

NOT THE NEW EDINBURGH NEWS

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Ex Pres Announces Cutbacks All Cuisinarts Must Go



Long time antagonists David Henry (left) and Bruce Grant (right) spar once more.

by Ashley Warburton

In a surprise statement issued without notice recently, the outgoing President of New Edinburgh Community Association announced cutbacks that will have severe effects on community developments, despite recent indications to the contrary.

Mr D Henry in his departure address at the Association's annual meeting, said he was sorry about the bad news, but that residents of the community have only themselves to blame.

"I've warned you and warned you," Mr Henry said "but you wouldn't listen. Expectations have been developed on the basis of considerations that did not arise. Caution has been thrown to the winds. The winds have thrown it back. Unless there are new developments, which I cannot foresee as likely, then there will be no new developments. Period."

"And further," Mr Henry

added, "you won't have David Henry to kick around any more."

Mr Henry's departure was accompanied by the traditional passing of the gavel ceremony. The occasion was marked by an unusually forceful passing of the gavel by the ex president, which resulted in the gavel being lodged momentarily in an aperture between the eyes of Mr Henry's erstwhile opponent Mr B Grant. The aperture was occasioned by the gavel. Mr Grant was marked by the occasion.

When Mr Grant was revived he offered to continue the gavel passing ceremony but was dissuaded by friends and others. Doctors determined subsequently that he had suffered no arterial injury.

The meeting ended with the usual socializing around the tea and coffee pots which were unfortunately empty due to the cutbacks.

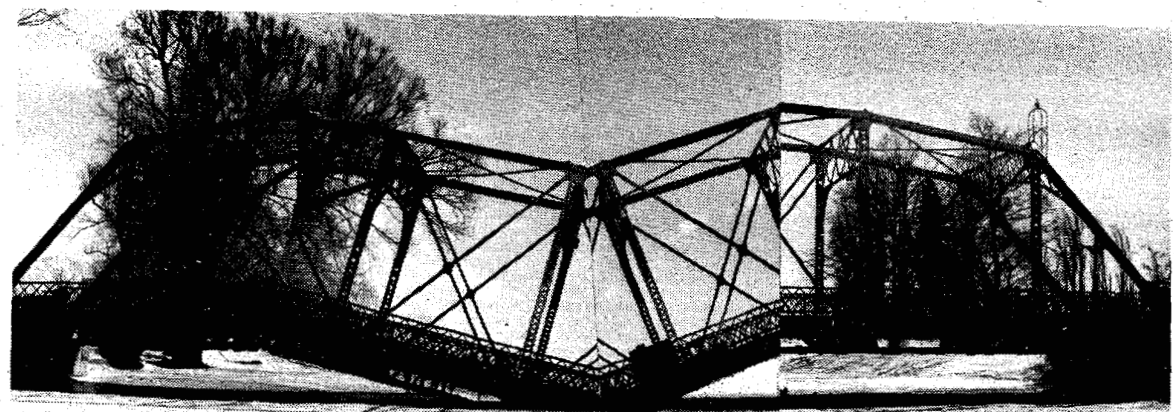
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Fat Joggers Blamed By City For Minto Bridge Destruction



by Ashley Warburton

Municipal officials today blamed New Edinburgh athletes for the tragic collapse of a portion of the Minto Bridges during the Vanier Arterial Memorial Marathon.

"Too many people who weighed too much" was the blunt but concise wording of the 137 page report submitted to Mayor Dewar and City Council.

Meanwhile a storm of furious inquiries as to why the field of joggers was allowed to grow so dangerously large was directed at Denny Lawrence, President of the New Edinburgh Road Runners Club which organized the disastrous outing. Mr. Lawrence claimed it was not the number of people that caused the disaster, but the fact that each person weighed so much.

"I've never seen so many fat people in my life, said Mr. Lawrence. Of course, 628 joggers were present at the lunch, and the odd game of tennis at the Ottawa Athletic won't make you look like David Henry."

The terrifying incident took place almost exactly an hour after the start of the 3 1/2 mile 27 yard endurance test, which began at 64 Dufferin and proceeded along Lisgar, Maple Lane, Springfield, Rideau Terrace, Beechwood and Stanley before reaching the bridges. As the 1027 strong pack bounded onto the 1st span its massive girders momentarily trembled, then suddenly gave way as the screaming health enthusiasts tried to scamper to safety.

Municipal officials are still hard pressed to explain how and why the newly reconstructed bridge buckled under the weight. Estimating the average runner's weight at 150 pounds, the field carried the same weight which the Minto Bridge frequently accommodates. An NCC roadways spokesman explained that the "up-down" factor was responsible for explaining this.

"Cars don't go clip-clop, clip-clop, up-down, the way people do. Cars just go vrrroosh...vrrroosh. And a lot of Volvos don't even do that. If 50 cars were going clip-clop from one wheel to another, like one of those hefty broads in Addidas, you'd see a lot more than the bridge collapse," said the source.

Some blame has been attributed to the External Affairs noontime joggers group who, it is claimed, may have weakened the bridges. An External Affairs spokesman referred this claim to the Deputy Assistant, Deputy Minister level, which referred it to the Assistant Deputy Minister level, which referred it to the Minister, who requested further details. Meanwhile, an NTNEN reporter has learned that the entire contingent of joggers was from third world countries.

The investigation will continue.

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City Hall To Disappear Soon From New Edinburgh Skyline

by J.D. Roi-Jambon

Scientists at the National Research Council confirmed today that City Hall will slide into the Ottawa River before the end of May. The geological experts attribute the recent lurch of the island to an unusual coincidence of several factors. They recalled a similar situation at Niagara Falls in the mid-thirties when the whole face of the American Falls slid into the Niagara River.

"What we have here is exactly the same kind of situation; the same kind of limestone outcrop formation, that they had at Niagara", said Pierre Laroche of the NRC geology division. "Minor earthquake tremors over the last twenty years have opened up many fissures along the sides of the Rideau River in the vicinity of Green Island", Mr Laroche explained. He added that the record prolonged cold temperatures this winter had frozen the water in the fissures down to a depth of twenty-seven feet, gradually prying the island away from the surrounding formation.

City works department crews reported that when they cut the keys on the Rideau River this



Will CITY HALL (in rear) disappear from the skyline? Sanitation department engineer J. T. Stools points to ominous cracks around personhole covers.

spring they heard a loud cracking sound as the island shifted on its base. "When I cut the last piece, the whole thing she just go 'pop', and she take my feet right out from under me" one of the crew told this reporter. An examination of the expansion joints of the bridges linking Green Island to the mainland shows that the island and the bridges have moved at least a foot and a half towards the Ottawa River already.

Mr. Laroche explained that the process would accelerate rapidly as the ice in the formation melts, releasing the island from its mooring. "Sometime around the third week in May the whole thing, City Hall and all, will just go 'swoosh' into the Ottawa River, Mr Laroche explained.

Not the New Edinburgh News contacted Mr. J.T. "Tuffy" Stools of the city's Sanitation

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Rideau Ed For Rideau Ward

by Ashley Warburton

Governor-General Schreyer announced to a morning Press Conference, April 1st, that he would offer himself as a candidate in the next municipal elections. "I've already added one Ward to my name; I'd like to add another," said the bisyllabic G-G as he chatted with reporters.

Wife Lily supported His Excellency's decision. "I think it will be good for you to have something to do besides signing Bills. You need to keep busy, don't you darlingward?"

His Excellency plans a door-to-door campaign, accompanied only by two Mounties and a chauffeur. In addition, he will parade through the streets in a horse drawn open Landau the first Saturday of every month.

"I'm going to be collecting favours from old friends, too," grinned the G-G. "Prime Minister Trudeau says he will support my campaign, if he is still living in the Ward next election year."

Alderman Robert seemed unperturbed. "I still have my solid support on this Ward" he said "and I know many people are grateful for what I have done. The Stop sign at Rideau Gate is well liked, for instance, and the senior citizens and my good friends in Overbrook will



Aldermanic Hopeful

support me." Noting Mr. Schreyer's NDP background, Alderman Robert warned that this might affect New Edinburgh. "He may nationalize McCreery's" he threatened.

Bruce Grant immediately offered his support to the Governor-General. "I'd like to run myself, but must bow before the vice-regal decision" he said. "I expect he will come close to Robert this first time, increase his credibility as a candidate, especially in Overbrook, and maybe win next time around. Anyway, I will help him out at Rideau Hall at

his wine and cheese parties for senior citizens."

David Henry, Past President of the New Edinburgh Community Association, welcomed the announcement. "His Excellency will be an excellent candidate, even though he has not lived in the Ward very long. But Alderman Robert has many things to commend him, even if I can't remember what they are. I will congratulate the winner unequivocally."

The last word came from His Excellency, "What arterial?" he said.

New Edinburgh - Vanier Merger Aids National Unity Program

by Ashley Warburton

NTNEN staff reporters have learned that the Federal Government is considering a merger of New Edinburgh with Vanier as part of its national unity program. A secret report leaked to the press by a Privy Council Office member who lives in New Edinburgh contains details of a plan which has apparently been one of the best kept secrets in Ottawa.

The possibility of this merger as a symbol of national unity have long been on the minds of several prominent government members. Planning has developed to the point of narrowing the choice of names for two new municipal units down to 2 - Vanburgh, or New Edinier, with most favouring the latter. Sketches have been developed of a suitable coat of arms, featuring a patates-frites stand rampant against the side of McCreery's. However, as

part of the new plan, McCreery's would move to Hull.

It's an interesting possibility, a land spokesman mused. "Vanier people have always had to cross Beechwood to visit us and we've had to cross over to visit them. Now we'll be there and they'll be here. It kind of gives you a nice feeling."

Other area residents expressed doubts and misgivings about the proposed merger, and doubt its value as a symbol of national unity. The potential loss of New Edinburgh as a political entity was a source of concern. The unrest has led to rumours of the establishment of political groups including the Front Liberation Vanier and the Front Liberation New Edinburgh.

"I don't know if we'll fight" a spokesman for one of these groups told NTNEN, "but watch out for carpet tacks on the Vanier arterial."

Peeping Jogger Still At Large Crossword Scraps Our Only Clue

by Ashley Warburton

Police are continuing their efforts to apprehend the mysterious peeping runner whose activities have disturbed the sleepy hamlet of New Edinburgh for the past several weeks.

Members of the exclusive community, considered by some as a training ground for future Rockcliffe residents, recently became concerned by the sudden appearance at their windows of a face that did not

belong to any of the area developers or real estate agents. The face disappeared immediately it was noticed, to the clip clop sound of rubber soled shoes and a maniacal chuckle. The jaded jogger has managed to appear on several occasions at awkward moments for area residents.

Several have found themselves eye to eye with the intruder during the sensitive post prandial period when customary inhibitions are

traditionally relaxed. Individuals have been treated for shock, and in some cases the trauma has been so severe as to require continuing psychiatric care and marriage counselling.

Victims have been unable to provide any clues which might help to identify the perspiring pervert. A navy coloured hooded sweatsuit and darkness have managed to mask any distinguishing features. Investigators have discovered small scraps of crossword puzzles in the wake of the intruder. The scraps are being assembled into a full puzzle, which will appear in the next edition of this newspaper. The first person who solves the puzzle will be entitled to have dinner with the culprit when he is apprehended.

Police were embarrassed recently when patrol cars spotted a suspicious looking jogger, and uniformed officers pounced on the furtive figure. The police were immediately attacked by slaving plainclothes RCMP officers wearing female attire. The beleaguered jogger was immediately freed and bounded off quickly, muttering "McTeer will stop at nothing, but it won't help him". Additional remarks have been interpreted by a spokesman as "fuddle duddle" and "Schreyer will hear about this."

Police surveillance is continuing.



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Not The New Edinburgh Gal

Regulars at McCreery's will recognize our Ms. New Edinburgh. "I try to go on Saturdays," she says, "That's when everybody's there. And again on Tuesday to find out what happened over the weekend." She is contributing to our "What's Cooking" column her secret recipe for boneless stuffed duck. ("Harry will be happy to bone your duck for you," she confides.) When not shopping or cooking, our Ms. New Edinburgh can be found selling local real estate for Sampson and Delilah.



Not The New Edinburgh Guy

"I'm into jogging," says Mr. New Edinburgh, "and tennis and into and I'm heavily into squash." His current project is memorizing the lyrics of the latest disco tunes. He plans to become more involved in the community — hopefully running for president of NECA.



When I Was A Kid...

by Victoria Creighton Keefer-Mckay

as told to Mary Ivy Stanley

Interview No. 1. 3 March, 1979

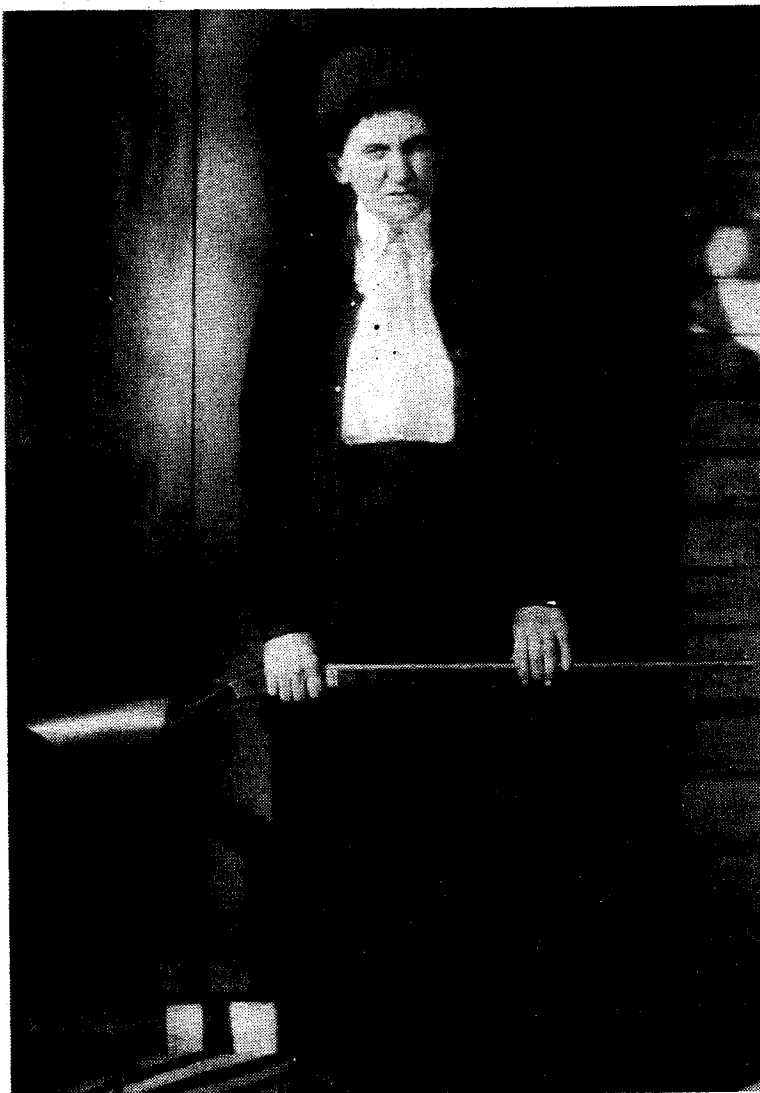
How many times do I have to tell you people this house is not for sale! Say you want an interview do you? Like ducks! Anybody knocks on this door these days just wants to tear the insides out of my place and put on plastic bubbles and greenhouses and shiny chimbleys. Take a number and get in line; we're not for sale!

Interview No. 2 10 March, 1979

You're the people were here last week. What was it — aluminum siding? The answer is still NO. Grandpa built this place to last and made all the fancy work with his own hand. It's not going to be covered up with ticky tacky. See over there? New people, only been her twenty years. Try them. G'day.

Interview No. 3 17 March, 1979

Hello, I've been watching for you. Lil tells me you're one of the Stanley's from Stanley Ave. Tell me how's Nairn & Clyde & Lois &... Oh come in. I'll put on the kettle.



Newsy Natter on Naughty New Edinburgh Not The New Edinburgh News Social Column

by Ashley Warburton

The Andersons held their first soiree of the season at their posh mews maisonette on Avon Lane. The crystal and candlelight dinner for 25 of the New Edinburgh creme de la creme featured a unique menu, beginning with eggs on toast, and finishing with peanut butter sandwiches flambée. Pour épater les bourgeois, there was no middle course. The host was resplendent in his customary white tie and tails. The hostess stayed next door all evening.

What New Edinburgh matron was seen recently holding hands with a male — not her spouse — while walking along the canal laughing merrily as the two threw snow into each other's faces? Laughing not so merrily as the snow turned out to be yellow? Rumor has it that the evening ended in at least partial déshabille, in front of a roaring fireplace, reading poetry and sipping champagne out of slippers, sanitized of course. Is there more? Not on your life — this is a family newspaper.

Area resident R. Hamilton-Harding was accosted recently by 5 hooded figures who approached him during his customary midnight stroll. His army training led him to take natural reflexive action. He quickly disabled four of the figures and chased the 5th down the street shouting "Tally Ho!" "Yo" "Banzai" and other military-type epithets. Four nuns were

later treated for minor injuries and released on their own recognizance. A fifth is still missing, and was last seen heading south above the speed limit on the Vanier arterial.

The Canadian Film Development Corporation in banning a film now being shot in New Edinburgh. It is basically a love story, involving a tall Stanley Street man and a short Crichton Street woman, whose love of real estate draws them together, and eventually drives them apart. The Stanley Street man falls in love with the Crichton Street woman's lot, and tries to have it joined to his. Unfortunately the lots do not abut, and even the Committee of Adjustment cannot join together what the developers has put asunder. The film is being shot in the late night hours, using the

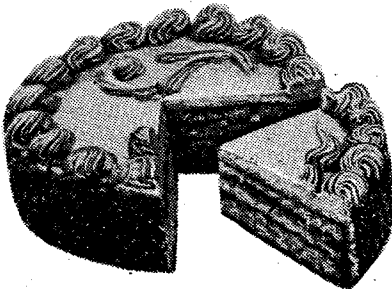
well known "night for day" film technique. Known as "le jour Canadien". It's working title is "Lot for Life".

Another film will begin shooting here shortly on location. A Franco-Israeli-Canadian co-production also financed by the CFDC, it will feature a Marlon Brando look-alike and Cary Grant in his first female role. The story is a desert romance-thriller. Most of the action scenes will be filmed in New Edinburgh park, using the snow mountains especially created by the city, filmed through sand coloured lenses to make them appear as desert dunes. This is the well known snow-n-sand technique, also called "Le sable Canadien". The Towne Cinema has been asked to screen the film's world premiere, and has refused.

What's Cooking...?

The best spaghetti comes from Italy, doubtless due to the years and years of hard work cultivating the best brands. Mostly it is grown in the south. In Springtime the orchards are a mass of red white and green flowers. The long white strands of spaghetti are ready for harvesting in early August. Itinerant spaghetti pickers come from all over Italy to help with the very tedious business of removing the spaghetti strands carefully from the trees and placing them on enormous trays to dry in the sun. The produce is then graded and packaged and some finds its way onto our Canadian store shelves. Thank goodness.

So there you are. Why not try



The versatility of spaghetti (pictured above).

some. Cook up a batch of rich garlic meat sauce. Open a bottle of good red wine. Then while away an evening enjoying the food and marvelling at the wonders of the world!!!

MacDonald — Cartier bridge; the Rideau Falls will move upstream to the new Beechwood bridge; and, the Federal Government is looking at a new official route for dignitaries travelling between the Parliament Buildings and the Prime Ministers residence. A local vocal residents group is reported to be opposed to the use of Crichton Street for visiting heads-of-state. "Even if they use the OC Transpo buses, we wouldn't let them down our street", said a spokesperson.

"The Feds ought to be worried about more than official routes", said Mr. Stools, "all the --- that's coming out of Parliament lately, she'll be the next to go!"

More City Hall Disappears

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Department, who had a completely different explanation for the movement. "It's them City Hall Sewers", said Mr. Stools, "they been overloaded so much in the last few years that they just all broke up and the whole dang thing is just sliding along, and that's the trouble."

The impending slide has implications for more than City Hall: a suspension bridge will now have to be built to connect the Vanier Arterial to the



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School Consultants To Address Followup Seminar on April 3

Since the response to the Curriculum Seminar which was held on Feb 1/79 was so encouraging, the School Advisory Committee will be holding another such evening on Tuesday, April 3/79.

The topic will again be Curriculum Expectations, however, the discussion, will be at the school board level, rather than the ministry one.

The speakers will be:

Barbara Wright — Primary Language Consultant, K-3 O.B.E.

Peter King, Junior Language Consultant, 4-6, O.B.E.

Please plan to attend in order to find out how the Ministry guidelines are implemented at the Board level. A question period will follow.

Crichton Street School, was one of the only small schools to be granted a new teacher for the school year beginning in September '79. The projected new teacher will be for Gr 1/2. Enrolment figures for September are 120-125.

Needless to say, this is very encouraging and our school is growing, which is certainly not the norm for inner city schools.

Small Turnout at Gen. Meeting

Extreme cold and lack of any pressing issues kept all but the hard core N.E.C.A. members home on the evening of Tuesday, February 13th.

It was a time for recapping the years activities of the Crichton School Community Council, The Crichton School Advisory Committee and N.E.C.A. itself.

David Henry, the outgoing president of N.E.C.A. outlined the work of the 1978 executive, making the appropriate thank you to its energetic members. His own work for the community association has been in the roll of protector of the environment, namely Stanley Avenue Park. He tabled letters and reported on discussions held between N.E.C.A. and various levels of government over the year.

His personal views on the ever-present Vanier Arterial

problem raised the ire of resident Bruce Grant who put forth a resolution which proved to be the only formal resolution of the evening. It was, "resolved that the New Executive of the New Edinburgh Community Association be instructed to ensure that the New Edinburgh Section of the Vanier Arterial be completed before the Overbrook section is started."

This he said would ensure that a dangerous situation does not develop where traffic is flowing in vast amounts to the corner of Beechwood and Crichton and the community has no way to handle it.

Following this discussion a slate of twelve nominees for the twelve positions on the executive was presented and as there were no additional nominations from the floor, the twelve were acclaimed

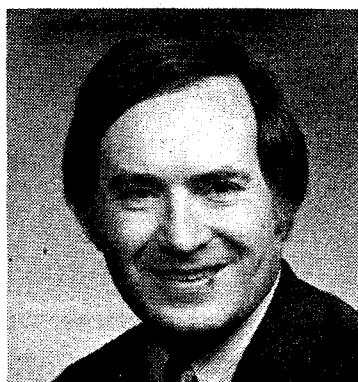
Boys-Girls Soccer Season

Spring is on its way and the New Edinburgh Soccer Team will soon be gathering at Stanley Park on Saturday morning. Coaches Ron Wolfson and Jack Ferguson will be there Saturday, May 5 at 10 am. Boys and girls ages 6 to 12 wishing to play are asked to call Jack Ferguson at 746-8259. No previous soccer experience necessary. Adults wishing to help with the team are asked to call 746-8259.

Arthritis Society Campaign Winds Up

Volunteers from the 111th Cub Pack last week delivered appeals to all Ottawa Households in support of the Canadian Arthritis Society.

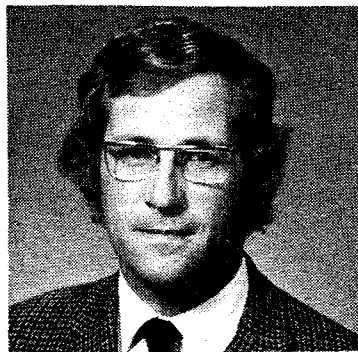
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Ed Browell - President 749-4349



Heather Matthews - Publicity and Newspaper duties 746-7419



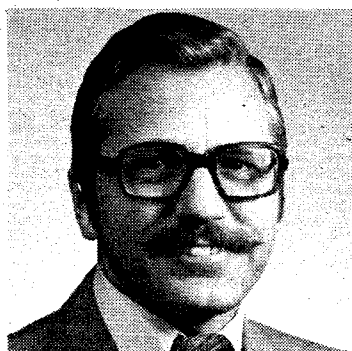
Frank Anglin - Membership committee and newspaper distribution 741-4480



Barbara Giacomini - Heritage issues, membership drive and newspaper distribution.



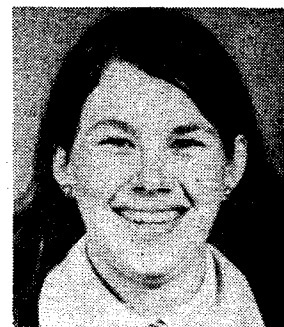
Robin Hamilton Harding - Vice-President and School Advisory Committee Liaison. 746-5742



Jim Kingham - Parks, Recreation and Transportation committees 746-0494



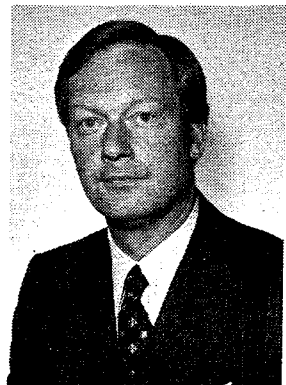
Patricia Hooper - Heritage Committee and Day Care Centre. 744-1201



Cecil Rabinovitch - Secretary 749-2431



Anne Buie - Treasurer and Community Council Liaison. 745-0768



Stuart Haslett - Government Liaison 749-6214



Patrick Gossage - Constitution. 745-0156

Gerry Valiquette - no photo available 741-1459
Parks, Recreation and Transportation.

The new executive convened for the first time Wednesday evening March 7th to hand out portfolios to its dozen members.

NECA's New President Reports

by Ed Browell

In the last edition, David Henry, the past president of our Association, reported on some of the long-term improvements of the community undertaken by the 1978 Executive. The members of the 1978 Executive deserve high praise for the many successful initiatives they undertook on behalf of the citizens of New Edinburgh. The editors and advertising representatives for this newspaper also deserve much credit for producing six high-quality issues in 1978. This community is also extremely well served by a number of dedicated residents who are striving to maintain Crichton Street School as a viable public school and a focal point for child day care and evening education and community activities through their work on the Community School Council and the School Advisory Committee.

In order to work effectively

on your behalf, the members of the 1979 Executive will need to be kept informed on the quality-of-life improvements which the residents want to see occur during 1979 in New Edinburgh. In turn, the Executive will keep you informed of developments, and solicit your directions on issues, by means of articles in the Association's primary means of communication with residents, the New Edinburgh News. You are urged by the Executive to contribute your suggestions by contacting the members whose various sub-committee responsibilities are listed elsewhere in this edition, and by having your proposals placed on Executive agendas for meetings by contacting the Secretary of the Executive, and by attending Executive meetings to present your views. (The Executive meets on the last Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Crichton Street School). As members of the Executive will be presenting at

the next Executive meeting on March 27 the work their sub-committees plan to undertake in 1979, residents have an immediate opportunity to express their views to the Executive members. So it is really up to the citizens of New Edinburgh to tell the Executive what they want to see happen in New Edinburgh in 1979. You elected us, and we are organized to implement your wishes on improvements to the quality-of-life in this unique, historical community.

Residents of New Edinburgh are invited to attend any meeting of the New Edinburgh Community Association Executive held on the last Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m., Crichton School (next meeting Tuesday, April 24th).

Artists of New Edinburgh

First in a Series of Artists Resident in the Burgh

by Joan Ablett

At the corner of School Lane and Crichton St. stands an unpretentious grey stucco house, behind a neat wrought-iron fence.

A typical Burgh residence?

Wrong.

Behind that brightly-curtained window at 15 Crichton St. is the working studio of Laurence Hyde, painter.

"Exciting" is the word that Barbara Ensor of Wells Gallery uses for his current project — oil portraits of the cast of "Upstairs-Downstairs", the popular BBC television serial.

And she adds that Laurence Hyde's "excellent wood engravings" (displayed in his last showing at her gallery), are "rather unique in Canada".

Mr. Hyde's works are at the National Gallery, Art Gallery of Ontario, Montreal Museum, and the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Born in London, England, Mr Hyde came to Toronto as a boy in 1926.

He attended Central Tech High School, where he was encouraged to paint and draw by such contemporaries of the Group of Seven as Elizabeth Wyn-Wood Hahn and Charles Goldhammer.

"I dreamed of doing wood engravings for the luxury book trade," says Mr. Hyde. "But there's no living in that."

So Mr. Hyde became a freelance commercial artist — and hated it. He joined the National Film Board. He stayed for thirty years, gaining wide respect for his work with film.

Meanwhile, in 1942, his wife, Bettye, was busy establishing the now well-known Bettye Hyde Nursery School.

Except for brief periods, the Hyde family has lived in the Burgh since that date.

"I used to attend parties at 15 Crichton," Mr. Hyde recalls.

"And the Film Society used to hold their meetings here."

So when the house came on the market in 1972 and Mr. Hyde was about to retire, he bought it without taking another look. "Much to the



Lawrence Hyde at work on one of his 'Upstairs-Downstairs' portraits.

dismay of my real-estate agent."

Mr. Hyde now spends most of the day painting in his comfortable studio, surrounded by a colorful clutter of paint pots and tubes, brushes and canvases.

Two gilt-edged floral-painted 18th century cupboard doors dominate the room. A remarkable collection of old tin biscuit boxes covers one shelf, and "Rose", the maid of "Upstairs-Downstairs" fame, peers down, half-finished from the easel.

"I'm a city person," says Mr. Hyde, "and I love to draw people".

His current project is a collection of portraits in oil of individuals in theatre, television, and film.

He plans to include some Canadian actresses such as Denise Peltier and Jane Mallet.

But the "Upstairs-Downstairs" cast will probably dominate the collection.

Mr. Hyde, an avid follower of British theatre, describes that serial as a "television masterpiece — an accurate time machine of the 1920's and Edwardian period".

Already completed is "Lady Marjorie Bellamy" pictured on the deck of the ill-fated Titanic, "Snapping Daisy" — an ingenious five-shots-in-one portrait of Daisy and Edward at the beach, "Sarah", the rather naughty maid who became James' mistress, and "Violet Marshall", primping in a mirror.

The collection is scheduled to be shown next year at Canada House, London.

And, fortunately for Burgh residents, it will be followed by another showing at the Wells Gallery, Ottawa.

Pat Hooper A Welcome Addition

New Director for Daycare Lives and Works in Burgh

Requests are taped to the door: I need a filing cabinet. I need a carpet.

"We try to encourage the children to clearly state their needs and wishes," says Patricia Hooper, supervisor of the New Edinburgh Day Nursery. "So we set an example by asking the community for the things we need. By the way, if anybody has a rocker for us, I'd appreciate it." According to Hooper, the Day Nursery is an important part of the neighbourhood. "It's a special kind of day-care centre, very much involved with families. It's not cold; it's not a service. It's warm and it's fun. The atmosphere is absolutely tremendous. It's full of love."

Ms. Hooper has a rich background in preschool experiences including Paediatric Outpatients, New Delhi, India; Marlborough Day Hospital Outpatient Clinic for Autistic Children; and most recently in Kingston, Jamaica as a trainer

at St Margaret's Day Care Centre and the Child Development Centre at the University of the West Indies.

One of her concerns these days is the loss of the Day Care Centre's sleeping room in September because of increasing enrolment at Crichton School. "It's too hard to shift the furniture around every day at nap time. I don't see how we can manage it."

Ms. Hooper wants to encourage senior citizens to visit. They can drop in, read a story to the children or chat with them. She's interested in finding out exactly what the community's needs in day care will be over the next twelve months. Interested parents are invited to stop by the Centre in Crichton School or to phone 745-8005.

Ms. Hooper is a resident of New Edinburgh at 92 Stanley Ave. She is the mother of two sons, Jonathan, 17, and Jeremy, 15 and a daughter Alison, 22.



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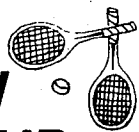
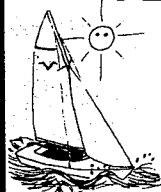
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by Ethel Proulx

As Captain of the "Heart Fund" for New Edinburgh I wish to thank the people who so generously donated and a very special thank you to my canvassers who donated their time and effort by going from door to door.

We collected \$1,860.95 which topped last year's donation by \$1,497.95. Keep up the good work New Edinburgh and again thanks a million. Ethel Proulx.

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Volunteers to work with retarded preschoolers at Crichton School. Can you spare 2-1/2 hours once a week? (9:30 a.m. - 11:45). If interested call Mrs. Rigby, 741-2373 or Ethel Proulx 745-4443.

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Yoghurt Dressing

1/2 cup yoghurt
1 egg yolk
1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon raw sugar
1 teaspoon lemon juice

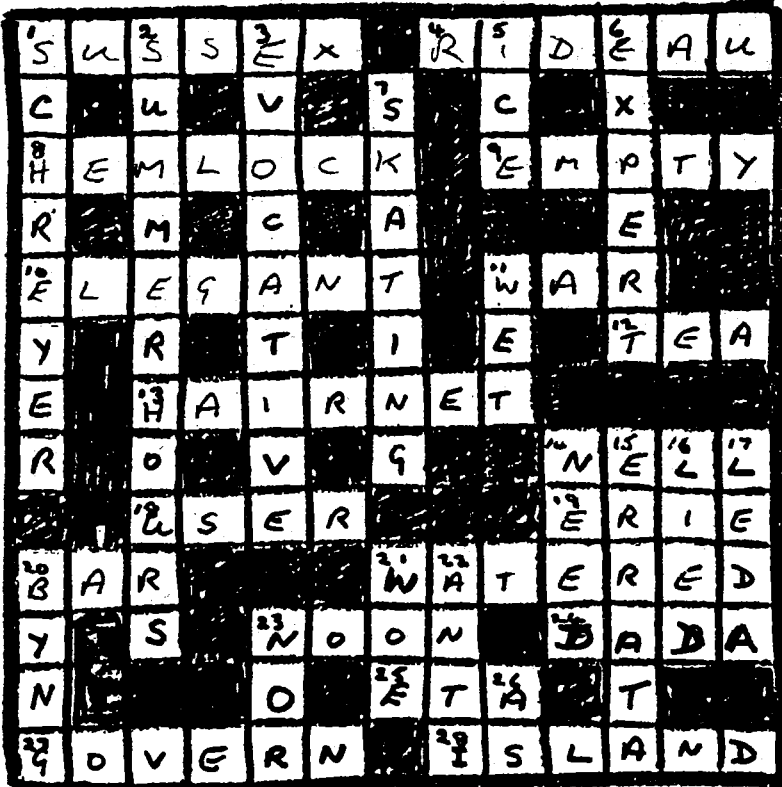
Beat all ingredients together. Refrigerate. Serve cold. Mustard and lemon juice can be increased or decreased according to taste.

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Adult Evening Clinics, Junior Clinics, Women's Morning Clinics and Private Lessons commencing May 1st are given by Margaret Gibson, former Australian International Player, at the Ottawa-New Edinburgh Club, Telephone 234-1048 after April 20th.



Winner of January's crossword was Captain B. F. McKay of 15 Ivy Crescent who completed the puzzle on the day the newspapers were delivered.

Attend St. Brigid's 4th Celebrity Auction May 5

St. Brigid's Elementary School at 140 Springfield will be the scene once again this year for the Annual Celebrity Auction on Saturday, May 5. This event is truly a family affair, with entertainment for the children taking place both indoors and outdoors. Little ones will be happy riding ponies, trying the "fish pond" and watching the antics of clowns in the school yard. Ample free parking will be available. Babysitting services are also to be provided so that Mom and Dad can make a concentrated effort on bidding for such attractive items as the Olympic Torch from the '76 Montreal Olympic Games, a surprise item from Bobby Hull, a gourmet dinner prepared by David Clark, or Rene Simard's autographed T-shirt.

Proceeds from this auction are all directed to aid in the operation of St. Brigid's Summer Camp, which is a non-denominational community camp located in the Gatineau area. Each summer approximately 500 children, mostly from the inner-city area, have benefitted, at no cost to their families, from at least a two-week period of healthy recreational activity at the camp site. Financial support is gained from community fund-raising projects, the most popular of which is the annual Celebrity Auction.

Please come out and support this community event. Activities will begin at noon, with the auction getting underway about a half hour later. Make this your personal International Year of the Child contribution, have fun and get that really good feeling you can only get by helping others.

Play Euchre

Want to get out of the house once a week and meet friends? Well, come on down to Crichton School and play euchre, Mondays 1:30 - 3:30. Refreshments served. For information call Ethel Proulx 745-4443.

MAY DEADLINE

Deadline for the May issue is Friday, May 18th. Please submit all material by 5:00 p.m. to 7 Avon Lane. All photographs and original artwork will be returned upon publication.

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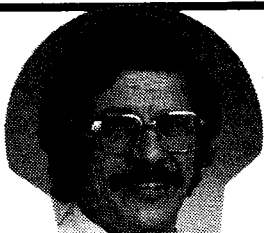
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Evolution of A School

V. Northgrave

In 1979, the International Year of the Child, every child has "the right to free education and to full opportunity for play and recreation." This was not the case 141 years ago when Mr. J. Fraser opened the school of New Edinburgh. In fact, the Grade 1 and 2 pupils could only attend school during the warmer months as firewood occupied the space during the winter.

To honour the students, past and present, from Crichton Street School, the School Advisory Committee opened an exhibition at the Heritage Ottawa Gallery on John St. for three weekends. There were 156 visitors plus pupils from Crichton School during this time.

The exhibit included pictures of the Fraser Schoolhouse and Crichton School over the years, the pupils' pictures 1903-1979,



Crichton School, ca. 1925

OBE and school notices from 1910 onward, old notebooks and textbooks, and a typical school masters desk. A very special highlight was a notebook, donated by C.

Matheson Jr., from Scotland written in 1813. The penmanship in this Mathematics workbook could stand as a model for others to follow today.

Volunteers' Efforts Brighten Lunchroom

The painting of the school lunchroom is completed at last and we owe a great deal of thanks to John Proulx, Roger Boyer and Roger Hardy who collectively spent in excess of 170 hours painting. Their efforts are very much appreciated.

The painting was a major undertaking and was done entirely on a volunteer basis. I wish to thank David Morgan

who agreed to act as project manager and who arranged convenient times for the following volunteers:

Gillian Adams - John Hutchison - Maya Adamsons - Bill Jones - Frank Anglin - Maria Laurie - Gaye Applebaum - Nate Laurie - Ashley Warburton - Roger Boyer - Sheila Leamen - Jean-Guy Charette - Dan Lewis - Jan Downing -

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As a result of some over-estimating on the quantity needed we now have available for sale at less than market price, the following quality Benjamin Moore paints: 2 gals Light Green semi gloss No 13-30; 1 gal Orange latex No 30-17, 1 gal Dark Blue latex No 8-56; 1 gal Bright Red latex No 30-30. Total cost \$50.00 or highest offer. Enquiries - Sandra Ferguson, 746-8259.

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Founder Remembered

by Kate Hughes

Walking around New Edinburgh today, the influence of its Founder can readily be seen. There is the street with his name, McKay, and the one named for his wife, Ann Crichton. His family home was the earliest Rideau Hall, and forms part of today's Governor-General's residence. He also donated ground and labour for St. Bartholomew's. McKay owned large tracts of land, some of which he farmed, and "McKay's Bush" became Rockcliffe Park. Gone, however, are the mills on the brink of the Rideau Falls which he played such a large part in establishing. An old undated newspaper account tells us that "McKay's mills stood close to the right hand side of the falls"... "the water, power was used to drive a flour mill, a brewery and a small sawmill"... the flour trade was done principally with the Gatineau district from which the wheat was obtained.

This remarkable man came to Canada in 1817, a mason from Perth, Scotland, and established himself in New Edinburgh in 1838. In the years between, he had been a major contractor for the Lachine and Grenville-Carillon Canals, as well as building the eight locks at the bottom of the Rideau



Thomas McKay, 1792-1855

Canal. Other buildings around Ottawa which can be attributed to Thomas McKay are: Earncliffe, once the home of John A. MacDonald, and now the British High Commission; the original church on the site of St. Andrew's. He was very prominent in the society of his time, a colonel in the militia, and a member of the Legislative Assembly for the county of Russell, before becoming a member of the Legislative Council of Canada for fifteen years — an active member as the records show, who spoke up many times on diverse issues. Thomas McKay made a great contribution to the prosperity of the region and the expansion of the city.

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This program is sponsored by the City of Ottawa Parks & Recreation Branch and Department of Secretary of State 'Open House Canada'.

Trips are as follows: July 1 - 15, Yellowknife; July 15 - 29 St John N.B.; August 5 - 19 Chicoutimi (bilingual exchange); Aug 19 - Sept 2 Red Deer. Registration in April at Brewer Park. Call Jan Davis at 563-3356 for information.

Letters to The Editor

On Saturday, Feb. 24, the Crichton Community School held its annual Monte-Carlo night. As in previous years this event proved to be a great success. The boys and girls working the games outdid themselves, the action at the card tables and wheels of fortune was fast and furious and many paper millionaires sat in stoney silence as their fortunes dwindled away. Auctioneer Karl Parks ended the evening with a lively auction where the lucky winners from the gaming tables were able to bid on an array of merchandise

donated for the occasion by the area business people and friends.

A good time was had by all.
Ed Kekanovich

We would like to give our opinion on the Mardi Gras evening. We both enjoyed it very much. It was a lot of fun and something different to do. Plus we found it a very inexpensive evening out. But we feel that there should be more Black Jack Tables and if possible a roulette game and a dice table to add to the enjoyment. and it should be more than once a year. We definitely would recommend it to others. We are looking forward to the next one.

Mr and Mrs Wayne Dillabough

**Monte Carlo
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The second annual Monte Carlo Night at Crichton St. School was held February 24th. The evening was co-hosted by your Community School Council and the Parent Ad-

visory Committee and was attended by approximately 172 area residents and their friends. The door prize, which consisted of one well used door and a complimentary dinner for two

at the Old Spaghetti Factory, was won by Brian Northgrave. The Raffle, a pair of tickets for a Montreal home game and return transportation via Voyageur Colonial, was won by Larry Lepene. Congratulations to both winners.

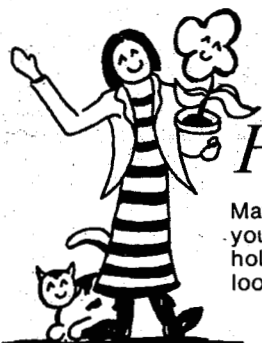
Proceeds from the evening amounted to \$603.89 and will be shared equally by the co-hosting groups. As mentioned in the January issue of this paper the Advisory Committee plans to purchase an Encyclopedia for the School Library and the Community School Council hopes to extend the existing playstructure by supplying two additional tire swings with the assistance of a non-capital Wintario Grant.

We wish to thank the following merchants and individuals for their generous contributions used at the auction and purchased by various big winners: The Chateau Laurier, Ritchie Feed & Seed, Jolicoeur Hardware, Hart's Pharmacy, Domus, Shirley Leishman Books, MacDonalds, Mr. & Mrs. John Proulx, Radio Shack, Treble Clef, Monson Cleaners, Jimmy's Men Hairstyling Salon, C.H. McCreery, Margo Salon, Voyageur Colonial, Preston Bowling Lanes, D. Kemp Edwards Lumber, John's Groceteria, Upstairs Downstairs Antiques, Ferguson Construction, Pop Shoppe, Ottawa Athletic Club, All Seasons Tennis Club, Pinecrest Tennis Club, MacArthur Bowling Lanes, Mr. & Mrs. Eric Adams, Hungarian Village, Old Spaghetti Factory, Poppa Joe's, Eastview Hotel Dining Lounge, Japanese Village, Sorento's Italian Food, Keg 'N Cleaver Restaurant, Mr. & Mrs. Robin Hamilton Harding, National Arts Centre, Ottawa Symphony Orchestra, and several anonymous donors. We wish also to thank the management of Joannise IGA for the coffee and food which they supplied, and Karl Parks, our Community Liason Officer who is the best non-professional auctioneer we know.

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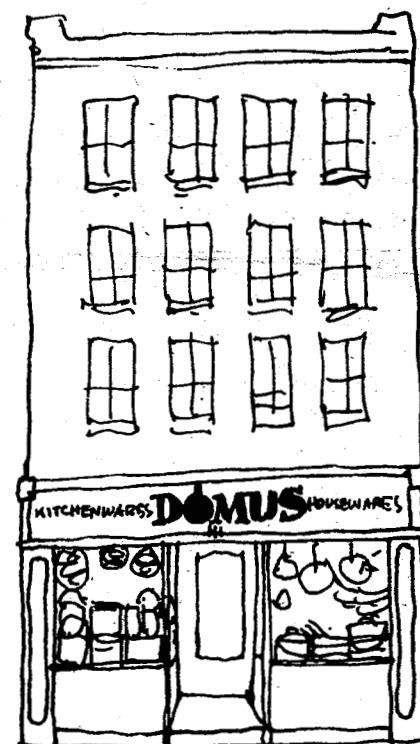
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