

# BANAR

## Blackburn Area News And Reports

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### Artist Karl Ciesluk and Emily Carr students present New Wall Mural in Community Hall

by Al Ross

As we have reported in the past, the Arts Council for the City of Gloucester commissioned a wall mural for the Community Hall, which now



Photo by Mark Holleron

has been completed. Students of Emily Carr under the guidance of artist Karl Ciesluk, put this mural together and it is now installed in the community hall. It is very well done and is quite an enhancement to the overall appearance of the Hall.

The BCA wishes to congratulate all the students that help put this together. There will be an official unveiling of the mural on

Thursday, April 6th, 8:00 at the Hall. Refreshments will be served and everyone is welcome to attend this event.

It appears as though air-conditioning will be a reality this spring. The only obstacle now appears to be clearance from the Transition Board (new City of Ottawa) for this capital expense. We are confident that the approval will be obtained without too much delay.

The City ran a day camp program over the spring break period but we are still looking for more programming for the hall. There is also a Yoga program run by the City on Monday afternoons. Please call Cindy Paterson at the City for more information. Most of the daytime hours are available so if anyone has a programming idea please call Al Ross and the BCA will help get any worthwhile program implemented.

The Bridge group continues to grow and they meet every Tuesday afternoon at 1:00 p.m. and are finished by 4:00. If you are interested just show up at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, with or without a partner, and enjoy some low key, relaxing duplicate bridge. There is always room for more players. Instruction will also be available from time to time.

In order to book the hall for an event, please call Jan Whitehouse at 830-8644.

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## From the President

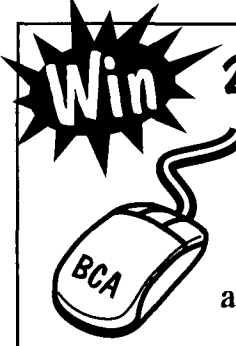
Year 2000 is well on its way. Lots of new and exciting events for Fun Fair this year so if you have some spare time please phone Neil Papineau 830-9269, we need extra hands.

We still need an Environmental Director for the BCA Board. I will organize the annual Garage Sale again this year, but this is the last year if we do not fill this position. The Garage Sale will be the first weekend in May, Saturday the 6th from 9 - 3:00 p.m., so start sorting out your closets. After 4:00 p.m. put items to be given away at curbside. Advertising will be done by the BCA, however, we recommend you place signs at the end of your street.

I have a Macintosh Classic computer. Unfortunately it is an older machine (10 years) and does not have a modem. I would appreciate if anyone would donate an Apple modem so I would be able to keep up with the rest of the Board and community...

Speaking of computers, we invite you to click on the Blackburn web site. We are continually updating the web site and will be featuring contests. Also on the web site we will be asking Blackburn residents to come up with ideas for renaming Innes Road. With the impending amalgamation of the City of Ottawa, many streets will require renaming and we would like to invite residents to start with Innes Road.

*Iris*



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# Fun Fair Fête foraine



June 2 & 3, 2000 / Le 2 et 3 juin 2000

Fun Fair will have a youth extravaganza this year with entertainment put on by X FM broadcasting live from the outdoor stage at the fair grounds on Friday evening June 2nd. Also, a youth fashion show is being planned as part of the youth extravaganza. See page 6 regarding the NEW Art and Craft Contest which will have categories for all ages.

The adult dinner dance is coming back this year so keep June 3rd evening open. Fun Fair still requires a Vice-Chairman and an Assistant Facilities Director. We are also looking for a group to take over the fundraising activity function of Fun Fair, it will be

allotted 6 shares. If you are willing to take on any one of these positions or activities please call Neil Papineau at 830-9295.



If you are a sports, social, youth, religious or educational organization that did not participate in Fun Fair last year and would like to volunteer to run a Fun Fair activity this year and earn fundraising funds for your organization, please call one of the Fun Fair directors below. If

you are an individual (youth or adult) that would like to help out at Fun Fair, call any one of the directors below.

## DIRECTORS OF FUN FAIR 2000

Agriculture Director	Sherry Woodburn	824-5013	General Store Director	Cathy McGregor	841-7148
Beverage Director	Alan Ross	837-1504	Midway Director	Sue Sheridan	824-8936
Children's Director	Jackie Ruano	830-5800	Parade Co-Director	Monica de Römer	834-8157
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Finance Director	Mike Lee	830-1235	Ass't Youth Director	James Nesrallah	824-5429
Food Directors	Terry & Sue Duncan	837-7930			

## See you at the Fair!

## Time to honour our top Citizens

by Rainer Bloess, Councillor



Outsiders looking in at Blackburn Hamlet often marvel at how well our community functions. They especially comment favourably (and with some envy) on the involvement of our residents in community events and projects.

Once in a while, we take time out from our hectic schedules to reflect on the commitment of

certain individuals who have made Blackburn Hamlet what it really is — a genuine community — and not just a collection of buildings and streets.

On April 10, the City of Gloucester will be honouring the Year 2000 volunteers with a special ceremony in the Atrium of the Telesat Canada building. What makes this year's event extra special is the attendance of most, if not all, of the past recipients of Gloucester's Volunteer Recognition Awards. We are expecting approximately 600 persons to be present.

For Blackburn, it is also a special moment as six of the sixteen chosen ones come from our community. They are continuing a tradition of the many residents who have given selflessly of themselves in terms of time and energy over the years. While we cannot publish their names until the next edition of the BANAR, you will recognize them from their involvement with events such as the FunFair (probably the best community celebration in the region), sports, service clubs, cultural affairs, cubs, guides and community fund raisers. Their concept of service is not restricted by age, as we have seniors as well a youth representative from the Hamlet.

These volunteers being honoured by our City are the people who have made our community a better place to live. I congratulate them as they are most worthy of their recognition.

### Bearbrook Rd - Community Safety Zone:

The City of Gloucester has declared Bearbrook Road a community safety zone to deal with complaints of speeding and other traffic violations, especially around the cross walks. This means that additional signage will be installed warning drivers of increased enforcement by the police and higher fines for traffic offenses.

The program is being undertaken as a pilot project at various locations in the region during this year. While the safety zone designation is scheduled to be in place from June 30 to December 31, we are trying to advance this period to coincide with the balance of the school year in light of the number of students who use Bearbrook daily (especially the younger ones at Glen "O" and Good Shepherd).

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## Fun Fair Challenge # 1

Make plans with your neighbours to be part of a great week-end!

Starting Friday with the parade and evening activities and/or Saturday around the Community Hall and/or finishing up with the adult dinner dance — new and old neighbours catching up on what is happening with friends and family.

## Women's Ringette strong in Blackburn

by Eleanor Stinson

**D**id you know that our community is a veritable hotbed of women's ringette? Girls play too, of course, but there are more than fifty ladies having a heck of a lot fun staying fit playing ringette. The Rockers, the Goldiggers, and the Huffin' Puffins are the three local teams entered in a league that includes over 30 teams from the national capital area. While they don't play in the top division of the league, they are fast and very competitive.

Scrimmage ringette is held two mornings a week at the Blackburn Arena. The season is nearly over, but if you want to join in September, do come out. It's cheap. Please note that our skill requirements are very stringent. You must be able to tie your own skates.

The women involved in ringette in Blackburn enjoy a special relationship. They cheer each other's successes and feel sad over the losses of other teams. Weekends out of town are planned several times a year. When they play against each other, they usually have to play against their own coaches. The ages vary greatly, but that doesn't bother them. One week someone will come into the dressing



Left to right: Cathy Parent of the Huffin Puffins, Heather Pyman of the Goldiggers, Wendy Strieb and Lucie Durning of the Blackburn Rockers are part of the Blackburn ringette talent pool that made all three teams participating in the Silverspoon Tournament March 22nd to 24th strong contenders for the Silver Spoon..

room doing the "I'm going to be a grandma" dance, and the next they will be holding a baby shower for a new mother. Actually, they admit to any excuse is good for a party.

The three ringette teams just participated in a tournament where they all attended each other's games and held a combined team

dinner which also included a few Blackburn scrimmage ladies that play on other Gloucester teams.

Where else can a 50+ year-old woman appear in public in a sweatshirt that says "The older I get, the better I was." and lensless, pink, plastic sunglasses — and blend right in?

### Fun Fair Challenge # 2

#### Mixed Softball Teams

Anyone interested in playing adult mixed softball in the Blackburn Fun Fair Ball Tournament should contact Cathy Parent at 837-7625 or Aly Hatson at 837-3466.

## Blackburn Community Association GARAGE SALE

Saturday, May 6th

9 am to 3 pm

At 4 pm place items to be given away at curbside.

Raindate Sunday, May 7th

Advertisements will be placed in all the newspapers and on radio by the BCA. You may want to place a sign at the end of your street.

*Clear out your cupboards and participate.  
Your throw-aways are some else's treasures!*

### Directory on Web

by Sandra Quaia

The Blackburn Community Association is creating a Business Directory on the Blackburn web site. If you operate a business in Blackburn, whether it is a storefront or a home based business and would like it listed in the directory, please forward the following information: company name, manager or contact name, company's complete address including the property address, telephone number and e-mail address. It is also possible to have a link set up to your business site from the Blackburn web site.

Please contact Sandra Quaia, BCA Business Liaison at 834-3690 or send an e-mail to [squaia@cmhc-schl.gc.ca](mailto:squaia@cmhc-schl.gc.ca) to have your business included. This is a great advertising opportunity for your business and is another way the BCA is trying to promote local businesses.

### Fun Fair Challenge # 3

#### Something new! — Art and Craft Contest

Get out your thinking caps and creative fingers to design your entry for the categories in this year's art and craft contest. You can drop your entry off at Bearbrook Court Retirement Residence before Friday, June 2nd. On the Saturday a panel of judges will award the top three entries in each age and project category.

The following are the categories & ages:

Ages: 6-8, 9-11, 12-15, 16-19, 20-t-

Categories: Art, wooden bird or bat house, sculpture in any medium and knit or crochet baby shawls

For more information, call Julie at Bearbrook. 837-8720.

#### Crafters Wanted

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This fun event raises funds for community landscaping projects, awareness of our beloved hamlet and spreads the joy of gardening.

Past participants have all agreed that they experience an incredible "high" after an afternoon of showing off their gardens to the appreciative and enthusiastic audience that the tour attracts.

Those who have toured have praised our tour to the point of saying it is the best in the region.

As in past years the money raised will be used to beautify our community.

The proceeds from last year's tour will be used this spring to plant shrubs and flowers around the recently installed signs to the hamlet on Bearbrook and Innes (west entrance).

And if you need another reason to join the Garden Tour let me tell you about our get togethers to organize the event, preview the gardens and make recommendations for future tours. It seems people who like to garden are all super nice and love to eat because



our meetings (3 in all) are all social and culinary adventures of the potluck variety that make participating in this event sheer pleasure.

One of the highlights of the tour for those showing their gardens is the Friday night preview. Since we can't tour the day of the show we get together and car pool around to see each other's gardens on the Friday evening previous to the tour then meet at one house for one of our potluck socials. You are guaranteed to meet some wonderful kindred gardening spirits and get some great new recipes in the process.

So, all of you out there who, like us, are eagerly looking forward to nurturing your "havens of green" please think about sharing your pleasure this year by joining the tour. Please remember it is not a competition and all gardens of any variety are welcome.

Call Gail Kajiura of Divine Do's- Event Planning Par Excellence! at 837-2040 or e-mail [divine@cyberus.ca](mailto:divine@cyberus.ca) for more information.

## Look What Daffodils Do

Emily Carrs Graduating Class of 2002, the students currently in Grade Six are leaving our community an ever blooming gift. Daffodil bulbs will be planted in front of each of the new community signs, one sign being covered each year. By the time they graduate in 2002 all three signs will have blossoms.

For a toonie the students can purchase a bulb to be planted on their behalf. As April is Cancer month and the emblem of the Cancer Society is the Daffodil, students will be donating half of the funds to the Canadian Cancer Society. "Look What Daffodils Do" is the theme of their campaign. *Emily Carr Students Bloom Where They Are Planted!*



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### For adults...

- 1 "Creative Non-fiction: Writing a Biography". How does a biographer choose her subject, organize the research, and shape a life? Charlotte Gray, award-winning author of *Mrs. King: The Life and Times of Isabel Mackenzie King* and *Sisters in the Wilderness, The Story of Susanna Moodie and Catharine Parr Traill*, will describe what sources she used in writing these biographies, the challenges of structure in the planning stage of a book and the importance of the author's point-of-view. She will also discuss what "creative non-fiction" means, and the difference between making things real and making things up.
- 2 "Ten Rules for Writing a Novel". Patrick Kavanagh, author of the award-winning *Gaff Topsails*, offers *Ten Rules for Writing a Novel* - ten firm edicts for drafting and polishing long fiction. Patrick Kavanagh - who has never enrolled in a creative writing course - will make a few suggestions that may surprise you.

### For teenagers...

3. "What is Voice?" The development of your own voice is essential to making your writing vivid. Whether you step into the life of another person or you find your own unique way to express autobiographical experience, it is through voice that writing comes alive. In this workshop, award-winning poet Nadine McInnis will look at how dramatic situation, detail, imagery, sound and story all contribute to voice and will let you try creative exercises to expand your awareness of what voice can do.

### For kids 11 & 12 years old ...

4. Story Writing" If you enjoy reading and want to try writing a story of your own, this workshop is for you! Janet Lunn, award-winning author of several novels, including *The Root Cellar* and *Larger than Life*, will help you learn how to tell your own story in a clear, effective way.

There are also two workshops offered in French — call for details. Cost is \$15 per person / \$12 for Gloucester Arts Council members Information: 749-4978

Mail payment to: Gloucester Arts Council, 4355 Halmont Dr., Gloucester K1J 8W6, indicating names, address & phone number of participants and workshop number Priority will be given to those who register before April 7

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## Calling all Artists of Blackburn and Chapel Hill

Are you interested in joining an art group that meets in the Blackburn Community Hall?

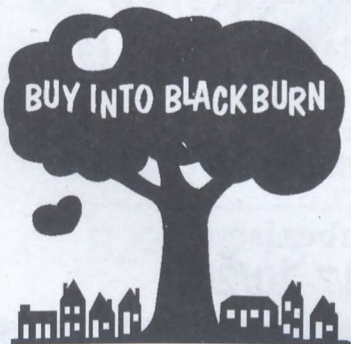
This is an opportunity to paint together in the medium of your choice, meet fellow artists and learn from each other. No formal instruction will be provided and no costs involved.

Contact Marion Jones at jonesmarion@home.com or 830 8904 to express your interest and preferred time to meet. For example weekly, bi-weekly/monthly on a weekday or weekly, bi-weekly/monthly on a weekend afternoon.

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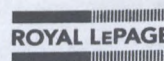
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# Seniors Corner

## New Guidelines for Diagnosis and Treatment of Alzheimer Disease

Family physicians now have new guidelines for diagnosis and treatment of Alzheimer Disease and other dementia; a 'blueprint' which is unique in the world. This new Canadian approach, based on the best available evidence, provides family practitioners with 48 recommendations developed by a group of 38 Canadian experts. The guidelines reflect the evidence-based conclusions of the latest Canadian Consensus Conference on Dementia held in Montreal last year.

The 48 recommendations address the full range of caring for patients with dementia including: early recognition, the importance of careful history and examination in making a positive diagnosis, essential laboratory tests, the disclosure of diagnosis, the

importance of monitoring and supporting caregivers, managing behavioural disturbances, detecting and reporting unsafe driving as well as pharmacological treatment, with particular emphasis on cognitive-enhancing agents.

The Guidelines have been endorsed by the College of Family Physicians of Canada and have been distributed to about 60,000 physicians across Canada.

The Guidelines, published in the June 15, 1999 Canadian Medical Association Journal, can be downloaded from the Canadian Medical Association's website at [www.cma.ca/cmaj/vol-160/issue-12/dementia/diagnosis.htm](http://www.cma.ca/cmaj/vol-160/issue-12/dementia/diagnosis.htm).

*Credit for the above is given to the Alzheimer Society of Ottawa-Carleton, Alzheimer Lifeline.*

### Tip of the Day

Just made a nice spaghetti sauce? Freeze some of the sauce in ice cube trays so that you can easily choose the portion size you want next time. Dinner for one - just toss in 3 or 4 cubes. Dinner for two — toss in 8 cubes and away you go! No leftovers to worry about. When the cubes are frozen you can also place them in a freezer bag in order to re-use the ice cube tray.



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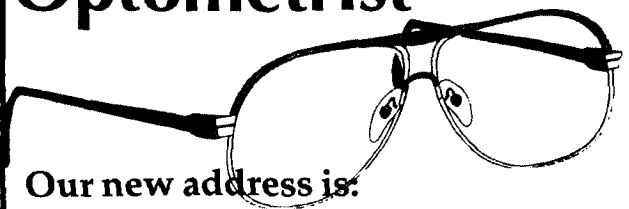
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## You be the Judge

by R. Mitchell Rowe LL.B.

The scene is 1991; there is no Internet yet but some individuals with modems run bulletin boards from their home computers. These bulletin boards trade software through telephone lines. It is frontier stuff; these operators are thought of as pirates.

Mr. Smith has a modem and, seeing this activity, calls the police. After discussions, he volunteers to set up his own bulletin board to monitor this activity for the police. He is asked to focus on the use by the pirates of stolen telephone calling codes, which the pirates need to avoid paying long distance telephone charges. The police pay Mr. Smith's telephone charges.

Mr. Smith reports to the police on this commercial crime. The police in turn advise the telephone code owners of this abuse of their codes. They cancel their codes at a substantial cost savings.

In 1995 a different police force, one charged with investigating copyright crime, receives a complaint about Mr. Smith's bulletin board and begins an investigation. Although Mr. Smith's involvement with the police is discovered early in the investigation, he is nevertheless charged with copyright violations. These charges are eventually dismissed.

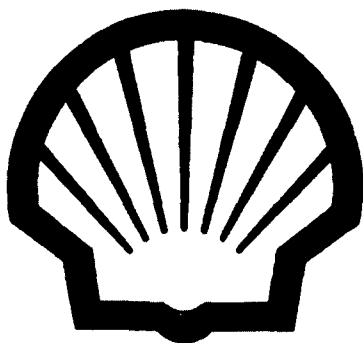
You be the judge — Was the second police force negligent in laying these charges? Mr. Smith, who says that the police acted unreasonably in laying charges since they

had condoned his bulletin board activity, claims to have suffered damages. The police defend by saying that they acted reasonably; since he broke the law he has to be charged, they have no choice.

Although not written anywhere in the law, there is little doubt that police exercise discretion on a daily basis. As long as they exercise this discretion reasonably, no right-minded person would want a system of law enforcement where the circumstances leading up to the alleged infraction makes no difference. Our system of justice should be run by reasonable people and not by robots.

One major area of police work is investigation to prevent crime. This requires undercover work, and the use of informants is common. These informants often must break the law to infiltrate the organization under investigation. For instance, in order to catch, say the drug trafficker, the informant must be allowed to purchase and possess smaller quantities of drugs, in order to gain entry into the trafficker's inner world. But the informant is not charged - an exercise of discretion on the part of the police that would seem to be reasonable in the circumstances.

Now about Mr. Smith - You be the judge. Did the police treat him right? Should he have been charged, since he did technically break the law? If not, should he be able to sue them to recover any damages suffered by him which were caused by the charges?



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## Summer Fun for your Preschooler

by Louise Lee

With the warm weather just around the corner, it is time to start planning for those lazy, hazy days of summer. The nice weather marks the beginning of more time spent outdoors and time to plan holidays for your family. Summer also marks the end of the school year and at Blackburn Preschool that means plans for Summer Camp 2000 are underway. This year, Blackburn Hamlet Preschool

is offering six weeks of summer fun. The six individually themed weeks run during July and August with morning or afternoon sessions available for children aged 2 1/2 to 5 years old. Snacks are provided and your preschooler is guaranteed a good time with lots of crafts, games and outdoor play. The cost is \$50.00 per child for each weekly session. Registration begins on May 25 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the preschool and will be ongoing.

### Summer Activities

When not at camp, the longer summer days mean having more time to spend with your children. Here are some easy and inexpensive ways to have fun with your kids this summer:

1. Take a city bus ride together. Pack a picnic to enjoy at your final destination.
2. Set up a bicycle "car wash".
3. Create footprint paintings on large pieces of paper using washable paints and large meat trays. Have a tub of water ready for easy clean up.
4. Visit your local library - a nice quiet excursion out of the heat.
5. Take the time to stop and smell the flowers, or at least to collect them. Dandelions, daisies or buttercups are great for creating crowns or necklaces.
6. Trace around your child with sidewalk chalk and then let them add the finishing details.
7. Blow bubbles using varying sizes of wands. On a humid day, blow bubbles while in a cool bath or add bubbles to your wading pool.
8. "Paint" the exterior of your house or your fence using simply water and different sizes of brushes.
9. Set up an obstacle course in your backyard using everyday toys such as hoops, tricycles, slide, wood for a balance beam, balls.
10. Set up a tent in the backyard and let your kids pretend to be out in the wilds. Let them pack a snack or lunch to take with them.

For more information on camp at Blackburn Preschool, call Cathy Montpetit at 830-8210. For information regarding fall registration, contact the school at 824-3251. From the staff at Blackburn Hamlet Preschool, have a fun and safe summer.

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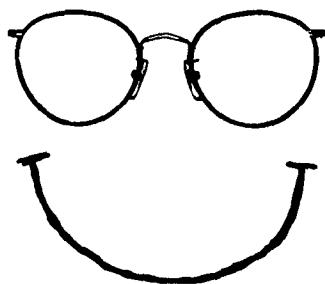
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**Suggestion # 1** — To get started a light raking in the spring to open up the lawn and rid of any matted or dead grass is beneficial.

**Suggestion # 2** — Aerate your lawn at least once. Aerification is beneficial to the grass for relieving compaction, improving the exchange of gases and improving water infiltration as well as a method of thatch control. Plugs of earth will be left after but don't rake them up. The lawn mower will chew them up and the dirt will fall back into the holes.

**Suggestion # 3** — Top dress with a light sprinkling of composted soil.

**Suggestion # 4** — When you water you lawn teach the grass to grow long roots into a deep reservoir of water. If you sprinkle your lawn every other day you will have roots only to a depth of 2 or 3 cm (1").

## Other Environmental Suggestions

Buying a new lawn mower, go electric. One hour of using a gas mower is equal to eleven hours of driving a car, besides with the price of gas the way it is!! Better still try a manual lawn mower.


Rain barrels are available from Arbour Environmental Shop, 800 Bank Street, (between 3rd and 4th in the Glebe) at \$60.00 each, telephone 567-3168.

If you have windows, doors, etc. please phone and I can connect you with people who are looking for items. Lets re-use and not discard items that can be used by others.

People require the following items: Wood folding doors, Pearson glass, under felt (rubber type), carpet in fair condition suitable for basements, etc., modem for a MacIntosh Apple computer and yellow or gold sink (the old type). Please phone Iris at 824-3641 if you think your throw aways may be useful to someone else.

P.S. Looking for a person to be the Environment Director on the BCA. Please phone Iris at 824-3641 if you think you might be interested.

Blackburn Garage Sale — May 6th (see page 5).



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## Community Events

# Ecole Ste-Marie at halfway point of \$18,000 goal

From the generous donations and superb fundraising efforts, the committee for the Ecole Ste-Marie play structure has reached the halfway point of their \$18,000 goal. They are more confident than ever that the new play structure will be in place for the next school year.

The Blackburn Arms Pub has very generously donated \$1500.00 towards the project. There is also a cash donation jar on the bar at the Arms for those wishing to donate. Thanks to Scott Philip for all of his efforts, suggestions and encouragement.

## Euchre Tournament

On Saturday, April 8th at 7:00 p.m., a Euchre Tournament will be hosted at the Blackburn Arms. The cost to enter is \$15.00 per person, with half the money going to the play structure fund and half to cash prizes. Light snacks will be provided to all participants. Each game will be played with a different partner, so feel free to sign up as a single.

## Sunday Brunch at the Arms

Enjoy a great Sunday morning brunch at the Blackburn Arms. For every Adult Sunday brunch served until the goal is met, the Blackburn Arms will donate \$1.00 towards the play structure.

## Silent Auction and Merchants Mall

The school's main fundraising event will be a Silent Auction and Merchants Mall in the school's gymnasium on Friday, May 05 at 6:30pm. Following that, Jack McGuire is playing his first night back from Florida at the Blackburn Arms, so the Fundraising will continue there with a mini-auction (live) between sets, 50/50 draws, etc.

So far, business owners have been very generous. If you would like to participate in any way, by providing a gift, donation, service or by buying a table for \$20 to display your business, please contact Sophie Lahaie at 834-4953.

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Overall, the evening was a great success in large part due to the generous

contributions of many local merchants and celebrities.

We owe special thanks to all this event's organizers for their hard work that helped to make this event such an enjoyable and successful evening.

In time for Easter, Saint Mary's Church is offering handmade chocolate eggs with a peanut butter filling in packages of six for \$3.00. Teams of parishioners devote several Saturdays at this time of year to preparing this treat. The candy has been very popular in the past and sells out rapidly. If you would like to purchase some of these eggs, please telephone Jaye Walters at 824-7046.

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# Coming Events

## Blackburn BNI holding Visitor's Night

You are cordially invited to the Visitor's Meeting of the Blackburn Hamlet chapter of Business Network International (BNI) at the Blackburn Community Hall on April 5th at 5:00 pm. to 7 pm. Jocelyne D'Aoust, Executive Director of BNI, will be sharing the BNI secrets to success through "word-of-mouth" marketing.

BNI is a business and professional networking organization whose primary purpose is to exchange qualified business referrals. It is the largest networking organization of its kind. Currently, BNI Canada has over 200 chapters from Halifax N.S. to Victoria B.C. BNI International has over 1,600 chapters in operation in the Canada, England, Ireland, Puerto Rico, Australia, South America and the United States. Last year,

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What makes BNI unique is that it allows only one person per business or professional category to join a chapter.

Please R.S.V.P. by calling the chapter contact: Robert Real at 841-9315. There is no charge to attend and light refreshments will be served.

Remember to bring plenty of business cards to pass around, as you will meet lots of local business professionals.

A weekly breakfast meeting is held at Wally's Restaurant on Innes Road every Friday morning (except April 21st) at 7 am until 8:30 am. Visitors are always welcome.

## Spring Craft Show

The Gloucester Craftsmen's Guild Spring Show will be held Saturday and Sunday April 8th and 9th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Lester B. Pearson High School. Free admission. For more information visit the Guild website at <http://members.home.net/gloucraftguild>.

## Horticulture Society

This month's presentation will be on "Hosta, the Perfect Plant" and a short talk about recognizing a hosta addict by Budd Gardens Perennials. The Gloucester Horticulture Society meets Monday, April 17th at the Top Generation Club located on the 6th Line Road, Ramsayville at 7:30 p.m. For more information call Fran Dennett at 741-4523.

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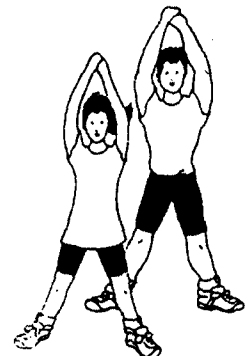
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## Blackburn Tennis Club

Registration will take place at the Blackburn Tennis Clubhouse, 2669 Innes Road on Saturday, April 29, and Saturday, May 6 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Special "Early Bird" fees available on these dates only, will be as follows: family - \$95.00, couple - \$80.00, single - \$55.00, junior (18 and under) - \$35.00, senior (65 and over) - \$40.00.

These fees, which are \$5.00 off regular fees are for BCA Members. For non-BCA Members and for families with more than two adults (over 18) there will, in each case, be additional charges of \$10.00.

Again this year private and adult evening group lessons will be offered. As in previous years, there will also be a junior tennis program during the month of July and August with qualified instructors using Tennis Canada's latest teaching methods. The program will consist of three two-week sessions: July 3 - 14, July 17 - 28 and July 31 - August 1.

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