

## Thamesford Lions river project

At the Wintario draw on Thursday, May 19, the Thamesford Lions Club unveiled the model of the proposed rejuvenation project for the Thamesford dam and river front area from the CPR Bridge to below the Green Valley Manor, Senior Citizens Apartments area.

The project includes a parking lot on #19 Hwy., a bridge across the river near the Gilbert Fuels Depot, a walkway along the riverbank and under the bridge to the dam. The watershed behind the dam will be drained and two islands created, a sluiceway will be constructed to allow the flushing of the storage area and prevent weed build-up when the area is reflooded. The islands will be linked by a bridge and one of the islands will be connected by bridge to the riverbank.

The model was on display at the arena on Calithumpian weekend.

This massive project will do much to beautify a natural resource that when completed will bring joy to area residents for many years to come.

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## Player profile



Rich Ballantyne

Rich Ballantyne, "Air" - Rich is the right handed pitching ace for the team. He is currently holding a record of six wins and four losses, 3 losses resulting from one run deficits in tournament action. Rich has pitched 59 innings, striking out 64, walking 45. Rich has a good fastball and once in awhile, throws his round house curve that dazzles his opponents. In the hitting department, Rich is batting a 437 clip with nine doubles.

## Ontario scholars

Alan Ward, Principal of Ingersoll District Collegiate is pleased to announce that 16 Honour Secondary School Graduates have been declared Ontario Scholars. Of these four are from Thamesford and area; Ann Marie Hill, Ian Hofer, John Kennedy and Scott Kordyban.

Ontario Scholars are recognized for achieving an average of 80% or better on six Honour Secondary School subjects.

## Thamesford P.S.

On Monday, May 30, the senior students competed amongst themselves to see who would participate in the upcoming Regional Track and Field Meet which will take place in Ingersoll. The students showed good sportsmanship and all should be congratulated on their performance.

The primary students are currently studying a unit on the early pioneers. They are learning how people used to live a long time ago, before they had televisions, microwaves, cars and other things.

The grade 8 students left for Ottawa today (Wednesday) with their train pulling out at 8:45 a.m. from Woodstock. They have planned a busy two days - visiting the Parliament buildings and attending the questioning period in the House of Commons; just to name a few of the activities. They will return Friday evening at 9 p.m. in London.

The students have raised over \$7,000. for their trip since before Christmas. They have held various fund-raising events and well deserve their trip. As a result of their fund-raising efforts, each student had to pay only \$33.00 for their trip.

## Thamesford Legion end season with 21-1 record

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The Thamesford Legion Pee Wees wrapped up their regular season this week with wins of 6 - 1 over Byron and 13 - 3 over Oakridge. This gave them a final 21 wins and 1 loss record.

Kirk Martin won his 16th game of the season July 25th with a 4 hitter striking out 2 and walking only one beating Byron 6 - 1.

Jim Dunlop and Chris Serpa hit triples while Rory Offen hit a double to lead the team in the batting department on July 28th. Kirk Martin posted his 17th win of the season throwing a 3 hitter, striking out 7 and not giving up a walk, as Thamesford defeated Oakridge 13 - 3. Leading in

the hitting department was Kirk Martin and Jim Dunlop with 2 hits each, both hitting one double each. Mike Wearne scored 3 times.

The boys because of their 21 wins and 1 loss record will be moved to top division in the league playoffs (Tier 1).

Their playoffs will start the week of August 8 when they will play a two out of three one-quarter final.

## UNIT 2, UCW THAMESFORD

Mrs. John Young, leader of Unit 2, U.C.W. of Westminster United Church, Thamesford, presided over the May meeting held in the Church Parlour. Plans were finalized for the annual Geranium Tea and Bake Sale to be held in Westminster Hall on Friday, May 27.

Mrs. William Matheson, the Unit's representative on the Official Board, gave a comprehensive report of the May meeting of the Board. Members were asked to support the petition protesting the planned removal of the flashing light at the corner of George and Dundas Streets.

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Miss Alice Mackay, convener of Group 2, presented the conclusion of the study on "Civilization in Crisis" dealing with rural life in Africa. By means of a large map showing the new countries of that great continent, she dealt with the problems that are typical of each region and described efforts being made through education to solve them. Mrs. Alwyn Patience read a paper on "Agriculture in Zambabwe". The United Church of Canada is involved in a positive way through "Christian Care", and organization sponsoring skill training and development and refugee relief.

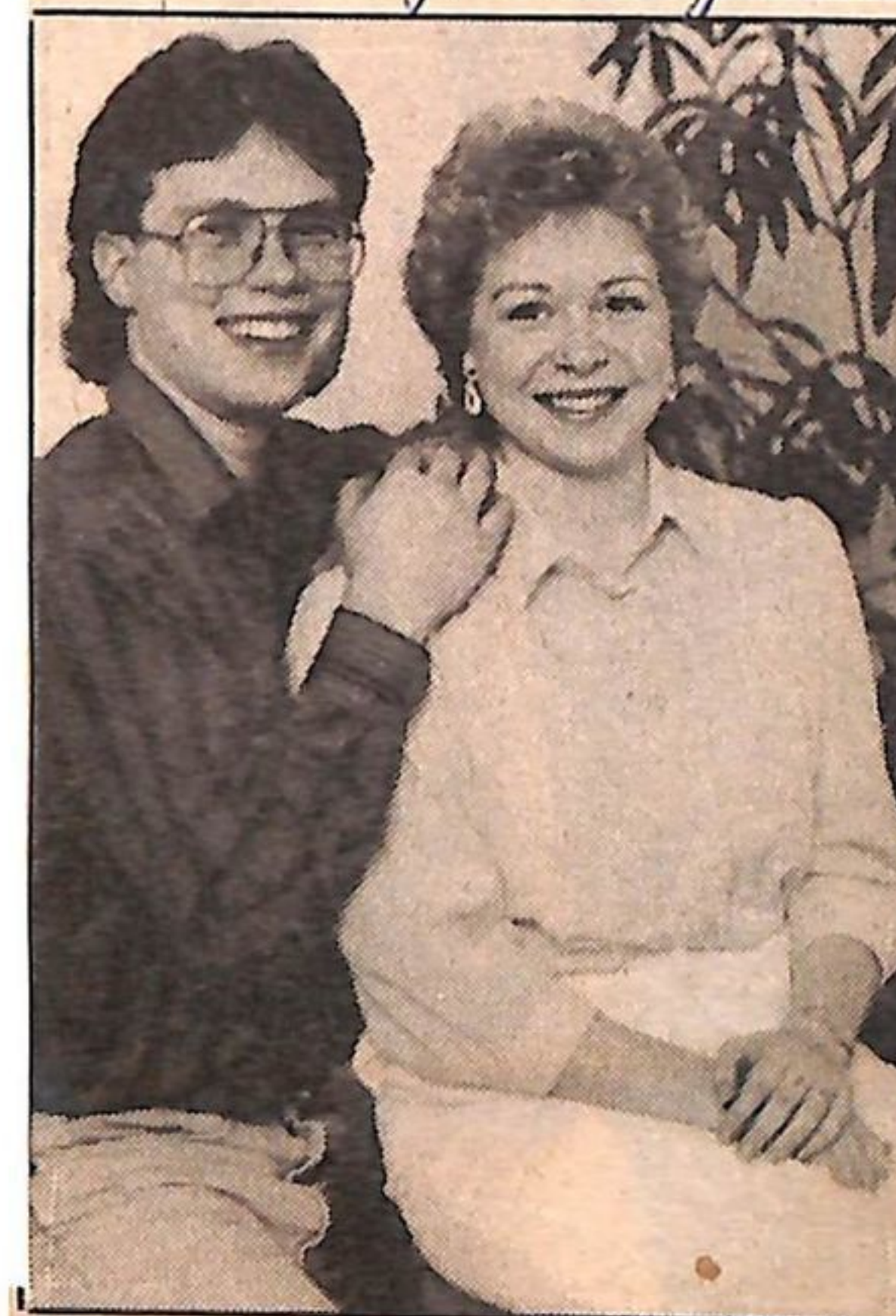
## Art work lost in Thamesford fire

THAMESFORD (Staff) — Thamesford area artist Ari Jansen lost some art work in a fire at his house and workshop Friday, the cause of which has not been determined.

The fire, which began at 4:15 p.m. in the foyer of Jansen's house, just south of Thamesford on Highway 19, destroyed some sculptures, paintings and carvings.

Thamesford Fire Chief Joe Wallace said he didn't know what the lost art work was worth, but damage to the house, formerly Dickson's Corners Public School, is estimated at \$30,000.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Broadfoot of Thamesford, wish to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Patricia Lynn, to Mr. Christopher James Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Underwood of Ingersoll. The marriage will take place at 3 p.m. on August 27, 1988 at Westminster United Church, Thamesford.