geese from drowning when the collars were so heavy with ice that the geese couldn't lift up their heads anymore. Thanks for all those interesting sightings. It makes Birding so much fun!

If you ever need help with Bird Rehabilitation, call Sandy Pines Wildlife Refuge 613-354-0264. They will try and tell you what to do or where you can get help. Kitt Chub the Bird Lady at Verona is now retired and has passed on the torch to Sue Meech at the Wildlife Refuge in Napanee.

Good Birding!



COUNCIL GLEANINGS

- Ian Murray

Twelfth Session of Council, Tuesday, April 10.

The agenda consisted of 150 pages which is fewer than usual

Laurel Brady, of Amherst Island, was presented "with the 2006 Young Heritage Leaders Certificate of Achievement in recognition of her actions in helping to preserve, protect and promote the Township's diverse heritage by volunteering her time".

Notice was given at this meeting that the Township will "consider the adoption of the 2007 Municipal Budget at its meeting to be held on April 23 at 7 pm".

The Miscellaneous Fees By-law, that was deferred from the March 26th meeting was adopted by Council. This is the by-law which includes the new ferry rate schedule; the new ferry rates will be imposed on May 1.

Three more letters regarding the ferry service were received by Council. The following people made presentations at the March 26th meeting: Judith Harrower, Caroline Yull, Lorna Willis, Eva Little, John Schutzbach, Zander Dunn and Ross Haines.

The 2007 budget process consisted of 9 meetings: 3 for the Capital Budget and 6 for the Operating Budget. Staff and Council members spent a lot of time working over these budgets. I do not envy them the job: Township residents demand ever more services; unionized and non-unionized Township employees demand more wages, and Township ratepayers resist paying more taxes.

Here's the breakdown on \$100 of residential property taxes: Loyalist Township gets \$41.89; L&A County gets \$39.19; and the school boards get \$18.92.

The Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund has stated that Loyalist Township is 54.5% Rural and Small Community municipality.

The Amherst Island library is to have \$30,000 work done to make it structurally sound. This cost will come equally out of the Ferry and the Recreation budgets.

Fire Chief Wayne Calver informed Council that it takes \$2000 to equip a new fire-fighter.

The Friday the 13th Whig-Standard had an article headlined: "Cut 32 schools, board told". A consultant's report recommends that the Limestone Public School Board close 30 of its 55 elementary schools and build 9 new ones. And close 2 of 11 high schools and build 2 new ones.

It is no surprise that our school is on the close it list – Island students are to go to Bath. Ernestown High School is also on the list with students to be sent to 4 other high schools.

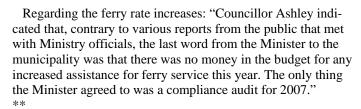
The Whig quotes Ron Sharpe, the Board's director, as saying that "no more than a handful of recommendations are likely to be acted upon and only then after school communities are consulted".

Perhaps Deb Kimmett will work up a satire on the topic of community consultation

Thirteenth Session of Council, Monday, April 23.

There were 377 pages in the agenda. Most of these pages dealt with water & sewer matters as well as budget information.

The following is from the minutes of the 12th Session.



Council passed the following resolution: "Whereas Loyalist Township and the residents of Amherst Island agree that an inequity exists between the operating agreement with the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario and Loyalist Township on ferry operations to Amherst Island and the operation of the provincially operated ferry to Wolfe Island and the Adolphustown ferry; and,

Whereas both Loyalist Township and the residents of Amherst Island have made presentations to various Ministers of the Crown for the Province of Ontario to seek resolution to these inequities;

Therefore be it resolved that upon review by Council of all correspondence on these issues, that correspondence be forwarded with comment to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Finance, and the Honourable Leona Dombrowsky, MPP.

The 2006 Annual Report on our landfill site states that, at the estimated 350 cubic metres of waste per year, the site should last until 2031. The "blue box" type recyclables amount to about 14% less material going into the landfill.

The ferry operating budget is up slightly from last year: 2.19 million \$; 2.18 million \$ in 2006. This is a bit more than the 2 Loyalist water treatment plants combined. The 3 mainland sewage treatment plants are budgeted at 1.55 million \$.

The total approved Loyalist budget for 2007 is 18.7 million \$ (17.9 million in 2006). Over the years, I have often heard neighbours say something like: "Just what do we get for our taxes". Here are some of the services that our taxes pay for: construction, maintenance, snowploughing & lighting; fire protection & emergency services; police services; dog catching; garbage disposal; conservation authority; planning & building inspection; parks & other recreation services including the Neilson Store Museum.

The area-rated services are water & sewer in the urban areas, Amherstview Transit, and our ferry service.

Capital improvements are budgeted as follows: for the South Shore Road, Lots 7-20, \$50,000 in 2007, 2008, 2009 & 2010 & \$20,000 in 2011; and the same amounts for the North Shore Road Lots 2-9.

End-loading docks are also included in the 10 Year Capital Budget: \$100,000 in 2013 for the Environmental Assessment; \$100,000 in 2014, and \$4.3 million in 2016.

The Ferry Reserve Fund is as follows: end of 2005, \$250,914; end of 2006, \$182,336.

The Ameriks Scholarship Reserve Fund is as follows: end of 2005, \$10,064; end of 2006, \$10,515.

The Waterside Series Reserve Fund is as follows: end of 2005, \$12,027; end of 2006, \$16,019.

AIMS

April 14, 2007

- Hugh Jenney

Twenty-two men sat down to a delicious breakfast prepared by the senior class. They are raising money for their year end

They are raising money for their year end trip to Montreal and will prepare breakfast for our May 5, 2007 meeting too.

It was agreed to spend up to \$1,000 on ten new baskets. Paul Lauret warned that we can not continue to spend \$1,000 per month until more money comes in.

The Island Market will start on May 19.

Tree Planting: Marc Raymond said he and Doug Martin are ready to go again and that their plants are under warranty, so if anybody has a dead tree from last year's planting, just call and it will be replaced.

School Closing: Dick Dodds advised us to get ready to once again fight this closing as reported in the Whig. 32 schools are scheduled to be closed which means at least six will be. Let us make sure AIPS is not one of them. Paul Lauret mentioned that the school board couldn't get a better deal than the one they have for the kids who visit the owl woods. Gary MacDonald reminded us that there is a binder from previous years with all our documentation. Dick had to close 16 schools when he was the Director of Education. He told us that there are ten steps to closing a school and that we should become involved early in the process. Gary MacDonald suggested it would help tremendously if the whole community came out to support school functions. "Closing a school takes the heart out of the community," said Dick Dodds.

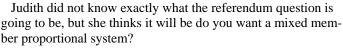
Walk for Cancer is an Island event slated for October 20th. Ask Jane McGinn or Bonnie Caughey for details.

Guest Speaker: Hugh Jenney introduced the president of Fair Vote Ontario-Kingston Chapter, Ms. Sandra Willard and then he read Judith Wyatt's biography. Judith is a newly retired English teacher whose husband, David, served as the AI principal for several years.

Judith has always loved the political process. She started in Toronto at 16 working for the Conservatives when Bob Stanfield was leader. The next year she worked for Trudeau in Ottawa. Judith does not like the fact that all her work and votes were wasted most of the time. Most young people feel the same way today. In the last Federal election 40% did not vote. Our first past the post system is 215 years old. 81 countries have a fairer proportional system. 1937 was the last time Ontario elected a legitimate majority government. Judith then showed us several charts demonstrating that a fairer system would benefit all parties except the Bloc.

We were truly embarrassed to learn that Canada is 109th in the world for voter turnout.

The Ontario Liberal Government has financed a Citizens' Assembly consisting of 103 members - one from each Ontario riding. "www.citizensassembly.gov.on.ca" They have held hearings all over Ontario to learn what people believe is a better system. All systems may be accessed at "www.fairvote.ca" The Ontario Students' Union has organized a similar committee and they have both agreed that the mixed member proportional system (MMP) is most people's choice.



If you vote yes you will get two votes. One for your riding and one for a political party.

This system has been very helpful in the countries in which it is being practiced--New Zealand, Germany, Mexico, etc. for getting minorities and women into government. This MMP system gives the voters true majorities. It also forces people to talk to each other if there is a minority legislature.

So if you want to stick with our present system of first-past-the-post, vote NO.

If you think we can do better, vote YES.

Marc Raymond gave a very humorous and heartfelt thank you to Judith.

(See AIMS Photos on Page 18)

May 05, 2007

25 men sat down to a delicious breakfast of sausages, scrambled eggs, home fries and croissants. Terry Culbert thanked the AIPS grade seven student (Daniel Little) and his parents for such a fine feed.

Brian Little whipped through the AIMS business in order to get to our robotics demonstration.

First there has been no change in the swing situation.

Dayle Gowan reported on the hanging baskets saying they are in the works.

Paul Lauret reported that our finances are fine and that his transportation committee serviced three Islanders last month.

Brian reported on Will's bicycle trip from the east coast saying that Sydney gave him a rousing send-off and that people are passing him money for his MS campaign as he bikes along. Restaurants are feeding him for free too so that certainly helps. Will will stop on the Island for a couple of days and when he gets here we are planning a grand welcome. The Cape Breton chapter of the MS Society has so far raised just over \$1000 as a result of Will's Ride.

Alan Glenn reported helping install a dining room fan for an Island lady so now Brian wants one too.

Dayle Gowan reported on our Home Care Committee saying that he and Peter Trueman helped a couple of Islanders.

Under New Business Brian reported that Judy Harrower has asked for assistance in replacing the flower boxes down by the ferry. Loyalist Township has given her \$250 for supplies but she needs talented people to build the boxes. Allan (Black-Eye) Kidd, Ross Haines, Dick Dodds, Dayle Gowan, Bruce Burnett, Gary McDonald all volunteered to help.

Moved by Dick Dodds and seconded by Terry Culbert that we make available an extra \$100 for supplies. Carried Call Marc Raymond or Doug Martin for your tree planting needs.

Old, and lucky to be living, Allan "Black-Eye" Kidd explained his big bump on his head. Seems he only missed the flat field by 20 feet when his engine quit. Allan explained that when he practiced his stalled engine procedures that he never did actually turn off the engine so that the propeller kept turning. When the engine did quit on him the propeller ceased to turn causing a much greater drag on the plane than anticipated i.e. Alan never did have the real experience before. Being fully experienced

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ANTHONY DAVID HENDERSON

Passed away at age 57, after a brief illness in a hospital in Grande Prairie, Alberta, on March 19th. Funeral service was held at James Reid Chapel on March 23, followed by burial in Glenwood Cemetery. The officiating minister was the Reverend Bill Clarke of St. Thomas Anglican Church, Reddendale, Kingston. Pallbearers were Richard, Jeffrey and Matthew Paul Henderson, and Herman Langwald, all of Kingston, and Douglas and Bruce McDonald of Ottawa. Eulogy was given at his funeral by Kerri Ashurst, which included thoughtful words written by his brother Richard.

Anthony was the loved elder son of Doris (nee McDonald) and the late Bill Henderson, survived by his brother Richard, and adult children Kerri and Ryan.

He spent many happy weekends and summers visiting his Island grandparents, the McDonalds and the Hendersons. He grew up in the Point Pleasant subdivision near Kingston, and attended R. Gordon Sinclair School and Frontenac High School.

He attended Sunday School at St. Thomas Anglican Church in Reddendale where he sang in the Junior Choir, and was also confirmed.

When seventeen, he spent the summer with a youth group planting trees somewhere in the area of Temagami.

Another summer he went picking tobacco near Tillsonberg. After that experience, he remarked that he would probably have come home the first day if some friends and relatives had not told him that he would never last the summer.

Anthony and his brother Richard enjoyed playing their guitars together while they were still at home. He enjoyed being in the middle of things, and his hearty laugh was often heard.

He enjoyed working with horses, and entered local rodeos in various places.

He seemed to be somewhat accident prone, surviving an arrow between his eyes, nearly smothering in a straw stack, had a motorcycle accident, a broken nose, an operation on a serious wound in his arm to save the use of a hand, and a broken leg from a chain break in the oil fields, just to name a few.

When he finished high school he apprenticed with a local Kingston electrician, and worked for a time in the Kingston area.

He went out west about 1978, and worked basically in Alberta, but wended his way for a while into the Northwest Territories to Inuvik and Iqaluit.

Anthony was home for a while after that, and attended St. Lawrence College. He was very creative as evidenced by a project he presented, when the teacher, instead of assigning a topic, gave the class the chance of presenting one of their own choice. Anthony borrowed a horse from someone, and took it into the classroom. He taught the students about horses, and had them practice the right way to get on and off a horse, as well.

I only heard of this when talking to the teacher later, who said that Anthony had the class "in the palm of his hand", and would have made an excellent teacher, but that did not happen.

He went back out west again, and was in partnership for a while at a camping type resort near Whitehorse, in the Yukon. While there he took visiting clients on horseback treks though the forest for a day or more at a time. It was necessary to carry a gun in case they met an unfriendly bear. There were cabins for the guests to sleep in for longer stays, and a lake nearby for fishing. After the resort was sold he went back to Alberta ranging basically from Fort McMurray to Grande Prairie, wherever his electrical work took him.

He was home infrequently but maintained telephone contact every week or two always closing with "I love you".

His last visit home was about four years ago, after cancer treatment. He was urged to come home to stay, but other medial problems began to occur recently, and he left it too late. He is home now, and out of pain, but not in the way his family hoped.





Above Left: Bill Henderson and Wife, Doris (nee McDonald, Married Nov. 27, 1948). Children Richard on Father's Knee, and Anthony. Right: Anthony Henderson ~ 2000.

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY DORIS HENDERSON

GARNET EDWIN MCDONALD

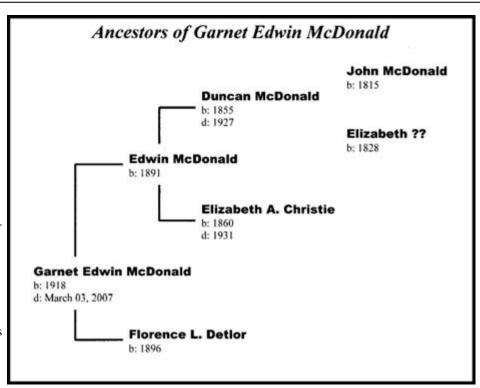
Born December 4, 1918 to Florence (nee Detlor) and Edwin McDonald in Erinsville. They returned to the Island 8 weeks later where he would live as a 5th generation McDonald farmer; first dairy, then beef. His talent for gardening was appreciated by many.

He sold his cattle in 2005 but thoroughly enjoyed seeing Gary's cows running in his fields.

In October 1941, Garnet married Gene McMaster and eventually had Carol (Herman Langwald) who gave them 2 grand-children – Joe (Sabrina) and Tammie (Wally Stanton). His great-grandchildren Mika (whom he had just met), Emma, Damien, Lillian and Molly were a source of great joy and amusement.

Garnet was extremely independent –quick to offer help but reluctant to accept it. He has been described as an "unofficial historian"; he liked nothing better than to relate past events especially during frequent card games.

Fishing on Sundays with Carol and later Herman was his way of relaxing. In later years he took up bow hunting with his nephew Richard and friends. The hunters often remarked that Garnet enjoyed visiting while waiting in the truck as much as, if not more so, than the hunting.



He is going to be missed as a fair and patient father and grandfather and as a loyal friend to many.

Garnet is also survived by his sister Doris Henderson. He was predeceased by his brother Roger McDonald.



GARNET, DOUG GLENN, AND MARSHALL GLENN

PHOTOS OF GARNET
MCDONALD COURTESUY OF
CAROL LANGWALD AND
MARION GLENN



GENE MCMASTER AND GARNET MCDONALD ON THEIR WEDDING DAY.

WILL'S RIDE—OCEAN TO OCEAN FOR M.S.

May is MS

Awareness

Month

WILL IS OFF

- Sally Bowen

There was quite a crowd on the esplanade in Sydney to send Will off on his journey. The local MS Cape Breton chapter members, the mayor of Sydney, John Morgan, a local

school group with about 20 kids on bikes, and the Nova Scotia championship Junior High School Girls cheerleaders - over 20 or them - with homemade banners and good wishes. Will did a couple of interviews with radio and newspapers, then was escorted out of town by a few members of the local cycling club, Velo Cape Breton. I understand they arranged accommodation for the next day or two, as well.

The day started earlier, at Glace Bay Beach, where Will dipped his wheels in the Atlantic, then cycled the 20 km to Sydney.

For those of you who are interested in his route, he's heading down #105 through Baddeck, Whycocomaugh, to Port Hastings and the Strait of Canso, then Antigonish, New Glasgow and Pictou. He's already been on the radio at Port Hawksbury, by phone interview.

Will told me the 31 hour bus trip really impressed him with the extent of the territory he is going to travel through – impressed but not daunted.

BEHIND THE SCENES (AND ON THE

COMPUTER) FOR WILL'S RIDE

-Sue Frizzell

For those of you who are interested in tracking Will's progress online, there are a few options:

1. www.facebook.com - You must sign up to be a member

(it's free). Once you are a member, you can search in Groups for "Support Will Adam in his Bike Across Canada". Once you have found the group, join it to add it to your profile, and make it easier to find in future.

2. http://ca.groups.yahoo.com/group/willsride -

This is a mailing list. You must sign up for a Yahoo account if you do not already have one. Once you have an account, you may join this group. This group takes the form of email messages delivered to your inbox either as a digest or individual messages (you choose).

www.willsride.ca - This site is in progress, but will be the Official Site for Will's Ride.

If you would like to send messages of encouragement to Will, or if you know of any links to articles or stories about Will's Ride, please send them to willsride@sympatico.ca.

We now have a PayPal option set up for donations. If you would like to use PayPal to donate to either Will personally (for food and supplies), or to the MS Society, please e-mail willsride@sympatico.ca for a link. You can also find these links on Facebook, Yahoo, and on the Will's Ride Official Website.



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WILL POSES FOR A PICTURE WITH ISLANDERS BEFORE LEAVING FOR SYNDEY, NOVA SCOTIA.



Above and Below Left: Will Puts his bike tire in the Ocean at Glace Bay beach in Nova Scotia



ALL PHOTOS BY THORNTON KEITH UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.



Mortiale society of Canada

WILL RAISES AN MS SOCIETY BANNER IN SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA.



WILL'S RIDE FOR MS

LEFT: WILL RECEIVED A SPECIAL SEND OFF FROM THE JUNIOR CHEERLEADERS IN SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA.

PHOTO CARL MCLEOD



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WILL POSES FOR A PHOTO WITH HARVE GRANT. WILL STAYED WITH HARVE'S FAMILY FOR ONE NIGHT.

PHOTO SUPPLIED BY HARVE GRANT

WILL POSES FOR A PICTURE WITH THE STUDENTS FROM SOUTHSIDE LEARNING CENTRE IN SYDNEY, NOVA SCOTIA.











GOING TO WAR OR PEACE

- Zander of DUNN INN

At a recent church meeting I attended another minister told me he was disturbed at the "war" I was carrying on in the pages of our denominational magazine. I was surprised and replied I was only responding to an article in that magazine with which I disagreed. In fact, I ended my letter by saying that I hoped the writer of the article and I were one in our Christian commitment no matter what our views on the issue at hand.

I had recently returned from a visit with a friend who was a professor of peace studies at McGill University. In our conversation he remarked at how frequently military metaphors enter our every day language. In politics two candidates "fight" over a seat. In business a large company will "battle" for its rights. In medical research oncologists "combine the fire power" of several chemotherapeutic drugs in their "attack" on cancer. Even gardeners "cut, slash and burn" to win "the victory" over "their enemies," the weeds.

My friend observed that when we think in military terms and apply them to everyday life situations we tend to see all of life as a war. This approach can lead to unfair advantages. Just as we tend to support our soldiers when they go to war, so we tend to support groups who go to battle more than we oppose those who might approach things differently.

For example, because the U.S. is in a "war against opium, marijuana and cocaine" other peaceful (and non-criminal) ways of dealing with those drugs are not considered viable. The "medical advances in the war on disease" may give some pharmaceutical companies a great advantage, both economically and politically, over other groups advocating alternative forms of medicine. In the same way, agro-industry, based on chemicals in the war to fight farm diseases have an unfair advantage over those who think from an earth friendly attitude.

The military parlance has invaded our vocabulary to such an

extent that many of us unconsciously think about all we do in military terms. But, in the Christian life we are not called to go to war (in spite of the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers Marching As To War"). Instead, we follow the Prince of Peace and we strive to bring people together in harmony and love. And yet, many Christians think they're in a great battle - the battle against The Devil and look forward to the final Showdown at Armageddon. Some Christians argue the final enemy is Death. As Christians it might be good for us to think of our theological debates as discussions rather than battles. Instead of arguments, which often lead to altercations, why don't we have intellectual dances in which we try to discover some new steps to help us all relate in more friendly ways? It would help us to embrace Death, not as our last enemy, but as the door whereby we pass from this life into the next. (After all, we believe Death has no power over us) Why must the Devil be our foe? God, in Jesus, has shown us The Lord loves even sinners and those who disobey - that includes Satan and Judas and The Devil. We may fight against God but God is always open to us. God doesn't defeat us. God receives us, embraces us (with our silly ideas) and loves us all.

In war there is always a loser (perhaps both sides). In love everyone wins.

RIGHT: PHOTO BY DAVE YOUELL

HERE & THERE

- Ian Murray

We – Don, Chris & I, and anyone else interested – have a brief farm meeting almost every morning. This helps us decide what needs doing and who is going to do it and so on. Other topics crop up: Island happenings, world events, doings of friends and family, etc. This morning – April 29th – I mentioned that I planned to spend more time on the Beacon. Don said that I had better thank the road crew for their good work during the winter. Then, having a bit of time before the official lambing time scramble starts, we reminisced about how the roads had improved during our time on the Island.

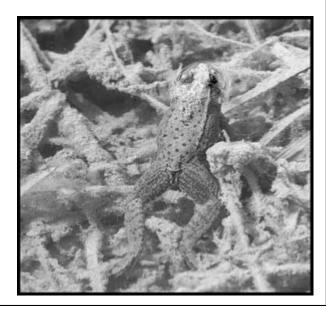
Don recalled the spring of maybe 1976 when there was no pavement and getting to the ferry was 6 miles of potholes. I recalled the trench that the water had cut through the ice by Denis McGinn's one late winter. We were in our truck following Elsie Densem in her yellowish Pinto and the car bounced into the air when she hit that trench.

The three of us could remember vividly how interesting it was to drive on the 2nd Concession Road when it was covered with ice and how the ice would give way under a vehicle's weight. Don spent a winter at the old Filson house (where the easternmost Quinte Pasture corral is) and he remembers that the old pickup truck owned by Dick Hopkins would act as an icebreaker as they made their way to the Stella 40 Foot. Chris remembered a pickup truck he was driving dropped through the ice just east of where Morgans live and the truck being stuck there.

Anyways, thanks road crew for the work last winter and for the improvements you have made in the thirty-plus years we have been here.

We have heard from Kyle somewhat regularly. The first night in New Zealand he discovered a young man who he knows from Napanee High School. Its a small world sometimes.

The two of them plus two others bought a van and did some travelling. They made some money picking apples. Last week Kyle left his friends with the van and took up an invitation that a New Zealand farmer extended to him when he visited Topsy last summer. Kyle is now staying and helping out on sheep farm near Invercargill which is at the southernmost tip of New Zealand's South Island.



THE FERRY AUDIT

- Ian Murray

The following is from a recent letter written to Diane Pearce, Loyalist Township's CAO, from Stuart H. Jones, Operational Services Manager for MTO Eastern Region.

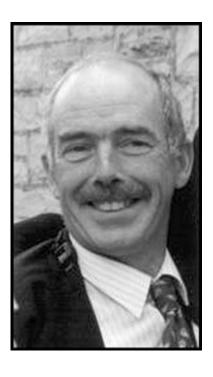
"As you know from your February 27, 2007 meeting with the Minister of Transportation at ROMA/OGRA, she has requested a compliance audit.

"The regional office had also requested an audit of all municipal ferry services including Frontenac County, the Township of Frontenac Islands and Loyalist Township for some time. All four of the ferry services in Eastern Ontario will be audited this year.

"The completion of your audit is set for early fall to coincide with the date outlined in the legal agreement for mutual renegotiation of the agreement.... The audit will be a two step process; the first being the development of an audit framework that will form the basis of the audit. This will enable us to have a common platform for subsequent audits.... The second part of the process will be implementing the framework and carrying out the actual audit.

"In regards to past audits, there was an audit completed in 2002, it did not provide the amount of depth that we are requesting with this current audit. However, I note that the findings were positive."

It is clear from this letter that the recent decision for an audit is part of an on-going plan. The Township agreed to audits in the 2003 agreement with MTO.





DOUG GLENN

- Donna Willard

[Ian: After Donna (among others) identified her uncle Doug in the photo of 3 soldiers in the April Beacon, I asked her if she would tell us more about Doug.]

Douglas Gilbert Glenn was born in August 1918, to William and Georgia (Fleming) Glenn. He was the only brother to Lulu (Strain), Ruth (Lawson), Helen, and Anna (Hitchins).

He joined the Army Medical Corps in 1941, and was stationed near London, England. During the war he met and married Hope (Hunter) in 1945. He returned home in 1946, followed a few months later by his "war bride". They settled down on the family farm on the east end of the third concession (now owned by the Fleming family). Several years later, Doug became a Correctional Officer at the Kingston Penitentiary, where he remained for over thirty years.

Doug loved children, and he and Hope raised a family of seven, four sons and three daughters. His retirement was spent on a hobby farm in Lansdowne. He died in 1990.

Doug was a big man, with a big heart and a booming laugh. He is best remembered by those who knew him, as a man with a tremendous sense of humour, who was completely devoted to his family.

DAVID CLARENCE BULCH

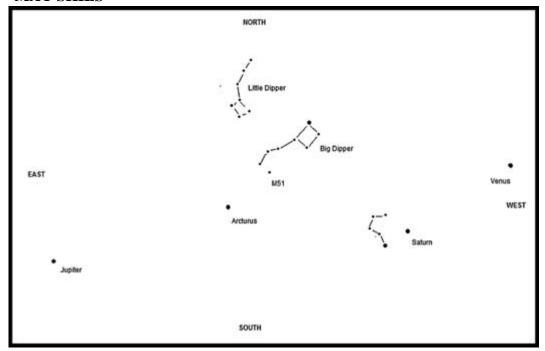
September 21, 1946 - April 3, 2007

Dave was a private person but had accomplished many things in his life. He wouldn't want them listed but those who knew him could tell you of a life of successes.

His biggest success was that he was a good man. Admired by many and loved by his Mother, Brother, Sisters, Nieces, Nephews and Great Nieces and Nephews

Many people have commented on his steadfast friendship, kindness, his care for all people and his love of nature.

MAY SKIES



LITTLE BROTHER



THE BLACK SPECKS THAT YOU CAN SEE IN THIS PHOTO ON THE TREES AND IN THE AIR ARE MOST-LIKELY CORMORANTS.

MAY SKIES

-Alan Kidd

May is the month when the Big Dipper is overhead in the evening skies. That is about 11 PM and the beginning of May and just as the sky gets dark by month's end. The highlights for this month are



the return of Venus to the evening sky and an occultation of Antares by the full Moon.

Technically the Big Dipper is only a part of a much large constellation called Ursa Major, or the Great Bear. As most people know, once the Big Dipper has been located, the North Star (also called Polaris) can be easily found using the pointer stars in the bowl of the Big Dipper (the side of the bowl opposite the dipper's handle). Follow a line from the pointer star for about five times the distance between the two stars, and you will come to Polaris, which is always due north, and at the same elevation as your latitude. This makes it about halfway between the horizon and the zenith, for an observer on Amherst Island. Less well known is a method for locating Acturus by using the stars in the handle of the Big Dipper. If you continue the curve formed by the arc of the dipper's handle for a bit more than another handle's length, you come to Acturus (the guard of the Bear) which is the brightest star in the sky now that Sirius is no longer visible. Acturus is the primary star in the constellation Bootes, the herdsman, which constantly follows the Great Bear (Ursa Major) around the pole.

Another feature of the Big Dipper is the double star located at the bend of the handle. The brighter star is Mizar, and its dim companion is called Alcor. Although this pair is visually a double star, Mizar and Alcor are not a true binary system, that is to say they do not orbit one another. However, with a small telescope one can see that Mizar

itself is a double star (called simply Mizar A and Mizar B) and those two stars are a true binary system, orbiting about each other every few thousand years. Just in case you are interested the names of all the stars in the Big Dipper are (starting from the tip of the handle): Alkaid, Mizar and Alcor, Alioth, and Mergrez (at the base of the handle) Then going around the bowl we have Phecda, Merak and Dubhe. Merak and Dubhe are the "pointer stars". All of these stars except for the two at either end of the Dipper (that is Alkaid and Dubhe) belong to the same stellar group about 80 light years from Earth.

Just off the end of the handle one can see (with dark skies) a little blur of light. Using a medium sized telescope one can see some hints of structure in this nebula, which is the famous Whirlpool Galaxy, officially designated M51. In even a small telescope the spiral nature of the whirlpool is evident (hence its name). In fact when looking at the whirlpool you get two galaxies, because a smaller companion, NGC 5195 (NGC stands for New Galactic Catalog, if you want to know) is also visible..

Venus at magnitude -4.3, remains a spectacular object in the evening sky this month, making its best appearance of the year. (Note: the smaller the magnitude, the brighter the object appears) Although very bright last month it is becoming even brighter as the distance between it and the earth decreases. Mercury emerges from behind the sun at the beginning of May and by month's end is about as high in the sky as it ever gets. By the 28th of May Mercury will be 20 degrees above the horizon at sunset and will remain visible for another two hours. Saturn continues to be well situated for observation, located near the sickle of Leo. Jupiter, now a very bright magnitude -2.5, rises in the southeast soon after darkness falls. The crescent Moon will be just above Mercury on the evening of May 17^{th.} Then on the 19th the Moon is almost touching Venus, which will be a fine sight if we get clear skies. (See chart on Previous page)





RIGHT: AT THE TOWN MEETING, BRIAN GRACE DISCUSSES WITH RECREATION DIRECTOR PAT BYERS, THE SAFETY OF SWINGS.

BELOW: AIMS SPEAKERS SANDRA WILLARD & JUDITH WYATT

PHOTOS BRIAN LITTLE





NOTICES

CJAI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

-Tom Richmond

The membership at he Annual General Meeting approved the station application for an upgrade of license class and increased power. Scheduling with the engineer to begin processing our technical brief is taking place now. The earliest we would receive news on this would be next year at this time: the government wheels grind slowly! —Our Board of Directors now is as follows: Tom Richmond, Michele LeLay, Kyle Murray, Cathy Christmas, Ellis Wolfreys, Saskia Wagemans, Joyce Reid, Cherry Allen, Adam Miller.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Happy 50th wedding anniversary to Faye and Ted Wemp on May 18th.

A Friend.

AIMS (Continued from page 7)

now he will not have that problem again. Brian Little is still willing to fly with him. I am not quite sure if he has discussed this with Eva.

Paul Lauret announced that he has spotted a Trumpeter Swan Tag #851 down his way.

Bruce Burnett handed out the maps for our spring clean-up of the Island roads. All are welcome to assist in beautifying our Island

Update on last month's speaker re. Proportional Representation. The 103 member committee has recommended to the provincial Liberal Government that the referendum on October 10/07 should give the voters a choice between keeping the old first-past-the-post system or going for a Mixed Member Proportional system which gives each voter two votes. One for the local candidate and one for the party. More detail at info@citizensassembly.gov.on.ca

The Robotics demonstration was guided by AIPS science teacher, Ms. Stephanie Rayburn-Gibson. Stephanie began by thanking AIMS for their generous donations to the AIPS Robotics Program. Each Lego package costs \$250. Besides the Lego necessary to build robots it has a light sensor, a touch sensor, a distance sensor and a "thank you" voice box. Brooke Reid, Daniel Little and Katelyn Aitkenhead all demonstrated what their teams could do with the robot. We were all delighted by the action and the thought that went into getting it to work.

Stephanie reported that even the third and fourth grade students participated by building floats that the robot pulled down the hall. These younger students are all excited about getting to actually build a robot that works when they get older.

Stephanie's second motivational project for our students is to build a beautiful garden setting south of the rink. AIPS students made a proposal to the Toyoto Evergreen people and received a \$2,000 grant to be used for trees, shrubs and landscaping. Doug Green volunteered to give advice on the preparation for planting, Terry Culbert agreed to work on the colourful mural, Allan Kidd agreed to head up the cedar bench committee, Alan Glenn who has already cut out large wooden flowers for the fence, agreed to help with the sundial and Dick Dodds has agreed to help get the big teacher's rock for the instruction circle.

Moved by Dick Dodds and seconded by Brian Grace that AIMS contribute \$250 for the extra supplies not covered by the grant. Carried

Dick Dodds thanked Stephanie for being such a stimulating and successful teacher. "We are lucky to have you at our school," he said. We all agreed.

Respectfully submitted by Hugh Jenney, AIMS Secretary



As most of you know, Will Adam left the Island on Saturday, heading by bus for Sydney, NS. He was well loaded down with boxed bike, trailer, duffle and backpack. About 20 Islanders gathered for a spontaneous send-off.

Will leaves Glace Bay, on Cape Breton Island, on Tuesday, May 1st, the first day of MS Awareness Month. At 11 a.m., he'll "help" the mayor raise the flag on the esplanade in Sydney, visit a little, then will be escorted out of town by members of the local cycling club, Velo Cape Breton, and some kids on bikes from their local school. Then he's off.

We'll keep you up to date on CJAI and in the Beacon. He'll be in touch with me every couple of days by phone. He plans to come here for a couple of days before he heads off to Sudbury area then north of the Great Lakes, then west to Bear Cove on Vancouver Island.

We composed a thank you letter, mentioning each individual or family who has helped Will get under way, and the list grew too long! You have been so kind and generous. We received a donation from the Lions Club, Bath, support from Margaret and the Anglican Church, and from so many individuals. Will was given venison jerky, protein powder, food and a phone and Canadian Tire credits, help to make a banner, practical camping items and money and hugs and well-wishes. He was also connected with those who could give him discounts on his bus ticket and other camping gear.

Warmest thanks to you all.
Will and Sally (written on April 29th)

The family of David Clarence Bulch would like to thank the many relatives, neighbours and friends for cards, visits, delicious food delivered to the house and the other expressions of sympathy. Thank you to the P.C.W. for providing a delicious lunch on such short notice. A special thank you to Rev. Dunn for the fine service he conducted for Dave. We appreciate the support and love from the Gavlas family.

The Bulch Family

The family of the late Anthony Henderson wish to extend a heartfelt thanks to all those who sent cards, phoned, gave donations, called at the funeral parlour, and those who attended his funeral and burial. Thanks also to the ladies who provided a tasty lunch after the burial service. All these expressions of your sympathy helped, by just knowing that you cared.

Thanks also to those who sent cards after the death of Garnet McDonald, a loved brother and uncle.

The Henderson Family



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NOTICES

ART SHOW

THE LODGE ON AMHERST

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