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## Blackburn Tennis Club says Farewell to Mr. and Mrs. "B"



*John and Monique Benfield receive caricatures from Jerred Harrison. Jerred is the grandson of Pauline Martin, who is a longtime member of the tennis club.*

*by Barbara Nolen*

**O**n Saturday, August 9th, the Blackburn Tennis Club held a farewell Open House and Pot Luck "drop-in". Anyone even remotely connected to tennis in Blackburn over the years came by to bid adieu to John and Monique Benfield, and to wish them good luck as they moved on to a new phase in their active lives.

The afternoon was warm and sunny, and well-wishers enjoyed punch and finger foods, played tennis, or just mingled, later taking part in a farewell presentation of flowers and gifts. Many wanted to express their appreciation to the Benfields for their countless years of teaching and

offering enthusiastic encouragement to players from ages 3 to 83! Their cheerful voices will certainly be missed around the club.

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## President's Message

**When campaigning for membership** or volunteers, Blackburn Community Association members are often asked what we actually do. At the risk of leaving somebody's favorite project off the list, the following is a short list of files currently being worked.

**Interprovincial Bridge:** The BCA is working to support acceptance of Kettle Island proposal as being the least disruptive for both commuting and local traffic reasons.

**Accommodation Review Committee (ARC):** BCA is representing the local community on the area accommodation review being conducted to study three public High Schools as well as the feeder schools including Emily Carr.

**Greenbelt Master Plan Review:** Although early in the process, the BCA is preparing to ensure the protection of the greenbelt.

**NCC Greenhouse:** BCA is working towards a use resolution.

**Rinks and Parks Maintenance and Monitoring:** Plans are underway for this winter's rink program.

**Other:** On top of the above mentioned ongoing files are Community Hall administration, website maintenance, bylaw and planning reviews, Fun Fair Administration, BANAR, and environment. Support of local community groups through sponsorship (financial and otherwise) is also part of our mandate.

The BCA is supported in this work by grants from the City as well as your membership fees and revenues from the Community Hall.

As the demographics of Blackburn change (notice all the younger families lately?), your support is crucial to maintaining the sense of community that makes Blackburn unique. Please keep this in mind should any of our current issues demand more participation in order to resolve.

*Roger Smiley*



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The Blackburn Community Association (BCA) Annual General Meeting will be held February 19, 2009, 7:30 pm in the Blackburn Library. Watch for details on the BCA website and in the February BANAR. Get involved! Come with your ideas and help build community.

## Blackburn Community Association

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Jack and Diane Nadelle were the fortunate winners in the Blackburn Community Association (BCA) Membership Draw and received a 32 inch Toshiba HD LCD television. President Roger Smiley and Belinda Leung (and baby) were pleased to present the television on October 11th to the couple.

The draw was open to all those who purchased their 2008 BCA membership by September 15th.

In the past, most of the BCA memberships were sold by volunteers who went door to door. Because of a scarcity of canvassers, the BCA decided to purchase a TV (great deal from Gloucester Centre Future Shop) and hold a draw as an incentive and thanks for those who bought a membership.



The memberships were available for purchase at the Fun Fair, by mail (Banar membership form) or from a volunteer who did their old door to door "route".

A huge thanks to all the families that have shown their support for the Blackburn community by purchasing their BCA membership this year.

## Speeding in the Hamlet—what if..

Eighty-six speeding tickets were given to drivers within the community of Blackburn Hamlet from January 1st to September 30th, 2008. How many drivers were speeding and did not get a ticket is unknown. How many people were put in danger because of speeding drivers, unknown.

Here is the substance of the concern over speeding. Public tolerance for speeding has risen. People joke about those who drive cautiously. Hence, speeding has become a part of our culture and we don't question it. In fact some people drive fast for no good reason — to go to the store, to go on a leisurely night out.

Unfortunately, we are not modifying our driving habits in the place where it is essential that we should, namely, on residential streets. We have all witnessed parents driving with their children in the Hamlet at well over the 40 km limit. Many people believe 40 km is too fast for our streets and especially in poor weather given that young children can run onto the road without any warning. It only takes one accident to \_\_\_\_ (fill in the blanks). Anyone who reads or watches the news must have noticed the horrendous accidents causing injuries and death and must realize that speeding is often the cause.

The police have asked for our

assistance to reduce speeding. Assistance could be offered in a variety of ways such as setting a good example by not speeding ourselves. In fact, driving well below 40 km would be helpful. Perhaps starting a neighbourhood watch program would help. This is going to require people getting involved. Contact BCA President Roger Smiley or attend a BCA meeting (3rd Thursday of each month) with your ideas and your support.

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## East-End Interprovincial Bridge Controversy continues

by Councillor Rainer Bloess

The selection of Kettle Island as the most suitable location for a future east-end interprovincial bridge continues to be a lightning rod for local political forces. This, despite the fact that just last month the consulting firm charged with conducting an exhaustive environmental assessment for a proposed bridge concluded decisively (as did studies in 1978 and 1994) that Kettle Island is the technically preferred location. Last year, an overwhelming majority of Ottawa City Council members also expressed support for the Kettle Island site and my Orléans Council colleagues and I have confirmed solid support of this choice as well from Ottawa-Orleans MP Royal Galipeau, Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MPP Jean Marc Lalonde and Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MP Pierre Lemieux. Furthermore, extensive public consultation has also clearly established that the choice of Kettle Island is supported by a majority of east-end residents.

I have no doubt that the selection by the study team is the right one but, given the political grandstanding of certain local politicians and the relentless efforts of a highly organized and extremely vocal local opposition group, we should be prepared not only for delays in the already ponderous development process but even possible reconsideration of sites which could threaten our treasured east-end greenbelt lands. I encourage all of you to be prepared to step up and speak out once again, if necessary,

in defence of the Hamlet's best interests on this issue, demonstrating the high level of community involvement that has served us all so well in the past.

### Blackburn Run for the Cure

This exceptional level of community involvement was in evidence once again in this year's Blackburn Run for the Cure event on October 5th, which drew an excellent, enthusiastic turnout in support of a great cause. Over \$20,000 was raised by the largest crowd to date at this Blackburn event!

### Fall Cleaning in the Capital

Kudos as well to the many local groups who participated in the City's 2008 Fall Cleaning the Capital" campaign, generously donating their time and effort to spruce up our parks and roadsides.

### Member of Parliament Royal Galipeau

Finally, congratulations to our re-elected Member of Parliament Royal Galipeau. I look forward to working with Mr. Galipeau in the interests of our community and residents.

### Questions or concerns

As usual, should you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 613-580-2472 or Rainer.Bloess@ottawa.ca.

P.S. Some of you have no doubt already noticed the new left turn arrow to ease traffic movement from St. Joseph Blvd. onto Bearbrook Road into the Hamlet. A number of residents had requested this improvement which should facilitate local traffic flow, particularly in rush hour.

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Wednesday, October 15th the Village Squares Modern Square Dance Club held a surprise 35th Anniversary party at the R. G. Hobbs Community Center. The club's caller couple, Paul and Judy Adams, pictured on the right, founded the club with their friends Edna and Karl Williscroft in October 1973. Unfortunately Mrs. Williscroft's health prevented her from appearing at the ceremony. Her husband Karl passed away earlier this year. The element of surprise was heightened with the presentation to Paul and Judy of a certificate of recognition from the province of Ontario, signed by the Premier Dalton McGuinty.

Square Dancing shares a common heritage with the motor vehicle. They were both pioneered by Henry Ford. And just as the motor vehicle has evolved so much over the years — so has square dancing. In fact, comparing square dancing in 2008 with square dancing in the 1920's is exactly like comparing a modern luxury car with a "Model T Ford". The music is different and ranges from "Country and Western" music through to "pop music".

There are several couples from the Hamlet who belong to



the club. Bill and Marion Maitland mentioned how they have enjoyed over eighteen years of fellowship and exercise. Modern square dancing is fun!

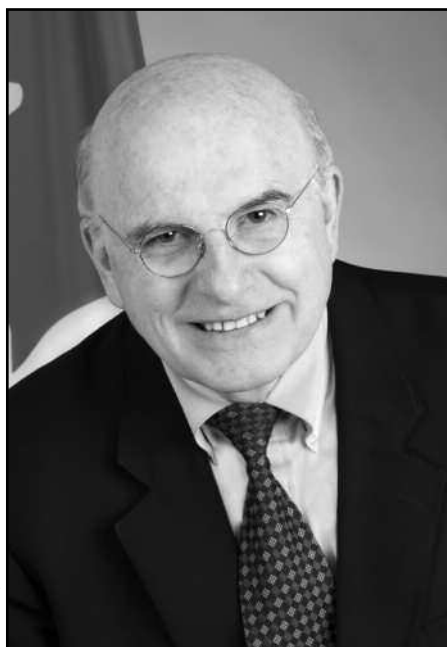


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# Knights win Blackburn Men's Fastball Championship

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The Knights won the first game 2-0 and the second game 5-0. In both games, Knights' ace pitcher Jamie Blakely earned the win. Blakely led the Knights offensively too, hitting a home run in Game 1. In Game 2 the Knights were led by Gerry Sancartier and Ryan Cox, who both hit home runs.

After the Knights' second win, the Blackburn Arena fastball diamond was the scene of celebration. Many high-fives and

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Front Row: Guy Millette, Matt Edwards, Jamie Blakely, Mike Brownhill, and Brett Dugan. Back row: Wayne Hunter, Tyler Cox, Gerry Sancartier, Ryan Cox, Tyler McKenzie, and Steve Mayer. Absent: John Dunn.



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## Men's Fastball

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bear hugs were shared among the Knights as they gathered for a championship team photo.

Blackburn Hamlet native Matt Edwards plays infield for the Knights. He explained the significance of winning the championship.

"Last year we blew it in the finals when we lost to Exit Realty," said Edwards. "This year we were determined to give our best effort."

The jubilant Knights also gave credit to their opponents the Guzzlers. The Knights were especially impressed by the Guzzlers' 18-year-old pitcher Jeff Barber. Jeff is a graduate of the Orleans minor fastball system. BMFL President Wayne Hunter commented on Jeff's season.

"It's wonderful to see young players like Jeff come along," said Hunter. "It's great for the league."

Founded in 1982, the BMFL is a recreational fastpitch softball league based in Blackburn Hamlet. The league's membership includes players from age 18 through 50-plus. The league is completely volunteer-run. For more information about the league, please visit [www.bmfl.ca](http://www.bmfl.ca) or phone Steve Bovey at 613-824-1435. Registration for the 2009 season will take place in February.

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# CIBC Blackburn Hamlet Walk/Run for the Cure

by Bill Horne

**O**n a cool but glorious October 5, over 150 adults, kids, dogs and strollers ran and walked the scenic 5k course, bringing in over \$24,300 for the *Run for the Cure* for breast cancer. The community spirit was infectious and the money raised set a new record.

Organizing committee chair Lynn Sewell said, "Thanks to the great community spirit in the Hamlet, the generosity of our business people, and a hard-working committee, the local *Run for the Cure* keeps getting bigger and better every year. Again this year, thanks to the generosity of Freedom 55 Financial, \$6000 will be added to the over \$9,000 raised by their regional team and its family and friends,

resulting in an overall total of over \$24,300. We were delighted to see a large group from Changes for Women at 2062 Innes Road join us again this year, and we appreciate the significant corporate donations from Sherry Woodburn at the Wholesale Outlet and Lafarge Canada Inc. The Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation benefits from all of this."

It was especially inspiring to see several pink t-shirts among the crowd, signifying breast cancer survivors. We were pleased to see the group from Blessed Kateri School in Orleans and hope they will be back next year.

Participants were treated to refreshments compliments of Tim Hortons Blackburn Hamlet and Loeb Blackburn Hamlet before the Run, and

to a great spread of pastries and fruit afterwards, supplied by the Blackburn Arms Pub Restaurant. Runners and walkers enjoyed water from Shoppers Drug Mart.

As is the tradition, Innes Ward Councillor Rainer Bloess again acted as the starter for the event. We continued our new tradition of assembling most participants on the grass outside the community centre for a group photo.

The raffle produced about four dozen great prizes, thanks to the generosity of the following local merchants and professionals: Blackburn Barber shop, Edward Jones, Unisex Salon, Mac's Milk, Jumbo Restaurant, Lyn Novak Flowers, Shoppers Drug Mart, Dr. Chantal Plant, Dr. K.

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A new feature this year was putting several of the higher value prizes in a silent auction, and this produced additional contributions.

We are most grateful to the Blackburn Hamlet website webmaster, Helen Rosseau, for her untiring work in



keeping our event coverage up to date, and the vast number of pictures she took. See them at [www.blackburnhamlet.ca](http://www.blackburnhamlet.ca) in Events Past. Thanks to Banar editor Evelyn Budd for its coverage. The Weekly Journal also carried several articles, both online and in print.

Blackburn Hamlet residents and others can look forward to another *Run for the Cure* next October 4, 2009, as we fight to overcome this terrible disease that affects one in eight Canadian women.

For further information you may contact Lynn Sewell at 613.837.4792 or by email at [lynnstravel@rogers.com](mailto:lynnstravel@rogers.com).

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Jan explains that she started the business after volunteering at the YMCA-YWCA. "I loved instructing there, but always wanted to try my own business. When I found out that there was a space in Blackburn available for rent during the day, I had to take it," says Jan, referring to the Cumbrae School of Dance studio on the second floor at 2586 Innes Road. This space comfortably held the classes for 15 years. Her classes are now held in the Blackburn Community Hall, easily accommodating the wide variety of classes offered. During the time when Jan was building her business, she was also acting as the Personal Trainer to her Honour the former Governor General, Adrienne Clarkson.

From humble beginnings with just seven students, Jan's Workout now includes approximately 85 registered participants, and five instructors who teach aerobics, pilates, yoga, and a seated workout.

This positive environment has led to many long-time students and, moreover, friends who participate in all kinds of events for charity, such as The Walk for Breast Cancer, MS Walk,



Nature Walks, Nordan 5k walk, as well as the Blackburn FunFair walk. This positive motivation keeps her students, both male and female, coming back for more.

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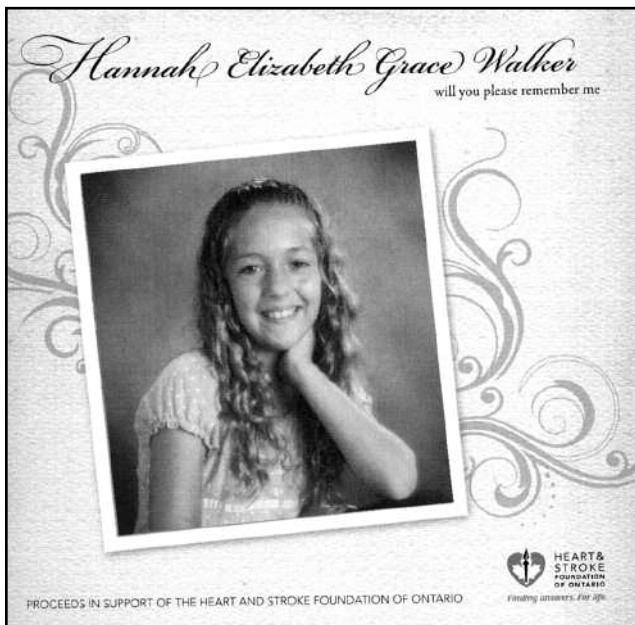
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## Remembering Hannah

by Derrick Saunders

**O**n January 2nd my 11-year-old cousin Hannah and her mother, Shelly, were walking home from the grocery store when Hannah fainted. Her mother took her to CHEO and after testing they soon discovered that she had cardiomyopathy, a heart condition in which the heart does not pump the blood evenly throughout the body. She required a heart transplant and was airlifted to the Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto.

On February 8th, she suffered two strokes that took a toll on her other organs. Hannah Elizabeth Grace Walker passed away at 10:20 am on February 9th. She was to have the heart transplant later that day at 4 pm.

On May 22nd I wrote a poem about Hannah and decided to make it into a song. I called it "Will You Please Remember Me". Two more songs were written by Hannah's mother, "Always Be That Way" and "First Meeting". Jennifer Pederson wrote the music for all three songs. On July 30th, a pianist named Stephen Chow and a singer named Stephanie La Rochelle (who is only 13-years old) recorded the CD at Pebble Studio in Barrhaven.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario has allowed me to put their logo on the CD cover. The CD was released on September 10th which would have been Hannah's 12th birthday.

The CD has three sponsors including the Blackburn Hamlet Massage Therapy who has donated half the money to cover production costs.

Two hundred CD's have been sold and \$800 raised. All proceeds will be donated to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. To purchase a CD, please email: [cdforhannah@hotmail.com](mailto:cdforhannah@hotmail.com) or call me 613-834-0717.



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## Large Prostate Cancer Group Representation in Blackburn

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John Dugan, Ron Marsland, Harvey Nuelle, and Richard Bercuson, all survivors of the disease, call the Hamlet home. So, too, does the renowned photographer Tony Wagstaff, another PC survivor.

Dugan, (see photo), was recognized in August with the prestigious President's Award at the Canadian Prostate Cancer Network annual meeting in Calgary. Dugan is the PCAO's Administrative Director and was once its Executive Director.

Harvey Nuelle heads the PCAO's mentoring group that meets monthly to welcome and brief new members. Nuelle volunteers hundreds of hours each year to working with prostate cancer survivors as well as other cancer groups.

Ron Marsland is the go-to man for the PCAO in recruiting and organizing volunteers for functions across the city.



He, too, assists with mentoring newly diagnosed patients.

The most recent member is Citizen columnist Richard Bercuson, also editor of the PCAO newsletter *The Walnut*. His recent book "Assume the position: One guy's journey through prostate cancer" has become a must-have for prostate cancer patients. Since its publication in April, it has wound its way around North America and met with rave reviews. It has endorsements from *Globe and Mail* health columnist André Picard and former cabinet minister Allan Rock.

The book can be purchased through the web site, [www.richardbercuson.ca](http://www.richardbercuson.ca), or at local bookstores: Coles (Place d'Orléans), Books on Beechwood, Octopus Books, Collected Works, and Chapters Pinecrest. Blackburnians, can purchase it from him at home by dropping Richard an email at: [assumetheposition@richardbercuson.ca](mailto:assumetheposition@richardbercuson.ca).

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shoe boxes filled with anything from children's toys to toiletries, to hats and socks. These boxes go to men, women, children or families in need across the world or across the street.

The parish of Saint Mary the Virgin collects shoeboxes for the Community Ministries of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa, specifically Centre 454 and the Well (both located in Ottawa) for distribution at Christmas dinners.

**What can go in a shoebox?** Socks, mittens, hat, scarf, toothbrush/ toothpaste soap, shampoo, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, shower gel, disposable razors, hair comb or brush, washcloth, mending kit, individual band-aids, shampoo, conditioner, notebook/pen, book . . . (Please do not include sharp objects, items containing alcohol or bus tickets)

Label the outside of the box as male, female, child, or either. The box can be wrapped but needs to be able to be opened easily. A card may be included as well.

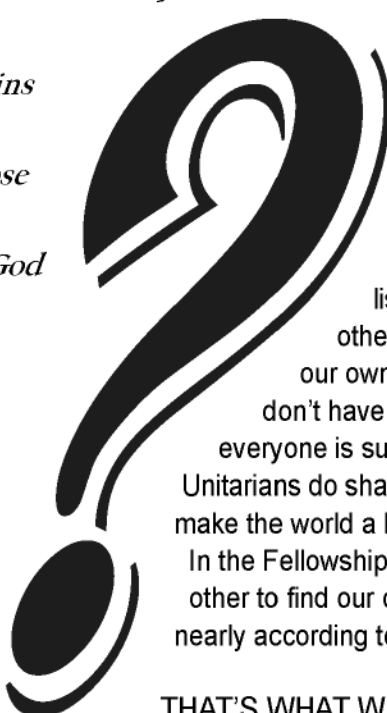
In 2006, people from Blackburn Hamlet and area contributed 117 bags and boxes of gifts. Let's see if we can beat that number this year.

Feel free to contact 613-590-0670 or [smbblackburn@magma.ca](mailto:smbblackburn@magma.ca) for more information and other potential times. Donations of cash or individual items to fill a box are also gratefully accepted. The pickup and drop off location is the St. Mary the Virgin Parish House (2672B Innes Rd) until November 28th.

When people are moved to reach into the lives of others the world becomes a better place. The Christmas Shoebox is the great way for each and every one of us to help those less fortunate in our city.

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# A Big Thank You from *Grandmas AIDing Grandmas*

by Barbara Nolan

**O**n September 5th *Grandmas AIDing Grandmas* held their second annual Iced Tea Social and raised \$1086., money which will go directly (through the Stephen Lewis Foundation) to African grandmothers taking care of their orphaned grandchildren.

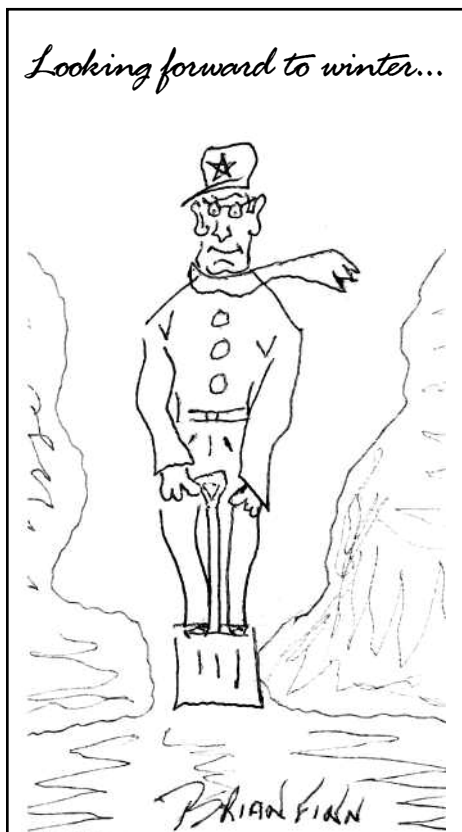
A big thank you to all those residents of Blackburn Hamlet who attended, and were so generous toward this cause. Thank you also to those busy public figures who took time from their hectic schedules to support us, including Marc Godbout, Anne Pallascio, representing her husband Royal Galipeau, Rainer Bloess, and Phil McNeely's personal assistant, Hal. Thank you also to Sarah Cloutier




and Remax for the donation of a hot air balloon ride, won by Mary Ann Murray.

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**Pub Night at the Barley Mow, 10th line and Innes Road, every fourth Sunday.** The next two Pub Nights are October 26th and November 23rd at 6:00 p.m. No Pub night is scheduled for December. Please RSVP to Claire O'Connor, 613-824-1556, by October 22nd and November 19th, respectively.

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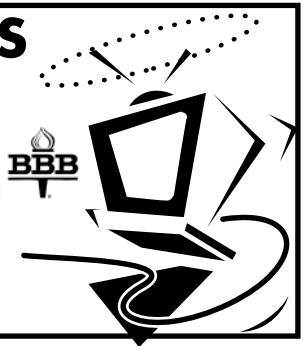
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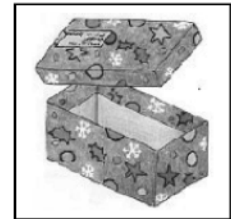
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2<sup>nd</sup> Tues. at 2 pm.....AMICA  
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## November

Sat. 1, 10 am -2 pm	Registration for cross-country skiing lessons (See page 24)
Tues. 4, 7:30 pm	Nooma Nights, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Thurs. 6, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study. All welcome. St. Mary's Parish House
Sat. 8, 9:30-2:30	ACW Craft & Bake Sale, St. Mary's Parish House
Tues. 11, 7:30 pm	Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Thurs. 13, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Tues. 18, 7:30 pm	Nooma Nights, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Thurs. 20, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Sun. 23, 6 pm	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group Pub Night at the Barley Mow, 10 <sup>th</sup> Line & Innes Road (See page 24)
Tues. 25, 7:30 pm	Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Thurs. 27, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Fri. 28, 12 pm	Last day to drop off Christmas Shoeboxes (See page 22 )



## December

Tues. 2, 7:30 pm	Nooma Nights, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Sun. 7, 4 pm	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome.
Thurs. 4, 9:45 am	Advent Carols and Lessons Service. Navan Road Church. 2750 Navan Road
Sun. 7, 6 pm	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group Christmas Pot Luck Dinner. Blackburn Hamlet Community Hall (See page 24)
Tues. 9, 7:30 pm	Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Thurs. 11, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Mon. 15	Deadline for applications for attendants for Blackburn's outdoor rinks (See page 24)
Tues. 16, 7:30 pm	Nooma Nights, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Thurs. 18, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Christmas Services	See service times on the left.

## Upcoming

Thursdays, 9:45 am	Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays	Nooma Nights, St. Mary's Parish House, 7:30 pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays	Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House, 7:30 pm
4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays (not Dec)	Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group Pub Night at the Barley Mow, 10 <sup>th</sup> Line & Innes Rd
Jan. 14	Deadline for Banar submissions. (Delivery starts February 1)
Feb. 14	St. Mary's Silent Auction and Dinner. Louis Riel High School
Feb. 15	BCA Annual General Meeting. Watch February Banar for details of time and place.

**Check out [www.stmarysblackburn.ca](http://www.stmarysblackburn.ca) to learn about:**

**Project Christmas Shoebox:** the giving of a little bit of hope (See also page 22 )

**Nooma Nights:** a new format for getting Christian perspectives on issues you care about

**St. Mary's annual Silent Auction and Dinner:** the perfect Valentine's Day gift!

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