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Blackburn Kids Helping the World (BKHtW)

There was music, dancing and laughter as a group of local young people who call themselves Blackburn Kids Helping the World (BKHtW) entertained around thirty enthusiastic residents of the Amica at Bearbrook Court seniors' residence on Sunday, August 20th.

Organised by Heather Ochalski, the group, whose goal is to contribute to their community during their summer vacations, began with a brainstorming session in mid-June, during which they chose three projects and the group's name. The first project was a clean-up of the area around the skateboard park behind the arena, which yielded five garbage bags of refuse and an old shopping cart.

For their last project, the BKHtW will raise money for a charity with a lemonade-and-baked-treats stand at the Hornets Nest Park on September 9th.

The second project, the talent show, was an eclectic mix of entertainment by this culturally diverse group of young people. The youngest member of the group,



Back row: Kion Hatam, Parisa Yazdani, and Marky Snidal.

Front row: Matthew Ochalski, Shayan Hatam, Christopher Ochalski, Jenna Matchem, and Ki Benson.

Matthew Ochalski, 6, kicked off the show with some 'Knock-knock' jokes and a piano piece. His older brother, Christopher, followed, his fingers flying over the keyboard during a flamenco-flavoured piece and a jazzier tune. The emcees, Ki Benson and Kion Hatam, smoothly eased the audience into the next act, an energetic pop-jazz dance number by Parisa Yazdani and Jenna Matchem.

Kion relinquished his emcee duties to play "The Malaguena", followed by his own arrangement of a haunting Persian tune. Next, Shayan Hatam revved up the crowd with a

spirited breakdance. Ki Benson put down the emcee's microphone to demonstrate her grace and power during a Taekwondo exhibition.

The last performance was a Sonata in C major, played with maturity by Marky Snidal. Following the performances, the young performers shared refreshments with the more mature audience and basked in the appreciation of their talents.

P.S. Drop in at the Lemonade & Baked Treats Stand at the Hornets Nest Park on Saturday, September 9th.



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president's message

The summer has flown by and here we are back to school and into the fall programs.

Light Rail Transit

Not much happened over the summer except there was a meeting with some members of the community concerning the future East/West Light Rail Transit System. This will be a hot topic for Blackburn over the next few years since the popular plan for the City at this time is to put it straight down the middle of Innes Road. There will be public meetings on this item so keep your eye on our website for dates and places. Nothing will be done for a number of years, and the whole project may die on the drawing board, but if you are interested in it, please let us know though the website and we will advise you through email as we receive information.

Municipal election Nov. 13th

This fall there will be a municipal election and we encourage you to support Rainer Bloess, who has done a lot for not only Blackburn, but the whole of Innes Ward. If you would like to support him, or any candidate, please check the local papers for information about the candidates and the upcoming election.

Community Hall Extension

Another item the BCA will be pursuing this fall is the extension to the Community Hall. Each year it becomes more and evident that our current hall is not adequate to serve the needs of Blackburn and Chapel Hill South. The BCA will be discussing options with the City and we already have received many suggestions as to exactly what our community needs in his regard.

Resignation and BCA Board Election Sept. 21

This will be the last issue of the BANAR where I will be the president. There will be an election at the next BCA meeting on September 21st at the Library. I've enjoyed my term as president and it has been a great experience working with a dedicated board that continues to do so much for our community.

Al Ross

P.S. We are still looking for someone to help out as **treasurer for the BCA**. Although I did have one response and left a message on his answering machine, I have since misplaced the phone number. Please call again if you are still interested. Thank you.

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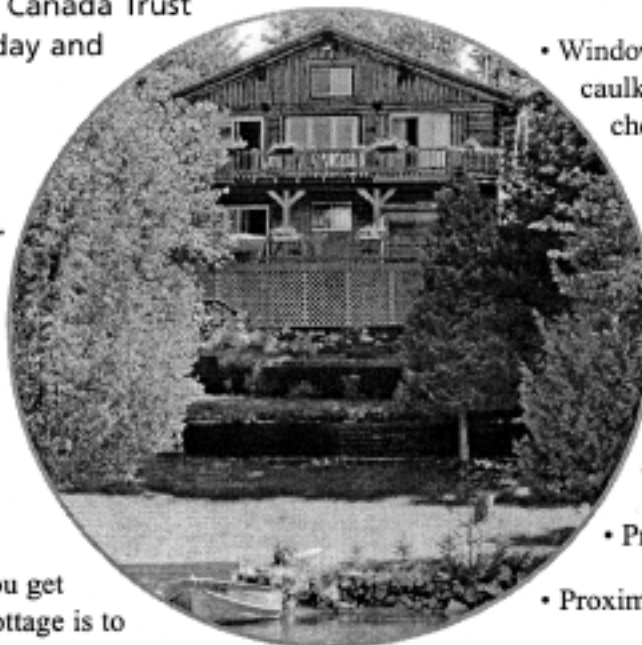
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Gearing up for a busy fall season

by Rainer Bloess, City Councillor

As summer holidays begin to wind up, and the neighbourhood begins preparations for back to school, I want to reflect on a great summer in Blackburn Hamlet. Judging from all the street parties and backyard barbecues I was generously invited to, Blackburn knows how to kick back, relax and enjoy the few precious months of "not winter" we have here in the nation's capital!

While fall brings back busy schedules, it also brings transit route changes and, this year, there are some fairly significant adjustments in store for our area. Overall, I believe the positives significantly outweigh the negatives.

In Blackburn, route 28 will be replaced by new Route 94 (and on Tavette and Southpark by routes 25 and 128). This new route will run along Innes from Trim Road to Blair then follow the Transitway downtown and on to Tunney's Pasture. Initially this route will operate weekdays during peak periods only and make limited stops along Innes for a more efficient service and faster trip. As well, Route 99 will be extended from Blair Station to Place d'Orléans providing our residents with an alternative crosstown route that bypasses downtown as well as improved connections to several routes and destinations such as Carling Avenue and Tunney's Pasture. New Route 23 will start at Pagé and Innes and run south on Pagé, west on Navan Road, north on Orléans Boulevard and Longleaf



Fun Fair 2006 Rainer Bloess, City Councillor; Sonia Brereton, Fun Fair chair; Dennis Gudbranson, Parade Marshall; Greg Kazmierski; Phil McNeely MP and Al Ross, BCA President.

Photo by H. Rousseau

to Orléans Boulevard and Crestmont, then west on Innes and the Blackburn Hamlet bypass.

Residents are also reminded that a new Park & Ride lot has been opened at the Orléans Recreation Complex on Youville Drive and all transit users are reminded to be sure to keep expired transit passes from June 30th on to claim a portion of the cost on your 2006 income tax return.

A final reminder regarding this fall's impending municipal election cam-

paign. The provincial government recently extended the terms for mayors and city councillors to four years. This, coupled with the fact that **municipal government has the greatest impact on a citizen's day-to-day life**, means that it is more important than ever to familiarize yourself with both the issues and the candidates and to make a point of exercising your right to vote. Have your say: **what do you want your City of Ottawa to look like over the next four years?**

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Fourth Annual Run for the Cure in Blackburn

Come and join in on October 1

By Bill Horne

More than 300 people have taken part in the first three versions of Team Blackburn Hamlet CIBC Run for the Cure since October 2003, and have raised over \$27,000 for breast cancer research.

“We created the local run as an alternative for people who don’t want to go downtown for the big event, and we’ve been thrilled with the response we’ve had,” said Team Captain Lynn Sewell, “and this year we are expecting it to be even bigger and better. This year, through the generosity of Freedom 55 Financial, people can sponsor participants on Eric Sewell’s Freedom 55 team and Freedom 55 will match all pledges up to a team total of \$6,000.”

“Run” for the Cure is a bit of a misnomer, as most local participants walk the 5 km course, following the same pleasant route as the yearly BCA Fun Run. Of course, runners are welcome. There’s also a 1 km section, for those who need something easier. Both start from the Blackburn Community Centre at 9 a.m. on Sunday October 1. (Doors open at 8:15 a.m.) Once again, Councillor Rainer Bloess will start the event. There will be great refreshments before and after the Run, compliments of Blackburn Arms Pub, our local Loeb and other civic-minded supporters. You’ll also have a chance to win some great prizes from local merchants.

There are many ways to get involved; please read the following options


carefully and pick what is best for you.

To officially join Team Blackburn Hamlet, and receive your Team Blackburn Hamlet T-shirt, you must register by **September 15** at the latest. There are two ways to do that:

- Go to www.cibcrunfortheure.com, and then under *Register*, click *Join a Team*, go to the Ottawa site, create your personal account, and then *Join*

an Existing Team. The team name is *Blackburn Hamlet*; the team captain surname is *Sewell*. You will then have a choice of either a \$35 registration fee, or pledge to raise at least \$150 and the registration fee is waived. Blackburn Hamlet T-shirts will be given out at the *Run*, or can be picked up from Lynn. Encourage

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You must register in one of these two ways, by September 15, not later than 9 p.m., in order to be sure to obtain a Team Blackburn Hamlet t-shirt. However, please don't let that stop you from participating, if you miss the T-shirt cut-off.

Here's what else you can do, regardless of the September 15 cut-off for shirts.

You're still a valued part of the Team, with or without a customized T-shirt. If you want to take part in the event, and it's after September 15, then please join the Blackburn Hamlet team anyway and we MAY be able to get you a T-shirt of some sort (no promises).

If you just want to sponsor someone, anyone, at any time, follow the steps below.

- Go to www.cibcrunfortheure.com, then click on *Donate to a Participant*. Enter *Eric* and *Sewell* in the names section, and select *Ottawa* for the run location. Make your pledge for Eric and Freedom 55 Financial will match it. If you are a Freedom 55 employee, please join Eric's team.

If all this online stuff, deadlines and advance registration is way too com-

plicated, but you still want to participate, just do this:

- Come out to the *Run for the Cure* on October 1, with friends and family, and bring a cash or cheque donation, any amount, and take part. If you just want to show up, with no advance registration, please let Dannie Horne know, 613.837.2166, or djhorne@rogers.com, if you are coming, so we have enough refreshments.

This event is open to everyone. Strollers, baby joggers, bikes, dogs, inline skaters; all are welcome. You can also visit www.blackburnhamlet.ca, for updates on the Run, see who has registered, view the route map, etc. (no registrations accepted on this website). See you on the first of October, rain or shine.



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Routines – The Key to a Successful Morning!

by Barb Sweazey, Blackburn Preschool

Routines for eating, sleeping, and getting ready in the morning help life run more smoothly. With school around the corner for many families, consider some of these FamilyFun.com tips to successfully get your children out of the door each morning:

Explain how life is going to change.

A week prior to the first day, offer a precise description of the morning routine. Young children need practice. For some, a pictorial chart including each step really helps. Start getting kids in bed early. Begin a week before school gets underway. You can't force them to sleep, but you can see they're snuggled in bed looking at books.

Get yourself up and ready first. If you work outside the home, this step is crucial. All goes more smoothly those first days when you're available to guide your children each step of the way.

State the obvious. "Your coat is on, now put on your shoes." Later, give one-word directives. Just say "shoes," or ask, "What are you supposed to do next?"

Tack on an additional task. Once the morning schedule becomes routine, you can add an element: throwing dirty clothes in the hamper, packing snacks, etc.

With these tips in mind, when that first day arrives, think of yourself as the getting-out-the-door coach. With the right routine in place, you can have morning success!

For those parents of children attending Junior or Senior Kindergarten morning programs at either Glen Ogilvie Public School or Good Shepard Catholic School, the Blackburn Hamlet Preschool is now offering an afternoon busing program. Choosing either one, two or three days a week, children participating in this program will be picked up by bus at their schools immediately following morning classes. The children will eat their lunches at the preschool and will then

enjoy programming specially geared to these ages, during the afternoon. Parents can pick up as late as 5:00, and are not required to cover duty days.

For parents of younger children, some limited spaces are still available in the regular cooperative toddler and pre-school sessions. If you are interested in an exciting and educational learning environment for your child, please call the Preschool at 824-3251 for more information.

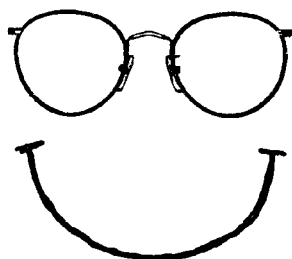
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Claire Menard-Laflamme, previously from the Elmvale Acres Branch, will be offering French children programs, school tours and outreach for the library. Deborah-Ann Parks, previously from the Alta Vista Branch, will be in responsible for book chats, adult and teen programs and catalogue tutorial.

Museum Passes are available at the library for a loan period of 1 week (7 days). The pass allows for free admission.

Privilege Cards give you access to the Museum of Civilization, Canadian Postal Museum, Canadian Children's Museum and the Canadian War Museum. For family of 4 (max. 2 adults) free admission.

The Nature Card gives you access to the Museum of Nature. For family of 5 (max. 3 adults) free admission.

The Sciencetech. Card gives you access to the Museum of Science and Technology. For family of 5 (max. 2 adults) free admission.

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The Map That Changed the World by Simon Winchester; Mon., Sept. 18, 2 p.m.

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Dinner and games will commence the 4th Sunday of each month, beginning September 24th, 6 pm at the Tartan Pub in Orleans.

A **Potluck Dinner** will be held Sunday, October 1st, 6 pm at the Blackburn Community Hall. Please bring a dish to contribute to dinner. Tea or coffee will be served; attendees may bring other refreshments to drink if they wish.

Musicians - Come and Play!

This year there are some vacancies in the band that plays for services at St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church in the Hamlet. Openings for strings, woodwinds and brass and for a guitar/bass or two. Community service hours are available to those in Middle and High School music programs. Adults are also welcome, no matter how rusty! The main service is at Louis Riel High School on Bearbrook. Practice is held at 9 am on Sundays, service is at 10 am and is over by 11:30 am. St. Mary's is an inclusive church community that welcomes people of all backgrounds, not just Anglican, including those of no Christian background.

Ever wonder what the speed of lightning would be if it didn't zigzag?

Steven Wright

Blackburn in a different time

by Don Budd, Budd Gardens

Several years ago, Budd Gardens began renting lands from the NCC in Blackburn south of the Blackburn Bypass. These fields had been used as pasture land for decades and as we began to till the soil and plant our crops, ancient hidden treasures began to reveal themselves.

Thrown from different size workhorses, some small some large, horseshoes galore from a different agrarian era kept surfacing. I showed some to my father-in-law, Eldon Kemp, who is now in his mid-eighties. Except for the war years, when he served in the Navy, Eldon has spent his entire life in Blackburn. He picked up one shoe that was different from the rest, as it has several long rusted nails in it and declared, "This is from a horse that died and was either buried out in the fields or left to be disposed of by the wildlife."

Blackburn always had a blacksmith and I'm sure these men were responsible for re-shoeing the horses that had lost their iron shoes in these fields. Leo Mainville, a bachelor, was the blacksmith when I was a child. He could do anything from shoeing horses to building a complicated piece of farm equipment of his own invention.

Leo owned one plate, one fork, one knife, and one cup and after each meal he would use his bread to carefully clean his plate and cutlery with an expert swipe and then turn these utensils upside down onto his table, ready for his next meal. As a blacksmith, he was a genius, but as a homemaker, that's a different story.

Another note of wisdom from the past is this. When hanging a lucky horseshoe in your home, always have the open end pointing up. If you hang it in reverse, all of your luck will fall out.

Note: This article was originally printed in the Weekly Journal, August 11, 2006.



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Keeping Both Eyes on the Bird

Playing it safer in Blackburn

Protective eyewear is now mandatory for all badminton players under age 19 in Ontario. The Ontario Badminton Association (OBA) has adopted this new policy effective September 1, 2006 and the news was welcomed by the Blackburn Badminton Club. "Safety equipment just makes good sense in all sports. Last year our club had encouraged eyewear by offering a discount and we were going to make it mandatory this year", says Dale Bemben, club registrar, "so we are glad the governing body has made it official." The eyewear must meet ASTM Standard F803 and junior players will not be allowed on the court without them. The Blackburn Badminton Club will have a limited selection of standard eyewear on sale at registration for a reduced club price.

Registration for adult and junior badminton will be held on Monday, September 18 and Wednesday, September 20 at the Glen Ogilvie Public School, 46 Centrepark Drive, 7 to 9 p.m.

For decades the Blackburn Badminton Club has been a place for recreational players to keep fit and improve their skills in a

friendly competitive environment, where "we play hard and keep score but nobody remembers it at the end of the day". Although most members are at the intermediate level, players range from beginner to advanced, and teams are matched up to get a balanced and enjoyable game.

Membership in the adult club will be limited to the first 40 persons who register. This is to ensure that, with our three courts, there will be sufficient playing time for all who wish to participate on any given night. A waiting list will be established if necessary.

The hours of play are from 8 to 10 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, beginning on Monday, September 18 through to Friday, June 1 (excepting school holidays).

Fees for BCA members will be \$110 per season or \$60 per half season (\$120 and \$65 for non-BCA members). With more than 100 badminton nights available over the season, it amounts to not much more than a buck a night!

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As noted on page 20, all junior players (under age 19) must wear approved protective eyewear in order to participate in badminton this year.

Registration will be held on Monday, September 18 and Wednesday, September 20 at the Glen Ogilvie Public School, 46 Centrepark Drive, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The junior program, which is operated by the Blackburn Badminton Club, is non-competitive. Its sole purpose is to introduce young players between the ages of 9 and 17 to the sport of badminton and help them get the most enjoyment from this popular sport.

The strength of the junior program is its volunteers: from the experienced coaches who devote their time and energy to helping youth develop their game, to the parents who all take turns in supervising the session for one Saturday in the fall and another in the winter.


The program begins on Saturday, September 23, and will take place on Saturdays at Glen Ogilvie school from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. for the younger players and 3:00 to 5:00 for the

older age group. Play will continue until the end of April 2006 (excepting school holiday weeks).

Registration is limited to about 50 players. Last year there was great demand, so be sure to register early. Fees are \$50 (September-April). Each player must supply their own approved protective eyewear and racquet. There will be a limited selection of safety glasses available during registration at a reduced club price. While you are there, check out the sale on club T-shirts.

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Submitted by *Désirée Caron*

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The 1st Blackburn Wolf Cubs are ages 8-10 and meet Mondays, 6:15-7:45pm. The Beaver Colony, ages 5-7 meet Mondays, 6:30-7:30 pm. The Beavers have fun with outings, games, crafts, and a year-end spring camp at Camp Opemikon. The Scout Troop for youth aged 11-14 have plans to do more canoeing, hiking, geo-caching, and



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Beginning in October, St Mary the Virgin will be operating a Saturday morning cartoon club. Children are invited to drop by on Saturday morning from 9 am until noon while their parents go shopping or meet with other parents from the community. The cartoons will be secular in nature, chosen for both their entertainment and educational value.

The weekly event will be staffed by members of the Parish and volunteers from the community are welcomed and encouraged to participate. Local high school students with an interest in child-related studies are also being sought to help build their experience and to fulfill required volunteer hours for the Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

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