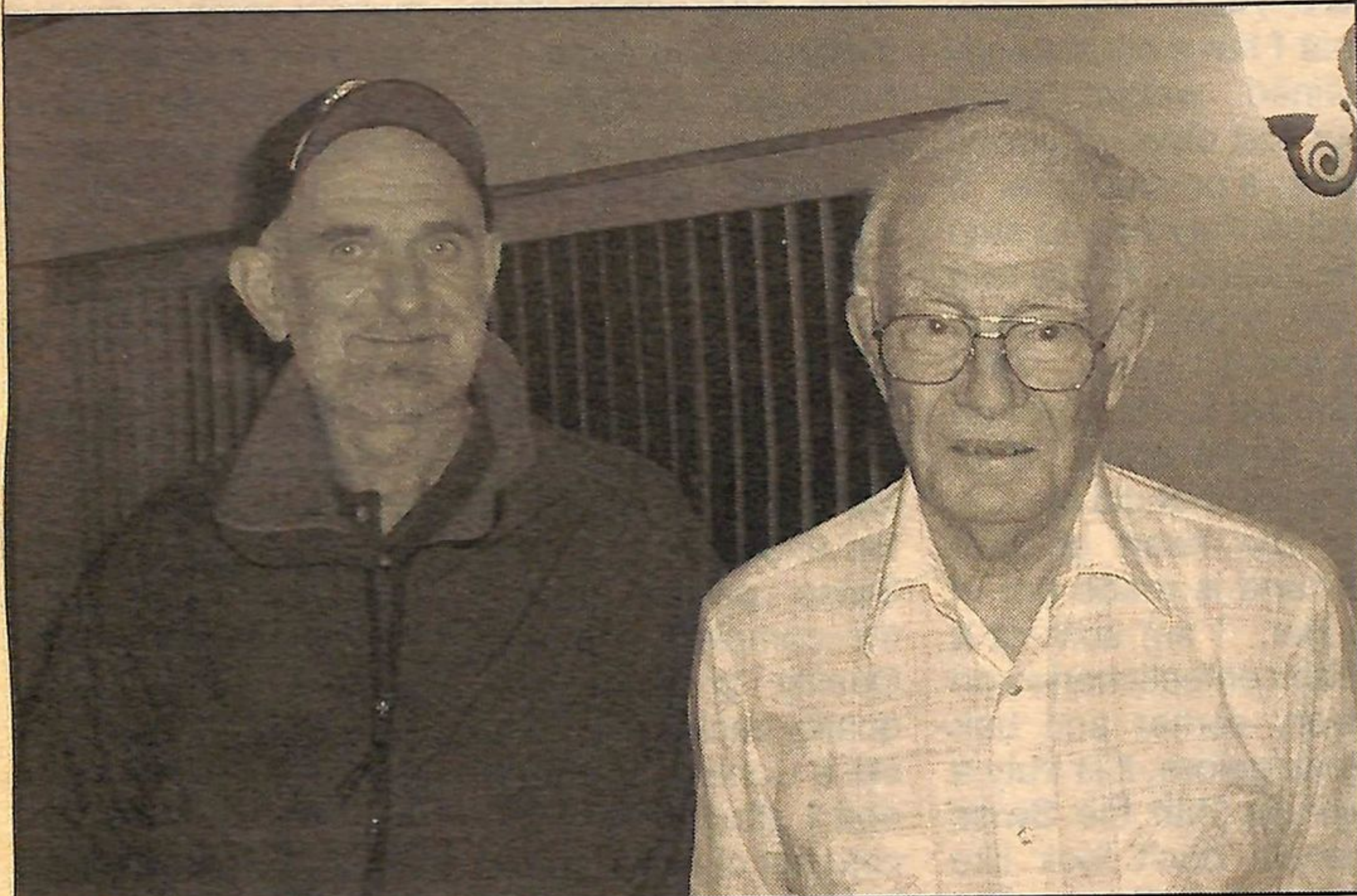


## The Independent

### CELEBRITY OF THE WEEK

# Michael Burgess



Our thanks this week go to Michael Smith and Bob Burgess for creating one of Canada's finest singers, Michael Burgess. A Canadian star that has now crossed into the arena of recording artist, Burgess is accomplished in virtually every entertainment medium; television, film, recording, and performance.

Michael first came to national prominence as Jean Valjean (Les Mis), his stage presence and talent captivating audiences and media in performance after flawless performance. From Shakespeare to O'Neill, Cole Porter to Stephen Sondheim, he has received critical acclaim. A gifted and enthusiastic actor, Michael continues to pursue this aspect of his career with both film and television roles wedged in between his fall concert dates.

# Gregory

Joan M. Gregory, peacefully in the presence of her family at St. Marys Memorial Hospital on February 14, 2005 at the age of 61. Forever loved by her husband Ron. Beloved daughter of Marg Hutton and her late husband George (1989). Daughter-in-law of the late Doris (2002) and Lloyd Gregory (1981). Loving mother of Alex and wife Allyson of St. Thomas, Neil and wife Donna of Lakeside and the late Keith Gregory (1965), and daughter-in-law Elaine Dufton of Thorndale. Loving grandmother of Angela, Kathleen, Shawn, Jordan, Allana, Chantelle, Cheyanne and Cherilyn. Dear sister of Bruce Hutton and wife Deb of Rannoch, sister-in law of John and wife Donalda Gregory of Thorndale, Alan and Doreen Gregory of London, Donna and Jim Paratchek of Dublin, Gloria and Allen Wakem of St. Marys and Karen and husband Ron Wakem also of St. Marys. Joan will also be remembered by many nieces and nephews. The Funeral Service was conducted at the Andrew L. Hodges Funeral Home on Thursday February 17, 2005. Spring internment in Kintore Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Browns United Church or the Canadian Cancer Society.

# Hawkesworth

Alice Margaret Hawkesworth, peacefully at her residence, Wildwood Care Centre, St. Marys on February 13, 2005 at the age of 92. Alice was the beloved wife of the late John M. Hawkesworth (2002). Loving mother of Thomas and his wife Heather of Grand Prairie, Alberta, and James of Edmonton, Alberta. Dearly loved grandmother of Michael, Andrew, Megan, Erin, Jennifer and Shannon. She is also survived by her sister-in-law Winnifred McMurray of Stratford and nieces and nephews Bill, Charmaine, Steve, Margaret and Paula. Predeceased by son Morley, sister Frances Stewart, brother Harry McMurray, sister-in-law Joyce Stuart and nephew Larry Stewart. Cremation has taken place. Family and friends will be received for memorial visiting at the Andrew L. Hodges Funeral Home, 47 Wellington St. South, St. Marys (519-284-2820) on Sunday February 20, from 7 - 9 pm. The Service of Remembrance will be conducted at the funeral home on Monday, February 21, 2005 at 11 am. Memorial donations to Browns United Church or the charity of choice would be appreciated.

## BROWNS WI

# WI charity euchre luncheon

Brown's Women's Institute was held on Tuesday, March 15 at 10 a.m. with co-president Carol Miller presiding.

The District Annual was announced for May 26 at 9 a.m. at Brooksdale United.

The Day Away will be held in Dundas United Church, Woodstock on April 11 at 9:30 a.m. The courses offered will be: Speaker, Healthy Eating, Flower Pot Birdbath, Decorated T. Shirt or Crotched Placemat. Lunch will be provided.

It was decided to put a display in the Western Fair. The theme is kitchens. A committee of Evelyn Douglas, Willie Vanstrein, Janet Uren, Margaret Arthur and Sheila Greason will convene it.

The highlight of our meeting was Murray Mitchell with pictures and his talk on one of his trips to Malawi, Africa where schools are built and wells dug for the people.

Pennies for Friendship 10¢ for each let-

ter of your parents' citizenship at birth.

The annual meeting will be April 12 at 10 a.m.

The roll call will be payment of 2005 membership and the social group of Liz Harrison, Evelyn Douglas, Willie Vanstrien and Sue Day in charge of Lunch.

The W.I. Charity Euchre luncheon will be held on April 24 at noon, proceeds to go to the Cancer Society and the Alzheimer's Society. Tickets are \$12.

### Browns WI Euchre

The regular Euchre Party of Browns W.I. was held on Thursday, March 17 at 8 p.m. The winners were as follows: high lady - Val Sterritt, lone hands - Noreen Switzer and low - Mildred Newman. For the men high - Terry Barber, lone hands Andy Kittmer and low - John MacDonald.

Door prize winners were Jean Sims and Larry Brook.