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This Year's Fun Fair: Celebrating the Groovy Spirit of the 60's

by Laura Dudas

The summer of love is about to make a comeback as the Blackburn Hamlet Fun Fair goes retro. The theme for the annual community event will flashback to the swinging 60s this June 5, 6, and 7, as fair goers dig deep into their closets for all things groovy.

"We want people to get into the spirit of the 60s and have fun," says chairperson Jenn Cloutier.

Each year the Fun Fair brings Hamlet residents together for a weekend of rides, food, laughter, and community. This year will be no different with a range of family-friendly activities ranging from carnival midway rides for those with a strong stomach, a pancake breakfast for those with an empty stomach, a parade, and silent auction, to name just a few.

New this year is the Friday evening youth drop-in offering the Hamlet's younger generation a venue with them in mind. Also new this year is that we will be collecting non-parishable items as well as donating the proceeds from the BBQ to the food bank.

On Saturday, the celebration continues as fair goers kick start their day with a pancake breakfast at 8 a.m. hosted by the Optimist Club, before taking in the 10 a.m. parade, followed by a stroll into the arena where tables will be set up for the book sale, crafts, and displays by community groups. Youngsters can exercise off their pancakes in the arena's bouncy castle and giant slide, while grown-ups can place their bid on silent auction items. Outside, the midway

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of it



Fun Fair 2009 *(Cont'd from page 1)*

will be in full swing with rides and games. There will be a dunk tank sponsored by Dan Klein Optical and fresh fruit for sale sponsored by Costco, and run by the Optimist Club. The smell of barbecue will permeate the air as the Enbridge and Loeb sponsored grills are manned by the Sorority Club. All the while, Circus Delight, Mad Science, and live bands will keep the main stage hopping. For those looking to wash all that food down with a cold pint, the beer tent will be open from 2 p.m. until midnight. When the day is done, fireworks sponsored by Lafarge will light up the night sky starting at 9 p.m. or whenever it gets dark.

The fun continues on Sunday with midway and carnival rides starting at 10 a.m.

Volunteers are what make the Fun Fair such a successful endeavour each year, and without them it couldn't happen, says Cloutier. Since the fair is a volunteer-driven event it could always use another pair of helping hands. Anyone wanting to volunteer can e-mail Jenn at jacc@rogers.com.

For a full list of Fun Fair sponsors, or for more details about events and times, visit the Fun Fair website at www.blackburnfunfair.ca.

See page 4 for a list of our Sponsors

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Fun Fair Schedule - June 5th to 7th

FRIDAY

3pm – 10 pm Midway Carnival Rides
www.familyfunfair.ca

FRIDAY EVENING

Youth Drop-in — Stephanie Cesar Young
www.eorc-gloucester.ca/eng/programs/6.php

SATURDAY

8 – 10 am Pancake Breakfast – Optimist Club

10 – 11 am Parade down Bearbrook Road

11 am – 3 pm Silent Auction (Arena)

You must be in attendance at 3 pm for pick-up to win and only allowed to win a bid on one of the same item.

11 am – 4 pm (Arena)

- Blackburn Community Association Memberships (and chance to win TV) will be available for purchase
- Craft tables
- Community Police Identity Station
- Book Sale
- Bouncy Castle
- Giant Slide

11 am – 4 pm Midway, Carnival Rides and Showcase

11 am – 4 pm Dunk Tank sponsored by Dan Klein Optical

11 am – 4 pm Fruit stand sponsored by Costco, run by Optimist Club

11:30 am – 3 pm BBQ sponsored by Enbridge and Loeb, run by the Sorority Club

11 -12 noon Circus delight (Main stage)
www.circus-delights.ca

12 – 1 pm Volunteers recognized and the community cake cutting (Main stage)

1 – 2 pm Mad Science (Main stage)
www.madscience.org/locations/ottawa

2 pm – 12 am Live bands (Main stage) and a beer tent. Featured bands include:

2 – 3 pm Me and My friends – Kenny Whyte

3:15 – 4:15 pm Arms of the girls – S. Elderbrook

4:30 – 5:30 pm The Spiders – R. Elderbrook

5:45 – 6:45 pm Jazz Mutants – David Glover

7 – 8 pm Mike N Marty – Mike Murphy

8 – 8:30 pm The Crosshairs – Sean Murray

8:45 – 12 pm Blackboard Nails – Kevin Wright

4 – 11 pm Midway and Carnival Rides

9 pm (or dark) Fireworks sponsored by Lafarge

SUNDAY

10 am – 4 pm Midway and Carnival Rides

President's Message

This issue of the Banar brings you the schedule for this year's version of the **Fun Fair—the biggest event in our community calendar**. Many thanks to Jenn Cloutier and her team for pulling this all together. It is not a small task. This marks Jenn's third and final year running the Fun Fair and the search is on to finding people to pick up the challenge for next year. If interested, please make sure someone from the committee gets your contact info.

Thanks to all who participated in a successful **Clean-up Day** on April 25th. Barb sweazey and her folks once again led a great effort and the Hamlet looks better as a result.

The **Community Garage Sale** was also a successful (if cool) event. There were several near vehicle accidents observed and drivers as well as our kids should be warned that people driving the streets looking for garage sales are looking sideways – not ahead!

A note on our duties as citizens.

Very few changes are made today at any level without requests for public input. Although some timeframes for comments are tight, we try to post upcoming changes and initiatives on the BCA website and in the Banar as it is important that we involve others when an important issue is being discussed. Recently there have been requests for comments or participation on bus schedules, high school rearrangements, bridges, roads among others. There will be more coming. The BCA tries to present opinions where possible but it is the duty of all of us to keep involved and send in our comments whenever possible. Tough to complain about something we did little to prevent.

Have a great Fun Fair and a great summer!

Roger Smiley

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Visit the BCA website at www.blackburnhamlet.ca for updates on what is happening in Blackburn

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Blackburn Hamlet is known across the region for being a friendly, active and progressive community. Please show your support for the Blackburn Community Association by purchasing your \$10 family membership. The membership fee helps pay for the BANAR and many of the other exciting projects.

- Please contact me as I am interested in volunteering in the community.
- I would like to support the BCA by buying a membership. Included is a \$10 cheque made out to "BCA".

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

BCA memberships will be available for purchase at the Fun Fair on Saturday, June 6th.

More information on the Flat Screen HD Television at the Fair.

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Melody Andrews wins Community Activism Award

Melody Andrews personifies the spirit of youth volunteerism. It is very fitting that she received the City of Ottawa 2009 Civic Appreciation Award for Youth Community Activism.

Melody and her family have lived in Blackburn Hamlet since 1992 on Westpark Drive and attended Good Shepherd Catholic School and then Lester B. Pearson Catholic High School. Her parents, Bernie and Angelie and brother, Mike are very proud of what Melody has accomplished and look forward to seeing what she has planned for the future.

In addition to attending Ottawa University and her volunteer work, Melody is a head guard, instructor and instructor-trainer at three City of Ottawa Pools (Plant Recreation Centre, Splash Wave Pool, and Bob MacQuarrie Recreation Centre). She started a summer position on May 4th with the City of Ottawa in the Planning and Growth Management Department.

Even before she was technically able to volunteer at the Ottawa Public Library, she contacted the Blackburn Hamlet branch about volunteering opportunities. Shortly after her 14th birthday, she was offered a position with Homebound Services delivering library materials to the residents of the Bearbrook Court Seniors Home.

Her enthusiasm, tact, flexibility and empathy made her a natural for the role, and five years later she still continues to visit Bearbrook Court every month providing library services where the residents are very appreciative of Melody's commitment.

Melody also mentored younger students at Pineview Elementary School and Lester B. Pearson High School, volunteered as a sound technician for school performances, made monthly visits to the Laurier Manor Nursing Home, and volunteered at the 2006 Tulip Festival. Melody's volunteer involvement extends beyond Ottawa



Councillor Rainer Bloess was both pleased and proud to present the Youth Community Activism Award to Melody Andrews of Blackburn Hamlet.

to the village of Cambita in the Dominican Republic. In 2006, Melody volunteered at the village's nursery, pharmacy and elementary school, worked with developmentally disabled students, and helped with crop irrigation on a local farm.

Melody has just completed her third year in Geology at the University of Ottawa and is President of the University of Ottawa Student Chapter of the Society of Economic Geologists.

The 2009 Civic Appreciation Awards Recipients include: Joan Schrier, Betty Prophet, Michael More, Mélissa Brunet, Alice Campbell, Tanya Smith, Gary Kyer, Charles Chamberlain, Wayne Roddick, Michael Ashman, Claudio Escobar, Jenniferann Heward-Eastham, Bob Gowan, Nicole Dunn, Khadija Haffajee, Alain Vachon, Elaina Martin, Melody Andrews. (www.ottawa.ca/residents/volunteerservices/civic_appreciation/award_recipients_2009_en.html)

Help stop graffiti in our community

By Laura Dudas

A tough stance on graffiti at City Hall can leave homeowners on the hook for cleaning up cases of vandalism on their property.

The city's Graffiti Management Plan adopted in 2008 has cracked down on the vandals responsible for the unsightly tagging, but it's also holding individual citizens accountable if they don't remove graffiti from their properties in a timely fashion.

Enforcement officers are able to issue written warnings to property owners who don't keep their properties graffiti-free. If the graffiti isn't removed within a specified period of time, the city can hire contractors to remove the mess with the cost of the clean up charged to the property owner through the municipal tax roll.

Leslie Vanclief, a program manager with the city, says about 95% of the recipients given notices under the bylaw voluntarily comply with the

Homeowners are on the hook for cleaning up cases of vandalism on their property.

graffiti removal request. She says it clearly demonstrates the success of the program.

Incidents of graffiti have been on the rise in the city over the past five years. In 2007, 26,347 pieces of graffiti were removed from city property. In 2008, there were 39,471 pieces of graffiti removed.

Vanclief notes that the jump in graffiti incidents in 2008 was in part

due to a two-month citywide blitz targeting these type of vandalism.


The city adopted a comprehensive, multifaceted approach to targeting this type of vandalism focusing on the Four E's—enforcement, empowerment, eradication and education.

"The enhanced graffiti management strategy was implemented in 2008. However, it is too soon to be certain of the success of the recent enhancements," she says.

The city is encouraging residents to report graffiti located on all property by calling 311, or online at ottawa.ca/graffiti.

Tips on graffiti removal for citizens can be found on the city's website at: http://ottawa.ca/residents/environment/community/graffiti/graffiti_remove_en.html.

Graffiti placed on public or private property is vandalism and subject to fines and charges.



Person in photo for illustrative purposes only

Under the Parental Responsibility Act, parents are financially responsible for property loss, damage or destruction intentionally caused by their children.

- 1) Call police if there is a crime in process 613-230-6211.
- 2) Crime Stoppers pay tips for information received that identifies those doing graffiti. Call 613-233-TIPS (8477), send anonymous tips or visit www.crimestoppers.ca to learn more or to send in a tip.
- 3) Make note of what you see or hear and pass it on to the city by calling 311 for clean-up on public property.

It's time for action on Lansdowne Park

by Rainer Bloess

Much has been made lately of Council's approval in principle of the *Lansdowne Live* proposal. I do sympathize with those individuals who, like Councillor Doucet, would have preferred a call for proposals and a subsequent lengthy evaluation process for this site. For most of us, while we would have preferred an unlimited visioning exercise, our reality is that we need to reverse the financial drain and turn Lansdowne Park into an asset. I chose to support the proposal because I truly believe that the deterioration of the park has reached the point where urgent and decisive action is required, especially given the fact that nearly \$4 million a year is currently being spent just to maintain the site in its dilapidated state. We simply cannot afford to waste any more time or taxpayer dollars on Lansdowne Park (or on a costly talent/design search) in our current economic climate.

It is important to remember that City Council members have received (and continue to receive) a great deal of feedback to date on this issue which has a longstanding, contentious local history. Many may remember the last go-around for this site when the politics of the day avoided making serious decisions, and the promise that it was not going to cost the taxpayer one cent. Ten years later, we know this was a political fallacy and the tally continues to climb with nothing to show for it other than a partial stadium and a deteriorating arena and decrepit parking lot.

The fact that seems to be overlooked by critics is that council directed certain conditions based on public input be included in any negotiations on Lansdowne Park, i.e., "more green space, pedestrian linkages to the Rideau Canal, enhanced Trade and Consumer Show space, and public spaces designed to support community initiatives like the Ottawa Farmers Market and festivals." In addition, strict guidelines have been included: no housing component or large commercial buildings can be included, the City must approve the design, a substantial portion of the area must be reserved for public open spaces etc. etc.

The entire project is now subject to a 60-day negotiation phase that will include a comprehensive public consultation process prior to a final decision by City Council. The objective is to have a community development that will generate tax revenue.

Ottawa is fortunate to have a group of accomplished, community-minded, local entrepreneurs willing to meet a whole host of conditions in order to get this project moving. I am confident that we can harness their

enthusiasm and benefit from their experience and creativity to mould and adapt this flexible proposal into a finished product that our City can be proud of—at a cost we can afford.

Just as our City is blessed with local talent and community pride, locally here in the Hamlet our sense of, and concern for, community remains strong. Kudos to all of those who participated in this year's Spring Cleaning the Capital blitz. As always, our area was well represented among the more than 66,000 participants city-wide who generously took on over a thousand projects to spruce up Ottawa neighbourhoods in time for the warm weather.

Congratulations as well to our own nominees and winners of the **2009 City of Ottawa Civic Appreciation Awards**. I was both pleased and proud to be on hand this year to present the Youth Community Activism Award to **Melody Andrews** and Citizen of the Year – Youth Award to **Mélissa Brunet** and to applaud the nominations of **Jeff Courtice**, **Michael Turtle** and **Gilles Julien**. It is the efforts of volunteers such as these that help to keep our community vibrant.



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Spring Clean-up a Success

by Barb Sweazey

Despite the prediction of cold temperatures and the threatening rain clouds, the eighth annual Blackburn Hamlet Community Clean-up, held on April 18, was a success. Approximately 125 participants came out to help with the community spring cleaning. In addition to our brigade of litter elimination squads and graffiti-removal teams, many Blackburn Hamlet residents also participated in this year's event by dropping off used household batteries. While we could not get an accurate measurement of all the batteries collected, my guess would be about 200 lbs (judging from the way Rainer Bloess' van sank when we loaded up the batteries en route to the City recycling program)!

This event, supported by the Blackburn Community Association, is always a success each year because of the many dedicated volunteers that help out so generously. This year, many thanks goes out to Corinne Campbell, Paula Rosenquist, Lynn Leduc and BBQ team, Laura Czekaj, Mary and Bill Smith, Ken McEwen and his gang of helpers, Roger Smiley, Helen Rousseau, and many others. Shelley White, one of the owners of the Blackburn Hamlet Tim Horton's, provided complimentary coffee and donuts. Additional support came from Councilor Rainer Bloess and his staff, who provided door prizes for participants and arranged for the disposal of the collected batteries. Thanks to each and every one of you who took the time to help clean up the Hamlet this spring. It is great to see your faces each year, as we show our pride in our great neighbourhood.



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Blackburn historian dies in her 100th year

by Lois Kemp

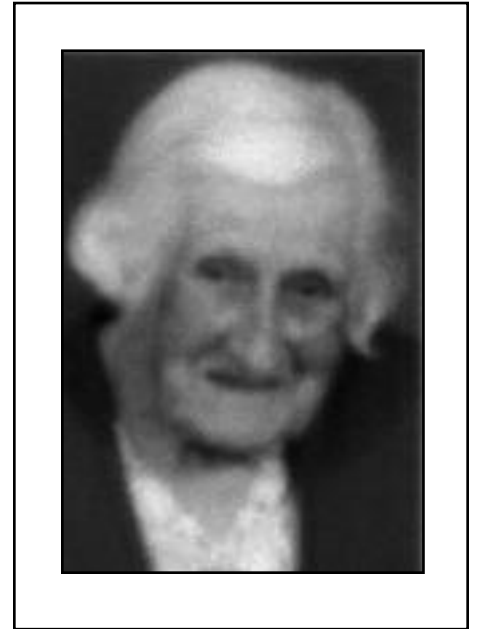
Annie Elliott died peacefully on Wednesday, May 13 in her 100th year at Blackburn Lodge. Christened Anna Ormond, she was born and raised on a farm on the Cyrville Road in the Glen Ogilvie community. She and her husband, Hazelwood Elliott, moved to Blackburn across from the St. Mary's Virgin Church in 1946 and raised four sons, William, Ormand, Ronald and Robert. When the farm was expropriated by the NCC in 1959 Annie moved to Innes Road near Bearbrook and later to Wedgewood Crescent.

Annie was an active as well as an outspoken member of the Gloucester Historical Society, Glen Ogilvie Women's Institute, Eastview United Church (later called the Eastbrook

United Church), Emmanuel United Church and the Blackburn Community Club. She also served as secretary on the Blackburn school board for 12 years.

In 1967 the Blackburn and Glen Ogilvie communities organized a July 1st Centennial celebration. Invitations were extended to the many families who had left the community due to expropriation as well as the new families that were arriving that year into the new Blackburn Hamlet.

To preserve the history of Blackburn and Glen Ogilvie, Annie compiled a vast collection of accurate and well documented articles for the *Blackburn ---Glen Ogilvie Centennial History--- 1867-1967*. The "little Blackburn book" tells the history of the communities, the first settlers and has many



entertaining and interesting stories of local history. It is available at the Blackburn Library. What a wonderful legacy that Annie has handed down to us. Thank you Annie.

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by Ria Ralph, a local boomer

You've done the countdown—months, days, hours, and finally the moment you've been longing for has arrived! Retirement! That brings with it an amazing freedom, but also some apprehension and questions. You are still young—at your prime, in fact—and a highly skilled and competent person in your field. Many emotions and questions start formulating as the excitement and retirement parties subside. What now? Retire and rewire with LinkingBoomers.com, a new Ottawa community web site developed for boomers asking the “what now?” question. Linking Boomers.com brings together all lifestyle aspects to help you make the transition from a valued career to your retirement which will continue to be rewarding and exciting, in a different way.

LinkingBoomers.com is free and easy-to-use with four facets: Events, Work, Volunteer, and Coupons and brings to one site all of the activities found in so many community papers, publications, and other media. Activities are posted free of charge by organizations. You click on the EVENTS calendar and plan your week.

Thinking of supplementing your income with part time work? Click on the WORK tab to access flexible jobs in your field of interest or expertise. Your experience is still an extremely valuable asset and with 14 million Canadian boomers making the transition into retirement, there will be a serious lack of experienced people in the workforce. LinkingBoomers.com will be a tool

used by businesses to find that dependable, experienced part time employee to fill a niche – you! They can use this site to post jobs free of charge for you to access.

Volunteer opportunities are endless and motivated volunteers are the life blood of every aspect of our community today. Your skills are desperately needed in community organizations serving schools, hospitals, nursing

homes, new Canadians, etc. Who can deny that the giving of your time for a worthy cause is rewarding, interesting, and fun? New doors open, new friends are met, and our community becomes stronger. Just click on VOLUNTEER to see the available positions.

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Shenkman Arts Centre brings art to life with a weekend of grand opening festivities

June 18 to 21 marks the much-anticipated opening of Shenkman Arts Centre with a four-day celebration. An inaugural ceremony and bilingual showcase will kick off the event on Thursday, June 18th. Presentations of renowned Canadian performers will continue in Harold Shenkman Hall throughout the weekend, with Juno-winning artists on Friday night, a French variety performance on Saturday night, and a bilingual Family Showcase on Sunday.

A festive Open House will take place Saturday and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. featuring activities in all arts disciplines. The fun takes place both indoors and outside through the weekend, and features exhibits by over 40 visual artists, more than 45 performances, demonstrations and participatory activities in both the visual and performing arts, local new media artist screenings, readings by local authors, a Taste of Orléans, a showcase of local restaurateurs and an artisans' market.

Complete details of the grand opening will appear on the Shenkman Arts Centre website at www.shenkmanarts.ca

About the Shenkman Arts Centre

Shenkman Arts Centre is a dynamic creative hub where artists and audiences of all ages gather to create and explore the arts in both English and French. The Centre will ensure artists are given the forum they need to nurture creativity and audiences are given access to dynamic and thought-provoking arts programming in a facility that matches creative excellence.

The Centre features the 500-seat Harold Shenkman Hall, 100-seat Black Box Theatre, the Trinity Galleries, Promenade Artest, and the Ottawa School of Art – Orléans Gallery. It is also home to Arts Ottawa East, Gloucester Pottery School, MIFO (Mouvement d'Implication francophone d'Orléans), Orléans Young Players Theatre School and the Ottawa School of Art – Orléans Campus, providing artistic programming and services in a unique model of collaboration.

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The St. Cecilia Singers will return to the Good Shepherd Church, 3092 Innes Road in Blackburn Hamlet on Monday evening June 1st at 8:00 pm to sing some of the great choral music of JS Bach, Johannes Brahms and Felix Mendelssohn.

The choir sang at the Good Shepherd Church last December and again this March. Numbering 20 members, the choir usually sings unaccompanied

(a cappella). This allows the rich choral sounds to emerge more clearly.

Robert Brunelle, a tenor in the choir, has been a choir member for two years now. He enjoys the vocal challenge of singing glorious music.

Felix Mendelssohn was born in 1809, exactly two hundred years ago! What a great opportunity to celebrate this bi-centennial and to hear some wonderful music!

Everyone is invited to come out to hear the concert. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and students, and will be available at the door and at Leading Note Music in Ottawa. For more information, phone 613-836-5295.

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par Viviane Côté-Maxwell

Cet hiver notre club a permis à une centaine de jeunes de participer dans les concours Essai Littéraire, Art Oratoire, Art de s'Exprimer et Opti-maths. Lors des concours oratoires, en présence de notre gouverneur, Diane Charlebois, nous avons écouté l'essai de notre gagnant: **Waiis Youssouf** sur le thème; ' Le pouvoir de la jeunesse'. À la fin du concours, les gagnants de l'art oratoire: 'À mes yeux l'optimisme c'est...' furent chez les filles: **Natasha Cloutier** et chez les garçons: **Zachary Paquette** de l'École secondaire publique Louis-Riel. Les gagnants de l'art de s'exprimer 'Sur mon chemin je trouverai furent...'chez les filles: **Sabrina Aboud-Lapierre** et chez les garçons: **Paul vanAanhout**. Les gagnants du



le gagnant de Essai Littéraire Waiis Youssouf avec la gouverneur Diane Charlebois et un juge Gilles Julien.

concours opti-maths furent: en 5e : **Talia Deslauriers** et **Kiana Lavigne** et en 6e **Stephen Harrigan** et **Jacob Paquette** tous de l'école Sainte-Marie. Tous se sont présenté au concours de la zone le 18 avril.

Félicitations à tous les gagnants et les participants. L'importance est de participer. Merci aussi aux professeurs qui les ont épaulés: Évelyne Guibord, Claude Hussenet et Alain Dubuc.

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Blackburn and Orleans studios feature local artists

The Science of Art

Scientists and artists are thought to have totally different personalities as well as training but the Blackburn Hamlet artists in this year's Orleans Studio Tour on June 20 to the 21st straddle life between the world of science and the world of art.

This is the third year for the Orleans Studio Tour and participation has increased to four studios in the Hamlet with six artists. Show your support by visiting their studios 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. during the tour.

The first artist/scientist is **Edna Lemyre**, a long-time Blackburn resident who started out combining art and science by working as a Technical Illustrator. She has been totally consumed by art since her children have grown and she went back to school for her Visual Arts Degree at the University of Ottawa. Visit her studio at 28 Bearbrook Road during the tour to see her whimsical mixed media art.

Joyce Buckley, whose studio is at 12 Silver Aspen, moved from the business world as a legal secretary and business owner to the art world after the encouragement of her artist-daughter and has not looked back. She uses good business sense in her artistic endeavors and is better organized than most artists.

Beata and Zygmunt Jakubec, welcome you to their home studio at 2428 Cleroux Cr. to see Beata's mixed media floral paintings and

Zygmunt's amazing artistic photographs. Both are scientists; Beata is a biochemist and Zygmunt has his Ph.D. in Physics. Both were discouraged from pursuing art by their parents but now use the sciences of chemistry and physics in the pursuit of their art.

William Hulme compromised his desire to be a starving artist and his engineer-father's practical desire that his son be able to support himself by studying architecture at McGill. Bill's partner, **Sharon McKenna**, is a Kinesiologist and had a career teaching high school physical education before entering the art world. Visit them at 9 Diceman crescent.

The Blackburn Hamlet group of artist-scientists or scientific artists, along with many others in Orleans, invite you to visit their home studio-galleries during the Orleans Studio Tour. See how they view the world

differently from the non-artists among us. For more information on the June 20-21 tour and to see the brochure and map of studios, visit www.orleansstudiotour.org.

Bonus Art Studio

Also open on Sunday, June 21st from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. will be Arlette Francière's studio at 34 Woodview Crescent.

Arlette does watercolours, acrylics, and oils in the Expressionist tradition, with the main focus on landscape painting.

View forty of her paintings at www.arlettefranciere.com or call and make an appointment to come at your convenience. Her telephone number is 613-845-0670.

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Nous avons ensuite reçu le Jeannettes à notre reunion qui comportait 4 stations: les noeuds, les codes, les signes de piste à l'extérieur et les sketches.

Lors du Casino avec les pères, onze papas étaient presents et se sont bien amusés avec des jeux de cartes, de codes, de poches de darts et de chevaux. Notre camp de printemps sera à Aventure Lafèche où nous dormirons dans la caverne après le circuit du sommet.

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To everyone that attended The Wholesale Outlet's May Fashion Show in support of breast cancer and to those who participated by volunteering their time —A BIG THANK YOU. The show was a great success, everyone had fun and a cheque was sent to the Cancer Society for \$1,000. The local gals, most from Blackburn, brought a fresh and fun atmosphere to the event. A number of prizes were handed out at the show. The prize winners included: Donna Jokin (golf package for 2, plus use of a golf cart at the Anderson Links Golf Club), Maureen Morris (FDJ French Dressing jeans) and Evelyn Budd (Winding River sweater).

There were also many jewellery items given away including lovely crystal bracelets from FDJ French Dressing for everyone in attendance, fashion sun glasses and jewelry.

Watch the Banar for the date of the Fall Fashion Show in October. The Wholesale Outlet is located at 1877 Innes Road.



Models of the May Fashion Show in support of breast cancer pictured from left to right were Manya McCauley, Denise Bond, Linda Henderson, Anne Leger, Karen Frenette, Jackie Carnegie, and our Fashion Show Co-ordinator, Lise Butters.

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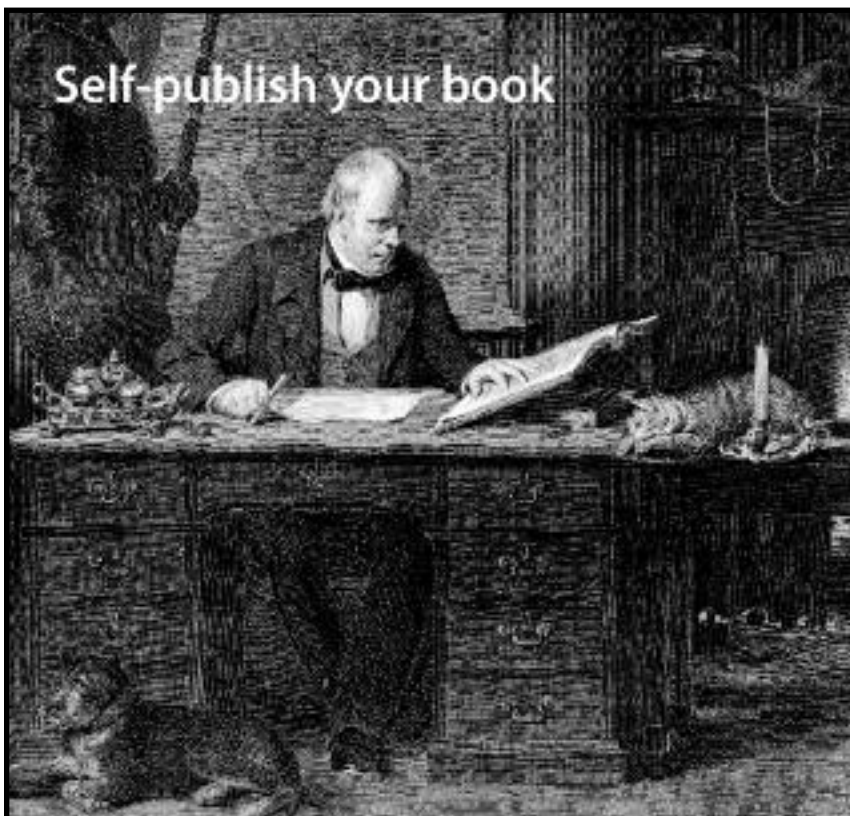
by Barb Sweazey

During the week of May 11-15, Glen Ogilvie Public School put the spotlight on reading. Working with Kiwanis Club of Ottawa Literacy Project, this year's Read-A-Thon theme at Glen Ogilvie was "Submerge Yourself in Reading". Throughout the week, students tracked the number of hours that they read, and for every hour they were given a tile to place on the Reading Submarine we built in the school library. In all, more than 1,500 hours of reading were completed by the students over the five-day period. To celebrate their accomplishments, the school staff dressed up in underwater gear for a day — they looked great in their flippers!

To launch the Read-a-thon, Ms. Iris Winston, author of seven books including "A Visit from the Tooth Fairy", shared her stories at a school-wide assembly held on May 11. Later in the week, more than 100 families participated in Family Story Time held on the evening of May 13 in the school library. Dressed



in pajamas, children and their parents came to listen to watery stories told by "Pirate" Kevin Adair and Ottawa storyteller Sheri Yazdani. All in all, the students and staff at Glen Ogilvie read their way to success during the Read-a-thon. Congratulations!



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In addition to being a Physiotherapist, Karen has also practiced as a Kinesiologist, creating and providing individualized exercise rehabilitation programs for individuals recovering from car accidents, and work and sports injuries. As such, she brings her knowledge, experi-

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Family Storytimes take place Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays 1:30.a.m. Please register by calling 613-824-6926.

Be sure to stop by this summer to get more info on the Summer Reading Club and upcoming children's summer program's

Blackburn Branch Summer Hours

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Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Ottawa Public Library are now in charge of the "Mille Feuilles Booksale" and appreciate your donations of items in good condition. Textbooks and books older than 5 years do not sell well. Please leave donations with library staff. The external drop box is for library returns only.

The next meeting of the Blackburn Hamlet Library's Friends of the Ottawa Public Library (FOPLA) will tentatively be held in the library meeting room on Tuesday, June 9th at 11:00am. We encourage anyone interested in volunteer work with the Branch to join us."

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The festivities will be held on June 21st (Father's Day) with two seatings (2 pm or 3 pm). Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. These are available at the Parish House 2672 Innes Rd (Beside Mac's) or by calling 613-590-0677 or Garth Hampson at 613-824-2350. See you there!

Seniors Tea

On Thursday May 7, St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church held a tea for seniors from the community. Many gathered in the Parish House, 2672B Innes Rd. (next to Mac's) at 2 pm. Our guests enjoyed lively conversation over coffee, tea, sandwiches and dainties. It was splendid to meet with dear friends and exciting to meet new people. The tea was such a success that another is planned, at the request of those who attended. Do come and join us on Thursday June 4 at 2 pm for our next Seniors Tea. Call 613-590-0677 for more information or if you would like a ride.

Bereaved Families of Ontario

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Help for Child Care Providers

Child care providers in Blackburn might not be aware of the Child Care Providers Resource Network (CCPRN) and how it can help them. The organization plans monthly events in Blackburn and often gets together for playdates.

This group also gives caregivers an opportunity to talk with peers in the child care business.

One of the highlights of the Blackburn Network was the Winter Fun Day at the Bearbrook Park on February 4th.

Watch for more information on this community resource. Trisha Cloutier is Blackburn's network leader for the organization and can be contacted by phone at 613-424-3020 or by email at trishandcharlie@rogers.com

Gloucester Women's Competitive Volleyball

The Gloucester Women's Competitive Volleyball League (GWCVL) is looking for new players to join our four team competitive women's volleyball league. The season runs from October to the end of April on Wednesday evenings at Emily Carr Middle School. Contact Marg Walters at 613-830-8887 for more information.

Greater Orleans Canada Day Celebration

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The Canada Day Club is a way for the average east-end resident to get involved with the Greater Orleans Canada Day Celebration while enjoying the benefits of a preferred parking space, complimentary food and beverage tickets and recognition of your contribution on site, all for a minimum contribution of \$100.

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Blackburn Hamlet 50+ Group — Mark your Calendars!

CARDS/GAMES NIGHT – Thursday, May 21 at the Blackburn Hamlet Community Centre at 7:30 p.m. Bring your own munchies and soft drinks. We will have helpers available for those who are interested in learning new card games or other table games. Please feel free to bring a game you think the group might enjoy. We will resume our games night in September – watch for the schedule in the next Banar. For more information or if you require a ride, please call Sarah Cloutier at 613-841-4114.

POT LUCK DINNER – Sunday May 31st – Blackburn Hamlet Community Centre. Bring one of your favourite dishes to share and your own beverage (other than Tea and coffee which are provided). For further information, please call Shirley Haggarty at 613-824-4664.

MEDIEVAL FESTIVAL & KINGS DINNER – Upper Canada Village. Saturday June 13th. Reservations are required. Only 180 tickets available. The cost is \$68.25/each and must be paid when making your reservation. The Fifty Plus Group will meet at the Blackburn Hamlet Community Centre in the morning and car pool to Upper Canada Village. For more info please go

to www.medievalfestival.ca or call 1-800-437-2233. Please call Sarah Cloutier at 613-841-4114 if you plan to attend and wish to car pool.

PUB NIGHT – The Blackburn Hamlet Fifty Plus Group meets the Fourth Sunday of every month at the Barley Mow Pub on Tenth Line Road (On the West Side of Tenth Line, Just South of Innes Road). Time: 6:00 PM. RSV PLEASE to Valerie White at 613-837-1083 if you wish to attend or require further information.

Next planning meeting (everyone welcome) – We meet on the third Wednesday of each month except for July, August and December at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Hall on Glen Park Drive.

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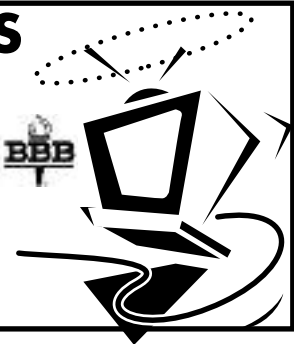
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Blackburn Art Group	Dwain Sykes613-745-6193
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Blackburn Community Hall613-841-7396
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Blackburn Scouting Group	Yola Tannous613-841-3033
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Football	Ray Hartley613-769-0458
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*Blackburn Community Centre
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Contact:

613-590-0677
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Programs

- Sunday School Program
- Computer, Cell Phone and Ink Cartridge Recycling
- Bible Study, 10 am Thursdays
- Knitting and Craft Club, 7 pm, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays
- Outreach—local and global

Worship Services

Sunday

8:30 am Navan Road Church
2750 Navan Rd.
10 am Louis Riel High School
1655 Bearbrook Rd

St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church, 2750 Navan Rd, celebrates 130 years this September. Join us throughout the year as we celebrate this community landmark.

June

Mon. 1, 8 pm
Thursdays, 10 am
Thurs. 4, 2 pm
Fri.-Sun 5-7
Tues. 9 & 23, 7 pm
Thurs.-Sat. 11-13
Sat. 13
Wed. 17
Thurs-Mon. 18-21
Sat.-Sun. 20-21
June 21, 2 & 3 pm
Sun. 28, 6 am

St. Cecilia Singers Concert. Good Shepherd Church (See page 15)
Morning Bible Study, St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Seniors Tea, St. Mary's Parish House. Call 590-0677 for info or a ride
Blackburn Fun Fair (See pages 1 & 2)
Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Les Chansonnières: "El c'est pas fini"
Blackburn 50+ Group Medieval Festival & Kings Dinner (See page 25)
Blackburn 50+ Group (See page 25)
Sheniman Arts Centre Grand Opening (See page 14)
Orca's Studio Tour (See page 17)
Strawberry Social, Blackburn Community Centre. Call 590-0677 for tickets
Blackburn 50+ Group meets at the Bailey Mow Pub (See page 25)

July / August

July 14 & 28, 7 pm
Aug. 11 & 25, 7 pm

Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
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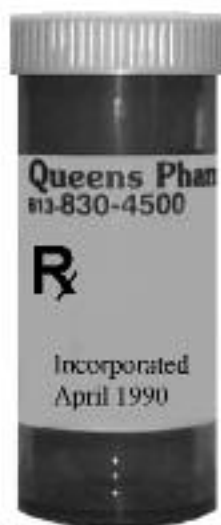
Summer Seniors Teas - Call the Parish House for dates!
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Upcoming

September 13
2nd and 4th Tues.
3rd Wed
4th Sun.

St. Mary's Annual Memorial Service 2 pm at the Navan Road Church
Knit & Craft Night at St. Mary's Parish House. All welcome
Blackburn 50+ Group
Blackburn 50+ Group Pub Night at the Bailey Mow Pub

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