

Wellington OPP Report

Wellington OPP responded to a report of an alarm at the Rockwood Pharmacy at 3:44a.m. Monday and found someone had broken into the store located on Alma St. in Rockwood.

Police said entry was gained by smashing the glass on the front door. Once inside the cash registers were knocked over but it was not known then whether anything was taken.

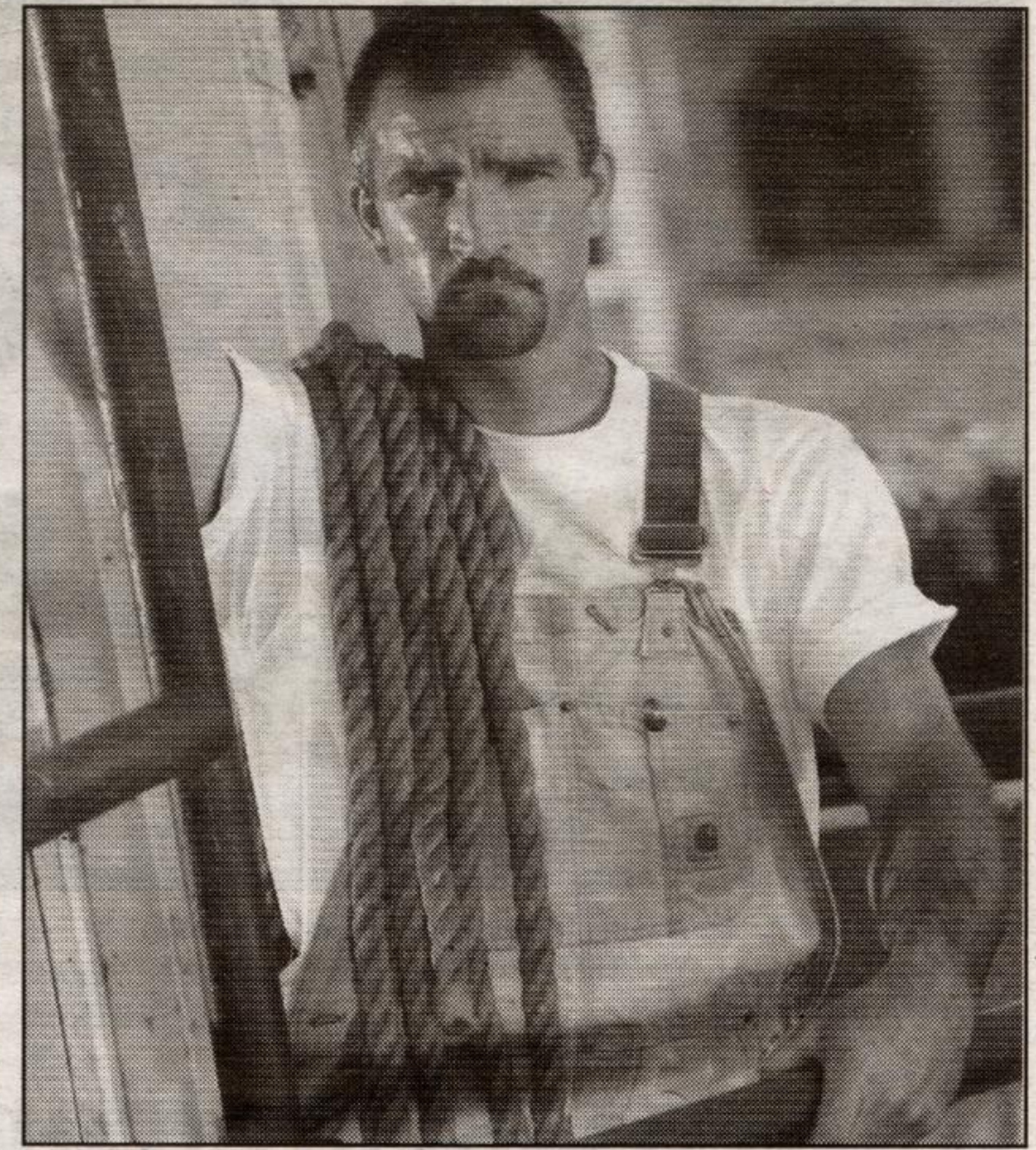
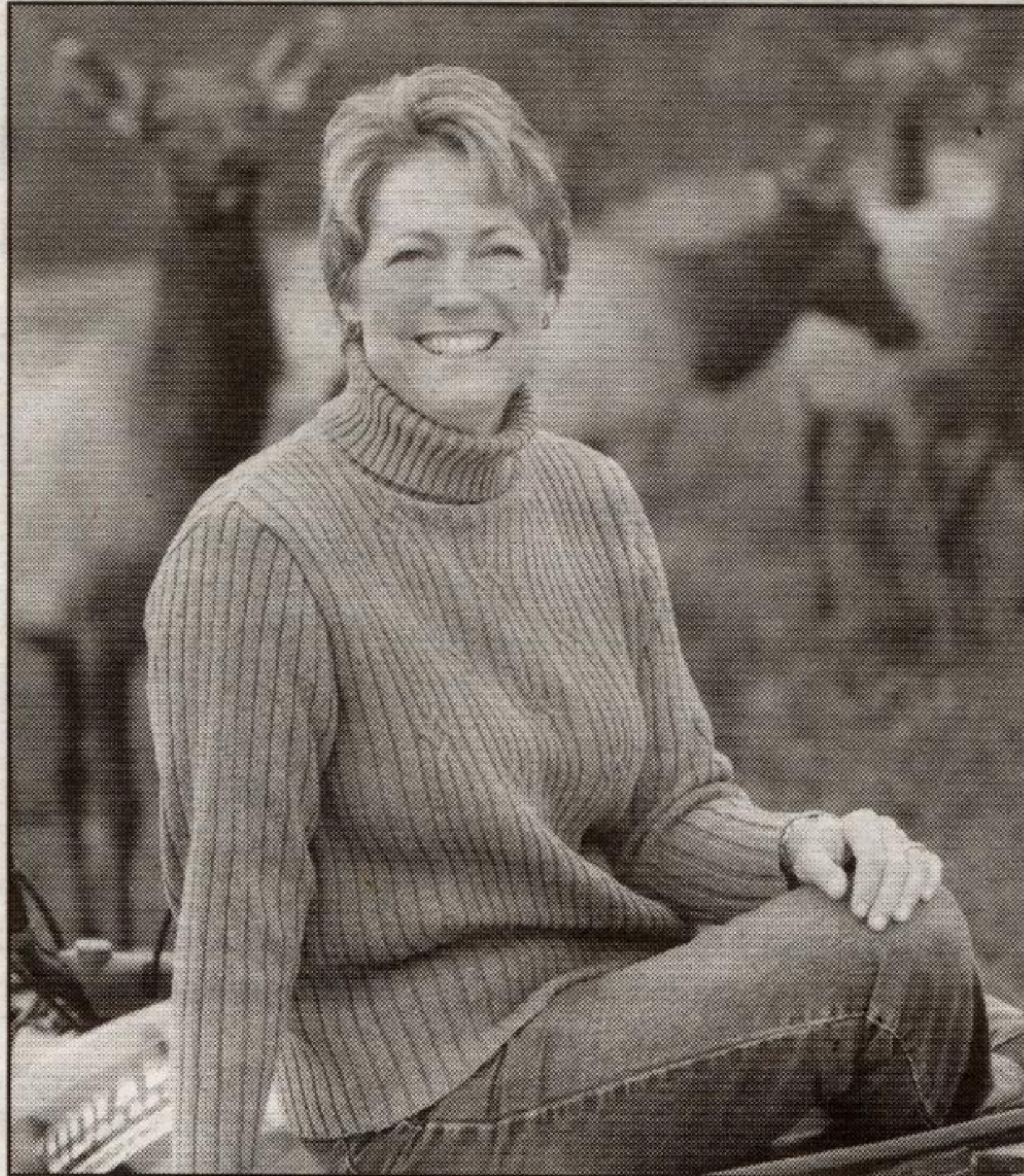
Anyone with information is asked to contact the OPP's Guelph office at (519) 822-

7250 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (222-TIPS).

DOMESTIC ASSAULT

On Saturday, Dec. 17 at 5:25p.m. Wellington OPP officers responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence in Guelph Township. The victim, a 42-year-old female reported her common-law spouse had assaulted her.

A 34-year-old male was located by police and taken into custody. He faces charges of assault, uttering threats and mischief under \$5,000.



PUTTING FOOD ON ONTARIO'S TABLES: The Ontario Farm Animal Council (OFAC) has published a 2006 calendar celebrating the dedicated men and women who raise livestock. The purpose of the calendar is to create awareness in meat consumers as to where it all begins. August and September feature the photos and stories of area farmers. September's Elaine Parkinson and her husband raise elk, mink, and horses in Rockwood. August's Shane Williams raises cattle in Orton.

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Local area farmers featured in OFAC's 2006 *Faces of Farming*

By Rebecca Ring

The Ontario Farm Animal Council, or OFAC, has pub-

lished a calendar, *2006 Faces of Farming*, which features some of Ontario's farmers. These include Rockwood's

Elaine Parkinson (Ms. September) and Orton's Shane Williams (Mr. August). According to Kelly Daynard, OFAC's program manager, the purpose of this project was to create awareness and bridge the gap between food producers and consumers. Specifically, OFAC wanted to dispel the stereotype of the "checked shirted, rubber booted farmer that urban dwellers imagine." The calendar is also a "tribute to the tremendous work that these people do 365 days a year to put food on our tables. They are often the unsung heroes."

chicken. Ontario Pork happily agreed.

OFAC printed 5400 calendars this year with the support of various agri-businesses and commodity groups. The federal and provincial governments provided some funding through the Agricultural Adaptation Council.

One thousand calendars were distributed to grocers and butcher shops to remind consumers of how meat is produced. Another 1000 went to every MP, MPP, reeve, mayor, warden and municipal CAO in the province. There are also 900 calendars for sale from the OFAC office in Guelph, which are selling quickly.

The *Faces of Farming* concept began in 2002 as an initiative of Ontario Pork to recognize hog farmers and tell some of their stories. Those calendars were produced from 2002 to 2004, but funding ran out. Early in 2005, OFAC approached Ontario Pork and asked permission to pick up and expand the program to include diverse livestock farmers, such as elk, cattle, emu and

Daynard said the photo shoots were a lot of fun. She found most of the farmers reluctant to be models at first, saying they were not "calendar material." Daynard convinced them that as real Ontario farmers, they were indeed material for this calendar. Much of the shooting

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