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## NEIGHBOURHOOD

- Lyn Fleming

Long time Amherst Island resident, Elsie Densem, passed away recently, and I believe she was in her 100th year. Mrs. Densem lived at the Head of the Island until the last couple of years when she moved to a retirement home, in Amherstview. Days later, her son-in-law, Peter Moes, who also lived for many years on Amherst Island, passed away as well. Our condolences to their family and friends.

Get Well wishes this month to Bonnie Baker, Leah Murray, and Fay Wemp who are recovering from recent surgeries. Get well wishes also to Phil Silver.

Lots of new grandchildren have arrived the last couple of months. Belated congratulations to Harold and Irna Redekopp, on the birth of their first grandson. James was born in early April, to their son Thomas and his wife Cathy Wong in Boston.

Belated congratulations also to Peter and Susanne Wemp following the birth of their first grandchild, born on April 27th. Granddaughter Carmyn, was born to (daughter) Lindsay and Mackenzie Larwill. A new great-granddaughter for Madlyn Kerr.

Gary and Susan Filson welcomed another granddaughter to the family on June 16th. Gracie Susan Grange was born to (son), Derek and Eva. Gracie is a new sister for Tristan and Taylor and a cousin for Emma. Another great-granddaughter for Harry and Barb Filson.

Congratulations to this years graduates.

Moving up and on at A.I.P.S. are - from Kindergarten, to school every day, are; Megan Ashley, Stephan McGinn, Barry Richmond, Quentin Scott and Rebecca Scott.

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## *AIPS Class of 2007*



PHOTO BY BRIAN LITTLE

*DANIELLE WOLFREYS, BEN WHITTON, BROOKE REID, KATELYN AITKENHEAD AND SENIOR TEACHER JOCELYN JARDINE.*



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Leaving their A.I.P.S. years behind for high school are; Katelyn Aitkenhead (NDSS), Brooke Reid (NDSS), Ben Whitton (NDSS) and Danielle Wolfreys (ESS).

High school grads this year are Will Reed, Justin Hutchings and Laurel Brady.

Alison McDonald graduated from Otawa U.

Congratulations to all!! (Apologies to anyone I may have missed.)

Peter and Joyce Morgan spent 6 weeks in England with family and friends, and fit in a 2 week cruise in Europe as well.

Alison McDonald (& friend) backpacked around Europe for a couple of weeks, ending up in England to visit family and friends.

Harry and Barb Filson and family send warmest wishes to avid Beacon readers, Maurice and Shirley Filson, in Regina, as they celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. (Best wishes from the Fleming clan as well!).

A large crowd came out to show their support (financially and in spirit) to Will Adam, who was taking a much deserved break on the Island, from his cross country bicycle ride across Canada.

Hopefully the support shown will make the next leg of his trip a little more comfortable and also let him know that he has a large support base on the Island, cheering him on!

Summer has arrived on the Island with lots of heat and humidity and we are already getting a bit desperate for a good rainfall, although none is forecast for another week or so. Island farmers are into haying and are torn between hoping the rain waits till haying is done and hoping for much needed rain for other crops, ponds etc.

The school kids are done for another year (finishing off with the annual - much anticipated - students vs staff water fight), the bus is out of the yard for a couple of months, the summer people have arrived and Amherst Island settles into the lazy (?) days of summer!

## **WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

- Joyce Reid

Fourteen members attended the meeting at the home of Nancy Dunn, presided by Jackie Sylvester.

A presentation of teas was given by Kaoru Miller, owner of CHA CHA TEA on Bath Road. She was attractively dressed in Oriental costume. Samples of tea were described as we were able to taste brewed green tea, Oolong and a black tea. The black tea was infused in a glass teapot from a small compressed ball that expanded and opened into a flower. Her shop carries over 100 varieties of tea as well as teapots and other related items. Upon closing, Kaoru gave us each an attractive gift of tea samples.

The business of the meeting started with The Ode, Collect and O Canada. We were all glad to see Mary Kay Steel, Past President following her hip surgery and looking well.

Standing Committee reports were given. The new Island Directories will be ready for sale beginning Canada Day weekend.

A motion was passed to purchase 2000 biodegradable bags for household compost. These will be for sale by the Women's Institute at a reasonable cost, and are available now.

Murray Beckel, Township Planner, says a budget has been approved for a tree study in the township. Troy Buchanan, Maintenance Supervisor, is going to obtain a list of recommended trees for planting and has offered to find a municipal space for a Memorial Tree on the Island.

Next meeting is July 18 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church Hall at 7 p.m. The program is TAI CHI.

Meeting adjourned with the Grace and God Save the Queen.

Fresh strawberries, with all the trimmings, were served by hostesses Leslie Gavlas and Sharen English - much enjoyed by all.

## **HERE & THERE**

-Ian Murray

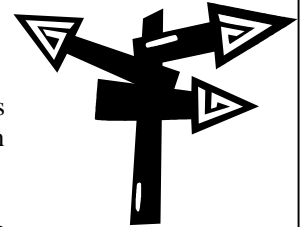
Garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) is a remarkable plant. It is the first green leaf I see in the spring and last green leaf in the fall. It is spreading almost everywhere that our sheep don't graze or where it is cut down by lawn mowing or by machinery. A recent report for the Nature Conservancy of Canada refers to garlic mustard as "the most serious threat to natural habitats and their biodiversity"

It grows quickly, produces lots of seeds and is not easy to get rid of.

The latest information is that it can inhibit the growth of many trees by interfering with the mycorrhizal fungi that live in a cooperative manner with soil fungi that colonize some tree roots and help with nutrient uptake.

Valuable and slow growing trees such as sugar maple and black cherry can suffer growth reductions up to 75 per cent.

Garlic mustard is quite a good salad green - that's why our ancestors imported it. Some weevil species are being studied in quarantine now to see if they will attack garlic mustard without causing other problems.



**MOES, PETER CHRISTIAAN.**

Born in Bussum, The Netherlands, September 9, 1928, he died in Toronto of pancreatic cancer June 18, 2007. Peter came to Canada in 1947, graduated from McMaster University, and became the first professor of French at Scarborough College, University of Toronto.

After retiring, he lived on Amherst Island, continuing to spend his summers at the family cottage in Temagami.

He is survived by his wife Joan, children Christopher (Lise), Elizabeth and Jessica (Paul), and grandchildren Oliver, Maxine, Saskia and Anya.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Peter Moes Prize in French at the Office of Advancement, University of Toronto, Scarborough, 1265 Military Trail, Toronto, ON M1C 1A4 (1-800-463-6048).

**DENSEM, ELSIE IRENE CREECH.**

Born September 20th 1907 in Daysland, Alberta, died June 16th, 2007 in Amherstview, Ontario – in her 100th year!

Elsie attended University College, University of Toronto and then married Charles Densem (organist, choirmaster and Toronto City Hall clerk) in 1928.

She pursued a career as a seamstress to her friends in Toronto until 1957 when she and 'Denny' retired to Amherst Island. There, Elsie began a new career as a sheep farmer until 1970.

She was predeceased by her husband in 1981.

Her devoted son-in-law, Peter Moes, died two days after she did, on June 18, 2007.

Elsie is survived by her daughter Joan, grandchildren Christopher (Lise), Elizabeth and Jessica (Paul), and great-grandchildren Oliver, Maxine, Saskia and Anya.

There will be a service of interment on Amherst Island at the municipal cemetery near St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on July 7 at 11:00 a.m.

**MEMORIES**

- Liz Moes

If you would like to help us honour Elsie Densem and/or Peter Moes, I have a request for you. I am planning to make a scrapbook of memories about my father and grandmother. If you have any pictures, could you please send them digitally so we can put them into our slide show (and we will print them for the album)? If you have a special memory, or eulogy, drawing or poem, would you please write it down and bring it or send it to me?

I will take everything and make a memory book – a biography for each of two very special people! It will be a treasured archive for our family and we could publish copies for you to enjoy, too. Please send your contribution to:

Email -- [june1957@rogers.com](mailto:june1957@rogers.com), or

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**ELSIE – NEIGHBOUR & FRIEND**

- Sally Bowen & Mary Kay Steel

Elsie Densem enjoyed life. She was so interested in clothes, high fashion, and quality fabrics, in books and ideas, in antiques, in cats, and especially in people.

For years, a group of friends dubbed the "Sewing Circle" gathered weekly for the pleasure of her company, and visitors were gladly urged to take home beautiful items of clothing (which she'd collected and hoarded for years) and books, with the special Elsie cat bookplate. She never seemed to mind that raccoons and other critters regularly came into her home for a visit, through the "cat door". Her special "Tiger's Milk" blender drink was a tradition for years; it kept her in good health. Doctors were amazed that at age 99 she took no medications other than half a heart pill, when she remembered.

She could always rescue Sally with last minute urgent Hal- lowe'en costume needs, from the cornucopia of goodies in her home. She was always keen to help us with sewing or handiwork skills, and took pride in quality work. More importantly, she taught by example how to age with courtesy, with humour, with vivid pleasure in the moment.

Somehow she achieved that rare balance of quiet self-sufficiency (with a cat on her lap, a book in her hand, and her plants, untamed around her) always with a deep interest in people and their world. She had a marvelous quality that made you feel she was a kindly sister, your mother and your friend, all at the same time.

She was greatly respected and loved, and will be sorely missed.



*ELSIE DENSEM*

PHOTO PROVIDED BY SHIRLEY MILLER

## JANET'S JOTTINGS

- Janet Scott

Yes Virginia, it is a Snow Goose!

Since mid June a rather exiting visitor has been hanging out with his cousins on the South Shore. Usually by this time of year Snow Geese would be happily nesting in the Arctic not sunning on Amherst Island. Who knows why this bird is here?

He's not saying. I have taken to calling him a he but as both sexes look identical, I really don't know. He is an adult as he shows all white feathers with black wing tips, pink legs and beak. He appeared at first on Saturday, June 9th in the morning at Ted Welbanks' farm. The night before, we had had a rather violent Thunder storm blowing around the lake so maybe he got tired and blew in for a rest. Like many visitors, he found the Island a good place to get a meal and stayed to visit with the horses. After a week he traveled down the Island and was reported by Kirsten Bennick to be grazing on her lawn. She saw him visiting with her artwork and judged him to be a connoisseur. By the following weekend he was back by Andrea and Bruce's on the South Shore swimming and grazing with Canada Geese. Snow Geese do migrate through Amherst Island on a regular basis. Once Shirley Miller called us over to see a very large flock grazing in their fields and at times some Blue morphs as well as the white ones have been seen at Eves' farm on Front Road.

The Blue phase and Snow Goose are the same species of Lesser Snow Goose. The Greater Snow Goose would be seen in Quebec as it migrates from Baffin Island to the Atlantic coast. The Blue Phase is usually seen along the Mississippi Flyway and the Lesser Snow Goose west of Quebec. In Birds of the Kingston Region the first record of a Snow Goose was on Amherst Island on April 30th, 1926. A gap of 28 years followed before some were seen over the Cataraqui River in October of 1954. Since 1967 it has been recorded almost annually and is usually seen flying and feeding with Canada Geese. The annual date of arrival is Apr. 4th and it leaves May 1st. The latest departure on record is May 20th in 1978 and it was seen on Amherst Island. By October 16th the birds return although in 1979 one was seen on Amherst Island in August. They usually leave by December for the Gulf. Now is a great time to get a look at this Snow Goose as he shows all the characteristics and is tame enough to let you stop and look but still wild enough to walk off sedately if you approach.

In the nursery things are proceeding normally. Lord and Lady Amherst have produced young Osprey but until their heads appear above the nest edge we don't know how many. An egg shell was found below the nest and both parents have been seen feeding. In the hot weather it appears that the mother will hover over the nest as if fanning the young. Father has been kept busy chasing off a pair of Turkey Vultures that cruise the field behind the school and also a lone Osprey that pops in for a visit now and again. Perhaps it is a young one from another year?

Osprey numbers dropped dramatically in the 1960's because of DDT use and then began to recover after the ban. In 1982 they were on the Blue List because of falling numbers but not quite to the endangered level.

Traditional nesting sites along the Rideau, on Otter Lake, Opinicon Lake and at Bedford Mills have been used since 1948. The first Osprey settled at the KFN property on a platform on the southeast corner around 1995 and now the school pair has

established theirs. A female Osprey was found shot on Amherst Island in September of 1976 and is a museum specimen in The National Museum.

Watch these magnificent birds for a while. Their wings span about 58 inches to 72 inches (147-183 cm.). The males are smaller than the females as in most raptors. The females have more black beads in their necklaces as do the immatures. Osprey are mainly fish eaters and you'll probably get to see them plunge in feet first to grab a fish.

Orioles, Wrens, Kingbirds, Grackles are feeding young. The Robins are on their second nests and the Goldfinches will soon be nesting. Our local birds are feeding, nurturing and moulting so give them a break when they're slow getting off the road ahead of you.

Good Birding!



PHOTO BY ANDERS BENNICK

## A VISTOR

- Anders Bennick

One early summer day a strange white large bird appeared on our lawn on the south shore. Was it a duck? No, it did not really look like a duck.

Consulting "The Sibley Guide to Birds" suggested that it was a snow goose. But snow geese on the Island in the summer when they are supposed to be cooling their heels in the Arctic? A call to Janet Scott confirmed that nobody keeps snow geese on the Island and yes indeed it was a snow goose!

So why was it here?

Perhaps it wanted to visit with the two ducks seen in the picture. In that case it must have been bitterly disappointed because these two ducks are inanimate inorganic permanent residents, bolted to the ground.

The snow goose eventually got fed up with the unresponsiveness of our local "inhabitants" went for a swim in the lake where it found a flock of Canada geese to hang out with. They all took off in an easterly direction and rumor has it that the goose is now hanging out at Andrea Cross and Bruce Burnett's place.

**COUNCIL**

**GLEANINGS**

- Ian Murray

There were 364 agenda pages for the 2 Council meetings in June. Not very many pages of interest to Amherst Islanders. The following is what I found interesting; those wanting more details will find them on the Loyalist website.



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“Mr. Thompson noted the the Ministry of the Environment has advised that Peter Barr’s Part II Order Request regarding the Environmental Assessment for the proposed alignment of the South Shore Road on Amherst Island has been denied. The South Shore Road will be re-aligned along the shoreline as per the Environmental Study Report.”

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Loyalist Township and Bruce and Susan Caughey have reached an agreement whereby the Township will remove up to 20,000 tonnes of aggregate from the Caughey quarry annually. This is good news for the Township, for the Caugheys, and for ferry travellers.

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From a letter to Minister of Transportation Cansfield from MPP Dombrowsky: “...I am enclosing copies of the letters from 245 ferry users who are requesting that this ferry be taken back by the Province and away from the Township of Loyalist that currently manages the ferry service.”

This is a bit confusing as the Province has always owned the ferry so cannot take it back. The Province has never managed the Amherst Island ferry service so cannot take that back either.

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Cemetery prices.  
Grave purchases: local resident, \$600; non resident, \$800.  
Opening/Closing a grave: for a casket, \$550; for cremated remains, \$250.

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The Ontario government sent Loyalist a cheque for \$5987.52 to cover extra policing costs for the R.I.D.E. (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) program for the 2006/7 fiscal year.

*Senior’s Wagon Ride*



PHOTO JUDITH HARROWER

*HELD SATURDAY, JUNE 16TH. SENIORS ENJOYING THE RIDE ARE ANNA HITCHINS, ELSIE WILLARD, JEAN TUGWELL, HELEN MILLER, MARION GLENN, HELEN CAUGHEY (AND NOT REALLY A FULL SENIOR) JOYCE HAINES. THANKS TO TED WELBANKS & KAREN MILLER PLUS THE TWO WORKERS (HORSES). REFRESHMENTS WERE SERVED AT ST. PAUL’S—A GREAT OUTING!*

**AIMS, JUNE 9**

- Hugh Jenney

25 men and Sue Frizzell sat down to a delicious breakfast created by Lorna Willis, Eva and Brian Little.

Marc Raymond reported on his Spring Warranty replacement work saying that he and Doug are extremely busy this year so they will get around to replacing anybody's tree that died over the winter, but they are not going to be able to do new plantings for a while. They are now buying smaller trees from the nursery in hopes that they will be easier and quicker to plant and their survival rate should be much better too. They will be in touch with you in the Fall.

Paul Lauret said the Market is doing well and that our finances are just fine. He reported that he either drove or arranged transportation for several Islanders. Allan Glenn helped several people with their gardens and flower boxes.

Judy Harrower sent a thank-you to Ross Haines and Allan Glenn for helping with the Ferry Landing flower boxes. Stephanie Gibson sent a thank you through Brian Little for all the AIMS volunteers who helped dig holes for the trees and shrubs in her outdoor education garden.

Ross Haines is working on the benches which should be ready by the Fall.

Brian Little reported on an extremely busy learning experience during three days in Montreal. He was very impressed with the effort that Senior Class teacher, Jess Jardine put in to make the trip such a great success. It rained a lot, but nobody's spirits were dampened.

Ross Haines reported on the Hanging Flower Baskets: He thanked Joyce and Dayle for planting, Woody and Bruce for putting up the ten new hangers, Woody and Tom Ivison for hanging the baskets. He suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Eric Welbanks for all his work in his metal shop. So far we have received about \$50 in donations to help with the flower expenses. These donations are appreciated.

Will Adam and Sue Frizzell answered questions about Will's experiences during his two thousand kilometer bike ride from Nova Scotia to here. Will arrived on Friday's 2:30 PM ferry and will leave again next Monday. Will intends to work for a week to earn more money for his trip.

Some of the interesting people he has met so far are: an Iraq War Vet who got him out of the rain; a Montreal mafia man on the lam cooked dinner for him at their motel; a monk; and, many ladies.

He was forced to give up camping several times because of the hail, snow and rain. It even rained inside his tent!

The longest distance in one ten hour day has been 135 km.

Fortunately Telus gave him a cell phone plus minutes so he has been able to keep in touch with Sally Bowen and Sue Frizzell. Sally and Sue have been doing a tremendous job setting up interviews and getting places to stay for Will as he travels from town to town. So far he has raised over \$2,500 for MS. Will doesn't use any of that money for his expenses. He depends upon his own work plus donations to keep him going. On the first day he pulled a groin muscle, but took it a little slower and is now in excellent shape. Will dropped from a 34" to a 30" waist.

Will's final fundraiser on the Island will be a big party and



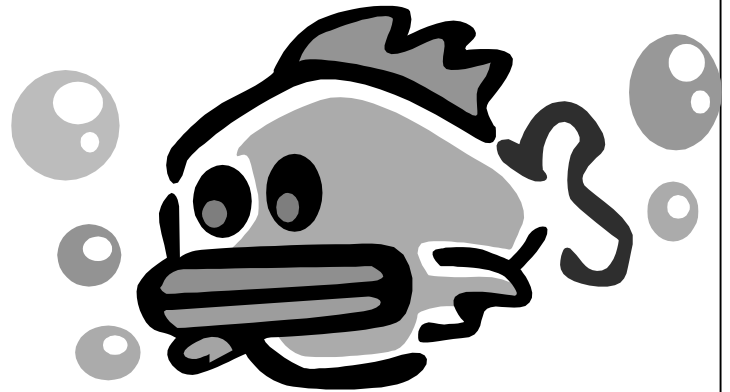
BBQ at the Community Centre on Friday, June 15th.

Hugh Jenney introduced our guest speaker, Gregory Latiak.

Greg bought Tom Miller's house on the Front Road last year. He and Ann Henderson, a psychiatric nurse at Hotel Dieu, have been working on it ever since.

Greg was introduced to the Island by his brother-in-law who is a doctor in Kingston. They both like biking and after exploring Amherst Island, he and Ann fell in love with it. They loved the serenity and beauty of the Island. Neither one of them wanted to get on the ferry.

The next week they came back looking for a home. Greg grew up in Chicago where in those days he was able to bike out to the cornfields in half an hour. Greg has been working with computers since their infancy. He has provided consulting to many companies including the stock market. His webpage is [www.tekstrat.com](http://www.tekstrat.com). Greg has several robots working for him. One mows the lawn, one vacuums the garage and the other vacuums the house. Greg has two boys: the younger is at university and the older is a programmer for Microsoft. Greg came to Canada in 1984 and is a dual citizen so he can, "Vote the rascals out on both sides of the border!" Greg is very keen on photography and specializes in Large Format pictures. He has exhibited many times. His webpage is [www.latiakfoto.ca](http://www.latiakfoto.ca)

**ANNUAL FISHING DERBY**

- Sally Bowen

The Art McGinn Memorial Fishing Derby had a great day, on June 23rd this year.

80 tickets had been purchased by adults competing to catch the biggest bass. There were very many more adults and kids there too, just enjoying the day.

Competition was close. Steacy Gibson and Brent McGinn both caught bass weighing 4 lb 15 oz, but Steacy's was longer, so he was declared grand winner, with Brent runner-up.

Alicia Wolfries won third prize with a fish weighing in at 4 lb 12 oz.

It was an enjoyable day, and a fitting memorial to a fine man.

**WILL OF GOD**

- Zander of DUNN INN

I know very little about Will Adam. I don't know what he believes or if he attends worship or if he even considers himself religious or spiritual. I do know he is a shy, pleasant young man who has taken on a big challenge - to bike across our great land from East to West to raise money to help find a cure for Multiple Sclerosis. I am told he is doing this partly because his mother has M.S. and partly because he wants to do what he can to help eradicate the disease.

Like all Islanders I can only laud his project. We can also thank God for giving us such a dedicated young man and for working through Will for good. Whether Will is a Christian or religious is not the most important thing. Far too many Christians talk a good line but do little of value and show nothing of love in their lives. But Will has revealed something of his love for others, not by talking about it, but by undertaking this demanding trip. He is doing what I and others can't do; he is riding his bike to raise money to bring healing to those in need.

Jesus revealed the mind and purpose of God by healing people of many diseases. Nothing was known about M.S. in those days so we're not told Jesus healed anybody with that illness. But we do know Jesus was committed to bringing new life to men and women who were unable to see or walk or hear or speak. In other words, Jesus was opposed to all sicknesses which limit or destroy the good life God wants for us.

We're not told Jesus rode a bike to raise money to defeat any disease. We are told he confronted the diseases in various people and made those people well.

Will Adam may not be able to do what Jesus did but we don't expect him to. He can do more than Jesus did, perhaps. (Jesus told us we would do more than he could ever do). Will can get us all involved in raising the money necessary to find a cure for M.S. Jesus never did that. Will can make us more aware of the needs of people with M.S. and how our contributions can make a difference for them.

Anybody involved in the attempt to learn more about the body and the diseases of the body and how to heal the body is on the side of God. Activists like Will may not be able to recite statements of faith or articulate their beliefs, but they are able to

move us all toward healing and wholeness. In biking across Canada to bring help to others Will is doing the will of God.

I am sure Will, because he is a modest, self-effacing young man, does not think of himself as one of God's special people. I imagine Will thinks of himself as simply another person who wants to be helpful, who wants to make a meaningful contribution to the welfare of others.

In my judgment, Will has opened himself up to be a channel of God's love.

Through Will's bike ride across Canada many lives will be changed for good and many people will be given hope for the future. The cure for M.S. will come eventually and it will be because of people like Will Adam whom I am pleased to acknowledge as the "Will of God." Thanks, Will. We all hope you enjoy your trip. We're grateful you are on the move. We appreciate your leadership and service.

**WILL'S RIDE**

- Sally Bowen

Multiple Sclerosis is one of the most common neurological diseases in Canada. As Will, and Sue and I meet and talk with people about Will's Ride, we are startled - and saddened - by the number of folks who have loved ones affected.

It is an auto-immune disease. That means basically that a person's system starts attacking itself. The sheath protecting the nerves in the brain and spinal column is eaten away, causing those nerves to send mixed messages, or no messages at all, to the rest of the body.

It is progressive.

There is no known cure.

Carol Morgan tells me that the disease is more prevalent in the northern climates. It hits women particularly hard. It is becoming more and more common in children - a horrifying fact I had not previously known.

Will and his team are filled with heartfelt gratitude for the giving, caring, warmth of the Island. The barbecue party and sales and donations were so generous. They will enable him to eat more than once a day; and give him more resources in case of an emergency.

But he wishes to remind everyone that this is not about him.

Rick Morgan let us know that the local client services of the MS Society - Kingston, have helped him over the years with the cost of Respite Care and the purchase of a lift chair. These are practical, useful and much-needed items that help him maintain his independence at home, and help Carol keep her own health and strength.

Please donate to:  
The MS Society - Kingston  
1080 Gardiners Rd  
Unit 3  
Kingston, ON  
K7P 1R7

Make the cheque out to "The MS Society" but remember, in the memo space mark it "RE WILL'S RIDE".

*LEFT: WILL HOLDS HIS "KEY TO AMHERST ISLAND" PRESENTED TO HIM BY DUNCAN ASHLEY AT WILL'S FUNDRAISING BBQ ON JUNE 15TH..*

PHOTO BY MIKE LORTIE



## TURTLES IN TORMENT

- Matt Ellerbeck

Turtles have been on this Earth for over 200 million years. They survived through the time of the dinosaurs. They have continued to survive and in many instances thrive as countless other creatures disappear around them. Today however the turtle is facing a grim future. Nearly 75% of the world's turtle species are now listed on IUCN - The World Conservation Union's Redlist of threatened species. All of these turtles are facing global extinction. For some turtles though it is already too late: several species have already become extinct. In Canada 11 of our turtle species are listed as a Species At Risk. This is a despairing fact as turtles have been around for so long and their current state of peril is almost completely due to the actions of people. There are a number of different factors contributing to the endangerment of the world's turtles.

The biggest issue affecting turtles today is the loss or fragmentation of their natural habitat. In some locations of Canada, up to 70% of wetlands have been lost: about 50% of all wetlands in Southern Ontario, which has the greatest diversity of turtles in Canada. Wetlands are critical habitat for many turtle species, and the many animals that they depend on for food. The United States have also lost half of all their wetlands in the past 200 years. Turtles however do not just reside in wetland habitats. Certain turtles like Wood Turtles, which can be found in Canada, can be found in meadows and forested areas. These kinds of habitats are also destroyed by developments. Waterfront developments restrict turtles from prime basking and nest sites. Containments and sewage run off from such developments, or the resulting water level changes can also cause harm. Recreational activities on the water can also have devastating effects on turtles, when they are hit by boats, or water vehicles. Driving on beaches with cars and four wheelers can destroy nests land in the sand.

Where good habitats do still exist they are often isolated and cut off from each other by roads and highways that run through them. This leads to the death of many turtles on roads, which they must cross when looking for nest sites to lay their eggs. This not only leads to the death of legions of female turtles, but their offspring, which means the next generation is also wiped out. This and the fact that habitats and populations are fragmented from each other can lead to local populations of turtle species becoming extirpated. Even if the female turtles do successfully find nesting spots and lay their eggs, the baby turtles only have a 1% chance of reaching maturity. Predators like raccoons and skunks have greatly increased thanks to human waste.

Turtles also suffer from illegal collecting, whether it is in high numbers (over 1,000 spotted turtles were captured in one year's period by one collector in the United States), or from kids who simply want to take a little turtle back with them after a camping trip. Over collecting can lead local extirpations in many areas. If you do want to keep a turtle as a pet you can get a captive bred one at a reputable reptile dealer or pet store. The pet trade takes a massive toll on turtles. Many are released and die. Those that

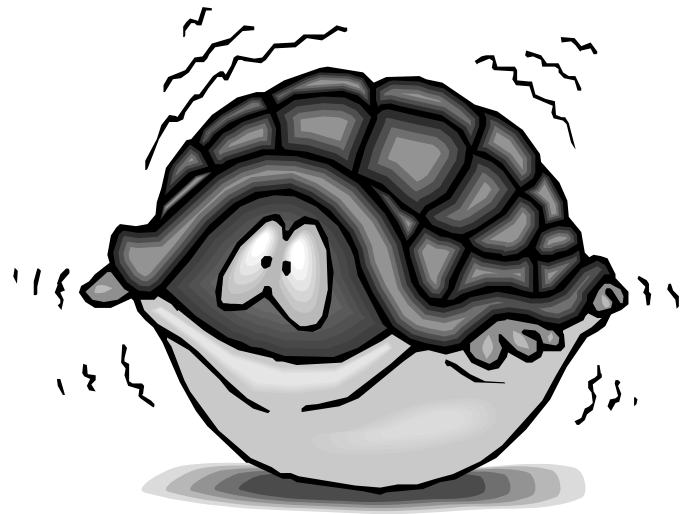
do survive, knock the balance of the natural eco-system out of place.

Certain turtles, especially the snapping turtles are often the victims of direct killings by people. Many people believe snapping turtles are dangerous to swimmers and will kill them on sight. Fisherman will also kill snappers because they believe that the turtles prey upon their game fish. Snapping turtles are not dangerous if left alone. If stepped on underwater the turtle will merely withdraw its head, and if encountered too close by a swimmer the turtle will flee the area. Snapping turtles are also largely scavengers, and when they do actively hunt, game fish are much better and faster swimmers than the turtles. People will also shoot turtles for "sport" or will purposely hit turtles they encounter on roads. Turtles are also killed for profit. The critically endangered sea turtles are killed for food and to make jewelry from the turtles shell. It is estimated that two hundred thousand turtles are killed for the food industry in Asia alone.

When all the issues above are combined it accounts for a massive number and variety of turtles being lost. Turtle species are dwindling

and it is largely due to our actions. If we do not take the time to take better care of our natural resources and try to reverse our detrimental actions towards turtles we could lose one of our oldest and most successful creatures. If this happens, what hope do other species really have?

***Even if the female turtles do successfully find nesting spots and lay their eggs, the baby turtles only have a 1% chance of reaching maturity.***





# AIR ON AIR (WITH A NEW SIGN)



ABOVE: ELSIE WILLARD HAS BECOME A MONTHLY GUEST ON ROSEMARY RICHMOND'S SHOW "TUESDAY TRACKS", HEARD EVERY TUESDAY MORNING BETWEEN 6AM AND 9AM.

ABOVE LEFT: A NEW SIGN FOR CJAI RADIO WAS ERECTED ON FRONT OF THE MILK HOUSE STUDIO, JUNE 30TH, BY ROSS HAINES AND WOODY WOODIWISS IN TIME FOR THE CANADA DAY PARADE.

## AGRICULTURE ON A.I.

BELOW RIGHT: FOLLOWED BY A FLOCK OF SEAGULLS, IAN MURRAY OF TOPY FARM, HEADS NORTH TOWARDS THE NORTH CHANNEL CUTTING HAY FOR THE FARM'S SHEEP DURING AMHERST ISLAND'S LONG, COLD WINTER.

BELOW: AS BOB TURNER EXERCISES HIS CANINE FRIENDS ALONG FRONT ROAD WEST, BEEF FARMER JIM REID MANOEVERS HIS FARM TRACTOR ACROSS THE TRIO'S PATH.



ALL PHOTOS ON THIS PAGE BY TERRY CULBERT

# HERE COMES THE PARADE!!! AMHERST ISLAND CELEBRATES CANADA DAY





For More Photos of the Canada Day Parade, see page 14 & 15.

PHOTOS BY SUE FRIZZELL

## THE GREAT CANADIAN BIO-BLITZ OF 2007

Press Release

Over 300 species of living things were recorded at the annual Bio-Blitz held by the Kingston Field Naturalists last weekend. This event took place on two protected properties on Amherst Island. The Owl Woods owned by the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority, Loyalist Township and the Kingston Field Naturalists and the Kingston Field Naturalists Nature Reserve on the east end of the Island. Between them these sites have wetland woodland and open area habitats providing for a variety of wildlife. This event was a 24 hour count of species from frogs to fish, bats to moths and grasses to spore bearing plant species.

A Bio-Blitz is an attempt to list as many species as possible in 24 hours to give a snapshot of the Biodiversity of the site. Blitzes usually take place in June and serve as a good one-day view of the living things in a particular area. Amateur and professional naturalists join forces to spot and identify species and to educate each other and the public about the diversity of the location.

Guided walks were available to the public on both properties on a variety of natural history topics throughout the event for those wishing to participate and learn about the ecology of the area. Nighttime activities allowed addition of those species more active after dark and included bat echolocation and moth attraction.

"This was fun and educational," said Anne Robertson, coordinator of the event.

Almost 70 friends and professionals with an interest and/or expertise in everything from slugs to snakes came from as far as Toronto and New York State to participate. With recorders

spread over the properties from 5 pm Friday to 5 pm Saturday information was collected on everything from small mammals to minnows and birds of all kinds. As well, invertebrates and plants large and small from trees and shrubs to grasses, sedges and herbaceous plants were listed. The young and not so young enjoyed dipping in a pond for a variety of invertebrate animals to add to the butterfly, moth and dragonfly species amongst the invertebrates

What was found? Among the more than 80 bird species observed were Whip-Poor-Will, Eastern Towhee and Wood Thrush. Five different dragonflies were recorded and 17 species of butterfly. Over 20 species of grasses and sedges were identified and about 150 other plant species. In addition there were mammals, fish and other groups of animals. A complete list will be on the Kingston Field Naturalist website in September ([www.kingstonfieldnaturalists.org](http://www.kingstonfieldnaturalists.org))

This event has provided a snapshot inventory of these two properties. In future we will be able to compare the biodiversity of these sites with the records we made this weekend. All in all the local Great Canadian BioBlitz this last weekend was a big success and we hope future generations will also have the thrill of finding as much variety of life in these areas in one day. We look forward to a similar event in a different location next year

For more information please contact Anne Robertson: 613 389 6742; [nature.anne@sympatico.ca](mailto:nature.anne@sympatico.ca); or, Erwin Batalla, 613 542 2048, [alerwin@kos.net](mailto:alerwin@kos.net); or Bruce Ripley, 613 384 6392.



*ERWIN BATALLA, PAST PRESIDENT OF THE KINGSTON FIELD NATURALISTS DISCUSSES ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE WITH A VISITOR AT THE KINGSTON FIELD NATURALISTS GREAT CANADIAN BIO-BLITZ ON AMHERST ISLAND LAST WEEKEND*

## A TRANSIENT

- Stephen Kendall

I had a bit of excitement recently at the car wash in Toronto after another lovely June weekend at our South Shore property. Alison and I drove home with a dirty car - small price to pay for a weekend on Amherst Island. I took the car into the car wash on Monday and as the fellows were taking out the mats and giving them a blast, they all went frantic and called me over.

"There's a snake in your car, there's a snake in your car!" they said -repeatedly.

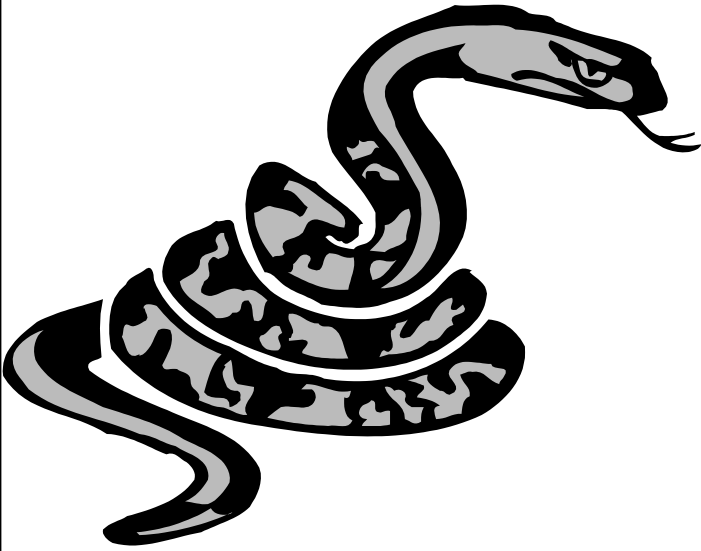
My efforts at calming them down were to no avail. I even told them the children play with them and it would only be a harmless garter snake from our cottage. No dice. As the car - with slammed doors, worked it's way down the tunnel, the boss-guy ran to tell absolutely everyone else in the place, including customers.

All of a sudden my car was a poisonous reptile about to attack. Somehow I still convinced them to clean the inside and kept assuring everyone that even if it was still in the car (which I doubted, since the poor little thing had to contend with a 3 inch diameter mother of all snakes - the vacuum) it was not rabid, not poisonous, very harmless etc etc.

I left a big tip.

When I told my daughters, who are just learning to drive, about it, said they were never ever going to drive our brand new Subaru again.

Do I look upset??



## CUT FOR A CAUSE



ABOVE LEFT: NOEL MCCORMICK RECENTLY GAVE A BIG GIFT—HIS HAIR. IN A FUNDRAISER FOR THE MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION, NOEL HAD HIS HEAD SHAVED FOR THE CAUSE. ABOVE RIGHT: PAINTING BY TERRY CULBERT FEATURING NOEL WITH HIS "FLOWING BLONDE LOCKS". THE PAINTING IS CALLED "HOLE BY NOEL". PHOTO ALSO BY TERRY CULBERT

# TERRY CULBERT'S SHOW AT THE LODGE



ABOVE: MORE CANADA DAY PARADE PHOTOS

TOP: KIRSTEN BENNICK VIEWS HER NEW PURCHASE.  
MIDDLE: TERRY CULBERT WITH DOROTHY MCGINN  
BOTTOM: TERRY CULBERT'S SHOW BROUGHT AN EXCELLENT  
TURNOUT.

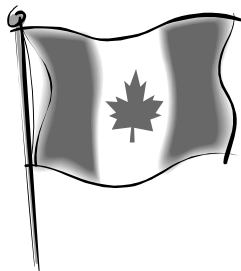


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PHOTOS BY BRIAN LITTLE



ABOVE AND PRECEDING PAGE—MORE PHOTOS OF CANADA DAY PARADE  
PHOTOS SUE FRIZZELL



**SUMMER HOURS FOR THE GENERAL STORE**

MONDAY – THURSDAY: 9 A.M. – 5 P.M.  
SATURDAY: 9 A.M. – 6 P.M.  
SUNDAY: 10 A.M. – 5 P.M.  
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**CANADA POST HOURS**

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9 A.M.-11:30 A.M.  
2:30 P.M. – 5 P.M.  
SATURDAY: 9 A.M. – NOON.

**NOTICES**

THE NEW "VOTE FOR MMP" COMMITTEE FOR SOUTHERN LFL&A WILL BE HOLDING ITS FIRST MEETING ON:  
WEDNESDAY JULY 11, 2007 AT 7 PM  
AT THE WATER FALL TEA ROOM IN YARKER (MAIN STREET BY BRIDGE)

OUR AGENDA INCLUDES:

1. A FEW WORDS FROM OUR RIDING REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE STUDENTS' CITIZENS' ASSEMBLY
2. ALSO ANNOUNCING OUR OUT-OF-TOWN SPEAKER "STEVE WITHERS" OF NEW ZEALAND WHERE THEY ALREADY USE THE MMP SYSTEM OUR OCA HAS RECOMMENDED.
3. CREATING A GAME PLAN FOR THE NEXT 3 MONTHS TO GET OUR MESSAGE OUT.

EVERYONE WELCOME  
BRING A FRIEND IF YOU CAN, AND PLEASE FORWARD THIS EMAIL TO ANYONE WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING THE CAMPAIGN.

CONTACT SANDRA WILLARD FOR MORE INFORMATION AT 613 352 5571 OR EMAIL  
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**EUCHRE IS BACK**

STARTING SEPT 7 AT 7:30 P.M.

WE HAVE NO PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS SO IF YOU KNOW HOW TO PLAY EUCHRE COME OUT FOR AN EVENING OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP. LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND COFFEE ALL EVENING.

GOOD PRIZES AT END OF SERIES

THERE WILL BE A SHARE THE WEALTH DRAW AFTER 6 GAMES.

SPONSORED BY THE ACW

ADMISSION IS \$3.00

**SHEEP IN SWEATERS, BIRDS IN SCARVES**

"ISLAND FOLK" ART EXHIBIT OPENS AT THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND

IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR IMAGES OF LONG-GONE PIE ISLAND BAKERIES, BRIEFS ON A CLOTHESLINE OR FARM ANIMALS AT TEA, YOU'LL FIND THEM ON ARTIST TERRY CULBERT'S BRIGHT, BOLD, COLOURFUL ACRYLIC CANVASES.

AN EXHIBIT OF 34 OF HIS PAINTINGS, PLUS 9 CARTOONS, OPENS AT THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND FROM 2 TO 5 P.M. ON JUNE 30TH.

"I'M NOT A FOLK ARTIST," HE SAYS, "BUT I DON'T SEE THINGS AS PRETTY PICTURES EITHER."

WHAT HE'D LIKE IS FOR HIS WORK TO MAKE US ALL "SMILE AT OUR WORLD."

A RESIDENT OF AMHERST ISLAND, 85% OF CULBERT'S IDEAS ARE ISLAND RELATED. HE BELIEVES THE AREA IS "A TOTAL INSPIRATION FOR AN ARTIST."

CULBERT'S WORK RANGES IN SIZE FROM AN INTIMATE 8" X 10" TO A SPRAWLING SIX FEET LONG AND CAN BE YOURS FOR FROM \$150 FOR A SHEEP IN A SWEATER TO \$1400, FOR THE LOVINGLY RENDERED, "CHRISTMAS EVE IN STELLA."

THOSE WHO ATTEND THE OPENING WILL HAVE THE PLEASURE OF TALKING WITH THE ARTIST, WHO'S A FINE STORY TELLER, ABOUT HIS EARLY TRAVELS AS A CAMERAMAN FOR GLOBAL TELEVISION, HIS PASSIONATE LOVE OF DAYLIGHT AND THE TONGUE-IN-CHEEK POSSIBILITY OF CREATING THE REPUBLIC OF AMHERST ISLAND, WHICH, BY THE WAY, HE HAS ALSO CAPTURED ON CANVAS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND

TOLL FREE 1-866-552-3535

[WWW.THELODGEONAMHERSTISLAND.COM](http://WWW.THELODGEONAMHERSTISLAND.COM)

## NOTICES

## ARTISTS

CALLING ALL AMHERST ISLAND ARTISTS, (AND ONLY AI ARTISTS) ALL AGES!

LOOKING FOR TWO DIMENSIONAL WORK, IN ANY MEDIUM, EXPRESSING THE THEME:

## AUTUMN

FOR A THANKSGIVING SHOW AT THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND EACH ARTIST MAY SUBMIT UP TO THREE PIECES. EACH PIECE MUST BE FOR SALE AND

READY FOR HANGING.

ENTRY FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE LODGE, ONLINE AND AT THE STORE BY JUNE 15TH

ALL WORKS MUST BE DELIVERED TO LODGE BY 11:00 AM, MONDAY, OCTOBER 1ST, 2007.

THE SHOW WILL BE SELECTED FROM THE BODY OF WORK DELIVERED BY THAT TIME.

THE SHOW WILL OPEN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6TH FROM 2 - 4 PM, AND WILL HANG UNTIL MID NOVEMBER.

MORE DETAILS WILL FOLLOW

ST. PAUL'S GARDEN PARTY – 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

SATURDAY JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 11AM – 3PM  
HOME BAKING, FLEA MARKET, BBQ, PLANTS PRODUCE, PRESERVES, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RAFFLES.

ALSO AUCTION STARTING AT 2:00 PM. DON'T MISS IT!

ITEMS TO BE DONATED FOR THE AUCTION CAN BE LEFT ON JIM AND LYNANN WHITTON'S FRONT PORCH

## WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE FIGHT

- SHERRY MILLER

AMHERST ISLAND IS GOING TO BE THE PLACE TO BE AT 10 A.M ON OCTOBER 20TH. ON THIS DATE THERE WILL BE AN EVENT HELD THAT IS LIKE NO OTHER. A GROUP OF YOUR NEIGHBOURS IS ORGANIZING A WALK, RUN, CYCLE EVENT IN SUPPORT OF THE ONTARIO BREAST SCREENING PROGRAM. OUR MOTTO IS "EVERYONE COUNTS" AS EVERYONE HAS A VESTED INTEREST IN FIGHTING THIS HORRIBLE DISEASE THAT WILL STRIKE ONE IN NINE WOMEN IN CANADA (EVERY WEEK 170 MEN ARE DIAGNOSED WITH BREAST CANCER...THOUGH LESS COMMON AND RARELY DISCUSSED IT DOES HAPPEN FREQUENTLY) AND EARLY DETECTION IS THE KEY TO SURVIVAL.

IN KEEPING WITH OUR "EVERYONE COUNTS" MOTTO WE WANT TO ENLIST YOUR HELP. PLEASE SET ASIDE THIS DATE. THE WALK WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A COMMUNITY BARBECUE AND SILENT AUCTION THAT WILL RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT THIS GREAT PROGRAM.

WE ARE ALSO SELLING GREEN GROCERY BAGS IN SUPPORT OF OUR CORPORATE SPONSORS AND ALSO TO HELP OUR ENVIRONMENT. WATCH FOR POSTERS WITHIN YOUR COMMUNITY AND AT THE MARKET ONCE THEY BECOME AVAILABLE...A GREAT BUY, TO SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE AND IN ADDITION IT HELPS TO ELIMINATE PLASTIC IN OUR HOUSEHOLDS!!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP US IN ORGANIZING?

PLEASE CONTACT OUR CHAIRPERSON TODAY: JANE MCGINN - 389-3155

## NOTICES

## ACW CHICKEN BARBECUE

ST. ALBAN'S ACW WILL HOLD A CHICKEN BARBECUE AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON JULY 14TH FROM 5:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

COST IS \$14.00 FOR ADULTS, \$6.00 FOR CHILDREN AGES 6 TO 12, CHILDREN UNDER AGE 6 FREE.

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY WILL BE SOLD. FOR TICKETS CALL 613-389-4874 OR 613-389-4327.

## CAROLINE YULL LEGAL SERVICES

I HAVE TEMPORARILY MOVED MY PRACTICE TO MY HOME OFFICE. I HAVE SET MY VOICEMAIL UP WITH SEPARATE MAILBOXES FOR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL MESSAGES, SO FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO KEEP YOUR BUSINESS MESSAGE UNAVAILABLE TO ANYONE BUT ME. LOOK FOR MY NEW OFFICE IN AMHERSTVIEW AT 18 MANITOU CRESCENT WEST (IN THE CORNER NEAR THE LIQUOR STORE) AFTER THE END OF JULY. I'LL ANNOUNCE NEW PHONE NUMBERS THEN. I AM STILL HAPPY TO MEET WITH YOU AT YOUR HOME, IF THAT IS MORE CONVENIENT FOR YOU. NEW OFFICE CONTACT INFO:

PHONE: 613-384-4071 (SAME NUMBER FOR FAX)

EMAIL: [CYULL@KOS.NET](mailto:CYULL@KOS.NET)  
5115 FRONT ROAD  
STELLA, ONTARIO  
K0H 2S0.

## NOTICES



## 2007 CONCERT INFORMATION

ALL CONCERTS AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH AMHERST ISLAND 7.15PM

TUESDAY, JULY 3/07 JANINA FIALKOWSKA PIANO, PERFORMS MENDELSSOHN'S SONGS WITHOUT WORDS, SCHUBERT'S SONATA IN G MAJOR AND CHOPIN'S BARCAROLLES, WALTZES AND SCHERZOS.

[WWW.FIALKOWSKA.COM](http://WWW.FIALKOWSKA.COM) TICKETS \$30  
MONDAY, JULY 16/07 THE CANADIAN CABARET WITH RUTH MORAWETZ, PIANO & GERALD ISAAC, ACTOR, SINGER, DANCER, WITH SPECIAL GUEST, SINGER GLYNIS RANNEY FROM THE SHAW FESTIVAL. [WWW.CANADIANCABARET.COM](http://WWW.CANADIANCABARET.COM)

TICKETS \$20

SATURDAY, JULY 21/07 THE GRYPHON TRIO. ANNALEE PATIPATANAKOON VIOLIN, JAMIE PARKER PIANO AND ROMAN BORYS CELLO. THEY RETURN TO WATERSIDE BY POPULAR DEMAND.

[WWW.GRYPHONTRIO.COM](http://WWW.GRYPHONTRIO.COM) TICKETS \$30  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8/07 THE MICHAEL KAESHAMMER TRIO. "BOOGIE-WOOGIE, RAGTIME. AND ROMANTIC BALLADS WITH JAZZ STYLINGS SEAMLESSLY MELDING INTO A UNIQUE PIANO SOUND".

[WWW.KAESHAMMER.COM](http://WWW.KAESHAMMER.COM) TICKETS \$30  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 17/07 GORDON CRAIG, CLARINET & MICHEL SZCZESNIAK PIANO, ENTERTAIN WITH CLASSICAL PIECES AND IMPROVISED STYLINGS OF POPULAR FAVOURITES.

[HTTP://WWW.QUEENSU.CA/MUSIC/PEOPLE](http://WWW.QUEENSU.CA/MUSIC/PEOPLE)

TICKETS \$20

TICKET INFORMATION. TO RESERVE TICKETS, PAYMENT BY CHEQUE MUST BE RECEIVED IN ADVANCE. THEY GO ON SALE MAY 1, AND MAY BE ORDERED BY TELEPHONE AT 613-384-2153, OR BY MAIL AT WATERSIDE, RR#1 STELLA ON K0H 2S0, RESERVED TICKETS WILL BE MAILED IF PURCHASED TWO WEEKS PRIOR OR CAN BE PICKED UP ON THE DAY OF THE PERFORMANCE AFTER 6:30 PM. IF AVAILABLE, TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE DOOR.

FURTHER INFORMATION AT [WWW.AMHERSTISLAND.ON.CA](http://WWW.AMHERSTISLAND.ON.CA)

## UPS

NOW DELIVERING AND PICKING UP ON THE ISLAND: MONDAY – FRIDAY, EXCEPT FOR MAJOR HOLIDAYS.

CONTACT SUPERVISOR, SEAN LE, OR DELIVERY PERSON, TODD DOUGALL, AT (613) 549-7872.

PLEASE CALL 1-800-742-5877 FOR RATES. ALSO A CALL AHEAD OF TIME TO SEAN OR TODD WOULD BE APPRECIATED.



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## FOR SALE

### WI 2007 CALENDAR - HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS

THIS YEAR'S CALENDAR FEATURES HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF OUR ISLAND. JOIN IN THE FUN OF RECOGNIZING OUR HERITAGE. ALL PROCEEDS GO TO COMMUNITY PROJECTS OF THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. CALENDARS ARE \$10.00 EACH. ENVELOPES @ \$1.00 EACH. POSTAGE @ \$2.00 EACH (IN CANADA). CHEQUES PAYABLE TO AMHERST ISLAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE. SEND TO 2007 CALENDAR, 14005 FRONT ROAD STELLA, ON, K0H 2S0 (613) 384- 7830. OR CONTACT ANY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEMBER. ALSO CONTACT US ABOUT DANIEL FOWLER (ISLAND ARTIST) NOTE CARDS.

THESE CALENDARS MAKE WONDERFUL GIFTS. THEY ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE AMHERST ISLAND GENERAL STORE AND THE VICTORIA HALL CRAFT AND TEA ROOM.

### LOT FOR SALE ON AMHERST ISLAND

WATER VIEW AND WATER ACCESS APPROVED FOR BUILDING AND SEPTIC WELL AND DRIVEWAY INSTALLED  
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THE LIBRARY HOURS ARE CHANGING IN MARCH 2007 FOR THE STELLA LIBRARY. NO WEDNESDAY.  
TUESDAY EVENING 6:00 P.M TO 9:00 P.M  
FRIDAY 11:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

### FRESH FROM THE PLANT:

MINT, DILL (NOW);  
BASIL, PARSLEY (BY THE END OF JULY).  
MORNINGS ONLY AT TOSPY FARMS.  
CALL SALLY, 613-389-3444

**VILAS (QUEBEC HARD MAPLE) CHAIRS**  
4 PAINTED BLACK. \$100/ BEST OFFER.  
CALL CLAIRE OR HUGH JENNEY 384-7830 FOR VIEWING.

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KEITH MILLER, 389-2588

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PAUL CUYLER (BLACKSMITH) AND VICTORIA CUYLER (METALWORKER) ARE THE ARTISANS HELPING TO BRING THE STELLA BLACKSMITH SHOP BACK TO LIFE. THEY HAVE A SMALL BLACKSMITH/METAL CUTTING OPERATION IN NEWTONVILLE (NEAR PORT HOPE).

### 8"x10" PHOTOGRAPHS

BY DON TUBB: SHEEP AND THEIR GUARDIAN DOGS AND OTHER ISLAND SUBJECTS. UNFRAMED, \$40; FRAMED, INDIVIDUALLY PRICED. FOR VIEWING, PLEASE VISIT TOSPY FARMS WOOL SHED OR VIEW PICTURES IN GALLERY AT [WWW.TOSPYFARMS.COM](http://WWW.TOSPYFARMS.COM). PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENT OR TO PLACE ORDERS. (613) 389-3444

### LANDFILL SITE HOURS

WED 11-2; SAT 10-NOON; SUN 2-4.

### FERRY OFFICE HOURS

MON, WED, FRI: 9-NOON & 1-4

FERRY FUEL-UP DAYS ARE TUESDAY AND FRIDAY (BE PREPARED FOR A DELAY).

### LIBRARY HOURS

TUESDAY 7-9PM, WED 10-NOON, FRIDAY 1-3PM.

## WANTED

### SPCA

I AM COLLECTING THE FOLLOWING FOR THE NAPANEE S.P.C.A. ANY KIND OF USED STAMPS. A&P TAPES, CANADIAN TIRE MONEY. USED TOWELS, ETC, AND CLEANING SUPPLIES. CAT AND DOG FOOD. KNITTED SQUARES & MATERIAL PLACEMATS. (THE LATTER PROVIDE COMFORT TO CATS AND DOGS IN CAGES.) THE "CAT'S MEOW" THRIFT STORE IS ALWAYS GRATEFUL FOR USED CLEAN CLOTHING AND PAPERBACK BOOKS. ANY OF THE ABOVE MAY BE LEFT IN MY PORCH OR CALL ME REGARDING ANY OTHER ITEMS. THE ANIMALS REALLY DO NEED OUR HELP. FREDA 613-384-4135

## LOST ITEMS

1 CRAGAR 14" HUBCAP NEAR THE STELLA FERRY DOCK.  
PLEASE CALL (613) 389-4630

## FOR RENT

### HOUSE FOR RENT:

YEAR-ROUND, BY THE WEEK, WEEKEND OR MONTH ON THE NORTH SHORE.  
CALL CHERRY 613-634-1212

### COTTAGE

THREE BEDROOM COTTAGE FOR RENT ON NORTH SHORE, SLEEPS TEN. PADDLE BOAT, CANOE, BIKES AND SWIMMING RAFT. REASONABLE RATES. CONTACT CAROLYN (905) 729-3259 OR [CGREEN@LOOK.CA](mailto:CGREEN@LOOK.CA)

### SAND BAY BED & BREAKFAST

PRIVATE WATERFRONT, LAST HOUSE ON THE NORTH-EAST SHORE OF AMHERST ISLAND WITH SPECTACULAR VIEW. BELGIAN HORSE-DRAWN CARRIAGE OR WAGON RIDES ALSO AVAILABLE. CONTACT SUSAN & GARRY FILSON 2 FRONT ROAD, STELLA.  
PHONE: 613-384-7866.

### SOUTH SHORE COTTAGE

ON PRIVATE, SECLUDED PENINSULA. OVER 2000FT OF LIMESTONE SHORELINE. CALL (613) 389-5536 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

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## FOR RENT

### NORTH SHORE COTTAGE

PRIVATE WITH GOOD SWIMMING. BY THE WEEK OR WEEK-END, MAY-OCTOBER. CALL CHERRY 613-634-1212

### STORAGE

SEASONAL STORAGE IN STELLA! - BOATS, CARS, SNOWMOBILES, ETC. INDOORS, REASONABLE RATES. DAYLE GOWAN 613-634-3815

### THE LODGE ON AMHERST ISLAND

LODGING ROOMS AND RENTAL AVAILABLE FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS. CALL: (866) 552-3535

WWW.AMHERSTISLAND.ON.CA/THELODGE ALSO, 1 & 2 BEDROOM COTTAGES ON STELLA POINT. BY THE WEEK OR WEEKEND, APRIL - OCTOBER. (PHONE NUMBERS ABOVE).



## SERVICES/BUSINESS ADS

### VICTORIA HALL CRAFTS & TEA ROOM

FOR LUNCH, AFTERNOON TEAS, AND EARLY DINNERS. HOME COOKED FOOD...OPEN YEAR ROUND FROM NOON TO 6PM. WEDNESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY HALL AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE FUNCTIONS. SEE OUR LOCAL CRAFT DISPLAY. FOR RESERVATION CALL BERNICE OR NEIL - 613-389-5389 5545 FRONT ROAD, AMHERST ISLAND

### CAROLINE YULL, LL.B.

LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDED AT THE OFFICE OR AT YOUR HOME, FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. CONFIDENTIAL, CONSTRUCTIVE AND CARING ASSISTANCE. ALL FAMILY LAW MATTERS WILL BE REFERRED TO ANOTHER LAWYER. PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT: 613-547-8500 X 22, (866) 944-8144, CYULL@KOS.NET

847 PRINCESS STREET, SUITE 208,

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