

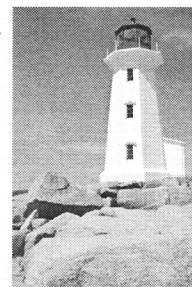
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NEIGHBOURHOOD

- Lyn Fleming

Get Well wishes go out to the following, some from before the holidays and some post holiday. Get Well to Bernice Gould, Helen Bulch, Susan Frizzell, Bonnie Baker and belated get well wishes to Garnett McDonald.

Congratulations to Peter and Eleanor Trueman, who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on December 22nd, with a dinner and party held at the Lodge.

Leslie Gavlas traveled to Nova Scotia to spend Christmas with her son John and his family.

Jim, Lynann and Ben Whitton flew off to spend the holidays with Lynann's family in Australia - and to enjoy some warm, sunny weather as well.

Dick Dodds returned from east Asia prior to the Christmas season, where he visited his son Rich who is teaching in Korea. Dick spent an exciting 3 weeks touring (on the back of Rich's motor scooter!) and city hopping around the region, visiting friends and family in Hong Kong, Shanghai and Beijing. As he lifted off from Beijing International airport, the city of 15 million people was in the midst of a citywide frenzy in preparation for the 2008 Olympic games. Immediately following Christmas, Dick and his daughter, Nancy, headed to Sweden to watch the Junior World Hockey Championships.

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Open Gate



DRAWING BY PETER LARGE, S.C.A., O.S.A



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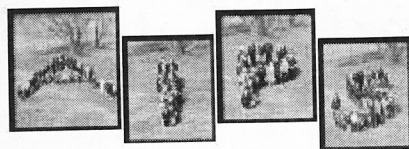
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- Lyn Fleming

It is hard to believe that the first term has already come to an end at A.I.P.S.

It has been a busy last month, with the Senior Class attending a Volleyball tournament at NDSS as well as hosting a dance for Intermediate students from Bath P.S. and a community movie night.

The Jingle Bell Run was also held in December, which involved students from JK to 8th grade.

All students were kept busy with regular school and home work as well as preparations for the annual Christmas Celebration. In addition to decorating the gym, making table decorations and their part in preparing dinner, students were busy rehearsing their parts and songs for the entertainment that followed dinner. In all, approximately 125 students and staff and their families enjoyed a wonderful turkey dinner - thanks to Mrs. Scott and her team of volunteers - and entertainment.

In the midst of all this busyness, the senior class/ head teacher, Mrs. VanDyke, began her maternity leave. As I write this, the birth of her second child is several days overdue. Mr. Broome will take over as head teacher in Mrs. VanDyke's absence.

We welcome Jess Jardine as the occasional teacher covering Jen's maternity leave. Jess did some of her student teaching time at A.I.P.S. and has been a popular supply teacher since.

Students and Staff at A.I.P.S. would like to thank all individuals and groups in our community who continue to support and help us in so many ways.

Happy New Year to you all!



WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

- Joyce Reid

On December 6 the annual Christmas Meeting, Pot Luck Supper and Gift Exchange took place at St. Paul's Church Hall.

The President, Jackie Sylvester, interrupted the party atmosphere to welcome us all and open the meeting with the Ode and O Canada.

As part of her agenda Jackie thanked all who helped to present the successful Seniors' Christmas Party on December 3 in the Community Centre. It was a delightful evening with about 80 guests. Entertainment was provided by a very accomplished group of musicians called Camden Valley Express. A few energetic dancers eventually formed a dancing line all around the tables, while the rest watched and waited for dinner, clapping their hands to the beat.

At each place there was a lovely card drawn by a student from Amherst island Public School.

The Calendar is quickly selling out. Copies are still available at The General Store, The Tea Room and from Jackie Sylvester. It covers an interesting theme of earlier days on the Island, priced at \$10.00.

The meeting adjourned and the party began.

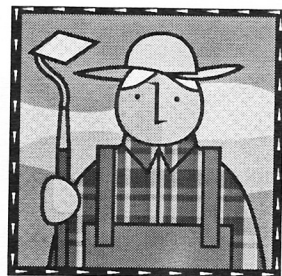
Roll Call was "My Favourite Christmas Decoration" - we shared lots of memories there. Following a delicious supper was the Gift Exchange. Some delightful surprises and some "oh, what'll I do with this?" were among the fun and thoughtful variety of gifts. A Carol Sing accompanied by Beth again at the piano was enjoyed by all. When it was all over, we were in good spirits and well into the Christmas mood!

The next meeting is at Nancy Dunn's on January 17 at 7 p.m. where we are to come with a New Year's Resolution and plans for next year's projects. A brown bag auction will take place at this meeting.

AIMS, DECEMBER

- Hugh Jenney

Twenty members sat down to a slightly delayed (no lights in the kitchen) breakfast prepared by ISLE.



Brian Little congratulated everybody involved in putting on the music and reading of the Dickens' Christmas Carol. It was a delight! The readers were excellent and the music made the whole evening a momentous occasion.

The WI council meeting re. trees has yielded a Loyalist Council resolution to spend \$30,000 to **study** the Township's Reforestation Policy. Several members expressed disgust at such a waste of the taxpayer's money.

Your secretary read a thank-you note from Judith Harrower thanking Marc Raymond and Paul Lauret for replacing the shed roof at the Pentland Cemetery.

HERE & THERE

- Ian Murray

Leah got me a copy of the Remembrance Day play - "For Valour"- so that I could listen to it on my iPod while doing chores. I hope that Michael Joll and his cast enjoyed the doing as much as I enjoyed the listening.

Speaking of chores: winter chores are always a challenge. Usually the challenge involves dealing with snow, ice and cold winds but this year the difficulty has been the mud. We've had enough November/March weather to last us for a while.

Janet hasn't submitted a bird article for this issue - possibly bogged down by the data from the December 29th bird count. So here's a bit of birding lore from "A Short History of Nearly Everything" by Bill Bryson.

"A native of the southern United States, [the lovely little Bachman's] warbler was famous for its unusually thrilling song, but its population numbers, never robust, gradually dwindled until by the 1930s the warbler vanished altogether and went unseen for many years. Then in 1939, by happy coincidence two separate birding enthusiasts, in widely separated locations, came across lone survivors just two days apart. They both shot [Editor's Note: Not shot as in killed— they phogographed] the birds, and that was the last that was seen of Bachman's warblers."



It was agreed to donate \$100 to the Salvation Army.

Guest Speaker: Hugh Jenney from the Committee on Monetary & Economic Reform (COMER).

www.comer.org and www.monetaryreform.com. These two websites will let you know the gist of the talk.

The only other points to be made are that paper and coin are only backed up by FAITH.

The main point is that our banking system is called FRACTIONAL because a bank only has to keep a fraction of the money it creates as loans. That is, banks do NOT have the money they lend out. They simply create it. This is, of course, the sole right of our federal government. This right has been given to the private banks and it is costing us \$65 billion a year in unnecessary interest payments.

Everybody's eyes had glazed over by then so Brian thanked me and we all went to the dump.

We at Topsy Farms are delighted to have UPS coming to the Island- see the ad elsewhere in this issue.

We've received 2 packages so far and sent out one. What a relief not having to go to Kingston at inconvenient times to pick up much-needed parts.

NEIGHBORHOOD

(Continued from page 1)

The Community Carol service was held at St. Alban's Church this year, and always seems to set the mood for the season.

St. Paul's Church hosted the reading of "A Christmas Carol" again this year.

A sell out crowd celebrated New Year's Eve at the community centre, where they enjoyed a catered, roast beef dinner and dancing, provided by a band (who's name - I apologize - escapes me!) who have provided the entertainment for several years now.

The New Year was ushered in with rain and mild temperatures here on the Island, where, so far we have had a non-existent winter. Which worries me a little, that we may pay for it in January or February! It looks like the kids may have to wait to try out those new toboggans and skates they got for Christmas!

Wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year to all of our readers.

THE CHRISTMAS STORY?

- Zander of DUNN INN

I am writing this before Christmas in order to meet The Amherst Island Beacon January deadline. I am thinking about Christmas and about some of the mistakes we make about Christmas.



For example, there are no wise men at Christmas. They - and the Bible does not say there were three - came much later because

we are told they found Jesus and Mary in a house. There are no animals mentioned in the Bible's Christmas story - no donkey, no oxen, no sheep.

There is no innkeeper according to the Bible account. We have gone beyond the Bible to declare there were three wise men (probably because of the three gifts they presented to the baby, Jesus). We have surmised the pregnant Mary rode a donkey, led by Joseph, to Bethlehem. In most of our pageants we have featured an innkeeper because we figure that because an inn is mentioned there must have been an innkeeper. We often speak about Jesus being born in a barn or stable (complete with animals) but no stable is part of the Christmas event. Because we're told Mary placed her baby in a manger we conclude she must have given birth in a stable.

We have no right to assume that an innkeeper refused the Holy Family a room in the inn and the only place they could find for the birth of Jesus was a stable. We slant the story against the Jews of the time and of today.

At the time of Jesus an inn bore no resemblance to The Holiday Inn of today. An inn was simply a big room into which travelers squeezed with their bedding and equipment to spend the night away from the elements. There was no privacy. Instead that big room was crammed with sweaty bodies and drunken men who made loud noises. It was no place for a woman about to give birth. As the Bible



puts it, "there was no place for them in the inn."

What were Joseph and Mary to do? Nobody knows. But I know how important hospitality is to Jewish people. No Jew would banish a pregnant woman to the cold outside. Rather, good Jews would go out of their way to find a quiet place for a woman in Mary's condition. Perhaps the place was in a stable, cleared of animals, made sweet with clean straw. Or perhaps the place was in the bedroom of the innkeeper or in the home of another Jewish family. And when the baby was born, the best bed for the baby was a manger filled with soft straw.



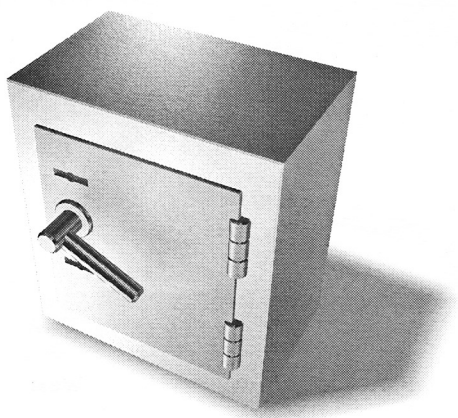
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I read the story of the well-known Christmas pageant in which a retarded boy was cast to play the mean, old innkeeper who would shut the door against Joseph and Mary. The rehearsals for the play went well. According to the script Joseph would ask the innkeeper three times for a room and three times the innkeeper would say, "There's no room in the inn." On the night of the performance, when Joseph pleaded with the innkeeper for a place for his wife to have her baby, the men-

tally challenged boy who played the innkeeper, said twice, "There's no room in the inn." But by the third time he was so moved by the plight of the needy couple that he said, "There's no room in the inn, but you can have my bedroom" and invited them to enter.

Of course, that ruined the whole pageant. On the other hand, many people left that performance saying it was the best Christmas pageant they had ever attended.





FIGHT TO CLEAR FERRY ...

- Maurice Hogeboom, Whig Standard, February 2, 1950
[Submitted by Leslie Gavlas]

Wednesday morning was frosty and nippy as we stood shivering on the dock at Stella. The tug Ashtabula had left Kingston in the morning for the Island in a bid to free the Amherst Islander, hemmed in by drift ice at her nearby pier.

The ferry was destined for a Canadian Shipbuilding and Engineering Company drydock for the winter.

It was 11 a.m. when the tug bucked into heavy drift ice which reached a mile off shore.

It was heavy, grim work as the tug butted her stout bow into the field. She would back off and charge repeatedly.

When about 200 yards from the ferry, a rudder line snapped, causing a delay of an hour. Finally at 3:30 the doughty little battler cracked the last barrier to the Islander.

The dock was thronged with cheering Islanders. A half-hour respite was given the tired, weary crew of the tug; they had as yet eaten no dinner. After hawsers were made fast the return was begun.

It was a rugged fight getting the helpless ferry through the clinging drift ice but at dusk, the two vessels breached the last ice-wall.

Tired groups on the dock turned homeward. Their sole cross-channel link with the mainland was gone.

When ice strengthens, horse-drawn sleighs will fill in until spring thaws.

AMHERST ISLAND BIRD COUNT—MOST UNIQUE BIRD



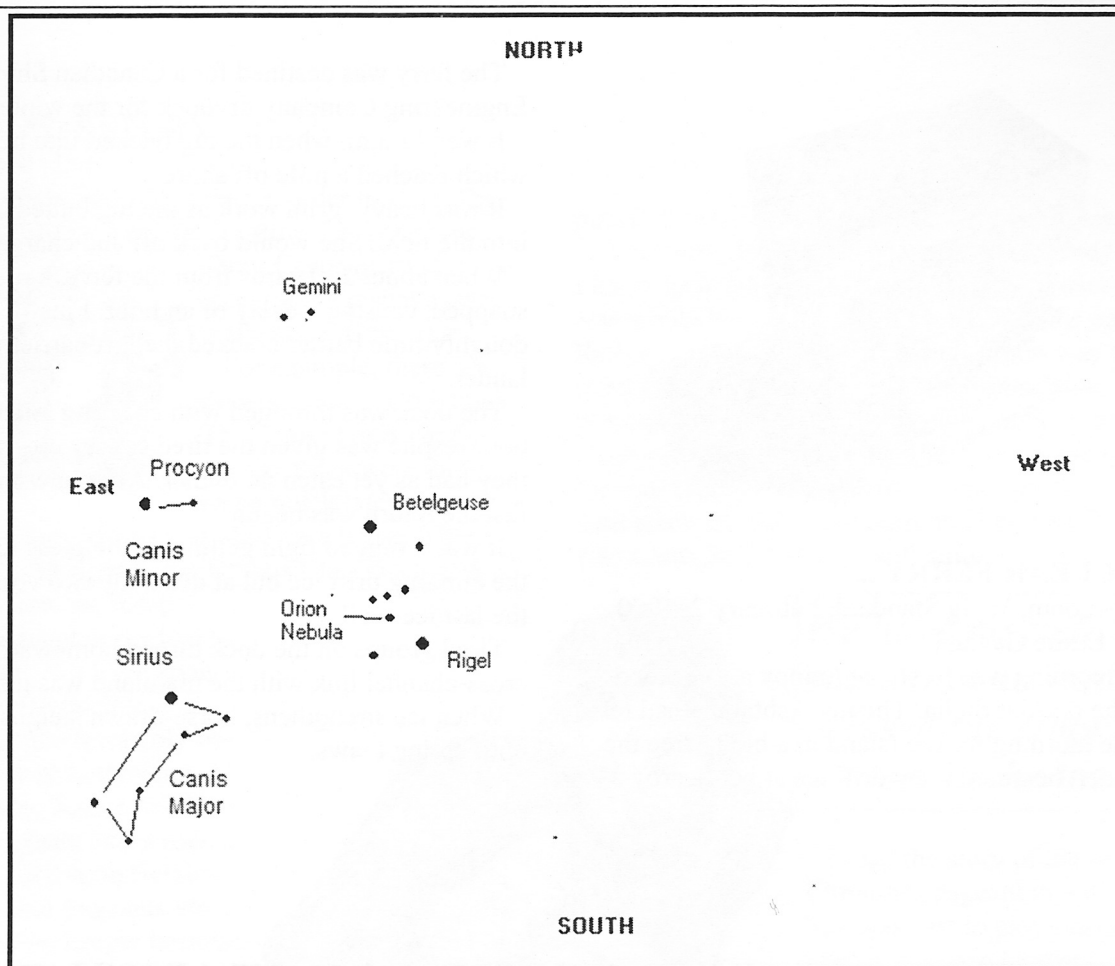
NORTHERN THREE-TOED WOODPECKER

Thanks for watching and reporting your feeder results.
Janet



BOTH PHOTOS PROVIDED BY JANET SCOTT

Here's the spectacular bird of the day. A first for me (Janet Scott) !!!
Seen on the east side of Topsy Farms' laneway to the lambing barns (near Chris Kennedy and Dianne Marshall's House).



SKIES

- Alan Kidd

The brightest star we can see in the Northern Hemisphere is on full display this month. This is Sirius, also known as the Dog Star. Sirius is about four times as bright as any other star visible from Canada, largely because it is the closest bright star we can see in our skies. It is only 8.6 light years away, right in the neighborhood. It also has 26 times the luminosity of our sun. Since no planets are visible in the early evening sky (until the end of the month), Sirius is the first object that appears after sunset. As the sky gets darker, it can often seem to flash different colours – red, blue even green, but this is caused by atmospheric effects. Sirius is actually bluish white.

Sirius is part of the constellation of Canis Major, or the big dog. Canis Minor (the small dog) is a small constellation that also features a bright star, Procyon. While dimmer than Sirius, Procyon is almost as bright as Rigel in Orion. Procyon is also a near neighbor, only 11.4 light years away. Canis Major and Minor are Orion's hunting dogs, and follow him around the winter skies. Canis Major has enough bright stars that a dog-like shape can actually be seen (looking rather like a Dachshund). A nice sight for binoculars, just to the south of Sirius in Canis Major, is the star cluster M41. This appears as a fuzzy patch to the un-

aided eye, but with binoculars or low power telescopes one of the best star clusters in the sky can be seen.

Venus makes a reappearance as an evening star this month. In early January it will be difficult to make out in the glow of the setting sun, but Venus gets higher in the sky each evening and by the end of the month it doesn't set until two hours after the sun. On January 20 we will see a spectacular sight of a new moon hanging just above Venus right after sunset.

Mercury also reappears in the evening sky but is much lower than Venus. However by the end of the month it should be visible just below Venus, 45 minutes after sunset.

Saturn rises about 8 PM at the beginning of January, but by the end of the month it will be rising just after sunset, and will be a prominent object all through the night. Saturn is located in the Constellation of Leo, near the bright star Regulus as the month begins.

Jupiter and Mars can both be seen low in the sky at dawn. Both planets will be getting higher as we get further into the month. On the 15th of January the waning crescent moon can be seen just below Jupiter and the reddish star Antares. Mars is lower in the sky and more difficult to see, but the next night an even slimmer crescent moon is near to the red planet, and that should help the observer.

COUNCIL GLEANINGS

- Ian Murray

There are months when there is very little in the Township agendas of interest to Beacon readers. December was not one of those months. Had I more time and interest I could have made this column longer.

Those readers with a real interest in municipal politics may apply for the vacant position of municipal reporter: no pay but mileage and ferry fees will be covered.

Laurel Brady, for her participation at the Neilson Store Museum, has been nominated in the Ontario Heritage Trust's Young Heritage Leader Program 2006.

The following amendment to the "Municipal Act, 2001" has been made:

"431.1 (1) If the clerk of a local municipality is notified in writing by a police force that a building located on land in the local municipality contained a marijuana grow operation, the local municipality shall ensure that an inspection of the building is conducted within a reasonable time after the clerk has been notified. "

[A quibble: aren't all municipalities "local" to their residents.]

This service will, very likely, be paid by local taxpayers.

Council passed a motion directing the Planner to "draft a letter to be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs objecting to the legislation ..."

OPSEU (the Ontario Public Service Employees' Union) has given Loyalist Township formal notice to begin negotiations on behalf of the non-management ferry workers.

The following are the daily allowances for meals for Council members on Council business: breakfast, \$15, lunch, \$20; and dinner, \$30. The per diem allowance for members of Council, boards and committees, \$250.

Residents appointed to the Committee of Adjustment are for the entire 4 year term of Council. Committee members are paid \$45 for each meeting attended.

There are 7 scheduled Council meetings for January – 2 regular meetings and 5 for budgeting purposes.

From the Reeve's inaugural speech:



"The Township will be buying 9 acres of environmentally sensitive land on Amherst Island to aid in the conservation of, and enhance access to, the Big Marsh." This land is from the William Brown property in Lot 72, Concession 3 on the south side of Third Concession Road. The area excludes his house and outbuildings

During this term of Council: "Start construction on Front Road and South Shore Road in areas where slope stability is a problem."

The Fire Department has budgeted \$28,00 for new-and-improved defibrillators, including training for recertification.

Plot layouts for Pentland Cemetery were given to each member of the Cemetery Committee. Doris Wemp and Bruce Caughey will "compare the grave numbers on the plot plan to the numbers listed on the burials".

Bruce Caughey "will have Marshall Macklin Monaghan Ltd provide a revised layout of Glenwood Cemetery".

The Kingston Humane Society and the Township have renewed the agreement whereby the Society will continue to provide dog pound services for the Township.

New home starts in 2006: Amherstview, 38; Bath, 28; Odessa, 0; Amherst Island, 0; and, the rest of the mainland, 17.

The official total value of construction projects within Loyalist for 2006 (as taken from Building Permit applications) was \$19.2 million. Building Permit fees charged: \$237,132. There were 2788 inspections by inspection staff.



THANK YOU



I WISH TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE FIRST RESPONSE TEAM FOR COMING TO MY AID; ALSO THE FERRY CREW FOR MAKING AN EXTRA TRIP.

I ESPECIALLY APPRECIATE WARREN KILPATRICK FOR COMING SO QUICKLY WHEN I CALLED.

THANKS AGAIN,
GARNET McDONALD



DAVID PICKERING AND SHAREN ENGLISH, NEW ISLANDERS, WERE MARRIED IN THEIR HOME ON DECEMBER 24. COINCIDENTALLY, THE HOME THEY OWN WAS BUILT BY SUSAN AND GARY FILSON. SUSAN AND GARY WERE MARRIED IN THE SAME HOME ON DECEMBER 24TH TOO.

SHAREN AND DAVID THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR GOOD WISHES. THEY ALSO THANK JOYCE REID, MARK RITCHIE, CHERRY ALLEN, THE ASHLEY FAMILY, GARY, SUSAN, HARRY AND BARB FILSON, JACKIE AND TOM SYLVESTER, DAYLE AND ELOISE GOWAN AND PETER LARGE FOR THEIR GIFTS, KINDNESSES AND ATTENDANCE AT A SURPRISE WEDDING SHOWER MADE FOR THEM.

NOTICES

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NOTICES

UPCOMING CONCERTS

THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS WINTER/SPRING CONCERT SERIES FOR 2007. CONSISTING OF FOUR CONCERTS, THE SERIES WILL FEATURE GREG HOBBS (APPEARING AS A PART OF A TRIO) ON FEBRUARY 17TH; DAVID MYLES ON MARCH 17TH; SAHRA FEATHERSTONE AND JASON FOWLER ON APRIL 28TH. THE FOURTH CONCERT OF THE SERIES IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 16TH WITH DEVON SPROULE. EACH CONCERT BEGINS AT 7PM WITH AN OPENING ACT, AND THE HEADLINER APPEARING AT 7:30PM. SINGLE CONCERT TICKETS ARE \$15 IN ADVANCE, OR \$20 AT THE DOOR. TICKETS FOR THE ENTIRE CONCERT SERIES CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE SPECIAL PRICE OF \$50, AND MAKE EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS GIFTS! FOR MORE INFORMATION, OR TO PURCHASE TICKETS, PLEASE CALL (613) 634-1855, OR TOLL-FREE (866) 552-3535. YOU CAN ALSO VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.AMHERSTISLAND.ON.CA/THELODGE.

THE LODGE HAS MADE A COMMITMENT TO PROMOTING EMERGING MUSICIANS, SO EACH OF OUR CONCERTS WILL FEATURE A YOUNG ONTARIO ARTIST AS AN OPENING ACT.

*GREG HOBBS - FEBRUARY 17TH "HE HAS PLAYED GIGS WITH FRED EAGLESMITH, VICTORIA BASED COUNTRY-DIVA CAROLYN MARK, BLUE RODEO'S BOB EGAN, AND TRUE NORTH ARTIST JOEL KROEKER...IT'S THE TRUE SIGN OF A GOOD LYRICIST WHEN HE MAKES YOU WANT TO QUOTE HIM IN YOUR OWN CONVERSATION." OPENING FOR GREG HOBBS IS MEREDITH LUCE.

*DAVID MYLES - MARCH 17TH "COSTUMED IN THE GLADRAGS OF BLUES, ROOTS AND FOLK, 2006 CANADIAN FOLK MUSIC AWARD'S BEST NEW/EMERGING ARTIST NOMINEE DAVID MYLES' SONGS ARE INFECTIOUSLY HUMMABLE. HIS LATEST ALBUM "THINGS HAVE CHANGED" COMBINES SOUL INSPIRED HORNS, SKILLED FINGER-PICKING, AND RICH VOCALS." OPENING FOR DAVID MYLES IS CARMEN ELLE.

*SAHRA FEATHERSTONE & JASON FOWLER - APRIL 28TH "SAHRA IS ONE OF THOSE RARE MUSICIANS THAT BELONGS IN THE TRADITION, YET SOUNDS VERY FRESH AT THE SAME TIME. HER MUSIC IS EFFORTLESS, NATURAL AND IS IMBUE WITH HER LOVELY SPIRIT. JASON IS A GUITARIST WITH FLASHES OF BRILLIANCE ON A PAR WITH ROY COODER, DOC WATSON AND TONY RICE. A GREAT FIND." OPENING FOR SAHRA AND JASON IS ARIANA GILLIS. JUNE 16TH - DEVON SPROULE

NOTICES

RECREATION ASSOCIATION NEWS

THE AMHERST ISLAND RECREATION ASSOCIATION HAS RECENTLY PURCHASED ENOUGH LIGHT WEIGHT TABLES (AND A CART) TO FINALLY REPLACE THE OLD, HEAVY WOODEN TABLES.

THE OLD WOODEN (FOLDING) TABLES ARE NOW FOR SALE TO ANYONE INTERESTED. THEY ARE ABOUT 3' BY 6' AND ARE QUITE STURDY, BUT MAY NEED SOME COSMETIC WORK, DEPENDING ON WHAT THEY WILL BE USED FOR. \$20.00 EACH.

PLEASE CONTACT LYNN (H 634-2509 OR AT THE SCHOOL, 389-4582). THE REC ASSOC. HAS ALSO RECENTLY REPLACED THE CARPET ON THE STAGE AND UPDATED SOME OF THE MECHANICS OF THE STAGE, AND REPLACING THE PARTY LIGHTS.

AS WE START THE NEW YEAR, WE LOOK TO UPCOMING EVENTS - THE COMMUNITY EUCHRES (BEGINNING 01-19-07); THE FISH FRY/ SPRING DANCE (05-21-07); AND CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS (ALL DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED!); AND THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE AND COMMUNITY BONFIRE IN NOVEMBER. THANKS TO ALL WHO COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR EVENTS.

FERRY RATE INCREASE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 400 OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT, 2001*, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF LOYALIST TOWNSHIP IS PROPOSING TO INCREASE FERRY FARES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2007.

A PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL TO ADOPT THE NEW RATES WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED IN THE ODESSA ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ON JANUARY 22, 2007 AT 7:00 P.M.

A PUBLIC MEETING WILL ALSO BE HELD WITH AMHERST ISLAND RESIDENTS TO REVIEW THE RATE STRUCTURES PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF ANY FERRY RATE INCREASE.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, REGARDING THE PROPOSED RATES, PLEASE CONTACT MR. BRUCE HUGHSON AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES, (613) 386-7351 EXT. 117.

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THESE CALENDARS MAKE WONDERFUL, PERSONAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS. THEY ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE AMHERST ISLAND GENERAL STORE AND THE VICTORIA HALL CRAFT AND TEA ROOM.

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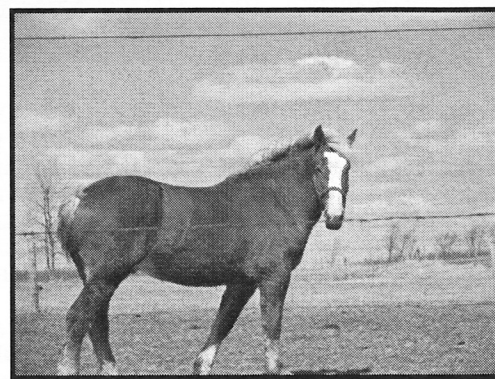
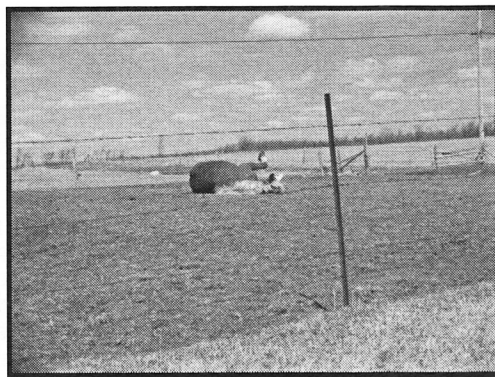
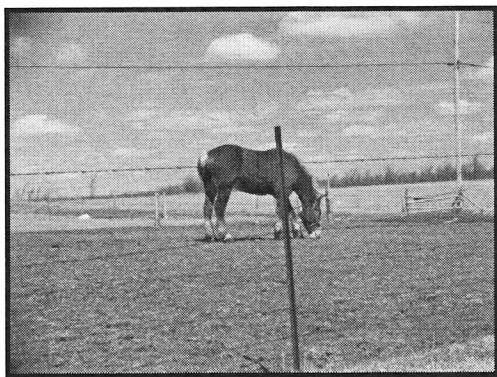
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