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## THIS ISSUE

- Ian Murray, editor

Our condolences to family and friends of Harry Filson after his recent passing. Obituary to follow in next month's issue.

The articles on the old houses on Amherst Island appears to be quite popular. We have a few more articles promised and we are interested in as many as possible.

Please call Sally if you would consider writing about your house. I believe most Beacon readers like to know more about old Island buildings.

\*\*As there have been no changes to the advertising insert, we will not be publishing it again this month (in order to conserve paper and costs. We will see if there are changes for August.\*\*

## NEIGHBOURHOOD

- Lyn Fleming

Sympathy to Allen Caughey, Beth Forester and Bruce Caughey and families following the passing of their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Helen Caughey.

Condolences to Ron Miller and family on the recent loss of his wife, Lillian, following a lengthy illness.

Condolences also to Mary-Liz Ellis and Jack Ellis and families, who's father Vic recently passed away.

Our sympathy to Barbara Filson, Garry Filson (Susan) and Valerie Howard (Bob) and families on the loss of their husband and father, Harry Filson. Congratulations to Helen Bulch on the birth of her newest great grandchild, Sophia, weighing a whopping 11 lbs! Sophia is the daughter of

## IN A CLASS ALL BY HIMSELF!! CONGRATULATIONS, DANIEL LITTLE, AIPS' GRADUATING CLASS OF 2008!!!

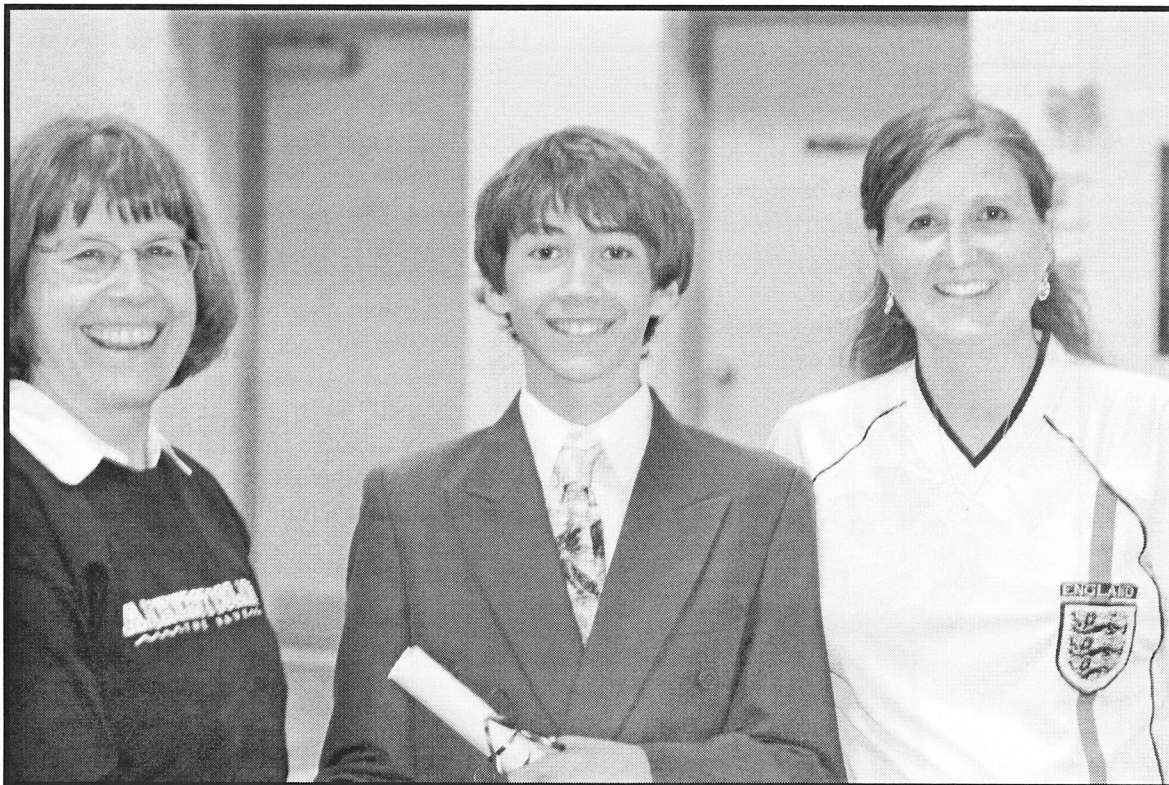


PHOTO BY BRIAN LITTLE

*Amherst Island Public School had only one Grade 8 student this year, Daniel Little (shown here holding his diploma) Principal Anne Potter (left), and Senior Teacher Mrs. VanDyke (right) presented Daniel with his diploma.*



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Helen's grandson Patrick Bulch and his wife Katrina.

Congratulations to this year's graduates; from NDSS Talia Fleming, Caitlin McDonald, Ashley McGinn (off to Queen's in the fall) and Torri Phillips; from ESS, Beth Albertan; and from Holy Cross, Patrick deHaan. Will Reed, will attend Queen's in the fall as well.

Congratulations to Amherst Island Public School's Class of 2008 - Daniel Little! Daniel will be off to NDSS in the fall. Moving on from Kindergarten (half time) to 1st grade (full time), are Ben Cyler and Jacob Welbanks.

Congratulations to Donna Willard on her retirement as an Education Assistant with the Limestone District School Board. Donna retired from the same A.I.P.S. classroom as she started school in as a child.

Happy to see that Neil Johnston and Bernice Gould, have opened the Tea Room for the summer again.

The Saturday morning Market and the Weasel and Easel are back in business for the season, as is the Neilson Store museum.

Well, so far this year we have not had to complain about the heat or lack of rain. It has been a cooler, wetter Spring and early summer so far. The cooler days did help to keep the lilac and sping bulbs blooming longer than usual and have also kept things looking lush and green.



## HELEN (MARSHALL) CAUGHEY

Born April 13, 1913, South Shore, Amherst Island.  
Died June 10, 2008 at Kingston General Hospital following a 2-day stay, at age 95.

*- Lovingly written and submitted by grand-daughters Amy Caughey and Julie Forester*

Helen Marshall Caughey was born on the South Shore of Amherst Island in 1913, to Elizabeth (nee Miller) and Robert Marshall. She was the second youngest child of 7 siblings, who were also the best of friends. She was mothered by her older brothers and sisters -- Nessie (Art) Drumgoole, Ruth (Clifford) Glenn, Bill (Kay) Marshall, Harold (Nellie) Marshall – and loved by the youngest Rhoda (Rod) Barr. She also had a sister named Janie, who died when she was 6 years old. Helen recounted how Janie was sent home from the South Shore school early because she was ill, and died that night of a ruptured appendix. Helen had a childhood accident herself when she was around 5 years old, when her right hand got caught in a hay pulley. This was a significant event in her life, and one that she would continue to speak of 90 years later. She remembered hiding under the bed, knowing that the doctor was on his way. She also recalled having to go to Toronto for surgery with her mother, which involved taking the ferry to Kingston, a train trip to Toronto, and having to wear a steel glove on her hand following the operation. These were sad times for everyone, but the family would have many happy moments, and many laughs together.

Helen loved to tell the story of the time she and her sister-in-law, Kay, stole Helen's beau of the time Bruce's car while he was at a youth meeting at the Presbyterian church. Helen and Kay drove the car down the road, and parked it in the shed behind the old Catholic church on the North Shore. They laughed for hours while Bruce and his friends searched for the car.

At the age of 17, Helen went to Peterborough Normal school for a year, and returned to the Island to take up teaching at the Number 2 school on the South Shore. Helen's was the type of family that if you married one, you married all. A. Bruce Caughey, an only child, was embraced by the clan and they were married in September of 1938. As was the expectation of the time, Helen immediately quit her teaching job once married, "as any decent person would have done", to allow a single teacher to take over the post.

She and Bruce had four children: Allen, Beth, and W. Bruce, as well as a daughter, who was stillborn. They spent their summers farming on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Concession, living in the house built by A. Bruce Caughey's grandfather. Their winters were spent farming in the village, in the house where Beth and Jack Forester now live. Winters in the village were easier for Helen to travel to her teaching job across the bay. She went back to teaching when her children were older, and taught at four different schools in



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the Odessa and Amherstview area. She returned to Amherst Island School at the end of her career, and retired from teaching in 1978. Past students of Helen's continue to attest to the important impact her teaching had on their lives, and several of her former students became lifelong friends.

Helen often recalled the endless card parties with her siblings and good friends, and dances and celebrations held at Victoria Hall. Helen was an avid gardener; she took great pride in her garden and had planted tomatoes and radishes weeks before her death. She was an excellent cook and passed on that passion to her family. Some of her specialties were fried chicken, cookies, and tapioca pudding. She had a unique recipe for chili sauce that few could duplicate.

Helen was glue that held her family together. She supported her husband in his many farm, political and community service occupations. She had an active and important role in the lives of her grandchildren, and felt especially blessed to enjoy five great-grandchildren, who called her "Hockey". Helen was the last living family member of her era, and felt that one reason God had kept her on this Earth to such an age was to witness and influence the new generation of her family.

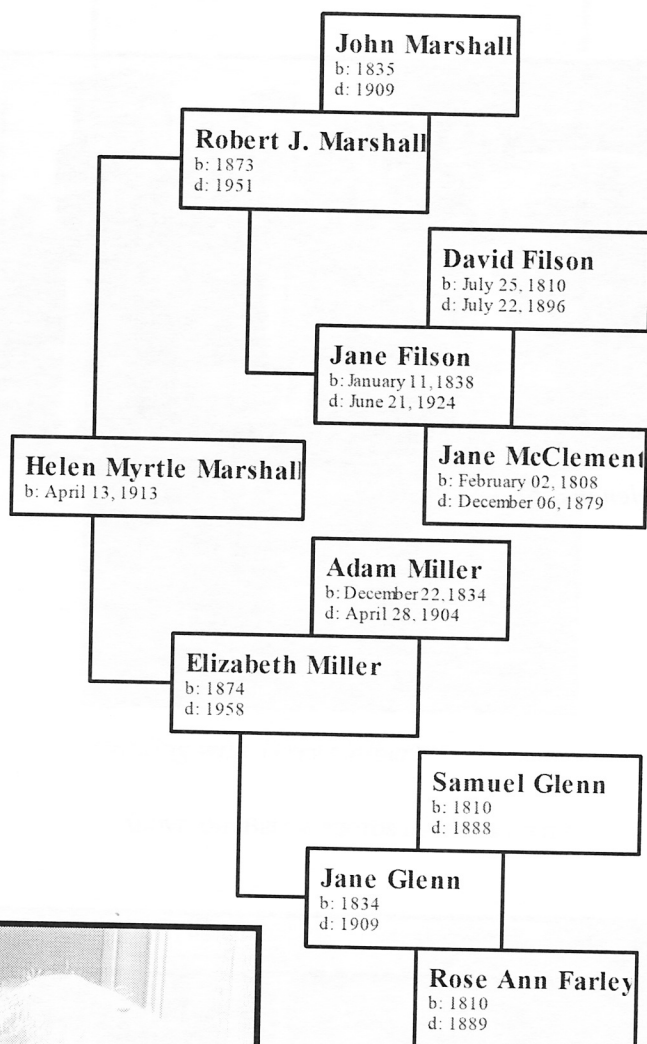
Helen was a forward thinker. She told us to "climb until your dreams come true".

Helen embraced the many changes to her community, and warmly and sincerely welcomed new people and new ideas. She celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday with a trip to Vancouver with her daughter to visit friends and see the ocean. Her last few years were as full as the rest of her life – she continued to garden, make butter, play endless card games, make a bushel of tomato worth of chili sauce, and visit daily with family and friends.

Helen celebrated her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday a few months ago, and surrounded by family and friends remarked at the long and full life she felt fortunate to have had. On June 10, after a short two days in hospital, Helen said good night to her family and died in her sleep. Her funeral was held on Amherst Island at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, where she attended for over 95 years. There was standing room only, and mourners from far and wide spilled out the door and onto the church lawn: a tribute to the numerous lives Helen Caghey had influenced, befriended and loved.

The space she has left in our lives is immense, but she has also left us with so much. She would agree: "She has gone no further than to God, and God is very near."

### Ancestors of Helen Myrtle Marshall



## HELEN CAUGHEY



*Helen and Bruce's Wedding*



*With Children*



*Playing Cards with Sisters*



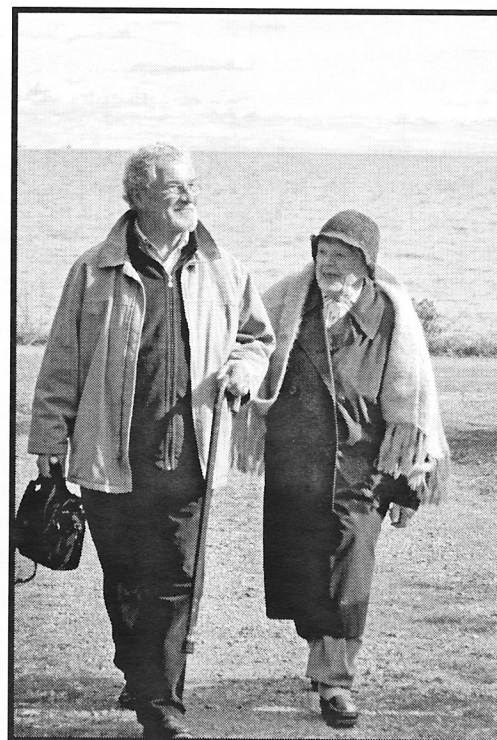
*With Grandchildren*

Photos of Helen provided by Julie Forester Leeder and Amy Caughey unless otherwise noted.





*With siblings*

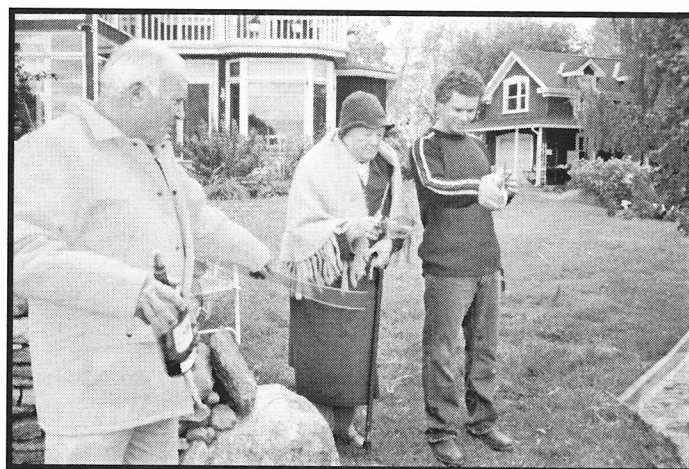


*Strolling with Terry Culbert.*

ABOVE AND BELOW PHOTOS BY BRIAN LITTLE



*Playing horseshoes.*



*Cutting the ribbon on the Irish Stone Wall at Stan Burke and Peggie Coulter's House on South Shore Road. Also in photo are Zander Dunn (holding bottle of Irish Whiskey), and far right, Jacob Murray.*

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

- Nancy Pearson and Sharen English.

Sixteen ladies gathered at the home of Donna and Richard Thompson for a tour of their marvelous garden on June 18th. Donna acted as our tour guide and coach, explaining the extensive variety of trees and shrubs that they planted in their 14 years on the Island. She noted that they had driven many miles to acquire some of their trees, but many were purchased "on sale" from Canadian Tire where she helps to manage the Garden Centre. Donna explained why some plantings were not successful - too much water, wind or cold, and the challenge of deer, voles, woodpeckers etc. She also noted plants that some might think could not be grown on the island, but, with the right protection, Donna and Richard have had success. She encouraged us to feed our trees each spring, to protect them in the winter, to limb-up when they are young, and to take some calculated risks. Not all of their experiments worked, but clearly it was a labour of love. Unfortunately for Islanders, Donna and Richard are moving in July and we will miss them. On the other hand, they are only going as far as Inverary and we look forward to their next garden accomplishments.

At 8 pm the ladies moved down the road to Coralie Marshall's for their business meeting and delicious refreshments provided by Erica Krauklis.

The Federated Women's Institute of Ontario Conference in Kingston earlier in June was a great success with 8 A.I. members attending. Joyce Haines, who was a driving force in making the conference a great success, has become President of the District.

The branch's program for next year was distributed.

It was agreed to purchase a bench to be placed outside the Neilson's Store and Museum and some trees, location to be determined.

It was agreed to purchase A.I. travel mugs and biodegradable bags for sale at the market on Saturdays.

The next meeting is to be held in Elsie Willard's garden on the afternoon of July 16th at 3 p.m..



## JANET'S JOTTINGS

- Janet Scott

Hérons and Egrets

Great and Snowy Egrets were nearly hunted into extinction because ladies wanted hats. In 1886 the long, lacy plumes of the breeding egret commanded more dollars than gold. The very first federal legislation to protect birds was passed in the United States in 1900 called the Lacey Act to prevent the interstate traffic of any creature killed in violation of state laws. This law was designed to protect the Egret.

In every province of Canada our herons and egrets are at risk because of man's insistence that wetlands need to be drained to provide more housing lots, rich farmland and space near water for large sprawling industrial complexes.

What have we done to this natural filter, this home to thousands of species of living creatures? In Kingston the wetlands of the Cataraqui Conservation Area are every year whittled down just a little more by a granting of a little more land to The

Ambassador for example for parking lot expansion or the trading of just a little bit down on King Street for a Housing Development. Those smelly, soggy marshes are home to Cattails which are nature's Natural Filter and a safe haven for Ducks, Marsh Wrens, Red-winged Blackbirds, Swamp Sparrows and some members of the amazing Heron Family.

The most common and best-known Heron here on Amherst Island is The Great Blue Heron. This stately 46 inch (117cm.) bird with a wingspan of 72 inches (183 cm.) can be observed wading along our shorelines with a slow almost imperceptible gait as it stalks fish and frogs. In other seasons it looks for frogs, snakes and grasshoppers in the fields. Alex once watched the amazing feat, of one swallowing a muskrat on the KFN property. After great difficulty it managed to get this animal orientated so it could swallow and then was still able to fly away.

Great Blue Herons are more gray than blue with beautiful long black plumes on their heads during breeding season. Their long legs are yellowish and the head is largely white with underparts dark. A rich, red-brown can be seen





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in the thigh area. There is a heronry on the Big Marsh.

Adam Miller has told me of finding heron chicks on the ground as the more dominant chick pushes out the sibling in their desire to be fed. The parents travel away from the nests to gather food and then regurgitate to feed the chicks. Frightened chicks have been known to regurgitate on observers who get too close to nesting sites. How a bird of this size is able to build and nest in the treetops is amazing. Nests are crowded together in colonies and can be found 130 feet in the air.

Early in the season males can be seen bringing materials to the female as she builds the nest. Incubation is 28 days and both birds take turns on the nest. The most comical situation I saw was a Great Blue Heron trying to land and balance on the wires opposite Thornhill's house. The bird managed it finally but not until a lot of flapping and rocking took place. Rather a loss of dignity to this stately bird. It is hard to visualize this large bird as a perching bird.

Great Blue Herons arrive back in March and have been noted on several Christmas counts. Usually they leave by November. When flying they can be recognized by bowed wings, s-shaped necks and long legs extended. In July, after nesting season, they will gather down at the foot on the Kingston Field Naturalists' property, in larger numbers.

Less common to most observers but another regular nester here on Amherst is the Black-crowned Night Heron. This stocky heron has short neck and legs. The breeding adult has a black crown and back, white underparts and neck and white plumes during breeding season. It takes three years to mature so currently you might see the 2nd year bird that is hanging around the ferry dock. Brian Grace reported it feeding along their shore. It is brown all over with a lightly streaked breast, yellow legs and plain brown back. The eye is red. This species is also a tree

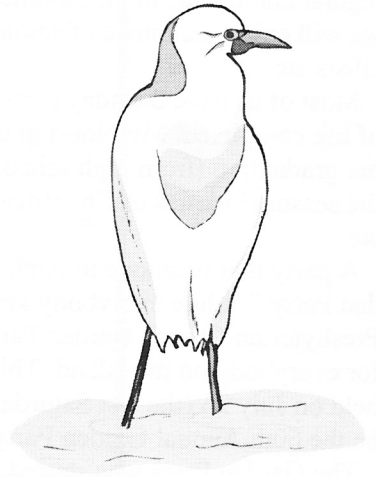
nester and may be found among Cormorants. At one time a heronry at Big Sandy Bay on Wolfe Island was estimated to contain 20,000 birds but in 1955 all the Button bushes died there and the heronry became defunct. In the seventies chemical poisoning killed off many of these birds but as the Pigeon Island Heronry disappeared more and



more birds were noted on the KFN property on Amherst

Island. One bird banded on Pigeon Island as a nestling was found three months later in southeast Cuba. Their numbers fluctuate with changing water levels as well. They build nests in tall bushes which may be killed by Heron droppings or drowned out by high water levels.

The beautiful Great Egret makes visits to Amherst Island. The best view I ever had was one walking out of the reeds at the marsh on Lance Eves' property on the South Shore. They are pure white with yellow beaks and can be distinguished from the white phase of the Great Blue Heron by the black legs. The Great Blue Heron in the white phase is found in Florida and has yellow legs. Great Egrets are 32 inches in length and have a wingspan of 55 inches. In 1988 9 birds were seen on Amherst Island. A breeding colony on Lake Erie was noted in 1953 and a colony at Cornwall in 1985. This is a wonderful bird to see and observe.



Snowy Egrets have been seen on the KFN property as well. They are showy little white herons only 20 inches in length but surprise you for as they lift their shiny black legs out of the marshy muck you suddenly see spectacular yellow feet. They are a very rare visitor but not impossible.

The Tri-coloured Heron visited Amherst Island in 1988 from May 10th to 22nd and had many observers visiting our island to see this rare bird. This heron has green legs, white belly and dark blue upperparts. The younger birds show chestnut on their necks and wing coverts. It is about 26 inches long and has a wingspan of 36 inches.

The flashy Green Heron shows off his bright orange legs in breeding season. It has a dark bluish-gray-green back, chestnut on its neck and greenish-black crown. I saw this bird most recently down at Long Point marsh but have also seen it at Eves' marsh.

Marshes may be smelly, murky and muddy but amongst the myriad of insect species live a surprising variety of bird life. It is well worth your time to visit a marsh and look and learn. It requires patience and stillness. At one time nothing can be seen but as you wait quietly out from among the reeds come coots, rails, ducks and herons. Protect our wetlands!

Good Birding

[Editor: I've enjoyed listening to Janet's bird talk on Dale Gowan's CJAI show on Monday mornings.]

## PARTIES

- Zander of DUNN INN

Parties are fun. We need parties to help us break the routine of life. The Choir of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church had a party on June 28 to celebrate the end of a regular choir year. In the summer the choir is "off" and we will enjoy the music of soloists, duets, instrumentalists etc.

Most of us have birthday parties to mark another year of life completed. My oldest grand-daughter attended her graduation (from high school) party. And there are the seasonal parties of Christmas, New Year, Easter etc.

A party that is unique to Amherst Island is "The Garden Party." While everybody knows it is the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Garden Party, they also know it is for everybody on the Island. This year the party will be held on July 26 (the last Saturday in July) and this will be the 60th Annual Garden Party.

The Garden Party was started in the summer of 1948 to bring women together over tea, served in the manse; to bring children together to enjoy games and programs which would appeal to them; to bring the farmers together for a chance to swap stories and eat hamburgers, pie and ice cream under the stars. In the early years the Garden Party was almost a full-day affair - morning to set up; afternoons for tea; evenings for dessert, coffee and fun.

The Church invited everybody to participate. Furniture, books, clothing, knick-knacks and baking were all solicited from friends of the congregation. These items were sold and the money used for the good of the church.

The White Elephant Table was a truly a recycling project before its time. Nancy Dunn has a mixing bowl with a beater system on top which she bought in 1962 and still uses today. It certainly does not waste electricity.

The bake goods table was always popular and the wonderful cakes, pies, breads, tarts, candies on display always sold quickly.

The women really enjoyed the tea time in the manse with specialty sandwiches and dainty delicacies. They could sit and linger while being waited on by friends and loved ones. The kids always got a charge out of the games. In 1963 the Young People of the congregation invited the children to come to visit a fortune teller (Sandra Miller Filson) who amazed them by telling them she could see that they had come over to the island on a ferry. (How did she know that?) Those same kids also went through the haunted house. They marvelled at the world's tallest woman (Gordon Miller in a long dress standing on sacks of seed), the man-eating shark (Brucie Caughey, the man, eating from a can labelled shark) the two-

headed monster (Leslie Ann Glenn Cox and Jill Glenn Watson both in the same T-shirt) and were so scared when the mummy, Beth Caughey Forester, wrapped up in toilet paper, jumped out of a closet and shouted "Boo" that they ran out of the "house" only to ask their parents for another dime to go through a second time. The Young People raised \$9.70 that day!

The 60th Annual Garden Party will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature all the good things of past Garden Parties plus a quilt display, many pictures of Island history, as well as entertainment, a silent auction and a real auction, an amazing array of things for sale at the White Elephant Table, wonderful goodies at the Bake Table, used (almost new) clothing, plants, produce and pickles, outstanding hot dogs, sausage dogs and hamburgers (plus soft drinks), countless books, an incomparable pie and ice cream table, a tea room, games for the kids and a raffle (you can't lose).

All the proceeds from the day go to The Building Fund of St. Paul's to keep our historic church in good repair. Last year we made over \$8,000. Everybody benefits from our Garden Party. The people have fun and St. Paul's Church raises funds to enable it to continue to serve the community in God's name.

There's a party to which you're invited on Saturday, July 26 from 11 to 3. Please join us. We guarantee a good time.

## WEDDING FOR THE JOLL FAMILY

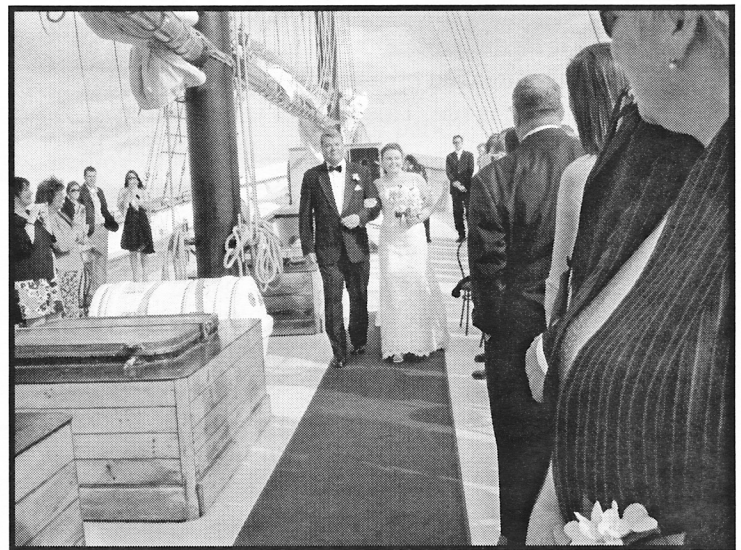
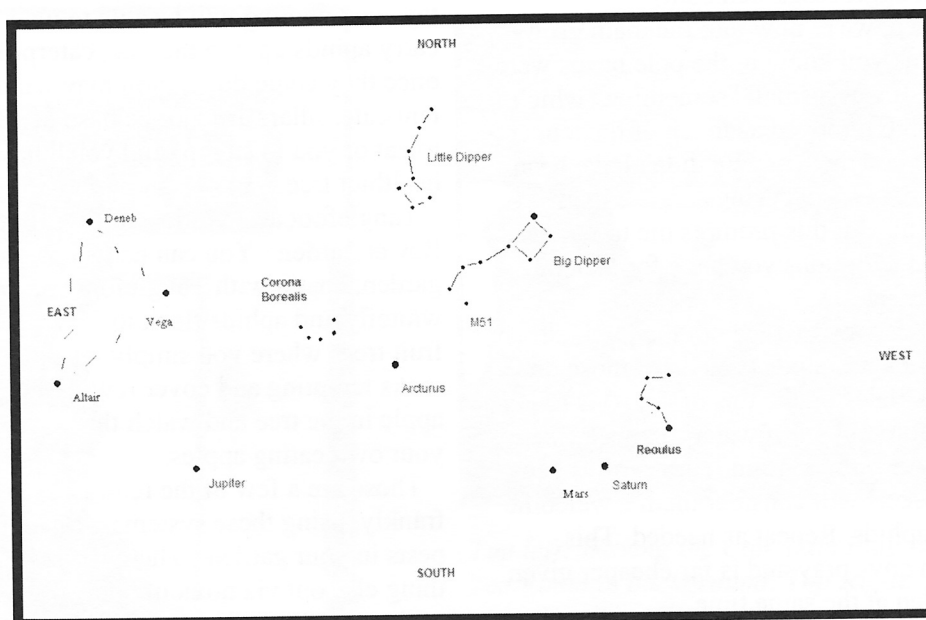


PHOTO BY LINDA JOLL

*On June 14th Linda and Michael Joll attended their daughter Helen's wedding on board the Tall Ship Silva in Halifax Harbour. The photograph shows proud father walking his daughter down the aisle on the ship.*





## JULY SKIES

- Alan Kidd

The brightest star in the summer skies is Vega in the constellation Lyra (the Lyre). This constellation is almost directly overhead at midnight during July. The other stars in the constellation are considerably dimmer than Vega, but you can usually make out sort of a kite shape with about four other stars.

There are three double stars near Vega. The most famous of these is Epsilon Vega, which is right next to Vega. Even a small set of binoculars will show Epsilon Vega as a double star.

Two other stars, Deneb and Altair, along with Vega, make up the "summer triangle of bright stars high in the summer sky". Deneb is the brightest star in the Northern Cross, officially known as Cygnus. Altair is in the constellation of Aquila, the Eagle.

The other two brightest stars visible as the sky becomes dark – after 10 PM this month – are Arcturus and Spica. They can be found by following the arc made by the handle of the big dipper toward the southwest. First you come to Arcturus, a bright red star, then to Spica, slightly less bright than Arcturus, but still the brightest star in its section of sky.

The brightest object in the sky (once the moon is out of the way) is Jupiter. It is located low in the southeast near the teapot shaped constellation of Sagittarius. Sagittarius also marks the southern end of the Milky Way, which can be thought of as a cloud coming out of the teapot's spout. If we are fortunate enough to have a night that is both moonless and haze free, the summer Milky Way is an



amazing sight from our Island, particularly along the south shore away from the lights. The star cloud which is the centre of our galaxy stretches up from Sagittarius through Aquila and the Northern Cross and on to Cassiopeia on the Northern horizon. The darker patches we see in the Milky Way between Altair and Vega are actually dark clouds of interstellar dust which block the light of the stars behind them.

Saturn and Mars can still be seen low in the west at dusk. On July 1st the star Regulus and Mars are very close, only about  $3/4$  of a degree apart. Saturn is only 5 degrees above the duo. A few days later, on July fifth and sixth, the crescent moon will also be part of the picture. The view of this quartet will be best about an hour after sunset, but since they are so low in the sky a pair of binoculars might be a help.

Mercury can be seen by earlier risers on the first of July about 45 minutes before sunrise, along with the waning crescent moon. Mercury will continue to be visible before dawn for the first 10 days or so of July.

There is a Meteor shower in July – the Delta Aquarids which will peak around July 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup>. However they will be low in the sky so don't expect too impressive a display.

The sketch above shows the relationship of Altair, Lyra and Cygnus to each other and to the Big and Little Dipper, as well as the positions of Jupiter, Saturn and Mars.

## ORGANIC INSECT CONTROL

- Doug Green ([www.douggreensgarden.com](http://www.douggreensgarden.com))

Here in our new garden, we're now into the main growing season. And wouldn't you know it, the pole beans were attacked by something. It was a small "something" which left some of the leaves but removed as much of the tender greenery as possible around the leaf. We didn't have bean plants, we had bean stubs. I suspect slugs are the main culprit as I can't see them. But this prompts me to refresh the environmentally sound options you have for general insect control in the garden.

The easiest and quickest way to wipe out the populations of soft bodied insects such as aphids (you'll see those on plants such as honeysuckle or on the tips of roses) is to get out the hose and use a forceful jet of water to knock them off the plant. Once they're on the ground, the various beetles and other bigger insects will consider them a welcome and tasty treat. End of aphids. Repeat as needed. This works much better than any spray and is far cheaper given that it waters your garden at the same time.

If you must spray, then use an insecticidal soap. This material removes the protective layer on insect shells and/or upsets their digestive system so they die off pretty quickly. Either of these two systems though has to be repeated regularly every time you see a pest. This is why I like to use the hose; I get to water the garden and remove pests at the same time without the bother of mixing and lugging around a sprayer. You will have to repeat all sprays (chemical or organic) every 5-7 days to control pests and this is why I like to use the hose - I get 'em far more often before they become problems.

For problems such as our slugs or other creepy crawling problems, I dust with diatomaceous earth. This product is readily available and is a dust composed of the shells of diatoms - dead sea creatures. The shells are microscopically razor sharp; perfect for puncturing soft insect bodies but harmless to humans and pets (feels like talcum powder). In fact, it is often fed to pets as a component in worm medicines. If you were to wander out to my garden this morning, you'd see the beans and basil covered with a fine white powder of this material and a smiling vegetable gardener happily going about her business. Head gardeners do a lot of things to keep vegetable gardeners happy. This product is also useful inside the home if you have creepies you need to remove from basements. Because it is inert, doesn't hurt us or our pets it can be a very useful product in our homes and gardens.

The horticultural glue (Tanglefoot) is really useful in controlling caterpillars in trees. Wrap the tree trunk (above dog height or you'll have your dog messed up with the stuff for sure) with masking tape. If you have big cracks in the bark under the tape, shove rags or cotton batting or something that won't rot over the summer into those cracks so pests can't get under the tape. You want an impenetrable barrier that caterpillars and other insects

such as ants have to walk "over" not under. After you have a good barrier established, smear the glue onto the tape and nothing will be able to walk over it. Ants can't carry aphids up into the tree, caterpillars can't get back up once they come down (you may wind up with hordes of tent caterpillars around the base of your trees for the birds to eat or you to stomp) and you'll have a much cleaner healthier tree.

Tanglefoot also works really well in the vegetable or flower garden. You can hang a bright yellow card in the garden, coat it with Tanglefoot and watch insects such as whitefly and aphids flock to it. It also works really well in fruit trees where you simply take a fake red apple that looks tempting and cover it with the glue. Hang the fake apple in the tree and watch the pests flock to it instead of your own eating apples.

Those are a few of the really benign insect controls and frankly, using these systems will control about 95% of all pests in your garden. There won't be a need to push anything else out via noxious sprayer chemicals.

If you really feel you need a fast knockdown product because you just like the sound of insects falling to their doom, then let me recommend rotenone. This is a ground up root of the derris plant family and is a natural product. It is a very fast knockdown and insects exposed to it die very quickly. It is not selective but kills just about everything it touches. It does disappear in the environment in 24 hours or so as sunlight degrades it very quickly. So in that sense it is extremely environmentally safe. Take note however, that it is not something you want to breathe (it comes as a dust) as it can be harmful to mammals as well. So do not expose yourself or your pets to it. All I can tell you about this one is to read the label. It is much better than petroleum based chemicals but organic doesn't necessarily mean safe to abuse. Read the label.

Those simple and organic tips will control just about 99% of all the insect problems in your garden - what else do you need?

## LILIAN JOYCE MILLER: 1937 - 2008

Lilian was born in Morrisburg, Ontario. She worked for many years for Bell Telephone then KGH on the switchboards, then worked at Sears.

She and Ron raised her boys in Kingston. They moved to Amherst Island when Ron switched his employment to the Island Roads crew.

Lillian struggled with a lengthy illness. She stayed at home as long as possible, then moved to Rideaucrest, where she died on June 16th.

She is mourned by Jimmy, John and Tom Steward, Ron's stepsons, and by Ron, friends and family.



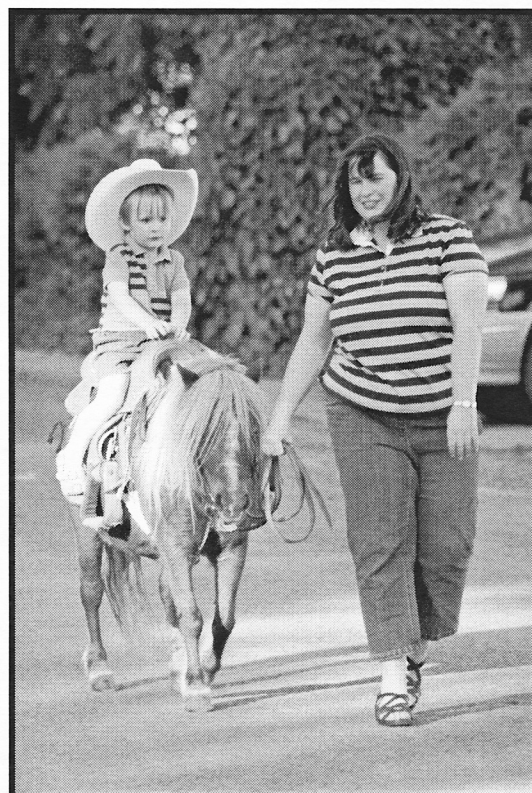
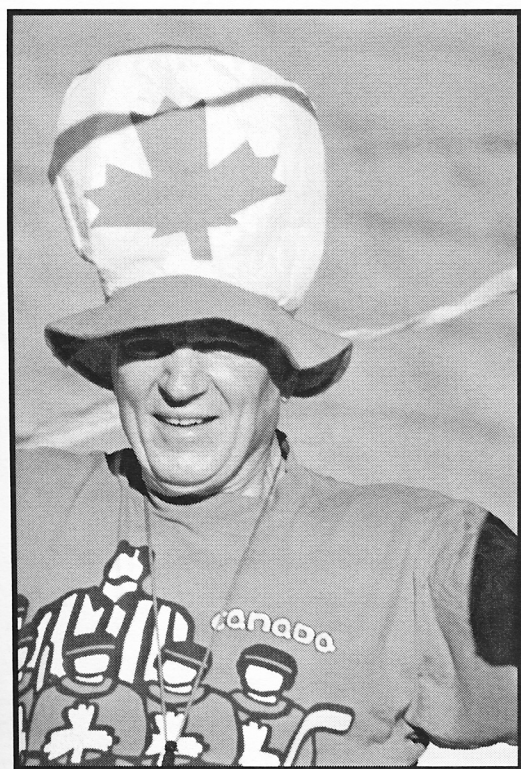


***Top left:** Waving the Canadian Flag with Victoria Hall Tea Room in background. **Top Right:** Mark Ritchie with 2 of his border collies in the parade.*

***Bottom left:** Zander Dunn shows off his patriotism.*

***Bottom Right:** Barb Miller escorts her son Alan, and his miniature horse.*

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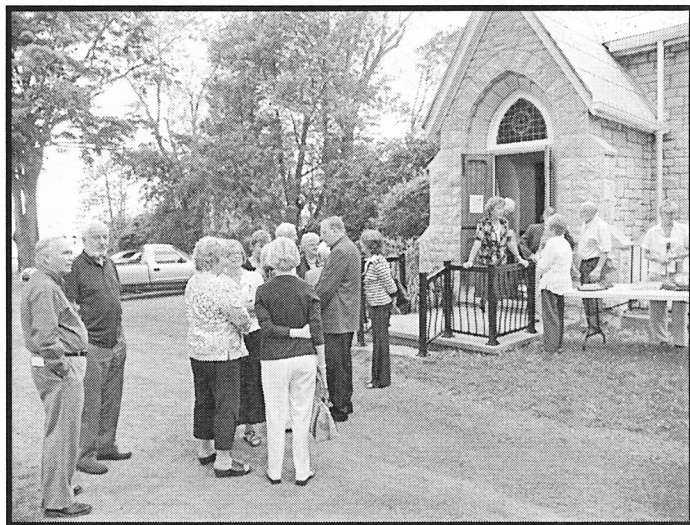
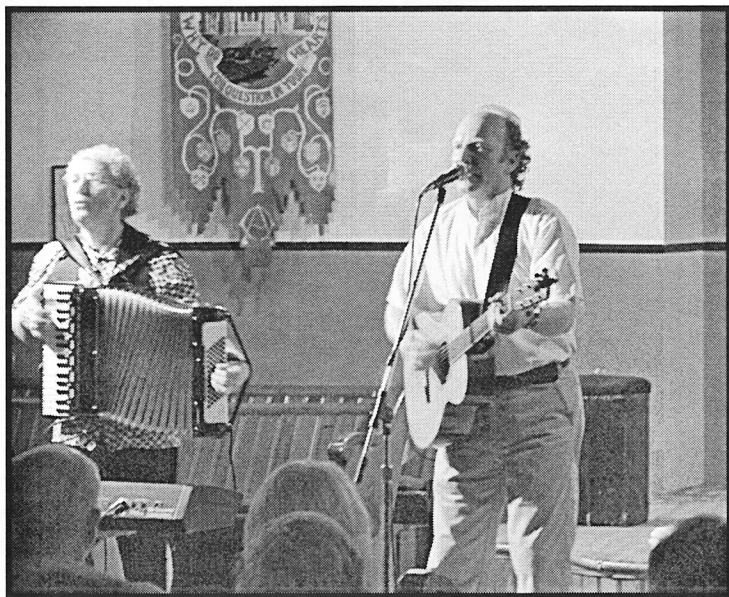
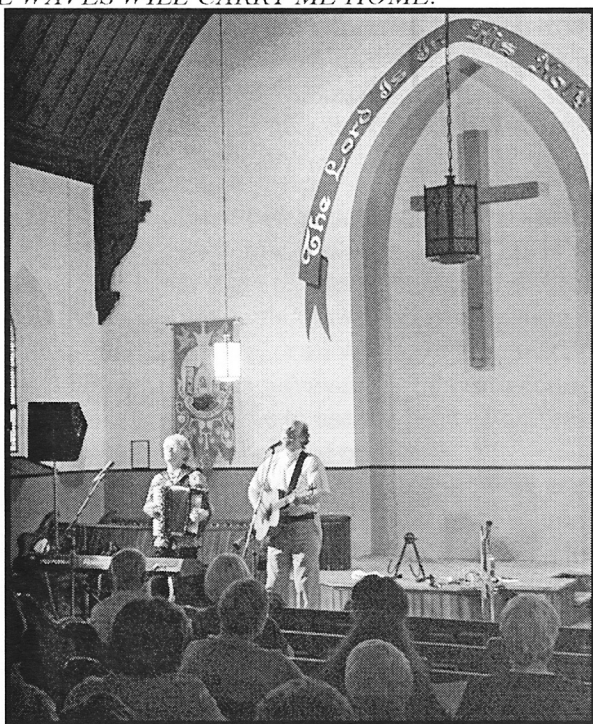
# WATER SIDE

S U M M E R S E R I E S

## STARTS OFF WITH A BANG AS HAINES AND LEIGHTON PERFORM

The National Anthem of Amherst Island was composed by Mark Haines and Tom Leighton. The premiere performance of that song happened at the Waterside Summer Series on Thursday, July 3, 2008 in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Amherst Island.

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NO MATTER WHERE I ROAM,  
AMHERST ISLAND,  
THE WAVES WILL CARRY ME HOME,  
THE WAVES WILL CARRY ME HOME.

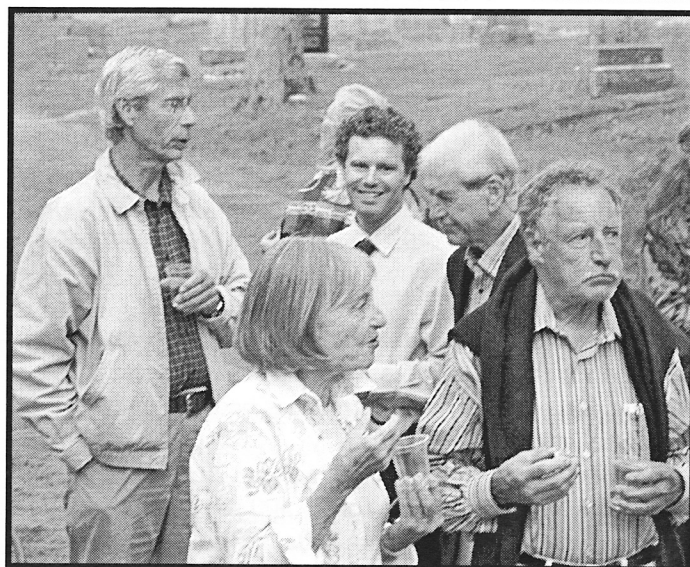
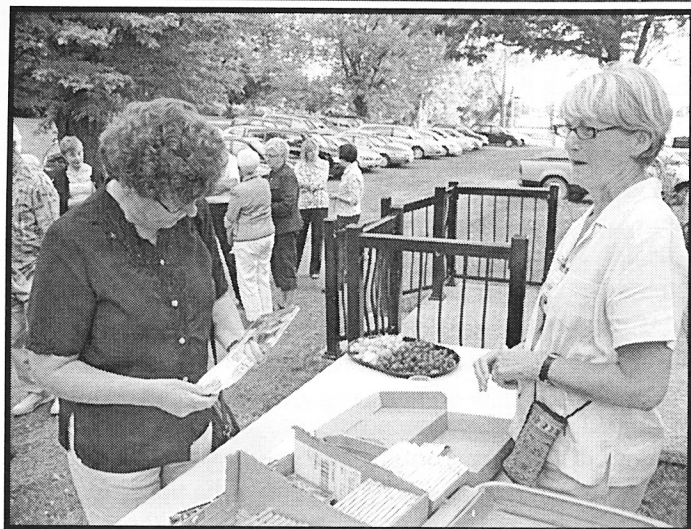


Left to Right (all three photos) Tom Leighton and Mark Haines.

Bottom Left: Patrons of Waterside Summer Concert Series mill about during intermission.

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**Center:** View from within the church entrance looking out.

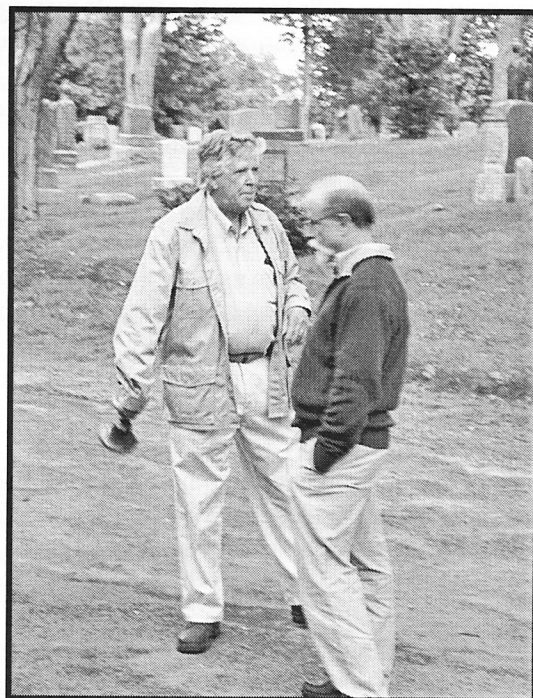
**Above Left:** Barb Hogenauer on the right sells a Haines and Leighton CD to Linda Joll.

**Above Right:** Behind two off-Island visitors, Peter Trueman, Jake Murray and Stanley Burke chat during intermission.

**Center Right:** Arts & Letters Club of Toronto President Peter Large was the official bell ringer. Water-side's head volunteer Chris Laffin, helped to usher the patrons back inside for part two of the programme

**Bottom Right:** Peggie Coulter and Ula Stief

**Bottom Left:** Deborah Kimmett and Stanley Burke.



## AIMS MEETING: JUNE 7

- Hugh Jenney

Reminder: The July Breakfast Meeting has been moved forward to July 5th, so as not to conflict with the Studio Tour on July 12th.

Twenty-six men sat down to a delicious, full breakfast prepared by Sandra, Brook and Brandon Reid. They are raising money for the Senior Class overnight trip to Fort Henry.

Wayne Gulden told us that he is paying \$11/year for our AIMS website which is [www.AIMSociety.ca](http://www.AIMSociety.ca). It has a public part and a private part. It has been up and running for a year now.

John Wright has written a letter to the New Horizons for Seniors Program asking for \$5,500 for computer equipment for the AI Museum's Back Room. He needs an endorsement from a non-profit charitable organization to go along with his application. It was agreed that we support this application. All Islanders are invited to attend computer seminars at the Back Room. The first ten-lesson session was a great success. John envisions frequent meetings to socialize and learn more about computers.

Peter Large reported that maps are being printed for the July 12<sup>th</sup> Studio Tour. These maps will have historical sites marked on them as well as the location of the twelve artist studios. Our Island is being promoted as a living museum. Thirty-two artists will donate a work of art most of which will be put on an 8" X 8" mat ready to be framed. They will be available from 11 AM to 4 PM at the Back Room.

Greg Latiak volunteered to help with the BBQ which will provide hamburgers and hot dogs at the AI Museum. Please call Dayle Gowan to volunteer.

The AI Market Wagon needs volunteers. Brian Grace has the list.

Mark Raymond reported that even though the rabbits ate half of the maple trees he and Doug Martin planted, they are good to go with the rest. Give them a call if you need a couple of trees to beautify your property. The tubes will protect your trees from the voles, mice and rabbits. Mark and Doug will plant your trees for a \$10 donation to cover the costs of the stake, tree and plastic tube.

Brian Grace was given a tour of the Anniversary House the other day by Bob Thompson. Bob reported that his geothermal heating system paid for itself in five years. There may be a possibility of getting the provincial government to subsidize any retrofitting an Islander may want to do. Brian has arranged for Quantum Energy (Alan Kidd got his windmills and solar panels from them) to come to the Community Centre on Thursday, August 14 at 7 PM to show us what can be done. Brian suggested that our MPP and John Gerretsen from Kingston be invited to attend as well as our Loyalist Council-

lors. Terry Culbert is doing flyers and Bruce Burnett is helping with the electrical requirements. It was decided AIMS will sponsor this idea the greening of Amherst Island

Ralph Woods invited us all attend Vickie Keith's talk to Masonic people who are meeting next Saturday. If anybody wants to stay for lunch (\$8 a ticket) please let Ralph know.

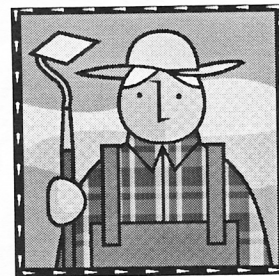
Hugh Jenney introduced our guest speaker, Pat Smith, Major Gift Officer from the University Hospitals Kingston Foundation (UHKF) who spoke about the upcoming multi-million dollar redevelopment projects at the three Kingston hospitals. Pat reported that UHKF is the fundraising arm for the three Kingston teaching hospitals – Hotel Dieu Hospital (HDH), Kingston General Hospital (KGH) and Providence Care. Construction will soon begin at KGH, the hospital that cares for the most seriously ill patients coming in from the southeastern Ontario region. Projects at Hotel Dieu Hospital, the ambulatory and outpatient centre and Providence Care, the rehabilitation, complex, geriatric care and mental health services, will begin in the coming months and years.

Our hospitals are the local hospitals for Kingston and the specialized hospitals for the southeastern Ontario region. Every year we serve over 500,000 patient visits--half of these visits come from outside of Kingston. This region is in the local Health Integrated Network (LHIN) #10 serving a population of 500,000 residents. The LHIN's were created by the Ontario government in March 2006. They work with local health providers and the community to determine the health service priorities of our regions.

Our hospitals are one of the largest employers in the region employing more than 8,000 people. They are one of the largest economic engines with an annual regional economic impact of over \$840 million. Serving as the clinical classrooms for Queen's University's Faculty of Health Sciences and St. Lawrence College over 3,000 doctors, nurses, therapists, technicians and other health care professionals are trained here. We also host important research in cancer treatment, spinal cord injury and gastrointestinal diseases. Our hospitals are home to some of Canada's leading researchers.

As our population ages there is a greater demand on health care. An analysis of our LHIN shows that our region has a higher average age than other parts of the province. In fact, we have the highest proportion of people over the age of 65 in Ontario. We also have a higher proportion of people who are overweight or obese and those who are daily smokers. As a result there is a higher prevalence of

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arthritis/rheumatism, heart disease, diabetes and overall hospitalization rates. Life expectancy for both males and females is lower than the provincial average. Our older facilities can't cope with the demand and redevelopment of our hospitals must occur.

The government recognizes these challenges and the hospital redevelopment will start very shortly. The provincial government has agreed to support these projects based on a 90/10 formula. For every dollar raised in the community for redevelopment the government will provide \$9. The anticipated community goal will be well north of \$50 million. These projects will create 700 new construction jobs each year for the next five years.

Pat then went on to tell us about the Burr Wing of KGH being raised to five floors and what each floor would do for us. She also explained the plans for the expansion of the Kidd Wing at KGH and the improvements to the Hotel Dieu. Please give me a call at 384-7830 if you want to see more detail. Information about the projects was handed out and extra copies are available.

Pat is aware that the Napanee Hospital is seen as our hospital and identified that it partners with the Kingston Hospital and is integral to the health care facilities in our region. The county is contributing to the campaign. Greg Latiak pointed out that our recent tax bill records a million dollar contribution to the Kingston Hospitals as well as a smaller contribution to the Napanee Hospital.

Pat advised us that our direct support is important to the future of our hospitals. What happens if we do not raise the 10% required by the government? The government may feel that the community is not behind the projects and consequently some of the projects may not go ahead. On June 11<sup>th</sup> we will launch the capital campaign and announce the official goal. We will continue to work with our community hospitals and respect that they have needs to raise money as well. We will approach people who are previous donors as well as people that use our hospitals and ask for their support to this very important campaign.

Greg asked about the cost of equipment and Pat indicated that 100% of equipment costs is paid for by the community. The only exceptions are large, expensive pieces of equipment needed to provide specific treatment such as the radiation machines at the Cancer Centre.

Brian Grace thanked Pat for getting up so early to let us know about this wonderful opportunity to enrich our community. He said he had never had his arm twisted in such a polite way by a fundraiser. He is now on the executive of Hospice Kingston and really appreciates what Pat and her fellow fundraisers are doing for our community.

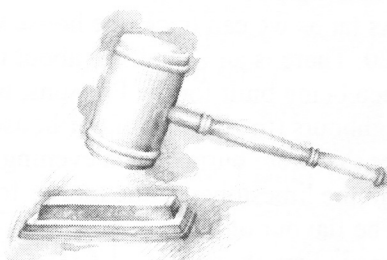
Pat stayed to answer questions. Any further questions can be directed to Pat in her KGH office – 613 549-6666 x 4123.

Wayne Gulden demonstrated how the AIMSociety.ca website worked.

## COUNCIL GLEANINGS

- Ian Murray

Fortunately the 2 regular meetings of Council - June 9 and June 23 had little of interest to Amherst Island that I could see. No news is often good news.



The special meeting on June 16 was an opportunity for Loyalist ratepayers to give Council feedback on the proposed amendments to our Township's Official Plan. There was, I understand, a large turnout of ratepayers from the Island. They were there to tell Council their respective opinions on wind turbines. I don't know how many people spoke but there were 32 letters included in the meeting agenda. Anyone interested in the content of these letters may download them from our Township's website.

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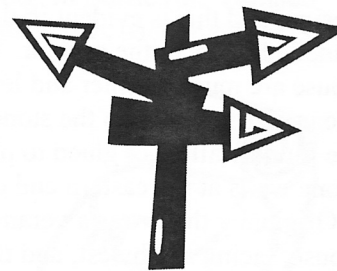
Current members of the Amherst Island Emergency Response Station are: David Albertan, Wayne Fleming, Brennan Kilpatrick, John Mayman, Andrew McDonald, Gary McDonald (Captain), Lesley McDonald, Maureen McGinn, Don Miller, John Munro, Vicky Keith Munro, Jacob Murray, Alex Scott (Captain), Jean Pierre Thifault.

It is gratifying to see that the average age of our fire fighters have declined from, say, 10 years ago when a lot of us were over 50. Jacob and I were talking to one of the Bath fire fighters and he was envious of our young people - four still in their 20's.

## HERE & THERE

- Ian Murray

This is June 30 and this island is about as green as it ever gets. The number of rain events and, lately, the amount of rain has created tremendous growth in lawns, fields, bush and roadsides. Farmers are well behind in hay-making. The wet weather has also affected the roads crew; the calcium was very late being applied.



The smidgen of hay that we've been able to make is of good quality. Grass and other forage plants are most nutritious while they are growing. As soon as the plants start to make seed, they have less food value. This looks like a year where there will be lots of hay but it will be of low quality.

## THE HISTORY OF OUR HOUSE

- Diane Hieatt

As far as we can trace, the house was in existence in 1820. There is an Island tale about the Caugheys' house - then being built for the Prestons, in 1822, with the neighbours (the owners of our house) coming to the bonfires that were burned each evening to extract the lime from the limestone for the mortar for the walls.

The flavour of our home is French, and may well have been built by a French-Canadian. When Canada was settled by the Empire Loyalists at the end of the American Revolution in 1792, there was a shortage of skilled stonemasons,

and French-Canadian stonemasons were in demand. There was also a Mr. Dennee who settled on the Island, and may have been involved in the construction. Who knows? However, the stuccoed portion of our home is actually constructed of limestone "pancakes" piled up from a wide foundation, and covered with stucco. And the asymmetry, with two windows to one side and one window on the other side of the central door, is more typical of French-Canadian homes in Quebec in the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

The interior of the house, however, has an English flavour to it, with an elegant parlour with a most elegant fireplace-mantel in the Adam style. The windows are pure Regency - large and allowing sunlight to stream in. Twelve-over-twelves is the official name for the style of window, and some of the original panes are still present, distorting the scenery viewed through them.

Whoever was responsible for the house liked good design, and this is evident in the mouldings and trim and panelled doors in the parlour. The other rooms in the house are much simpler and less ornate. When we gutted the upstairs portion to the stone walls a few years ago, we found wallpaper glued to plaster parged onto the stone walls at the eastern end of the house.

Originally there was a veranda on the riverside of the house, facing northwest, and this must have been a fine place to sit on a summer's evening before the mosquitoes became too fierce. It overlooked the road which ran between the house and the water. However the veranda has long since gone, and we hope to replace it one day, but not the road, which was moved to the south side of the house after 1838. This change in the road site affected the house greatly - somebody decided to swing the stairs around to face the back-now-front door, and so now we enter the house directly into the kitchen or into the office space that was once two small bedrooms.

***There is a tale about the house being attacked by "pirates" who had been involved with the 1838 rebellion in Upper Canada.***

Hugh and Mary Patterson, both from Ireland were registered as owners in 1837. There is a tale about the house being attacked by "pirates" who had been involved with the 1838 rebellion in Upper Canada. Old Mrs. Patterson was concerned that the robbers would open a chest belonging to three brothers, which contained their savings to send for their parents still in Ireland. It seems, with great presence of mind, she cried out "Ah, sure and yez wouldn't take a poor body's died clothes" and so they left the chest alone.

Hugh and Mary's daughter Sarah had married a Captain Thomas Polley, and she and Thomas and their children moved into a frame cottage they built between 1851-1861, on the land between our home and the Welbanks' home, which now stands on the site of the farm's former barn. (One of Sarah's descendants is a well-known Canadian actress and film-maker!) The cottage no longer exists, and has become the site of a large garden on our land, by the water.

James and Margaret Patterson built the brick house portion of our home, we think, in the 1870s. The house was more "English", square and symmetrical. The McMullens became owners around the time of World War 1. Vaughan McMullen, who was born in our house, reminisced with us about growing up with his family in the stone house, and

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his grandparents living in the brick house. He said that every evening Mrs. McMullen would open the door and call for one of the grandchildren to come through to the brick house for supper at the table with the starched tablecloth and napkins. He remembered, too, the bathtub (now filled with impatiens, near the road),

being used by his uncle with the children peeking through knotholes while he bathed in the outhouse that has long since gone.

We are still tracking down stories about the home and would welcome any stories you have to add.

{NOTE: Mrs. Hieatt provided us with a printout of a photo of the house, however, the photo did not scan well, and we were unable to use it. We are wondering, though, if anyone has an original photos of this house that we could feature in a future issue.}



## CAMPING

- Deb Kimmett

(Excerpts from an article which appeared in Kingston Life)

It's that time of year people look toward summer trying to decide how they will spend their holidays.

Some will take a leisurely boat cruise of the beautiful 1000 Islands Some of those

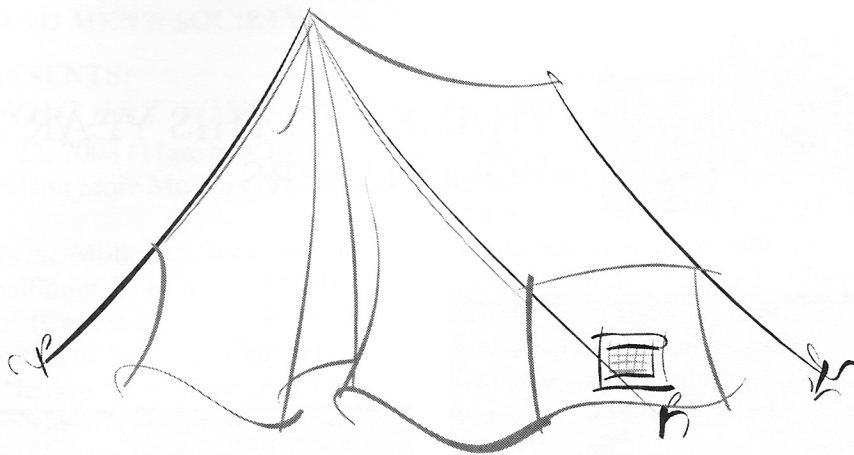
people will videotape the whole four hours. Are they not able to enjoy that much beauty or are they documenting it so they can go home and count the number of islands there really are.

Some tourists are nostalgic for days of yore and visit Old Fort Henry, I've been to the Fort many times and I wonder with all the wonderful history they provided the only thing I can remember is how short the people were in the 1800s. Of course, one hundred years from now people will go to the malls and marvel at how everybody in this day and age had eyebrow rings and were indoors on a sunny day on Facebook.

The heat of the summer causes us to do crazy things. A friend of mine called me last week and asked me to go camping. This is a new friend, one who doesn't know my stance on camping. She obviously didn't get the memo. I don't know what I expected from her. She's the fitness type - does hot yoga, four times a week. You know the kind where they crank up the heat and you're forced to do the downward dog, in 110 degree temperatures? It's like paying for a hot flash.

See this yogic friend, thought I was an outdoorsy person. I look like the type. I have a Kellogg's cornflakes face. People take one look at me and want to take me on a hike. Living on an island doesn't help. People think if you live in the country you must like gardening and baking apple pie. They're half right. I like to watch people garden while I eat my pie from The Big Apple.

I hate camping. Let me say it in a more subtle way.



Camping is evil. It's called camping when I check into a hotel room and discover there is no room service.

I have never outed myself on this subject before. Mainly because camping advocates are like golf advocates. They think you're kidding when you say you have no desire to walk around an 18-hole golf course in the heat of the

day, trying to get a ball into a little hole. They consider it their personal mission to convert you.

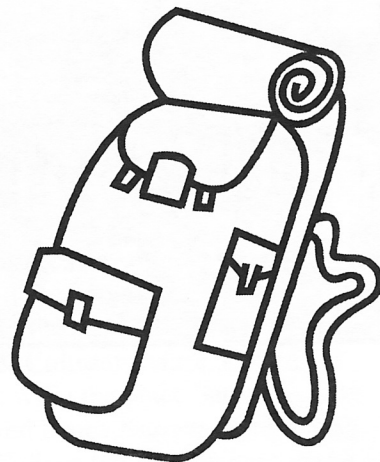
The first lie camping advocates tell you is its so peaceful out there in nature. Well nature is bloody noisy: all that wind, the grackles and crows getting up at the crack of dawn. Why is it that the ugly loud birds get up early and squawk outside my tent?

And sound carries near the water. You can hear everything people are saying and doing. A bunch of gassy people packed together like sardines. It's like going to the suburbs -but with a longer commute.

The camping aficionados try to put a spiritual spin on it, by saying it's good for the soul. Not my soul. I can assure you, you will not find camping mentioned in any of the world's good books: The Bible, The Koran nor the Talmud, not one of these books mention camping as part of the soul's development. In fact the Jews had a word for camping, it was called exile.

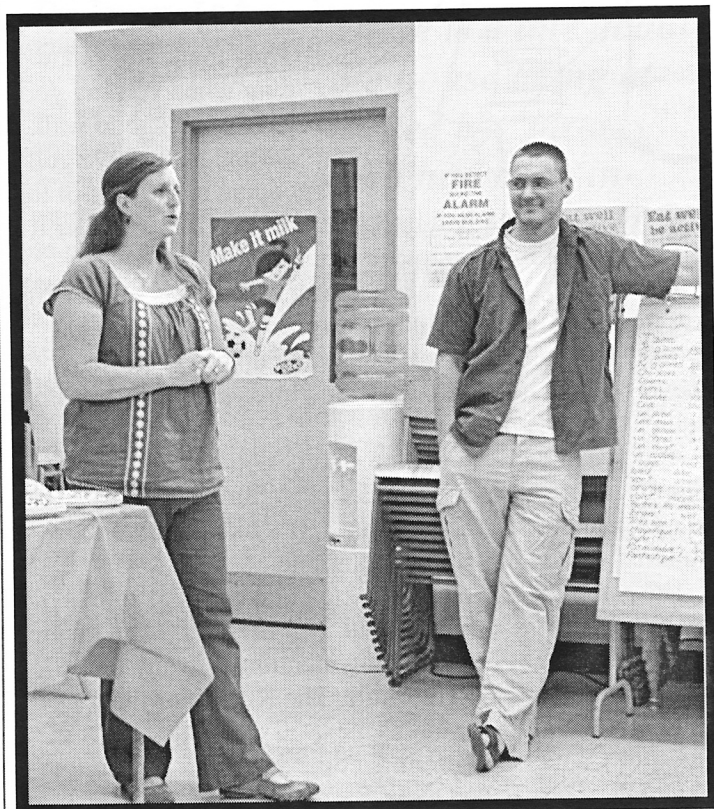
P.S.: There have been many studies linking people who like going to forts and boat cruises with people who go camping. Okay, there is one study. Mine. I am applying for a grant at the Trillium Foundation but the lady is on holidays. She's gone camping, in Barrie (the Tornado capitol of Canada). When she blows back into town, her personal assistant said she'll get back to me.

[Editor: camping is one of those subjects that Sally and I have agreed to disagree on. She likes camping and I share Deb's opinion.]





# THANKS TO THIS YEAR'S MANY VOLUNTEERS



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## AMHERST ISLAND MEN'S SOCIETY

PRESENTS:  
**OPEN STUDIO ART TOUR**

SATURDAY, JULY 12, 2008 (11am to 4:30pm)

- A fundraiser for the Neilson Store Museum &amp; Cultural Centre

The Frontenac II departs the Millhaven Dock east of Bath every hour on the half hour. Tune in to CJAI 92.1 FM "Island Public Radio" (Canada's smallest Radio Station). After plying the waters of the North Channel, make your first stop the Neilson Store Museum & Cultural Centre where you will receive a self-guiding map. In the Back Room of the Museum, all participating artists and photographers have donated an original piece of work to be sold as a fundraiser for the Museum. The Amherst Island Men's Society barbeque will be available throughout the day. The Open Studio Art Tour is free.

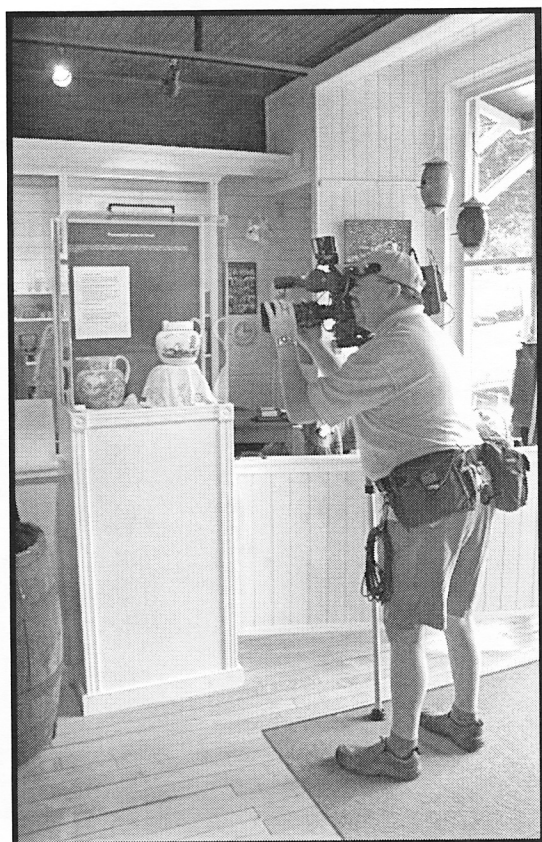
Whilst touring the painters' and photographers' venues,

discover Amherst Island as a "Living Museum", including the historic village of Stella, the Daniel Fowler House, Irish dry stone walls (c. 1860), the Pentland Cemetery, three Island Churches, The Lodge and of course our Neilson Store Museum & Cultural Centre. With an Island population of just over 400 full time residents, we are blessed with this wonderful Museum containing Island history and manned by dedicated volunteers. Built in the mid-1800's as a general store, it was owned and operated by the Neilson family for 108 years, ninety-five of those years it housed the Island Post Office. With its own dock on Stella Bay, behind the store, sailing ships and steamboats unloaded freight and passengers until 1920.

Come spend Saturday, July 12th with us on Amherst Island, the Jewel of Lake Ontario.

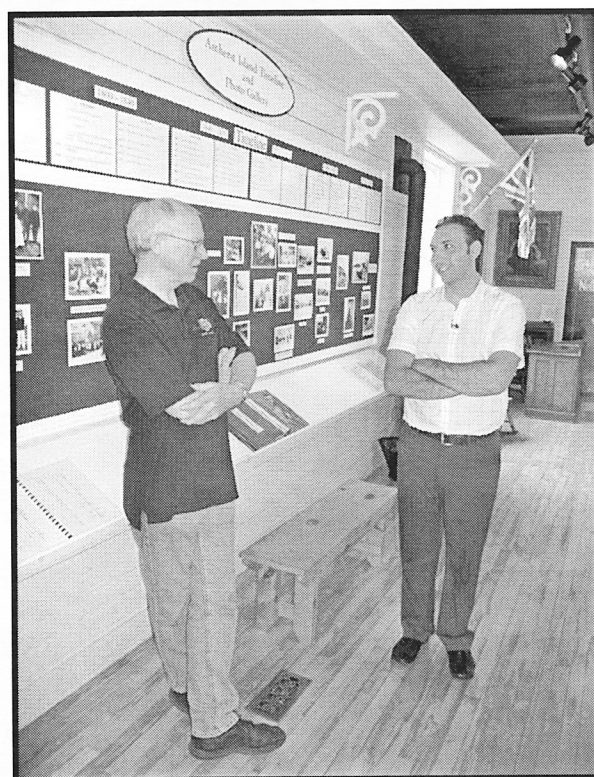
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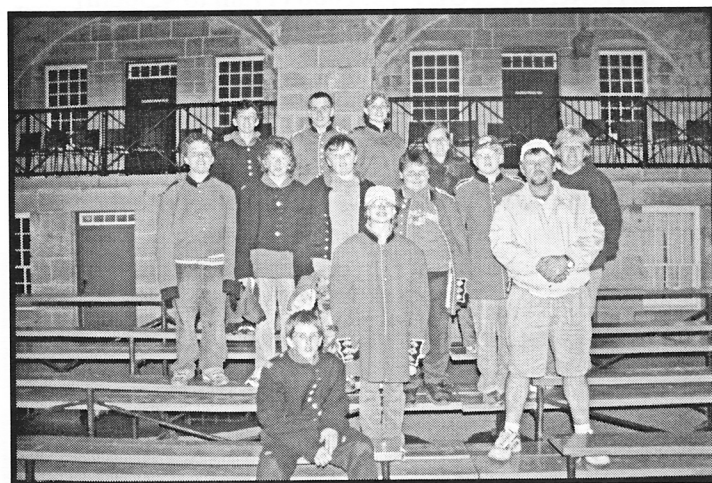
Cameraman-editor Ray Rowden shoots scenes of the Museum, the Weasel & Easel and these 8"x 8" paintings and photographs donated for the fundraiser by Island artists and photographers.

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CKWS Televisions' Anthony Agostino of Newswatch@5:30 visited Amherst Island for the first time. He did a story about the AIMS fundraiser for the Neilson Store Museum & Cultural Centre. Called the Open Studio Art Tour, it will take place Saturday, July 12th. Anthony interviewed Bruce Burnett representing the Museum and Terry Culbert (not shown because he was taking these pictures) who is coordinator of the art tour.

## AIPS SENIOR CLASS TRIP TO FORT HENRY



## MARG GROTHIER TEACHES WATERCOLOUR COURSE AT THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND



*Loyalist College watercolour and acrylic course instructor Marg Grothier frames student Peter Vangils of Whitby. Marg has taught at the Lodge for the past three summers.*

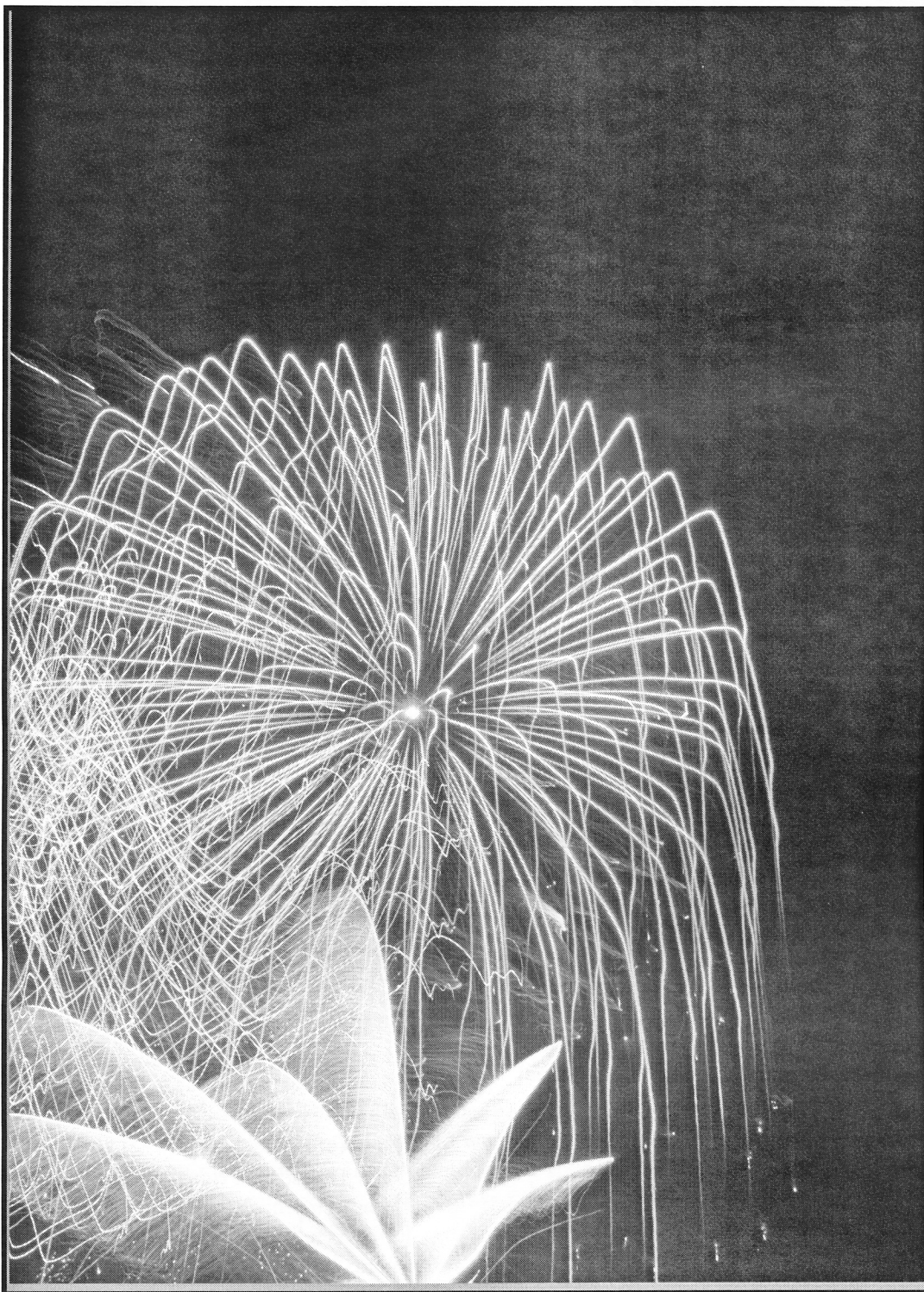


*Toronto art student Janelle Withers on the left shows Shelley Seaby of Ottawa her watercolour techniques.*

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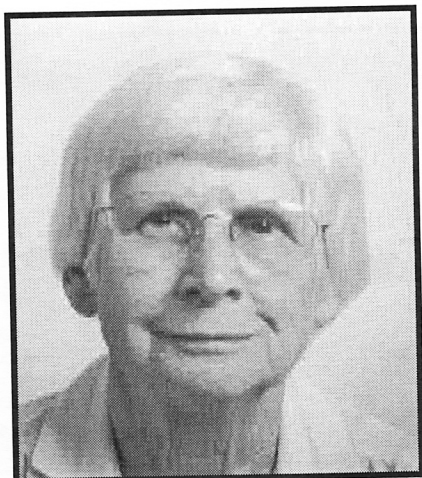


## COLOURFUL EXPLOSION!



*Just one of the many colourful bursts of fireworks displayed on Canada Day on Amherst Island*

PHOTO BY BRIAN LITTLE



# **MCKEE, MARGARET CHRISTENA,**

Peacefully, on Sunday, July 6, 2008, at Briargate Retirement Home in Amherstview, ON, overlooking the channel to her beloved Amherst Island. Margaret Christena (nee Tugwell) McKee, in her 93rd year, loving wife of the late Francis McKee. Dear mother of Eileen Murray (Don) of Guelph, Keith McKee (Millie) of Calgary and Wayne McKee (Sue) of Ottawa. Dear grandmother of Krista, Karen, Heather, Brian, David, Janice and Mary. Adoring great granny of nine. Predeceased by her brothers Gordon and Robert Tugwell of Stella, ON. Survived by sister-in-law Emily. Margaret was born and educated on Amherst Island where she met and married Francis. They moved to Kingston in 1941 where they raised their family. Margaret worked for many years at Sears, was active in the Ladies Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church and volunteered with the Canadian Cancer Society. Her family extends special thanks to all her friends who kept in touch during her illness, the volunteers at KGH, her case workers at CCAC, and the staff at Briargate for their care and compassion. In keeping with Margaret's wishes, cremation has taken place with inurnment at Glenhaven Memorial Gardens. A memorial service in celebration of her life will be held in the chapel of the JAMES REID FUNERAL HOME (1900 John Counter Boulevard) Kingston, on Saturday, July 12, at 3:00 pm., with Reverend Zander Dunn officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to service, as well as in the Reception Centre immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Canadian Cancer Society, in her memory.

## **NOTICES**

### **GARDEN PARTY**

60th Anniversary of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church GardenParty.

White Elephant Tables....Linens and Clothing....Plants, Bake Tables...Lunches....Pie and Ice Cream.....Barbequed hamburgers and hot dogs.....cold drinks ....book table ..... children's games

Live auction and a silent auction. **DON'T MISS IT!!!!!!!!!!**

Items for the clothing or white elephant tables may be left at Jim Whitton's or Beth Forrester's

### **CALENDAR**

The Women's Institute is working on its 2009 calendar which will feature photographs of the Island by Brian Little.

We would welcome calls from any Island resident interested in having their birthday included in the calendar.

In July call Joyce Reid at 613-634-8716.

In August call Liz Harrison 613-389-5176

### **CREATIVE WRITERS WORKSHOP**

On Amherst Island with Deborah Kimmitt  
10-4 pm on August 6th 2008

Whether you are a new writer or an experienced one, writing memoir or fiction, it's time to get your pen moving. Deborah is a 20-year veteran of Second City and has been nominated for a Governor General's award. Using a series of right brain exercises her workshop is safe, fun and will get the creative juices flowing.

Don't miss the boat. It leaves on the half hour.

Cost: \$100.00(plus GST)

Limited to 15 participants

Bring bagged lunch

To register: contact Deborah@kimmitt.ca 613-389-9675

### **TEA ROOM**

Open Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday  
Noon to 6 pm.

Full service.

Phone Neil or Bernice at 613-389-5389.



# THANK YOU



The family of Helen Caughey wishes to sincerely thank the Island Community – and beyond – for the tremendous support extended to us during her recent passing.

Your kindnesses of phone calls, food, visitation, floral tributes, donations to St. Paul's Memorial Fund and Canadian Diabetes, as well as many hugs and expressions of condolences were all truly appreciated.

The Amherst Island Recreation Association would like to thank the following for helping make Canada Day 2008 a success.

Special thanks to CJAI-92.1 and Loyalist Township Council for their support. Thanks to all of the parade participants on bikes, foot, float, horses of every size and their riders/drivers, etc., with special thanks to Dave Vrooman and band - no parade is complete without a marching band!

A special thank-you to Brooke Reid and Danielle Wolfreys for organizing and supervising the kids games and prizes.

Thanks also to the Amherst Island Emergency Services for their help with the parade and for standing by during fireworks.

And to all who watched the parade and joined us at the school to celebrate - thank-you.

Finally, thanks to Canazon Fireworks who, despite a drastic budget cut, provided us with another spectacular fireworks display.

Rick, Larry and Lynn

I would like to thank everybody who has enquired after my surgery and who has wished me well in my recovery. The knee replacement went well, and I'm looking forward to being back on the Frontenac II in September. A specially huge thank you to neighbour Rick Thompson who cut my grass for me three times whilst I was balancing on one leg, and watching!

Michael Joll

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“THERE’S A STORM ROLLIN’ IN...”



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*A dark storm cloud hovers over an ancient links golf course on Amherst Island.*

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