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Dedication of the Good Shepherd New Church

By Ben Ho
Chairman, Communications and
Opening Ceremonies

An historic event took place on July 19, 1998 when the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Ottawa, The Most Reverend Marcel Gervais, came to dedicate the new Good Shepherd Catholic Church. This momentous occasion sees the culmination of an exercise that began in May 1968 when a small group of people in Blackburn Hamlet, met to form an inter-denominational committee, to look into the feasibility of a single church being built which would serve the needs of all the religious groups in the community.

Some 800 parishioners, priests, deacons and guests gathered at the Gloucester Fire Hall on a gorgeous Sunday morning for the historic event. The archbishop led the faithful from the place of gathering, in a procession, to their new church as they proudly sang "Gather us in". The Knights of Columbus of Bishop John Beahen Assembly, provided the Honour Guards for the ceremony. At the entrance of the new church, representatives of the parish handed the building to the archbishop. The doors were then opened by the pastor, Father Tom Bluger. The



The Most Reverend Marcel Gervais prepares to open the doors of the new Good Shepherd Catholic Church.

archbishop then invited the faithful to enter the church with these words; "Go within his gates giving thanks, enter his courts with songs and praise". The faithful followed the archbishop into the church as the Choir thundered their musical instruments, the sound of a trumpet echoed under the high cedar ceiling and people pridefully sang "Let the King of Glory Come".

When the entrance rite was completed, the archbishop blessed the new baptismal font and the water with which he sprinkled the people as a sign of repentance and as a reminder of their baptism, and purified the altar and walls of the new

church. The dedication rites then continued with the anointing of the altar and walls and liturgy of the Eucharist.

Con-celebrating the liturgies were the present pastor, Father Tom Bluger and three former spiritual leaders: Father Bill Marvee who was the first permanent priest assigned to Good Shepherd around 1973 when it was then known as Blackburn Hamlet Catholic Community under the jurisdiction of St. Ignatius Parish; Father Stephen Sommerville who was the first parish priest, bought the rectory on 92 Bearbrook Road and was the first resident priest, and Father Michael Wright

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Dedication of Good Shepherd Church, (cont'd from page 1)

(current pastor of St. Isidore) who was a young parishioner of the evolving parish whom Good Shepherd is proud to claim as the community's first vocation. Father Cornelius Herlihy (Father Tom's predecessor) and pastor of Good Shepherd for about ten years came to join in the joy of his past parishioners and chatted with old friends for a short while.

The whole dedication ritual lasted about two hours, but it represented the realization of years of work and sacrifices by parishioners and great steps towards parish's goal of celebrating all liturgies in a full setting of a church instead of make-shift school gymnasiums. The entire liturgy including a very inspiring homily by Archbishop Gervais was enjoyed by everyone present. The music ministry provided an excellent compliment to the liturgies. Most parishioners were emotionally touched by the auspicious event and eventual accomplishments so much so that there were even some tears of joy. In the evening there was a prayer (vespers) service attended by 120 people including Bishop Fred Colli, Auxiliary Bishop of Ottawa, and many priests of the archdiocese who were not able to participate in the earlier dedication ceremony because of commitments in their own parishes. A reception of light food and refreshments were enjoyed by everyone after both services.

This newly dedicated church will strengthened the community of Good Shepherd. It will be a place, after 28 years of waiting, the congregation can proudly call home. It will also be a prominent venue, on the intersection of Innes Road and the Blackburn Bypass, for generations to come. All church services will now be held under one roof with weekend masses on Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Weekday masses will be held in the Day Chapel from Tuesday to Friday at 9:00 a.m.

A further commemoration of the official opening of the new church will be a special thanksgiving mass and festive celebrations scheduled for Sunday, 20 September 1998 at 10:00 a.m. The Most Reverend Fred Colli, Auxiliary Bishop of Ottawa, will celebrate the mass. At this event, the Parish will thank everyone for their support to the building project. It will also extend special appreciation and recognition to those individuals and organizations for their outstanding commitments and contributions. There will be a barbeque and open house whereby parishioners and guests are invited to tour the new facilities and chat with various committee members involved in the building project.

I hope everyone enjoyed their summer and are ready to get back into the swing of things. Our house is full of the excitement of going back to school — for me though it means back to work, oh well only 109 days until Christmas vacation.

The lazy days of summer saw new construction and renovations at the arena, a new skateboard park as well as pool renovations and community hall plans finalized. A new play structure opened in Bearbrook Park and my kids gave it a 100% approval rating.

The Blackburn Hamlet Community Association's first event will be hosting the **Mayor's Neighbourhood Forum**. Mayor Cain and Councillor Bloess will be speaking and taking questions at the Neighbourhood Forum on Thursday

September 24, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Blackburn Public Library. Hope to see you there.

The **BCA membership campaign** will begin early this fall. I hope all residents of the Hamlet will support the Community Association and their efforts in providing new and exciting events, programs and support for Community projects such as the Community Hall, Identification signs, and involvement in zoning issues that effect Blackburn. Of course the most visible benefit of supporting the Community Association is receiving the Banar, one of the best community news and information booklet available!

The BCA would like to thank **Fun Fair co-ordinators Jean Neufeld and Neil Papineau** plus the Fun Fair Committee. A job well done!

The BCA is made up of volunteers within our community and the 1997-98 Board of Directors each deserve a sincere thank you for the many hours they contributed to the community. I have been fortunate to be able to work with some great people and have learned many things from them, but most importantly have made many good friends. I want to thank Iris, Al, Evelyn, Lois, Marion, Diane, Neil, Paul, Rollie, Carol, and Gerda. Plus a special thank you to Rainer who attends every meeting and goes above and beyond in lending a hand whenever one is needed. Thank you to all and you have all been unanimously voted in for another term! Congratulations!

P.S. There are a few spots open, so if you can spare a few hours give me a call at 824-8936.

Sue

Community Hall Update

by Al Ross, Civic Affairs

The Community Hall construction is running about two months behind schedule; but it is running. There are two incidents that are responsible for this delay, one is political, the other financial. The first delay of a month occurred when consideration had to be given regarding the incorporation of a library facility with the Hall. The second, also a month, concerned cost estimates on the advanced design drawings, which significantly exceeded the allocated budget, and were only resolved in mid August through meetings with the City, architect, RPB and BCA. Modifications had to be incorporated into the tender documents which have been done, and we are now back in business.

The rise in the estimated costs is due to a number of factors, but the prime reason is the current boom in the construction industry in the Ottawa area. The Ministry of Education has released funds for the construction of new schools, and new housing starts are up, and some of the trades are on strike.

What's Changed: With the cutbacks required to stay within budget we have lost the basement which would

have contained the mechanical equipment and some storage. The mechanical equipment has been moved to the main level, but the overall size of the main hall has not been affected. The original plan called for a vaulted wooden ceiling over the entire area and this has now been modified to include only the main room. This will not affect the appearance of the main room, and will probably be preferred over the original concept. The roof design has been altered to make it less layered and complicated. Supports for the folding door which would have divided the main room into two meeting rooms has been removed. An alternate dividing system will be considered at a later date.

With these changes, we expect the tenders to come in very close to our budget. I don't believe the functionality of the Hall has been compromised, since the overall useable space has not been changed significantly.

What's the next Step: The project schedule is ambitious, but quite realistic. Tender drawings are expected to be available by Aug 27th, and will close Sept 10th, with construction starting as early as Sept 15th. We are hoping for completion in early January, in time for the Pee Wee hockey tournament.

Blackburn Hamlet — a gold mine of volunteers

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has" Margaret Mead

Whether on the frontline helping others, on a fundraising committee, or on the board of directors of a non-profit organization, volunteers play a vital role in our community. They provide key services, pioneer social change and enrich our quality of life.

Since 1980 the City of Gloucester has been taking recommendations from communities and community groups to honour volunteers that are a source of compassion, creativity and commitment. This year they were presented with Volunteer Recognition Awards and plaques at a special presentation at City Hall among friends and relatives.

Councillor Rainer Bloess mentioned (very proudly) that this year there were sixteen recipients from the City of Gloucester of which six were from Blackburn Hamlet. The award recipients from Blackburn Hamlet were Linda and Tom Canham, Dr. Reginald Chappel, Mike Lee, youth recipient Andrew Poulin and our BCA president Sue Sheridan.



Linda and Tom Canham

Blackburn Hamlet has been the major beneficiary of the years that the Canhams have given to their community. In particular, the Blackburn Minor Hockey

Association and Ladies Ringette have benefitted. Tom and Linda have both sat on the executive of the BMHA serving such positions as Ways and Means Director, Canteen Coordinator, Bingo Coordinator and President. They have both given the many hours needed to be involved at the team level as coaches, managers and tournament organizers. Linda has been the Manager of several ringette teams and has been the Coordinator of the Ladies Spring Ringette League.

Beyond hockey, the Canhams have spent their time helping with the Blackburn FunFair. For many years they helped run the ever popular and time consuming beer tent and acted as coordinators for the Dinner-Dance. More recently, Tom has put his efforts into canvassing for the Cancer Society.



Dr. Reginald Chappel

Doctor Chappel is a long time resident of Blackburn Hamlet who has quietly volunteered his time to the residents of Gloucester for more than twenty-nine years.

Dr. Chappel's contributions to the Aviation Museum, to the Museum of Science and Technology, and to the Experimental Farm are well known. He has made children a prime focus of much of his volunteer work with the museums and the farm.

In his "spare time" Dr. Chappel involves himself in volunteer work with RCAF Wing 410 for veterans at the Perley Hospital, for Air Cadets, and for Ident-a-Kid. The other "thousand hours" of his time have been devoted to the Meals on Wheels program.

The residents of Gloucester are proud and fortunate to have such a positive dedicated, caring person residing and volunteering in our community.

BCA Membership

Every Blackburn resident is entitled to membership in the BCA. Your \$10 family membership fee helps pay for the BANAR and many of the other projects that you read about in its pages. Please support the BCA when the volunteer membership canvasser comes to your door or by sending your name, address, phone number and cheque to:

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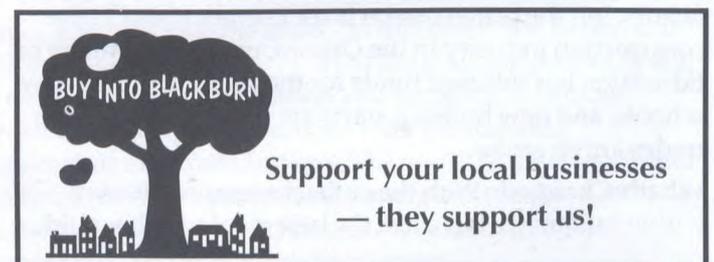
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Michael Lee

Michael Lee has given of his time to the Gloucester community for over ten years. He has been actively involved in several organizations, volunteering his time, energy and skills.

He began volunteering with Scouts Canada as a Beaver Leader. He then went on to become a Cub and Scout leader during his eight years with the Scout program.

Michael has also volunteered a great deal of time to being a coach. He coached the Gloucester Minor Lacrosse team in 1988, for two years. He is presently involved as a coach for the girls' Gloucester Recreational Soccer team and Girls Indoor Soccer team. He is also an organizer of the Renegades Masters Lacrosse Team.

When Michael isn't busy coaching, he helps with the Junior Achievement of Ottawa-Carleton School Program as a trainer and the Blackburn Fun Fair as a finance director. He is actively involved in his parish of St. Mary the Virgin Church as a Treasurer.



Andrew Poulin

Andrew is a 16 year old who has shown experience and responsibility beyond his years. He sits on the Blackburn Community Association as a teen member and has been involved in various Greenbelt issues, Fun Fair, and

the Bavarian Fest. This past year, he organized and was responsible for the children's activities which ran at the Bavarian Fest. He organized children's bingo, face painting, crafts and refreshments for over 80 children.

Andrew is also successful at school, winning numerous awards and participating on Student Council and at Air Cadets where he is a sergeant.



Susan Sheridan

Susan has been involved in many volunteer activities over the years, all of which have contributed to making Gloucester one of the finest cities in Canada in which to live.

Susan's involvement with the Blackburn Community Association are many and varied. She has served as Head of the Preserve the Greenbelt Committee; she has done work with the Blackburn Fun Fair and Bavarian Fest; and she is now President of the Blackburn Community Association.

Perhaps Sue's most important contributions to our community are those which involve our children. They are so numerous that they can only be listed here; fund-raising for many events and organizations, organizing outdoor rink events, pre-school board member, Girl Guides, Block Parents, minor soccer, and the Junior Naturalist's Club.

Thank you Susan for volunteering so much of your time and talents to make Gloucester and Blackburn such a great place to live and to raise our children.

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Councillor's message

Summer '98 - Blackburn parks and recreation update

by Rainer Bloess

At the time of writing, a number of positive changes were happening to improve recreation in Blackburn Hamlet. Through the hands-on involvement of our local Recreation and Parks Board, the skateboard park behind the arena is taking shape and will give some of our younger residents a place to practise their art without wreaking havoc on the sidewalks and in the local malls. At the same time, the renovations at the Blackburn arena are well underway to provide new stands (conforming to current standards) as well as changes to the foyer and the side entrance.

The play structure in Bearbrook park has finally been replaced with a safer and more modern structure (the existing structure had certainly outlived its usefulness). Other structures were inspected by members of your Recreation and Parks Board, who regularly tour our parks and facilities, to ensure they are properly maintained and they meet the needs of the community. On another positive side note, credit goes to the parents on the Glen Ogilvie council who managed to obtain a new play structure in the Glen "O" yard.

A number of programs were also underway during the summer to keep our younger folks occupied. In addition

to the various events at the pool and at the tennis courts, the city ran a day camp entitled "Fun & Friends" for kids ages five to eleven. At the same time, on Friday evenings, in Bearbrook Park, a group of young adults led by Jason Rivers organized a youth program known as "Quiet Riot". Having witnessed the activities first hand, I can vouch for the good times had by the participants (especially when it came to the free drinks and BBQ at the end of the evening). Another more elaborate youth program is being initiated by Gord Hawley who is raising funds from the Optimist Club and through bingo session to provide year-round activities for teenagers.

Many residents have remarked on a greater police attention in our parks. Our repeated requests for more attention to our community has resulted in a positive response from the police. We hope this service will be continued as I feel problems have been prevented and certain unacceptable behaviour has been deterred.

Still to come, we have the community hall and the rehabilitation and improvements to the pool this fall.

As usual, if you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 748-4119 (city hall) or at 837-5975 (home).



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Would I show my Garden again? You bet!

by Claire Geoffrion

Last fall when the garden tour was announced, I thought - why not? This spring I took particular care to plant the vegetable garden in very straight rows and fancy patterns. A full weeding took place in May, the edges recut to make them look nice.

The week before the tour a rumbling sense of panic set in. What did I get myself into? It was hot, I didn't sleep well turning over in my mind what was left to be done: what if it rains all week, the grass must be mowed the day before, this corner still needs to be weeded, this plant is not doing well and may need to be replaced, can I cut off the tulip leaves yet, why aren't the carrots growing, scrub the bird bath, I need an annual in this space, and on and on. I started to go out at 6.30 in the morning to beat the heat, the rain and the weeds.

On the Friday we met and visited all the gardens of the tour. Everyone was enthusiastic and I realized that this was going to work. The gardens were so different, so interesting and so beautiful. Sunday morning, a last inspection, then I attend the talk at Bearbrook Court, have

a quick lunch and on the first stroke of noon a lady walks up the driveway.

I can't get over the nice people who come and visit. They all have smiles on their faces in spite of the heat and humidity. They seem very pleased to be here, they're wearing their Sunday best and their nice straw hats. They're concerned about walking on the grass, they are very knowledgeable (I learned a lot about my own garden that afternoon). They are admiring my flowers (I didn't even know some of them were unusual!). It is like a big garden party with close friends. People come and go all afternoon. At the end of the day I am dead on my feet, my voice is hoarse and I'm on a high! I have a feeling of having made many new friends and we had so much in common!

Gail, Evelyn and Doris, you had such a wonderful idea, thank you for making it a reality! Would I do it again - you bet!

P.S. For those of you who wanted to know, the red and the white English roses are Mother's Day roses.



Rita and Sam Hill are presented with the Garden of Distinction award. From l to r: Doris Budd, Rita and Sam Hill, Gail Kajiura and Evelyn Budd.

Wanted ... Green Thumbs!

The Blackburn Hamlet Garden Tour organizers are looking for 12 gardens for the second annual garden tour to be held on Sunday, June 27, 1999. All those who showed their gardens this year found it be an exhilarating experience so don't be shy. It's a great way to meet other gardening enthusiasts who share your passion as well as to raise money for a good cause... the landscaping of the new community centre. We would like to meet you and see your garden before the end of September so we can write a description for the Tour Guide over the winter in preparation for next year's tour.

Please call Gail Kajiura at 837-2040 before September 15th and we'll arrange a time for a visit.

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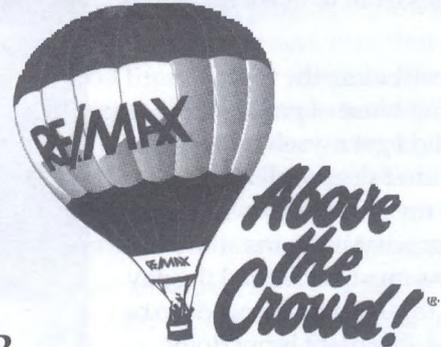
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Standing: Lorne Parent, Cathy Parent, Raymond Curran, Jan DeWaal, Neil Stephens, John Vandekleut

Back Row: Simon Parent, Christopher Haas, Kyle Vandekleut, Matthew Curran, Nicholas Richmond, Tim Richmond

Front Row: David Pigeon, William DeWaal, Adam Richardson, Henry Brown, Horus Heavens, Adrian Stephens.



Junior Tennis Summer Camp

The Blackburn Tennis Club just completed another very successful junior tennis summer camp instructed by John and Monique Benfield. The fun time combined with learning the game, ended with a great B.B.Q. and a club junior tournament. Players ranging in ages from 5 to 17 years, took part in three sessions each lasting two weeks. For those wanting to join in next summer camp please remember that the first session fills up very quickly and has a limited number of spaces, so plan to sign up early in April to ensure you get in on the action.

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Mira believes that healing is a natural process, common to all life. If we want to foster health, we

should pay attention to the ways of nature and learn and encourage the body's own, innate mechanisms of self-repair.



Mira explains the benefits of reflexology treatment.

Mira has over 20 years of work experience in the areas related to health and well-being. Originally trained as a medical doctor in Poland she spent a couple of years practising orthodox medicine.

Following her immigration to Canada in 1988 she was actively involved in medical research while working towards her Master's thesis in Physiology at the University of Ottawa.

Working at the Division of Endocrinology and Metabolism of the Ottawa Civic Hospital for a number of years she eventually became disenchanted with the orthodox ways of approaching human health.

Fascinated with the more gentle and effective art of natural medicine she then decided to pursue her longstanding interest in this area.

In her work she concentrates on applied nutrition, herbology, woman's wellness and physical therapies.

She is also a teacher and a public speaker promoting health and wellness to the growing number of concerned individuals and organizations. This September Mira will be making a presentation at the Ontario Association of Non-Profit Services and Services for Seniors conference in Toronto.

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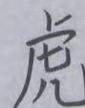
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The Burden of Proof

by R. Mitchell Rowe LL.B.

I came across, during my summer reading, an interesting anecdote which illustrates the relationship between proof in the courtroom and the truth. The illustration is called the Case of the Blue Bus.

The facts are simple: Mr. Smith is driving down a dark two lane road. It is late at night. He comes upon the headlights of a vehicle speeding toward him in the centre of the road. To avoid a head-on collision, he swerves off the road and his car hits a tree. In the darkness, he sees the vehicle as it passes by. It is a bus.

Later Mr. Smith learns that the Blue Bus Company owns and operates 80 per cent of the buses that drive along this route. He sues the Blue Bus Company for damages. He admits at trial that he cannot identify the

colour of the bus that forced him off the road. Will he win?

If this were a criminal case, where the Crown must prove the guilt of the driver beyond a reasonable doubt, there is no chance of Mr. Smith winning. There is, after all, at least a 20 per cent chance that it was not the Blue Bus Company driver who forced him off the road.

But this is a civil case, and the law is not so onerous since it is designed to resolve non-criminal disputes between citizens. A civil action demands only that Mr. Smith prove that, on the preponderance of the evidence, he was forced off the road by a blue bus. This standard boils down to proof that it is more likely than not - 51 per cent or better - that the bus was blue. Since the Blue Bus Company operated 80 per cent of the

buses, Mr. Smith should win.

But wait, without some other evidence, such as an eye witness or a scrape of blue paint, would a judgment for Mr. Smith be safe? The jury might be willing to bet that it was a blue bus, based on the odds, but is a verdict based simply on the odds sound?

Trials, sensationalized as they have become (and probably always were) simply seek to establish the truth, and then to determine punishment or liability. Since the results of any trial serve to reinforce our rules and values, society must believe that the verdicts reached at trial are statements about the truth, and not mere probabilities. To find for Mr. Smith, only on probabilities, would lead to an erosion of our faith in trials.

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Supporting Our Retail Establishments

by *Rollie Sanders*

It goes without saying that all of us should support our local retail establishments as much as possible. From time to time retailers advertise their goods and services using flyers, local papers and of course our very own BANAR. In an effort to bolster this support, a number of retailers have responded to my enquiries offering specials and additional services for both seniors and the general population. Details are as follows:

Bank of Montreal: The Bank of Montreal offers several plans including one for seniors. For customers aged 60 plus, the senior plan offers a large number of freebies.

Beckers: Copier services include 7 cents per copy for both letter and legal size paper.

Blackburn Pharmacy: Seniors get a 10% discount on vitamins and over the counter medications every day.

Blackburn Hamlet Shell: For a minimum \$15.00 gas purchase, you receive credit for one Air Mile. During September seniors will get 10% off labour rates.

City Donuts: In-house daily specials using coupons already delivered to homes. Seniors 60 plus do not need coupons. Special seniors get-togethers on Sundays, noon to 3pm with 10% off.

Hill Cleaners: For seniors 65 plus, there is 10% off all drycleaning; 15% discount if prepaid. No time limit.

J & S Service Station: For seniors, there is 10% off labour rates during September.

Loeb: With a minimum order for \$35.00, seniors 60 plus get free home delivery on Tuesdays. From Wednesday through Saturday, deliveries are \$3.50 (regular rate - \$5.00). \$400.00 worth of cash register receipts signed by authorized store personnel at time of purchase and being less than one year old may be exchanged for a \$5.00 food voucher (for seniors 60 plus only).

Parker Cleaners : 30% off drycleaning at all times using the prepaid system.

Shoppers Drug Mart : Ontario Seniors 65 plus who are registered in the HEALTHWATCH system are automatically enrolled in the

HEALTHWATCH Seniors Club. Those registered save 10% every day on Life Brand and Rialto products. On Seniors Day (Mondays), seniors receive a 15% discount on most items plus an additional 5% if in possession of a Seniors Club Card. Some restrictions apply. Free medication delivery is also available. This program is scheduled to terminate on Dec. 31/98.

Spic and Span Cleaners: 20% off drycleaning anytime of the day. It is not necessary to pre-pay. Seniors 65 plus receive an extra 5% off. Free pick up and delivery is available from Bearbrook Court and private residences of those disabled. This is also a Sears Catalogue Outlet for ordering, paying bills, etc. (In 1998, this outlet won the Eastern Ontario Agent of Year Award.)

Sunoco: Those holding a valid CAA membership card receive 2% off all items including gas (does not apply to McDonalds). Savings are applied to the holders's next card renewal fee.

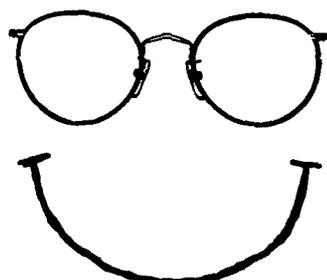
TD Bank: The TD offers many types of accounts and service plans. TD Plan 60 for Seniors offers many free services.

Young Chow: During the month of September, Young Chow is offering 10% off regular priced meals and take out orders, Monday - Thursday, for seniors 65 plus.

P.S. The author has been unable to find a funeral home willing to give discounts to Seniors.

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All shares earned by seniors for operating ticket booths will be handed over to the Community Centre Fund. Many thanks to all participants.



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The Gloucester Centre for Community Resources provides daily telephone reassurance at no cost to seniors and persons with disabilities who are isolated and concerned about their well being.

In addition there are a wide range of services such as Meals on Wheels, volunteer drivers to and from appointments, Friendly Visiting and resources and support to caregivers of elderly parents. The program aims to assist seniors to maintain their independence for as long as possible in their community.

For more information about this service for yourself, a family member, or a friend, please call the Home Support Team at the Gloucester Centre for Community Resources at 741-6025.

Gloucester Senior Adult's Centre

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Blackburn Recreation & Parks Board

by Paul Graham

Skateboarding is here!!

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Two New Play Structures in Blackburn

- Bearbrook Park, part of the city replacement program. The design resulted from our City Planner, Jennifer Dalrymple analyzing the 40 questionnaires provided by students and residence of Blackburn.
- Glen Ogilvie School, the School Board replaced the main play structure.

Park Inspection

- Board Members completed a walk -about of all parks. Observations and suggestions were sent to City Operations for action.

Park Improvements

- Tauvette Park, the hardball diamond upper fence extended to completely surround the back stop. Two diamonds resurfaced to assist with water drainage.
- Park Lights, standards painted in parks and pathways
- Arena, improvements to stands ongoing
- Pool, repairs and expansion planned for September

Next board meeting

Wednesday, September 16th, 7 p.m. at the Library

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Registrations & Coming Events

Scouting in Blackburn

Beavers, 5-7 years; Cubs, 8-10 years; Scouts, 11-13 years; Venturers, 14-16 years; Rovers, 17 years and up
All levels of Scouting are open to boys and girls. Registration will take place September 9th at Emily Carr Elementary School, 2681 Innes Road. For information on programs and registration please call Joanne Myers, 830-7841 or Lee Coutu, 837-0837.

We are Girl Guides

Guiding is for all ages. The age groups include: Sparks, ages 5 & 6; Brownies, ages 7 & 8; Guides, ages 9-12; Pathfinders, ages 12-15, Senior Branches, ages 15-17+ and women leaders. For information on any of the branches of Girl Guides of Canada operating in Blackburn call Bev Reynolds at 824-6013 or Sue Duncan at 837-7930.

Blackburn Hamlet Newcomer's Club

Women of Blackburn, whether new to the community or long-time residents, are welcome to become members of this social club. We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Good Shepherd Catholic School Library to learn about a various range of interesting topics from knowledgeable guest speakers. There are also sub-groups such as the craft group, moms and tots playgroup and reading group. New members are always welcome. Annual membership fee is \$10. For more information call Carol Hopky at 841-6904.

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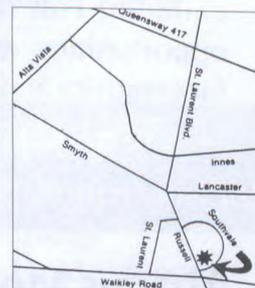


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Registrations & Coming Events

Blackburn Minor Hockey Association

Registration will be held on Wednesday, September 2 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm at the Good Shepherd School, 101 Bearbrook Rd.

For further information you may contact Carol Miller at 834-4362.

Blackburn Ladies Volleyball

Join us for Recreational Volleyball Thursday evenings from 8:30-10 pm beginning September 10th at Emily Carr Middle School, 2681 Innes Road. Registration is to be held from 8:30 - 10:00 p.m. on September 10th at Emily Carr Middle School. Cost is \$40.00 for BCA members and \$45.00 for non-members.

For more information contact Erna Burns at 824-9147

Gloucester/Cumberland Girls Hockey Association

Registration for an introduction program for girls 5 to 7, house league and competitive levels for girls 7 and up will be held on Tuesday, September 1 from 7:30 to 9:30 at the Orleans Sportsplex. For more information call 830-1936.

A power skating clinic featuring Edi McCord - Technical skating instructor currently working with Junior "A" Hull Olympiques and Pembroke Lumber Kings is being held for girls, Peewee and up on September 13th. Full hockey equipment is required. Cost \$10.00. Call 824-2538 for more information or to leave girl's name, age and phone number.

Coaches are needed for Competitive & House league teams, various age groups. Call 830-1272 or 824-2538.

Badminton Registration

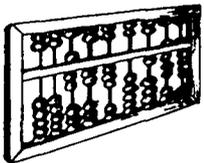
If you want to stay fit and have fun at the same time, consider joining the Blackburn Badminton Club.

Registration for adult badminton will be held Friday, September 11 and Monday, September 14 at Glen Ogilvie School, 46 Centrepark from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Fees for BCA members are: \$15 for singles and \$22 for couples; and for non-BCA members: \$25 and \$35 respectively. These fees apply up to the end of December, 1998, After that date, there may be additional fees.

Play will be in the gym at Glen Ogilvie School on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings throughout the season beginning Monday, September 14. For further information, please come to the registration or call Elizabeth Burton at 824-6715 or Ray du Plessis at 824-2671.

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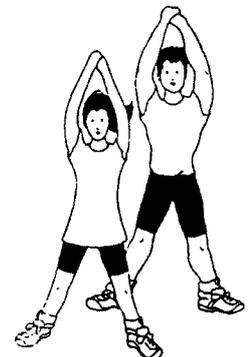
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Is there an interested parent out there who would like to look into the possibility of revising junior badminton in the Hamlet?

Badminton is a great sport for young people to learn and enjoy. It's also a sport they can continue to play and enjoy later on in life as adults.

For information on how to get a junior badminton club started, contact Ray du Plessis, coordinator of adult badminton, at 824-2671.

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For more information call Doris Budd at 830-4199.

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Carleton Catholic Office	224-2222
École élémentaire publique Séraphin-Marion	837-2216
École Ste-Marie (K-6)	824-3600
École intermédiaire Pauline-Vanier (7-8)	744-1922
École secondaire Louis Riel (9-13)	837-2216
Emily Carr Middle School (6-8)	824-5455
Glen Ogilvie School (K-5)	824-4014
Gloucester High School (9-13)	745-7176
Gloucester Junior Academy	834-9789
Good Shepherd School (K-6)	824-4531
Lester B. Pearson High School (7-13)	741-4525
Norman Johnston Alternative High School	824-1581

Guides, Scouts, Brownies, Beavers, Ventures, Cubs

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	Sue Duncan	837-7930
Scouts	Joanne Myers	830-7841
	Lee Coutu	837-0837

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Castors	Lucie Arcand	830-9209
Louveteaux/Éclaireurs	Jean St-Louis	824-9856
Jeannettes	Nicole andrecheck	824-9972
Guides	Viviane Côté-Maxwell	837-1839
Conseil de Gestion	Lyse Goneau	837-3941

Sports

Badminton(Adult)	Ray du Plessis	824-2671
Fastball (Men's)	Steve Bovey	824-1435
Football	John Rowe	824-6665
Hockey (Minor)	Tom Canham	837-1344
Hockey(Men's)	Roy Van Koughnett	824-3921
Little League Baseball	Larry Pyman	824-9441
Ringette (Girl's)	Al West	830-1401
Ringette (Ladies')	Jane Ross	837-1504
Skating	Terry Heaslip	824-3542
Softball (Ladies')	Cheryl Toomey	830-3607
Tennis	Michael Haddad	834-1269
Volleyball (Ladies')	Erna Burns	824-9147

General Interest

Blackburn Arena	824-5197
Blackburn Chorus	Joan Hill 746-3973
Recreation and Parks	Jim Canning 824-1104
Block Parents:	Northeast-Doris Budd 824-1076
	Northwest-Susan Sheridan 824-8936
	South-Lynn Bissett 824-3938
City of Gloucester	748-4100
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