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| 10:00am – 11:00am  | Parade down Bearbrook                 |
| 10:00am – 4:00pm   | Showcase and General Store            |
| 11:00am – 12:00pm  | Pre-School Games                      |
| 11:00am – 4:00pm   | Midway and Games                      |
| 11:00am – 4:00pm   | Silent Auction                        |
| 11:00am – 4:30pm   | Stage Entertainment                   |
| 1:00pm – 4:00pm    | Children's Games                      |
| 2:30pm             | Pet Parade                            |
| 6:30pm – 10:30pm   | Teen Light Show                       |
| Evening – midnight | Live Entertainment with Cash Bar/Food |

## FOOD

|                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 8:30am – 10:30am   | Pancake Breakfast         |
| 10:00am            | Bake Sale with Tea/Coffee |
| 11:00am – 4:30pm   | Barbeque                  |
| 11:00am – 9:00pm   | Fruit and Veggie Stand    |
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# President's message

## Temporary Signs in Blackburn

In the last issue of the BANAR, I mentioned that the BCA, with Rainer's support, expressed concern to the City about the increasing number of "temporary signs" in Blackburn. There is a by-law that allows a community to apply to the City for a moratorium on the issuing of permits for these signs in its area. The BCA applied and made a representation at a committee meeting following which the application was put on the Council agenda and was passed at the Council on May 10th. This means that the City will not issue permits for these signs in Blackburn Hamlet for the next 18 months. If a temporary sign is put up, citizens may call the City by-law enforcement at 311, or the City number. This provision will need to be revisited after 18 months.

## Proposed East/West Light Rapid Transit System

An Open House presentation on the proposed East/West Light Rapid Transit system was held at Sir Wilfred Laurier School on May 10th. This was a poster presentation with maps and diagrams showing the routes under consideration at the time. The preferred route seems to have the train running on Innes Road through Blackburn Hamlet. I didn't believe this could really be a serious consideration and it was the prime reason I went to the meeting. Sure enough, the "route du jour" passes right down the middle of Innes Road through Blackburn. More information can be obtained from the City's website at [www.ottawa.ca/lrt](http://www.ottawa.ca/lrt). There is another Open House public consultation planned for December, hopefully after public opinion has been taken into consideration.

## BCA Membership Draw

- ◆ Purchase your BCA membership by July 1st and you are automatically in the draw (held July 15)
- ◆ Special draw for our canvassers
- ◆ Prizes include: Golf Passes (Pineview Golf Course), Gift Certificates (Budd Gardens) and more

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## Blackburn Fun Fair

The demographics in Blackburn Hamlet appear to be changing with fewer young families and this is reflected in the difficulties we are having to run successful community events. This year's Fun Fair is an example of where strong, dedicated volunteers are needed, not because of the shares they will get, but because of the good it does for the community. The Fun Fair has grown into a large show and entertainment event which requires a lot of organization. Costs have soared due to liability concerns, and the expectations of groups wanting to raise funds for their organization. This increases the costs to the organizers that is then passed on to the community. This year it will be a toned-down Fun Fair. We need both young and older families to step forward and volunteer. Please call Jenn Cloutier at 841-9848 if you can help. Please check this issue of the BANAR to get the schedule of events. There will be a teen dance in the arena on Saturday evening and an adult dance, or social session in the Beer Gardens in and around the Community Hall. Don't forget—Saturday, June 3rd. See you there!

## BCA Annual Membership Drive — Draw to be held July 15th

On a parting note, our annual membership drive has started. There will be a draw for prizes for **1) canvassers** and **2) for those that purchase their membership by July 1st**. Please purchase your membership (only \$10) at the Fun Fair, from the canvasser at the door, or mail your cheque to: BCA, P.O. Box 47062, Ottawa, ON K1B 5B0. I want to thank all those who have already mailed in their membership fees. A card will be delivered to your house as soon as possible. If you can help Tom Scott with the canvassing, please call him at 834-8661.

*Al Ross*



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# Community Spirit is a Hamlet Tradition

by Rainer Bloess, City Councillor

**Much has been written lately** about the accelerated pace of modern life and the increasingly busy lives we all lead. It is especially noteworthy then, amidst all the hubbub, when a particular community clearly demonstrates, as the Hamlet consistently does, that its community spirit is alive and well and that its members continue to support each other and their neighbourhoods.

As usual this spring, the City of Ottawa honoured outstanding volunteers who give of themselves to better their communities and the lives of others. I was extremely proud to present Civic Appreciation Awards to a number of residents from our area in recognition of their valued contributions to the city's quality of life. It was especially gratifying to see our youth well represented at the awards. It is this kind of inspiration that helps make our community associations, schools, sports groups, and our arts and heritage organizations such a success.

Among numerous events in honour of the contribution made by our most valuable resource, I also had the pleasure of attending the Eastern Ottawa Community Resource Centre's volunteer event during the same week where we turned the tables on the many volunteers present by serving them with a fine meal prepared by the St. Joseph Manor.

Congratulations and thanks are in order to all who came out to help make the thirteenth annual Spring Cleaning the Capital campaign such

a success in our area. Once again, Blackburn Hamlet's turnout rivalled any other across the City as determined individuals, families and community groups banished the dust, dirt and droppings left behind by another Ottawa winter and spruced up both public and private properties in time for the new season. Congratulations too to all of those who participated in the community garage sale earlier this month in spite of the weather.

Finally, kudos and thanks to the dedicated organizers of the 36th edition of the Blackburn Fun Fair coming up on June 3rd. This much loved Hamlet tradition is a key fundraiser for local community groups ensuring the survival of many of the organizations and activities that enrich and enliven our community. It continues to be a truly worthy cause for all local

residents while offering an enjoyable and relaxing day of good, clean family fun and schmoozing with the neighbours. At this time, more volunteers are still needed for the fair. To offer your services call Sonia Brereton at 841-1092 or Jenn Cloutier at 841-9848. See you at the fair.

P.S. As the east-west light rail Environmental Assessment continues to study options for the future, local residents can stay up-to-date on developments and offer their input. At a recent open house, it was clear that the majority of Hamlet residents were not impressed by the proposal to run the line down the middle of the community on Innes Road.

Check out the City's light-rail website at [http://ottawa.ca/residents/lrt/landing\\_en.shtml](http://ottawa.ca/residents/lrt/landing_en.shtml) and don't hesitate to provide your comments.

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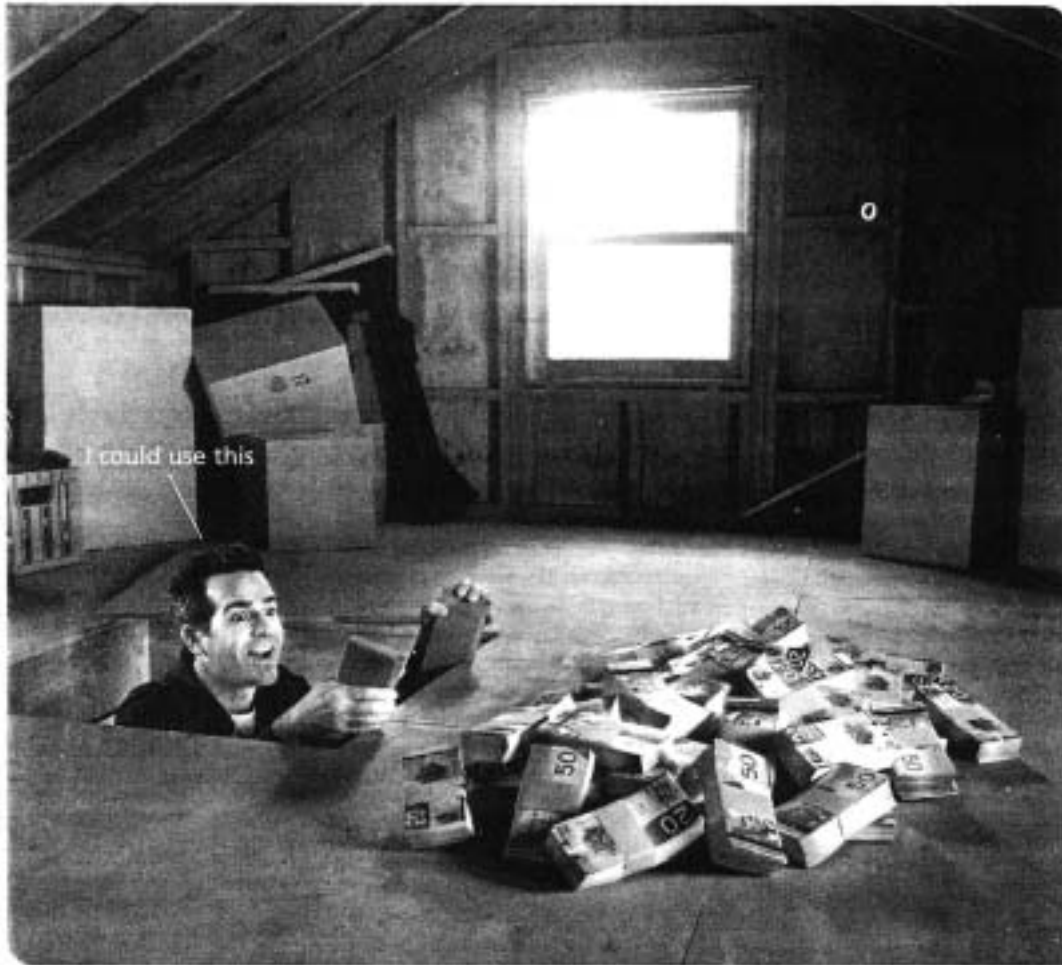
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# Blackburn Hamlet Shines Again!

## *Spring Clean-up of 2006 a Success*

by Barb Sweazey

We had over 170 Blackburn residents helping to clean-up the neighbourhood on Saturday, April 22rd. Well over 100 bags of litter were collected before the rain came down! A big thank you goes out to each person and family that took the time out of busy schedules to pitch into this community effort. Many thanks also to all those who helped out in other ways such as transporting waste back to the Community Hall, organizing the BBQ, flipping the burgers, and providing City of Ottawa door prizes. Thanks to the BCA for their generous support of this community event. Look forward to seeing you all again next year!



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## Letters

Rainer Bloess article on signage  
(in April BANAR)

It's hard to argue with Councillor Bloess' opinion in that temporary signing is an eyesore. And such clutter also is a safety issue, distracting motorists from traffic control devices. But the same can also be said of the transit advertising, both on the bus shelters and on those blown-plastic seating units (the ones with the perpetually-overflowing garbage bins). It will be interesting to hear the baffle-gab that denigrates one source of clutter as unacceptable while condoning another clutter source as O.K.

*P. Poichuk, Blackburn Hamlet*

Hello Mr. Bloess,

Congratulations on getting the "temporary" signs banned for 18 months in Blackburn Hamlet.

Here in Bells Corners many residents would be VERY happy to see the same thing, as repeated calls to bylaw services from many different people don't seem to produce any results.

Signs that clearly violate the rules posted on the City's website are there for years on end, and they appear to be reproducing like rabbits.

If you have any advice as to how our community can get local businesses to respect the bylaws, please let us know.

*Craig MacAulay, President  
Bells Corners (Lynwood Village)  
Community Association*

"It's a strange world of language in which skating on thin ice can get you into hot water." — Franklin P. Jones

# Fourth Annual Run for the Cure

by *Bill Horne*

The *Fourth Annual Run for the Cure* for breast cancer will be held on Sunday, October 1st at 9 a.m. at the Blackburn Community Centre.

Please mark your calendar now for this stellar event. We are all very much looking forward to summer and the fall seems very far away, but the *Fourth Annual Blackburn Run* is already in the early planning stages. Each year we have raised more money than the year before for this great cause: more than \$26,000 total in the past three *Runs*. Please note you do not have to run. The point is to celebrate the fight against breast cancer with a pleasant 5 km stroll through Blackburn Hamlet.

We all know someone close to us who has been touched by breast cancer, and we know that the dollars raised can help prevent, treat and support those fighting this disease.

We want to increase the numbers of people taking part in our event and increase the dollars raised. Perhaps you are part of a group that can sign up, or challenge your street to see which one in Blackburn has the most residents taking part. We can track this with registrations and will let all the challengers know how they are doing with updates on the [blackburnhamlet.ca](http://blackburnhamlet.ca) website.


If you want to help out with the *Run* or just take part in it, call Lynn Sewell at 837-4792 or email at [lynnstravel@rogers.com](mailto:lynnstravel@rogers.com) or call Bill Horne at 837-2166 or email at [wghorne@rogers.com](mailto:wghorne@rogers.com).

In September you can also check the Blackburn Hamlet website for updates on how to register. For a look back on previous *Runs*, go to [www.blackburnhamlet.ca](http://www.blackburnhamlet.ca) and then to Events Past, and then 2004 and 2005.

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## St. Mary the Virgin opens Parish House

The Anglican Parish of St. Mary the Virgin has a long history in the community of Blackburn Hamlet. A meeting of the people of what was then called Dagg's Settlement was held on September 2nd, 1878 to discern the possibility of building a church. The Parish was originally a Mission Church of St. Bartholomew's in New Edinburgh. The building still stands on the Navan road.

During the 1970's the church could no longer accommodate the number of parishioners who had joined St. Mary's and a decision was made to move the congregation into Blackburn Public School. Worship was held there until the construction of Louis Riel High school at which time the congregation decided a move was appropriate. Worship services are still held there at 10:00am on Sunday mornings.



St. Mary the Virgin located on Navan Road. Photo by Don Budd

As often happens in any organization or institution that has been in a community for a long time, we have been operating on the assumption that everyone knows where we are. With the new development around the Hamlet and with changing demographics it has become clear that is not the case. In order to remedy that the congregation has decided to open a Parish House in Blackburn Shoppes at the corner of Innes and Bearbrook roads. We hope this will be a point of contact between the congregation and the greater community and we would like to invite folks to stop in and visit. Our hope is that the House can be used by small groups who cannot afford to pay for space to hold their meetings. The congregation was very clear in making this decision that the intent is not to have our own little "club house" but to ask the community, "How can we help?" Ideas and input are welcome and indeed wanted. For further information please contact the parish priest, Father David Andrew at 590-0677 or by e-mail father.d@rogers.com

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|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Income:</b>          |                           |                  |                 |
| BANAR                   | 19,545                    |                  |                 |
| Community Hall          | 8,128                     |                  |                 |
| City Grants             | 12,879                    |                  |                 |
| Outdoor Rinks           | 5,760                     |                  |                 |
| Interest & GIC          | 1,143                     |                  |                 |
| Membership              | 2,340                     |                  |                 |
|                         | <b>Total Income</b>       | <b>49,794.63</b> |                 |
| <b>Expenses:</b>        |                           |                  |                 |
| BANAR Expenses          | 23,256                    |                  |                 |
| Administration          | 563                       |                  |                 |
| Community Hall Expenses | 2,899                     |                  |                 |
| Liability Insurance     | 250                       |                  |                 |
| Membership Expenses     | 383                       |                  |                 |
| Outdoor Rinks           | 6,798                     |                  |                 |
| Park Grooming           | 2,927                     |                  |                 |
| Fun Fair support        | 9,650                     |                  |                 |
| Programming             | 2,388                     |                  |                 |
| Micellaneous            |                           |                  |                 |
|                         | <b>Total Expenses</b>     | <b>49,114.57</b> |                 |
|                         | <b>Net Income (Loss):</b> |                  | <b>\$680.06</b> |

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by R. Mackinnon

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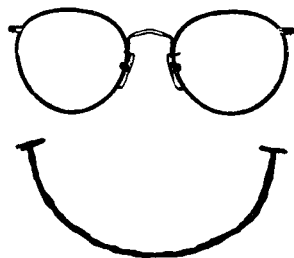
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## Summer months bring summer reading clubs

by Carrie Rathwell

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For kids, the **Quest for Heroes Launch for our TD Bank Summer Reading Club** will be held on Thursday, June 29 at 2 p.m. Sign up for the club and see **Little Ray's Reptiles**. Any time after June 24, you can drop by the library to sign up for the reading club and pick up your posters, stickers, and activity booklets. Further, we are offering a

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Learn how to unlock the mysteries of this ancient language. Followed by craft. Ages 7-9. Bilingual. Pre-registration. Tuesday, July 25, 1:30 p.m.

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## Summer months (Cont'd from page 17)

### Captain Underpants

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### Museum Passes

Museum passes, such as the *Privilege Card* (Museum of Civilization, Canadian Postal Museum, Canadian Children's Museum and Canadian War Museum) and *Nature Card* (Museum of Nature), admit families to those establishments at no charge.

Museum passes are very popular and can only be borrowed for seven days. You can use them as many times as you want during this time. Be sure to have your library card number ready if you're going to request them!

On a personal note, after over three years here in Blackburn Hamlet, I will be moving to a position at the Main branch. Thanks to all of you who have made it such a pleasure to serve this community. Have a great summer!

Carrie

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### Park-ticipate: Weekdays from July 4 to August 25

The Park-ticipate program is a free, informal drop-in program offered at various parks throughout Ottawa. Children aged 4 to 10 are invited to join the highly trained recreation staff in this fun-filled program of sports, crafts and low organized games. A revised schedule listing parks, dates and times of programs will be available after June 1. Information will be posted at [ottawa.ca/recreation](http://ottawa.ca/recreation) or call 580-2782. Please note that parents and guardians are required to supervise their children.

## Blackburn Skateboard Park

The Blackburn Skateboard Park is located at 190 Glen Park Drive beside the Arena. Daily hours of operation are from 8 a.m. to sundown. Rules include the following:

- The skateboard park has been provided for your use and enjoyment, please respect the park and your fellow participants.
- Children under the age of ten using the skate park must be supervised by a responsible adult.
- Participants must wear protective equipment at all times including CSA approved helmets, elbow pads, knee pads and wrist guards.
- The park is for use by skateboards and inline skates only.

City of Ottawa programs for skateboarding are available. To report maintenance concerns regarding City of Ottawa facilities, call 580-2400.

Contact numbers: Adult programs 824-0819, ext 231; Aquatics 824-0819, ext. 281; Arena bookings 580-2424, ext 41251, Caregiving services 824-0819, ext 224; Children's programs 824-0819, 277 or 279; Fitness programs 824-0819, ext 230 or 228. The City of Ottawa Summer Program book is available at the Blackburn Library for more information.

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## Le Club Optimiste de Blackburn Hamlet

par Viviane Côté-Maxwell

Oui, nous sommes toujours là en petit nombre. Le 9 avril dernier c'était la présentation des finalistes des arts oratoires. Le thème était « Mon avenir est prometteur parce que... » pour les cinq filles et trois garçons de l'École secondaire publique Louis-Riel. Pour le concours Art de s'exprimer le thème de « Semer... » fut présenté par cinq filles et quatre garçons de l'École Ste-Marie. Les gagnants furent :

Arts oratoire : Vicky Savard et Saïf Zemmoura

Art de s'exprimer : Isabelle Hébert, Zachary Paquette

Entre les deux concours il y a eu la présentation du texte gagnant du concours Essai Littéraire par Geneviève Ouellet, une étudiante de



Art oratoire garçons



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Art de s'exprimer garçons



Art de s'exprimer filles

Louis-Riel, sur le thème « Je suis unique parce que... »

Nous avons aussi eu un concours Optimath en 7e et 8e année pour la première fois.

Merci aux parents, aux directeurs et

professeurs, aux juges, au chronomètreur, aux membres optimistes et aux paroissiens de St-Claude où se tenait le concours.

Félicitations à tous les participants et plus spécialement aux gagnants.



### REGISTRATION NIGHT

BLACKBURN COMMUNITY HALL

THURSDAY, JUNE 22<sup>nd</sup>

7:00 PM.

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⇒ **Early Discounted Registration: DUE BY MAY 31, 2006.**

⇒ **Regular Rate Registration: DUE BY JULY 31, 2006.**

**SPECIAL NOTE:** There will be a \$100.00 late fee charged to all registrations received after July 31, 2006. Sorry, there will be no exceptions!

# La 4e Cie St-Claude

par Viviane Côté-Maxwell

Viens avec nous...fait la différence. Voici notre thème cette année. Les 19 guides et sept animatrices ont vécu trois camps à date, en bateau et tentes, en hiver avec des olympiades, et un camp de chefs et secondes dans un chalet. Nous avons visité une ferme, la Mer bleue avec les aspirantes fait de l'escalade et participé au Nage-o-thon Richelieu en avril. Il y avait quatre équipes qui nageaient pour 1107\$ .


Pour la journée de la terre nous avons ramassé huit sacs de déchets et de feuilles sur le terrain de l'École secondaire publique Louis-Riel où nous tenons nos réunions. Dans le temps de Pâques nous avons eu un repas Seder (de la pâque juive) ou 18 participaient en

buvant accoudés et en mangeant de l'agneau et des herbes amers.

Cet hiver, la guignolé a rapporté 300 boites de conserve et 293\$ qui ont été remis à la banque alimentaire de Gloucester. Merci aux résidents de Blackburn. *Thanks to the residents who contributed during our « guignolé ».*

Nous serons à la fête foraine prête à vous maquiller après avoir vécu un camp de printemps et un service de corvées au Lac Viceroy. Cet été notre camp en sera un itinérant de Presqu'il à Toronto sous le thème Médiéval. Merci.





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- 236-1222: Community Police and all other enquiries.

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For further information, please contact Shirley Mack at 824-5636.

**Exhibition of Artwork by Local Artists**

Arts Ottawa East will hold for the 5th year a juried exhibition of artwork by local artists who are members of Arts Ottawa East (your community arts council) from May 31st to July 5th at the Gloucester Gallery and Cumberland Gallery, Orleans Client Service Centre, 255 Centrum Boulevard. The centre will be open Monday to Wednesday 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m., Thursday to Friday 8:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Saturday 9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For more information call 580-2424x 29288; 613-749-4978; marlene@artsoe.ca.

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