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Rotary supports new community centre "in principle" says President Morris Tait

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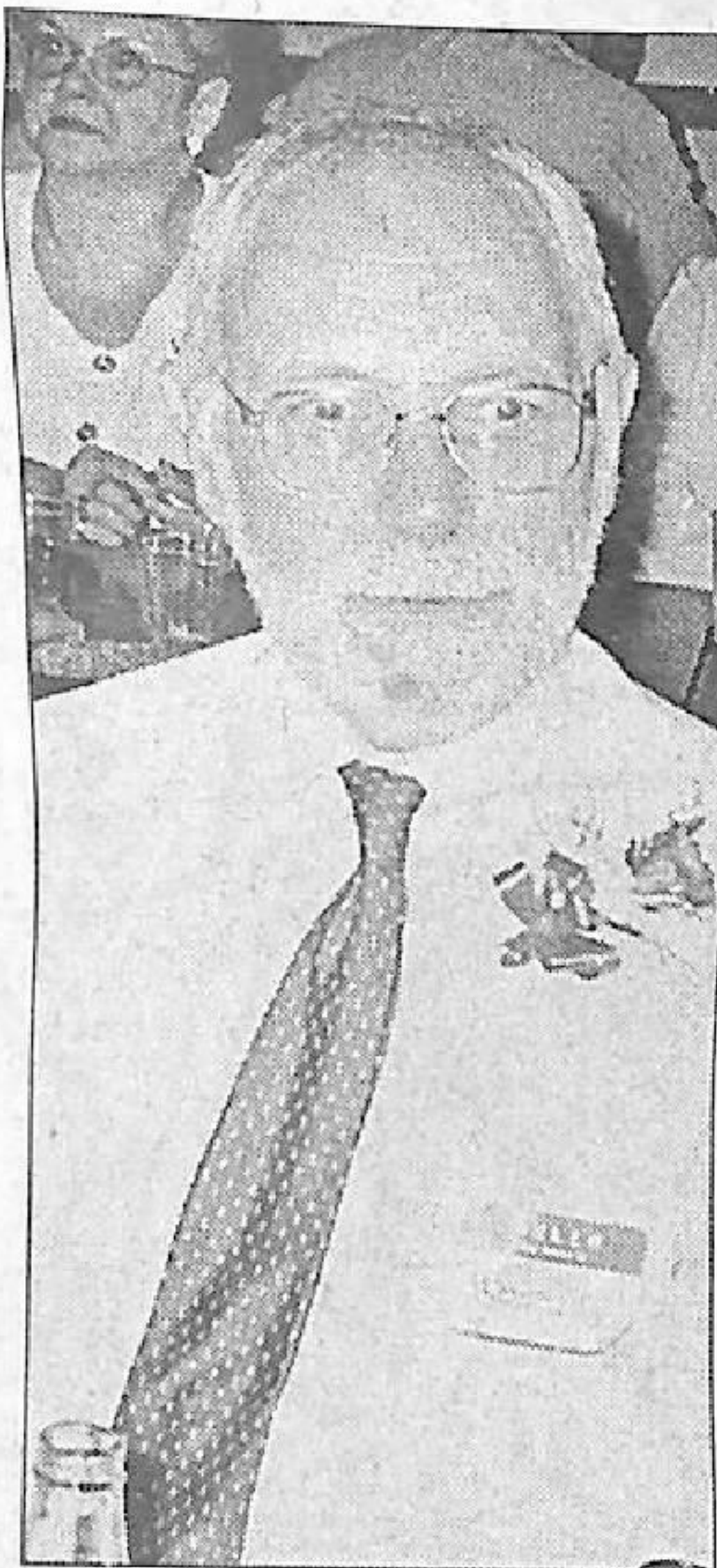
Colborne Rotary is endorsing a new community centre building development for the village.

"A motion was passed last night (Monday) to support the project in principle," Rotary President Morris Tait announced. "We will work out the fine details later."

With a membership of 20, the club members in attendance at Monday's meeting at the Queen's Hotel "were quite enthusiastic," Mr. Tait noted.

With the club treasurer on vacation, the members opted to pass the motion of support in principle until further meetings and details are worked out.

The proposed community centre, to be developed on land owned by Steve



Colborne Rotary President Morris Tait

Bowskill and Elisabeth Jensen, is planned to be a focal centre for community activities and groups. Located at the corner of Arthur and Victoria Streets, the Mr. Bowskill told Colborne council Monday night that the land will be donated for the project.

The Colborne Rotary Club will mark its 50th anniversary in 1999. While the club has been planning to mark the occasion, the coincidence of the new proposed community centre project and the anniversary are more serendipitous than intentional, Mr. Tait explained.

"We didn't know two years ago this project would be proposed," he said from his Castleton home Tuesday afternoon, "But it would be nice to highlight our year with the community centre."

Rotary Club will meet with Mr. Bowskill and all parties involved in the project soon to discuss details.

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Births

TOURIGNY, Michele & Susan (nee Westrope) have been blessed with the arrival of GABRIELLE RENEE. Our beautiful daughter arrived on Saturday, July 18, weighing 7 lbs. 14 oz. Delighted grandparents are Pat Westrope, Colborne, Martial and Aline Tourigny of New Liskeard and William Westrope, Oshawa.

First recipients of John Cole Award

Editor:

Bill and May Wilson of Brighton are the first recipients of the John Cole Award, to be presented annually for outstanding contributions to Presqu'ile Provincial Park through volunteerism, and accepted on behalf of all Park volunteers.

The presentation took place on Canada's Parks Day - July 18th - during celebrations marking the 10th anniversary of The Friends of Presqu'ile Park.

Dr. John Cole, who died earlier this year, was the founding Chair of The Friends of Presqu'ile Park. Dr. Cole gave unstintingly of his time to The Friends of Presqu'ile and many other local organizations and projects. This award was named in his honour.

Both May and Bill are long-time naturalists. May is a Past

President of the Presqu'ile-Brighton Naturalists and has spent many long hours birdwatching in the park. Her natural history observations are highly valued.

Bill is a talented woodworker, providing instrumental leadership and support for a number of projects, including the new Jobs Trail boardwalk. The Wilsons also jointly volunteer their time for many park events such as Waterfowl Weekend and Christmas at Presqu'ile.

Acting Park Superintendent Tom Mates presented the Wilsons with a framed certificate and a Lighthouse sculpted at Hoselton Studio in Colborne.

Donald A. Davis,
Secretary/Treasurer,
The Friends of Presqu'ile Park

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taxes

Monday

CASTLETON - The final 1998 tax bills for Cramahe Township residents are scheduled to be approved at Monday's meeting of Cramahe Township council. On August 17, the municipal township council plans to approve the bylaw that sets in stone the municipal budget and this year's tax rates for township residents.

"The tax bills will go out by the first of September and be due the end of September and end of November" if the council approves the bylaw as expected says Administrator Treasurer Gerry Morrison.

Two weeks ago, Northumberland County council approved the standard commercial and industrial rates for all county municipalities. Coupled with the provincial government release of the education costs to be forwarded by the municipalities, and the actual proposed budget items within the municipality, the final budget and tax bills are calculated.

For the village of Colborne, the final tax bills - and 1998 municipal budget - are tentatively scheduled for approval at the end of the month.

Details of Cramahe Township budget items and the taxes will be released to the public following Monday night's meeting.

- Mandy Martin