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ABOVE RIGHT: The Reverend Agnes Lee has had her heart set on a championship ribbon from a Colborne and District Horticultural Society flower show for the past seven years. Last Saturday, she achieved her goal: A championship ribbon for the Best Annual in the summer flower show at Castleton.

"My first year, I won a small trophy for novice entry, and I still have it," she explained Saturday. "I am so pleased to win this ribbon."

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ABOVE LEFT: Despite plans to host a reunion of friends for 30 people, Jill Sellers of Cramahe Township took time to enter an arrangement in the Best Decorative class of the Colborne and District Horticultural Society Flower Show at Castleton last weekend. Good thing; she won a championship ribbon.



LOWER LEFT: Members of Colborne and District Horticultural Society were challenged to find enough blooms to enter in this year's Summer Flower Show. In many gardens, the blooms came on quickly and early this year. But Mary Jackson of Colborne was pleased to have roses to enter in three classes. She took a first in the Floribunda and Miniature classes.

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Back to the old math for taxes

Back to the old math. Get out your calculators and starting toting up your tax bill.

How your tax calculation works:

1. Multiply the real value assessment of your property (e.g. \$100,000), by the tax rate (e.g. .014823 for residential/farm class in Colborne Village, .015604 in Cramahe Township) to come up with the 1998 "TOTAL" municipal taxes due (e.g. \$1,482.30 in Colborne, \$1,560.04 in Cramahe for property valued at \$100,000).
2. There are a number of new property classes this year, replacing the tradition residential, commercial, business tax classes. Each new property class has its own tax rate. The table on page 2 lists the property classes on the left hand side of the chart.

Your tax dollars are divvied up among three pots. The first is the "GENERAL" pot for municipal costs.

The second is the "COUNTY" which requires taxes to fund county-administered programs, many downloaded from the provincial government in 1998, e.g. social assistance, social housing, health unit and related costs.

The third pot is for "EDUCATION". This part of the overall tax calculation has dropped significantly for municipalities this year. The province is assuming more direct education funding in exchange for local municipalities assuming services, such as social assistance, that the province used to administer.

And remember, your appeal route is through your property assessment value - not the local municipality. As of press time, you have until August 31 to register an appeal.

Wedding Guests robbed at Castleton

While wedding guests attended a service at St. Paul's Church, Castleton last Saturday, thieves broke into three vehicles.

The thieves forced the locks on three vehicle doors, removing 48 various CDs, a backpack containing clothing, a pair of men's pants, a beige purse containing five \$100 bills, credit cards, etc., three duffel bags containing clothing, one bag containing shoes, a hair dryer, a curling iron, a clear glass vase, two glass bowls and a gift certificate for two nights at Lake Tappato.

The Stolen property is valued at \$2,750 with damage estimated at \$400.

Anniversary

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Happy 50th Anniversary
Frank & Jean Arthur
AUGUST 25TH



Love from the family