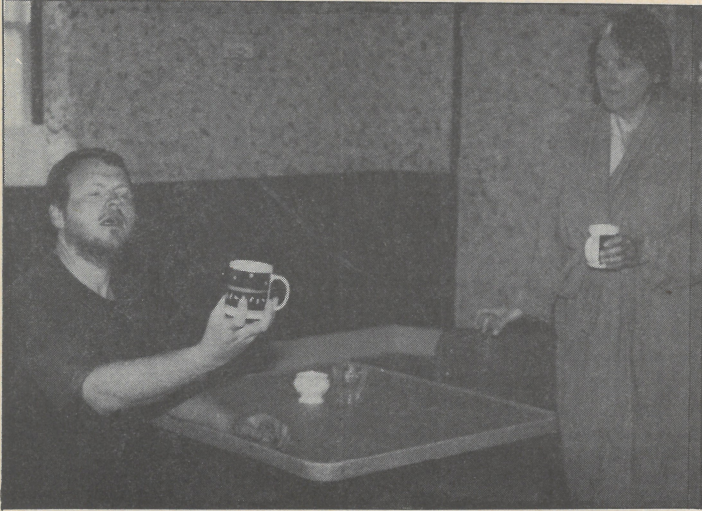


## The Affections of May



Alac! Poor shamrock! I know thee well - from somewhere - don't I? Rory McRandall and Jennifer Warr in a scene from Affections of May.

By Stewart Smith

"Some of those Oddfellows certainly are odd fellows," marvels May, the character played by Jennifer Warr, as she comes home from a party in the small town. "What do you think of small town fellows?" her companion, Hank Beavis, played by Rory McRandall, asks her.

This scene is from the play, "The Affections of May," being prepared now by local actors as the second offering of Theatrics Summer Playhouse for 1995.

"The Affections of May" will be presented next week:

\* Wednesday to Saturday, July 26 to 29;

and the following week:

\* Wednesday to Saturday, August 2 to 5.

The present play, "Little Shop of Horrors," has been playing to full houses. Therefore it would be wise to order tickets quickly for its successor.

"We chose 'The Affections of May' because it could be Bancroft - or any small town," notes Barry Lambeck. Then we should add quickly that, "Any specific resemblance to any person, living or dead, in the local community is purely coincidental."

Playwright Norm Foster does not know our local communities. But he knows rural and urban life. And on this he has built his play.

This is, "A hilarious comedy set in small town Ontario."

There are four characters:

\* Jennifer Warr, as May, is now in charge of a Bed and Breakfast, and is "the closest thing that [the community] has to a single woman."

She and her husband had fled the city to the serene bliss of rural life.

\* Knowlton Hunter, her husband, who soon discovered that rural life was not what he had expected. He did not adjust, and has returned to urban life - for most of the play.

\* Rory McRandall, the local bank manager, who proves that playwright Norm Foster was not on good terms with his local Bank - and probably on even frostier terms after this play was presented.

\* Barry Lambeck, a local lad from a once good family. Now he shares the family's disgrace, in the eyes of the community.

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## Grenville Martin Tournament

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Minden came from behind to defeat Cardiff 5 - 2.

The "A" final was between Fenelon Falls and Zephyr, a community between Uxbridge and Beaverton. We enjoyed watching Zephyr coach, Sean Sedore, give signals as if he were doing devotions.

In the 4th inning, Dan Hunter, pitcher for Zephyr, scored a home run, to make the score 2 - 0.

In the 5th inning, Fenelon Falls brought in 2 runs, to tie the score. The catcher for Fenelon Falls was hit several times by the ball - and then hit when he was up to bat.

In the 7th, Tom Jamieson, of Fenelon Falls, hit the ball out of the field and on to the top of Dave Anderson's roof. Fenelon was now one run ahead.

Zephyr had a fast runner who made it all around the

bases in the bottom of the 7th. At the end of the inning, he ran for home - and made it. But he was called "Out!" "The batter must reach first base safely before the run to home can count," explained Woody McNevin.

That rule would show up several times in the "B" final as well.

Fenelon Falls won the "A" Championship by 3 - 2.

Most Valuable Player was Tom Jamieson, of Fenelon Falls.

The "B" Championship was probably not as technically excellent. But it was fun to watch. It pitted Uxbridge against Minden.

In the bottom of the first Minden scored 2 runs.

The Second inning was lively.

Then John Polard, of the Uxbridge Bandits/Claremont Rebels hit a home run in the 3rd.

In the 5th, Jason Yoshida hit a home run into a back yard.

Then Tim Evans hit on to Dave Anderson's roof; and his brother, Brad Evans, also hit a home run.

Suddenly the score was 5 - 2 for Uxbridge.

In the 6th, Jason Yoshida hit another home run. In 4 times up to bat he had hit 2 home runs, a double, and a single.

The game ended with a score of 7 - 3 for Uxbridge.

Named Most Valuable Player was Jason Yoshida.

Organizer of the tournament, for the Harcourt Lumber Kings, was Mac Gadow - who also sells roof repair materials at Schwandt Lumber.

Workers in the new snack bar were from the Community Centre Committee.

Umpires, from Bancroft, were:

- \* Keith Dickey,
- \* Woody McNevin,
- \* Bob Riddell.



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